

Tri-County Central Office News

The task ahead of us is never as great as the Power behind us.

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STEP TWELVE

Having has a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all our affairs.

Step Twelve consist of three parts. The first part that we will focus our attention on is, "Having had a spiritual awakening." We can notice that this part of Step Twelve is written in the past tense. It emphasizes our need to experience a spiritual awakening before we begin carrying the A.A. message to alcoholics who are still suffering. In appendix II of Alcoholics Anonymous, it states, "The personality change sufficient to bring about recovery from alcoholism has manifested itself among us in many different forms." It goes on to discuss those who do experience "An immediate and overwhelming God-consciousness followed at once by a vast change in feeling and outlook." It continues to state that "Most of our experiences are what the psychologist William James calls the educational variety because they develop slowly over a period of time." So we can see that there are different ways that we can experience a spiritual awakening. The emphasis is on having one of these types of spiritual awakenings that will cause us to see our Higher Power, ourselves, and other people in a way that is new to us. Having had a spiritual awakening will give us joy to the point that we will want to share how we were saved from alcoholism with alcoholics who are still suffering. It is often said that we cannot give away something that we do not have. How can we provide another alcoholic with our experiences of completing the Twelve Steps if we have not completed them ourselves? However, we can participate in service work at our A.A. homegroups as soon as possible. It is important to note that a person who is attending an A.A. meeting for the first time might receive hope from an A.A. member who has only been sober for a short amount of time. Let us look at the second part of Step Twelve. "We tried to carry this message to alcoholics." We are able to live happy and lives as a result of our being granted a release from alcoholism. We would rightly be eager to share our experiences with a suffering alcoholic who has not yet received the A.A. message. With the support of our sponsors and other A.A. members, we are ready to carry the A.A. message. Which message will we carry? What is the A.A. message? Our message is our true stories of hope. Many of us discuss some of our drinking histories; including our bottom that allowed us to become open to hearing the A.A. message. This will help potential newcomers to identify that we are indeed recovering alcoholics. We can share our experiences of becoming an A.A. member and how we were introduced to the first three steps of A.A. We discuss the positive life we have experienced as a result of our being sober and working the Twelve Steps. We do have to fabricate or create any parts of our stories. We simply share how it really happened. We share our hope of how it is possible for them to become and remain sober too. We will help them attend an A.A. meeting if they are willing to do so. We can leave our telephone number or other agreed means of communication with them before leaving. We remain willing to assist them in their efforts to become sober. We can help them to enter an alcoholism treatment center if they need and want it. We do not have to concern ourselves with the outcomes that potential members may experience after our "12th" call has ended.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS From Central Office

CENTRAL OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

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Tuesday-December 24th for Christmas Eve Wednesday-December 25th for Christmas Day Tuesday-December 31st for New Years Eve Wednesday-January 1st, 2025 for New Years Day

Says the old proverb, "Shoemaker, stick to thy last." Trite, yes. But very true for us of AA. How well we need to heed the principle that it is better to do one thing supremely well than many things badly. Because it has now become plain enough that only a recovered alcoholic can do much for a sick alcoholic, a tremendous responsibility has descended upon us all, an obligation so great that it amounts to a sacred trust. For to our kind, those who suffer alcoholism, recovery is a matter of life or death. So the Society of Alcoholics Anonymous cannot, it dare not, ever be diverted from its primary purpose. Temptations to do otherwise will come aplenty. Seeing fine works afoot in the field of alcohol, we shall be sorely tempted to loan out the name and credit of Alcoholics Anonymous to them; as a movement we shall be beset to finance and endorse other causes. Should our present success continue, people will commence to assert that AA is a brand-new way of life, maybe a new religion, capable of saving the world. We shall be told it is our bounden duty to show modern society how it ought to live. Oh, how very attractive these projects and ideas can be! How flattering to imagine that we might be chosen to demonstrate that olden mystic promise: "The first shall be last and the last shall be first." Fantastic, you say. Yet some of our well-wishers have begun to say such things. Fortunately, most of us are convinced that these are perilous speculations, alluring ingredients of that new heady wine we are now being offered, each bottle marked "Success"! Of this subtle vintage may we never drink too deeply. May we never forget that we live by the grace of God—on borrowed time; that anonymity is better than acclaim; that for us as a movement poverty is better than wealth. And may we reflect with ever deepening conviction, that we shall never be at our best except when we hew only to the primary spiritual aim of AA. That of carrying its message to the alcoholic who still suffers alcoholism.

Excerpts: "The Language of the Heart" Reprint Permission/ AA Grapevine



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District 2 - Tampa Bay Area Institutions Committee covering Hillsborough & East Pasco Counties

CONTACT---(877) AATAMPA or (877) 228-2672

TBAIC SECRETARY REPORT November 9, 2024

Attendees: Jessica M, Tom F, Mike B, John T, Gaby G, Mindy W Chair Report: The meeting started at 9:30 a.m. with the Declaration of Unity. There is still vacancy for Area 15 Treatment Committee Chairperson and Secretary/Treasurer position. Secretary Report: Mike B then read the secretary report and it was accepted without any changes. Treasurer Report: John T presented the treasurer's report. Our current balance is \$3,790.19. Monthly expenses were \$50 for central office storage. Monthly expenses included reimbursing Mike B to travel to Area 15 meeting which was \$229.13. Literature expense for this month was \$1280.48. Our committee received \$897 in contributions from the following groups: Great Way to Start the Day, Keep it Simple Pass it On, Living in the Solution, Promises AA Group, Ruskin Fellowship (Sunday), Thank God it's Friday Group. Treatment Centers: - John T. stated there is an open position for ACTS detox Friday nights. Only the first Friday of the month is currently being covered. - ACTS Juvenile Detox all good and covered. - ACTS Amethysts slots are all filled. Going well. - Cove Housing Meeting going well. - Operation New Hope wants a meeting once a week per male who volunteered for service position. The meetings will be on Wednesday at 2 p.m. They also have a location in St. Pete. -BayCare Northside Behavioral Health fellow is discontinuing his service position. Volunteers are needed. - North Tampa Behavioral Health has volunteers but needs assistance. - Cove Behavioral Health: no report. - Sandra Prince: no report. Corrections: - TrueCore is still shut down. - Falkenberg Jail in real good shape. Bianca provided a report indicating there are 3 more volunteers in the process of doing their paperwork. - Hillsborough County Men's Jail: no report. -Zephyrhills started meetings again 3 weeks ago per Tom F. - Pasco County Jail are having meetings 2 – 3 times a month per Jessica M. Volunteers still needed. Bridge The Gap: There was 1 call and 1 bridge. 1/1. Man on the Bed: Mindy W. reported that she had a call, and it was a Spanish male. At the time there were no Spanish speakers available to assist him. Mindy reached out to the social worker to let them know that there are now Spanish speakers available for future services. She also mentioned that there was a call for a woman at TGH in withdrawal. 2 people went to visit her and dropped off phone numbers and pamphlets. There has also been in an increase in people \$100.00 who have signed up for Man on the Bed. Mindy is now asking about language on the Man on the Bed forms. Tom F volunteered. **Old Business:** - Webmaster will be contacted for the TBAIC website. Webmaster states they made the updates to the website; however, the website is still down for maintenance. New Business: - John T. mentioned that the committee should directly pay for the zoom account for TBAIC instead of reimbursing individual at the end of their chair position term. - Jessica M. will get with Sylvia to take over the TBAIC account. The meeting ended at 10:08 a.m. with the Responsibility Statement.

Our Next Committee Meeting

December 14th, 2024 9:30 am on ZOOM. Contact us at www.tbaic.org for more information. The meeting usually lasts about an hour and it is the best way to get involved with service work, in Detox/Treatment/Jail/ Prison facilities. If you would like to join our committee PLEASE COME!!!!!!!!!!!!!

www.tbaic.org				
Position	Name			
Chair	Jessica M.			
Chair (Alt.)	Mike B.			
Treasurer	John T.			
Treasurer (Alt)	Joe R.			
Secretary	Gaby G.			
Hillsborough County Jail	Buddy H. (Men's)			
Falkenberg Women's Jails	Bianca H. (Women's)			
Pasco Jail-Women's	Jessica M.			
Treatment Coordinator	John T.			
Bridging the Gap	Tracy S.			
Man on the Bed	Mindy W.			
Zephyrhills CI	Tom F.			

Pink Can Drive

Our committee is 100% self supporting and receives no funds from the traditional pie charts or District 2 in accordance with our group conscious. If your home group has not made a pink can donation recently or if you are able to send an additional donation this year ...

We will put it to great use!

TBAIC, PO Box 26242, Tampa FL 33623

Contributions: October 19th thru November 9th, 2024: Great Way to Start the Day: \$387.00, Keep it Simple/Pass it On: \$189.00, Living in the Solution: \$60.00, Promises Group: \$40.00, Ruskin Fellowship: \$121.00, Thank God it's Friday: \$100.00

YTD Contributions to TBAIC	\$16,681.98
Pink Can Balance 12/2023	\$7,110.46
YTD Money Spent on Literature	\$16,479.44
YTD Operational Expenses	\$3,522.81
Pink Can Current Balance	\$3,790.19

The Corrections Committee needs all types of volunteers. They need people to attend meetings in the facilities, people to help spread the word about this type of service work.

It is okay if you have never been to jail yourself! You can still help.

You can still carry A.A.'s message of hope to an alcoholic who is incarcerated.

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No matter how successful these calls may appear to be, we realize that the final results are in our Higher Power's and the prospects hands. We are not responsible for a potential member's decision to become sober. We are only responsible for carrying the A.A. message to them. It would serve us well to remain close to God while we are performing "12th" Step work. We will remain on solid ground if we do. The last part of the 12th Step is "Practicing these principles in all our affairs." Many A.A. members believe that this is the most challenging part of Step Twelve. This part of Step Twelve discusses our practicing A.A. principles in all our affairs. It is not just our affairs at A.A. meetings and in the home; we are discussing every aspect of our lives. We practice this part of Step Twelve 24-hours a day. We are not talking about perfection. We are talking about spiritual growth on a daily basis. We are speaking of practicing these principles that are embodied in the Twelve Steps of A.A., and using the tools that we have developed as a result of our initial completion of the steps. We want to be kind and honest with people at work. We strive to be kind to those who attempt to harm us. We try our best to be kind to strangers. We practice, love, and tolerance with others. We do our best to be honest in all our dealings. It is safe to say that all of us will fall short in these areas at times. We will need to address our defects of character when they surface to improve our relationships with others. We can feel particularly good about ourselves if we are practicing the Twelve Steps of A.A. Surely, we have come an exceptionally long way since entering Alcoholics Anonymous. We have found a path that allows us to continually experience growth and the joy that comes from it. We have become more in touch with our abilities to love ourselves, others, and our Higher Power. We have come to know the gratification that comes from it. God bless us as we continue our ongoing spiritual path of enlightenment! Your brother in A.A.

Excerpt from the pamphlet: The Little Purple Pamphlet



Tradition Twelve November 1948

One may say that anonymity is the spiritual base, the sure key to all the rest of our Traditions. It has come to stand for prudence and, most importantly, for self-effacement. True consideration for the newcomer if he desires to be nameless; vital protection against misuse of the name Alcoholics Anonymous at the public level; and to each of us a constant reminder that principles come before personal interest—such is the wide scope of this all-embracing principle. In it we see the cornerstone of our security as a movement; at a deeper spiritual level it points us to still greater self-renunciation. A glance at the Twelve Traditions will instantly assure anyone that "giving up" is the essential idea of them all. In each Tradition, the individual or the group is asked to give up something for our general welfare. Tradition One asks us to place the common good ahead of personal desire. Tradition Two asks us to listen to God as he may speak in the group conscience. Tradition Three requires that we exclude no alcoholic from AA membership. Tradition Four implies that we abandon all idea of centralized human authority or government. But each group is enjoined to consult widely in matters affecting us all. Tradition Five restricts the AA group to a single purpose, carrying our message to other alcoholics. Tradition Six points at the corroding influence of money, property, and personal authority; it begs that we keep these influences at a minimum by separate incorporation and management of our special services. It also warns against the natural temptation to make alliances or give endorsements. Tradition Seven states that we had best pay our own bills; that large contributions or those carrying obligations ought not be received; that public solicitation using the name Alcoholics Anonymous is positively dangerous. Tradition Eight forswears professionalizing our Twelfth Step work but it does guarantee our few paid service workers an unquestioned amateur status. Tradition Nine asks that we give up all idea of expensive organization; enough is needed to permit effective work by our special services—and no more. This Tradition breathes democracy; our leadership is one of service and it is rotating; our few titles never clothe their holders with arbitrary personal authority; they hold authorizations to serve, never to govern. Tradition Ten is an emphatic restraint of serious controversy; it implores each of us to take care against committing AA to the fires of reform, political or religious dissension. Tradition Eleven asks, in our public relations, that we be alert against sensationalism and it declares there is never need to praise ourselves. Personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and film is urgently required, thus avoiding the pitfall of vanity, and the temptation through broken anonymity to link AA to other causes. Tradition Twelve, in its mood of humble anonymity, plainly enough comprehends the preceding eleven. The Twelve Points of Tradition are little else than a specific application of the spirit of the Twelve Steps of recovery to our group life and to our relations with society in general. The recovery steps would make each individual AA whole and one with God; the Twelve Points of Tradition would make us one with each other and whole with the world about us. Unity is our aim. Our AA Traditions are, we trust, securely anchored in those wise precepts: charity, gratitude, and humility. Nor have we forgotten prudence. May these virtues ever stand clear before us in our meditations; may Alcoholics Anonymous serve God in happy unison for so long as he may need us. Reprint Permission: AA Grapevine: Language of the Heart

Continue to watch for selfishness, dishonesty, resentment, and fear. When these crop up, we ask God at once to remove them.

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NOTES FROM INSIDE THE CENTRAL OFFICE

November 12th, 2024 the Board of Directors for Central Office BOARD MEMBERS REPRESENTING GROUP

AL B.	CHAIRPERSON	THURSDAY NIGHT BIG BOOK
BRAD W.	ALT.CHAIR	TAMPA NIGHTLY NEWCOMERS
SOPHIE C.	TREASURER	OLD SCHOOL GROUP
DEBBIE S.	SECRETARY	TO IMPROVE OUR CONSCIOUS CONTACT
LINDA B.	BOARD MEMBER	JUST WHAT I WANTED GROUP
DODY H.	BOARD MEMBER	CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP
CARL L.	BOARD MEMBER	KEEP IT SIMPLE MEN'S GROUP
SCOTT B.	BOARD MEMBER	TAMPA SATURDAY NIGHT SPEAKERS
BRIAN L.	BOARD MEMBER	BARRACKS BRIGADE GROUP
OPEN	BOARD MEMBER	

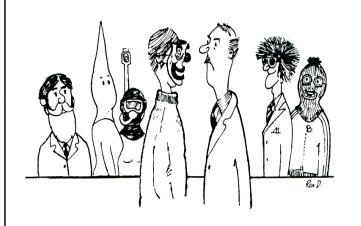
(Al opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. (Because of time restraints the Board & Council meeting has been combined.) Board Members present: Al B., Linda B., Dody H., Brad W., Carl L., Debbie S., Sophie C., Scott B. & Brian L. An announcement was made reminding everyone to make sure that you have signed in, leaving your name, home group & email in the chat. Secretary Report: Because of Hurricane Milton in October, we were unable to have a meeting, so there are no minutes to be read. Motion to approve & seconded & accepted. Treasurers Report: Sophie presented the October Treasurer's Report Contributions in October totaled \$9,833.58. This accounts for what 43 Groups or Individuals in our area have contributed in October, also included is, \$1,664.52 from 8 Groups or Individuals who made contributions through PayPal. We also received \$170.00 from 4 members of the Birthday Club. Our literature sales for October was \$5,306.00. This includes sales from A.A. material and non-A,A, material (medallions-etc.) and 2 Newsletter subscriptions. Our total income for October was \$15,153.58. Our Total Cost of Goods Sold was \$4,373.69. Subtracting the Total Cost of Goods Sold from our October income left us with a Gross Profit of \$10,779.89. Our Total Expenses for October were \$8,915.03. Subtracting our Expenses from our Gross Profit gave us a Net Income of plus+\$1,864.86 for the month of October. A motion to approve was made, it was then seconded and approved. **Old Business:** (1.) The Treasurer had requested "that we start a meeting of the board members preferably before the council meeting as done in time past. It does not need to be exhaustive and only perhaps 15 minutes? There are several points of order that we need to have for discussion that require the boards input." After much discussion for and not sure. A motion was made "To have the Board meeting 15 minutes (6:45 pm) before each meeting." The motion was seconded and approved. (2.) The Treasurer had requested to "Include in future treasurer reports the Open/Close Balance of Tri-County Bank Account(s) and Prudent Reserve Balance(s)." Discussion followed. Tim said he would provide the reports. (3.) Central Office Adhoc Committee for the Tri-County Central Office Anniversary Dinner: Scott reported that they had paid a deposit to Palma Ceia Presbyterian Church. The event will be February 22nd, 2025. It will be from 2:00pm to 6:00 pm. They plan to have electronic ticket sales at \$20.00 each. (Currently there is no flyer or other details posted.) The committee is also looking for volunteers to help out in many areas. More discussion followed between members on what parts they were doing for the Dinner. Scott also announced that he had volunteered to be the Secretary for the Area 15 Intergroup/Central Office Committee at Area 15. Scott also brought up the idea of Central Office to start accepting credit cards at the Office.

November 12th, 2024 the Central Office Representatives met: COUNCIL MEMBERS REPRESENTING GROUP

If you attended the Meeting but not listed below, we didn't catch your info in the chat—follow up with an email to aainfo@aatamapa-area.org

SARAH H.	FULL MOON RIVER GROUP
KARA H.	LANGUAGE OF THE HEART GROUP
DARIEN W.	TAMPA BAY SPEAKERS GROUP
BEVERLY R.	SOBER @ 7 GROUP
JEREMY B.	TAMPA NIGHTLY NEWCOMERS GROUP
SAMANTHA A.	FISHHAWK GROUP
LINDA R.	THE MEETING PLACE GROUP
JUSTIN P.	TUESDAY NEWCOMER GROUP
САТНҮ Н.	SIMPLY SOBRIETY WOMEN'S GROUP
ANNIE L.	KEEP IT SIMPLE GROUP
ANDREW S.	SOBRENITY GROUP
KEN M.	SAFE HAVEN GROUP
RANDELL D.	FOURTH DIMENSION GROUP

Tim noted that he had talked with our accountant and will see what we need to do to set things up. Dodie asked about ordering literature. Tim replied to send an email with what you wanted to purchase. Once the order is filled, you will get an order is ready for pick up. invoice noting that the New Business: None Announcements: Scott provided a quick report as the District 2 Central Office Liaison. Sophie announced that the Old School Group was having a workshop on Saturday about relationships and using the Traditions. It was brought up that if anyone was having an event for Thanksgiving or Christmas to let us know. A motion to close was made, seconded and approved. Meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer. The next Board Meeting will be December 10th at 6:45 pm followed then by the regular meeting @7:00 pm on **ŻOO**M



"We really value our anonymity in this group."

ANNIVERSARY TIME It Works-It Really Does—Ask them how they did it!!!

GROUP Honors To Years AA 101 GROUP KAY M. 12/08/01 **23 YRS** 2 YRS SOBER @ 7 GROUP BEVERLY R. 12/10/22 5 YRS SOBER @ 7 GROUP TOMMY P. 12/27/19 SOBER @ 7 GROUP MIKE H. 12/18/19 5 YRS SOBER @ 7 GROUP MICHAEL P. 12/26/09 **15 YRS** 15 YRS SOBER @ 7 GROUP JANET S. 12/01/09 NEW WAY WOMEN'S GROUP ANN K. 12/12/05 **19 YRS** ELLIE C. **38 YRS** NEW WAY WOMEN'S GROUP 12/14/86 40 YRS NEW WAY WOMEN'S GROUP SUSAN G. 12/23/84 LIVING SOBER/AS BILL SEES IT MARIE B. 12/27/11 **13 YRS** FRIDAY WOMEN'S FRIENDSHIP TERRI P. 12/23/09 **15 YRS** BETH P. 12/09/09 15 YRS FRIDAY WOMEN'S FRIENDSHIP FRIDAY WOMEN'S FRIENDSHIP **NEVA** 12/31/99 **25 YRS** SIMPLY SOBRIETY WOMEN'S LORI B. 12/14/21 3 YRS SIMPLY SOBRIETY WOMEN'S CHRISTA C. 12/10/18 6 YRS **13 YRS** SIMPLY SOBRIETY WOMEN'S LISA M. 12/06/11 **RUSH HOUR GROUP** MARK L. 12/17/00 **24 YRS** HEATHER H. JUST WHAT I WANTED WOMEN'S 12/22/13 11 YRS JUST WHAT I WANTED WOMEN'S BETHANY H. **11 YRS** 12/18/13 JUST WHAT I WANTED WOMEN'S **PHYLLIS** 12/13/05 **19 YRS** JUST WHAT I WANTED WOMEN'S ANGELA P. 12/02/05 **19 YRS** 14 YRS CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP PAUL H. 12/07/10 DODY H. 12/23/09 15 YRS CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP ROBERT B. 12/31/07 **17 YRS** CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP BRIAN A. 12/02/94 **30 YRS** ON THE WAY HOME GROUP **MARISA** 12/30/17 **7 YRS** ON THE WAY HOME GROUP **17 YRS SILVANA** 12/02/07 **19 YRS** ON THE WAY HOME GROUP JENN N. 12/05/05 ON THE WAY HOME GROUP NEVA S. 12/31/99 **25 YRS** ON THE WAY HOME GROUP DON B. 12/12/89 **35 YRS** 12 YRS KEYSTONE DISCUSSION GROUP BART S. 12/31/12 DONNIE L. **13 YRS** KEYSTONE DISCUSSION GROUP 12/01/11 **38 YRS** KEYSTONE GROUP AL G. 12/02/86

A BIRTHDAY CLUB SUPPORTER TO CENTRAL OFFICE ONE DOLLAR OR MORE for each year of sobriety

Home Group	Honors To	Date	Years
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	JUDY K.	06/24/93	31 YRS
HIDE-A-WAY GROUP	PHILIP S.	11/08/07	17 YRS
NEW TAMPA MONDAY MEN'S	CHRIS D.	11/30/93	31 YRS
THANK GOD IT'S FRIDAY	JANICE P.	12/09/90	34 YRS

SELF-SUPPORT-NOVEMBER, 2024

© Today in November, 2024 we currently have 191 Groups in the Hillsborough-East Pasco area with around 502 meetings weekly. Also we have 128 Zoom meetings weekly. Contributions in November totaled \$6,605.09. This accounts for what 38 Groups or Individuals in our area have contributed in November, also included is, \$1,581.69 from 10 Groups or Individuals who made contributions through PayPal. We also received \$11 3.00 from 4 members of the Birthday Club and \$402.04 from the Red Day Chip event held in Brandon. Our literature sales for November was \$7,148.61. This includes sales from A.A. material and non-A,A, material (medallions-etc.). Our total income for November was \$13,753.70. Our Total Cost of Goods Sold was \$5,579.00. Subtracting the Total Cost of Goods Sold from our November income left us with a Profit of \$8,174.70. Our Total Expenses for November were \$10,112.53. Subtracting our Expenses from our Gross Profit gave us a Net Income of minus-\$1,937.83 for the month of November. We still have a good Prudent Reserve, all our bills keep getting paid, the lights are on, we have a decent amount of literature available, the phones are working Thank you for your support. Thank You!!!O.M. tws:)

These questions were originally published in the AA Grapevine in conjunction with a series on the Twelve Traditions that began in November 1969 and ran through September 1971. (The 12 Traditions were created to help each A.A. group maintain unity and relate better to the world about us. Below is a snapshot inventory you can take to see how well you are honoring the spiritual principle found in this Tradition.) Tradition Twelve: Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities. 1. Why is it a good idea for me to place the common welfare of all AA members before individual welfare? What would happen to me if AA as a whole disappeared? 2. When I do not trust or agree with AA's current servants, who do I wish had the authority to straighten them out? 3. In my opinions of and remarks about other AAs, do I imply that membership requirements go beyond the desire to stay sober? 4. Have I a personal responsibility to help an AA group fulfill its primary purpose? What is my part? 5. Do I do all I can do to support AA financially? 6. Should I keep my AA membership a secret, or reveal it in private conversation when that may help another alcoholic (and therefore me)? Is my brand of AA attractive so that other drunks might want it? 7. What does anonymity mean to me? 8. In light of increased awareness of alcoholism and AA's program of recovery among the general public, why is the principle of anonymity still important? 9. Am I mindful to respect the anonymity of other AA members who may work in my place of employment or my industry? How about AA members who live in my area or neighborhood? 10. What does "principles before personalities" mean to me?

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That's 691 Years of Sobriety!
Someone is definitely doing something right!

MORE NEWS AROUND THE TOWN & THE AREA **Download Flyers from Events Page**



A PRESENTS



SUGGESTED DONATION: \$10 EACH TRUTH OR DAB QUESTION: \$5 (!!PRICE SPECIALS FOR QUESTIONS!!)

menu

SPEAKER PANEL (RIGOUROUS HONESTY)

MUSIC

WINGS, PIZZA, & DRINKS

SIDE-HURTING LAUGHTER

LOCATION: 3333 W. COLUMBUS DRIVE, TAMPA FL 33607 <u> SATURDAY, 12/28 FROM 8:15PM TO 11:30P</u>

Alpha Club Presents



12/24/24 meeting times: 12pm, 3pm, 6pm, 9pm

12/25/24 meeting times:

12am, 3am, 6am, 9am, 12pm, 3pm, 6pm, 9pm

FINGER FOODS AND SNACKS AVAILABLE

4418 North Hubert Avenue

To sign up for meetings or for any questions contact Alphaclubtampa@outlook.com



Alive in 2025

SOUTH FLORIDA AREA 15 GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY **IANUARY 3-5, 2025**

Co-hosted by Districts 1 & 15 West Pasco/Pinellas Registration Friday 4:00 PM - 8:30 PM. Saturda 8:00 AM - 8:30 PM, Sunday 7:00AM - 9:00AM

Saturday, January 4th 7:00-8:00am

7:00-8:00am 8:00-9:00am 8:30-10:50am 9-00-10-50am

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7:00-8:00am

District Treasurers Meeting Finance Committee Intergroup/Central Office GSR Sharing* Quarterly Coordinators M Service Manual Workshop Spanish Manual Worksh Speaker Meeting***

Night Owl Meeting Spanish Night Owl M Spanish Early Bird M Area 15 Business Me

Saturday Night Banquet Dinner selection choices: Meat or Vegan Ticket Cost: \$47

How to purchase your Banquet Ticket Scan the QR code and log in Select SEND, type in \$47 In the space "What's this payment for" and type you name, phone number and food choice (meat or vego

available at the registration table "Will Call" the event, Friday Jan 3rd and Saturday Jan 4th, 2025.



Cash/Checks will be accepted at the

Zelle QR code can be used to make donations to hospitality. State purpos in "What's this payment for."

Zelle Email: HostD15Treasurer@gmail.com

Hyatt Regency Sarasot

1000 Boulevard of the Arts, Sarasota, FL 34236

Call 1-800-233-1234 or book online @ https://www.hvatt.com/cn-US/group-booking/SRQSS/G-SFG1

Room Rate: \$155 per night + tax Reference: "South Florida General Service" HOTEL RESERVATIONS OPEN OCTOBER 7, 2024 @ NOON AND MUST BE RECEIVED BY DECEMBER 13, 2024

or hotel room cancellations OR to be placed on a hotel room wait list, please contact: Quarterly Hotel Liaison at: hotelinfo@area15aa.org

> QUESTIONS? Please contact: quarterlychair2025@gmail.com

Group	NOV	YTD	Group	NOV	YTD	Group	NOV	YTD
7:15 Young Peoples Group		55.75	Keeping it Real Group		245.00	Sober @ 7 Group		368.24
11th Step Retreat			Keystone Group		271.05	Sober @ 7 Anniversary		232.00
A Common Solution			It's In The Wind Group- 301		1.00	Sober on Saturday Group		106.00
Alpha Group	100.00		Language of the Heart		1.00	Sober Sticks Event		200.00
Annual Housecleaning	150.00	,	Language of the Heart		100.00	SoberStock Event		2,600.00
Anonymous Donations	2,165.71		Life Enrichment Group		530.00	Sober on Saturday Group		238.00
As Bill Sees It Mens Odessa	2,103.71		•		330.00			800.00
	40.00		Living in the Solution			Sobrenity Group		
Barracks Brigade Group	40.00		LivingSober/As Bill Sees It		300.00	Sobrietea Women's Group		52.50
BeginnersFirst Group			Little Harbor Grapevine Beach		300.00	Soberilla		729.10
BeginnersStep Group Brandon			Lunch Bunch Group		150.00	Sobriety at Sunrise Group	508.30	1,931.65
Better Together Group	10.00	10.00	Monday Night Men's		421.32	Sobriety at Sunset Group		230.10
Big Book Bunch Group	227.00		Mid Day Madness		45.00	Southshore Men's Group		300.06
Bill D's Group		325.00	Morning Express Group		351.05	Southside Men's Group # 1		780.00
Birthday Club	113.00	1,135.00	Morning Express (YANA)		891.15	Southside Men's Group #3		541.00
Brandon Big Book Meeting		155.00	Morning Mindset Group		22.32	Southside Men's Group #4		435.50
By The Book Men's Group		105.00	My Turn Group		300.00	Spiritual Growth Group		550.00
BYO 12 & 12 Group		150.00	New Beginnings-(5:45)Joe's		835.56	Staying Alive @ 5:45 Zoom		1,700.00
Came To Believe Group	560.00	1,517.00	New Beginning Group-(Our Club)		473.29	Step Sisters in Sobriety		165.32
Candlelight Group		1.72	Newcomers Group		326.48	Stepping Stones Group (w)	70.40	477.66
Cardinal Group - Odessa	487.50	1,592.50	New Tampa Monday Men's	18.74	1,314.07	Sun City Center Group		90.30
Carrollwood Group			Nooners GroupRiverview		291.54	Sun City Center Men's		270.00
•			Nooners GroupTampa		256.43	Sunday Afternoon Step Mtg		303.00
Clean Air Group							50.00	
Come As You Are Group			Noontime Celebration Gp.	121.50	75.00	Tampa Bay Institutions	50.00	650.00
District 2 General Service		531.60	Odessa Group	131.50	297.50	Tampa Bay Young Peoples		1,656.05
Druid Hills Big Book			On the Way Home Tpa 5:30		889.85	Tampa Bay Speakers Gp.		510.00
Early Risers Group - Joe's		360.00	Palma Ceia Big Book Group		606.80	Tampa Nightly Newcomers		100.00
Fireside Group		374.86	Pathfinders Pathfinders		100.00	Tampa Sat Night Speakers		300.00
Fishhawk Group		809.60	Pavillion Peeps		134.50	T & C Sisters in Sobriety		513.10
Fourth Dimension Group		351.65	Pilgrim Group -St Leo's		52.00	TGIS Group		252.00
Freedom in Sobriety Group		115.56	Plank Owners Group		292.00	Thank God it's Friday		781.00
Friday @ 4 Group		617.50	Primary Purpose Group		502.23	The 164 Group		105.87
Friday Morning Women's Friendship		1,100.00	Promises Meeting Group			The Meeting Place Group		1,221.51
Friday Under the Lights		112.00	Promises Anniversary Dinner		2,920.00	Tues.Big Book of Brandon		214.00
Friends of Bill Meditation Group			Red Chip Day	402.04	402.04	Tuesday Book Club Group		13.18
Friends of Bill Women's Group			Reflections Group-Lake Mag	663.01	1,096.09	Tuesday Newcomers Group	92.00	92.00
Full Moon River Womens		849.62	Riverside Group		725.77	Turning Point Group		715.00
Gifts of Sobriety	97.50	585.00	Ruskin Fellowship Group		133.00	UpTown/ Downtown Group		83.33
Good Start Group		3,132.00	Ruskin Women's Big Book		804.15	Wed Night Step Workshop		35.10
Grace-n-Gratitude		318.85	Safe, Sane &Sober Group		703.32	Wed Keep it Simple Group		130.00
Great Way To Start The Day		719.40	Saturday Night Fever Group		3,167.21	Wellspring Group		195.00
Helping Hands Group	20.00	30.00	Serenity GroupZOOM		117.50	With Room to Grow Group		1,450.00
Hi Nooners Group Plant City		300.00	Set Aside Big Book Study Group		59.01	Women's Friendship Group		434.2
Hide-A-Way Group		1156.95	Simply Sobriety Women's Group		488.81			
Host of Friends Group		455.00	Sisters 12 n 12 Group (Zoom)		659.22			
It's in the Book Men's Group			Sisters Celebrating Sobriety		281.83			
In Loving Memory (Greg O.)			Sisters in Sobriety Group		770.40			
Keep it Simple Men's Group			Sisters in Sobriety CakeWalk Raffle		1,415.00			
Keep It Simple/Pass It On	 	814.36						
Keep it Simply Spiritual	467	824.57	_			_		
Keep it Simple Group Dade City	195.00	1,300.28	Total	1,215.29		Total	212.40	
			YTD Total		24,448.49	YTD Total	5,593.40	22,551.77
						Monthly Total		
Total	4,165.71							
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YTD Total		33,352.64				Grand Total	80,352.90	