



Tri-County Central Office News

Most of them give freely of themselves, that their fellows may enjoy sound minds and bodies.

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WHAT IS AN ALCOHOLIC, ANYWAY?

What is an alcoholic, anyway? Well, it's not the fighting word I once thought it was. The term "alcoholic" represents the diagnosis of a disease which has afflicted a person, indicating the nature of the affliction rather than the nature of the victim. The suffix tells the story. One who robs is a robber. One who murders is a murderer. One who beats his wife is a wife-beater. One who drinks is a drinker. On the other hand, hearing of "a cardiac," "a diabetic," "an insomniac," we understand them perfectly to be people to whom heart disease, diabetes, and insomnia *have happened*. They have become these things because a damaging condition has afflicted them. The appellation is descriptive of the condition. So an alcoholic is simply someone to whom alcoholism has happened. He is a person who cannot safely drink, and should not drink at all, by reason of some quirk in his body chemistry about which we don't know too much yet, except that it clearly exists. Alcohol does things to him that it doesn't do to ordinary drinkers: his system is unable to handle it. But alcoholism is far more complicated than heart disease or diabetes; its victim also possesses a few psychological and emotional quirks, which make his poison irresistibly attractive and force him to keep right on trying to beat the game in the face of the evidence. Quantity of intake has nothing to do with it. Brand or type or blend has nothing to do with it. Alcohol, however it's dressed up and in whatever amount, is the culprit. AA, in the First Step of its recovery program, in effect defines an alcoholic as someone who is powerless over alcohol and whose life has become unmanageable as a result. Alcoholism is not a disgrace, a crime, a moral issue or the hallmark of a bum. It is *nobody's* natural condition. No one ever became an alcoholic intentionally. With his life in a shambles and his health in ruins, the victim can still actually be the last to know what is wrong with him. Alcoholism is a disease, formally acknowledged as such by both medicine and psychiatry. AA defines it as a physical allergy to alcohol, coupled with a mental obsession to drink. And in light of the damage alcoholism does to the human spirit, we call it also, with good reason, a spiritual disease. It is a thing that happens to you, if you, if you happen to have the right ingredients of susceptibility, just as diabetes and tuberculosis can happen. Like them, it is progressive and fatal, unless arrested. The good news is that (again like diabetes and TB) it *can* be arrested, permitting its victims to get well and lead perfectly normal lives, within certain specific limitations which maintain the arrest of the disease. Ours is that we refrain from taking just one drink. That's it. Arrested alcoholism can be reactivated *only* by the active intake of alcohol, which pulls the mental and physical triggers all over again. In AA we learn how not to take that one drink, one day at a time. Through AA the world has learned alcoholism is no longer hopeless, and neither is the alcoholic. How can you tell whether you're really an alcoholic? We have no foolproof formula that you can

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THE MAN IN THE HOLE

A sick alcoholic lay in the bottom of a deep hole where he had fallen during a drunken stupor. He cried for help. A doctor passing by heard the cries and leaning over the top of the hole said, "Give me your hand, my friend, and I'll help you." Desperately the drunk tried to reach the doctor's outstretched hand. After several futile attempts the doctor said, "It's no use. I'll have to get a ladder," and departed. Then a minister hearing the cries for help peered over the top of the hole and he too said, "Give me your hand, my poor man, and I'll help you out." Again attempts to reach the outstretched hands of help were futile. "Try harder," said the minister but the effort so exhausted the sick man that he collapsed onto the bottom of the hole. "Perhaps I can find a rope," said the minister as he went away. Presently a Third Man appeared at the top of the hole and called in a cheery voice: "Hi, pal, you really want to get out of that mess?" "Yes! Yes! I do," wailed the sick man. "Help me, please, please help me!" Before the sick man at the bottom of the hole realized what was happening the man with the cheery voice had dropped into the hole and was standing alongside him. "You fool," exclaimed the sick man. "Why'd you do that? You can't help me from down here!" "Let me try, anyway," replied the Third Man. "I can see you've been having trouble with booze. I did too, once. I'm an alcoholic and I've been in the same kind of mess you're in...c'mon, climb on my back and I'll try to push you up." After considerable struggling the sick man was pushed over the top, out into the sunshine again. The sober Third Man easily climbed out and joined the other. "Now that you're out of that mess, do you think you want to keep on drinking? Or would you really like to get sober and stay that way? It's your decision to make. I helped you get out of the hole but the choice—to be sober or drunk—is up to you...If you're interested I can tell you about a plan for living I practice that keeps me sober on a day to day basis." He smiled and placed an arm on the other man's shoulder. "How 'bout it?" The sick man's thoughts were wavering, like his body, but he answered, "I'm willing!" Although he didn't realize it at the time, the word "willing" was the magic one—the key to his future. Because, as admitted alcoholics, it is through willingness to work the program of Alcoholics Anonymous that we learn to surrender our will and our lives over to the care of a Power greater than ourselves. In turn we gain hope and faith, yes even rebirth. Rebirth is most important because through this miraculous event we are afforded the divine privilege of passing on to thousands who still don't know, the answer to the sick alcoholic's recovery—a problem that has baffled the good men of medicine and the church down through the centuries. It remained for two virtually hopeless alcoholics to distill from their own combines, bitter experiences a program of recovery that, in its very simplicity and absence of dogma, continued to confound the clergy, medical men and laymen with its success. The Third Man knew that only through his

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

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

Important Reminder

TBAIC Literature is distributed only on the second Saturday of each month during the the TBAIC monthly meeting. All volunteers are welcome to attend the TBAIC meeting and obtain needed literature at that time.

The June 14th meeting of TBAIC was held during a morning break at Steps to Freedom and was opened with the Serenity Prayer by Chairperson Janine G.. Janine received reports from Scott R. (Detox) and Buddy H. (Hillsborough Co. Jail), and both reported that the facilities are being covered.

Tom F. presented the Treasurer's Report. Collections are down. Previous month contributions from Soberstock and Steps to Freedom helped cover literature expense.

Nancy B. has been informed that there will be a renewal of PV numbers and an orientation for new volunteer applicants at Faulkenburg Jail sometime in July. An exact date has not yet been set. Once she knows the exact date and time, a separate email will sent to everyone on the TBAIC email list.

Ruth N. E. Pasco Co. Women's still needs volunteers, especially for Thursday evening.

Chris D. E. Pasco Men's says all is going well with a great group of volunteers.

Jim S. reported 10 Bridge the Gap calls with 6 rides given.

In new business: the TBAIC trifold will be on display during the Tampa Bay Fall Roundup Labor Day weekend. It was agreed that volunteers be stationed by the trifold to answer any questions and Susan O. will be scheduling volunteers.

Tom F. has been meeting with Goodwill about a meeting schedule and is currently working on clearance issues. He is also meeting with Grace Wellness Center.

Any updates to the Detox schedule (locations/times) will be given to Scott R. and will also be posted on District 2's website: <http://district2tampaaa.org/committees/institutions/>

John B. DACCO Women's facility has an open AA Meeting (H.O.W. Group) Wednesday 6pm and the women are looking for sponsors. Also, he asked the committee for "Came to Believe" books and the purchase of the books was approved.

"What is this but a miracle of healing? Yet its elements are simple." (BB pg 57)

YTD Contributions to TBAIC \$9,717.30
YTD Money Placed in Tri-County spending account \$9,537.209
YTD Money Spent on Literature \$9,535.35
YTD Expenses \$419.44
Pink Can Balance as of 12/31/2013 \$829.29
Pink Can Balance as of 06/14/2014 \$586.06

Our Next Committee Meeting

Is at 9:30 AM on July 12th, 2014 at the Tri-County Central Office (near Himes & Waters). If you need more specific directions please call Tim @ 813-933-9123. 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

Thank you to those groups who have sent in a donation last Month:

AA 101 \$96.89; Anonymous \$1.13; Barracks Brigade Group \$6.00; Came To Believe Group \$30.00; H.O.W. Group \$22.50; Keystone Discussion Group \$23.00; Live and Let Live Group \$122.00; Lunch Bunch Group \$89.00; Morning Meditation \$100.50; Mustard Seed Group \$60.00; Noon Big Book Group (3333) \$111.11; Ruskin Fellowship Group \$67.00; Sisters in Sobriety Group \$47.00; Tampa Bay Speakers Group \$8.00; There is a Solution Group (3333) \$23.25; Town and Country Tuesday Men's Group \$30.00; Wellspring Recovery Group \$83.00.

TBAIC 2014-2015 Committee Members

Janine G. - Chair	813-455-6617
Susan O. -Alternate Chair	813-325-6538
Tom F.— Treasurer	813-205-4945
Shanna M.—Alt. Treasurer	813-390-3558
Larry B. – Secretary	813-215-8423
Open- Hills Jails -	
Buddy H. – Hillsborough County Jail	813-871-2514
Nancy B.— Hills Women's Jails	813-872-0262
Scott R. Detox & Treatment	813-727-7290
Ruth N. - E Pasco Jail-Women's	813-629-1547
Chris D. - E Pasco Prison	813-857-5400
Michele S. --Women's Bridge The Gap	813-507-5796
Jim S.— Men's Bridge The Gap	813-679-9130
OPEN- Pre-Release	
OPEN— Juvenile	

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apply. But there are plenty of symptoms we all had in common, to some degree, and you may identify with any or all of them. Make up your own mind. If you've been getting drunk when you honestly didn't want to, when it was the worst possible time to get drunk, when it could be downright disastrous and you knew it, and yet you couldn't seem to help yourself and *it happened*—then your drinking can hardly be called normal! If you've been thinking about your drinking in terms of control—watching the clock, switching brands, trying different combinations and so on—then your drinking isn't normal. Social drinkers don't operate this way; they don't have to. If you've resorted to pledges or gone on the wagon and found it hard or impossible to stay the course, the reason why you took the pledge and the reason why you broke it, or why you went on the wagon and why you fell off, might just be one and the same. If you've ever blacked out, while drinking "lost" a period of time during which you apparently went on functioning, but could not remember it (as opposed to simple "passing out" and "sleeping it off")—well, that's one of the symptoms for sure. If you've missed work after a bender, or if it takes a hair of the dog to get you to work in the morning—well, a couple of aspirins usually do the trick for a social drinker who overindulges; a drink is usually the *last* thing in the world *he* wants or could even face. In other words, if alcohol, which got you that way, is the only medicine that will fix you up, you're in trouble. If you're drinking more and enjoying it less than you did a year ago, this could be what we call "alcoholic progression." If at a social function the drinks don't come out fast enough, and you're anxious about this, and take your own measures to insure that you get enough—either before, during, or after—this isn't social drinking. If your first reaction to any given situation—a shock, a challenge, an emotional upset, a disappointment—is "I need a drink," then obviously you've stopped merely enjoying liquor and have begun to *use* it. If your home life is deteriorating and most marital arguments boil down to the same old weary issue of Your Drinking—well, your partner could be right. If you have fitful attacks of remorse or uneasiness about the way your drinking does seem to be stepping up, and you hastily reach for and generally find a flock of excellent excuses to justify it; if you find it necessary to defend your drinking *even to yourself*, you're in trouble. If you're telling people, or even yourself, that you can stop drinking whenever you want to, and at the same time you know better than to try, you *must* know, deep down, that you're in trouble. If, after you've investigated AA for a reasonable length of time, you are still unconvinced, then time itself will prove whether or not you're one of us. This disease is progressive; it never reverses itself. Alcoholism can hit anyone—in high places, in low places, and anywhere in between. Education, breeding, social status, national prominence, fine religious background, wealth, or privilege never protected one man or woman from becoming an active alcoholic if (a) he or she happened to have the right combination

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Of those physical and mental quirks I mentioned that add up to a potential alcoholic, and then (b) ever picked up one drink. Therefore, to answer this most natural question of any beginner, I'd say this: An alcoholic is a sick person, sick in mind, body, and spirit, a person in whose life alcohol matter too much. For a long time the sickness may not even show, and this is the worst of it, because not until it does beyond question, in practically every department, can the average alcoholic bring himself or herself to admit the truth of the problem. And until that admission is made, the alcoholic cannot begin to get well. Nor can he do it alone.

Bob N., Scarsdale, N.Y.
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willingness to help another alcoholic, through understanding and love, could he insure his own daily sobriety...he also knew that it was most important to help the sick man believe that the remorse of yesterday and the fear of tomorrow could be dissolved into one twenty-four hour period called faith in today...He hoped he could help the sick man realize that he need never be alone any more—that gratitude was a vital word in his new vocabulary.

Rod M., Riverdale, N.Y.
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THE SOLE PURPOSE OF AN A.A. GROUP

Letter from Bill Wilson dated 1966 and quoted in "As Bill Sees It", page 79

"An AA group, as such, cannot take on all the personal problems of its members, let alone those of non-alcoholics in the world around us. The AA group is not, for example, a mediator of domestic relations, nor does it furnish personal financial aid to anyone. Though a member may sometimes be helped in such matters by his friends in AA, the primary responsibility for the solutions of all his problems of living and growing rests squarely upon the individual himself. Should the AA group attempt this sort of help, its effectiveness and energies would be hopelessly dissipated.

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This is why sobriety—freedom from alcohol—through the teaching and practice of AA's 12 Steps, is the sole purpose of the group. If we don't stick to this cardinal principle, we shall almost certainly collapse. And if we collapse we cannot help anyone."

WE STILL NEED 12 STEPPERS!!!

There are hundreds, probably thousands of active alcoholics in our area. Many may never think they need our help or even want our help. But, just like you and I, there will be a few who desperately want and need our help. Many may reach for but not find the hand of A.A. We need to be there to help them when they are ready. Are **you** ready to help? Will **you** help? Come by the Office and fill out a 12 Step Form or email us and we will send you a form to fill out. Email: aainfo@aatampa-area.org

NOTES FROM INSIDE THE CENTRAL OFFICE

June 10th 2014 the Board of Directors for Central Office met:
BOARD MEMBERS **REPRESENTING GROUP**

WARD H.	CHAIRPERSON	PALMA CEIA BIG BOOK GROUP
STEVE S. <i>Alternate</i>	VICE-CHAIR	HIGH NOONERS GROUP
SAM F.	TREASURER	FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS GROUP
Excused	BOARD MEMBER	PROMISES MEETING GROUP
DAVE F.	BOARD MEMBER	WESLEY CHAPEL GROUP
RALPH R.	BOARD MEMBER	WED. NIGHT STEP WORKSHOP
Non-excused	BOARD MEMBER	KEYSTONE GROUP
JIM W.	BOARD MEMBER	OLD SCHOOL GROUP
DIANA S.	BOARD MEMBER	FREEDOM IN SOBRIETY WOMEN'S
WAYNE P. <i>Alternate</i>	BOARD MEMBER	SEEKERS OF SERENITY GROUP II

Ward opened the meeting in the usual manner with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Sam read the May minutes. There were no questions and minutes were approved. Sam presented the May Treasurer's report. He noted that we were \$940.93 in the red for the month. After expenses we were able to raise \$225.00 for the good of the Central Office. A motion to except the report was made and seconded and approved. In Old Business Ward gave a fuller rundown of the Founders Day event. We had around 150 people in attendance. Sandy B. gave a great 15 minute intro about the beginnings of AA. The panel was exceptionally great this year and the Cakewalk raffle went over very well. Patti L. our auditor gave us the results of our five year audit. It seems everything is in order and there were no outstanding issues. Ward brought up the idea of needing a back up person or part time employee to fill in when the Office Manager was out. Lots of discussion and ideas followed. A motion was made to have some of the Board Members form a three man committee to look into the particulars to hiring part-time help. There was no new business and the meeting ended. At the Council Meeting after the Minutes and Treasurers reports were presented we went into Old Business. This was a recap of the Founders Day event. Ward thanked everyone who had participated in helping. Al brought up the fact that he did not like the idea of not taping the event. These are our Old Timers and that's something we should have been taping. Lots of ideas floated around about the possibility of buying our own equipment to tape future events. Patti brought up the idea that maybe we should have our events on a Sunday rather than Saturday. Mark noted that it was hard to get volunteers to help on Saturdays. Vivian asked if we could remind people to speak a little louder and into the microphone at these events. In New Business Jerry noted the Memorial Day Picnic fund-raiser for Central Office his group the Wellspring Group along with the Sunshine Group and the Town & Country Wednesday Night Group had done. They were able to raise \$165.00 for Central Office. Afterwards, Patti L. gave a recap of the five year audit. Warded mentioned to the Council that the Board was entertaining the idea of hiring some part-time help for the office. Several announcements were made and the meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer.

June 10th 2014 the Central Office Representatives met:
COUNCIL MEMBERS **REPRESENTING GROUP**

SUE Z.	CLEAN AIR GROUP
WAYNE P.	SEEKERS OF SERENITY GROUP II
CINDY L.	SISTERS IN SOBRIETY GROUP
JAMES S.	RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP
JOHN G.	TAMPA PALMS BIG BOOK GROUP
BRYE M.	THE PROMISES MEETING GROUP
BILL J.	EARLY RISERS GROUP
RYAN C.	FIRESIDE GROUP
MICHELLE G.	JUST WHAT I WANTED WOMEN'S GROUP
BONNIE C.	HOW GROUP
KIMBERLY C.	TOWN & COUNTRY SISTERS IN SOBRIETY
KAITIE C.	FRIDAY NIGHT STEP STUDY GROUP
MARK S.	HAPPY HOUR GROUP
SALLY O.	TGIS WOMEN'S GROUP
ROB B.	NEW TAMPA MEN'S GROUP
RICH E.	SOLUTIONS GROUP
MANDI P.	BARRACKS BRIGADE GROUP
JOE M.	CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP
JANET S.	SOBER @ 7 GROUP
JERRY H.	WELLSPRING
JOHN F.	SOBRENITY GROUP
STEVE S.	EXPERIENCE, STRENGTH & HOPE GROUP
VIVIAN J.	NEW BEGINNINGS WOMEN'S GROUP
BILL M.	AS BILL SEES IT GROUP
AL B.	THURSDAY NITE BIG BOOK GROUP
BRIAN G.	SOBER ON SUNDAY GROUP
ALLAN D'H	LIVE & LET LIVE GROUP
TOM F.	KEYSTONE GROUP

JULY MONDAY@ THE MUSTARD SEED

St. Chads Episcopal Church
5609 Albany Rd.
Speaker Meeting
July 7th: Doug B
July 14th: Katie J.
July 21st: Greg R.
July 28th: Jake G.

12x12 Speaker lead Women's Meeting

Every Sunday @ 4:30 pm
3333 W. Columbus Dr.

We definitely need some support! Once a month we do a themed potluck in honor of being a woman in the program. Safe and free environment to share in!
Call Nicholle @ 813-360-7352 any questions.

ANNIVERSARY TIME

GROUP	Honors To	Date	Years
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	HELEN A.	07/19/09	5 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	SHAUNA L.	07/15/08	6 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	MARY W.	07/31/04	10 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	SANDY K.	07/22/02	12 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	JOHN M.	07/21/79	35 YRS
BACK TO BASICS GROUP	LOIS M.	07/09/95	19 YRS
FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS GROUP	NANCY E.	07/17/11	3 YRS
FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS GROUP	CARLOS M.	07/05/00	14 YRS
FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS GROUP	BERNIE H.	07/17/94	20 YRS
FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS GROUP	SAM F.	07/19/86	28 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	DAVID L.	07/25/07	7 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	EARLE W.	07/10/95	19 YRS
MID DAY MATINEE GROUP	LOUEITA L.	07/18/91	23 YRS
CLEAN AIR GROUP	TONY S.	07/09/08	6 YRS
SAFE HAVEN GROUP	"T" B.	07/08/07	7 YRS
SAFE HAVEN GROUP	DENIS B.	07/22/06	8 YRS
ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE GROUP	KATY S.	07/03/03	11 YRS
ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE GROUP	DON K.	07/27/90	24 YRS
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	DEE H.	07/09/10	4 YRS
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	ROBERT K.	07/03/10	4 YRS
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	CHARLES D.	07/02/03	11 YRS
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	AXEL L.	07/19/00	14 YRS
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	JANIE M.	07/27/81	33 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP	MICHAEL C.	07/05/89	25 YRS
JUST WHAT I WANTED GROUP	SILVIA H.	07/21/08	6 YRS
JUST WHAT I WANTED GROUP	MICHELLE G.	07/04/08	6 YRS
JUST WHAT I WANTED GROUP	JACKIE W.	07/03/87	27 YRS
KEYSTONE GROUP	JOHN R.	07/08/05	9 YRS
KEYSTONE GROUP	TECHANNA M.	07/20/04	10 YRS

SELF-SUPPORT-May, 2014

☺ Today in May of 2014 we have **218** Groups with **590** meetings a week. Contributions in May totaled \$3,784.78. That accounts for what **45** Groups out of **218** Groups in our area have contributed in April. This also takes into account the 9 AAer's who contributed \$125.36 in contributions anonymously, \$8.00 from the 1 member who contributed to the Birthday, \$14.00 from Soberilla T's, and \$7.00 from the Dick D. Memorial Fund. Our total income for May was \$12,906.06. Our Cost of Goods Sold was \$6,564.04. Subtracting the Cost of Goods Sold from our May income left us with a Gross Profit of \$6,342.02. Our Expenses for May were \$7,282.95. Subtracting our Expenses from our Gross Profit gave us a Net Income of minus **-\$940.93** for the month of May. 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. Thanks for all of your support !!!

Now for some other news. I'm always getting calls from people saying that they send a contribution in but it's not showing up in the newsletter on the contribution page. Why is that? Let me explain, lets say everything is going smoothly....It's June and I'm working on the July newsletter. You send in a contribution in June. When everything works out perfectly, the newsletter gets completed and send to the printer and returned back to me to fold and put in inserts (if any) and then mail them out before the first of July. Well, I can't put the June contributions into the newsletter-yet-because it's not the end of the month, I have to wait for the month to be completed.....so that's why June's contributions would show up in the following month's edition of the newsletter in August.

Want to get involved in some Service Work?
How about volunteering for the After-Hour Phones on the Weekend. Call Martin after Office Hours @ 813-933-9123 and get all the details.

Central Office provides a number of services acting as a clearing house for the convenience of members and groups, provides phone service for twelfth step calls and other inquires, helps with the coordination of group activities and keeps track of meeting times and changes and the printing of the schedules. We also edit and print our monthly newsletter. In addition we sell all Alcoholics Anonymous General Service Conference Approved Literature and some other materials requested by our AA members.

**A BIRTHDAY CLUB SUPPORTER TO CENTRAL OFFICE
ONE DOLLAR FOR EACH YEAR OF SOBRIETY**

Home Group	Honors To	Date	Years
CENTRAL OFFICE	TIMOTHY S.	07/04/88	26 YRS
WESLEY CHAPEL	DAVE F.	07/19/85	29 YRS

MORE NEWS AROUND THE TOWN & THE AREA

58th Florida State Convention



July 16-20, 2014

<http://58.flstateconvention.com>

Harbor Beach Marriott Resort & Spa

3030 Holiday Drive
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316
(954) 525-4000

Standard Room - \$139/night

Ocean View - \$169/night

Jr. Suites (Limited Availability) \$299/night
(All room rates are Single - Quad)

Registration Available 9/1/2013 - 6/30/2014

The hotel registration link and code will be
available on the convention website as of
September 1, 2013:

www.58.flstateconvention.com

Rates will be honored 3 days before and 3 days after the
convention dates, based on availability.

All rooms are subject to state and local taxes.

THIS HOTEL IS NON-SMOKING.

Advance deposit of first night's room and tax are due at
time of reservation, via credit card or check.

Check-in 4pm - Check-out 11am

Parking rates:

Self-Parking \$10/day

Valet Parking \$20/day

FLORIDA AREA 15 GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY

July 25-27, 2014 Hosted by District 10

Double Tree by Hilton

711 N.W. 72ND Avenue Miami, FL 33126

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

Reservations by Phone: 305-261-3800 Fax: 305-260-8954 or
reservations@doubletreemiamimart.com **Group Code GSA**

Reference: Area 15 General Assembly

Room Rate: \$125.00(Single & Double / 3 & 4 \$129.00)

Must be received by July 3rd, 2014

Fifteenth Annual BIG BOOK on the BEACH

August 22nd and 23rd, 2014

1500 Pass-a-grille Way

St. Pete Beach, Florida

An in depth study of the first one-hundred sixty-four pages of
the Big Book will be moderated by Willie S., and Larry H.
(of the Suwannee Big Book Week-end) and is being held in
beautiful St. Pete Beach. Space is limited, so register early.
(We will be serving food from 5 P.M. Friday until 9 P.M.
Saturday. So come hungry!!!)

Registration cost per person is : \$35.00 Please mail this form
and a check to: David H.: 357 41st Ave. St Pete Beach, FL 33706
e-mail address: ddhollister@yahoo.com Phone: 727- 204-6444

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"TRI-COUNTY CENTRAL OFFICE NEWS" ?**

28th ANNUAL TAMPA BAY FALL ROUNDUP LABOR DAY WEEKEND

Friday, August 29, 2014 to Monday, September 1, 2014
Registration: \$30.00 each

<http://tampabayfallroundup.com/>

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and use Group code FRI02A

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www.sheratontampaeast.com

SPECIAL ROOM RATE CUTOFF 8/22/2014

Reminder: As in the past, Central Office will have a
booth set up with most of the AA literature and some
non-AA items for purchase from Friday afternoon
until Sunday afternoon (with breaks in between for
some of the meetings). If there is something
special you would like me to have available for you to
pick up at the Roundup...contact Central Office at
933-9123 or email me at aainfo@aatampa-area.org
well ahead of time before the event (so if I need to
order it first) and I will do everything possible to have
it there for you. Remember, we only accept checks or
cash....no credit card set up. ☺👋

