

# **Tri-County Central Office News**

If a man only does what is required of him, he is a slave. The moment he does more, he is a free man.

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**April**, 2018

## MR. HYDE DOESN'T DIE

We alcoholics are, I think, double-personality people—one person sober and an entirely different one loaded. This thought is very much on my mind because I resurrected this second personality in myself when I recently strayed off the AA reservation. This time, for perhaps the first time, I could separate the two personalities. In pre-AA days the two were so frequently blended and intermingled that I accepted both as making up the person, the whole me. As a consequence I despised myself, through I did realize vaguely that the things I hated most came out only while I was drinking. Now I know better. The alcoholic personality, this Mr. Hyde to my Dr. Jekyll, is not me at all. It is a diseased product of a temporarily deranged ego and embodies all the unattractive thoughts, ideas, and character defects I have at the bottom of my mind. It is a ludicrous animal that crawls up out of the slime and, at least for a time, becomes Al W. We are all mixtures of good and evil, but this second personality of mine is more evil than good when in full alcoholic bloom. From the thoughts that went through my head recently (that I can remember) and from the actions which other people kindly filled in for me later, I realize that this "thing" was actually capable of almost anything. The contention that one doesn't do anything while intoxicated or hypnotized that is against one's standards was proved wrong in my case—it was blown out of the water. I proved that I did do things I would never do sober. I never drive by a prison or a jail without experiencing a wave of gratitude that I'm not incarcerated in it. For among the criminals in any prison are a number of alcoholics (like you amd me) whose Mr. Hyde personality trapped them. Mr. Hyde always leaves the tab for the real me to pick up, and the size of the bill progresses with the progression of this disease. In my early days of overindulgence, alcohol merely changed some aspects of the sober me, aspects I wanted changed. But at one point, and I remember it well, I went completely over the line into acute alcoholism. And this second self, my Mr. Hyde, became an entity unto itself, with practically no resemblance whatever to the real person. It was dependent on me in only one area, in that I had to drink to bring it to life and into expression. No problem. I was addicted to alcohol, I lived for it. For the whole first part of my life I honestly felt that I couldn't live without it. So my Mr. Hyde had a very active life of his own, and with every breath he took, my self-respect as Dr. Jekyll went down another notch. The insane part of it was that I knew what was happening all the time. The more I hated Mr. Hyde for what he represented and what he did to me, the more often I brought him to life. I'm no scientist and I'm not trying to be scientific about all this. It's just that, with a little insight dropped in my lap the hard way, I can (at least to my satisfaction) piece together the repeated falls and final resurrection of an Alcoholic Named Al. In the first three months of my exposure to this program, I buried this entirely phony second self. It sickened from

## NOW!

When I was drinking, I was a past-and-future girl. My life, naturally, was completely unmanageable. I can't say that it had been particularly manageable before I started drinking, either. In fact, I think I lost control of it when I was about three. I didn't have the kind of family life that gave me a good sense of values. Nobody around home knew what love was, and several members of the family were alcoholics. Mark Twain said, "Nothing so needs reforming as other people's habits." But I had to grow up, become an alcoholic, and then join AA to sober up before learning these truths: The only person I can change is myself, a day at a time; and the way to change my life is to change my thinking first. Oh, I had some good times as a youngster, of course. But the older I grew, the more I escaped into the past, through books, or into the future, by daydreaming about a perfect life with the dream prince in the castle, surrounded by oceans of euphoria. I wanted to be the most beautiful, brilliant, pure, sexy, seductive, monogamous, witty, virtuous, popular package you ever saw. I wasn't, so I went on being uncomfortable with myself till I found out about liquor. Most wonderful! You didn't have to daydream, bury yourself in books. (This was before TV.) Here was instant bliss, relaxation, self-acceptance, popularity. But, as the drinking increased over the years, the good effects wore off. So did other people's patience. Bad hangovers set in. I was getting into more and more trouble. I hated myself. By the time my drinking was at it's worse, I had been married and divorced twice and was living in New York. I'd already covered a lot of country, trying to run away from myself. Now I was earning part of my living as a writer. But the writing deteriorated as my drinking increased still further. I was winging between the past and the future as fast as I could, so I wouldn't have to be in the present at all. I couldn't face me, here, now, I didn't want to face my behavior, because I thought I was nuts. So I, who had dreamed of being perfect, was now a barfly who avoided her old friends or was avoided by them. My social life was mostly a cheap bar on Eighth Street in Greenwich Village. At one moment, dragged down by hangovers, guilt, remorse, and shame, I'd swear to swear off forever. At the next, I'd bounce up with "I'll just have a few to see me through today," and right on to "I'm going to that bar tonight. This time, it's going to be different. I'm never going to get that drunk again. No, never, never!" And, of course, this was like trying to spit across the Grand Canyon. When it comes to sobering up, tomorrow is always too far away. Since joining AA, I've discovered that today is the day I don't take that drink. It's the only time span I can manage. It's the day I can try to help somebody else. I can cut problems and projects down to size this way. I can take on each project to the best of my ability and do as much as is possible now. I can do the best I can about a problem and turn over what's beyond me, just as the Serenity Prayer says. I can use the telephone right now and talk things over with an AA friend. I can be grateful now for the good things that are going on. I am learning to be flexible. Oh, this is a tough one. But flexibility is a part of maturity. Go to Page 3

## 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.) Please use the sign-out sheet when obtaining materials.

The March 9th, 2018 meeting of TBAIC was opened by Chair Allan D.; leading the "Serenity Prayer.

Jim S. (Secretary) reviewed the February minutes. There was a motion to approve; group approved

Scott S. (Treasurer) distributed/reviewed the Treasurer's Report and contributions and expenses. There was a motion to approve Treasurer's report; group approved

Sara R. (Hillsborough Women's Jail) some meetings attendance by inmates may be low due to a conflict with visiting hours. Will check with jail to possibly change meeting time (Sunday). Monday's meeting are going well

Buddy H. (Hillsborough Men's Jails), indicated all is going well.

Ruth N. (Women's Pasco Jails) Ruth indicated the meetings are going well, and the volunteers are working well together to cover the meetings.

Chris D. (E. Pasco Prison) no issues reported. Meetings are being covered

Tom F. (Men's Bridging the Gap) No report

Amanda L. (Women's Bridging the Gap) No report

New Business- Ruth N. will work with Tim and update the list of TBAIC members that receive the Tri-County Newsletter at no cost to members. Group will discuss if this practice will continue at the April meeting. Re-stocking of brochures was discussed and approved. Ruth N. asked if the subscription of the Grapevine could be renewed for the women's Pasco Jails, group approved. Group approved ordering pocket size 12+12's. Tom F. has followed up with the inmate incarnated at a Daytona Beach Prison, who will be returning to the Tri-County area. DAACO has asked if alumni are going to return to carry in a meeting, to have 6 months sobriety after they have left their program. Northside ICP (Wesley Chapel) asked for a meeting to be carried in. The group discussed if the facility meets the parameters of TBAIC, and since the clients are allowed to attend outside meetings of their choice, do not meet the parameters.

Motion was approved and ended with the Lord's Prayer.

## **TBAIC Treasurer's Report-March 2018**

YTD Contributions to TBAIC \$4,175.17
Pink Can Balance 12/31/17 \$2,197.89
Money Spent on Literature \$0
YTD Expenses \$219.25
Pink Can Balance 3/11/18 \$6,153.81

The Corrections Committee needs all types of volunteers. They 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. 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!

## **Our Next Committee Meeting**

**April 14th, 2018** 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:

AA 101 Group - \$186.00,
Freedom in Sobriety - \$132.66,
Keystone Discussion Group - \$65.84,
Kingsway Group - \$200.00,
Live and Let Live - \$16.00,
Morning Meditation Group - \$136.50,
New Beginnings Group - \$72.70,
Nooners Group - \$32.34,
Ruskin Fellowship - \$52.50,
Women's Friendship - \$142.00

## TBAIC 2017 - 2018 Committee Members

f	Position	Name	Contact
- 1	Chair	Allan D.	813-789-8822
	Chair (Alt.)	Ruth N.	813-629-1547
	Treasurer	Scott S.	813-765-7376
	Treasurer (Alt.)	Open	Open
	Secretary	Jim S.	813-679-9130
	Secretary (Alt.)	Nancy B.	813-872-0262
	Hills Jails	Open	Open
	Hillsborough County Jail	Buddy H.	813-871-2514
	Hills Women's Jails	Sara R.	916-289-8172
7	Detox & Treatment	Scott R.	813-727-8839
,	E. Pasco Jail-Women's	Ruth N.	813-629-1547
ı	E. Pasco Prison	Chris D.	813-857-5400
1	Women's Bridge the Gap	Amanda L.	813-418-2127
.	Men's Bridge the Gap	Tom F.	813-205-4945
r	Pre-release	Open	Open
	Juvenile	Open	Open

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malnutrition and died-I thought. A long time later, I found Mark Twain was right: The report of its death was greatly exaggerated. With one drink of beer, I literally reached down into the bottom of my mind, where all the garbage is, and stirred to life this decaying corpse. This is one of the reasons why there is no cure for this disease we share: The "drinker" never dies until we do. I guarantee, however, that AA will put it to sleep, and that is all we should ask. It's all I wanted to know once, and I believe—more than ever now—it's all I need to know from here on out. My recent relapse, I understand now, was a direct result of questioning and wishfully disagreeing with part of a program my better self knew was created by alcoholics with divine guidance. They devised AA and offered help to fellow alcoholics who were sick of the complete dependence that is addictionsick of unbelievable physical and mental pain, sick of causing pain to others, sick of being so much less than they really are. The real difference between a drunk and an alcoholic is not, as the comedians like to quip, that the latter has to go to all those damn meetings. It is *hope* and the inward knowing that our Mr. Hydes are not the people we were meant to be. If there is any one motive common to all humanity, it is the search for happiness. It is this state of being that we all hoped to find at the bottom of the glass. Not finding it (except occasionally when the disease was young), we keep going from glass to glass until we are finally two people. I was permitted a second look at my alcoholic personality. I saw it reflected in bar mirrors and it looked fineold Al, swinging again at last! It was only the next day that I saw it in perspective, at least up to the point where memory blessedly stopped. I was given a second look at what the disease had wrought. That look destroyed for all time the reservation I guess I had retained all along: that sometime, under controlled conditions, alcohol plus me could equal fun once more. The realization that rocks me even now is the literally God-forsaken chance I took on dying before my time, for that second look! There was only one place I wanted to go as I waited in a jail cell for the court to convene. I wanted to go where the real action was—action on a very different plane, action not only seen but experienced, the human being in gentle and positive communion with the absolute Power. I wanted to go where I had first found God and at the same time found myself. Like a small child who has stumbled over his own stupidity and hurt himself very badly, I wanted to go to the only place I knew where even this lapse would be understood. Not excused, but understood. I wanted to go back to AA. And I did!

A.J.W., Blue Springs, Mo.

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AAs who carry the message often carry the Grapevine



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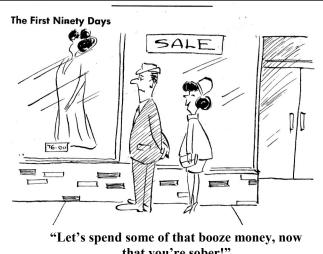
It helps me toward achievable goals, instead of impossible dreams. I'm learning, a day at a time, to be friendly with myself, and this gives me a reach toward others, with love and empathy. Thank God for a new sense of values, given me by AA and my wonderful friends in AA. This includes the knowledge that my attitude right now, today, is what counts most.

F.M., New Canaan, Conn. Reprint Permission/AA Grapevine/ April 1974

## MY CAR

Shortly after coming into Alcoholics Anonymous, I noticed a remarkable change in my car's attitude. No longer did it automatically turn into the parking lot of my favorite tavern. During the last few years of my drinking, my car had very little patience with me. In fact, there were many times when it would not remain anywhere near the spot where I had left it. On occasion, it would take me to a town that I had never been to before—and had no reason to be in. My car is now a better "it." It waits patiently for me, no matter where I park it. It doesn't: (1) break down, (2) boil over, (3) have flats tires, (4) run out of gas in front of barrooms. It stays on the right side of the road. It now parks near, not on, the curb. It is no longer afraid of heavy traffic. It greets me in the morning with the same smooth complexion that it went to bed with the night before. Now that my car's attitude towards me is so different, I would be unfair if I didn't share my sobriety with it. I take it to a different meeting nearly every night of the week. I can't take it inside with me, but this does not seem to bother it. I take it to the county so we may share quiet, rural roads, sunrises, sunsets, fields of corn, state parks, and forests. I take it to hospitals and prisons, to the golf course, to the lake for fishing. It has been to many new and interesting spots. My car has met a number of new friends recently. It usually carries two or more AA passengers along with me every night, and certainly some of the good, solid AA talk that goes to and from meetings must have rubbed off on it. Speaking only for my car, I would have to say it never had it so good.

R.C.B., West Haven, Conn. Reprint Permission/ AA Grapevine/ April 1971



that you're sober!"

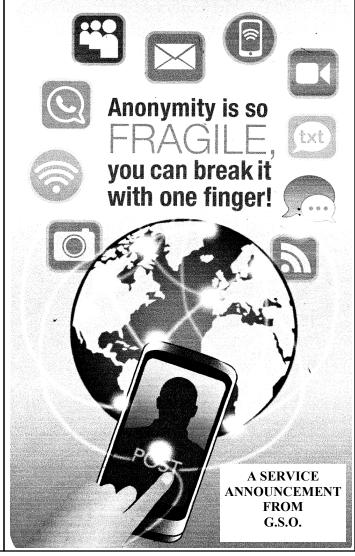
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BOARD	MEMBERS	REPRESENTING GROUP	]
AL B.	CHAIRPERSON	THURSDAY NIGHT BIG BOOK	I,
BRIAN L.	VICE-CHAIR	BARRACKS BRIGADE GROUP	TĽ
SUE Z.	TREASURER	OPEN AIR GROUP	
Excused	BOARD MEMBER	LIVE & LET LIVE GROUP	
Excused	BOARD MEMBER	EARLY RISERS GROUP	Ľ
CINDY L.	BOARD MEMBER	SIMPLY SOBRIETY WOMAN'S	]
JANET S.	BOARD MEMBER	SOBER @ 7 GROUP	1
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Al opened the meeting in the usual matter with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. He asked everyone if they had signed in. **Office Managers Report:** Al asked the Board if we needed to continue the Office Managers Report. Sue also asked about editing the Treasurers report. Some discussion followed. A motion was made to just read the OMR at the Council meeting. There was a second to the motion, motion was approved and pasted. Secretary Report: Cindy presented the February Secretary Report. There were no questions. Motion to approve was seconded and approved Treasurers Report: Sue presented the February Treasurer's report. Contributions in February totaled \$ 8,644.37. Our total income for February was \$17,736.82. Our Cost of Goods Sold was \$6,780.82. Subtracting the Cost of Goods Sold from our February income left us with a Gross Profit of \$10,956.55. Our Total Expenses for February were \$9,396.80. Subtracting our Expenses from our Gross Profit gave us a Net Income of plus+\$1,559.75 for the month of February. This leaves us with a total of plus+\$1,720.90 in the black for the year of 2018. Motion to approve was seconded and approved. Old Business: Start discussion for Founders Day Event. It was decided that there wasn't much to talk about until the Council Meeting so further discussion was waved off until the Council meeting. New Business: None Council Meeting: Board Members present were: Al B. Chairperson, Nancy R. (representing) Vice-Chair, Sue Z. Treasurer, Cindy L. & Janet S. Al opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. New Council Member forms were handed out. New members Brian G.—The 164 Group and Katie P.—Sisters in Sobriety Group. Office Managers **Report:** Tim read the February Office Managers Report. There were no questions. Motion to approve was seconded and approved. **Secretary Report:** Debbie presented the February Secretary Report. There were no questions. Motion to approve was seconded and approved **Treasures Report**: Sue presented the January Treasurer's report. Contributions in January totaled \$ 7,034.11. Our total income for January was \$13,197.28. Our Cost of Goods Sold was \$4,513.14. Subtracting the Cost of Goods Sold from our January income left us with a Gross Profit of \$8,684.14. Our Total Expenses for January were \$8,522.99. Subtracting our Expenses from our Gross Profit gave us a Net Income of plus+\$161.15 for the month of January. This leaves us with a total of plus+\$161.15 in the black for the year of 2018. Discussion followed concerning how to increase contributions and how to motivate the groups to get the word out about Central Office. Motion to approve was seconded and approved. Al went over the Committee list and many spots were filled with a few remaining. New Business: None

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March 13th, 2018 the Central Office Representatives met:
COUNCIL MEMBERS REPRESENTING GROUP

COUNCIL MEMBERS THE RESERVE OF GROOT					
NANCY R.	BARRACKS BRIGADE GROUP				
NICHOLE D.	STEP SISTERS IN SOBRIETY GROUP				
BRIAN S.	THE 164 GROUP				
KIMBERLY T.	KEEP IT SIMPLE/PASS IT ON GROUP				
NANCY H.	KINGSWAY GROUP				
CHRIS R.	FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS GROUP				
DEBBIE S.	TO IMPROVE OUR CONSCIOUS CONTACT				
MARY N.	FREEDOM IN SOBRIETY WOMEN'S GROUP				
SYDNEY M.	MAGNOLIA GROUP				
KATIE P.	SISTERS IN SOBRIETY GROUP				
MATTHEW T.	NEW TAMPA MEN'S GROUP				
PAUL L.	KEYSTONE GROUP				
CHANSE D.	NEXT DOOR GROUP				
ROB R.	MIDDAY MATINEE GROUP				
MIKE C.	SOBER @ 7 GROUP				
SHANNON M.	TGIS WOMEN'S GROUP				
JOHN F.	SOBRENITY GROUP				
CARL L.	KEEP IT SIMPLE MEN'S GROUP				



#### **ANNIVERSARY TIME** It Works-It Really Does-Ask them how they did it!!! GROUP **Honors To** Date Years JUST WHAT I WANTED GROUP KATHY M. 04/01/13 5 YRS 9 YRS JUST WHAT I WANTED GROUP LUANNE M. 04/01/09 JUST WHAT I WANTED GROUP DIANE C. 04/10/02 **16 YRS** JUST WHAT I WANTED GROUP **KAREN** 04/19/91 **27 YRS** EXPERIENCE, STRENGTH & HOPE 7 YRS STEVE S. 04/29/11 11 YRS SOBRENITY GROUP ANNIE 04/07 SOBRENITY GROUP DIANE C. 04/02 **16 YRS** SOBRENITY GROUP MARY V. 04/96 **22 YRS** SOBRENITY GROUP GARY Y. 04/87 31 YRS SOBRENITY GROUP GUS A. 04/82 **36 YRS** KEYSTONE GROUP SANDY G. **21 YRS** 04/14/97 KEYSTONE GROUP PAUL F. 04/03/96 **22 YRS** KEYSTONE GROUP SHAWN K. 24 YRS 04/01/94 KEYSTONE GROUP MIKE B. 04/13/87 **31 YRS** KEYSTONE GROUP TOM R. 04/14/84 **34 YRS** 6 YRS RIVERSIDE GROUP **BRAD** 04/16/12 LATENIGHTERS GROUP ROBERT L. 04/16/09 9 YRS SOBER @ 7 GROUP JESSICA P. 04/15/15 3 YRS 6 YRS SOBER @ 7 GROUP KAREY H. 04/03/12 SOBER @ 7 GROUP MARK D. 04/19/10 8 YRS SOBER @ 7 GROUP MARY ANN L. 04/17/10 8 YRS SOBER @ 7 GROUP DEB P. 04/02/08 **10 YRS** SOBER @ 7 GROUP JERRY K. 04/03/05 **13 YRS** SOBER @ 7 GROUP STAN W. 04/16/96 **22 YRS** KORI T. 4 YRS CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP 04/20/14 MIDDAY MATINEE GROUP ROBIN D. 04/20/10 8 YRS 35 YRS FRIDAY NIGHT BIG BOOK BUD F. 04/16/83 RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP STEVE S. 04/01/03 **15 YRS** RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP GEORGE S. 04/26/86 **32 YRS** RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP HECTOR R. 04/24/86 **32 YRS** A BIRTHDAY CLUB SUPPORTER TO CENTRAL OFFICE ONE DOLLAR FOR EACH YEAR OF SOBRIETY **Home Group Honors To** Date Years RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP MARY S. 03/12/87

# 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 in our area.

## SELF-SUPPORT-March, 2018

© Today in March of 2018 we have 226 Groups with 567 meetings a week. Contributions in March totaled \$ 10,922.66. This partially accounts for what 37 Groups out of 226 Groups in our area have contributed in March. This includes \$105.00 we received for our Annual Anniversary Dinner ticket sales. We also received \$101.00 from two members for the Birthday Club. If you look at our contributions page, you will see several groups who also made sizable contributions. We want to thank everyone who contributes to the Central Office, whether it's a few dollars or hundreds of dollars or even thousands of dollars. No one is better or worse. We are all in this together. Thank You for your support! Our total income for March was \$15,919.22. Our Cost of Goods Sold was \$3,543.12. Subtracting the Cost of Goods Sold from our March income left us with a Gross Profit of \$12,376.10. Our Total Expenses for March were \$9,3632.50. Subtracting our Expenses from our Gross Profit gave us a Net Income of plus+\$2,743.60 for the month of March. This leaves us with a total of plus+\$4,464.50 in the black so far for the year of 2018. But as they say in the rooms of AA "this too shall past." No matter how good or bad it may appear that we are doing from one month to another, it takes your consistent contributions to keep us operating on a steady level. 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 continue 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!!!

### SUPPORT YOUR CENTRAL OFFICE

In Twelfth Step work (in which most A.A.'s are adept) we have no end of communication: The sponsor talks to the drunk; speakers talk to and at us; we talk to each other. When it comes to general service work the Third Legacy that Bill W. felt so keenly about—the situation is considerably different. We first must get the attention of the alcoholics who are still busy recovering. Then we must get them to focus a bit on the service story, on those newly discovered service responsibilities. We are actually asking them to take time out from the nuts and bolts of recovery to think about another phase of their new lives—this one seemingly very long-range. So communication starts off being difficult until the A.A.'s get service work into perspective—and until they find their way into the Service Manual and into service literature. But they will learn and they will become interested. And you will find that the teaching process is rewarding-perhaps not the thrill of your first Twelfth Step success, but a thrill nonetheless. Ask any Delegate.

Bill W.

## VE CONTINUE TO NEED 12 STEPPERS!!!

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

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## MORE NEWS AROUND THE TOWN & THE AREA

## Spring Sobersticks April 13th, 14th & 15th 2017

Fun and Fellowship all weekend with camping, Kayaking/canoeing 8pm campfire meetings

\$5.00 per night per person\_ <u>Well Be-Haved</u> pets are welcomed Group rates on canoe or kayak rentals

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL Stewart: 813-455-7260

or Sharon: 813-943-9838



Little Manatee River Canoe Outpost

8001 U.S. hwy 301 S. Wimauma, FI 33598 813-634-2228

DICK D.'S MEMORIAL- KEEP IT SIMPLE **CO-ED SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT** SATURDAY MAY 5, 2018

## Gasden Park

6901 South MacDill Avenue, Tampa, Fl, 33611

From 8:30 AM TILL WE ARE DONE

COST \$100.00 per Team For a team of 12 players that's only \$8.33 per player

Allan D. 813-789-8822 Buddy H. 813-871-2514 or Tim @ Central Office 813-933-9123 Deadline to Register is April 30, 2018

This tournament is a fund-raising event for the Tampa Bay Area Institutional Committee (TBAIC) which carries the message into jails, prisons, detox centers and hospitals\* ALL money raised is spent to buy and place pocket sized Big Books, 12 x 12s and AA literature in these facilities.

Even if you don't plan on playing ball, come on out, support your team and enjoy a day of fun and fellowship while supporting our 5th Tradition! There will be a 50/50 raffle to win

# **Central Office Founder's Day Event**

Saturday--June 9th, 2018

**Metropolitan Community Church** 408 East Cayuga Street Tampa, Florida 33603 From 1:00 pm-4:00pm

# Pot-Luck Mid-Afternoon **Dinner**

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 Dinner will be followed by a panel

of our local Old-Timers answering questions (Ask it Basket Style)

and sharing their experience, strength & hope Panel Speakers:

> TO BE ANNOUNCED Free Admission 50/50 Raffle & More

MORE DETAILS SOON

www.aatampa-area.org



## **Steps to Freedom** Workshop





June 16, 2018 9:00AM until 4:30 PM

St Mary's Church

4311 West San Miguel

Tampa, Fl. 33629







ome and join us and learn how to walk a free man and/or women. Food, fellowship and more!



# **62nd Florida State Convention 2018**

Wednesday, August 15th – Sunday, August 19th www.FloridaStateConvention.com Fort Lauderdale Harbor Beach Marriott Resort and Spa Fort Lauderdale, Florida www.MarriottHarborBeach.com

Group	MAR	YTD	Group	MAR	YTD	Group	MAR	YTD
11th Step Group- Christ King		258.54	Keystone Group	264.29	509.79	Simply Sobriety Women's		
11th Step MeetingSun City			Keystone All Groups			Singleness of Purpose	97.28	97.28
11th Step Retreat			Kingsway Group			Sisters in Sobriety Group		109.90
AA 101 Group			Lemon Tree Group			Sisters in Sobriety Group 50/50		
Alpha Group	240.00		Life Enrichment Group	712.40		Sober @ 6 Group		
All Groups 301 House Groups			Little Harbor Grapevine Group	42.00		Sober @ 7 Group	283.00	563.00
Anniversary Dinner 2018	105.00		Live and Let Live Group		15.62	Sober on Saturday Group		
7th Tradition Basket			Living in the Solution			Sober on Sunday		
TRICO Biig Book Raffle 2018			LivingSober/As Bill Sees It			Soberilla		
Trico 50/50 Raffle 2018			Lutz @ Noon	15.00		SoberSticks Event		
Cakewalk RaffleEvent 2018			Mad Dogs Group		45.00	Soberstock Committee		
Housecleaning Retreat			Mainely Sober Group			Sobrietea Womens Group		
Anonymous Donations	26.72		Mid Day Matinee Group	1,000.00	1,000.00	Sobriety at Sunrise Group	70.00	172.00
As Bill Sees ItBrandon	250.00		Monday Night Madness			Sobriety at Sunset Group		816.63
As Bill Sees It Mens Odessa		105.30	Morning Express Group			Sobrenity Group		
Attitude of Gratitude Group		16.16	Morning Group -Zephyrhill			Solutions Group		40700
Barracks Brigade Group		.46.46	Mustard Seed Group			Southshore Men's Group		185.00
Bel-Mar Group			New Beginnings Women's			Southside Men's Group # 2	100.00	100.00
Bill D's Group	101 00	105.00	New Beginnings-(5:45)Joe's	138.00		Southside Men's Group #3		400.00
BIRTHDAY CLUB	101.00	195.00	New Beginnings Brandon	=4= -=		Spiritual Growth Group		130.64
BYO 12 & 12 Group	<b></b>	207.55	New Beginnings-(Our Club)	517.67	517.67	Spiritual Progress Goup		
Came To Believe Group	325.00	325.00	New Day Group			Step at a Time Group		
Cardinal Group - Odessa			New Hope Big Book			Step Sisters in Sobriety		450
Carrollwood Blue Roof			New Way Women's Group			Stepping Stones Group (w)		150.85
Carrollwood Group			Nightly Newcomers Group			Sun City Center Group		42.20
Chancey Road Group			Nooners GroupRiverview		77.55	Sunday Afternoon Step Mtg		
Clean Air Group		50.00	Nooners GroupTampa		105.90	Sunday Speakers - 3333	75.00	225.00
Design for Living Group			Noontime Celebration Gp.			Swamp Meeting		
District Two General Service		400.00	Northdale Group			Sweet Surrender Group		
Dover Group			Odessa Group		455.00	Tampa Bay Fall Roundup		
Early Risers Group - Joe's			Old School Group	4,200.00	4,200.00	Tampa Bay Institutions	150.00	150.00
Expect a Miracle Group	265.00		Old School Group All Groups			Tampa Bay Speakers Gp.	261.46	261.46
Experience, Strength & Hope		97.00	Oldtimer's Group - JC			Tampa Bay Young Peoples		
Fear Not Group			On the Way Home Tpa 5:30			Tampa Palms Big Book	90.00	90.00
Fireside Group			One Day at a Time Group	200.00	200.00	Tampa Palms Monday Men's		200.00
Freedom in Sobriety Group	135.11		Palma Ceia Group			Tampa Recovery Group		
Fresh Start Group			Palma Ceia 12 Step Study			TGIS Group		44.20
Friday Night Lights Group	26.00	67.00	Palma Ceia Big Book Group			Thank God it's Friday Group		
Friday Night Step Study			Pathfinders Group			The 164 Group		
Friday Night Women's Group			Pilgrim Group -St Leo's		55.90	The 164 Group Wesley Chapel		40.00
Friday Women's Friendship			Plank Owners Group	110.00	220.00	The 164 Group USF		
Gifts of Sobriety Group		0.30	Plant City Keep it Simple	30.00	90.00	The Meeting Place Group		
Grapevine Gals Group			Primary Purpose Group			T & C Sisters in Sobriety		
Helping Hands GpP.C.			Promises Meeting Group			To Improve Conscious	259.00	259.00
Hide-A-Way Group	522.48	522.48	Recovery Bootcamp Group			Town & Country Wed. Group		200.00
High Nooners Group	100.00		Red Chip Day			Tues Big Book Study Gp.		50.00
Hi- Nooners Group			Reflections Group-Lake Mag		7.10	Turning Point Group -Z-H.		230.00
Hope Floats Group	80.00	80.00	Riverside Group		61.10	Valrico/Brandon Wed Night		200.00
HOW Group			Riverview Mens Blackbelt			Valrico Fri. Morning Group		115.00
It's in the Book Men's Gp.			Rush Hour Serenity Group		67.24	UptownDowntown Group		
Just What I Wanted Big Book		260.00	Ruskin Fellowship Group			Wed Night Step Workshop		42.00
Keep It Simple - YANA			Safe Haven Group			Wed Keep it Simple Group		50.00
Keep It Simple/Pass It On		354.85	Safe, Sane &Sober Group	72.75		Weedpatch Group		
Keeping it Simple Group			Saturday Night Fever Gp.			Wellspring Group		125.00
			Saturday Night Live Group			Wesley Chapel Group		294.45
			Seekers of Serenity II Group		25.55	Women's Friendship Group		
						YaYa Sisterhood of Sobriety	58.50	58.50
Total	2,176.31		Total	7,302.11		Total	1,444.24	
						Monthly Total	10,622.66	
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YTD	Total	10,286.99	YTD	Total	10,565.58	YTD	Total	5,402.11
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