

Tri-County Central Office News

It's Not The Price You Pay To Be A Member... It's The Price You Paid To Become Eligible

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THE WRITING ON THE WALL

The first time I walked into an AA meeting was February 1967 in South Bend, Indiana. I was fresh out of the state mental institution, the only treatment center for alcoholics back then, other than some of the more expensive ones. The meeting place was called the Area Hall. As I walked in I looked around and noticed a few placards on the wall. One said "Live and Let Live." All of a sudden I realized what was wrong with my life. Everyone had interfered with me. I wondered why they didn't live out in the real world like they did in here. If it wasn't my boss saying, "If you don't quit drinking, I'm going to fire you," it was my wife's declaration that she would throw me out if I didn't quit. I wondered why people didn't live and let me live as I wanted. The next sign that caught my eye was "Easy Does It." That was a good one, too. I knew that meant just lie back and let the world go by. Don't do anything. The third one was "But for the Grace of God." Now I knew why I was an alcoholic. God made me one. The fourth one stated "Think, Think, Think." This explained another reason why I had to go to these meetings—to learn to drink successfully by thinking, so that when I'd had enough I would stop. The last sign I saw said "First Things First." Now I knew these meetings were going to help. They would help me set up a priority list so I could, first get my wife back, second, get a job, and third, show all these people how much I knew—just by seeing the placards with all these good sayings on them. Then the meeting began, and when the person chairing the meeting asked if anyone had a topic, I asked if we could talk about those nice sayings on the wall. I wanted everyone to know how quick I was learning all about AA. Before that meeting was over I learned why I had stayed drunk for seventeen years. They taught me that to "Live and Let Live" sure doesn't mean what I thought. It has to do with trying to do my best in living life to its fullest and letting others to do what they have to do-even if they make as many mistakes as I did. It means trying in my humblest way to assist, if asked to help, and showing by example what life can be if we use the guidance of these Twelve Steps in all areas of our life. "Easy Does It" means that I don't have to accomplish everything in one day. I can accomplish more by going at a pace that is comfortable for myself as long as I'm going forward not getting behind. It means I do everything but don't rush, go at my own pace. And remember—easy does it, but do it. I try to remember, when tragedy befalls our fellow man or one of us reverts back to drinking, that "But for the Grace of God," it could be me. No amount of thinking can help an alcoholic overcome the desire or compulsion to take a drink once one has been drunk. So if I desire a drink, I "Think, Think, Think" before I take it. I think of all the tragedy that befell me before I got here. I think of where I can go back to. I think of all the things I have to be grateful for. I think of calling my sponsor to help me through this. I think the drink through, all the way from the first drink to the end of the drunk. Chances are, if I "Think," I won't have to take that first drink. "First Things First" doesn't mean getting back the family or the job. It means to first stay sober, then all the rest of it will come in time if this is God's will. The first thing in the morning I ask God as I understand him to help me get through this day as best I can without taking a drink. There are lots of ways to look at these slogans. I have mentioned a couple, but the important thing is I don't interpret them the same as the Go to Page 3

same as the day I first set foot in that

ONLY SUGGESTIONS?

In these times of seeking the "easier, softer way," we hear quite often, "Oh, I don't have to take the Steps-they're just suggested." Yes, just suggested for those who "want what we have and are willing to go to any length to get it." They are "suggested as a program of recovery," and the ingredients of that program are the Steps. No Steps—no program. In the very beginning of Alcoholics Anonymous, we are told, "To show other alcoholics precisely how we have recovered is the main purpose of this book." So we proceed toward sobriety and into the very meat of the instructions on how to obtain and maintain a sober way of life. We come to chapter five, "How it Works." From the title, I would gather that someone is trying to tell us something, yet we often hear it said, "I don't know how it works." I suggest that these people read chapter five, study chapter five, and follow the instructions given in chapter five. It starts with "Rarely have we seen a person fail who has thoroughly followed our path," and continues to give complete instructions for alcoholics on how to "completely give themselves to this simple program." Later, the book says, "...then you are ready to take certain Steps." We are asked to be "fearless and thorough" and told that "half measures availed us nothing....Here are the Steps we took, which are suggested as a program of recovery." As one of our friends says, "And if you want to get sober, you better took them." I have tried to determine why so many people delay and procrastinate over taking the Steps. I think it comes down to ego—the fear of someone's seeing us as we really are. Another thing that causes fear is the huge overall size of the job when we look at the Steps in their entirely, instead of one Step at a time. If we stare at our entire past all at once—or try toit is a fearful sight. But again, "one day at a time" calms it all down. It has been said that the hardest part of taking a written inventory is finding a notebook and pencil. We never get through it if we don't start. We start with Step One-where else? -and proceed into sobriety one Step at a time. "If we are painstaking about this phase of our development, we will be amazed before we are half-way through." The mental worth of sincerely taking the Steps cannot be over-estimated, and the good feelings that we get with completing our first trip through the Steps cannot be bought; I never found them in a bottle. The results are well worth all the effort, fear, shame, procrastination, doubt, soul-searching, ego deflation, and prayers that we put into our being reborn into a new life. Our mentors, with their God-given wisdom, tell us, "If you have decided you want what we have and are willing to go to any length to get it—then you are ready to take certain Steps." When fails, follow directions. Simple, K.W., Sierra Vista, Ariz. Reprint Permission: A.A. Grapevine January 1984

NOTICE NEW OFFICE HOURS



MON.-WED-FRI—9:00AM TO 5:00PM TUES & THURS—11:00AM TO 5:00PM SATURDAY—9:00AM TO 5:00PM PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD AT YOUR MEETINGS.

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

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TBAIC SECRETARY REPORT December 14, 2024

Attendees: Mike B, John T, Gaby G, Shannon, Joe R, Tom F, Mindy W, Patty G, Rich R, Chair Report: The meeting started at 9:30 a.m. with the Declaration of Unity. Mike B. then read the agenda for the meeting and proceeded to the introductions of attendees. Secretary Report: Gaby G. then read the secretary report for the month of November and it was accepted without any changes. Treasurer Report: John T. presented the treasurer's report. Our current Pink Can balance is \$2924.93. Cost of literature for the last month was \$960.63. Monthly expenses included the \$50 for the central office storage. Our committee received \$196 from the following groups: Came to Believe, it's in the Book, and Living Sober As Bill Sees It. He reports the cabinets are filled with literature at central office and there are plenty of hard/soft cover big books available. Treatment Centers: ACTS Amethyst/Detox/Juvenile is all good and covered per John T. North Tampa Behavioral Health still needs volunteer. Shannon was interested in filling the position. Tom F also mentioned having some volunteers that are interested. Operation New Hope has volunteers at both locations: Tampa and St. Pete. Cove Housing is going well per Joe R. Sandra Prince is going well per Joe R. River Oaks has low resident attendance per Mindy W and Rich R. Meeting is no longer mandatory for clients. Will be investigated whether the meeting should be continued or not. Turning Point Detox is going well per Patty G.

Corrections: Hillsborough Men's Jail is going strong per Rich R. However, more volunteers are needed. Zephyrhills going well, Tom F. reported. Good resident attendance. Pasco Women's Jail: Jessica reports they are still holding 2-3 meetings a month with 3 volunteers they have. Volunteers are still needed. Falkenberg Jail in going well. Bianca reports that they recently got a new volunteer. Volunteers have been going in pairs. They are currently having meetings 3 times a week: Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday. She has been informed that they are allowed to hand out packets and books again, the women have appreciated receiving literature. Bridge The Gap: No calls came in last month. Tom F. mentioned possibly simplifying the automated system when receiving phone calls. Man on the Bed: Mindy W. reported 4 calls and 4 people were visited. She is now working with 3 social workers from Tampa General Hospital. Old Business: Mike B. reported that the Area 15 chair and secretary/treasurer position are still open. The chair position requires a minimum of 5 years of sobriety. The secretary/treasurer position requires a minimum of 2 years. New Business: John T. stated that the TBAIC website costs \$250 yearly to keep up and running. We voted on whether to continue to pay that cost. We voted in favor of. It was also brought up that many groups do not utilize the pink can due to false belief that the TBAIC is overfunded. Gaby G. will bring up passing the Pink Can to Sobrenity.

The meeting ended at 10:17 a.m. with the Responsibility Statement and the Lord's Prayer.

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.

Our Next Committee Meeting

January 11th, 2025 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:

November 9th, thru December 14th, 2024: Came to Believe Group: \$25.00, It's in the Book Group: \$71.00 and Living Sober As Bill Sees It Group: \$100.00

YTD Contributions to TBAIC	\$16,877.98		
Pink Can Balance 12/2023	\$7,110.46		
YTD Money Spent on Literature	\$17,440.07		
YTD Operational Expenses	\$3,3623.44		
Pink Can Current Balance	\$3,2,924.93		



THE WRITING ON THE WALL....continued from Page One

Area Hall in South Bend, Indiana. I am a proud member of the Downtown Group in Springfield, Missouri, where I moved in 1981. I have been in meeting halls all over this country and in about every one I still see those slogans. I think back to the first time I saw them and realize how good God has been to me. Today, I have over twenty years of continuous sobriety, through the "Grace of God" and the program of Alcoholics Anonymous, and I sure don't see those slogans as I did the first time I saw them.

Cecil M., Springfield, MO.

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The Birthday Club: Contributions to the Central Office help support the local services to members and groups throughout Hillsborough and East Pasco Counties and help ensure that the A.A. message is carried around our area. Ask your Treasurer if they have any Birthday envelopes available. Call or email your Central Office.

933-9123 or aainfo@aatampa-area.org

To the Treasurer or Contact Person of a Group—if you receive a Birthday envelope with the Thank You letter that we sent you—you can use it for yourself or hand it out to someone celebrating an Anniversary or use it to celebrate someone's Anniversary-Anonymously.

TO ALL members who have been sending Contributions to Central Office through PayPal. THANK YOU! BUT—If you don't put down the name of your Home Group—it will be listed as ANONYMOUS, so don't be upset at us, if you don't see contributions from your Group on our Contributions page in the Newsletter. Dear A.A. member pass this along during announcements at the meetings you go to.

Central Office provides a number of services acting as a clearing house for the convenience of members and groups, provides phone service for twelfth step calls and other inquires, helps with the of group activities and keeps track of meeting times and changes and the printing of the schedules. We also edit and print our monthly newsletter. In addition we sell all Alcoholics Anonymous General Service Conference Approved Literature and some other materials requested by our AA members. Thanks to everyone for your continued support!! Become a part of Central Office....volunteer to be a Central Office Representative for your Home Group. We meet the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm on ZOOM. Contact us at aainfo@aatampa-area.org for more information or just drop in and talk with Tim.

12 STEP DRIVERS

Please make copies & Distribute among Your Group Members & Local Area

(January, 2025)

What if I needed a meeting and there was none? What if there was no Central Office to call to and ask for help? There are hundreds, probably thousands of active alcoholics in our area. Many may never think they need our help or even want our help. But, just like you and I, there will be a few who desperately want and need our help. Many may reach for but not find the hand of A.A. We need to be there to help them when they are ready. Are you ready to help? Will you help? Do not sign up if you are not committed to help.

We really need drivers in your area to help new or potential or older AA Members who can't drive, have no funds for a cab or maybe not on a bus route to get to your meeting or any meeting. Remember when you needed help and there was someone who reached out to you, let's not forget how we were able to recover. Please Help.

Please fill this form out and mail or drop by the Central Office

1. Yes, if someone calls and they need a ride to an AA meeting, I am more than happy to help get them to an AA meeting and introduce them to other sober members of Alcoholics Anonymous. Call me anytime, I am ready.

Male

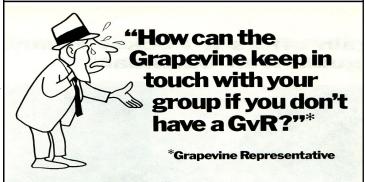
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FOR THAT I AM RESPONSIBLE:

Send To: TRI-COUNTY CENTRAL OFFICE 8019 NORTH HIMES AVENUE STE. 104 TAMPA, FLORIDA 33614 Adapted from another Central Office-Unknown

Before the still suffering alcoholic gets to your meeting, either they or a loved one has usually called Central Office first.



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NOTES FROM INSIDE THE CENTRAL OFFICE

December 10th, 2024 the Board of Directors for Central Office **BOARD MEMBERS** REPRESENTING GROUP

CHAIRPERSON THURSDAY NIGHT BIG BOOK BRAD W. ALT.CHAIR TAMPA NIGHTLY NEWCOMERS SOPHIE C. TREASURER OLD SCHOOL GROUP DEBBIE S. TO IMPROVE OUR CONSCIOUS CONTACT SECRETARY 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

Vice-Chair Brad W. 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: Dody H., Brad W., Debbie S., Sophie C., Scott B. & Brian L. Board Meeting: Scott B. presented a flyer for the Tri-County Central Office 50th Anniversary Dinner for review before posting it, and wanted some feedback. There was also a flyer for the Cakewalk, asking for donation of cakes, anywhere from 35 to 50 cakes. They are working on a QR code to put on the flyer. There will be an option to buy a table of six or eight, with a maximum of 158 seats. There will also be a 50/50 raffle. There is no information about food or speakers at this time. They are working on both. Tim pointed out that the name was incorrect for Tri-County. We are not an Intergroup, we are a Central Office, other than that, it looks good. Brad pointed out some problems of the color/shading on some of the writing. Scott announced that he had become the Area Intergroup/Central Office Secretary and was looking to see if Central Office would reimburse him for attending and Tim was going to see what they had done in the past, whether it was the Area or District that should reimburse him. Scott also talked about starting a Central Office Reps Orientation in January. Sophia asked if that was something everyone here on the Board agrees to? Because we don't want to mention something at the next meeting that isn't agreed on by the Board. That's another reason we would like to meet ahead of time so we're not introducing the concepts without bringing it to the Board. Some discussion followed. Question was asked, where would the Orientation take place. No answer provided. **Council Meeting:** Vice-Chair Brad W. opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Secretary Report: Dody read the November Minutes. A Motion to approve was made & seconded & accepted. presented Report: Sophie the November Treasurer's Report. 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 \$113.00 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 Anniversary Dinner and a Cakewalk flyer, should have ready by from A.A. material and non-A,A, material (medallions-etc.). Our the end of the week and we still need people to help with 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 Gross Profit of \$8.174.70. Our Total Expenses for November were \$10,112.53. that the Old School Group was having a candle-light meeting on Subtracting our Expenses from our Gross Profit gave us a Net Christmas Eve. Brad announced the Tampa Bay Fall Roundup. Income of minus-\$1,937.83 for the month of November. Sophie A motion to close was made, seconded and approved. Meeting announced at the 990 form was submitted. She then presented the Opening Balance and Closing Balance for November A motion to the meeting with some of the Board members. Nothing was approve was made, it was then seconded and approved. Old Business: None

December 10th, 2024 the Central Office Representatives met: REPRESENTING GROUP **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

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

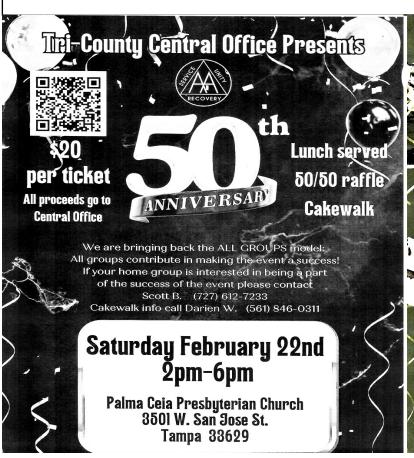
SARAH H.	FULL MOON RIVER GROUP
KARA H.	LANGUAGE OF THE HEART GROUP
DARIEN W.	TAMPA BAY SPEAKERS GROUP
SAMANTHA A.	FISHHAWK GROUP
LINDA R.	THE MEETING PLACE GROUP
JUSTIN P.	TUESDAY NEWCOMER GROUP
САТНҮ Н.	SIMPLY SOBRIETY WOMEN'S GROUP
JEFF P.	TAMPA BAY YOUNG PEOPLES GROUP
CHRISTOPHER R.	TAMPA BAY YOUNG PEOPLES GROUP
ANNIE L.	KEEP IT SIMPLE GROUP
ANDREW S.	SOBRENITY GROUP
NORM B.	SOBER @ 7 GROUP
JOANN B.	DISTRICT 2 CHAIRPERSON
NANCY G.	HIDE-A-WAY GROUP
KEN M.	SAFE HAVEN GROUP
MIKE M.	SERENITY GROUP (ZOOM)
TOM F.	AS BILL SEES IT MEN'S GROUP

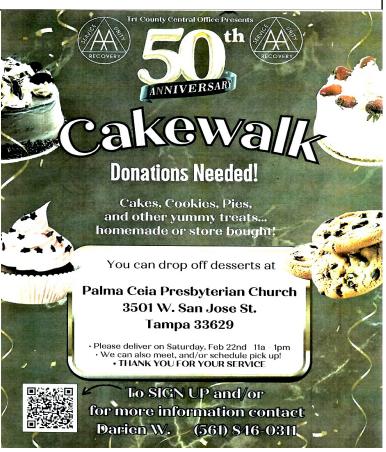
New Business: The Office Manager brought up first that he was asked by the PI/CPC Committee if they could set up a display at the Anniversary Dinner. Tri-County has always in the past, asked if any District Committees would like to set up a display at our events. Scott noted that if they have room, that should be okay. The second request was to possibly hire a member he had in mind as an assistant manager so that would be able to come in when Tim was unable to, because the question had been asked at a previous meeting, what would we do if the office manager was out for some time from the office. (Because of sound trouble at his end, Tim could not hear much of the discussion and respond appropriately to some of the questions asked.) Much discussion followed about how much it would cost Central Office, minimum wage requirements, hiring procedures etc. and the final consensus was 1. That we should have a form with the requirements for hiring and 2. To allow the general A.A. community the opportunity to fill out an application. Discussion was tabled until next month. Announcements: Scott made some announcements about the upcoming Area 15 General Assembly in Sarasota. He also announced that they have a position for Treasurer open at District 2 and some other positions, we also have a flyer we are working on for the other service positions. An decorations and some announcement was made for the Sobrenity Group having a lunch and some other festivities for Christmas Day. Sophie announced ended with the Lord's Prayer. There was a small meeting after really discussed since it had already been discussed at the regular meetings.

ANNIVERSARY TIME SELF-SUPPORT-DECEMBER, 2024 It Works-It Really Does—Ask them how they did it!!! **GROUP** Years **Honors To** Date © Today in December, 2024 we currently have 191 AA 101 GROUP KAY M. 12/08/01 **23 YRS** Groups in the Hillsborough-East Pasco area with around 502 meetings weekly. Also we have 128 Zoom meetings 2 YRS SOBER @ 7 GROUP BEVERLY R. 12/10/22 weekly. Contributions in December totaled \$4,075.35. This SOBER @ 7 GROUP 5 YRS TOMMY P. 12/27/19 accounts for what 25 Groups or Individuals in our area have contributed in December, also included is, \$727.72 5 YRS SOBER @ 7 GROUP MIKE H. 12/18/19 from 12 Groups or Individuals who made contributions SOBER @ 7 GROUP MICHAEL P. 12/26/09 **15 YRS** through PayPal. We also received a \$19.00 contribution for 1 member of the Birthday Club. Our literature sales for JANET S. 12/01/09 15 YRS SOBER @ 7 GROUP December was \$5,413.11, along with \$21.00 for 3 **HIGH-NOONERS GROUP** TOM C. 12/15/18 6 YRS newsletter subscriptions. This includes sales from A.A. HIGH-NOONERS GROUP KURT R. 12/28/68 **56 YRS** material and non-A,A, material (medallions-etc.). Our total income for December was \$9,509.46. Our Total Cost **19 YRS** NEW WAY WOMEN'S GROUP ANN K. 12/12/05 of Goods Sold was \$4,541.46. Subtracting the Total Cost of NEW WAY WOMEN'S GROUP ELLIE C. 12/14/86 **38 YRS** Goods Sold from our December income left us with a Profit of \$4,968.00. Our Total Expenses for NEW WAY WOMEN'S GROUP SUSAN G. 12/23/84 **40 YRS** December were \$9,911.07. Subtracting our Expenses from MARIE B. 12/27/11 13 YRS LIVING SOBER/AS BILL SEES IT our Gross Profit gave us a Net Income of minus-\$4,943.07 for the month of December. We still have a good Prudent SIMPLY SOBRIETY WOMEN'S LORI B. 12/14/21 3 YRS Reserve, all our bills keep getting paid, the lights are on, CHRISTA C. SIMPLY SOBRIETY WOMEN'S 12/10/18 6 YRS we have a decent amount of literature available, the phones are working Thank you for your support. Thank You!!! SIMPLY SOBRIETY WOMEN'S LISA M. 12/06/11 **13 YRS** O.M. tws:) **RUSH HOUR GROUP** PAUL H. 12/07/10 **14 YRS RUSH HOUR GROUP** MARK L. 12/17/2000 **24 YRS** A BIRTHDAY CLUB SUPPORTER TO CENTRAL OFFICE ONE DOLLAR OR MORE FOR EACH YEAR OF SOBRIETY 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 **Honors To Home Group Date** Years JUST WHAT I WANTED WOMEN'S **PHYLLIS** 12/13/05 **19 YRS SOBER** @ 7 GROUP JUDY K. 06/24/93 **31 YRS** JUST WHAT I WANTED WOMEN'S ANGELA P. 12/02/05 **19 YRS** HIDE-A-WAY GROUP PHILIP S. 11/08/07 **17 YRS** 14 YRS CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP PAUL H. 12/07/10 NEW TAMPA MON. MEN'S CHRIS D. 11/30/93 **31 YRS** CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP DODY H. 12/23/09 15 YRS CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP ROBERT B. 12/31/07 **17 YRS** THANK GOD IT'S FRIDAY JANICE P. 12/09/90 **34 YRS** CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP BRIAN A. 12/02/94 **30 YRS** *That's 804 Years of Sobriety!* ON THE WAY HOME GROUP **MARISA** 12/30/17 **7 YRS** Someone is definitely doing something right! ON THE WAY HOME GROUP **17 YRS SILVANA** 12/02/07 Search out these people and find out their ON THE WAY HOME GROUP JENN N. 12/05/05 **19 YRS** secret. I'm sure they would be Happy to share it ON THE WAY HOME GROUP NEVA S. 12/31/99 **25 YRS** with you © ON THE WAY HOME GROUP DON B. 12/12/89 **35 YRS** Remember: When you allow yourself to be upset over one KEYSTONE DISCUSSION GROUP BART S. 12/31/12 **12 YRS** thing, you succeed only in opening the door for the coming of Hundreds of other upsetting things..... KEYSTONE DISCUSSION GROUP DONNIE L. 12/01/11 **13 YRS** Always remember...when someone is kicking you in the KEYSTONE DISCUSSION GROUP BETSY B. 12/18/02 **22 YRS** butt, you're still out in front! "Sobriety is like buying oaks. If you want nice clean, KEYSTONE GROUP AL G. 12/02/86 **38 YRS** fresh oats, you pay a fair price. However, if you can be FRIDAY WOMEN'S FRIENDSHIP TERRI P. 12/23/09 **15 YRS** satisfied with oats that have already been through the horse...that comes a little cheaper!" FRIDAY WOMEN'S FRIENDSHIP BETH P. 12/09/09 **15 YRS** FRIDAY WOMEN'S FRIENDSHIP **NEVA** 12/31/99 **25 YRS**

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

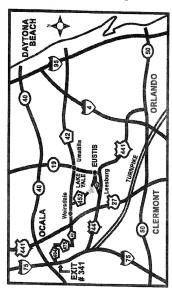
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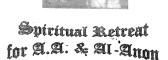
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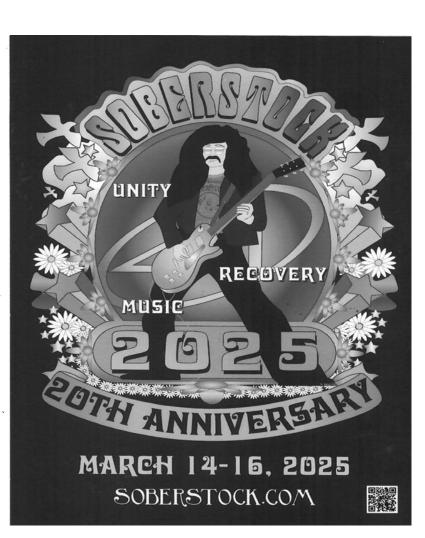




CONFERENCE CENTER, FL. MARCH 7-9, 2025

Online Registration Available: www.retreatforaa-alanon.com

In person retreat for those who are vaccinated



Group	DEC	YTD	Group	DEC	YTD	Group	DEC	YTD
7:15 Young Peoples Group		55.75	Keeping it Real Group		245.00	Sober @ 7 Group		368.24
11th Step Retreat		100.00	Keystone Group			Sober @ 7 Anniversary		232.00
A Common Solution		70.00	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	SoberSticks Event		200.00
Annual Housecleaning	100.00	150.00	Language of the Heart		100.00	SoberStock Event		2,600.00
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Anonymous Donations As Bill Sees It Mens Odessa	325.02	5305.42 195.00	Life Enrichment Group Living in the Solution			Sober on Saturday Group Sobrenity Group		238.00 800.00
Barracks Brigade Group		240.00	LivingSober/As Bill Sees It			Sobrietea Women's Group		52.50
BeginnersFirst Group		650.00	Little Harbor Grapevine Beach Mtg	450.00	750.00	Soberilla		729.10
BeginnersStep Group Brandon		402.00	Lunch Bunch Group	100100		Sobriety at Sunrise Group		1,931.65
Better Together Group		10.00	Monday Night Men's			Sobriety at Sunset Group		230.10
Big Book Bunch Group		562.00	Melboure Beach Seaside Women's	100.00		Southshore Men's Group		300.06
Bill D's Group	125.00	450.00	Mid Day Madness	100.00	45.00	Southside Men's Group # 1		780.00
Birthday Club	120,00	1,135.00	Morning Express Group			Southside Men's Group #3	388.58	929.58
Brandon Big Book Meeting		155.00	Morning Express (YANA)		891.15	Southside Men's Group #4	366.36	435.50
By The Book Men's Group		105.00	Morning Mindset Group	58.28	80.60	Spiritual Growth Group		550.00
BYO 12 & 12 Group		150.00	My Turn Group	JO.20		Staying Alive @ 5:45 Zoom		1,700.00
Came To Believe Group		1,517.00	New Beginnings-(5:45)Joe's			Step Sisters in Sobriety		165.32
Candlelight Group		1.72	New Beginning Group-(Our Club)	439.35		Stepping Stones Group (w)		477.66
Cardinal Group - Odessa		1,592.50	Newcomers Group	.57.55		Sun City Center Group		90.30
Carrollwood Group		182.50	New Tampa Monday Men's			Sun City Center Men's	70.00	340.00
Clean Air Group		8.12	Nooners GroupRiverview	217.03		Sunday Afternoon Step Mtg	70100	303.00
Come As You Are Group		7.10	Nooners GroupTampa	217700		Tampa Bay Institutions	50.00	700.00
District 2 General Service		531.60	Noontime Celebration Gp.		75.00	Tampa Bay Young Peoples	20100	1,656.05
Druid Hills Big Book		34.50	Odessa Group		297.50	Tampa Bay Speakers Gp.		510.00
Early Risers Group - Joe's		360.00	On the Way Home Tpa 5:30			Tampa Nightly Newcomers		100.00
Fireside Group	65.00	439.86	Palma Ceia Big Book Group			Tampa Sat Night Speakers		300.00
Fishhawk Group		809.60	Pathfinders			T & C Sisters in Sobriety		513.10
Fourth Dimension Group		351.65	Pavillion Peeps		134.50	TGIS Group		252.00
Freedom in Sobriety Group		115.56	Pilgrim Group -St Leo's		52.00	Thank God it's Friday		781.00
Friday @ 4 Group		617.50	Plank Owners Group		292.00	The 164 Group		105.87
Friday Morning Women's Friendship	300.00	1,400.00	Primary Purpose Group		502.23	The Meeting Place Group		1,221.51
Friday Under the Lights		112.00	Promises Meeting Group			Tues.Big Book of Brandon		214.00
Friends of Bill Meditation Group		385.00	Promises Anniversary Dinner		2,920.00	Tuesday Book Club Group		13.18
Friends of Bill Women's Group		722.00	Read This Book Group	6.78	6.78	Tuesday Newcomers Group		92.00
Full Moon River Womens		849.62	Red Chip Day		402.04	Turning Point Group	65.00	780.00
Gifts of Sobriety	195.00	780.00	Reflections Group-Lake Mag		1,096.09	UpTown/ Downtown Group		83.33
Good Start Group	371.56	3,135.56	Riverside Group			Wed Night Step Workshop		35.10
Grace-n-Gratitude		318.85	Ruskin Fellowship Group			Wed Keep it Simple Group		130.00
Great Way To Start The Day		719.40	Ruskin Women's Big Book		804.15	Wellspring Group		195.00
Helping Hands Group		30.00	Safe, Sane &Sober Group			With Room to Grow Group		1,450.00
Hi Nooners Group Plant City		300.00	Saturday Night Fever Group			Wesley Chapel Group	396.79	396.79
Hide-A-Way Group			Serenity GroupZOOM			Women's Friendship Group	1.24	434.2
Host of Friends Group			Set Aside Big Book Study Group		59.01	YaYa Sisterhood of Sobriety	1.24	1.24
It's in the Book Men's Group		933.25	Simply Sobriety Women's Group		488.81			
In Loving Memory (Greg O.) Keen it Simple Men's Croup	150.00	2,500.00 375.00	Sisters 12 n 12 Group (Zoom)	26.50	659.22 307.33			
Keep it Simple Men's Group Keep It Simple/Pass It On	130.00	600.21	Sisters Celebrating Sobriety Sisters in Sobriety Group	20.50	770.40			
Keep it Simple/Pass It On Keep it Simply Spiritual		824.57	Sisters in Sobriety Group Sisters in Sobriety CakeWalk Raffle		1,415.00			
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