



Tri-County Central Office News

“It ain’t so much people’s ignorance that does the harm.
It’s their knowing so many things that just ain’t so.”

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ME AND MY TRADITIONS

Sometimes passed over all too lightly, our Twelve Traditions are designed to protect YOU, the individual member of AA

Most of us tend to slide over the Twelve Traditions, because we feel they have to do with “organization.” Since our primary concern is our own sobriety, most of us couldn’t care less about “organization.” If we take a really good look at the Traditions, however, it will be revealed to us that the structure they set up has but one ultimate objective—the welfare of the individual AA member. In the past few years, I’ve had the feeling that for me the Traditions are really an extension of the Steps. They affect, not only my activities as a member of an AA group, not only my daily work in an AA service job, but also my efforts as an individual to relate satisfactorily with other people. In other words, I feel the Traditions are additional tools to help me fulfill the last part of the Twelfth Step: trying to practice these principles in all my affairs. Together with the Steps, they have helped me learn what little I know about staying out of the way—my own and other people’s. They have taught me: **1.** To try to put the common welfare first, rather than just my own—by being willing to yield, even when I may heartily disagree. **2.** To put faith in the group conscience, and try to believe that it represents God’s will for us today—if not forever. **3.** To remember that the most significant experience of my life was becoming a member of AA, that AA’s had room for me even before I wanted to join, and that they gave me the time to develop the desire to stop drinking, though at first I didn’t have one. **4.** To remind myself that nothing is really good for me unless other people are considered, too. **5.** To take whatever extra time is needed to keep the primary purpose primary—to put first things first. **6.** Not to be beguiled into activities and involvement’s, no matter how worthy or how attractive, that might underline the primary purpose. **7.** To carry my own weight in economic matters, and to support those things in which I believe. **8. & 9.** To remind myself that I am simply one of many trusted servants, with no special training or talent beyond my desire to serve, responsibly and to the best of my ability, those people who have trusted me. **10.** To be aware of the fact that, as an individual, I am entitled to hold any opinions which seem right to me and to defend them in the appropriate places. **11.** To try to be prudent and not promote or oversell even my most cherished beliefs and ideas. If they are all I think they are, they will have made a sufficient difference in my own life and their performance will carry it’s own weight. I am reminded not to seek personal credit for anything that I may do, and not to feel that I deserve it. **12.** To remember that the principle expressed is the important thing—not the person who is expressing it. The wonderful thing about our Fellowship is that we are a society of equals; the famous, the handsome, the wealthy, the articulate, the glamorous are no more representative of us than is the most obscure member. Alcoholism is no respecter of persons; it strikes the famous and the obscure, the rich and the poor,

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THE ROCKS OF AA

All members of Alcoholics Anonymous who are honest with themselves are sober. Some are reluctantly sober. Others are passively sober. Some are happily sober. Others are joyously sober. Why is there a difference? It’s the quality of their sobriety. Sober is sober, you may say. If a guy or the gal isn’t drinking then he’s sober. If he or she is drinking then he or she isn’t sober. That’s all there is to it. But that isn’t all there is to it. A ride on the water wagon will bring sobriety, at least for the duration of the ride. But it’s likely to be a pretty low grade of sobriety. It’s a reluctant sobriety, the I-don’t-like-this-but-I’ve-got-to kind. The rider is so sorry for himself he won’t even talk to the driver. He might just as well be going through a tunnel for all the passing scene means to him. Some members of AA are like that. Then there’s the passive sobriety. This alcoholic has reached the bottom below which he doesn’t want to go, so he joins AA. He comes to meetings, listens a bit, talks a bit, puts enough of the principles to work to keep himself sober, takes only a passive interest in the group, seldom has time for Twelfth Step work, absorbs as much as he needs and gives only what is brushed from him through contact. He’s sober, yes. But he isn’t the kind of member that has made AA grow, that has enabled AA to reach out to the thousands of hopeless drunks and restore them to sanity. He isn’t particularly happy or unhappy. He’s rather numb about the whole thing. Fortunately, there aren’t too many members like him. Then there’s the happy type of sobriety. This fellow accepts his defeat that he and liquor don’t get along—and takes hold of AA with enthusiasm. He seems to grasp the program quickly and shows that he’s putting it to work. He enters into group affairs and carries his share or more than his share of the load. He attend meetings. He does Twelfth Step work as it comes and hunts for more. He tends to be a little evangelistic at the start, later cools off as he gains experience and becomes a solid member of the group. He’s pretty happy about the whole thing. He’s changes his pattern of life and his associations. And while occasionally he may long momentarily for the good old days when liquor was fun—before it became a problem to him—he doesn’t brood about it and he’s fairly well satisfied with his lot. Many members stay in this class throughout their association with the fellowship. But a great many more stay in this group only for awhile, then slip almost unnoticed into another classification. This last is the group which enjoys a joyous sobriety. Those who are blessed with joyous sobriety can’t be separated physically from the happily sober ones. No halo hangs over their heads no particular gleam sparkles from their eyes. Theirs is an inward joyousness that stems from gratitude to a gracious God. These joyous AA’s are humble folk who know that humility consists not in groveling but in having a true perspective of their spiritual assets and liabilities. These are the members to whom others refer as having achieved serenity, although they’d be the first to deny it.

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

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

(Special note: TBAIC literature is available for distribution at the TBAIC meeting which is usually held the second Saturday of each month or the 4th Thursday of the month from 5:50 pm to 6:50 pm at the Tri-County Central Office.)

The June 11th meeting of TBAIC was opened by Chair Susan O. leading the "Serenity Prayer".

Buddy left word that the men's meetings at Falkenburg and Orient Jails are being covered and there no problems to report.

Tom F. distributed the Treasurer's Report. Monthly contributions were \$1170.09. No monies have been received from Soberstock. He again acknowledged the generous contribution of Little Red Big Books by Doug from Brandon.

Nancy B. and the women volunteers have been able to keep the women's meetings at Falkenburg covered. There was a request made regarding how a volunteer could visit an inmate. The answer received was that the volunteer and inmate must follow the same procedures as everyone else does to get the visit approved. If the visit is approved, the communication between the two must be limited to recovery issues only.

Ruth N. of East Pasco women's has one new that attended orientation. The meetings are being covered and the inmates have been more receptive and there has been an increase in inmate participation.

Jim S. received 3 Bridge the Gap calls. He was unable to get a ride for a caller in the Wesley Chapel area since there are no volunteers from around the Wesley Chapel vicinity to assist Bridge the Gap callers.

Vicki R. asked if there was a sheet outlining the dress code and other restrictions for volunteers going into Falkenburg Jail. Nancy B. will see if one is available and will make sure everyone gets a copy if she locates the information.

Susan O. announced that the team from Sarasota was the winners at the recent softball tournament. She will be taking the TBAIC Tri-fold and literature for display at Steps to Freedom on June 18th. The TBAIC's October meeting will be on the first Saturday of October (10/1) as the quarterly meeting will be in session on the second Saturday of October.

"Always one must ask, 'What is the best and most loving thing I can do?'
 ("As Bill Sees It", page 172)

YTD Contributions to TBAIC \$12,240.22
YTD Money Placed in Tri-County spending account \$10,614.82
Money in Spending Account at Year End 2015 \$55.02
YTD Money Spent on Literature \$10,582.95
YTD Expenses \$959.19
Pink Can Balance as of 12/12/2015 \$168.27
Pink Can Balance as of 05/14/2016 \$814.13

Our Next Committee Meeting

July 9h, 2016 9:30 AM on 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:

301 House All Groups \$15.25; AA 101 Group \$210.55; Hide A Way Group \$113.27; Keystone Discussion Group \$41.00; Live and Let Live Group \$131.21; Lunch Bunch Group \$12.00; Meeting Place Group \$120.00; New Beginnings Women's Group (Dade City) \$14.00; Odessa Group \$41.00; Old School Group \$173.51; Sisters in Sobriety Group \$116.27; Softball KISS Tournament Teams \$150.00; Sunshine Group \$5.03; Women's Friendship Group \$27.00

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	813-727-8839
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	

The Corrections Committee needs all types of volunteers. We need people to attend meetings in the facilities, people to help spread the word about this type of service work. It is okay if you have never been to jail yourself! You can still help us. You can still carry A.A.'s message of hope to an alcoholic who is incarcerated. Let's face it: many of us who have never been arrested just never got caught!

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the educated and the ignorant, male and female, black and white, young and old alike. No matter what our position in life may be, in our Fellowship we participate as equals in sharing our experience, strength and hope with one another in an atmosphere of love and caring. In my book, that is a spiritual idea, and the Traditions that keep us united therefore must be *spiritual*, rather than merely *organizational*.

C.L.B., Manhattan, NY/Permission AA Grapevine/1969

*God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change....*To be aware that the irritations and disappointments of each day are not a perverse plot aimed at me by the world. To understand that this world is not operated for my benefit; that my importance and its debt to me exist in direct ratio to my contributions and my adjustments to it.

*Courage to change the things I can....*To eliminate from my environment and its associations things I know to be harmful, attitudes I know to be insupportable and, no matter how well I thought I argued them, reasons which had no logic.

*And the wisdom to know the difference....*To understand, with neither prejudice, self-justification nor self-pity, why changes are necessary—and which changes will give my life meaning—without alcohol.

J.K. Los Angeles, Calif

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Their lives aren't serene, but they have achieved the ability to take things as they come, to roll with the punches, to change those things they can and to ask the God of their understanding for guidance and counsel in all things. These are the folks who started doing for others because they were told they should, that it was a part of the program. But as they grew spiritually they found that in direct proportion to the amount of good they did willingly and freely, with no thought of recompense, the good things in life both spiritually and materially were returned to them. Soon they needed no reason for doing good. They now just do it as a part of decent living. They live a day at a time, place themselves in the hands of a Higher Power each morning to carry out His will for that day, ask daily to be so filled with His grace that it can be passed on to others. In doing these things they don't think of themselves as anything special. They do only what they think in their hearts they should. We all know them. While they give no outward indication they stand out everywhere. They're the rocks with which the temple of AA has slowly risen. We can all be like them if only we will put forth the effort. It's up to us.

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W E S T I L L N E E D 1 2 S T E P P E R S ! ! !

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

THANK YOU!!!

May 5, 2016

To: Alcoholics Anonymous Greater Tampa Bay Florida

**THANK YOU!
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THANK YOU!**

"You held out your hand and changed my life" in ways I only could have imagined only a short 20 years ago. Twenty years ago I got to Alcoholics Anonymous in a much more broken condition than I realized. You were there in ways that neither of us knew. I wish I had kept a list of your names but I had no idea what lay ahead. What did happen, though, is I began to get physically sober. In time I got emotionally sober a little bit at a time and could look at life in ways I never had. Not even before I started drinking. About six years ago, after a wonderful fourteen years of the AA way of life, I met my now wonderful wife Vicki. We got married and enjoyed vacationing in the mountain area of the southeastern US. Now we are going to live in Johnson City, Tennessee in the heart of those mountains. We hope to grow some flowers and tramp around the mountain trails and try to catch a few of the trout in the mountain streams. Most important thing we plan to do is get involved and be involved in Alcoholics Anonymous in and around the Johnson City area. So...with a tear in my eye I wish to say "so long" to the wonderful people in AA around Tampa, Florida. Many of you are my friends for much of my journey in a positive state of consciousness. I will miss you beyond any words I can write. As much as I will miss you I will reach my hand to the AA people in Tennessee, North Carolina and Virginia. I know there are a host of new friends that I haven't met yet. They will never replace you but they will help me be a little less sad. Thank you, again Tampa AA. Come to a meeting in Tennessee with Vicki and I. Call if you can't make the trip. My phone number is the same as its been.
813-629-3099 Mike McG.

Editors Note: I have known Mike for most of that 20 years. When someone reached out their hand to AA, he has always been ready and willing to help the still suffering alcoholic. It's our lost that they have moved but it will be their blessing in Johnston City. Peace, tws:)

NOTES FROM INSIDE THE CENTRAL OFFICE

June 14th, 2016 the Board of Directors for Central Office met:
BOARD MEMBERS **REPRESENTING GROUP**

BRETT B.	CHAIRPERSON	164 WESLEY CHAPEL GROUP
ROBERT L.	VICE-CHAIR	LATENIGHTERS GROUP
AIDA S.	TREASURER	NEW WAY WOMENS GROUP
DIANA S.	BOARD MEMBER	FREEDOM IN SOBRIETY WOMEN'S
MINDY W.	BOARD MEMBER	STEP SISTERS IN SOBRIETY
PETER F.	BOARD MEMBER	MONDAY NIGHT MEN'S GROUP
LARRY B.	BOARD MEMBER	AA 101 GROUP
PEDRO P.	BOARD MEMBER	LIVE & LET LIVE GROUP
Open	BOARD MEMBER	
Open	BOARD MEMBER	

Board Meeting: Brett opened the meeting in the usual matter with the Serenity Prayer followed by asking everyone to turn down their cell phones.

Secretary Report: Aida read the May minutes. There were no questions. Minutes were seconded and approved. **Treasurer Report:** Aida presented the May Treasurer's Report noting that we were \$1555.42 in the red for the month There were no questions. The May Treasurer's report was seconded and approved. **Old Business:** Discussion centered around different concerns for the Ask it Basket event in August. A motion was made to set aside \$400.00 for rental and insurance for the event. Motion was seconded and approved. **New Business:** Discussion continued concerning the Ask it Basket event. Making sure groups know what they are needed to do, what type of food to be served, paper products, etc. A motion was made that Central Office would provide up to \$150.00 to help cover group expenses if needed, in case a group is unable or does not provide items from their respective duty. Larry made a comment on being careful how things are explained. Sometimes things are taken out of context and unfounded rumors start. The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer. **Council Meeting:** Brett opened the Council meeting in the usual matter with the Serenity Prayer, followed by asking everyone to turn down their cell phones followed by asking if anyone is new to the Council to please fill out the information sheet. New Council Members were: Ray D. from the Keystone Group, Pam C. from the Turning Point Group, Justin t. from the Tampa Bay Young People's Group, and Linda F. from the Simply Sobriety Women's Group. **Secretary Report:** John read the May minutes. There were no questions, the Minutes were seconded and approved. **Treasurer Report:** Aida presented the May Treasurer's Report noting that we were \$1555.42 in the red for the month A question was asked if Central Office have CD's. The answer was yes, that is our Prudent Reserve. Tim explained the Central Office Prudent Reserve and the Money Market plan that is place to refurbish the Prudent Reserve. The May Treasurer's report was seconded and approved. **Office Managers Report:** Brett presented the Office Managers Report. Brett talked about the upcoming Old-Timers Ask it Basket meeting and went over the Committee Sign-Up Sheet. Motion to accept was seconded and approved. **Old Business:** Lots of discussion followed concerning the inability to get a venue to host the Founders Day Event. Different ideas of when and where and what other event we could

June 14th, 2016 the Central Office Representatives met:
COUNCIL MEMBERS **REPRESENTING GROUP**

LINDA F.	SIMPLY SERENITY GROUP
JACK S.	THE MEETING PLACE GROUP
RAY D.	KEYSTONE GROUP
THOMAS M.	KEEP IT SIMPLE GROUP
MEGHAN M.	FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP GROUP
JEFF B.	PLANT CITY KEEP IT SIMPLE GROUP
JOHN G.	TAMPA PALMS BIG BOOK GROUP
KATHIE N.	SOBRENITY GROUP
CINDI M.	PRIMARY PURPOSE GROUP
SUE Z.	CLEAN AIR GROUP
PAM C.	TURNING POINT GROUP
BILL L.	LIVE & LET LIVE GROUP
LARRY G.	LIVING IN THE SOLUTION GROUP
LYNN B.	HI-NOONERS GROUP
ISAAC M.	NEXT DOOR GROUP
NANCY F.	CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP
SILVIA H.	NIGHTLY NEWCOMERS GROUP
CIERRA L.	SAFE HAVEN GROUP
JUSTIN T.	TAMPA BAY YOUNG PEOPLES GROUP
TAMMY J.	PROMISES GROUP
KARA H.	SISTERS IN SOBRIETY GROUP
CAROL J.	SISTERS IN SOBRIETY GROUP
VIVIAN J.	NEW BEGINNINGS WOMEN'S GROUP
FRED H.	OLD SCHOOL GROUP

put on in lieu of the Founders Day event. Everyone was asked to look around for possible venues and email Tim with the details. Plant City Keep it Simple Group volunteered to do clean up Kathie announced the death of a friend's daughter. Found the owner of the coffee mug someone had left. **New Business:** A question was asked if we had to send Thank You letters to groups that send in a contribution? Couldn't we save a few dollars by cutting this out? The main consensus was that yes we do need to send Thank You letters. Some members noted that they use the Contribution page in the Newsletter as a tracking tool to see how their group is doing with the 7th Tradition. Brett noted that it's also a communication tool between the group and Central Office also showing our gratitude to the group for their support. Central Office was created by the groups for the groups. Sue asked if many people were aware of the Birthday Club? Diana said that she had never heard of it. It was noted that if it wasn't for the groups and special events hosted by the groups that we may not be able to keep the doors open. Several announcements were made for upcoming events. Meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer

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

ANNIVERSARY TIME

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

GROUP	Honors To	Date	Years
MID DAY MATINEE GROUP	LOUEITA H.	07/18/91	25 YRS
MUSTARD SEED GROUP	KITTY W.	07/14/08	8 YRS
THURSDAY BIG BOOK GROUP	AL B.	07/15/88	28YRS
AS BILL SEES IT GROUP	MICHAEL P.	07/04/92	24 YRS
KEYSTONE GROUP	AL D.	07/19/14	2 YRS
KEYSTONE GROUP	KEN S.	07/01/14	2 YRS
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP WOMENS	DIANE B.	07/24/14	2 YRS
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP WOMENS	SUE D.	07/16/12	4 YRS
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP WOMENS	DOLORES E.	07/04/07	9 YRS
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP WOMENS	PATTI H.	07/21/06	10 YRS
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP WOMENS	ANNETTE J.	07/20/02	14 YRS
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP WOMENS	LEANNE M.	07/22/00	16 YRS
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	CHARLES D.	07/02/03	13 YRS
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	JANIE M.	07/27/81	35 YRS
JUST WHAT I WANTED GROUP	SILVIA H.	07/21/08	8 YRS
JUST WHAT I WANTED GROUP	MICHELLE G.	07/04/08	8 YRS
JUST WHAT I WANTED GROUP	JACKIE W.	07/03/87	29 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	MORGAN	07/24/05	11 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	MATT M.	07/19/05	11 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	MARK V.	07/09/91	25 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	CARLTON P.	07/01/83	33 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	LARRY P.	07/08/80	36 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP	KIMBERLY C.	07/12/10	6 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP	MARK F.	07/07/04	12 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP	AXEL L.	07/19/00	16 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP	MICHAEL C.	07/05/89	27 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP	LARRY B.	07/21/86	30 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	MERRILY E.	07/31/14	2 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	SHIRLEY P.	07/12/13	3 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	HELEN H.	07/19/09	7 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	SHAUNA L.	07/15/08	8 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	JOHN M.	07/21/79	37 YRS

SELF-SUPPORT-June, 2016

© Today in May of 2016 we have 218 Groups with 576 meetings a week. Contributions in June totaled \$6,635.26. That accounts for what 44 Groups out of 218 Groups in our area have contributed in June. This also takes into account the \$224.00 from the 7 members who contributed to the Birthday Club. Our total income for June was \$15,923.65. Our Cost of Goods Sold was \$6,423.06. Subtracting the Cost of Goods Sold from our June income left us with a Gross Profit of \$9,500.59. Our Total Expenses for June were \$7,452.42. Subtracting our Expenses from our Gross Profit gave us a Net Income of plus+\$2048.17 for the month of June. 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. Thank you for all of your support !!!

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

Home Group	Honors To	Date	Years
FRIDAY NIGHT WOMEN'S GROUP	PAULA B.	02/03/81	35 YRS
HIDE-A-WAY GROUP	MARY C.	03/21/01	15 YRS
	KEVIN K.	JUNE	23 YRS
5:45 HAPPY HOUR GROUP	CHUCK R.	06/21/80	36 YRS
SUN CITY CENTER GROUP	RITA C.	06/28/04	12 YRS
AS BILL SEES IT GROUP	MICHAEL P.	07/04/92	24 YRS
CENTRAL OFFICE	TIMOTHY S.	07/04/88	28 YRS
WESLEY CHAPEL GROUP	DAVE F.	07/19/85	31 YRS

PASSING THE BASKET...or PASSING THE BUCK?

Most of us decry the fact that more than forty percent of the groups do not support the Fellowship. When it comes to AA's being self-supporting, many fail to recognize our one important aspect. If we aren't even willing to pay our own way at a meeting, how can we expect the group to support the Fellowship? What we need to realize is that we are the groups and we are Alcoholics Anonymous. I have seen AA's spend more money at the coffee shop than they would ever think of putting in the collection at a meeting. Early in my sobriety, it was explained that it was imperative for me to get my priorities in order. Learning to become responsible was one of them. This financial buck-passing certainly seems to run counter to responsibility. If we want "the hand of AA always to be there," we each need to assume our own share of responsibility. God has given each of us a share of the responsibility. He has given each of us the tools to work with and the ability to use them. Let's all of us assume our shares so that we may all reap the fruits of selflessness and live in service to our Fellowship. **Anonymous**

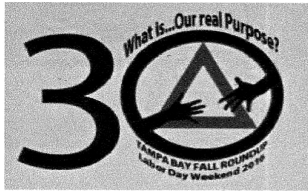
SUPPORT YOUR CENTRAL OFFICE

From the Central Office SERVICE DESK

A total of 251 phone calls were made to the Central Office in June: 240 for info on AA, 0 for info on Al-Anon, 7 messages for other inquiries, 4 requesting a Twelfth Step call, There were 188 walk-ins visits as well.

A total of 140 phone calls were made to the After Hours Hotline in June: 98 for info on AA, 9 for info on Al-Anon, 15 messages for other inquiries, 18 requesting a Twelfth Step call.

MORE NEWS AROUND THE TOWN & THE AREA



SPEAKERS

Wayne H Tpa, FI
Kelly LaC Cape Coral FI
Bill S Austin Tx
Kelley B St Pete FI
Ellen C (AFG) Addison Tx

BANQUET SPEAKER
Clancy I Los Angeles Ca

Adam T Chico, Ca
Georgia B
La Crescenta, Ca.
Karl M Covina Ca
Rose E., Spring Hill, Fl.

Monday meeting only...
**OPEN TO THE
AA COMMUNITY
NO REG FEE REQUIRED**

**30th ANNUAL
TAMPA BAY FALL ROUNDUP
WHAT IS... OUR REAL PURPOSE?**
Friday, Sept., 2, 2016 to Monday, Sept., 5, 2016
FRIDAY 1PM REGISTRATION OPENS / 3PM SPEAKER
Register online at:
www.tampabayfallroundup.com

SHERATON TAMPA EAST HOTEL
10221 Princess Palm Ave. Tampa, FL 33610
Traditional King/Double \$102 (1-2 guests) \$112 (3-4 guests)
Junior Suite 3rd/4th Floor (Limited number avail)
\$122 (1-2 guests) \$132 (3-4 guests)
Complimentary Breakfast Buffet included with all room rates
Complimentary Guestroom Internet Access
Enjoy the heated pool & the Core Performance fitness room
Call 1-800-325-3535 and identify yourself with The Tampa Bay Fall Roundup
Online: <https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/TBFR2016>
SPECIAL ROOM RATE CUTOFF 8/26/2016



AA, AFG, AI-Ateen Meetings
AA Movies All Weekend

Friday
TALENT SHOW 10pm
SIGN UP ONLINE OR BY
7PM AT REGISTRATION TABLE

Saturday
6:45am Meditation - Carmen L.
7am 5K Walk/Run*
8am Golf Tournament*
6:30pm Speaker Banquet*
10pm Dance - DJ- Keith Bryan
The JAM-Mobile.com

Sunday
6:45am Meditation - Carmen L.
4:30pm - Karaoke KJ-Keith Bryan
5:00pm Poolside Dinner Buffet*
10 pm Play "Win It In A Minute"

YOU MUST BE REGISTERED TO ATTEND ALL MEETINGS (Monday excluded) AND EVENTS. NO EXCEPTIONS

**Tri-County Central Office
Presents
Old-Timers Ask it Basket Meeting
Saturday--August 27th, 2016**

Christ the King Church
821 South Dale Mabry
Tampa, FL 33609

From Noon until -5:00pm
Pot-Luck Luncheon

We hope everyone will bring something to share or we may not be able to feed everyone

This is a Fun Event hosted by Central Office and all the Central Office Representatives for your enjoyment!!!

The Luncheon will be followed by a panel of our local Old-Timers answering questions (Ask it Basket Style) and sharing their experience, strength & hope

60TH FLORIDA STATE CONVENTION
AUGUST 3RD - 7TH, 2016
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**SPEAKERS · WORKSHOPS · PANELS · MARATHON MEETINGS
& A FULL ALANON FAMILY GROUPS PROGRAM**

Butch M. Ontario, Canada	Misoon W. Jacksonville, FL	Steve A. Sherman Oaks, CA	Sheldon F. Las Vegas, NV	Cindy J. AFG Tallahassee, FL
June G. Los Angeles, CA	Candice M. Los Angeles, CA	Don M. Louisville, KY	Racy J. NY, NY	Deb H. Fullerton, CA
				Roger H. Clearwater, FL

ACTIVITIES

Golf Tournament
Horseshoes Tournament
Volleyball Tournament
5K Run/Walk
DJ's, Live Play, 60's Theme Dance
Late Night YPAA DJ/Dance
Games, Pool Parties,
Pool Movie Night
Ice Cream Socials, Banquets
Yoga & Meditation, Fitness
Bass Fishing

PROGRAMS

Old Timers (40+) Panel
Archives from Akron & Florida
Women Behind The Men in AA
Workshop
4th Step Inventory Workshop
AA General Service Workshop
Scheduled Speakers, Workshops
Meetings for Spanish, LGBT, YPAA
ASL Films & Display from Grapevine,
Corrections, Treatment,
Intergroup and P/CPC

HOTEL INFO

Innisbrook Golf & Spa Resort
36750 U.S. Hwy 19 North
Palm Harbor, FL 34684
Phone: 727-942-2000
Toll Free: 888-974-7528
<http://bit.ly/innisbrook60th>
Room Rates:
\$129 - Deluxe Room
\$139 - Executive Suite
\$149 - One Bedroom Suite
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