



Tri-County Central Office News

A Sponsor has three powers:
Example, Suggestions and Prayer

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SWING SHIFT

After one and a half years of sobriety, my place of work moved me from the day shift to the swing shift. This created a problem. How would I attend my regular AA meeting that was the backbone of my recovery program? The answer was to start another meeting closer to home, and on a night when I wasn't working. It took awhile to get the meeting going, but finally, I went to the local intergroup office to register the new meeting for inclusion in the next meeting directory. While I was there, the office manager asked me if I could answer the phones on a regular basis—just three hours a week, a simple commitment. I said sure, why not, and settled into one of the most educational periods in my recovery. Every Monday at noon I arrived at the office, and stayed until three o'clock. Then I went home to supper, after which I set up the new meeting. For the next year I had a real opportunity to learn just how important the Twelve Traditions were. For, make no mistake about it, those Twelve Traditions were the charter under which our intergroup office operated. Every day I got phone calls asking about alcoholism programs. Distraught family members called, and were referred to the National Council on Alcoholism, to Al-Anon, and to the local council on alcoholism. Using Tradition Six, I made it quite plain that AA was not affiliated with any of these. Phone calls from those on drugs were referred to NA. Crank calls were hung up. Meanwhile, dozens of people asked where the nearest AA meeting was, since they had a court card to be signed. The anonymity Tradition was also important, and I never gave my name or anyone else's over the phone. It wasn't that I was ashamed, but I did it because it gave newcomers confidence that *their* anonymity would be preserved. Calls for meetings, calls for information, and some crank calls: What about calls from "wet" alcoholics? Well, yes, we had some of those, although not as many as I first thought. But when they came in, they had number one priority, under the Fifth Tradition. We telephone volunteers would go through the stacks of cards of those willing to take Twelfth Step calls. We had to go through a lot of the stack, since some had moved, some weren't home, and most had answering machines. Trying to find a live body taught us patience. But we eventually would make the match-up, ask the twelfth-stepper to call back about the result, and get on with the rest of the work. Yes, there were books to be moved around, literature orders to be filled, and people who needed information and came into the office to get it directly. In retrospect, very little of our time was directly related to "hands-on" Twelfth Step work. Helping out with the many chores in the office made me appreciate why we needed a full-time office manager and a full-time secretary, and why the two were paid well. Tradition Eight began to really mean something. So did the interlocking Traditions Two and Nine. I also attended intergroup meetings, something I had not done before, and learned still more about AA's service structure. At one of these intergroup meetings, a lady with many years on the program was visibly upset, and I asked if it was proper for atheists and agnostics to staff the phones at the central office. The group conscience decided it was okay, that Tradition Three meant exactly what it said. And in the line with Tradition Four, our "We Agnostics" meetings was finally listed in the local meeting directory. I would like to end this article on an upbeat note, but I was soon unemployed. I had to resign my weekly commitment at the AA office while I went job hunting. Today I stay sober one day at a time and hope to one day be able to again staff the phones at the central office. I learned a lot, but I also learned how little I know.

Harry A. Arcadia, Calif Reprint Permission: AA Grapevine, April 1994

GETTING THE DRUNKS IN

I am sure that the community in which I live is not different from many others in the country. It has many fine AA groups, and members here are very active in all facets of Alcoholics Anonymous. As in many other communities, there is an active court referral program for people convicted of driving while under the influence (DWIs). As a result, some situations have developed that are affecting AA, and some AA members are disturbed. Recently, a complaint against court referrals was registered with the state assembly by an AA member. The complaint mentioned, among other things, that DWIs are ruining AA meetings, and that the people referred to AA aren't ready yet. It suggested that the state take some action to stop the courts from referring these people to Alcoholics Anonymous. In the first place, the courts aren't at fault. Many of the DWI recipients are given a choice of several programs, one of which includes attendance at AA meetings. Many of them choose the program that includes AA, and thus their attendance at meetings is actually voluntary. A frequently heard complaint is that too many people are coming into AA as a result of court referral programs and other outside agencies. The number of people coming into AA isn't the problem, and it never will be. The Fellowship has never turned away anyone who has a drinking problem. Just take a look at the actions of the General Service Conference. Many of them deal with carrying the message, cooperating with outside agencies, attraction; these examples could go on forever. Never in the history of AA have the co-founders or the Conference done anything that would keep drunks out of AA. From the beginning, the question has been: How can we get the drunks in? Old-timers tell of cases when drunks were taken to meetings whether they wanted to go or not, and they stayed to become good AA members. Who are we to judge whether people referred by the courts are ready or not, whether they have hit bottom, whether they are alcoholics? The criteria for telling when someone is ready just hasn't been written yet. Everybody that has come into AA has started at the bottom. No exceptions. How many of us knew we were alcoholics when we crossed the threshold of our first AA meeting room? I certainly didn't. Much AA history is contained in the book *Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age*. And Actions that affect the entire Fellowship are contained in the reports of the annual General Service Conference. There are many pamphlets and Guidelines that contain valuable information. Those inclined to judge should read all these informative documents before passing judgement on anyone else. Thank God that AA as a whole hasn't lost sight of our primary purpose.

C.B., Santa Maria, Calif.

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Did you know that the First printing of the Big Book "Alcoholics Anonymous" was published April 1st, 1939 on April Fool's Day ☺



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

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

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

**TBAIC SECRETARY REPORT
March 8, 2025**

Attendees: Mike B, Mindy W, Nancy H, Jorge G, Patty G, Sophia C, John T

Alternate chair (Mike) opened the meeting with the declaration of unity. No first time attendees at the meeting. **Chair Report:** Mike said the committee chair (Jessica M) was not able to attend due to another commitment. He said he did not receive a chair report from Jessica.

Secretary Report: Mike said the secretary (Gaby) was not able to attend due to another commitment. So, John read the secretary report for the month of February, and it was accepted without any changes.

Treasurer Report: John then presented the treasurer's report. The current pink can balance is \$2,819.84. The committee received contributions totaling \$910.29 from the following groups: Barracks Brigade, Came to Believe, Freedom in Sobriety, Language of the Heart (3333), Living in the Solution, Saturday Night Fever, and Sisters in Sobriety. Monthly expenses included \$75 for central office storage and reimbursement of \$73.46 to Mike B for the Bridging the Gap cards he purchased. Literature expenses for the month totaled \$1,358.06. Report accepted without any changes.

Treatment Centers: John T reported on the following treatment centers: - ACTS Adult and Juvenile detox is all good and covered. - ACTS Wraparound Housing (Amethyst) is going well. - Cove Housing is going well, low resident attendance, but attendance overall good. - Tampa Housing is going well, several residents attending meetings - TGH Behavioral will have patients in April. Glenn Y has taken on the commitment and said he has lined up several male volunteers who have begun the background check process, which includes drug testing. He said female volunteers are needed. Jorge reported that River Oaks is going well. He said attendance at meetings has increased since meetings are now mandatory for patients

Corrections: - Falkenburg Women's Jail. Nancy said attendance at Wednesday meetings is lower than it had been. She said another volunteer (Susie C.) will meet with Bianca to unify the three meetings at the jail. Bianca reported via email: Meetings are going well. I am coordinating Fridays and Sundays. I have 14 volunteers. There is one person currently going through the application process. We are sending volunteers together in pairs. Everyone is doing well. We have 14 to 16 women per meeting on average. - True Core female juvenile facility. John said one male volunteer went through the background check process which included fingerprints. That volunteer said he will help two women volunteers with the background check process.

Bridging The Gap: - Mike had 3 calls and John had 1 call with no bridges. Mike said members of his home group who carry meetings into River Oaks will distribute program cards to patients at that facility.

Man on the Bed: - Mindy W reported that she received 5 calls - 4 at the main hospital and 1 at the facility in Brandon. All 5 people were visited. She said the program is one step closer at the new Adventist Health Hospital in Riverview since she, alternate coordinator (Ed S) and PICPC member (Suzanne B) did a PICPC type presentation with social workers. **Old Business:** - Mindy said several attendees at the central office dinner volunteered for the Man on the Bed call list. John said two women at the dinner volunteered for the Bridging the Gap call list and several other people asked about TBAIC opportunities. **New Business:** - Mike said the quarterly area meeting is in Boca Raton in April. - Sophia said the district has an opening for PICPC chair person.

Meeting ended at 10:05 a.m. with the Responsibility Statement.

Our Next Committee Meeting

April 5th, 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!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

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

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.

YTD Contributions to TBAIC	\$2,536.27
Pink Can Balance 12/2024	\$2,924.93
YTD Money Spent on Literature	\$652.07
YTD Operational Expenses	\$1,393.06
Pink Can Current Balance	\$3,416.07

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.

DIAL-a-DRUNK

I sat silently brooding, wishing I could blame my mistakes and faults on someone else. It had taken me years of resentments and faultfinding to really look at myself and realize I could blame no one. My mistakes were mind alone. I had blamed my boyfriend when I became pregnant, never realizing that I was there too and every bit as much involved as he was. I had given my child away after my boyfriend disappeared, and I blamed him for that too. I stood suddenly and, shaking my head, tried to clear it of the memories that had flooded me. But they were persistent and once more all I could think of was the past. I had spent a lot of time hating everyone—my mother, my father, my family, and almost everyone I had come into contact with. I had even blamed myself when things weren't my fault. I had blamed myself when my father had moved away. I had blamed my mother when the family fell apart after he left. I had blamed my mother for almost everything else, never once realizing that everything happens for a reason. I got up this time and went for a walk, for I knew full well that I could not blame my problems on anyone anymore. I knew I had to take responsibility for my own life. I'd known that for two years now. It was so damned hard. I knew I was strong, for I had come through crisis after crisis. I had survived sexual abuse, beatings, giving up my child, and a severe drinking problem. I knew that deep down I was a fighter and a survivor. I was so tired of fighting, though. I felt the tiredness and did my best to dispel it. I had met so many new friends and good people I could hardly believe it. Since I had joined Alcoholics Anonymous I had stopped drinking and things had become so much easier. I had learned to handle problems without drinking and trying to forget them. I had faced them and solved them. I knew all I had to do was pick up the phone and talk to a friend and things would be easier. That was when I turned back toward the house. I walked into the kitchen and headed for the phone. I was going to do something about my problem instead of feeling sorry for myself. And with that I picked up the phone and started to dial.

N.M., Moose Jaw, Sask.

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"That last speaker was so realistic, I've got half a hangover!"

A horse entered a bar and ordered a martini. When it was served, the horse stomped it's hoof and said, "You forgot the olive." The bartender corrected the omission, whereupon the horse drank the cocktail and left. "Man! That's really unusual!" remarked one of the patrons. "No," replied the barkeep. I quite often forget the olive."....

12 STEP DRIVERS

DRIVERS NEEDED

**GOT A CAR? WANT TO HELP YOUR SOBRIETY?
HELP SOMEBODY GET TO A MEETING BY GIVING
THEM A RIDE.**

**Interested In Helping—send us an E-mail to:
aainfo@aatampa-area.org
That person just might be your newest member of
your Home Group.**

"Helping others is the foundation stone of your recovery. A kindly act occasionally isn't enough. We must act the Good Samaritan every day, if need be. Big Book p.97



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.**

**Central Office now accepts Credit Cards as of
February 2025**

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 Suggested Pie Chart Distribution :

Your Central Office	Your District "District Two"	General Service Office	Your Area South Florida
Tri-County Central Office	Send to: District 2,	Make checks payable to	Area Committee
8019 N. Himes Ave.	General Service	General Service Board	Send to: Area 15
Suite 104	P.O. Box 20623	P.O. Box 2407	Treasurer
Tampa, FL 33614	Tampa, FL	James A. Farley	P.O. Box 590835
813-933-9722	33622-0623	Station	Ft. Lauderdale, FL
33614-2759	www.aatampa-area.org	New York, NY	33359-0835
www.aatampa-area.org	20%	10116-2407	www.area15aa.org
65%		www.aa.org	10%
			5%

When someone calls for help, it's usually to the Central Office

NOTES FROM INSIDE THE CENTRAL OFFICE

February 11th, 2025 the Board of Directors for Central Office
BOARD MEMBERS REPRESENTING GROUP

Excused	CHAIRPERSON	THURSDAY NIGHT BIG BOOK
BRAD W.	ALT.CHAIR	TAMPA NIGHTLY NEWCOMERS
SOPHIE C.	TREASURER	OLD SCHOOL GROUP
DEBBIE S.	SECRETARY	CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP
Excused	BOARD MEMBER	JUST WHAT I WANTED GROUP
Absent	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	
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(Board Members present: Brad W., Scott B., Sophia C., Brian L., Debbie S.) Al B. Board Chair was absent due to illness. Brad opened the Board meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer, and then reminded everyone to make sure that you are posted in the chat so that you can receive your minutes. **Board Meeting:** Unfortunately, there was no recording available for the Board Meeting in the recording that I received. **Council Meeting:** Brad opened the Council meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer, and then reminded everyone to make sure that you are posted in the chat so that you can receive your minutes. **Secretary Report:** Debbie read the February Minutes. There were no questions, Brad noted that the Board and Council meeting is no longer combined. A motion was made to accept the minutes. There was a second to the motion. Motion was approved. **Treasurers Report:** Tim presented the February Treasurers report in lieu of Sophia's absence. Contributions in February totaled \$12,772.41. This accounts for what 42 Groups or Individuals in our area have contributed in February, also included is, \$1,115.84 from 7 Groups or Individuals who made contributions through PayPal. We also received a \$4,679.86 from our 50th Anniversary Dinner and Speaker Event. Our literature sales for February was \$4,585.57, along with \$84.00 for 12 years of a continuous newsletter subscription. This also includes sales from A.A material and non-A.A. material (medallions—etc.). Our total income for February was \$17,357.98. Our Total Cost of Goods Sold was \$3,489.24. Subtracting the Total Cost of Goods Sold from our February income left us with a Gross Profit of \$13,868.74. Our Total Expenses for February were \$9,839.57. Subtracting our Expenses from our Gross Profit gave us a Net Income of plus+\$4,029.17 for the month of February. It was also noted that for the first two months, we were sitting \$4,913.79 to the good so far. A motion was made to accept the Treasurers report. There was a second to the motion. Motion was approved. **Old Business:** Scott gave a rundown on the successful Tri-County Central Office 50th Anniversary Dinner. Scott noted that they were able to raise \$3,679.86. Scott thanked everyone who helped out. There were lot's of thanks back to Scott for his efforts running the event. **New Business:** Scott gave a brief report as the District 2 liaison, he noted that there is a Treasurers position that is open. He will also be at the Area Assembly in April as the Intergroup/Central Office Committee secretary. Scott wanted to make a motion to start plans for a Founders Day Event, but Tim noted that Board members can not make motions at the Council Meeting. Board members are only there to observe and to comment on a subject if asked for clarification. Some discussion followed.

February 11th, 2025 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

ALEX R.	OLD SCHOOL GROUP
KIM F.	T & C SISTERS IN SOBRIETY WOMEN'S
CAROLINE G.	FULL MOON RIVER WOMEN'S GROUP
SAMANTHA B.	FISHHAWK GROUP
KEN M.	SAFE HAVEN GROUP
JEFF P.	TAMPA BAY YOUNG PEOPLES GROUP
BAILEY T.	164 GROUP
TOM R.	LANGUAGE OF THE HEART GROUP
TERESA G.	SISTERS IN SOBRIETY GROUP
LINDA R.	THE MEETING PLACE GROUP
MAUREEN P.	FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP WOMEN'S GROUP
MICHELLE G.	JUST WHAT I WANTED GROUP
RANDELL D.	FOURTH DIMENSION GROUP
JUSTIN P.	TUESDAY NEWCOMER GROUP
CATHY H.	SIMPLY SOBRIETY WOMEN'S GROUP
JEREMY B.	TAMPA NIGHTLY NEWCOMERS GROUP
ANNIE L.	KEEP IT SIMPLE / PASS IT ON GROUP
BLAIR	MONDAY NIGHT NEW TAMPA MEN'S
NANCY G.	HIDE-A-WAY GROUP
DENISE McG.	GREAT WAY TO START THE DAY GROUP
MIKE M.	SERENITY GROUP (ZOOM)

Cathy, a member of the Simply Sobriety Women's Group was able to make a motion for planning of the Founders Day event, which will be forwarded to the Board for their review. **Announcements:** Old School Group a Sponsorship workshop in May and Emotional Sobriety workshop in August A motion to close was made, seconded and approved. Meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer. **The next Board & Council Meeting will be April 8th, 2025 at 7:00 pm on ZOOM**



ANNIVERSARY TIME

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

SELF-SUPPORT-MARCH 2025

GROUP	Honors To	Date	Years
DADE CITY KEEP IT SIMPLE	STEVE S.	04/29/11	14 YRS
DADE CITY KEEP IT SIMPLE	CHERYL B.	04/22/84	41 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	DEBBIE K.	04/22/19	6 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	JERRY K.	04/03/05	20 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	JOHN G.	04/06/87	38 YRS
FISHHAWK GROUP	CINDY L.	04/21/07	18 YRS
GRACE-N-GRATITUDE GROUP	MAUREEN D.	04/21/88	37 YRS
SOBRENITY GROUP	ANNIE	04/07	18 YRS
SOBRENITY GROUP	MARY V.	04/96	29 YRS
SOBRENITY GROUP	GARY Y.	04/87	38 YRS
SOBRENITY GROUP	GUS A.	04/82	43 YRS
SOBRIETY @ SUNRISE	JULIE L.	04/25/93	32 YRS
KEYSTONE DISCUSSION GROUP	LINN D.	04/01/15	10 YRS
KEYSTONE DISCUSSION GROUP	SANDY G.	04/14/97	28 YRS
KEYSTONE DISCUSSION GROUP	PAUL F.	04/03/96	29 YRS
KEYSTONE DISCUSSION GROUP	SHAWN K.	04/01/94	31 YRS
KEYSTONE DISCUSSION GROUP	MIKE B.	04/13/87	38 YRS
KEYSTONE DISCUSSION GROUP	TOM R.	04/14/84	41 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	BRAD	04/16/12	13 YRS
FRIDAY NIGHT BIG BOOK	BUD F.	04/16/83	42 YRS
JUST WHAT I WANTED WOMEN'S	TAMMY	04/07/07	18 YRS
MUSTARD SEED GROUP	TRACY K.	04/16/15	28 YRS
RUSH HOUR GROUP	GEORGE S.	04/26/86	39 YRS
RUSH HOUR GROUP	HECTOR R.	04/24/86	39 YRS
SIMP.LY SOBRIETY WOMEN'S	WENDY B.	04/01/18	7 YRS
LIVING SOBER/AS BILL SEES IT	YVONNE S.	04/01/07	18 YRS
FRIDAY MORNING FRIENDSHIP	KATHY M.	04/01/13	12 YRS
FRIDAY MORNING FRIENDSHIP	LUANNE M.	04/01/09	16 YRS
FRIDAY MORNING FRIENDSHIP	DIANE C.	04/10/02	23 YRS
FRIDAY MORNING FRIENDSHIP	KAREN	04/19/91	34 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	ROBERT O.	03/03/95	30 YRS

That's 738 Years of Sobriety!

Someone is definitely doing something right !Search out these people and find out their secret. I'm sure they would be

Happy to share it with you ☺

© Today in March, 2025 we currently have 191 Groups in the Hillsborough-East Pasco area with around 498 meetings weekly. Also we have 128 Zoom meetings weekly. Contributions in March totaled \$5,447.17. This accounts for what 39 Groups or Individuals in our area have contributed in March, also included is, \$1,108.86 from 8 Groups or Individuals who made contributions through PayPal. We also received a \$30.00 Birthday Contribution from 1 individual. Our literature sales for March was \$9,301.20, along with \$42.00 for 6 newsletter subscriptions. This also includes sales from A.A material and non-A.A, material (medallions—etc.). Our total income for March was \$14,790.37. Our Total Cost of Goods Sold was \$7,101.46. Subtracting the Total Cost of Goods Sold from our March income left us with a Gross Profit of \$7,688.91. Our Total Expenses for March were \$10,281.78. Subtracting our Expenses from our Gross Profit gave us a Net Income of minus-\$2,592.87 for the month of March. Last year was pretty ruff for us as far as contributions and literature sales. We netted about \$32,000.00 less from the previous year in contributions, about \$25,000.00 less in literature sales and couple that with rising expenses—electric, phone, rent, computer expenses—etc, it looked kind of bad. However, that is in the past and no need to dwell on it. We just need to keep moving forward. Currently, 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 . Let's come alive in 25!!! Thank You!!!O.M. tws:)

!Think about it: In the years to come, you, today, will be the history that future AA members will be talking about. How will that view you?

!We in AA say that a "Coincidence" is a Miracle which God choses to remain Anonymous.

!It's a pity we can't forget our TROUBLES the same way we forget our BLESSINGS!

!Trying to Pray, is Praying.

!Laughter is a sign we have recovered from the insanity of the past.

!Your best sponsor is the Big Book.

!Stay green if you want to keep growing.

!AA=Altered Attitudes

!Three cop-outs: What if...Yea but...If only.

!If you turn it over and don't let go of it, You'll be upside down.

!WHO...Willingness-Honesty-Openness

!Faith without Works is dead and...Willingness with Action is Fantasy.

!In AA, there are no big shots, there are no little shots; it's one shot and we're all shot!

!Which is higher? Your expectations? Or Your acceptance?

!We in AA don't carry the Alcoholic; We carry the Message. The results are in God's Hands!

IF YOU ARE READING THIS—HOW ABOUT SENDING US AN UPDATED LIST OF YOUR MEMBERS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE ANNIVERSARY LIST—I KNOW YOU GOTTA HAVE NEW MEMBERS THAT WOULD LOVE TO BE INCLUDED—DON'T YA THINK??? DON'T WAIT—DO IT NOW! ☺

Summer Splash at 301

Date: May 17th

Location: 301 House
8601 Bowles Rd

Time: 12:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Meeting: Safe Haven Group 6:00 pm

Food: Hot dogs and hamburgers will be served. Attendees are welcome to bring side dishes.

Entertainment: Waterslide (must sign waiver), music, 50/50 raffle

Admission:

\$10: Waterslide and food

\$5: Food only



JOIN US FOR AN INSIGHTFUL DAY OF
FUN, FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP

SPONSORSHIP WORKSHOP!

Sponsorship Then and Now!

May 17TH, 2025 1:30-4:30

OLD SCHOOL GROUP

18125 U.S. HIGHWAY 41, Lutz, FL 33549
(IN THE BACK)

Speakers:

**Tommy M - 61 years, Linda M -49 years ,
Stephen R -39 years, Sheryl R 35 - years
Oldtimers Panel**

POTLUCK - BRING YOUR SPONSOR'S FAVORITE DISH OR DESSERT!

***PARKING IS TO THE NORTH BY THE TACO STAND**
BRING YOUR SPONSOR, SPONSEE'S, FRIENDS AND YOUR BB!**

BREAKING NEWS!!!

~DISTRICT 2 PRESENTS ~
75TH PANEL DELEGATE LUNCHEON



Hear Our Delegate's
75th General Service Conference
Highlights @ 3:00 PM

JUNE 1ST SUNDAY 1:30PM - 5:00PM

CLUB 3333

Hybrid Option - 962 6896 1514 PW: District2

**POTLUCK - PLEASE BRING A COVERED
DISH - LUNCH AT 2:00PM**

For more information and to bring an item to
share, please email
delegateluncheon@aatampa.org



SOUTH FLORIDA AREA 15 GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY
"Our Common Welfare"

Hosted by District 9, Broward County, Florida * April 4-6, 2025

Registration Friday 4:00 PM - 8:30 PM; Saturday 8:00 AM - 8:30 PM; Sunday 7:00 AM-9:00 AM

Our Common Welfare

Friday, April 4		Saturday, April 5	
8:30-9:30pm	Speaker Meeting	12:30-1:30pm	District Treasurers Meeting
10:00-11:00pm	Night Owl Meeting	12:30-1:30pm	District Secretaries/Registrars Meeting
10:00-11:00pm	Spanish Night Owl Meeting	1:00-1:50pm	Spanish Traditions Workshop
Saturday, April 5		1:30-3:50pm	Corrections Committee
7:00-8:00am	Early Bird Meeting	2:00-3:50pm	Finance Committee
7:00-8:00am	Spanish Early Bird Meeting	2:00-3:50pm	Intergroup/Central Office Meeting
8:00-9:00am	Traditions Workshop	2:00-3:50pm	GSR Sharing*
8:00-9:00am	Spanish Concepts Workshop	2:00-3:50pm	DCM Sharing
8:30-10:50am	Treatment Facilities Committee	2:00-3:50pm	Quarterly Coordinators Meeting
9:00-10:50am	Remote Communities Committee	4:00-5:00pm	Conference Review*
9:00-10:50am	Archives Committee	5:00-6:00pm	Conference Review*
9:00-10:50am	Current Practices Committee	6:00-7:00pm	Outreach Committee
9:00-10:50am	Grapevine/La Vina Committee*	7:00-8:30pm	Banquet
9:00-10:50am	Literature Committee	8:30pm-9:30pm	Speaker Meeting***
9:00-10:50am	PL/CPC Committee	10:00-11:00pm	Night Owl Meeting
9:00-10:50am	Accessibilities Committee**	10:00-11:00pm	Spanish Night Owl Meeting
11:00-12:30pm	Spanish Linguistic Committee	Sunday, April 6	
11:00-12:30pm	Concepts Workshop	7:00-8:00am	Early Bird Meeting
12:00-1:00pm	State Convention Committee	7:00-8:00am	Spanish Early Bird Meeting
12:00-1:30pm	Website Committee	9:00am	Area 15 Business Meeting.***
12:30-1:30pm	District Chairpersons Meeting*		

*Spanish Language Interpreter provided; ** ASL Interpreter Provided (if requested); *** ASL (if requested) and Spanish Language Interpreter Provided.
Arrangements for Accessibility accommodations at any meeting, workshop or interpreter for the hearing impaired for the Sunday morning business meeting can be made by
contacting the Area Accessibilities Chair at accessibilities@area15aa.org by 03/14/2025. Wheelchair accessible rooms need to be booked directly with the hotel.

SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET

No. of Fish _____
No. of Steak _____
No. of Vegan _____
Total Tickets @\$48 each _____
Total Amount Enclosed _____
Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Cell Phone _____
Email _____
District _____
Guests with Special Dietary Needs (state needs): _____

Make checks payable to: General Service District 9 (with coupon & note
"banquet")
on check to:
General Service District 9, Attn: Treasurer, PO Box 100126, Fort Lauderdale, FL
33310

Zelle payments also accepted: treasurer@district9aa.org
If paying with Zelle, include your meal choice and name.

QUESTIONS

Please contact Banquet Chair at assemblybanquet@district9aa.org

BOCA RATON MARRIOTT AT BOCA CENTER

1510 TOWN CENTER CIRCLE, BOCA RATON, FL 33486

Hotel Room Reservations:

<https://book.cassidy.com/a/50815992>

or Call 1-888-236-2427

Room Rate: \$170.00 per night + tax
Reference: "South Florida General Service Conference"

HOTEL RESERVATIONS OPEN ON 01/06/2025 @ 9 AM
AND MUST BE RECEIVED BY 03/04/2025

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

FROM I-95, EXIT PALMETTO PARK ROAD (EXIT 44) AND GO WEST.
TURN RIGHT (NORTH) AT MILITARY TRAIL.
TURN RIGHT AT TOWN CENTER CIRCLE & FOLLOW ROAD
TO HOTEL ENTRANCE.

QUESTIONS? Please contact
Quarterly Assembly Chair at
assemblychair@district9aa.org

Group	MAR	Y T D	Group	MAR	Y T D	Group	MAR	Y T D
7:15 Young Peoples Group		65.00	Keeping it Real Group			Sober @ 7 Group		82.90
11th Step Group (CTK)		122.50	Keystone Group		132.28	Sober on Saturday		
11th Step Retreat			Language of the Heart			SoberSticks Event		
A Common Solution			Life Enrichment Group			SoberStock Event		
Alpha Group	100.00	400.00	Living in the Solution			Sober on Saturday		
Annual Housecleaning			LivingSober/As Bill Sees It	195.00	195.00	Sobrenity Group		390.00
Anonymous Donations	269.61	662.47	Little Harbor Grapevine Beach			Sobrietea Women's		
As Bill Sees It Mens Odessa		487.50	Lunch Bunch Group		100.00	Soberilla		
Barracks Brigade Group	20.00	80.00	Monday Night Men's			Sobriety at Sunrise		445.25
BeginnersFirst Group	390.00	390.00	Melbourne Beach Seaside Women's			Sobriety at Sunset Group		
Beginners Step Group Brandon		98.00	Mid Day Madness			Southshore Men's Group		392.39
Better Together Group			Morning Express Group	91.00	91.00	Southside Men's Group # 1		650.00
Big Book Bunch Group			Morning Express (YANA)		931.45	Southside Men's Group #3		
Bill D's Group			Morning Mindset Group	25.00	64.00	Southside Men's Group #4		
Birthday Club	30.00	66.00	My Turn Group			Spiritual Development <small>Big Book</small>		150.00
Brandon Big Book Meeting		44.00	New Beginnings-(5:45)Joe's	121.98	121.98	Spiritual Growth Group		
By The Book Men's Group			New Beginning Group-(Our Club)	252.50	252.50	Staying Alive @ 5:45 Zoom		
BYO 12 & 12 Group			Newcomers Group	243.46	243.46	Step Sisters in Sobriety		
Came To Believe Group		502.00	New Tampa Monday Night (M)		102.00	Stepping Stones Group (w)		30.40
Candlelight Group			Nooners Group--Riverview	121.98	121.98	Sun City Center Group		16.50
Cardinal Group - Odessa	487.50	487.50	Nooners Group--Tampa			Sun City Center Men's		
Carrollwood Group	105.00	105.00	Noontime Celebration Gp.			Sunday Afternoon Step		131.50
Clean Air Group			Odessa Group	156.00	156.00	Tampa Bay Institutions	75.00	175.00
Come As You Are Group			On the Way Home Tpa 5:30		191.75	Tampa Bay Young Peoples		1200.00
Dade City Keep it Simple		195.00	Palma Ceia Big Book Group			Tampa Bay Speakers Gp.		
District 2 General Service			Pathfinders			Tampa Nightly Newcomers		
Druid Hills		100.00	Pavillion Peeps			T & C Sisters in Sobriety		295.40
Early Risers Group - Joe's			Pilgrim Group -St Leo's			TGIS Group		
Expect a Miracle Group		200.00	Plank Owners Group		232.00	Thank God it's Friday		191.00
Fireside Group	78.16	78.16	Primary Purpose Group			The 164 Group		
Fishhawk Group	438.78	438.78	Promises Anniversary Dinner		3,679.86	The Meeting Place Group	555.94	1991.70
Fourth Dimension Group			Read This Book Group			The Promises Meeting		101.54
Freedom in Sobriety Group		201.41	Red Chip Day			TRICO 50th Anniversary		3679.86
Friday @ 4 Group	108.55	273.00	Reflection Group-Lake Mag	226.31	726.31	Tues.Big Book of Brandon		
Friday Morning Women's		300.00	Riverside Group			Tuesday Book Club Group		
Friday Under the Lights			Ruskin Fellowship Group		149.50	Tuesday Newcomers		
Friends of Bill Meditation			Ruskin Women's Big Book		288.36	Turning Point Group		578.00
Friends of Bill Women's		260.00	Safe, Sane & Sober Group		277.75	UpTown/ Downtown		
Full Moon River Womens		145.00	Saturday Night Fever Group		1,573.00	WAWA Group	100.00	100.00
Gifts of Sobriety			Serenity Group--ZOOM			Wed Night Step Workshop		
Good Start Group	207.00	947.00	Set Aside Big Book Study			Wed Keep it Simple Group		
Grace-n-Gratitude	130.65	130.65	Simply Sobriety Women's		224.00	Wellspring Group		
Grapevine Gals Group	481.50	481.50	Sisters 12 n 12 Group (Zoom)		195.37	With Room to Grow		600.00
Great Way To Start The Day		230.10	Sisters Celebrating Sobriety			Wesley Chapel Group		678.76
Helping Hands Group			Sisters in Sobriety Group		210.00	Women's Friendship		405.60
Hi Nooners Group Plant City		100.00				YaYa Sisterhood of Sobriety		
Hide-A-Way Group								
Host of Friends Group								
It's in the Book Men's Group		442.59						
It's In The Wind Group- 301								
In Loving Memory								
Just What I Wanted Women's		10.00						
Keep it Simple Men's Group								
Keep It Simple/Pass It On								
Keep it Simple Plant City	60.00	195.00	Total	1,433.23		Total	730.94	
Keep it Simply Spiritual		821.00	YTD Total		10,259.55	YTD Total		12285.80
						Monthly Total	5,070.92	
Total	2,906.75					Grand Total	31,604.51	
YTD Total		9,059.16						