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“ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS CELEBRATES NINETY-ONE YEARS”
“One Day At A Time”

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POINTERS FOR BEGINNERS

Every member of AA was once a beginner, and that’s what we, who have been beginners ourselves, call any of you who are just coming around to find out something about this trouble you’ve been having with your drinking. Every one of us sat through a first meeting wondering what the score was. Every one of us had made a decision, or events had made the decision for us, to take a look at this thing called AA and see if maybe here might be the answer to a lot of questions that had been piling up for a long, long time. You’ve come to the right place, and for the next few weeks at these little meetings I’m going to try to answer a few of the big questions I know are uppermost in your mind—the same things I once wondered about. At our regular meetings following these little ones, there will be more answers for you on many, many points, and a chance to ask more of your own questions, too. But right now you don’t need philosophy; you need first aid. You need to take home with you, when you leave here tonight, not a full understanding of how AA works, not a complete explanation of the complexities of alcoholism, not a blueprint of your life from this day forth—but just what it takes to get you safely through the rest of these twenty-four hours. You need a glimmer of hope and the promise of peace of mind ahead, to take to bed with you tonight so that you’ll get a little natural sleep; you need something to take hold of when you wake up tomorrow morning, to steer by through a sober day. So, first of all, take a look around you. We’re pretty normal-looking characters. We’re healthy, glad to be alive, surprisingly happy, and not too bowed down by our grim pasts—although that grim past which goes hand in hand with a losing battle with the bottle is our greatest common denominator. We have lived intimately with the worst that alcohol can do to a human being; we have lived with despair; we have know utter disaster and total defeat; we were given up as hopeless; we thought we *were* hopeless. Yet today, this very day, we’ve all been going about our business, taking care of our responsibilities, knowing who we are and accepting what we are, and glad to come here tonight and shake hands with our friends. This is recovery in AA. It is not a cure of the disease of alcoholism; it *is* recovery from the sickness of active alcoholism. This was what was promised to each of us when we first came here, and what we found; and what we promise to you and what you will find, if you decide to stick with us. So take home with you tonight AA’s first gift to you—first, even before sobriety itself; the gift of hope. Tomorrow, try to get to a doctor. He’ll probably give you a block-buster shot of vitamins B1 and B12. It will help those nerves—there’s very little virtue in suffering unnecessarily—and will give your appetite a beneficial jolt, too. The sooner you start comforting those nerves of yours with plain, ordinary meat-and-potato nourishment, the sooner they’ll stop screaming for a drink. Don’t walk out of here tonight discouraged at the appalling prospect of never drinking again. In fact, don’t give it a thought. We don’t do it that way. We stay sober just twenty-four hours at a time (and less than that, sometimes, if twenty-four become too many to handle). With us it’s always today, and no one can possibly be drunk tomorrow if he doesn’t pick up a drink *today*. You’ll probably take a couple of new telephone numbers home with you tonight. Don’t leave them there—carry them with you; and if the going gets rough anywhere,

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Celebrating Our Beginning

With the forty-seventh Founders Day celebration of this wonderful, God-given program of Alcoholics Anonymous coming up in Akron, Ohio, June 18-19-20, I like to take a trip down memory lane. Never shall I forget my first Founders Day event in Akron, birthplace of AA. It was held in the Mayflower Hotel dining room. The date: June 10, 1945. I had been sober only three months. During my last binge, the country had changed Presidents, and I did not know it till my third day in the St. Thomas alcoholic ward, where they showed me a newspaper. I spent six days in the ward, and there I had the opportunity to meet Sister Ignatia and the beloved Dr. Bob, co-founder of AA. Dr. Bob was on the staff of the hospital. He would come in to see us twice a day. There were eight of us. Most of the early members who came to our bedsides have gone to their reward. I was only thirty-four at the time. Dr. Bob and the other AAs to ok much time with me. Today, I am humbly grateful for the message of hope that was passed on to me. I shall always have a place in my heart and mind for the six days that I spent there. It was there that my real adult life began. We are now living in Florida, like a lot of other old people, but we plan to be in Akron for Founders Day if it is the Lord’s will. For us who are privileged to have this AA way of life, there is no better means of showing our grateful appreciation to the founders and other pioneers of this program of Alcoholics Anonymous. Looking forward to some great AA fellowship in June.
D.K., Sun City Center, Fla.
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Tri-County Central Office Presents

Founder’s Day Celebration



Food, Fellowship, Fun, and Founders!

- BURGERS AND HOT DOGS PROVIDED!**
- POTLUCK SIDE DISHES!** Bring sides to share!
- Speakers**
- Games**
- 50/50 Raffle**
- Music**

FREE EVENT!

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**Saturday
June 6, 2026
10am-2pm**

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

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TBAIC SECRETARY REPORT

May 9, 2026

Attendees: Jessica M, Mike B, John T, Patty G, Suzanne B, Michael P, Nancy H and Mindy W. **Chair Report:** Jessica reported she provided reports to the area and district even though she was not able to attend the recent meetings. She said she is the area 15 outreach chair for the National Corrections Conference being held in Orlando in November 2027. Volunteers are needed. **Secretary Report:** John summarized report for the month of April, and it was accepted without any changes. **Treasurer Report:** Suzanne read the treasurer report sent in by Vicki R. The report shows TBAIC account balance at the end of April was \$7,299.68. The estimated available balance is \$5,949.23. April contributions were \$2,485.66. Expenses were \$2,834.82 for literature, \$150 for central office storage and \$70 for Sunbiz annual report filing which was completed on April 22nd. Vicki also filed the 2025 IRS Form 990-N on April 25th. **Treatment Centers:** John reports: - ACTS Detox is going well - all meetings covered - - - - - ACTS Wraparound - 1 meeting a week being held - low participation Tampa Hope is going well TGH Behavioral Health is going well with 3 active and 1 inactive cleared volunteers bringing in 1 meeting. No progress on clearing new volunteers. River Oaks is going well - all meetings covered VA Acute Recovery Center - still having issues with approving volunteers. Orient Wellness - new men's and women's meetings on Wednesday and Friday evenings. Additional volunteers needed. Sterling Sober Living - meetings going well White Sands and North Tampa Behavioral Health- meetings no longer being held - facility contacts will advise if and when meetings can re-start Turning Point - Gaby said additional volunteers needed for some meeting Patty reports: - - ACTS Juvenile detox meetings - volunteers needed for Wednesday and Friday meetings Turning Point - Old School Group covering Thursday meetings Jessica reports for Alberto A.: - Bay Care Northside Behavioral Health - speakers needed for Wednesday meetings. Contact Alberto to volunteer. Corrections: Michael reports: - Falkenburg Road Jail men's meetings going well. Issue related to use of AA literature was mentioned. Michael indicated there were many AA and NA books in a storage closet at the jail that he was told could not be given to inmates. He said Buddy H. was trying to resolve that issue. Nancy H reports: - Falkenburg Road Jail women's Wednesday meeting is going well. Two new volunteers completed training and joined meetings this month, which brings our total up to 10 volunteers. Women from Southshore no longer involved with the meeting. Nancy said the books in storage at the jail are used for women's meetings but are not given to inmates to keep. John read report from Bianca H: - Falkenburg Road Jail women's Friday and Sunday meetings - no changes this month. We have 15 Active volunteers on our roster and a few more new interests who seem to be working on their applications but at various speeds. We are bringing big books into the women in the drug and alcohol program at the beginning of their rotation every six weeks. We have plain language and regular big books and other literature pamphlets to give out. Typically, we have 15 women at each meeting. Jessica reported: - Pasco County jail women's meetings still not being held due to construction. Point of contact will be called periodically to see when meetings can re-start. **Bridging the Gap:** - Individuals who receive the Bridging the Gap calls report 2 callers left messages which resulted in 1 bridge. **Man on the Bed:** - Mindy reported 3 calls received. Contact was made for all 3 but 1 did not wish to talk with the responding volunteer. **Old Business:** - Mike and John manned the TBAIC display at Carry the Message event, which resulted in several new volunteers. Gaby brought the gift basket which was awarded to a lucky participant. **New Business:** - Mike said he is willing to be the treatment coordinator but is a part time resident and will not be here part of the year. Jessica mentioned that there may be a need to visit meetings if unable to determine status via phone or email. It was decided that other committee members could be boots on the ground if

Our Next Committee Meeting
March 7th, 2026 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	Vicki R.
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	Michael P.
Man on the Bed	Mindy W.
Zephyrhills CI	Matthew R.

CONTRIBUTIONS: April-2026:
Great Way to Start the Day: \$411.00, Hide-a-Way: \$436.66, Living in the Solution: \$100.00, New Tampa Men's Monday Night: \$425.00, Freedom in Sobriety: \$293.00, High Nooners: \$123.00, By the Book Mens: \$214.00, Friday Morning Women's Friendship: \$179.00, New Beginning: \$85.00, Keystone: \$20.00, Nooners: \$85.00, Sunrise Meeting: \$85.00, Barracks Brigade: \$19.00

April Ending Account Balance	\$7,299.68
April Contributions	\$2,485.66
April Literature Expenses	\$2,834.82
April Total Expenses	\$220.00
Estimated Available Balance	\$5,949.23

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!

Mike is not available. Attendees voted to make Mike the treatment coordinator. - - Michael said he bought and left some pocket size Big Books in the TBAIC cabinet at central office. He said there were no Grapevine magazines in the cabinet. Mindy said she attended the treatment committee meeting at the April area assembly and the area chair wants District 2 (TBAIC) to do the workshop at the July assembly. Jessica said she would discuss with the area chair and discuss at next month's TBAIC meeting. Meeting closed at 10:50 AM with the Responsibility Statement and the Lord's Prayer.



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Central Office Suggested Pie Chart Distribution :

any time, *use* them; they're given to you in all sincerity for just that purpose. You will not be imposing on a stranger by doing this; you will be giving him a welcome opportunity to help you over a rough spot, just as someone else undoubtedly helped him in the past, and as you'll be doing gladly one of these days for someone who's still out there tonight qualifying to follow you here. "Telephone therapy," as we call it, is a very real and effective AA technique in maintaining our sobriety. The Taking of positive action against any compulsion can actually break the compulsion; if you pick up the phone *before* you pick up a drink, chances are better than good that you'll stay sober. From time to time you may be unexpectedly hit with a caving-in feeling that makes you think you're falling apart. You aren't, so don't panic. Try having a snack. See if it doesn't help you get over the feeling. Start, tomorrow, making sure you eat three times a day; never mind how much, or the state of your appetite; you've been out of the habit of eating, that's all, and you're hungry, whether you know it or not; get back into the habit of regular meals. We cannot caution you enough against getting too hungry or getting too tired. There isn't one organ of your body that requires alcohol to sustain it, but excessive hunger or fatigue can make you *think* you need it. At the regular meeting after this, you'll hear a round-robin discussion on a topic that may not seem to have too much bearing on your immediate needs, but it will deal with some one phase of our common cause of learning to live sober. For tonight, just listen and get the feel of the thing; you won't be expected to contribute to the discussion unless you wish to. Undoubtedly, the most valuable thing you'll get out of the meeting is a pretty good picture of a group of sober people who want to stay sober, sharing their experiences and ideas with each other, seeking points of agreement rather than disagreement, and working together seriously on something that is important to their sobriety. This is our "group therapy." At the moment, *your* job is simply to hang on to your brand-new sobriety one day at a time; the rest will come along gradually as you become ready for it. For this twenty-four hours, you've done all you need to, just by being here. To help you *right now*, let me tell you about what we call the AA Slogans, which are much more than ordinary slogans as you have known the word. These are for *doing*, not saying, and because they're tremendously helpful in smoothing out anyone's day and thus helping him to stay sober, right now is the time to start putting them to work for you. There is one called *First Things First*. We have all learned and we all agree that the thing in our life of first, vital, and constant importance is our sobriety; but practicing *First Things First* can also bring order out of chaos in the mechanics of your ordinary day when you simply don't know where to start, what to do first; when there's so much to be done, so much lost time to make up for; when things pile in from all sides and the pressure builds and you're confused. *Do First Things First*. Pick out the one that's bugging you the most; dispose of it; reduce the pressure by that much, and go on to the next. This actually works. *Live and Let Live* puts the lid back on your temper, nips resentments in the bud, and enables you to give the other fellow the same right to his opinions and behavior that you want for your own, *without getting upset* if his don't agree with yours. None of this means that we're trying to make a doormat out of you. What these so-called Slogans do is help you control your emotions, which are bound to be a little unpredictable these days while your nerves readjust to getting along without their usual soothing syrup. In other words, the Slogans can teach you another, better way of handling the small everyday problems and incidents and ordinary routines that used to have you reaching for a quick drink. Finally, take this knowledge home with you tonight for your comfort: Alcoholism is a disease, not a crime or a sin. It can be arrested. Thousands upon thousands of us are walking, living proof of

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Again: a reminder...TO ALL members who have been sending Contributions to Central Office through our Web Site. **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.**

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:
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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"

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. your Treasurer if they have any Birthday envelopes available. Call or email your Central Office. **813-933-9123 or aalinfo@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.**

this. There is no completely painless way to get through the first days of sobriety; a killer disease—and that's what alcoholism is—can hardly be expected to turn us loose that easily. But all of us around you here are living witness that the transition *can* be made and that *we* found it well worth the try. You're entering a time of convalescence now; try being a little good to yourself for a change, and see what happens. Physically you've been punished enough; don't waste your energy punishing yourself mentally; don't demand more of yourself than your depleted resources can handle just now. Concentrate on getting well, and one day at a time you will make it. I have saved to the last a very simple little prayer that helped all of us in all of this a very great deal, and it can do the same for you: *God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference.* Bob N., Scarsdale, N.Y.
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NOTES FROM INSIDE THE CENTRAL OFFICE

May 12th, 2026 the Board of Directors for Central Office
BOARD MEMBERS REPRESENTING GROUP

May 12th, 2026 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

SCOTT B.	CHAIRPERSON	TAMPA SATURDAY NIGHT SPEAKERS
BRIAN L.	BOARD MEMBER	BARRACKS BRIGADE GROUP
LINDA R.	BOARD MEMBER	THE MEETING PLACE GROUP
TRACI L.	BOARD MEMBER	STEPPING STONES WOMEN'S GROUP
MICHAEL P.	BOARD MEMBER	THANK GOD IT'S FRIDAY GROUP
BOB H.	BOARD MEMBER	HIGH NOONER'S GROUP
BRIAN L.	BOARD MEMBER	BARRACKS BRIGADE GROUP
OPEN	BOARD MEMBER	
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BRAD W.	GUEST— TECH HOST
ANTONELLA L.	TAMPA NIGHTLY NEWCOMERS GROUP
ERIC S.	SET ASIDE BIG BOOK STUDY GROUP
ERIN D.	WOMEN'S FULL MOON RIVER GROUP
NANCY G.	HIDE-A-WAY GROUP
CARRIN P.	BIG BOOK BUNCH GROUP
ANNIE L.	KEEP IT SIMPLE PASS IT ON GROUP
RANDELL D.	4TH DIMENSION GROUP
KEN M.	SAFE HAVEN GROUP
VICTOR A.	TURNING POINT GROUP
TYLER M.	KEEP IT SIMPLE MEN'S GROUP
MIKE M.	SERENITY GROUP
KAYLA G.	OLD SCHOOL GROUP
DARIEN W.	TAMPA SATURDAY NIGHT SPEAKERS GROUP
BARRY H.	KEEP IT SIMPLY SPIRITUAL GROUP
TOM R.	LANGUAGE OF THE HEART GROUP
KRISTA M.	STEP SISTERS IN SOBRIETY GROUP
TERRY Y.	TAMPA BAY YOUNG PEOPLE'S GROUP
MATTHEW B.	SOBRENITY GROUP
ALEJANDRO P.	NIGHTLY NEWCOMERS
MARY BLAIR R.	SISTERS IN SOBRIETY GROUP
PAUL T.	TUESDAY NIGHT NEWCOMERS GROUP

Board Members present: Chairperson: Scott B., Secretary: Linda R., Traci L., Michael P., Marie B., and Bob H. did manage to log in before the meeting closed. Brian L. was excused. Board Meeting: 6:45 pm: Scott welcomed everyone to the Board Meeting. He then opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Scott then asked if we have anyone for their first Board meeting? New Board member was Marie B. representing the Living Sober As Bill Sees It Group. Once everyone finished introducing themselves, Scott gave a brief report on the upcoming Founder's Day event and the upcoming Promises Anniversary Dinner. He then noted that an ad hoc had been assembled to review the By Laws for any possible recommendations. No actual changes to be made from this, just a review. He then gave a brief report on the upcoming Quarterly to be held in Saddlebrook this July. Tim asked the Board members to email him their Names and Addresses, he needs that info to update and file their annual corporate report. **Council Meeting: 7:00 pm** Scott opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer and welcomed all the Council members to the meeting and asked if there were any new Council Members. Marie introduced herself as a new Board Director. Scott reminded everyone to sign in to the chat to make sure that you will be able to get your 20% discount. **Secretary Report:** Linda read the April Minutes. A motion was made to accept the minutes. There was a second to the motion. Motion was approved. **Treasurers Report:** Tim presented the April Treasurers report. Contributions came in at \$6,347.54 and contributions from PayPal were \$1,523.68 giving us a total of \$7,871.22. Literature sales were \$6,662.17. Adding contributions and literature sales gave us a total income of \$14,533.39. Total cost of goods were \$5,524.14. Subtracting COG's from Total income gave us a gross profit of \$9009.25. Total expenses were \$10,428.92. Subtracting expenses from gross profit left us minus \$1,419.67 for the month of April. However, so far from January to April, we are still \$611.83 to the good for the year. Some questions on clarification of numbers were asked and answered. A motion was made to accept the Treasurers report. There was a second to the motion. Motion was approved. **Old Business:** Scott gave his report for the Founder's Day event noting that the event is less than one month away, the budget has been presented, the timeline is complete, all speakers are booked and confirmed. The speakers will be Tina C. with 36 years of sobriety and Dave M. from Hudson, Florida. His sobriety date is 6-10-77 and he's interviewed both of Dr. Bob's kids. We are going to have games, free burgers, hot dogs and music. It will be held Saturday, June 6th at Laurie Park, Pavilion 120. The Promises Dinner will be held August 29th. There will be a 50/50, cakewalk and the speakers will be Ron and TJ B. All proceeds go to Central Office. Nes has reached out and asked for support from Central Office. He then noted that an ad hoc had been assembled

to review the By Laws for any possible recommendations. No actual changes to be made from this, just a review. The Area 15 July Assembly is going to be held right here in Saddlebrook on July 10th through 12th. Central office is going to have a table. We're going to be selling service manuals, as well as other AA conference-approved literature. We need volunteers to man the table. Please let me know if you would like to help out. And you'll get a 20% discount towards literature. If you attend this meeting, please don't forget to put your name, email, and group name in the chat. Our next meeting's going to be held June 9th, 2026. Thank you for letting me be of service, and as always, please remember to support your local central office by purchasing your literature, books, and chips from them. Scott then asked if anyone had any questions? Tyler had a question, looking for some clarity about, who qualifies as a council member versus a board member who can make motions and stuff like that. Scott B. noted that basically, the Board is there to, make sure the office is running right, managing right, and really, the Council, you guys, this is your meeting, you know what I mean? Like, this is... so if you have any ideas, questions, suggestions. Tim noted that Board members are invited by a letter to have someone represent their group to serve on the

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ANNIVERSARY TIME

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GROUP	Honors To	Date	Years
KNUCKLEHEADS GROUP	KEVIN K.	06/16/93	33 YRS
ON THE WAY HOME GROUP	DONNA C.	06/27/06	20 YRS
ON THE WAY HOME GROUP	TOM L.	06/18/06	20 YRS
ON THE WAY HOME GROUP	JACKIE R.	06/01/06	20 YRS
ON THE WAY HOME GROUP	DONNA C.	06/06/89	37 YRS
LIVING SOBER AS BILL SEES IT	JOHN T.	06/10/85	41 YRS
HIDE-A-WAY GROUP	BRIAN B.	06/21/89	37 YRS
STEP SISTERS IN SOBRIETY	MINDY W.	06/08/93	33 YRS
STEPPING STONES WOMEN'S	RITA C.	06/28/04	22 YRS
YAYA SISTERHOOD OF SOBRIETY	JUDY K.	06/24/93	33 YRS
WOMEN'S BIG BOOK STUDY	KAREN MCG.	06/10/75	51 YRS
NEW WAY WOMEN'S GROUP	DEB T.	06/07/90	36 YRS
JUST WHAT I WANTED WOMEN'S	GINA S	06/14/19	7 YRS
JUST WHAT I WANTED WOMEN'S	SANDY G.	06/15/93	33 YRS
JUST WHAT I WANTED WOMEN'S	LINDA B.	06/09/88	38 YRS
KEYSTONE DISCUSSION GROUP	BOBBY J.	06/24/18	8 YRS
KEYSTONE DISCUSSION GROUP	RYAN L.	06/06/17	9 YRS
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP WOMEN'S	DIANE M.	06/21/11	15 YRS
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP WOMEN'S	JERI T.	06/07/10	16 YRS
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP WOMEN'S	KATHIE N.	06/11/79	47 YRS
MON. NIGHT MEN'S BLACKBELT	ERIC H.	06/28/05	21 YRS
SIMPLY SOBRIETY WOMEN'S	BLAIR W.	06/29/20	6 YRS
SIMPLY SOBRIETY WOMEN'S	JODI M.	06/25/18	8 YRS
SIMPLY SOBRIETY WOMEN'S	CATHY H.	06/17/10	16 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	TOM N.	06/28/03	23 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	MARCY	06/13/99	27 YRS
HAPPY HOUR GROUP	CHUCK R.	06/21/80	46 YRS

A BIRTHDAY CLUB SUPPORTER TO CENTRAL OFFICE

ONE DOLLAR OR **MORE** FOR EACH YEAR OF SOBRIETY

Home Group	Honors To	Date	Years
BARRACKS BRIGADE GROUP	ROGER B.	05/03/82	44 YRS
NEW WAY WOMEN'S GROUP	JANE A.	05/93	33 YRS
NEW WAY WOMEN'S GROUP	LORRAINE F.	05/88	38 YRS

SELF-SUPPORT-MAY, 2026

© Today in May we have gone down from 191 Groups to 184 groups and from 498 meetings weekly to 461. Also we have 132 Zoom meetings weekly, up from 129. Contributions in May totaled \$6,287.39. This accounts for what 35 Groups or Individuals in our area have contributed in May. Also included is \$1,148.67 from 10 Groups or Individuals who made contributions through PayPal. Also included is \$115.00 from 3 Birthday Contributions and \$3250.00 from Soberstock (Thank You for your service). Our literature sales for May was \$6,416.01 and \$21.00 for 3 newsletter subscriptions. This also includes sales from A.A material and non-A.A, material (medallions—etc.) Our total income for May was \$12,724.40. Our Total Cost of Goods Sold was \$5,239.52. Subtracting the Total Cost of Goods Sold from our May income left us with a Gross Profit of \$7,484.88. Our Total Expenses for May were \$11,473.56. Subtracting our Expenses from our Gross Profit gave us a Net Income of minus-\$3,988.68 for the month of May. In spite of it all, we still have a good Prudent Reserve, all our bills keep getting paid, the lights are on, we have a decent amount of literature available, the phones are working. Thank you for your support . Thank You!!!O.M. tws:)

(Continued from Page 4) Board and there are requirements to be able to serve on the Board. The Board's function is the oversee the fiscal operations of the office and handle any legal problems if something comes up. Any AA group can send someone from their group to serve as a Council member and the only requirement to serve is a willingness to serve. (☺Addendum: Here is where your group's wishes can be made known through you, their elected representative. The Council has the authority and the responsibility to review all actions of the Board of Directors and to amend and or rescind such actions should they deem it necessary. Such changes may be effected by a simple majority vote of the Council members present at the meeting.) A question was brought on about when the 5th Edition Big Book was coming out. No one had any real info, just that it had been approved. **New Business: None. Announcements: None.** A motion to close was made, seconded and approved. Meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer. **The next Board & Council Meeting will be June 9th, 2026 on ZOOM Board Meeting at 6:45 and Council meeting at 7:00 pm Timothy S. Office Manager**

AAs who carry the message often carry the Grapevine

That's 818 Years of Sobriety!

Someone is definitely doing something right !Search out these people and find out their secret.



MORE NEWS AROUND THE TOWN & THE AREA

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Anniversary Dinner

SPEAKERS Ron & TJ B.
50/50 RAFFLE & CAKE WALK

August 29 2026
Doors Open 3:45pm
New Hope Church
213 N. Knights Ave
Brandon, FL

Cakewalk Volunteers and Questions contact:
Amy O. 586-839-9958
Amy K. 813-767-6350

Volunteers and Questions contact:
Nes Z. 813-507-6408
Nes.Zapata@gmail.com

All Proceeds go to Central Office

Area 15

DISTRICT 2 NEWS

Tampa

THE 76TH PANEL GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE
DELEGATE REPORT BACK

Sunday June 7th, 2026 | 2:00pm - 5:00pm
THE CLUB | 3333 Columbus Drive - Tampa, FL 33607

Featuring Experience, Insights & Outcomes:

Your area 15 delegate also served as the panel 76 Literature Committee Chair. They will share firsthand experience from the committee discussions, including conversations regarding the Big Book 5th Edition.

FELLOWSHIP WITH MEMBERS FROM DISTRICT 2!



Please use the QR code to find out what you can bring to the table!

Run of Show:

- 2:00pm luncheon
- 3:00pm delegate report
- 4:15pm Q & A

Hear firsthand how the voice of the groups was carried to the Conference.

ALL ARE WELCOME!



Hybrid Option Zoom ID: 962 6896 1514
Password: District2

Questions? Call Meghan:
440 554 5760

68th FLORIDA STATE CONVENTION



ORLANDO, FL **ROSEAN PLAZA**
August 6th-9th, 2026
9700 International Drive Orlando, FL 32819

Scholarships Available!

A NEW FREEDOM



SCAN HERE TO REGISTER

39th Tampa Bay Fall Roundup



Sheraton Tampa Brandon Hotel
10221 Princess Palm Ave, Tampa

Double or King \$169.00
Jr Suite \$189

Last Date for Hotel Rate AUGUST 4th, 2026

LABOR DAY WEEKEND: Friday, Sept 4th - Monday, Sept 7th, 2026



SOUTH FLORIDA AREA 15 GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY
"An Attitude of GRATITUDE"

Hosted by District 2 Hillsborough/East Pasco County, Florida | July 10-12, 2026
Registration Friday 4:00 PM - 8:30 PM; Saturday 7:00 AM - 8:30 PM
Sunday 7:00 AM - 9:00 AM

SATURDAY NIGHT JULY 11, 2026 BANQUET

No. of Chicken Piccata _____
No. Vegan (Vegetable Pasta, Squash, Zucchini, Broccoli and a Vegan Sun-Dried Tomato Sauce) _____
Total Tickets @ \$58.00 _____
Total Amount Enclosed _____

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Cell Phone _____
E-mail _____
District _____
Guests with Special Dietary Needs (state needs): _____

Make checks payable to District 2
Mail in (Include coupon, PHONE NUMBER & note "banquet" on check) to:
District 2 General Service Treasurer
PO Box 20623, Tampa, FL 33622
PayPal Payments <https://www.paypal.com/ncp/payment/N0NYSJML6V586Q>
QUESTIONS? Please contact Banquet Chair at:
JodiBW1969@yahoo.com
PAYMENT DUE BY JUNE 12, 2026

SADDLEBROOK RESORT
5700 Saddlebrook Way, Wesley Chapel, FL 33543
Hotel Room Reservations:
Please go to area15aa.org for "Live Link" at 9AM on Monday APRIL 13, 2026.
Room Rate: \$159.00, \$199.00 1BR, \$259.00 2BR per night + tax
Reference: "South Florida General Service Conference"
HOTEL RESERVATIONS OPEN ON APRIL 13, 2026 @ 9:00 AM AND MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 12, 2026.
All cancellations must be made at least 72 hours / 3 days prior to arrival date / time according to hotel policy or you will be charged.

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

TAKE I-75N TO EXIT 279 CR 54 ZEPHYRHILLS/WESLEY CHAPEL GO EAST ON WESLEY CHAPEL BLVD. TURN RIGHT (SOUTH) AT SADDLEBROOK WAY, TURN RIGHT ON FOX HUNT DR HOTEL ENTRANCE WILL BE ON THE RIGHT
QUESTIONS? Please contact braun21@msn.com

Area 15 Quarterly Assembly
Hosted by District 2

District 2 Hospitality Committee needs your help!

- If you or your group are able to contribute
- PRE-PACKAGED FOOD
 - BEVERAGE ITEMS
 - FUNDS

to fully stock the weekend's hospitality room, please call Meghan at 440-554-5760
Use QR code for Venmo @SRHughes15

Saddlebrook Resort
5700 Saddlebrook Way
Wesley Chapel, FL 33543



Friday-Sunday
July 10-12
2026

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