



Tri-County Central Office News

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The Only Help We Have To Offer

I drank for a long time and couldn't stop. I tried everything. One day, in the midst of planning to take a trip, I called AA. I told the women who answered the phone that I was an alcoholic going on a trip and I needed a ride. I was afraid to drive to the bus station because I was too drunk, and I couldn't call my parents because they were mad at me about my drinking. The woman told me politely that AA wasn't a taxi service and to call back when I wanted to stop drinking. I did call back and two wonderful women came to my house. They said and did all the right things and I found myself at my first meeting. At meetings, I began to hear the message of recovery. But I became distracted when I noticed the abundance of single men at every meeting. "This must be the answer," I thought. "I'll find a man to take care of me." So I pursued that avenue of "recovery" for a time until I became convinced that it wasn't working. Again I returned to AA, this time to listen to the real message of recovery. And I heard it. Without exception, everyone who had anything I wanted talked about having developed a relationship with a power greater than himself as the result of taking the Twelve Steps. The Big Book quotes Dr. Silkworth as saying, "The message which can interest and hold these alcoholic people must have depth and weight." That's what recovery through the Twelve Steps had for me. I needed a job. I told people at meetings that it would be easier for me to stay sober if I had a job (and a husband and some friends). They told me that my job was to stay sober. God would take care of the other things when I was ready. I found a home group because somebody told me I should. I was there at the once-a-week meeting. Soon I discovered that the members met other days at each other's homes and sometimes went places together. I thought this might be the social life that had long eluded me. What a surprise to find out that these gatherings in their homes were group business meetings and studies of the Traditions. Their excursions were visits to small AA groups in outlying communities where they shared their experience, strength, and hope. When they went out for coffee or meals after meetings, the primary topic of discussion was Alcoholics Anonymous. Recovery, unity, service, and the Twelve Steps seemed to intrude into everything we did together! I ended up learning many valuable social skills by hanging around with these people, but social growth was never our purpose in getting together. When my home group elected me to represent them at the local central committee, I learned about another part of our Fellowship. This committee, in addition to providing a twenty-four-hour

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Building an Arch

I first heard about Step Five from my sponsor. He had recently taken his. It didn't sound like fun. Not being one to suffer alone, my sponsor's immediate reaction to his own "spiritual housecleaning" was to launch me upon a Fourth Step. He wanted to give away what he'd received. I thought, "What happened to "this is a selfish program?" Step Four took a very long time. At all of it I balked. I thought I could find an easier, softer way, but I could not. With all the earnestness at his command, my sponsor became cunning, baffling, and powerful, constantly reminding me that half measures availed me nothing. I hated him. The day finally came when even I had to admit that I'd completed Step Four to the best of my ability. That's what had me so upset. The best of my ability didn't look so hot in those days. I called my sponsor to tell him I'd finished, expecting to take a six-month to one-year sabbatical from the Steps after this arduous trek into my life. That's when he lowered the boom. "Great," he said. "The best time to take the Fifth Step is right after you finish the Fourth. Meet me at my home tomorrow at six." Son of a gun! Who do you think you are? I thought, but aloud, I said, "Oh—kay, I'll be there." I hung up the phone and said to myself, "I bet Bill W. didn't have to go through this!" I used to think the Big Book referred to Step Five when it said, "What an order! I can't go through with it." I thought, how can talking about all this junk that I never wanted to write down in the first place make any difference? By the time I finished Step Five, I knew that I was well on my way toward "building an arch" through which I would "walk a free man." What happened? Did God convert me into a religious AA dervish. Was I brainwashed by some mystical technique into an AA true believer? Did I go into permanent shock? None of these things happened. The truth is much simpler. Step Five simply accomplished exactly what I was promised, based on the tried and tested experience of Alcoholics Anonymous. This is what happened. For starters, I had prepared for Step Five by making a beginning on the previous Steps. I had my Fourth Step inventory which had given me a new awareness, albeit a not completely objective one. Nevertheless, I had it. Though the temptation to avoid sharing with "another human being" was nearly overwhelming, my fear of not following my sponsor's instructions to the letter was even greater. I arrived at my sponsor's home promptly at six. I didn't want to be late for my "funeral." He ushered me into the living room and I sat in what was obviously the condemned man's chair. Given to redundancies in times of hysteria, I commented on the weather at least twice, and God only knows how many times I mentioned the state of local AA affairs. Then my sponsor said those terrible words: "Why don't you get out your Fourth Step so we can get started." I feared that doors automatically sealed themselves during Fifth Steps. But I prayed to God and "asked His protection and care with complete abandon." "Okay, where do you want to begin,"

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

(Special note: TBAIC literature is available for distribution at the TBAIC meeting which is usually held the second Saturday of each month at the Tri-County Central Office.)

The April 11 TBAIC meeting was opened by Alternate Chair Jim S. leading the "Serenity Prayer". He received word from Buddy H. that everything was going well with the men's meetings at Falkenburg Jail.

Scott R. was unable to attend but informed Jim S. that he had emailed an updated institutions meeting schedule to committee members. Scott will also be working with Jim in getting new "Bridge the Gap" referral cards printed.

Tom F. disputed the Treasurer's report. Literature was the only expense. He did receive a response to clarify TBAIC tax exempt status. For any fundraising endeavors, the cost of the supplies must be purchased by TBAIC, not reimbursed by TBAIC. A copy of the response will be given to each committee member via an email attachment.

Nancy B. has 3 new volunteers scheduled to attend the orientation at Faulkenburg Jail on April 16. The women's meetings are being covered. She is planning a luncheon for her volunteers sometime in May.

Chris. D. is happy that the men's meetings at Zephyrhills Prison are still well attended. They were able to change the meeting schedule at Tampa Behavioral Health to 7:15 pm.

Ruth N. of E. Pasco Women's said she been experiencing a lot women who never been exposed to AA before. She has been using "Living Sober" and has been pleased with the results.

Jim S. reported that Bridge the Gap had 4 calls and provided 2 rides. He is also working on updating the Bridge the Gap volunteer list.

"Whether our audience is one or many, it is still Twelfth Step work." (12 & 12, pg 110)

YTD Contributions to TBAIC \$5,595.91
YTD Money Placed in Tri-County spending account \$5,627.80
Money in Spending Account at Year End 2014 \$260.10
YTD Money Spent on Literature \$5,589.86
YTD Expenses \$383.56
Pink Can Balance as of 12/13/2014 \$918.22
Pink Can Balance as of 04/11/2015 \$502.77

Our Next Committee Meeting
 Is at 9:30 AM on **April 11th, 2015** 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 \$166.10; Barracks Brigade \$3.00; Expect A Miracle Group \$30.00; High Nooner's Group \$18.00; Kingsway Group \$116.00; Live and Let Live Group \$86.00; Lunch Bunch Group \$98.00; Monday Night Men's St.James \$150.00; Morning Meditation \$127.15; Odessa Group \$37.30; Old School Group \$227.57 Ruskin Fellowship(Sunday) Group \$32.00; Sunday Speakers Meeting (3333) \$100.00; Town and Country All Groups Picnic \$36.00; Town and Country Wednesday Group \$34.00;

TBAIC 2014-2015 Committee Members

Susan O. - Chair	813-325-6538
Jim S.— Alternate Chair	813-679-9130
Tom F.— Treasurer	813-205-4945
Carolyn L. Alt. Treasurer	813-961-1144
Larry B. – Secretary	813-215-8423
Nancy B.— Alt. Secretary	813-872-0262
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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answering service, meeting directories, public information, and a forum for discussion of group problems, had a social committee with its own bank account and fun-filled calendar. But to my surprise, as social as their activities were, they always featured AA meetings and speakers, and whether decorating a hall, mopping a floor, or craving a turkey, they always talked about recovery through the Twelve Steps and carrying the AA message to the alcoholic who suffered among us or who hadn't found us yet. The man who encouraged my participation in general service tried to attract me by describing the wonderful assemblies I'd attend out of town and all the new friends I'd make. He was right, but once again I found that what held us together at those assemblies was our focus on service to Alcoholics Anonymous and how better to carry the AA message to the still suffering alcoholic. One day while talking calls for our local AA answering service, I got a call from a woman who wanted someone from AA to come see her drunken neighbor who hadn't cleaned her house in ages. "You've got to get someone out here to clean up her house. Don't you people try to help drunks?" I was reminded of my first call to AA looking for a taxi service. Now I know through experience that we're not simply here to "help." The primary purpose of an AA group is to carry the AA message of recovery to the alcoholic who still suffers. The only help we have to offer is the AA program of recovery. We don't offer taxi service, housekeeping, assertiveness training, marriage counseling, jobs, money, mates, or any of the dozens of other services and solutions that each of us thought would solve our problems. If Alcoholics Anonymous had provided me a social life, a job, and a husband, I'd have had no reason to place my reliance upon God. If they had done anything other than carry the message of recovery, I might have missed it. Thank God that's all AA does. Each of us, having had a spiritual awakening as the result of the Twelve Steps, tries to carry this message to the alcoholic who wants it. This is how I stay sober. And if you keep coming back, you don't have to drink again either, if you don't want to.

B. M., Eureka, Calif.
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**Please join us
for the
FIFTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
Of
THE PROMISES MEETING
Sunday, June 28, 2015
Holy Innocents Church
604 N. Valrico Rd.
Valrico, Florida 33594
6:00 PM Dinner
7:30 PM Speaker
Chris N.
(who has 30 years sobriety)
Dinner is provided
Please bring a dish to share**

Building an Arch

I asked, hoping for mercy. "Why don't we begin with your grudge list," my sponsor said. "But before we begin," he added, "why don't we pray and ask our Higher Power for guidance. After all, this is a three-way deal. God is very much a part of this. It's his grace that brought you here." Sometimes sponsors can really surprise you. This was one of those rare times. We prayed, then he became his old self again, indicating that it was time to begin. We went over my grudge list, item by item. I discovered that he liked "item by item." I read and explained. He listened and commented. Before we were halfway through the list, I began to realize that the advice, counseling, and experience he shared was not only his, but that of others as well. It was the experience of one drunk talking to another, but it was more than that. It was the resonating voices of countless men and women in AA who had shared their experience, strength, and hope with each other. Was this God-consciousness? I wondered, as I continued my disclosures. Finishing the grudge list, we assailed my list of fears. To my surprise, I discovered my sponsor and I shared some of the same ones. By this time, occasional laughter interspersed the more serious portions of the unfolding panorama of my life. I was beginning to feel a sense of relief. It continued to grow even as we discussed pertinent aspects of my "list of major human failings—the Seven Deadly Sins." It was incredible! As years of humiliation, pride, and fear fell away into harmless debris, my sense of isolation actually began to dissipate. I no longer felt like a freak, a pathetic caricature of humanity, incapable of integrating myself into the world about me. The existence of God's presence was no theory; it was fact. God was with us and my cup did indeed run over. It overflowed with his love as it was translated into the experience, strength, and hope of two twentieth-century alcoholics joined in the miracle of a spiritual awakening known as recovery. Those secrets that I'd sworn to take to my grave were now dead and buried under the fertile soil of a new freedom nurtured by truth and sharing and laughter, moistened by tears of relief and joy, and warmed by the sunlight of the spirit. "Step Five works! It really does!" I marveled. I knew now that the man who was leaving was not the same man who had fearfully entered this Fifth Step sanctuary just a few hours previously. Today, after many revisits to Step Five, I know that my initial experience was no fluke, that "God does move in a mysterious way His wonders to perform," and that Step Five is one of those. I have also been privileged to share in the Fifth Step experiences of others. Since there is nothing like personal experience to qualify one for this extremely personal spiritual awakening, I would suggest having done a Fifth Step as a prerequisite for hearing some else's. We must be prepared to share our own Fifth Step disclosures, laughter, and tears that the experience of others might be as profound as our own. Being able to keep confidential the disclosures of others is essential. This experience is only between God and ourselves. Franklin D. Roosevelt said, in his first inaugural address, "The only thing we have to fear is fear itself." If we're willing to expose the pages of our lives to the love

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NOTES FROM INSIDE THE CENTRAL OFFICE

April 14th, 2015 the Board of Directors for Central Office met:
BOARD MEMBERS **REPRESENTING GROUP**

Open Position	CHAIRPERSON	
BRIAN L.	VICE-CHAIR	HIGH NOONERS GROUP
UNEXCUSED	TREASURER	FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS GROUP
JIM W.	BOARD MEMBER	OLD SCHOOL GROUP
DIANA S.	BOARD MEMBER	FREEDOM IN SOBRIETY WOMEN'S
JIM VK	BOARD MEMBER	SEEKERS OF SERENITY GROUP II
VICKI M.	BOARD MEMBER	TAMPA PALMS BIG BOOK GROUP
BRETT B.	BOARD MEMBER	164 WESLEY CHAPEL GROUP
Open Position	BOARD MEMBER	
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Brian our Vice-Chairperson opened the meeting in the usual matter with the Serenity Prayer. Jim read the March minutes. They were seconded and approved. Tim presented the March Treasurer's Report noting that we were \$1696.13 in the black for the month and \$4,151.85 in the black for the year (but this too shall pass). There were no questions. The March Treasurer's report was seconded and approved. Old Business mixed in between each other with discussions concerning the Founders Day event and the idea of changing the Board Meeting from 6:00 pm to 6:30 pm. After much discussion, a motion was made, seconded and approved to keep the time as it currently is. It was decided to wait and discuss the Founders Day Event at the Council meeting. Because the newly appointed Chairperson from last month had to resign (personal reasons), there was an election for a new Board Chair. Brett B. from the 164 Wesley Chapel Group was elected as our new Board Chair. At the Council Meeting Brett was introduced as the new Board Chair and then opened the Council Meeting in the usual matter with the Serenity Prayer followed by asking if everyone had signed in, if there were any new Council members and for everyone to turn down their cell phones. Michelle read the March Minutes. They were seconded and approved. Tim presented the March Treasurer's Report noting that we were \$1696.13 in the black for the month and \$4,151.85 in the black for the year (but this too shall pass). There were no questions. The March Treasurer's report was seconded and approved. Brett then had Cathy read "What is Tri-County Central Office" from our meeting schedule and Harold read "What is a Central Office Representative" also from our meeting schedule. Brett went on to remind everyone that the Central Office was set up by the Groups for the Groups. "You run the show, you have a voice." It was also noted that the "Pie-Chart" is also located in the meeting schedule. In Old Business discussion continued will possible locations to hold the Founders Day Event but nothing definite was decided. Brett read from the Committee Sign-Up sheet the different duties needed. There was no New Business. The FCYPAA event scheduled for May 29th, 2015 was announced and also the Old School Group's Annual Gratitude Dinner and Speaker Meeting for May 9th, 2015 was also announced. (Some of the proceeds will go to Central Office) Harold, the District 2 Central Office Liaison announced the need for GSR's and DCM's at the District level and that there were several proposals to be voted on at the upcoming Quarterly. The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer for all of those who wished to join in.

April 14th, 2015 the Central Office Representatives met:
COUNCIL MEMBERS **REPRESENTING GROUP**

MARK K.	TBYP GROUP
BERNIE H.	FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS GROUP
BILL M.	AS BILL SEES IT GROUP
RILEY T.	EXPECT A MIRACLE GROUP
TOM P.	FRIDAY NIGHT STEP STUDY GROUP
MICHELLE G.	JUST WHAT I WANTED GROUP
HAROLD G.	DISTRICT 2 LIAISON
JULIE J.	TOWN & COUNTRY SISTERS IN SOBRIETY
TAMMY P.	TOWN & COUNTRY SISTERS IN SOBRIETY
LAURIN D.	TGIS GROUP
MARLENE M.	TURNING POINT GROUP
CRAIG O.	THE PROMISES MEETING GROUP
CATHY K.	HIDE-A-WAY GROUP
JOHN L.	SOBRENITY GROUP
CAROLYN J.	SOBRENITY GROUP
CATHY L.	SISTERS IN SOBRIETY GROUP
JAMIE C.	SUNSHINE GROUP
BRIAN G.	SOBER ON SUNDAY GROUP
JERRY R.	SOBER @ 7 GROUP
JOHN F.	LIFE ENRICHMENT GROUP
VIVIAN J.	FREEDOM IN SOBRIETY WOMEN'S GROUP
JON S.	KEEP IT SIMPLE PLANT CITY GROUP
JACK S.	THE MEETING PLACE GROUP
ANCHEA D.	STEP SISTERS IN SOBRIETY GROUP
STEVE S.	EXPERIENCE, STRENGTH & HOPE GROUP

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

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.

ANNIVERSARY TIME

SELF-SUPPORT - APRIL, 2015

GROUP	Honors To	Date	Years
KEYSTONE GROUP	CONI B.	05/11/79	36 YRS
KEYSTONE GROUP	GENE S.	05/12/74	41 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	CHRISTA G.	05/24/87	28 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	TOM C.	05/22/80	35 YRS
SOBRENITY GROUP	TAMEKA H.	NO SOBRIETY-DATE GIVEN	2 YRS
SOBRENITY GROUP	DRU	NO SOBRIETY-DATE GIVEN	4 YRS
SOBRENITY GROUP	JIM M.	NO SOBRIETY-DATE GIVEN	15 YRS
SOBRENITY GROUP	MARILYN A.	NO SOBRIETY-DATE GIVEN	17 YRS
SOBRENITY GROUP	JENNIFER B.	NO SOBRIETY-DATE GIVEN	20 YRS
SOBRENITY GROUP	PAT L.	NO SOBRIETY-DATE GIVEN	24 YRS
SOBRENITY GROUP	SYLVIA L.	NO SOBRIETY-DATE GIVEN	25 YRS
SOBRENITY GROUP	WENDELL	NO SOBRIETY-DATE GIVEN	29 YRS
SOBRENITY GROUP	SAM W.	NO SOBRIETY-DATE GIVEN	32 YRS
SOBRENITY GROUP	BILL W.	NO SOBRIETY-DATE GIVEN	43 YRS
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	JAMES P.	05/06/11	4 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP	TAMALA H.	05/13/13	2 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP	DAN M.	05/11/11	4 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP	GEORGE G.	05/23/98	17 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP	BILL D.	05/18/86	29 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP	JAN J.	05/20/85	30 YRS
JUST WHAT I WANTED WOMEN'S	KARLA O.	05/01/10	5 YRS
JUST WHAT I WANTED WOMEN'S	FELICIA K.	05/31/08	7 YRS
JUST WHAT I WANTED WOMEN'S	SUSAN Y.	05/20/00	15 YRS
JUST WHAT I WANTED WOMEN'S	MARILYN A.	05/01/98	17 YRS
JUST WHAT I WANTED WOMEN'S	CANDY J.	05/20/86	29 YRS
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP WOMEN'S	TRACY B.	05/28/11	4 YRS
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP WOMEN'S	DRUM	05/09/11	4 YRS

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

Home Group	Honors To	Date	Years
DRUID HILLS GROUP	STEVE T.	04/02/06	9 YRS
NEW WAY WOMEN'S GROUP	SHARON L.	04/26/03	12 YRS
NOONTIME CELEBRATION	MARY A.	04/11/97	18 YRS
NEW WAY WOMEN'S GROUP	JANE A.	05/01/93	22 YRS
FREEDOM IN SOBRIETY	VIVIAN J.	05/16/89	26 YRS

© Today in April of 2015 we have **224** Groups with **597** meetings a week. Contributions in April totaled \$5,943.48. That accounts for what **45** Groups out of **224** Groups in our area have contributed in April. This also takes into account the 1 AAer who contributed \$20.00 in contributions anonymously, \$69.00 from the 4 members who contributed to the Birthday Fund , and \$651.00 from the Keystone Group's St Patrick's Day/All Groups meeting fundraiser for Central Office, \$38.00 from the Wesley Chapel Big Book Raffle. Our total income for April was \$12,188.11. Our Cost of Goods Sold was \$4,573.88. Subtracting the Cost of Goods Sold from our April income left us with a Gross Profit of \$7,3614.23. Our Expenses for April were \$6,873.65. Subtracting our Expenses from our Gross Profit gave us a Net Income of plus +**\$740.58** for the month of April. **Since January we have had 11 new groups formed in our area adding 25 additional meetings.** 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 !!!

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and understanding of our Higher Power and a fellow alcoholic, we'll surely know a new freedom and a new happiness. We'll discover that love is never having to feel alone again; that God's presence in our lives has become profound; and that the unity of the Fellowship of the spirit can be ours so long as we are willing to "pass it on."

Chico C., West Palm Beach, Florida
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MORE NEWS AROUND THE TOWN & THE AREA

The Safe Haven Group will be hosting their: 2nd Annual Steak Dinner and Speaker Meeting

at the 301 House 8601 Bowles Road on Saturday, **June 13, 2015**. Dinner will be served at 5pm. It includes grilled steak, baked potato, vegetable, bread, dessert and drink. Patti L., whose home group is "The Joy of Sobriety" that meets at Sobrenity, will share her experience, strength and hope at 7pm. There will be no smoking in the meeting room where the dinner and meeting is being held. Dinner tickets are \$10.00 and include 1 raffle ticket into the drawing for 1 of 3 prizes... A new TV, a \$50.00 Walmart gift card, or a \$25.00 Walmart gift card. More raffle tickets can be purchased at the price of: 1 for \$2.00; 3 for \$5.00; 7 for 10.00 Dinner tickets and raffle tickets are being presold and can be purchased by calling or texting Sue Z. at 813.601.3113 or email : srz4211@verizon.net She'll get you connected with someone that has tickets for sale.

Steps to Freedom 12-Step Workshop

Saturday, June 20, 2015 9:00am-4:30pm
Christ the King Church, 821 S. Dale Mabry, Tampa, FL
\$8 in advance \$10 at the door Lunch Included
ALL PROCEEDS GO TO JAILS & INSTITUTIONS

ALPHA CLUB BBQ & SPEAKER MEETING FUND-RAISER



- Saturday June 27th 2015
- 4418-B N. Hubert Ave, Tampa FL 33614
- 12pm Big Book MTG, BBQ @ 1:15pm, Speaker @ 2:15pm
- Tickets are 5\$ per person
- 50/50 raffle following the speaker with a **SPECIAL** prize

For updated info: www.aa.org



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29th ANNUAL
TAMPA BAY FALL ROUNDUP
LABOR DAY WEEKEND

Friday, Sept 4th, 2015 - Monday, Sept 7th, 2015

"Came to Believe"
REGISTRATION OPENS FRIDAY AT 1PM



<https://tampabayfallroundup.com>

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