



Tri-County Central Office News

In a meeting I said I didn't understand what the Big Book meant when it mentions "self-seeking." From across the room came the reply, "Don't worry—it will slip away!"

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ADMITTING IT WHEN WE ARE WRONG	OMISSION NOT COMMISSION
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It is hard for many of us to admit we are wrong. It is humbling. We prefer to be right. But we are wrong whenever we act out of our character defects, whenever we live in our self-centeredness, or whenever we harm others. For example, we are wrong when we blame other people rather than accept responsibility for what we have done, when we try to get away with something rather than own up to it, when we lie to protect ourselves or our image. We are wrong when we are judgmental, self-righteous, or demanding. Step Ten asks us to **promptly** admit when we are wrong. A prompt admission is more effective than a delayed one in helping us acknowledge our negative behavior and to change it. A prompt admission is also more effective in defusing the anger that our inappropriate behavior has caused in others. The prompt admission we make is an amend, but the amend we need to make may also involve reparations, as with Step Nine. We may have to repair the damage we caused. Why are these amends so important? Because Twelve Step programs are programs of spiritual development. Spiritual growth requires that we be honest about who we are and what we have done. It requires that we acknowledge our past behavior which has injures others, repair the damage that behavior has caused, and then not behave that way again. An essential part of understanding the amends process is to recognize that a complete amend includes **not repeating the same behavior**. The amends and the apologies we made in the Ninth Step mean little if we do not change the way we behave. It is for this reason that Step Ten follows Step Nine. It keeps us from repeating the wrongs of the past. Despite all the good effects of this Step, we resist it. Why? Part of the answer may be that we resist humility and the deflation of our egos that accompanies it. As the Twelve Step saying goes, we still **"want what we want when we want it."** There is another concept connected with Step Ten that is often difficult for the newly recovering person to understand: **"It is a spiritual axiom that every time we are disturbed, no matter what the cause, there is something wrong with us."** We are so used to blaming others for the way things are or the way we feel, that it seems strange, at first, to think that we might be the cause of our own unhappiness. How can **we** be the problem? The AA Twelve and Twelve names several causes of this self-disturbance: "justifiable" anger, resentments, jealousy, envy, self-pity, and hurt pride. Only when we understand the source of our unhappiness, can we do something about it. **"A spot-check inventory taken in the midst of such disturbances can be of very great help in quieting stormy emotions."** A quick phone call to our sponsor can help too. One of the most often quoted lines in the AA Big Book appears in the discussion on Step Ten: **"We are not cured of alcoholism. What we really have is a daily reprieve contingent on the maintenance of our spiritual condition."** The same "daily reprieve" is part of recovery in other Twelve Step Fellowships as well. The Big Book says, "Every day is a day when we must carry the vision of God's will into all of our activities. 'How can I best serve Thee— Thy will (not mine) be done.' These are thoughts that must go with us constantly." God's will for us as recovering people, most of us have determined,

She had been sober for a reasonable length of time, several years, and with the help of AA and by the Grace of God she hadn't had a drink from the very beginning. She was happy, too; content in her sobriety, she had found a measure of that peace of mind others spoke of. But there was one difficulty; like all of us, she had another problem, a problem not connected with alcohol, but a problem she could not seem to solve. To many of us it might not have looked so bad; she wasn't doing anything ready wrong, it was a fault of omission rather than commission. But to her it was terribly serious — it robbed her of that full and complete serenity she so sincerely wanted. She thought of it constantly: surely there was something in the program she was missing, something she must find and grasp in order to rid herself of this character defect. The answer must be right there in the Steps. Surely her problem had appeared in her original inventory, and she had freely admitted it to God and to herself, and now another human being—me. She was ready to have God remove this problem (but was she entirely ready?), and she had asked him countless times to remove this shortcoming (but had she asked Him humbly?) It cropped up every night when she conscientiously renewed her inventory, and she certainly didn't deny that her problem existed. She did pray for knowledge of God's will for her. It didn't make sense to think that He wanted her to go on this way and not find the solution to her difficulty. Often she thought that the answer lay in the 24-Hour Plan — that she, unconsciously perhaps, worried what the future might bring if she failed to solve her problem. So she tried to live for today only, and it worked—but only for a few days at a time. She prayed desperately for the courage to change this personality defect—surely God didn't want her to go along serenely accepting it as something she couldn't change! And then the answer came, like a bolt out of the blue, and from a totally unexpected source. She **was** worrying over the future, terrified at the thought of living the balance of her life forever saddled with this shortcoming. She stumbled on a short quotation in a small magazine—now she could face the future without fear and with her chin up. For now realized: **"The best part about the future is that it comes only one day at a time."**

Anonymous/ Reprint Permission AA Grapevine/ 1952

- Morning Prayer and Meditation**
1. Ask the Creator to direct my thinking today.
 2. Ask Him to keep me from feeling self-pity.
 3. Ask Him to keep me from being dishonest with myself.
 4. Ask Him to keep me from having self-seeking motives.
 5. Ask the Creator for inspiration when I am faced with indecision.
 6. Do not ask for anything for myself, unless others will be helped.
 7. Pray that I will be shown what the next step will be.
 8. During the day when I become doubtful, ask for the right thought or action.

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

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Mike B. opened the September 11, 2021, TBAIC Zoom meeting with the Declaration of Unity. Attendees: Mike B., Tom F., Sara R., Rich R., Hezekiah D., Tracy B., Scott S. and John T. Mike B. presented the chair report. The biggest news to report is that the Area quarterly meeting in October will be held via Zoom rather than in person at the Tampa Airport Marriott. District 2 will still host the event and TBAIC will still be responsible for both the corrections and treatment center workshops. John T. read the minutes from the August 2021 meeting. Tom F. noted that the volunteer at Zephyrhills CI he mentioned at last meeting was named Karl and not Paul. The August minutes were revised to reflect the correction. The minutes with correction were approved. Scott S. presented the treasurer's report. Pink Can balance is \$9,075.09

INSTITUTION MEETING UPDATES

- Treatment Center Meetings – John T. said in person meetings at ACTS, DACCO and several other facilities cancelled due to Covid-19 concerns. In person meetings are still being held at Salvation Army, River Oaks, North Tampa Behavioral Health, Broad Prep Recovery and Brandon Real Recovery Community Environment. Some Zoom meetings are being held with ACTS Amethyst clients.
- Orient Rd Jail – Rich R. said all meetings cancelled due to Covid-19 concerns
- Falkenburg Women's Jail - Sara R. said the jail meeting schedule is flexible primarily due to facility staffing changes as a result of retirements and officers resigning. She said there will be at least one meeting scheduled this month and next month. She said she had 4 new volunteers and 3 have been cleared to enter the facility but still need to attend orientation.
- Pasco Women's Jail – Tracy B. said in person meetings are still not being held. However, the jail coordinator has requested AA participation in their re-entry program which involves having a pre-release AA contact for inmates. Tracy indicated she would receive calls from the jail and route them to Bridging the Gap volunteers.
- Zephyrhills CI – Tom F. said face to face meetings are going well. Last night, 10 inmates attended the meeting reading Chapter 11 of the Big Book.
- W T Edwards – Hezekiah D. said no meetings are being held due to Covid-19 concerns.
- Man on the Bed – Tom said he received 3 calls. Two individuals were contacted and are now attending meetings. The other individual could not be reached.
- Bridging the Gap – Mike said Tracy S. provided her report which stated 2 voice mails with no connection. He added that Allan D. received 2 calls and got individuals to meetings.

OLD BUSINESS: Mike said to provide John with updates to the contact list and institution meetings status. He added that facilitators were still needed at several locations. Other items discussed:

- Quarterly Meeting Corrections Workshop – Mike mentioned that the workshop will be via Zoom. He was still trying to determine who would be willing to participate via Zoom. Sara and Tom said they could do so. Tom said he would contact Adam to see if you would be willing to do it.
- Bridging the Gap – Mike said he decided the best course of action to take would be to stay with the Ring Central system and try to use it in such a way as to have callers talk to a person rather than leave voice mails. He added that doing so would not require the phone number to be changed. He asked for volunteers to accept calls. Tracy B., John, Mike and Hezekiah indicated they were willing to field the Bridging the Gap calls.
- True Core Behavioral Solutions – Mike said he did not plan to prepare and sign a letter of intent as requested by the visitors at the August meeting. The committee agreed with that decision.

NEW BUSINESS

- Sara requested 200 new meeting schedules and the committee approved that request. Scott S. said he would purchase schedules from the central office. Sara also requested the purchase of additional Grapevine magazines. Rich R. mentioned that he and other jail volunteers had a large quantity of old Grapevines that had been donated to them. He said he would be glad to provide some to Sara.

Our Next Committee Meeting
October 9th, 2021 9:30 am on ZOOM. Contact us at www.tbaic.org for more information. 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

Sara agreed using the donated magazines. □ Tom F. said he had received pre-release information for an individual scheduled to be released in November from a state correctional facility outside this area. He said the individual will be staying at the Abe Brown Ministries transitional facility in Tampa. Tom said the individual needs clothing and requested the committee provide funds to purchase clothing for the individual. The committee approved a maximum of \$200 to purchase clothing. Meeting adjourned with the Responsibility Statement and the Lord's Prayer. The next TBAIC meeting will be Saturday, October 2nd, at 9:30 AM via Zoom.

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

TBAIC Contributions (August 15th-September 11th.)
Anonymous - \$10.00, Barracks Brigade - \$28.00, Keep It Simple, Pass It On Group - \$153.65, Ruskin Fellowship (Sunday) Group - \$39.00.

YTD Contributions to TBAIC	\$ 7,860.48
Pink Can Balance 12/31/20	\$ 7,339.13
YTD Money Spent on Literature	\$ 4,607.06
YTD Operational Expenses	\$ 1,517.46
Pink Can Current Balance 04/10/21	\$ 9,074.09

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includes the removal of our character defects. An ongoing self-appraisal, a daily inventory, and the amends we need to make constitute the footwork we do toward the removal of our defects of character. Step Ten is applied daily. It is never “worked” in the past tense; it is always “being worked” in the present tense. In combination with the Eleventh Step, Step Ten is the primary mechanism for keeping our egos in check and our self-will restrained. Excuses to avoid working Step Ten come easily. The best defense against slacking off is self-discipline, prayer, and a sponsor who will help monitor our application of this Step. Step Ten is a combination of taking an inventory regularly and promptly admitting when we are wrong. Some of us are tempted to ignore the inventory part and concentrate on admitting it when we are wrong. But the Step consists of both parts. We are not working the Tenth Step unless we are doing both. We learn to work Step Ten by working it over and over. A daily working of Step Ten is a habit to be developed, and habits are developed by repetition.

From the book Twelve Step Sponsorship by Hamilton B.

HELPING OTHERS

We're in A.A. for only two reasons, to keep sober ourselves and to help others to keep sober. It's a well known fact that helping others is a big part of keeping sober yourself. It's also been proved that it's very hard to keep sober all by yourself. A lot of people have tried it and failed. I know a man that came to two A.A. meetings and after that he stayed sober alone for several months. But he fell off the wagon with a bang and was drunk the next time I heard of him. We can't do it alone. Fellowship is part of keeping sober. The doctors call it group-therapy. We never come into an A.A. meeting without taking something out of it. Sometimes I don't feel like going to a meeting and I think of excuses for not going. But I usually end up by going anyway. And I always get a lift out of every meeting. To me, meetings are part of keeping sober. We get more out of a meeting if we contribute something to it. If you get up in a meeting and tell something about yourself in order to help the other fellow, you feel a whole lot better. It's the old law of the more you give, the more you get. Witnessing and confession are part of keeping sober. You never know when you may help somebody. A girl whom I didn't know when stopped me on the street and said she'd heard me talk in a church and wanted to tell me that her brother who's an alcoholic had found sobriety down in New Jersey somewhere. When you are taking another alcoholic to a hospital, you can't help putting yourself in his place. But for the grace of God, you'd be in his place. Helping others is the best way to stay sober yourself. And the satisfaction you get out of helping a fellow human being is one of the finest experiences you can have.

**Richmond W. / FOR DRUNKS ONLY /
Author of the Twenty-Four Hours A Day**

© There are three ways to work the program of Alcoholics Anonymous. (1) The strong, original way, proved powerfully and reliably effective for over eight-two years. (2) A medium way - not so strong, not so safe, not so good, but still effective. And (3) a weak way, which turns out to be really no way at all but literally a false teaching, a twisting corruption of what the founders of Alcoholics Anonymous clearly stated the program to be.

THE TENTH STEP

“Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.” In coming into A.A. we usually will have a pretty big inventory to work on, as in Steps 4, 8, 9. But even after that, we will not be perfect. We have a long way to go. We will continue to make mistakes and will be inclined to do some more wrong thinking and wrong doing. So, at intervals, we **CONTINUE** to take inventory. Here the purpose is to check on our progress. We certainly cannot be perfect so the need for regular inventory is apparent. These inventories are **PERSONAL**. We confine the inventory to ourselves. We are the ones who need it. Never mind the other fellow. He too, is probably troubled and will have to make his own inventory. When we make these inventories, probably the best way to start is to go over, one by one, each of the Twelve Steps and try to discover just what, in these Steps, we are not following. The business man **HAS** to make a physical inventory from time to time. We have to make a personal inventory of ourselves from time to time if we want to recover from a serious illness. So much for the Inventory Steps. Now look at some of the things we would do well to cover in an inventory.

1. **Selfishness**...the common vice of all alcoholics.
2. **Egotism**...who is without some of it? Self-importance. Mr. Big.
3. **False pride**...too big to admit a fault or an error.
4. **Impatience**...the spoiled child in a grown man or women.
5. **Resentments**...an Alcoholic usually is sore at the whole world, everybody is wrong.
6. **Lack of Common Honesty**...usually fooling ourselves and trying to fool others. False pretense. Sham.
7. **Deceit**.
8. **Hate**...the outgrowth of anger and resentment.
9. **Jealousy**...just “wanting” what the other fellow worked to get.
10. **Envy**...a sure-fire cause of discontent and unhappiness.
11. **Laziness**...just plain laziness.

And so on through a long list. Conversely our inventory could show a list of virtues we very definitely lack and should go to work on to develop such as—

Honesty, Simple Justice, Fairness, Generosity, Truthfulness, Modesty, Humility, Honest pride in work well done, Simplicity, Patience and Industry (go to work and really work). And so on through a long list. Then consider a few major virtues. **FAITH**...If we have lost faith we must work desperately hard to get it back. Ask God to give us faith in Him, our fellow man and ourselves. **HOPE**...If we have lost hope we are dead pigeons. Only those who have been cruelly hurt and in desperate need can know the wonderful sense of security that lies in hope for better things. **TRUST**...Since our own self-sufficient conduct of our own life has failed us, we must put our trust in God, who has never failed.

(An Interpretation of the Twelve Steps)

SUPPORT YOUR CENTRAL OFFICE

NOTES FROM INSIDE THE CENTRAL OFFICE		
September 14th, 2021 the Board of Directors for Central Office BOARD MEMBERS REPRESENTING GROUP		
AL B.	CHAIRPERSON	THURSDAY NIGHT BIG BOOK
JOHN T.	TREASURER	LIVING SOBER/PASS IT ON GROUP
RITA Y.	BOARD MEMBER	OLD SCHOOL GROUP
TOM F.	BOARD MEMBER	KEYSTONE GROUP
BRIAN L.	BOARD MEMBER	BARRACKS BRIGADE GROUP
LINDA B.	BOARD MEMBER	JUST WHAT I WANTED GROUP
OPEN	BOARD MEMBER	
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Al opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. (Because of time restraints the Board & Council meeting has been combined.) Board Members present: Al B., Rita Y., John T., Brian L., Tom F. & Linda B. **Secretary Report:** Tim read the August Secretary report. Motion to approve & seconded. **Treasurers Report:** Tim presented the August Treasurer’s Report. Contributions in August totaled \$ 2,923.82. This accounts for what 29 Groups or individuals in our area have contributed in August. 10 of those contributions were for \$ 3.00 or less. Included we also received \$ 64.00 from 3 members for the Birthday Club. We also received \$ 370.46 in contributions through our PayPal account. Our literature sales for August was \$ 5,727.59 and \$ 7.00 from 1 Newsletter subscription. This includes sales from A.A. material and non-A.A, material (medallions—etc.) Our total income for August was \$ 8,294.89. Our Total Cost of Goods Sold was \$ 4,516.82. Subtracting the Total Cost of Goods Sold from our August income left us with a Gross Profit of \$ 3,778.07. Our Total Expenses for August were \$ 8,481.39. Subtracting our Expenses from our Gross Profit gave us a Net Income of minus-\$ 4,703.32 for the month of August. A motion to approve was made and seconded. **Old Business: None. New Business: None. Announcements :** Al congratulated Brad for the fine job he did with the Fall Roundup. The old detox on Nebraska has been torn down replaced with a new building. It’s no longer a detox but operated by the V.A. Al did meetings there for 15 years. More congratulations to Brad and Sue Z. and others who helped in the background with the Fall Roundup. Next Roundup to be in-person, still in the talking stage right now. Al--if you have any supplies you need from the office, please call ahead and it will be packed and ready for you with your 20% discount. Ty from 164 Group announced Fall Family Picnic October 23th @ Lowry Park, Pavilion 115 from 11:00 am til 3:00 pm. Also Sober @ 7 All Groups & 19th Anniversary Meeting, October 5th @ St. Anne’s Catholic Church from 6:00 pm—til and Sobersticks @ The Little Manatee Canoe Outpost October 8th thru October 10th , also South Florida Area Quarterly October 8th – October 10th---will be Virtual---see website for all info, aatampa-area.org A motion to close was made, seconded and approved. Meeting ended with the Lord’s Prayer. The next Board & Council Meeting will be October 12th, 2021 at 7:00 pm on ZOOM

September 14th, 2021 the Central Office Representatives met: COUNCIL MEMBERS REPRESENTING GROUP	
If you attended the	Meeting but not listed we didn’t catch your info in the chat—follow up with an email to aainfo@aatampa-area.org
DAVID B.	THE MEETING PLACE GROUP
DEBBIE S.	IMPROVE OUR CONSCIOUS CONTACT
KARA H.	LANGUAGE OF THE HEART MEETING
DAVID	SOBER @ 7 GROUP
BRAD W.	TAMPA NIGHTLY NEWCOMERS GROUP-Z
CHRISTA C.	SIMPLY SOBRIETY WOMEN’S GROUP
MIKE C.	SERENITY GROUP—ZOOM
DAVID R.	KEEP IT SIMPLE MEN’S GROUP
CHARLES McG	NEW HOPE BIG BOOK GROUP
JEFF H.	IT’S IN THE BOOK GROUP
MARGRET S.	CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP
CRAIG O.	PROMISES MEETING GOUP
MICHAELANNE T.	SISTERS IN SOBRIETY GROUP

TO ANY INTERESTED GROUPS

Because of the current COVID crisis we are conducting our Board and Council Meetings on ZOOM. It will be on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm. For the time being the Board and Council will both be meeting at the same time because we currently only have one hour to conduct our business. For those group representatives who attend the meeting,....we offer a 20% discount once a month for all literatures, coins—etc. So, if you need to purchase literature for your group elect someone to be your Central Office Representative and have them attend the meeting. The meeting is usually less than an hour and they can attend from the comfort of their own home. Once they have attended the meeting, then if you need literature-etc.....call or better, yet--email your requests to aainfo@aatampa-area.org and we will pack up your items and send you an invoice of the cost (20% discount included) and then all you have to do is come by and pick it up and make your payment. If you decide to elect a COR, have them either call (813-933-9123) or email me aainfo@aatampa-area.org and I will give them the I.D. and Password in order for them to attend the meeting. There is no time requirement for a Central Office Representative. Just that they be sober and have the willingness to serve.

Through-out the years our 12 Step list has dwindled down and it’s gotten harder and harder to contact AA members to help out to the cry coming in from the still suffering alcoholic. Some of the reasons for this are simple. Some have moved away, or changed phone numbers, some may have physical ailments from keeping them from helping out like they used to do, or they have passed away, or others unfortunately have just gotten drunk. I’m reaching out to you for your help in updating and/or renewing our 12 Step list. **Imagine** if no one had taken the time to help you....would you still be here??????

A.A.’s who carry the message, often carry the Grapevine

ANNIVERSARY TIME

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

GROUP	Honors To	Date	Years
KEYSTONE GROUP	ED D.	10/17/05	16 YRS
KEYSTONE GROUP	ALEX P.	10/11/90	31 YRS
KEYSTONE GROUP	GUY S.	10/24/88	33 YRS
KEYSTONE GROUP	MITCH S.	10/22/87	34 YRS
KEYSTONE GROUP	TOM F.	10/19/81	40 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	JEFF C.	10/21/96	25 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	JOAN P.	10/08/91	30 YRS
MUSTARD SEED GROUP	MARTIN G.	10/17/13	8 YRS
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP WOMEN'S	SUE L.	10/16/13	8 YRS
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP WOMEN'S	MEGHAN M.	10/31/10	11 YRS
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP WOMEN'S	DOTTY R.	10/10/10	11 YRS
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP WOMEN'S	MAURA	10/04/04	17 YRS
BARRACKS BRIGADE	JOSE M.	10/10/03	18 YRS
SUNSHINE GROUP	SINIA P.	10/28/11	10 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	BETTY E.	10/08/09	12 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	RICH R.	10/01/74	47 YRS
LIVING SOBER AS BILL SEES IT	JEFF B.	10/10/05	16 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY	ROSE ANN C.	10/15/84	37 YRS
GRAPEVINE GALS	ANGELICA D.	10/23/10	11 YRS
SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE	MARY R.	10/21/83	38 YRS

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

Home Group	Honors To	Date	Years
SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE	MARY R.	10/21/83	38 YRS
SOBRENITY GROUP	MICHAEL McA.	09/28/74	47 YRS

That's 538 Years of Sobriety! ☺

Want your group members anniversary listed in the Newsletter—send your list of names and anniversaries. We'll be glad to post them in the newsletter to celebrate their sobriety.

Never talk down to an alcoholic from any moral or spiritual hilltop; simply lay out the kit of spiritual tools for his inspection. Show him how they worked with you. Offer him friendship and fellowship.

SELF-SUPPORT-September 2021

© Today in September of 2021 COVID has changed the way many groups contribute to the Central Office. Some groups have remained steady in their contributions, some groups have gone to ZOOM, A few ZOOM groups have made some contributions and other groups have folded for a lack of a space to have their meeting and some new groups are starting up.. It's certainly a time to renew our efforts and practice the meaning of the Serenity Prayer a little bit more. We currently have 208 Groups in the Hillsborough-East Pasco area with 522 meetings weekly. Contributions in September totaled \$ 6,764.03. This accounts for what 38 Groups or individuals in our area have contributed in August. We also had 5 contributions made on PayPal for a total of \$485.46. Included we also received \$ 119.00 from 3 members for the Birthday Club and the Promises Meeting contributed \$1192.00 from their Anniversary Dinner & Fund-raiser. Our literature sales for September was \$ 9303.58 and \$ 7.00 for a Newsletter subscription. This includes sales from A.A. material and non-A,A, material (medallions—etc.) Our total income for September was \$ 16074.61. Our Total Cost of Goods Sold was \$ 7,183.08. Subtracting the Total Cost of Goods Sold from our September income left us with a Gross Profit of \$ 8890.81. Our Total Expenses for September were \$ 7783.82. Subtracting our Expenses from our Gross Profit gave us a Net Income of plus+\$ 1,106.99 for the month of September. As a friendly reminder, we now have a contribution button on our web site www.aatampa-area.org. Many meetings are still live, but many have gone to ZOOM for the time being due to the requirements of the facility that they meet in. We thank you for your continuing support. As they say in the rooms of AA "this too shall pass." And this virus will too. No matter *how good or bad* it may appear that we are doing from one month to another, it takes your consistent contributions and support to keep us operating on a steady level. As our AA membership continues to grow in the Tampa Bay area, despite the COVID pandemic, the demand for more and more material and services has started to expand and so 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 !!!

The Birthday Club: Contributions to the Central Office help support the local services to members and groups throughout Hillsborough and East Pasco Counties and help ensure that the A.A. message is carried around our area. Ask your Treasurer if they have any Birthday envelopes available. Call or email your Central Office. **933-9123 or aainfo@aatampa-area.org**

**LOWRY PARK
PICNIC**

The 164 Group Fall Family

Burgers
Cakes
Hot Dogs

7525 NORTH BOULEVARD PAVILION 115 TAMPA FL 33604

SATURDAY OCTOBER 23RD, 2021
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

BRING A SIDE OR DESSERT

Fellowship **A A** Speaker

Barracks Brigade Halloween Party
38418 2nd Ave. Zephyrhills 33542

Come celebrate with us:
Saturday October 30th @ 7:00pm

Door prizes
Costume Contest
50/50 raffle
Pinata for the kids!

Come enjoy hamburgers, hotdogs and drinks
Please bring a covered dish to share

With love and service, your Entertainment
Committee

Group	SEPT	Y T D	Group	SEPT	Y T D	Group	SEPT	Y T D
11th Step Group- Christ King			Live and Let Live Group	12.11	12.11	Sober @ 7 Group	1.00	324.59
11th Step Meditation		34.00	Living in the Solution	180.00	392.90	Sober @ 7 Group Anniversary Challenge		440.00
11th Step Retreat		100.00	LivingSober/As Bill Sees It	20.00	50.00	Sober on Saturday Group	150.00	1,010.00
AA 101 Group		200.00	Lunch Bunch Group		200.00	Sober on Saturday Anniversary Challenge		100.00
Alpha Group		240.00	Lutz @ Noon			SoberSticks Event		
Alpha Group Anniversary Challenge		107.58	Mad Dogs Group			Sobrenity Group	585.00	975.96
Anniversary Challenge 2021		295.00	Mid Day Madness Group-Zoom		55.00	Sobrenity Group Anniversary Challenge		87.00
Annual Housecleaning		200.00	Mid Day Matinee Group		1,200.00	Sobrietea Women's Group		65.25
Anonymous Donations	171.17	4901.24	Morning Express Group		438.10	Sobriety at Sunrise Group		
As Bill Sees It--Riverview		128.05	My Turn Group		1,200.00	Social Distancing Group of AA (Zoom)		250.00
As Bill Sees It Mens Odessa		191.99	Never Too Early Group		215.00	Sobriety at Sunset Group		
Attitude of Gratitude Group	150.00	350.00	Never Too Early Group(Zoom)		160.00	Solutions Group		130.00
Back to Basics Group			New Beginnings-(5:45)Joe's	88.61	532.83	Southshore Men's Group		422.00
Barracks Brigade Group	20.00	83.00	New Beginnings Brandon	235.00	235.00	Southside Men's Group # 1		875.00
Beginners Group		321.00	New Beginnings-(Our Club)		522.66	Southside Men's Group # 2		40.00
Bill D's Group		120.00	New Hope Big Book		258.39	Southside Men's Group #3		
BIRTHDAY CLUB	119.00	1,377.00	New Tampa Monday Men's		520.99	Southside Men's Group #4		
Brandon Free Thinkers			New Way Women's Group		50.00	Spiritual Development		
BrandonSaturday Night			Next Door Group		25.00	Spiritual Growth Group		
By the Book Men's Group			Next Door Group Anniversary Challenge		127.00	Staying Alive @ 5:45 Group		600.00
BYO 12 & 12 Group		125.00	Nightly Newcomers Group		188.40	Staying Alive @ 5:45 Anniversary Challenge		500.00
Came To Believe Group		809.30	Nooners Group--Riverview	114.30	703.92	Step Sisters in Sobriety		260.00
Cardinal Group - Odessa		1,025.76	Nooners Group--Tampa	76.00	966.07	Stepping Stones Group (w)		64.00
Clean Air Group		125.00	Noontime Celebration Gp.		855.42	Sun City Center Group		65.90
Close to Home Group			Northdale Group			Sunday Afternoon Step Mtg		
District Two General Service		667.00	Odessa Group		1,312.00	Sunday Speakers - 3333		
Dover Group			Old School Group		3,553.00	Sunshine Group	10.00	115.00
Druid Hills Big Book Group			Old School Gp Anniversary		200.00	Sweet Surrender Group		171.00
Early Risers Group - Joe's		108.25	On the Way Home Tpa 5:30		364.31	Tampa Bay Institutions	50.00	436.00
Expect a Miracle Group			One Day at a Time Group		400.00	Tampa Bay Speakers Gp.	84.00	1,410.21
Experience, Strength & Hope		150.00	Palma Ceia Group			Tampa Group		1.34
FCYPAA Committee Anniversary Challenge		343.00	Palma Ceia Big Book Group		100.00	Tampa Nightly Newcomers-Zoom	134.01	918.51
Fear Not Group	225.00	225.00	Pathfinders Group	200.00	300.00	Tampa Palms Big Book		165.64
Fireside Group	301.00	301.00	Pilgrim Group -St Leo's		218.00	Tampa Sat Night Speakers		400.00
Freedom in Sobriety Group		190.80	Plank Owners Group	110.00	550.00	TGIS Group		
Fresh Start Group		67.00	Primary Purpose Group			Thank God it's Friday Group		563.00
Friday Night Lights Group		42.99	Promises Meeting Group		138.00	The 164 Group		
Friday Night Big book			Promises Meeting Anniversary	1,192.00	1,192.00	The 164 Group Wesley Chapel		
Friday Women's Gp Anniversary Challenge		175.00	Reflections Group-Lake Mag	438.25	438.25	The Meeting Place Group	174.79	174.79
Friday Morning Women's Friendship	100.00	1,206.40	Riverside Group		183.30	T & C Sisters in Sobriety Group		151.20
Grapevine Gals Group			Rule 62/Keep it Simple		194.25	To Improve Our Consious Contact		0.54
Grupo Solo por Hoy		3.00	Rush Hour Serenity Group			Turning Point Group -Z-H.		455.00
Grupo Un Milagro En Tampa		3.00	Ruskin Fellowship Group		365.48	UT 717 Group		
Happy Destinty Group	62.00	305.40	Ruskin Womens Big Book		124.00	Wed Night Step Workshop		
Helping Hands Gp.-P.C.			Ruskin 11th Step Meditation		42.00	Wed Keep it Simple Group	260.00	420.00
Hide-A-Way Group		295.71	Safe Haven Group			Wellspring Group		418.81
High Nooners Group		500.00	Safe, Sane & Sober Group		199.50	Wesley Chapel Group		57.68
Hi Nooners Group Plant City	100.00	400.00	Safe, Sane & Sober Anniversary Challenge	257.50	557.50	With Room to Grow Group		600.00
Hope Floats Group		178.57	Saturday Night Fever Gp.			Women's Big Book Tampa		70.00
It's in the Book Group		392.80	Saturday Night Live Group		188.86	Women's Big Book Ruskin		
It's in the Book Anniversary Challenge		100.00	Saturday Serenity Group		243.00	Women's Friendship Group		465.00
In Loving Memory			Seekers of Serenity II Group		42.77			
Just What I Wanted Big Book		44.40	Serenity Group--ZOOM	212.03	807.35			
Keep It Simple/Pass It On		438.94	Simply Sobriety Women's Group		548.67			
Keep it Simple Group Dade City	250.00	1,115.70	Simply Sobriety Anniversary Challenge		175.00			
Keeping It Real Group		183.75	Sisters 12 n 12 Group (Zoom)	168.50	391.50			
Keystone Group	404.30	1,102.30	Sisters in Sobriety Group		630.67			
Kingsway Group		390.00	Sisters in Sobriety Anniversary Challenge		2,168.97			
Life Enrichment Group		866.45	Sober @ 6 Group			Total	1,448.80	
Little Harbor Grapevine Group		404.00	Donations thru PayPal	108.46	3,983.98			
						Monthly Total	6,764.03	
			Total	3,412.76				
Total	1,902.47					YTD Total	13,203.42	
	YTD Total	20,934.38		YTD Total	28,521.15	Grand Total	62,658.95	