

# **Tri-County Central Office News** DO I DO MY PART IN KEEPING AA SAFE?

A Monthly Newsletter of the Tri-County Central Office, Inc. 8019 North Himes Avenue Ste. 104, Tampa, Florida 33614-2763

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### LET'S TALK ABOUT SOBRIETY

13th STEPPING What Can We Do?

Occasionally, we hear someone say at a Step or discussion meeting: "We're all here for only one purpose, to stay sober. Let's talk about the first drink. Let's talk about sobriety." Okay, let's talk about sobriety. The AA Preamble says that our primary purpose is to stay sober. In other words, keep "First Things First." The Preamble does *not* say our primary purpose is our only purpose, and AA literature makes it clear that the Fellowship and its program are something more. It may be that we tend to use the words "sober" and "sobriety" only in referring to abstinence from alcohol. Throughout literature, those words are used just as often to mean a number of other things, as in "sober judgment," "sober deliberations." Sobriety can mean quietness of manner or speech-freedom from excess, extravagance, or exaggerationself-control, sanity, or rationality. The expression "sober as a judge" doesn't mean his honor hasn't been drinking. It means that we express rational and serious judgment from a jurist. All these other meanings of "sobriety" were as unfamiliar to us in our drinking days as the meaning "abstinence from alcohol." They hit us where we *didn't* live for many years. Our loud speech, the excesses in many areas of our lives, the lack of self-control, and the absence of rationality showed that other kinds of sobriety escaped us, too. If our primary purpose is to stay away from alcohol, to stay sober in one sense, then what are our other purposes? The Preamble says, "to solve our common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism." There's a handful of challenges: to *solve* our common problem, not just live with it; to help others, not just ourselves; to recover from alcoholism, not just stay away from alcohol. It would be pleasant to think our common problem-alcoholism-would just go away when we stopped taking in alcohol. It doesn't. Our excesses, our lack of self-control, our irrationality come back to plague us even after we've put down the bottle. If the only guideline we had needed during our drinking years was staying away from that first drink for twenty-four hours, then wouldn't most of us have been sober most of the time? Seems pretty simple. But other things kept coming up. No matter how hard we tired, life kept getting ... well ... unmanageable. The answer? It has to lie in the fact that alcoholism is not just a physical illness, but a threefold affliction-physical, mental, and spiritual. If we stop putting alcohol into our systems and life remains unmanageable, then something must be lacking in our effort to solve our common problem-to recover from alcoholism. A threefold affliction would seem to require a threefold treatment. After years of drinking, physical sobriety alone made many of us feel better in weeks or even days after leaving a hospital or getting off that last drunk cold-turkey. We may not have felt twenty years younger, but at least the parts worked better in the morning, and we were gradually less confused. After we had put a few weeks of dryness together, even our outlook began to perk up. But this new attitude would quickly disappear, or perhaps just slip away gradually. Then we asked ourselves whether being dry was really worth it. whether we couldn't face the day's storm just Continued on page 3

One way that my home group decided we can help when certain members target newer members is to establish a newcomer committee—a mix of men and women who offer fellowship during the break, rides to meetings and information about the



program. When we help newcomers into the middle of the boat, they are less likely to fall into perilous waters! Sponsorship can be a key tool. He or she can help the newcomer learn to set appropriate boundaries and identify unacceptable behavior. Some may question taking а direct approach to

I'd be happy to listen to the exact nature of your wrongs

stop predatory behavior, citing Tradition Three: "The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking." But, Tradition One states: "Our common welfare should come first; individual recovery depends upon A.A. unity." If a member chooses not to adhere to the spiritual principles of our program, then the group must do what it needs to do to insure that they are able to function. Patience and tolerance are to be our code, and all other avenues ought to be tried before a member is asked to not attend a meeting. An article in Box 459 in the fall of 2010 stated that, "It is always hoped that the individual member will se the difficultly as an opportunity for personal growth and will attend other meetings in the area in order to maintain his or her sobriety." Our co-founder, Bill W. also accepted this idea. In a 1969 letter, he wrote: "This amount of charity does not mean that we cannot exclude those who disturb meetings or seriously interfere with the functioning of the group. Such people can be asked to quiet down or go elsewhere, or to come back when they are better able to participate." Bill had faith that growth and good could come out of trouble. Asking a person who is violating our primary purpose to leave the group may sometimes be the only way to make that person see where they need to change. Cheryl L. Springfield, N.H.

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# 📌 CLOSE TO HOME GROUP 🌱

has a new Address and new Meeting Days starting September 6th, 2013. The new address is Lily of the Valley— 6542 Applewood Drive—Wesley Chapel. Their Friday Meeting is at 6:30 pm and they have also added a Monday Meeting at 6:30 pm. Go out and support them at their new facility.

#### District 2 - Tampa Bay Area Institutions Committee covering Hillsborough & East Pasco Counties (877) AATAMPA or (877) 228-2672! **Our Next Committee Meeting** Is at 9:30 AM on September 14th, 2013 at the **IMPORTANT REMINDER** Tri-County Central Office (near Himes & Waters). If you need more specific directions please call Tim @ T.B.A.I.C. LITERATURE AVAILABILITY AND DISTRIBUTION 813-933-9123. The meeting usually lasts about an hour WILL BE ONCE A MONTH ONLY ON THE SECOND SATURand it is the best way to get involved with service work, in DAY OF EACH MONTH DURING THE T.B.A.I.C. MONTHLY Detox/Treatment/Jail/ Prison facilities. If you would like to **MEETING. ALL VOLUNTEERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND** THE **MEETING AND GATHER NEEDED LITERATURE AT THIS** Pink Can Drive TIME. Our committee is 100% self supporting and receives no funds from the traditional pie charts or District 2 The August 10th meeting of the T.B.A.I.C. was opened by Co-chair in accordance with our group conscious. If your home Janine. She expressed gratitude for the volunteers who attended the group has not made a pink can donation recently or if meeting and for their valuable input. you are able to send an additional donation this year ... We will put it to great use! Nancy B. distributed a list of meetings she had compiled of the known TBAIC, PO Box 26242, Tampa FL 33623 meetings where T.B.A.I.C. has committed to having volunteers conduct meetings. She asked for any input as to additions or corrections to Thank you to those groups who have sent in a the list so a new list can be presented at the next meeting. Faulkenburg donation last Month: approved the applications for 9 new women volunteers. She is also working on adding an additional weekly meeting. Old School Group (168.60) Morning Meditation (71.75) Sisters in Sobriety (25.00) Came to Believe Buddy said men's Faulkenburg meetings are well covered. No one (61.00) Ruskin Sunday (42.44) Freedom in Sobriety seems to be covering Bridge the Gap and Jim S. (813.679.9130) has (42.92) Wellspring (87.00) stepped in to continue the program. Buddy will also be working with Brittany to start an additional juvenile Detox meeting at the Dixon Avenue location. He will also work with Nancy B. who has offered to be the temporary Detox coordinator. Tom F. presented the information needed to file the paperwork for tax exempt status. The initial cash outlay is substantial and it will also require having actual positions for President, Treasurer, Secretary, etc. (not a chairperson). Further discussion is needed. **TBAIC 2012-2013** Committee Members John B. should have the cabinet for literature storage by the next **Bobby B. - Chair** 813-415-4961 meeting. The new transitional program (Quest House) at the old R2 DACCO location is still not in operation. He also encouraged more Janine M. -Alternate Chair 813-455-6617 outside participation at the H.O.W. (open & co-ed) meeting held at the women's DACCO facility on Wednesdays at 6 PM. Jerimiah T.- Treasurer 813-480-0307 Larry B. – Secretary 813-215-8423 "Who wants to sacrifice time and energy in trying to carry A.A.'s message to the next sufferer? No, the average alcoholic, self-centered Dick D. - Hills Jails - Emeritus 813-254-4423 in extreme, doesn't care for this prospect-unless he has to do these things in order to stay alive himself." (pg 24, 12&12) Buddy H. - Hillsborough County Jail 813-871-2514 Nancy B.— Hills Women's Jails 813-872-0262 Nancy B.— Detox & Treatment 813-872-0262 Cathleen C. - E Pasco Jail-Women's 813-727-1415 Treasurers report- 07/2013 Chris D. - E Pasco Prison 813-857-5400 Ytd pink can balance 06/13 \$ 6092.84 Michele S. Women's Bridge The Gap 813-507-5796 Pink can balance as of December 31 2012. \$881.73 Less prudent reserve. (500) Jim S.-– Men's Bridge The Gap 813-679-9130 Total moved to spending account (\$5892.86) **OPEN- Pre-Release** Total paid - operational expense (\$330.10)

**OPEN**— Juvenile

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a little better with a drink than without it. Why were we starting to feel lousy again? We were sober, weren't we? Yes—but just physically sober. Discomfort in day-to-day living can arise even now from those other two aspects of alcoholism—lack of mental and spiritual sobriety. No, none of us is ever going to feel sober or comfortable <i>all</i> the time, but every human being has a need for some of those other kinds of sobriety: some quiet within, some freedom from excess, some self-control, some sanity. We hear it said this way: "Grow or go." Some scoff at it. Others find it difficult to understand. It may even be too severe for most of us, but it has meaning. Can we become as willing to reach out for mental and spiritual sobriety as we were to reach out for physical sobriety? Will reaching out for these other kinds of sobriety make it less likely that we'll reach out for a drink some day? The Second Step says that "a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity." That's mental sobriety— sanity. What did the founders of AA recommend for our part in this recovery? Steps Four through Ten lay out a mental housecleaning, a full vacuuming of all rooms, and a handy feather duster in Step Ten to clean up daily dust and dirt accumulations. How about the spiritual part? Step Two says that	<b>UNACCEPTABLE</b> My home group meets every Sunday morning in a little coastal town in Washington State. A couple of years ago, a young lady who had just started attending found herself in an uncomfortable position. A man in his early to mid-20's, who was fond of bragging about what a "ladies man" he was, followed her out after the meeting and offered her a ride home. The conversation then turned into a sexually suggestive bid from him for more contact with her. The next week when she came back to our meeting, he was right behind her. During the meeting, he was all over her like a lovesick puppy. It seemed quite obvious to several of us that she was not happy about it. Her feelings were confirmed when one of the women checked in with her after some gentle, one-to-one general conversation. There are 17 other meetings in our town, and she said he'd been following her around to whichever one she tried. He just would not leave her alone. Now, for any of you who are sitting there wondering why we made such a "big deal" out of an overly amorous suitor, and perhaps thinking we should all just mind our own business, let me clarify the details: Not only was this young lady brand new to AA, but she was only 13! So, we quickly had an emergency business meeting to discuss what the best course of
Three, that we made a decision to reach out to that Power. Believe what you will, something of strength has been keeping thousands of alcoholics free from alcohol for years. But how? The reason has to be in the experience members of the Fellowship have passed on to one another. Having made an honest effort to clean out the mental dump they had been living in, they found themselves moving toward the spiritual sobriety described in Steps Eleven and Twelve; improving conscious contact with whatever Higher Power each understood; seeking knowledge of that Higher Power's will in their individual lives; trying to carry the message of AA and practice the principles of the program in their daily affairs. The founders' careful choice of words is worth noting. The Twelfth Step says that "we tried to practice" the principles, for it is not likely that any of us will ever perfect their use. Yet just the trying gives us a chance at some spiritual sobriety in our live. When we were drunk, we were spared for short periods from facing the insanity of our words and actions and the inner turmoil of our feelings, at least until the morning after. When we experience a dry drunk, we	action would be. One of the guys actually emailed the GSO to see if there were any AA guidelines or suggestions for handling predatory behavior towards minors in AA. They didn't have AA guidelines on this matter and suggested that the group handle it at our own discretion. So that's just what we did. We met and decided to confront this guy and inform him of the seriousness of his unacceptable behavior, and that it would definitely not be overlooked or tolerated. The guy who volunteered for the duty took this man aside and told him point blank: "Your actions concerning this minor child have been noted, and there are several of us paying very close attention, those who are ready to go all the way to court (on her behalf) if this behavior continues or escalates." We assured him that he was always welcome at our AA meeting, but that we would not condone him preying on newcomers. While it's true that AA "has no opinion on outside issues," many of our group members personally believe in keeping vulnerable newcomers safe from predatory members and are willing to go to any lengths to do so. He must have gotten the message, because he has not been back to our group to bother her (or any other young ladies) since that day. We will welcome him back any time he wants to return, and we will
experience dry alcoholism at times, because we are alcoholics. How much and how often do we want that to be part of our lives. The payoff for the alcoholic in reaching out for sanity (mental sobriety) and serenity (spiritual sobriety) is best described in the foreword of Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions: "AA's Twelve Stepsif practiced as a way of life, can expel the obsession to drink and enable the suffer to become happily and usefully whole." Whole—healthy in body, mind, and spirit. J.F., Wellesley, Mass	continue to keep a watchful eye on our most vulnerable members. We want to keep AA a safe place for them. Anonymous Reprint Permission/ AA Grapevine/ September 2013 The Turning Point Group is turning 33 Saturday September 14th, 2013 5601 North 20th Street Zephyrhills, Fl. 33541
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Do You Have A Subscription To Our Newsletter **"Tri-County Central Office News"?** Why Not???-For \$5.00 You Will Receive 12 Issues. The "News" Is One Of The Few Ways Central Office Can Reach Our Individual Members. Starting after the Noon Meeting The Food will be at 4:00 PM Come celebrate the event at an Anniversary Party and Chili Cookoff/Potluck. We are having a Chili Cookoff Contest Enter to win a Grand Prize! NOTES FROM INSIDE THE CENTRAL OFFICE

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August 13th, 2013 the Central Office Representatives met:

August 13th, 2013 the Board of Directors for Central Office met: BOARD MEMBERS REPRESENTING GROUP				
BRETT B.	CHAIRPERSON	164 GROUP WESLEY CHAPEL		
LINDA G.	TREASURER	TURNING POINT GROUP		
LOIS M.	BOARD MEMBER	BACK TO BASICS GROUP		
CLARKE R.	BOARD MEMBER	ODESSA GROUP		
J. KELLEY L.	BOARD MEMBER	CLEAN AIR GROUP		
EXCUSED	BOARD MEMBER	<b>REFLECTIONS GROUP</b>		
WARD H.	BOARD MEMBER	PALMA CEIA BIG BOOK GROUP		
BARBARA B.	BOARD MEMBER	SISTERS IN SOBRIETY GROUP		
EXCUSED	BOARD MEMBER	HIGH NOONERS GROUP		
TROY S.	ALT.BOARD MEMBER	PROMISES MEETING GROUP		

Brett opened the meeting in the usual matter with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. He then asked if everyone had signed in. It was noted that Troy was in as the acting Alternate for Leslie from the Promises Meeting Group. Troy then read the minutes from the July meeting. Afterwards a question was asked about Soberstock and if they had send money to TBAIC. There was an affirmative. Tim presented the Treasurers report. He noted that although we had ended the month with \$1534.38 to the good, this didn't really give a true picture of the month. He then noted that for most of the month he was unable to cut any paychecks for himself because the money just wasn't there. Fortunately, towards the end of the month the contributions picked up and he was able to pay himself and catch up on all the outstanding bills and the forthcoming rent-etc. The meeting then opened up to a special visitor, our auditor from previous audits Patti L. She wanted to inform the Board that since our current Bookkeeper had resigned due to school and other commitments, she would be showing the Office Manager how to do the accounting. This would be a yearly savings of \$1200.00, since he would be doing as part of his regular duties. She also informed the Board that the next audit in 2014 would be a complete full audit. There was no Old Business to be discussed. In New Business, Linda noted that attendance had been low and expenses had been high so that was the reason not much money was dispersed as originally planned. She also noted that they were trying to put a booth up at the Roundup to start promoting participation for the next event. Brett noted that his time as Chairperson and Board Member would be expiring and the Board needed to start thinking of who they wanted to elect as the new Chairperson next month. Discussion followed on why Brett couldn't run again as Chairperson. It was noted that it wouldn't matter if it was Brett or anyone else representing the 164 Group Wesley Chapel, it the fact that the Group's time as representing their Group as Board Member was expiring. More discussion followed about how much time each Board Member had left before their time expires. Discussion then came up about the Anniversary Dinner scheduled for February and this was followed by the Picnic at Brett's house and some other events. Tim brought the idea that had been suggested to him to start emailing the minutes. He would hand out a sign up sheet at the Council meeting. Clarke R. brought up discussion about the 12 Step List and not getting calls out in his area. They have a lot of people who would like to get 12 Step calls and no one is calling them. New 12 Step Sign Up sheets were handed out.

	3 the Central Office Representatives met: <b>ABERS REPRESENTING GROUP</b>
PATTI L.	GUEST
VIVIAN J.	FREEDOM IN SOBRIETY WOMEN'S GROUP
JULIE J.	T-N-C SISTERS IN SOBRIETY GROUP
TAMMY P.	T-N-C SISTERS IN SOBRIETY GROUP
TROY S.	PROMISES MEETING GROUP
LAUREN D.	TAMPA BAY SPEAKER GROUP
JEANNIE A.	OLD SCHOOL GROUP
PAUL G.	FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS GROUP
SIDNEY R.	TURNING POINT GROUP
MARY S.	RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP
JAMES S.	TOWN & COUNTRY MEN'S GROUP
BILL J.	EARLY RISERS GROUP
TRAVIS B.	KEEP IT SIMPLE GROUP
TOM F.	KEYSTONE GROUP
CAS K.	TGIS GROUP
RICH L.	SOBER @ 7 GROUP
JOHN G.	TAMPA PALMS BIG BOOK GROUP
ANDY B.	LUNCH BUNCH GROUP
LINDA F.	STEP SISTERS IN SOBRIETY GROUP
DONNA L.	SUNSHINE GROUP
SALLY O.	TGIS WOMEN'S GROUP
SHAUNA L.	LIVING IN THE SOLUTION GROUP
ANDREA C.	FRIDAY NIGHT STEP STUDY GROUP
BEN P.	KEEP IT SIMPLE MEN'S GROUP
RILEY T.	EXPECT A MIRACLE GROUP
KEELY M.	LOVE & SERVICE GROUP
ZACH A.	FEAR NOT GROUP
BONNIE C.	NIGHTLY NEWCOMERS GROUP
MARK S.	HAPPY HOUR GROUP
ALLAN D'H	LIVE & LET LIVE GROUP
MIKE J.	SOLUTIONS GROUP

Want to get involved in some Service Work? How about volunteering for the After-Hour Phones on the Weekend. We will supply you with all the information you need, meeting schedule, 12 Step List and instructions on what to do and what not to do. Work around your weekend schedule, do it for a few hours or all day.....whatever floats your boat. You get to help yourself by helping others.....Interested???? Call Martin after Office Hours @ 813-933-9123 and get all the details. You will be amazed before y o u are half way through.....

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SELF-SUPPORT-JUNE, 2013

ANNIVERSARY TIME						
GROUP	Honors To	Date	Years			
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	MIKE C.	09/25/11	2 YRS			
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	ANNETTE G.	09/25/07	6 YRS			
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	CAROLYN H.	09/21/04	9 YRS			
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	WENDY C.	09/07/04	9YRS			
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	KAREN S.	09/24/89	24 YRS			
INTO ACTION GROUP	CARIL C.	09/08/88	25 YRS			
EXPECT A MIRACLE GROUP	CHRISTA C.	09/12/11	2 YRS			
EXPECT A MIRACLE GROUP	SOPHIA C.	09/20/97	16 YRS			
EXPECT A MIRACLE GROUP	MARSHALL S.	09/14/92	21 YRS			
KEYSTONE GROUP	BOB V.	09/01/03	10 YRS			
JUST WHAT I WANTED GROUP	SANDY J.	09/15/88	25 YRS			
RUSH HOUR SERNITY GROUP	LENNY G.	09/24/00	13 YRS			
RUSH HOUR SERNITY GROUP	TOM V.	09/02/88	25 YRS			
RUSH HOUR SERNITY GROUP	VALLIDA G.	09/18/84	29 YRS			
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	JOE C.	09/21/07	6 YRS			
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	NANCY F.	09/17/85	28 YRS			
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	SHELIA H.	09/02/70	43 YRS			
FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS GROUP	MIKE F.	09/27/09	4 YRS			

### Meditation Workshop presented by Our Common Problem Group

September 13th, 2013

Our Saviour Lutheran Church 4827 East Bay Drive, Largo Refreshments & Fellowship @ 7:00 pm Workshop @ 7:30 pm—8:30 pm

Coming January 24th –January 25th, 2014 SOBERILLA Big Book Workshop St. Mary Catholic Church 15520 North Blvd, Tampa, Florida 33613 Hosted by the 164 Group Proceeds to go to the Central Office For all details: go to Soberilla.org

Don't be confused by the incorrect dates posted on their site

③ Back in 2004 our annual income was around \$59,000.00 and our annual expenses were around \$54,000.00. Today we have almost doubled both of these amounts. Why? That's easy. More Groups, more people in AA. In 1998 we had 174 Groups in the Hillsborough/East Pasco area. That was 364 meetings per week in our area. Today in JULY of 2013 we have 221 Groups with 553 meetings a week. There are 10 Spanish Groups with 35 meetings a week. Brandon has 39 Groups with 83 meetings a week. Carrollwood has 9 Groups with 10 meetings a week. Central Tampa has 25 Groups with 67 meetings a week. Wesley Chapel/East Pasco has 16 Groups with 55 meetings a week. Odessa/Lutz, west of Dale Mabry has 10 Groups with 10 meetings a week. Lutz/Land-o-Lakes east of Dale Mabry has 3 Groups with 52 meetings a week. Plant City has 10 Groups with 17 meetings a week. Sun City/Ruskin/ Apollo Beach has 22 Groups with 42 meetings a week. Seminole has 6 Groups with 50 meetings a week. South Tampa has 42 Groups with 104 meetings a week. Temple Terrace has 19 Groups with 40 meetings a week and Town & Country has 10 Groups with 20 meetings a week. Although we may lose some groups, others spring up just as fast, that's still a lot of meetings and that's still a lot of Groups wanting material. The year to date contributions from Groups (July 2013) have totaled \$42,889.47 for the year. That accounts for what 124 Groups out of 221 Groups in our area have contributed plus the 47 AAer's who contributed \$654.26 in contributions anonymously and and the 43641.00 we generated from ticket sales, the 7th Tradition Basket and a raffle at our Anniversary Dinner. And the \$514.00 from the 25 members who have participated in the Birthday Plan thus far. Also the \$589.00 from the Old School Group Anniversary Dinner and the \$305.00 from the 164 Group's 12 Step Workshop and the \$1700.00 from the Keystone Group's All Groups meeting in March. And the \$1166.50 generated from our Founders Day Event and the \$506.60 from the Friday Night Lights Group's Movie Night and the \$525.00 from the Cardinal Groups All Groups event and the \$320.00 from the Memorial Day Picnic hosted by the Wellspring Group, Sunshine Group and the Wednesday Night Town & Country Group. Our Literature sales for July bought in \$6,810.07 plus \$100.00 in Newsletter subscriptions. Contributions were \$7,244.78. Our total income for July was \$14,174.96. Our Cost of Goods Sold was \$4,732.05. Subtracting the Cost of Goods Sold from our July income left us with a Gross Profit of \$9,442.91. Our Expenses for July were \$7,908.53. Subtracting our Expenses from our Gross Profit gave us a Net Income of plus \$1,534.38 for the month of July. As our AA membership continues to grow in the Tampa Bay area, the demand for more and more material and services continue to expand and we have to try and strive to keep up with the demand. That is only possible with your continued support through your contributions, special events that groups put on for the benefit of Central Office and the literature sales. Thanks!

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## MORE NEWS AROUND THE TOWN & THE AREA

The Sobrenity Group **Annual Labor Day Weekend Cookout** Sunday September 1 st, 2013 1:00 pm til 4:00 pm Winn Dixie Plaza 8410 North Armenia Avenue (Corner of Waters & Armenia) Left side of Plaza Circle & Triangle on the Door There will be plenty of free food, refreshments. live music, 50/50 raffle for those not attending the Round-up. We will have a 12 noon meeting prior to the picnic in the meeting room. (Space is limited)

The Friday Night Lights Group Movie Night to benefit Central Office Friday, October 4th, 2013 DOUBLE SPEAKER MEETING 7:30 P.M. Faithworx Church 202 Flamingo Drive Apollo Beach

202 Flamingo Drive Apollo Beach Movie Immediately Following the Meeting

**Bill W.** 



A documentary about Bill Wilson, the co-founder of Alcoholics Anonymous.

The Steps to Freedom Committee Meeting meets every 3rd Sunday of the month at The Club located at 3333 West Columbus Drive, Tampa. The time is at 7:00pm and we welcome anyone who would like to participate...We need the support. If any one should have any questions, they can contact me at 813-523-0278...

#### Area 15, District 2 Quarterly Assembly Planning Meeting

District 2 (Hillsborough and East Pasco) is hosting the General Service Quarterly Assembly from April 4-6, 2014 in Tampa

First planning meeting will be:

When: Sunday, October 6, 2013, at 1pm

<u>Where:</u> 3333 West Columbus Drive, Tampa

 $\underline{Why:}$  To form service committees for the event

The only requirement for service is to be an alcoholic

Contact Kristin 813-447-9894 for more info



## Sober @ 7 Group presents

ALL GROUPS MEETING

11th ANNIVERSARY SPEAKER MEETING & DINNER (All Proceeds to benefit Tri-County Central Office) \$5.00 Donation per person TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1 st, 2013 ST. JOHN THE DIVINE CHURCH 705 9th Street S.E. Ruskin, FL 33570

> POTLUCK DINNER: 6 P.M. SPEAKER MEETING: 7 P.M.

WE ASK YOU TO PLEASE BRING A COVERED DISH (WITH FOOD IN IT) TO THE CHURCH BY 5:30 P.M. SO WE CAN SETUP THE FOOD. FOR IDEAS ON WHAT TO BRING PLEASE JOIN US AT ONE OF OUR OPEN DISCUSSION MEETING

SOUTH FLORIDA AREA 15 GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY October 11-13, 2013 Hosted by District 1 Hilton St. Petersburg Bayfront 333 1st St S, Saint Petersburg, FL 33701 Ph: 727-894-5000 Fax: 727-823-4797 For a Flyer go to www.district2tampaaa.org

Crown	JULY	Y T D	Crown	JULY	Y T D	Group	JULY	Y T D
Group 11th Step Meeting- Christ King	102.64	102.64	Group Just What I Wanted Big Book	JULI	64.00	Group Saturday Night Candlelight	JULI	
11th Step Meeting-Curist King	102.04	102.04	Keep It Simple/Pass It On		96.85	Saturday Night Fever Gp.		20.00
11th Step Retreat		100.00	Keep It Simple - YANA		150.00	Saturday Night Live Group		410.00
12 Steps to Growth Group		100.00	Keep It Simple GroupDC		150.00	Seekers of Serenity II Group	24.11	106.00
164 Group Wesley Chapel		292.52	Kevstone Group	95.00	526.00	Sisters in Sobriety Group		45.00
A.A. 101 Group	204.00	672.15	Kingsway Group		83.18	Sober @ 6 Group	100.00	100.00
A.A. 102 Group			LateNighters Group	70.28	565.79	Sober @ 7 Group	386.24	738.47
All Groups CARDINAL GP.		525.00	Lemon Tree Group		152.00	Sober on Saturday Group	=-	377.75
All Groups KEYSTONE GP.		1,700.00	Life Enrichment Group			Sober on Sunday Group		200.00
Anniversary/Old School Gp.		589.00	Live and Let Live Group	480.40	1435.69	Sober Spirits Group		9.00
Alpha Group		80.00	Living in the Solution	136.00	848.00	SOBERSTOCK		
Anniversary Dinner 2013		2171.00	LivingSober/As Bill Sees It		150.00	Sobriety at Sunrise Group		122.00
Housecleaning Retreat			Love & Service Group		39.60	Sobrenity Group		237.00
Anonymous Donations	18.10	654.26	Lutz @ Noon	19.00	46.00	Solutions Group		146.37
As Bill Sees ItBrandon		298.59	Main Purpose Group		63.25	Southshore Men's Group	65.00	372.00
As Bill Sees It Mens Odessa		484.97	Mapledale Group			Southside Men's Group		
Attitude of Gratitude Group	30.00	305.00	Mac Dill Group			Southside Men's Group # 2	90.00	265.00
Back to Basics Group - Tpa			Mid Day Matinee Group		500.00	Spiritual Development Gp.		150.00
Barracks Brigade Group		310.00	Monday Nite Madness	142.00	142.00	Spiritual Growth Group		300.00
Bel-Mar Group	102.70	102.70	Morning Express Group		225.00	Spiritual Progress Goup		37.70
<b>Big Book Raffle-Febuary</b>		745.00	Morning Group -Zephyrhill			Step Sisters in Sobriety		
Big Book Raffle-June		10.00	Morning Meditation Group		4.40	Step at a Time Group		414.70
Bill D's Group		150.00	Morning Miracles Group			Stepping Stones Group (w)	40.00	114.00
BIRTHDAY CLUB	66.00	514.00	My Turn Group			Sun City Center Group		
Brandon Beginners 12 & 12			New Beginnings - Brandon		234.00	Sunday Afternnoon Meeting		
Brandon Sat. Night Group		50.00	New Beginnings Our Club			Sunday Speakers - 3333	80.00	560.00
Brandon Tues. Big Book		120.00	New Beginnings Women's			Sunshine Group	390.00	390.00
BYO 12 & 12 Group	124.25	281.19	New Beginnings-(5:45)Joe's			Sweet Surrender Group		94.35
Came To Believe Group		682.98	Newcomers Group (JC)	31.67	95.51	Tampa Bay Fall Roundup		
Cardinal Group - Odessa		262.14	New Day Group	100.00	137.80	Tampa Bay Speakers Gp.		
Carrollwood Group			New Way Women's Group	100.00	200.00	Tampa Bay Young Peoples	325.00	999.00
Carrollwood NS Group		208.00	Nightly Newcomers Group	166.00	237.62	Tampa Palms Big Book		200.00
Chancey Road AA Group		152.50	Noon Big Book Group		120.21	Tampa Palms Men's Group		171.50
Clair-Mel Positive Thinkers	20.00	300.00	Nooners GroupRiverview		138.31	Temple Terrace Men's Group		205.01
Clean Air Group	30.00	113.35	Nooners GroupTampa		144.57	TGIS Women's Group		305.81
Dade City Step Group		240.26	Noontime Celebration Gp.		700.00	Thank God it's Friday Group		
Dover Group		240.26	North Brandon Open Forum		105.25	The 164 Group		205.00
Druid Hills Group		212.99	Northdale Group Odessa Group	250.00	185.25	164 12 Step Workshop		305.00 66.17
Early Risers Group - Joe's Easy Does It Group		212.88	Odessa Group Old School Group	350.00 410.85	700.00 612.59	The Meeting Place Group The Next Frontier Group	195.00	195.00
		208.00	Old School Group	410.05			195.00	195.00
Expect a Miracle Group Experience, Strength & Hope	159 (0	308.00			120.00	There is a Solution Group		0.(2
	158.60	288.60	On the Way Home Tpa 5:30		235.35	Thurs. AM Discusion Group	10.00	9.63
Fill the Gap Group	4.22	58.64	One Day at a Time Group One Day at a Time Mtg.		150.00	T & C Sisters in Sobriety Town & Country Men's Group	10.00	60.00 290.00
Fireside Group	4.22							290.00
Founders Day Event Fourth Dimension Group		1,162.50 21.27	Palma Ceia Group Palma Ceia 12 Step Group			Town & Country Wed. Group Tues Big Book Study Gp.		50.00
Fourth Dimension Group	43.70	103.84	Palma Ceia I2 Step Group Palma Ceia Big Book Study		300.00	Turning Point Group -Z-H.		250.00
Friday Night Lights Group	43.70 55.02	293.40	Pilgrim Group -St Leo's	200.00	200.00	Uptown/Downtown Group		230.00
Friday Night Lights Movie Night	55.02	506.60	Plank Owners Group	200.00	200.00	Valrico Fri. Morning Group		100.00
Friday Night Women's Gp.	-	325.00	Primary Purpose Group		163.71	Valrico/Brandon Wed.Night	112.82	205.89
Friday Women's Friendship		78.00	Promises Meeting Group	120.00	160.00	Village 12 Step Group	114.04	380.00
Gifts of Sobriety Group		162.50	Prosperity AA Group	120.00	253.50	Warrior's Group		1.50
Good Day AA Group	520.00	520.00	Raise the Bottom Group	1-0.00		Weedpatch Group		130.00
Good Start Group	220.00	733.94	Recovery Group P.City		40.20	Wellspring Group		292.00
Grapevine Gals Group		40.00	Red Chip Day Donation			Wed Night Step Workshop		163.00
Happy Hour Group YANA	100.00	850.00	Red Door Group		100.26	Wed. Keep it Simple Group	100.00	200.00
Helping Hands GpP.C.			Reflections Group-Lake Mag	455.00	455.00	Wesley Chapel Group		455.00
Hide-A-Way Group		802.83	Riverside Group		122.85	West Side Winners Group		117.00
High Nooners Group	150.00	1150.00	Rush Hour Serenity Group	304.85	740.35	With Room to Grow Group		
Hour Glass Group			Ruskin Fellowship Group		300.00	WST Memorial Day Picnic		320.00
I.D.A.A.			Safe Haven Group	317.83	317.83	Women's Friendship Group		195.00
In the Wind Group						YaYa Sisterhood in Sobriety		26.62
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Into Action Group	05.00	220.00				Monthly Total	1918.17 VTD	
It's in the Book Men's Gp.	95.00	220.00					YTD	10,697.46
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