

Tri-County Central Office News

Whether you are a newcomer, an old-timer or any years in between

<u>YOU</u> will be the A.A. History they talk about in years to come. What legacy will you leave?

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Alcoholics Anonymous...The Beginning

STEP SIX

A.A. began in 1935 in Akron, Ohio, as the outcome of a meeting between Bill W., a New York stockbroker, and Dr. Bob S., an Akron surgeon. Both had been hopeless alcoholics. Before their meeting, Bill and Dr. Bob had each been in contact with the Oxford Group. This mostly nonalcoholic fellowship emphasized universal spiritual values in daily living. The Episcopal clergyman, Dr. Samuel Shoemaker, led the Oxford Groups in the U.S. at that time. Under this spiritual influence, and with the help of an old-time friend, Ebby T., Bill had gotten sober. Bill maintained his recovery by working with other alcoholics. Yet, before meeting Dr. Bob, none of these other alcoholics had actually recovered. At the same time, Dr. Bob's Oxford Group membership in Akron had not helped him enough to achieve sobriety. When Dr. Bob and Bill finally met, the effect on the doctor was immediate. This time, he found himself face-to-face with a fellow sufferer who was succeeding. Bill emphasized that alcoholism was a malady of mind, emotions, and body. Bill learned this important fact from Dr. William D. Silkworth of Towns Hospital in New York. Bill had often been a patient of Dr. Silkworth. Though a physician, Dr. Bob had not known alcoholism to be a disease. Responding to Bill's convincing ideas, Dr. Bob soon got sober, never to drink again. This sparked the founding of A.A. Both men immediately set to work with alcoholics at Akron's City Hospital. One patient quickly achieved complete sobriety. These three men made up the nucleus of the first A.A. group (though the name Alcoholics Anonymous was not yet used.) In the fall of 1935, a second group of alcoholics slowly took shape in New York. A third appeared at Cleveland in 1939. It took four years to produce about 100 sober alcoholics in the three founding groups. Early in 1939, the Fellowship published its basic textbook, Alcoholics Anonymous. The text, written by Bill and reviewed by many of the early members, explained A.A.'s philosophy and methods. The core of this work is now well-known as the Twelve Steps of recovery. The book also included case histories of thirty recovered members. From this point, A.A.'s development was rapid. Also in 1939, The Cleveland Plain Dealer published a series of articles about A.A. These articles, accompanied by positive editorials, triggered many pleas for help in Cleveland. The Cleveland group, with only twenty members, sought to help those alcoholics. Alcoholics sober only a few weeks were set to work on brand-new cases. This was a new departure, and the results were fantastic. A few months later, Cleveland's membership had expanded to about 500. Meanwhile, in New York in 1938, Dr. Bob and Bill had organized a trusteeship for the budding Fellowship. Friends of John D. Rockefeller, Jr. became board members alongside a contingent of A.A.s. This board was named The Alcoholic Foundation. But all efforts to raise large sums of money failed because Mr. Rockefeller concluded that it might spoil the infant society. Even so, the foundation managed to open a tiny office in New York. This office aimed to handle inquiries and to distribute the A.A. book. To date, these efforts had been mostly financed by the A.A.s themselves. The book and the new office were quickly put to use. Liberty magazine published an article about A.A. in the fall of 1939, resulting in some 800 urgent calls for help. In 1940, Mr. Rockefeller gave a dinner for many of his prominent New York friends to publicize A.A

The key to Step Six is willingness; a willingness to have God remove all our defects of character. Both Steps Six and Seven focus on God removing our defects of character, because we do not have the power to remove them ourselves. Step Six focuses on our developing a willingness to ask God to remove them. We will come to the point that we are willing to surrender any objections we have against God removing our defects of character, and this will enable us to receive the help we need from our Higher Power to address our disease. Many of us have tried to remove our defects of character by using self-will. We found that self-will was no match for the power driving our defects of character. We made pledges to others and ourselves about not repeating our more immoral behaviors, repeating the same behaviors causing more harm to others and ourselves, and especially to our family. Just as we were able to become sober by seeking our Higher Power's help in Step Three. We will now seek our Higher Power's help to successfully address our defects of character, and some of the reservations we may have towards completing Step Six. Like our blaming God for negative events we have experienced in the past. It was easier for us to blame God then identify the contributions we made towards the harsh times we experienced. We eventually realized that it was an error to blame our Higher Power and others for our problems. This occurred as we continued to remain sober and practice the Twelve Steps. We cannot be held responsible for the symptoms of a disease that we did not understand or know that we had. However, we are responsible for our behaviors after becoming aware that we do have a disease, and that there is a way to recover from it. We do not minimize the effects that our disease had on the lives of others. We understand our moral and legal obligations related to past harms we have caused. However, we do have to feel guilty about the wrongs we have committed in the past. When we did not have any power to control our alcoholism, or the behaviors associated with our disease. Alcoholism affects our abilities to live by our true beliefs, affecting our thinking and our behaviors. Do we blame heart patients for their health conditions? Do we shame them even though their condition may have been related to hereditary factors? Do we blame them for their dietary practices, shaming them for their resulting condition? No, we do not. Many of us have genetic factors that contribute tour having alcoholism. Shall we blame ourselves for our beginning to drink alcohol as many other normal people do? We should view ourselves the same way we view ourselves the same way we view a heart patient seeking treatment for their illness. We did not choose to have the disease of alcoholism. We did not believe we would ever become alcoholics. By the time we discovered we had alcoholism it was too late. We had already begun experiencing the symptoms of our illness. We are sick people trying to become well. We are not evil people trying to become good people. We have a disease that has created so mush fear in our lives that we are emotionally crippled. The fears we experienced caused so much pain in our lives. We could not sufficiently focus our energy on the needs of our family members or others. Continued alcohol use only worsened our lives, fulfilling our self-defeating beliefs about Go to Page 3 Life, others, and ourselves.

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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

Chair Report - The meeting started at 9:30 AM with the Declaration of Unity. In attendance were Micheal P., Joe R., Jenna M., Jonathan C., Mike B., Audrey F., Rich R. and Tom F. The meeting started when Michael P. asked about supplying NA information at Hillsborough County Jail meetings. Buddy H was going to contact Michael regarding a resolution to this issue. Jonathan started his report by saying the "Carry the Message Day" event went very well and was attended by everyone present at the business meeting including John T. who was unable to attend the business meeting. Secretary Report - Tom F then read the secretary report and it was accepted as read without any changes to it. Treasurer Report - Jonathan presented John T's. Treasurer's Report. Our current balance is \$7,110.46. Monthly expenses were \$50.00 for Central Office Storage, \$48.02 Zephyrhills CI coffee. Literature expenses for the month totaled \$729.15. Our committee received \$5,558.35 in contributions from the following groups: BYO 12 & 12; Came to Believe Group; Come As You Are; Great Way to Start the Day; Keep It Simple, Pass It On; Living in the Solution; Meeting Place (Lutz); Nightly Newcomers (3333); On the Way Home Group; Ruskin Fellowship (Sunday); Soberstock; Tampa Bay Young People of AA(TBYPAA); Thank God It's Friday Group; Women's Friendship Group. Treatment - All meetings at ACTS Detox are being covered except for the Friday noon meeting needs some help as the person currently covering cannot do it every week. All meetings at ACTS Amethyst are currently being covered except Wednesday at 1:00 PM. Meetings at Cove Housing (women) are not currently being covered John called to ask about starting again but has not been able to connect with them. The men's meetings at Cove Behavioral Heath are going well. according to Joe R.. Sandra Prince is also doing well according to John R.. Corrections - True Core Juvenile, the girl's side is going well according to Jenna M.. Jenna requested that she be provided with several copies of Daily Reflections. She was told to get them. She also noted it has been hard to get two volunteers to attend the meeting. She is trying to get her volunteers to work together but there still some trouble getting two women to attend the scheduled meeting. Jenna also raised an issue about literature presentation which was discussed by several members in attendance. The women's meetings in Hillsborough County are going well TBAIC is covering 3 meetings a week and Susie from Manatee is covering one meeting. Rich R. said that all is well with the Men's meetings at the Hillsborough Jail. He went on to say that there was no issue bringing in AA literature. No report for women at Pasco County Jail. Tom F. reported things were good at Zephyrhills CI. Bridge The Gap – Bridge the Gap we had five calls and no bridges. Man on the Bed – Tom F. reported that he had three calls for MOB, two were for female patients and one call for a male patient. Contacts were made for all the patients. Old Business - Audrey F. from FCYPAA reported that the Founders Day event will be June 8, 2024 at the 3333 club from noon to 4:00 PM. New Business - No new business The meeting ended at 10:40 AM

www.tbaic.org			
Position	Name		
Chair	Jonathan C.		
Chair (Alt.)	Mike B.		
Treasurer	John T.		
Secretary	Tom F.		
Hillsborough County Jail	Buddy H. (Men's)		
Falkenberg Women's Jails	Bianca H. (Women's)		
Pasco Jail-Women's	Brittani B.		
Treatment Coordinator	John T.		
Bridging the Gap	Tracy S.		
Man on the Bed	Tom F.		
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: April 13th-May 11th, 2024 BYO Group: \$25.00, Came to Believe Group: \$25.00, Come As You Are Group: 20.00, Great Way to Start the Day Group: \$333.00, Keep it Simple/Pass it On Group: \$156.00, Living in the Solution Group: \$355.00, The Meeting Place Group: 217.87, Nightly Newcomers Group: \$73.48, On the Way Home Group: \$44.00, Ruskin Fellowship Group: \$68.00, Soberstock: \$4000.00, Tampa Bay Young People's Group: 20.00, Thank God it's Friday Group: \$56.00, Women's Friendship Group: \$165.00

YT	D Contributions to TBAIC	\$10,500.62
Pir	k Can Balance 12/2023	\$7,110.46
YT	D Money Spent on Literature	\$7,991.57
YT	D Operational Expenses	\$2,192.33
Pir	ık Can Current Balance	\$7,427.18

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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This brought yet another flood of pleas. Each inquiry received a personal letter and a small pamphlet. Attention was also drawn to the book Alcoholics Anonymous, which soon began circulating. Aided by mail from the office and A.A. travelers from already-established centers, many new groups began. At the year's end, the membership stood at 2,000. Then, in March 1941, The Saturday Evening Post featured an excellent article by about A.A by Jack Alexander. The response was enormous. By the close of that year, the membership had jumped to 6,000, and the number of groups multiplied in proportion. The Fellowship spread across the U.S. and Canada. By 1950, 100,000 recovered alcoholics could be found worldwide. Spectacular though this was, the period 1940-1950 was nonetheless one of great uncertainty. The crucial question was whether all those mercurial alcoholics could live and work together in groups. Could they hold together and function effectively? This was the unsolved problem. The New York headquarters spent much time corresponding with thousands of groups about their questions. By 1946, however, it was possible to draw some conclusions about the kinds of attitude, practice and function that would best suit A.A.'s purpose. Those principles emerged from strenuous group experience. They were summarized by Bill in the Twelve Traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous. By 1950, the earlier chaos had largely disappeared. A successful formula for A.A. unity and functioning had been achieved and put into practice. Had it not been for A.A.'s early friends, Alcoholics Anonymous might never have come into being. A.A. could never have grown and prospered without many people. Those friends of medicine, religion, and world communications were particularly essential. We have deep gratitude for their time and effort to help A.A. On January 24, 1971, Bill died of pneumonia in Miami Beach, Florida. Seven months earlier, in the same place, he had delivered his last public words at the 35th Anniversary International Convention. His last wo	The sixth of our Twelve Points of AA Tradition is deemed so important that it states at length the relation of the AA movement to money and property. This Tradition declares in substance that the accumulation of money, property, and the unwanted personal authority so often generated by material wealth comprise a cluster of serious hazards against which an AA group must ever be on guard. Tradition Six also enjoins the group never to go into business nor ever to lend the AA name or money credit to any "outside" enterprise, no matter how good. Strongly expressed is the opinion that even clubs should not bear the AA name; that they ought to be separately incorporated and managed by those individual AAs who need or want clubs enough to financially support them. We would thus divide the spiritual from the material, confine the AA movement to its sole aim, and ensure (however wealthy as individuals we may become) that AA itself shall always remain poor. We dare not risk the distractions of corporate wealth. Years of experience have proven these principles beyond doubt. They have become certainties, absolute verities for us. Thank God, we AAs have never yet been caught in the kind of religious or political disputes which embroil the world of today. But we ought to face the fact that we have often quarreled violently about money, property, and the administration thereof. Money, in quantity, has always been a baleful influence in group life. Let a well-meaning donor present an AA group with a sizable sum and we break loose. Nor does trouble abate until that group, as such, somehow disposes of its bankroll. This experience is practically universal. "But," say our friends, "Isn't this a confession of weakness? Other organizations do a lot of good with money. Why not AA?" Of course, we of AA would be the first to say that many a fine enterprise does a lot of good with a lot of money. To these efforts, money is
Reprint Permission: A.A. World Services	usually primary; it is their lifeblood. But money is not the lifeblood of AA. With us, it is very secondary. Even in small quantities, it is scarcely more than a necessary nuisance, something we wish we could do without entirely. Why is that

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This decreased our ability to sustain a healthy mind to be able to face life as it truly is. We had a warped perception. We lived in a drinking fantasy world. Some of looked at life and thought: "Life should not be this way!" We could not accept the perceived bad we saw in the world. It was not fair! The world was not the way we thought it should be. How could there be a loving God with all the harms that are occurring in the world? Can we see how free-will that is not guided by our Higher Power's will is the cause of human suffering? Can we see how our demands for life to be a certain way, instead of accepting life as it is, was playing God? Shall we hold on to the belief that natural earth phenomena like hurricanes and tornados are God's fault; that the Higher Power should stop them from occurring? Do we know all about life and the reasons for natural weather events existing? Our playing God was an attempt to address our alcoholism and other life issues by complaining about life as it is, and it not being the way we thought it should be. This type of thinking added nothing to our ability to stop using alcohol. This surely demonstrates our lack of humility in the past. We will hopefully be able to see how having the disease of alcoholism mentally handicaps us. We will most certainly be in need God's power to aid us in managing our thinking and behaviors. If we take a position of needing our Higher Power's help and not judging our Higher, it will be easier $\odot \rightarrow$

e al n lS A er)S e al rt 1, e A e e e e al 0 ıt n э. e at İS s, 0 of s İS e 11 something we wish we could do without entirely. Why is that so? We explain this easily enough; we don't need money. The core of our AA procedure is one alcoholic talking to another, whether that be sitting on a curbstone, in a home, or at a meeting. It's the message, not the place; it's the talk, not the alms. That does our work. Just places to meet and talk, that's about all AA needs. Beyond these, a few small offices, a few secretaries at their desks, a few dollars apiece a year, easily met by voluntary contributions. Trivial indeed, our expenses! Nowadays, the AA group answers its well-wishers saying: "Our expenses are trifling. As good earners, we can easily pay them. As we neither need nor want money, why risk its hazards? We'd rather stay poor. Thanks just the same!" Excerpt from Language of the Heart **Reprint Permission: A.A. Grapevine**

For us to complete Steps Six and Seven. We can be in a position to humbly seek our Higher Power's help in removing our defects of character and proceed to Step Seven.

Excerpt from The Little Purple Pamphlet

NOTES FROM INSIDE THE CENTRAL OFFICE

April 9th, 2024 the Board of Directors for Central Office

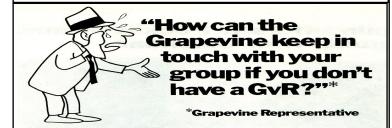
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AL B.	CHAIRPERSON	THURSDAY NIGHT BIG BOOK	
BRAD W.	ALT.CHAIR	TAMPA NIGHTLY NEWCOMERS	
CHRIS S.	TREASURER	RUSKIN FELLOWSHIP GROUP	
DEBBIE S.	SECRETARY	TO IMPROVE OUR CONSCIOUS CONTACT	
LINDA B.	BOARD MEMBER	JUST WHAT I WANTED GROUP	ŀ
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(Because of time restraints the Board & Council meeting has been combined.) Board Members present: Al B., Brad W., Debbie S., Chris S., Linda B., Carl L., and Dody H. Al welcomed the Board and Council to the meeting and then opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. He asked if there were any new Board or Council members who wanted to be recognized.

Secretary Report: Debbie read the April Secretary report. Al asked if there were any questions for Debbie. There were none. A Motion to approve was made & seconded & accepted. Debbie also just celebrated her 11th Year Anniversary—5-13-2013--- CONGRATS to Debbie!

Treasurers Report: Tim presented the April Treasurer's Report. 502 meetings weekly. Also we have 128 Zoom meetings weekly Contributions in April totaled \$10,455.90. This accounts for what 53 Groups or Individuals in our area have contributed in April, also included is, \$1,070.26 from 10 Groups or Individuals who made contributions through PayPal. Our literature sales for April was \$5,753.79. This includes sales from A.A. material and non-A,A, material (medallions—etc.) and one Newsletter subscription . Our total income for April was \$16,209.69. Our Total Cost of Goods Sold was \$4,756.44. Subtracting the Total Cost of Goods Sold from our April income left us with a Gross Profit of \$11,453.25. Our Total Expenses for April were \$9,803.93. Subtracting our Expenses from our Gross Profit gave us a Net Income of plus+\$1,649.32 for the month of April. **Old Business:** None

New Business: Doby noted that she would be out of town working for a few months and wanted to know what to do concerning fulfilling her Board duties while she is away. It was suggested that she could find someone to fill in for her. Announcements: Debbie announced a new women's meeting at Alpha on Saturday night at 7:00pm. Nez announced The Promises Group Anniversary and that they were looking for volunteers to help out. A motion to close was made, seconded and approved. Meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer. The next Board & Council Meeting will be June 11th, 2024 at 7:00 pm on ZOOM



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April 9th, 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

KITHARA	SET ASIDE BIG BOOK STUDY GROUP
LINDA R.	THE MEETING PLACE GROUP
SANDY M.	STEP SISTERS IN SOBRIETY GROUP
JOHN T.	LIVING SOBER/AS BILL SEES IT
JOANN B.	DISTRICT 2 CHAIR
SONIA T.	BIG BOOK BUNCH GROUP
JOHN T.	LIVING SOBER/AS BILL SEES IT GROUP
NES Z.	PROMISES GROUP
KARA	LANGUAGE OF THE HEART GROUP
ROBERT M.	NEW TAMPA MONDAY NIGHT MEN'S
SAMANTHA A.	FISHHAWK GROUP
NORM B.	SOBER @7 GROUP
MIKE M.	SERENITY GROUP (ZOOM)
ERIN C.	NEXT DOOR GROUP
RANDALL D.	FOURTH DIMENSION GROUP
NANCY H.	FOURTH DIMENSION GROUP
САТНҮ Н.	SIMPLY SOBRIETY WOMEN'S GROUP
ANNIE L.	KEEP IT SIMPLE GROUP
KIMBORLY S.	164 GROUP
SCOTT B.	TAMPA SATURDAY NIGHT SPEAKERS
JEREMY B.	TAMPA NIGHTLY NEWCOMERS GROUP
CLARENCE W.	TAMPA NIGHTLY NEWCOMERS GROUP
KAITLYN H.	SPEAK EASY GROUP
LYNNE J.	SISTERS IN SOBRIETY WOMEN'S GROUP
ROBIN E.	SISTERS IN SOBRIETY WOMEN'S GROUP
PRISCILLA M.	BUTTERFLY HER JOURNEY
FRANK L.	SOBRENITY GROUP
KEN M.	SAFE HAVEN GROUP



October 18-20, 2024 DaySpring Conference Center-(Map on Reverse) Ellenton, FL The Center is in compliance with CDC guidelines.

In person retreat for those who are vaccinated.

Online Registration: <u>http://11thstepretreat.org</u>

MORE INFO COMING SOON....

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ANNIVERSARY TIME It Works-It Really Does—Ask them how they did it!!!			
GROUP	Honors To	Date	Years
WOMEN'S BIG BOOK	KARREN MCG	06/10/75	49 YRS
NEW WAY WOMEN'S	DEB T.	06/07/90	34 YRS
STEPPING STONES GROUP	RITA C.	06/28/04	20 YRS
LIVING SOBER/AS BILL SEES IT	JOHN T.	06/10/85	39 YRS
CLEAN AIR GROUP	KEVIN K.	06/16/93	31 YRS
STEPSISTERS IN SOBRIETY	MINDY W.	06/08/93	31 YRS
HIDE-A-WAY GROUP	BRIAN B.	06/21/89	35 YRS
ON THE WAY HOME	DONNA C.	06/27/06	18 YRS
ON THE WAY HOME	TOM L.	06/18/06	18 YRS
ON THE WAY HOME	LISANN M.	06/06/89	35 YRS
5:45 HAPPY HOUR GROUP	CHUCK R.	06/21/80	44 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	TOM N.	06/28/03	21 YRS
KEYSTONE DISCUSSION	BOBBY J.	06/24/18	6 YRS
KEYSTONE DISCUSSION	RYAN L.	06/06/17	7 YRS
JUST WHAT I WANTED	GINA S.	06/14/19	5 YRS
JUST WHAT I WANTED	JACKIE R.	06/01/06	18 YRS
JUST WHAT I WANTED	SANDY G.	06/15/93	31 YRS
JUST WHAT I WANTED	LINDA B.	06/09/88	36 YRS
MUSTARD SEED GROUP	GENE L.	06/10/78	46 YRS
MONDAY NIGHT BLACKBELT	ERIC H.	06/28/05	19 YRS
SIMPLY SOBRIETY WOMEN'S	BLAIR W.	06/29/20	4 YRS
SIMPLY SOBRIETY WOMEN'S	JODI M.	06/25/18	6 YRS
SIMPLY SOBRIETY WOMEN'S	САТНУ Н.	06/17/10	14 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	PETER L.	06/24/00	24 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	JUDY K.	06/24/93	31 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	JOHN VL.	06/07/89	35 YRS
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP WOMEN'S	DIANE M.	06/21/11	13 YRS
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP WOMEN'S	JERI T.	06/07/10	14 YRS
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP WOMEN'S	KATHIE N.	06/11/79	45 YRS

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	JOHN G.	04/06/87	37 YRS
LIVING SOBER AS BILL SEES IT	JOHN T.	06/10/85	39 YRS

That's 766 Years of Sobriety! Someone is definitely doing something right !Search out these

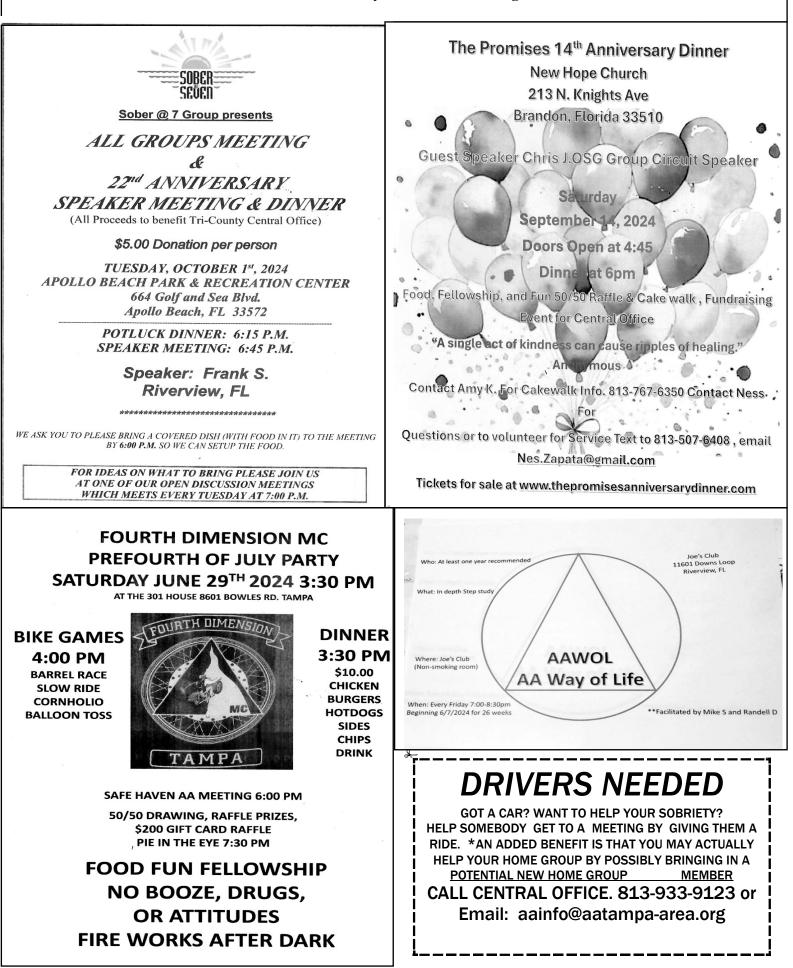
people and find out their secret. ©

SELF-SUPPORT-May, 2024

Today in May, 2024 COVID has changed the way many groups ontribute to the Central Office. Some groups have remained teady in their contributions, some groups have gone to ZOOM, A ew ZOOM groups have made some contributions and some groups re Hybrid (in-person & ZOOM), other groups have folded for a ick of a space to have their meeting and some new groups are tarting up, and now many groups are getting back to normal re-pandemic live meetings. Things are looking up and getting etter. It's certainly a time to renew our efforts and practice the eaning of the Serenity Prayer a little bit more. We currently have 91 Groups in the Hillsborough-East Pasco area with around 502 neetings weekly. Also we have 128 Zoom meetings weekly ontributions in May totaled \$5,182.81. This accounts for what 27 roups or Individuals in our area have contributed in May, also cluded is, \$1,053.62 from 9 Groups or Individuals who made ontributions through PayPal and \$158.00 from 4 members of the Birthday Club. Our literature sales for May was \$6,019.94. This cludes sales from A.A. material and non-A.A, material medallions—etc.). Our total income for May was \$11,202.75. Our otal Cost of Goods Sold was \$4,953.31. Subtracting the Total cost of Goods Sold from our May income left us with a Gross rofit of \$6,249.44. Our Total Expenses for May were \$10,548.33. ubtracting our Expenses from our Gross Profit gave us a Net ncome of minus-\$4,298.89 for the month of May. May was not a ood month. We still have a good Prudent Reserve, all our bills eep getting paid, the lights are on, we have a decent amount of terature available, the phones are working Thank you for your upport . Thank You!!!O.M. tws:)

hese questions were originally published in the AA Frapevine in conjunction with a series on the Twelve *Fraditions that began in November 1969 and ran through* eptember 1971. (The 12 Traditions were created to help each *.A.* group maintain unity and relate better to the world about s. Below is a snapshot inventory you can take to see how ell you are honoring the spiritual principle found in this radition.) Tradition Six: An AA group ought never endorse, nance or lend the AA name to any related facility or outside nterprise, lest problems of money, property and prestige divert us om our primary purpose. 1. Why is it important that we not get volved in outside enterprises? 2. Is it ever wise for a group to lease a small building or endorse an outside event? 3. Are all the officers and members of our local clubhouse familiar with "Guidelines on Clubs," which is available free from GSO? 4. Should the secretary of our group serve on the mayor's advisory committee on alcoholism? 5. Our group's landlord is raising money to pay for a new roof on the building. Should the group make a contribution? What if the landlord specifically asks the group to make a contribution? **Reprint Permission/ AA Grapevine**

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	MA	Y YTD
7:15 Young Peoples Group 55.75 Keeping it Real Group 105.00 Sober @ 7 Group		236.60
11th Step Retreat 100.00 Keystone Group 215.00 Sober @ 7 Anniversity	o.ws/	
		100.00
AA 101 Group It's In The Wind Group- 301 1.00 Sober on Saturday O Alpha Group 100.00 500.00 Life Enrichment Group SoberStock Event	2,600	106.00 .00 2,600.00
Annual Housecleaning Live and Let Live Group Sober Stoke Event	,	238.00
Anonymous Donations 259.36 1320.32 Living in the Solution 150.00 Sobrenity Group	510up	400.00
As Bill Sees It Mens Odessa 195.00 LivingSober/As Bill Sees It Sobrietea Women's	Group	25.00
Attitude of Gratitude Group Little Harbor Grapevine Beach 300.00 Soberilla	~	729.10
Barracks Brigade Group 40.00 120.00 Lunch Bunch Group 150.00 Sobriety at Sunrise (Design on First Group 200.00 Mid Den Medners Sobriety at Sunrise (850.85
BeginnersFirst Group 390.00 Mid Day Madness Sobriety at Sunset G BeginnersStep Group 211.00 Mid Day Matinee Group Solutions Group	roup	230.10
Big Book Bunch Group 160.00 Morning Express Group 124.20 Southshore Men's G	roup	300.06
Bill D's Group 225.00 Morning Express (YANA) 891.15 Southside Men's Group		
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Candlelight Group 1.72 New Tampa Monday Men's 520.43 Stay the Course Group		100.00
Cardinal Group - Odessa 650.00 New Way Women's Group Step Sisters in Sobri		95.32
Carrollwood Group 49.50 Nightly Newcomers Group Stepping Stones Gro	oup (w) 73.0	164.20
Clean Air Group 8.12 Nooners GroupRiverview 172.30 Sun City Center Group	oup	56.80
Close to Home Group Nooners GroupTampa 256.43 Sun City Center Mer		130.00
Come As You Are Group 7.10 Noontime Celebration Gp. 75.00 Sunday Afternoon S District is 2.0 Solution Solution Solution Solution Solution	tep Mtg 130.	00 235.00
District 2 General Service 531.60 Odessa Group 89.00 Sunset Group Druid Hills Big Book 34.50 Old School Group Tampa Bay Instituti	ons 50.0	0 250.00
Early Risers Group - Joe's 360.00 Old School Group Tampa Bay Histration		1,656.05
Expect a Miracle Group On the Way Home Tpa 5:30 319.15 Tampa Bay Speaker	s Gp.	250.00
Fireside Group 181.80 Palma Ceia Big Book Group 100.00 406.80 Tampa Sat Night Sp	eakers 100.	00 200.00
Fishhawk Group 192.90 Pathfinders Group T & C Sisters in Sob	oriety	
Fourth Dimension Group 211.90 Pavillion Peeps 100.00 TGIS Group		427.00
Freedom in Sobriety Group 115.56 Pilgrim Group -St Leo's Thank God it's Frid: Friday @ 4 Group 355.55 Plank Owners Group 52.00 The 164 Group	ay	437.00
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Friday Morning Women's 300.00 800.00 Promises Meeting Group Z.55 502.25 File Meeting Frace Composition		79.00
Friday Inder the Lights 112.00 Red Chip Day Tuesday Book Of Britishing Wolfert		13.18
Friends of Bill Meditation Group 50.00 100.00 Reflections Group-Lake Mag Turning Point Grou		390.00
Friends of Bill Women's Group 440.00 Riverside Group 725.77 UpTown/ Downtown	ı Group	83.33
Full Moon River Womens 303.52 849.62 Ruskin Fellowship Group WAWA Group		
Gifts of Sobriety 195.00 Ruskin Women's Big Book 146.25 We Are Not Saints O	Group	
Good Start Group 280.00 1,225.00 Safe, Sane & Sober Group 446.91 Wed Night Step Wor	rkshop	
Grapevine Gals Group 2,196.21 Wed Keep it Simple	Group	130.00
Great Way To Start The Day 367.50 Serenity GroupZOOM Wellspring Group		195.00
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Helping Hands Group 10.00 Sisters 12 n 12 Group (Zoom) 274.00 With Room to Grow		750.00
Hi Nooners Group Plant City 100.00 200.00 Sisters Celebrating Sobriety 281.83 Women's Friendship	o Group	726.65
Hide-A-Way Group 386.72 Sisters in Sobriety Group 361.20		
Host of Friends Group 151.20	Total 2,953	.00
It's in the Book Men's Group 536.81 YTD Total		13,135.89
	ly Total 5,208	
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Just What I Wanted Big Book YTD Total 10,595.96		
Keep it Simple Men's Group 75.00		
Keep It Simple/Pass It On 200.00	nd Tot-1 27 21	0.02
Keep it Simply Spiritual 316.00 Grai Keep it Simple Group Dade City 585.00 6	nd Total 37,31	1.82
Total 1,680.88 13,578.97		