



# Tri-County Central Office News

To Accomplish Your Objective, You Must Develop The Habit Of Doing First Things First

A Monthly Newsletter of the Tri-County Central Office, Inc.  
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## DR. BOB

*"Simplicity, devotion, steadfastness, and loyalty; these were the hallmarks of Dr. Bob's character which he has well implanted in so many of us." - Bill Wilson.*

ROBERT HOLBROOK SMITH, M.D.  
1879-1950

Dr. Bob was born August 8, 1879, in St. Johnsbury, Vt., the only son of Judge and Mrs. W.P. Smith, who were prominent in civic and social activities of that city. Though often rebellious against the strict authority of his parents, "Rob," as his schoolmates called him, was willing to work hard to attain whatever he sincerely wanted; by the time he was nine, he knew he wanted to be a physician. In his teens, he spent parts of his summers working on a Vermont farm and in an Adirondack summer hotel. Despite his dislike of school, he was a good student and graduated from St. Johnsbury Academy in 1898. He spent four years at Dartmouth College, graduating in 1902. It was during these school years that drinking became a major activity, though in those days he was never involved in serious trouble because of it. Three years later, having worked at various jobs in Boston and Montreal, he entered the University of Michigan as a premed student. Here, the pace of his drinking accelerated, and in his sophomore year he left school temporarily, feeling he couldn't complete his course. But he returned, took his exams, and passed them. In 1910, after further training at Rush Memorial College in Chicago, he received his medical degree and secured an internship in City Hospital, Akron, Ohio. Completing his internship in 1912, he opened an office in the Second National Bank Building in Akron, remaining there until his retirement in 1948. In 1915, he married Anne Ripley, whom he had met while attending St. Johnsbury Academy. As time went on, his alcoholism progressed steadily, yet he was able to function, and few of his colleagues knew how serious his illness was. Besides being an

**From the Central Office SERVICE DESK**  
A total of 500 phone calls were made to the Central Office in September  
214 for info on AA,  
0 for info on Al-Anon,  
7 messages for other inquiries,  
2 requesting a Twelfth Step call,  
277 after Office Hours calls.  
There were 254 walk-ins visits as well.

active member of the City Hospital staff in Akron, he often visited St. Thomas Hospital, also in Akron, where, in 1928, he met Sister Ignatia for the first time. Later, in 1934, he became associated with St. Thomas and in 1943, became a member of the active staff. In the early thirties, Dr. Bob, in desperate

## The Benefits of Rotation & Leadership in AA

As individuals rotate out of service positions in Intergroup, or in their Home Group, they might want to consider what Loren B, the Panel 51 Delegate from Montana, said about rotation at the 52nd General Service Conference in April 2002. She said that "the benefits of rotation are very real and practical. The benefits to the individual are beyond our imagination because we know that anything God has in store for us will be better than anything we could have planned for ourselves . . . We can't move forward if we are still clinging on to our present conditions . . . In effect we are saying to our Higher Power that we have finished the job laid out for us and are ready for what He wants us to do next." And, from the pamphlet, "The AA Group – Where It All Began," it states that "rotation helps to bring us spiritual rewards far more enduring than any fame. With no A.A. "status" at stake, we needn't compete for titles or praise – we have complete freedom to serve as we are needed. (Reprinted with permission from A.A. World Services, Inc.)" Are there leaders in AA? Do we actually have leadership in AA? Bill Wilson said we do in a 1959 article in the April Grapevine reprinted in The Language of the Heart, pages 287 – 292. Extracts from this article are printed below. "No society can function well without able leadership in all its levels, and AA can be no exception. It must be said, though, that we AAs sometimes cherish the thought that we can do without any leadership at all. We are apt to warp the traditional idea of 'principles before personalities' around to such a point that there would be no 'personality' in leadership whatever . . . Somewhere in our literature there is a statement to this effect: 'Our leaders do not drive by mandate, they lead by example.' In effect we are saying 'act for us, but don't boss us.' "A leader in AA service is therefore a man (or a woman) who can personally put principles, plans, and policies into such dedicated and effective action that the rest of us want to back him up and help him with his job. When a leader power-drives us badly, we rebel; but when he too meekly becomes an order-taker and he exercises no judgment of his own – well, he really isn't a leader at all. "Good leadership originates plans, policies, and ideas for the improvement of our Fellowship and its services. But in new and important matters, it will nevertheless consult widely before taking decisions and actions. Good leadership will also remember that a fine plan or idea can come from anybody, anywhere . . . Good leadership never passes the buck. Once assured that it has, or can obtain, sufficient backing, it freely takes decisions and puts them into action forthwith, provided of course that such actions be within the framework of its defined authority and responsibility. . . "He recognizes that even large majorities, when badly disturbed or uninformed, can, once in a while, be dead wrong. When such an occasional situation arises, and something very vital is at stake, it is always the duty of leadership, even when in a small minority,

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**TBAIC - District 2 - Hillsborough & East Pasco Counties  
 (877) AATAMPA or (877) 228-2672!**

Hello everybody! My name is Lindsay and I am an alcoholic. Thank you for the thoughts last month after the passing of my great grandmother.

Buddy H. was unable to attend but reports that in Sarasota there is an entire pod devoted to improvement. The inmates participate in classes and recovery. This program is coordinated between Salvation Army and the institutions committee.

Brian reports that some juvenile detox chairs recently stepped down but all meetings are covered. There are no requirements to attend meetings. There is an opening for juvenile detox coordinator.

Jill J. reports that the Sunday morning meeting at FRJ is back up and running.

Chris reports that all is going well in the Zephyrhills prison. Please remove Tom D's contact and contact Chris for any information.

Cathleen C. reports all is well in Pasco County Jails and will be stepping down as of the first. If you are interested, please contact Central Office.

Scott D was unable to attend but reports all the detox meetings are covered.

Eileen H sent a very moving e-mail concerning her current health issues. She said she didn't want to take a meeting into the women at Hillsborough Correctional Institution but did anyway. She had met an inmate who had served over 28 years and who turned her life around while on the inside and was due to be released in a few weeks. Eileen went on to say she was inspired by this women's triumph of spirit and felt it gave her new perspective on dealing with her own health issues.

**Treasurer's Report – October 23, 2010**

<b>Year to Date Income Including 2009</b>	
<b>Year End Balance</b>	<b>\$16,559.36</b>
<b>Less Prudent Reserve</b>	<b>- \$300.00</b>
<b>Less YTD Literature</b>	<b>- \$13,400.00</b>
<b>Less YTD Expenses</b>	<b>-\$795.17</b>
<b>Pink Can Current Balance</b>	<b>\$2,064.19</b>
<b>Spending Account Balance</b>	<b>\$58.84</b>

**Next Committee Meetings**

November 20th 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 this Month: Came to Believe Group, Druid Hills Group, Kingsway Group, KIS Pass It On Group, Midday Matinee, Old School Group, Sisters in Sobriety, Steps To Freedom Committee, Town n Country Group and Wellspring Recovery Group.

**TBAIC 2010 Committee Members**

<b>Tom F. - Chair</b>	<b>813-818-4439</b>
<b>Buddy H. - Alt Chair</b>	<b>813-871-2514</b>
<b>Mark L. Treasurer (interim)</b>	<b>813-477-6855</b>
<b>Lindsay T.. – Secretary</b>	<b>813-326-5408</b>
<b>Dick D. - Hills Jails - Emeritus</b>	<b>813-254-4423</b>
<b>Paul D. – Men's Orient Rd</b>	<b>727-385-5529</b>
<b>Buddy H. – Men's Falkenburg</b>	<b>813-871-2514</b>
<b>Lindsay T.– Hills Women's Jails</b>	<b>813-326-5408</b>
<b>Rob T. - Detox</b>	<b>813-453-6059</b>
<b>Paula L.—HCI Women's Prison</b>	<b>813-770-3729</b>
<b>E Pasco Jail - Mens- POSITION</b>	<b>OPEN</b>
<b>Cathleen C. - E Pasco Jail— Women's</b>	<b>813-727-1415</b>
<b>Chris D. - E Pasco Prison</b>	<b>813-215-0105</b>
<b>Carl C.—Treatment</b>	<b>813-215-9195</b>
<b>Jeremiah T.—Alternate Treatment</b>	<b>813-480-0307</b>
<b>Curtis B.—Bridge The Gap</b>	<b>813-405-7966</b>
<b>Joe L. - Pre-Release</b>	<b>813-918-3489</b>
<b>Brian B.- Juvenile</b>	<b>813-361-5886</b>
<b>Heather B.—Juvenile</b>	<b>813-361-5886</b>

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to take a stand against the storm – using its every ability of authority and persuasion to effect a change. . . “Leadership is often called upon to face heavy and sometimes long continued criticism. This is an acid test. There are always the constructive critics, our friends indeed . . . Then we have those who we like to call our ‘destructive’ critics. They power-drive, they are ‘politickers,’ they make accusations. Maybe they are violent, malicious. They pitch gobs of rumors, gossip, and general scuttlebutt to gain their ends – all for the good of AA, of course! Well, in AA at least, we have at last learned that these folks, who may be a trifle sicker than the rest of us, need not be really destructive at all, depending entirely on how we relate ourselves to them. . . “This discussion on leadership may look, at first glance, like an attempt to stake out a specially privileged and superior type of AA member. But this is not really so. We are simply recognizing that our talents vary greatly. The conductor of an orchestra is not necessarily good at finance or foresight. . . we only declare that we ought to select that leadership on the basis of obtaining the best talent we can find . . . in the spot where it will do us the most good. “Thank God that Alcoholics Anonymous is blessed with so much leadership in each and all of it’s great affairs.

**Copied in part from the SCANN (South Palm Beach Intergroup)**

**RED CHIP DAY**

Sunday, November 7th, 2010 @ 2:00 pm

Apostles Lutheran Church

200 N. Kingsway Road

(Corner of Kingsway & Morgan Street)

Brandon, Florida 33510

Speaker: Sandy B.

Please Bring:

Finger Food to share

A Willing Heart

A Sense of Gratitude & Fun

"Being wrecked in the same vessel, being restored  
and united under one God,  
with hearts and minds attuned to the welfare of others,  
the things which matter so much to some people  
no longer signify much to them.

A Vision for You

\*Raffle & Basket Proceeds to Benefit Central Office\*

**Tampa YPG**  
**9th ANNIVERSARY**

Potluck Dinner

Thursday, December 9th, 2010

Hyde Park Methodist Church

500 West Platt Street

Doors open at 6:00 pm

Speaker: Ralph W., Los Angeles, CA

Bring a covered dish and a Newcomer

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search for an answer to his problem, began to attend meetings of the Oxford Group, feeling he could benefit from its philosophy and other spiritual teachings. Though he continued to drink, he maintained his activity in the group, due in large part to Anne's deep interest. In May 1935, a meeting with another alcoholic, Bill Wilson, led to his own permanent sobriety and to the formation of the Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous. It is estimated that Dr. Bob, with the help of Sister Ignatia, guided some 5,000 fellow alcoholics to recovery during his 15 years of loving ministry to them. What manner of man was Dr. Bob? According to his son: "He had tremendous drive, great physical stamina. He was reserved and formal on first acquaintance, but as you came to know him, he was just the opposite: friendly, generous, full of fun - he loved a good joke. Regarding A.A., he tried to make every decision in the best interests of the group, to the exclusion of any personal advantage. He never ceased to be surprised that so many people sought him out, but felt he had only been God's agent and so was not due any personal credit." Bob and Anne lived simply; if he had any pride of possession, it was for cars. He played bridge expertly, always playing to win! An avid reader, he read for at least an hour each night of his adult life, "drunk or sober." He was a fight fan, succumbing finally to television so he could watch the fights. He held three concepts in particularly high regard. One was simplicity - in his own lifestyle and in practicing the A.A. way of life. Second, he believed in tolerance of other people's ideas, in speaking out "with kindness and consideration for others," and in "guarding that erring member, the tongue." Third, he believed that one's job in A.A. was to "get sober and stay sober" and "never to be so complacent that we're not willing to extend that help to our less fortunate brothers." Dr. Bob firmly believed that "love and service" are the cornerstones of Alcoholics Anonymous. He died of cancer at City Hospital, Akron, November 16,1950.

**ANNUAL HOUSECLEANING**

**Spiritual Retreat for A.A. and Al-Anon**

**March 11th-13th, 2011**

**Lake Yale Conference Center**

**39034 County Road 452**

**Leesburg, Florida 34788**

**Contact: Tom B. 813-951-5740**

**Carmen L. 727-541-3737**

**NOTES FROM INSIDE THE CENTRAL OFFICE**

October 10th, 2010 the Board of Directors for Central Office met:

**BOARD MEMBERS REPRESENTING GROUP**

CATHY K.	CHAIRPERSON	SOBRIETY @ SUNRISE GROUP
CHRIS S.	VICE-CHAIR	NEW BEGINNINGS GROUP
STAN P.	TREASURER	INTO ACTION GROUP
WILLOW W.	BOARD MEMBER	SWAMP GROUP
GAIL F.	BOARD MEMBER	SOBER ON SATURDAY GROUP
HUD R.	BOARD MEMBER	KEEP IT SIMPLE/PASS IT ON
CHRIS R.	BOARD MEMBER	IT'S IN THE BOOK GROUP
JIM M.	BOARD MEMBER	TAMPA PALMS BIG BOOK GP.
OPEN		
OPEN		

Cathy opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. She then asked everyone to turn down their cell phones. Jim M. from the Tampa Palms Big Book Group was introduced to everyone as our newest Board Member. Everyone then introduced their self's to each other. Chris read the September Minutes. There was no discussion and the report was approved. Stan presented the Treasurer's report. Tim was asked if the contributions got higher in November, Stan was hoping we would break even by the first of the year. Stan had some questions concerning a few line items which Tim couldn't really answer stating that he would get with the accountant to help him to be able to explain them. Discussion came up about why a Balance sheet wasn't made available. A motion was made to include a monthly balance sheet in the minutes for the Board members. Motion was seconded and approved. Old Business was discussion about why the Contributions were shown in the back of the Newsletter. After several people shared a motion was made to continue to show the Contributions in the back of the Newsletter. This motion was seconded and all present approved it. In New Business, Cathy had prepared a spreadsheet to break down the different items and responsibilities that would need to be filled for the Anniversary Dinner in February. Cathy will get with Diana to see who's names for volunteers she had gotten and once she has complied the list will email it to Tim who will then email it to all the Board and Council members, so they can discuss it at their groups. Discussion about who to get as a speaker came up. It was decided that we should get someone who had some time in the Program and was familiar with the Big Book and the Steps. No names at this time. It was decided that we would not do a certain type of raffle one of our past Board members had wanted to do. Tim will contact them to let them know. Discussion about whether it was okay to take food contributions from Publix was tossed around. It was decided that this would not be a good idea. Cathy wanted everyone to ask around and find someone who's first contact with AA was Central Office and was still staying sober, to be a five minute speaker at the Anniversary Dinner. The Council Meeting was somewhat of a mirror of the Board Meeting. Jim asked what the line item inventory decrease means and Stan explained that it's an adjustment made to get inventory in line. John F. bought up the fact that although Central Office may give the pamphlets to the Groups at no charge, it still cost Central Office to purchase them.

October 10th, 2010 the Central Office Representatives met:  
**COUNCIL MEMBERS REPRESENTING GROUP**

AL B.	DRUID HILLS GROUP
VIVIAN J.	FREEDOM IN SOBRIETY GROUP
ARLENE S.	LIVING IN THE SOLUTION GROUP
JOHN DP	CARDINAL GROUP
STEVE J.	ODESSA GROUP
JOHN G.	TAMPA PALMS BIG BOOK GROUP
JULIET SB	SUNSHINE GROUP
RICHARD E.	SOBER@7 GROUP
JIM VK	CARROLLWOOD NS GROUP
ANNA M.	CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP
JOHNNY J.	SINCERITY GROUP
ROB L.	THE MEETING PLACE GROUP
TERRY Y.	NIGHTLY NEWCOMERS GROUP
GENE M.	LIVE & LET LIVE GROUP
JOHN F.	SOBRENITY GROUP
PAUL G.	FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS GROUP
CHRISTOPHER T.	MONDAY NITE MADNESS GROUP
JASON W.	SOLUTIONS GROUP
SOPHIA C.	EXPECT A MIRACLE GROUP
LLOYD O'H	TAMPA YOUNG PEOPLE'S GROUP
JONATHAN L.	WELLSPRING GROUP
JOHN R.	AS BILL SEES IT GROUP
BUDDY H.	MORNING MEDITATION GROUP
BILL S.	OLD SCHOOL GROUP
TERRY F.	PRIMARY PURPOSE GROUP
MARTIN C.	LIFE ENRICHMENT GROUP

Richard E. announced that his group, the Sober at 7 Group and Friday Night Lights Group had hosted an All Groups meeting and were able to make a donation of \$800.00 to Central Office. Some discussion followed about All Group Meeting experiences. Discussion moved into getting a speaker or speakers for the Anniversary Dinner. On a show of hands to decide if we would have one speaker or two speakers, two speakers won out. Juliet asked about the requirements for a speaker and it was should be someone who had some time in the Program and was familiar with the Big Book and the Steps. Cathy mentioned about trying to decide who to get as speakers and if anyone had any ideas and Lloyd reminded her that she was the Speaker Chair and she should go ahead and make that decision herself. Buddy H. announced that the Softball Tournament would be October 31st and we needed to get teams signed up if we were going to have a Tournament. Several other announcements were made. There is a Solution Conference, Expect a Miracle Anniversary, Sincerity Group Speaker Meeting, Friday Night Lights Speaker Meeting with Tim and Virgil. Meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer.



<b>ANNIVERSARY TIME</b>			
GROUP	Honors To	Date	Years
OLD SCHOOL GROUP	JUDY G.	10/31/84	26 YRS
EXPECT A MIRACLE GROUP	MARY C.	11/21/01	9 YRS
EXPECT A MIRACLE GROUP	CHARLIE Z. In Memorium	11/20/67	43 yrs
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	SANDY S.	11/25/02	8 YRS
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	BONNIE M.	11/17/97	13 YRS
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	LINDA R.	11/02/88	22 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	STEVE L.	11/05/07	3 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	DEBBIE M.	11/04/04	6 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP	LADY LOU D.	11/14/79	31 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	KIRK T.	11/05/09	1 YR
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	NANCY M.	11/19/05	5 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	TOMMIE D.	11/06 96	14 YRS

<b>A BIRTHDAY PLAN SUPPORTER TO CENTRAL OFFICE ONE DOLLAR FOR EACH YEAR OF SOBRIETY</b>		
Honors To	Date	Years
JUDY G.	10/31/84	26 YRS

**THINGS WE CANNOT CHANGE**

**In Memory of June Murphy** who passed away September 25th, 2010. A long time member of Alcoholics Anonymous, she was a good woman who protected her "sponsees" and did not have a problem letting the men know that it was "hands off". I had the privilege of knowing her and as with me, I'm quite sure many others will miss her too. She made many "anonymous contributions" to Central Office and around 1996 had donated all the Grapevines she had collected since 1963 (full yearly series in Grapevine binders) to the District Two Archives. She was a gentle caring person. Her last years were spent carrying the message out at the 301 House. She passed away with 47 years of continuous sobriety.

Central Office Manager

**Holiday Schedule for Central Office:**  
**The Office will be closed on the following Days:**  
**Thursday-November 25th, 2010—Thanksgiving Day**  
**Friday-December 24th, 2010—Christmas Eve**  
**Saturday-December 25th, 2010—Christmas Day**  
**Friday-December 31st, 2010—New Year's Eve**  
**Saturday-January 1st, 2011—New Year's Day**  
**Saturday-January 8th, 2011—Annual Physical Inventory**

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**DISTRICT 2 GENERAL SERVICE MEETING**  
 Meets the First Sunday of each Month  
 Club YANA  
 209 South Tampania Avenue  
 GSR Sharing @ 2:00-3:00 pm  
 Business Meeting @ 3:00-5:00pm

**In Memoriam...**  
**John Foley**

On Friday, October 28, 2010, around noon Tampa time, our youngest brother lost his brave fight with cancer. John was a truly great brother and favorite Uncle to 15 nieces and nephews. He did an awful lot for many people in a very short period of time. His great work often went unnoticed for it was the result, not the glory, which drove him. During his illness, we discovered a brother we never knew; his work in the Club was brilliant but always behind the scenes. The accolades he has received are a tremendous painkiller to the sadness we feel. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in John's name to:

Lifepath Hospice  
 or to  
 The Club, Inc.  
 3333 W. Columbus Drive  
 Tampa, FL 33607

Ar dheis de go raibh a anam dilis  
 (May his sweet soul be at God's right hand).  
 Have a safe journey John!"

**~SPECIAL NEEDS COMMITTEE~**

Our primary purpose is to make Alcoholics Anonymous available to everyone with a special need. We take meetings to the sick at home, in hospitals, nursing homes, assisted living facilities and any other way we can carry the message. We meet the first Saturday of the month at 12:30 p.m. at Joe's Club, 11601 Downs Loop, Riverview, FL 33569

*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.*

**PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR CENTRAL OFFICE**

## MORE NEWS AROUND THE TOWN & THE AREA

### DISTRICT 2 GENERAL SERVICE

#### 2010 GRATITUDE DINNER

Saturday, November 27th, 2010

Christ the King Church

821 South Dale Mabry

Tampa, FL 33609

Speaker at 8pm

Cory A.

\* Doors open at 6pm. Dinner from 6:30pm to 7:45pm.

- Please bring a covered dish to share
- Tickets \$6.00 -- net proceeds going to GSO in NY
  - 50/50 Raffle

### FOOD, FUN and FELLOWSHIP

For tickets or information, please contact:

Kristin R. 813-447-9894

Patti L. 813-454-9100

Richard G. 813-784-1464

### THE OLD SCHOOL GROUP 9th ANNIVERSARY GRATITUDE & SPEAKER MEETING

Saturday, January 15th, 2011

Christ the King Church

821 South Dale Mabry

Tampa, Florida

Catered Dinner @ 7:00 pm

Tickets for the Dinner are \$15.00

Guest Speaker: William B.

(Author of Lois Remembers &  
My Name is Bill W.)

Speaker Meeting @ 8:00 pm

There is a 350 total seats limit for the Banquet.

Just like last year, those who have tickets for the Banquet will be seated in the main room where the speaker will be present.

Non-Banquet attendees will be seated in the over-flow room.

A monitor and sound will be provided.

Everyone is welcome to come & listen.

Only 750 total seats available for the Speaker Meeting. This includes the overflow room

50/50 Raffle at the Door.

Proceeds to benefit Tri-County Central Office

Tickets **ARE NOW** available

Tickets **ARE** available at the Central Office or from an Old School Group Member

### Plant City Turkey Creek Helping Hands Group

#### SPEAKERS MEETING

Friday @ 8:00 pm

Hull House

203 North Thomas Street

Plant City, Florida

\*November 5th, 2010

Speaker: Chuck S. from Tampa ( 44 Years sober )

\*November 12th, 2010

Joanne A. from Tampa ( 28 Years sober )

\*November 19th, 2010

Hill G. from Tampa ( 18 Months sober )

\*November 26th, 2010

Peter K. from Plant City ( 11 Years sober )

\*December 3th, 2010

Gene M. from Tampa ( 28 Years sober )

### SUNSHINE GROUP

Post-Halloween Scare Fest

Saturday, November 6th, 2010

Starts @ 8:00PM

Lutheran Church of Our Savior

8411 West Hillsborough Ave

Tampa, Florida

MUSIC-FOOD-PRIZES

and a Costume Contest

Suggested Donation \$5.00

### Acts Sunday Night Speaker Meeting

Sunday, November 21st, 2010

7:00 pm

ACTS

4403 West Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd

Tampa, Florida

Speaker: Sandy B.

Contact: Johnny J. @ 863-286-7607

### STEPS TO SOBRIETY

February 11th-13th, 2011

Calvary Episcopal Church

1615 1st Street

Indian Rocks Beach, Florida 33785

For Info: [www.stepstosobriety.com](http://www.stepstosobriety.com)

Group	SEPT	Y T D	Group	SEPT	Y T D	Group	SEPT	Y T D
11th Step Meeting- Christ King		300.00	In the Middle Group		50.00	SCC Steps to Sobriety		
11th Step Meeting--Sun City		340.00	In the Wind Group		10.00	Serenity Sisters Group		
12 Steps to Growth Group	200.00	300.00	Into Action Group			Sincerity Group		
164 Group		795.00	It's in the Book Men's Group		242.00	Sisters In Sobriety Group (W)		216.20
2250 Group			Just for Today Group			Sober At 6 Group		100.00
A.A. 101 Group		140.00	Just What I Wanted Big Book		4.06	Sober At 7 Group		69.00
A.A. 102 Group			Keep It Simple/Pass It On R.		491.31	Sober on Saturday Group		1105.09
All Groups--Safe Haven Group		150.00	Keep It Simple - YANA		25.00	Sober Spirits Group		25.00
Alpha Group	40.00	360.00	Keep It Simple Group (Dade)		175.00	SOBERSTOCK		650.00
Anniversary Dinner 2010		2681.01	Keystone Group	100.00	776.69	Sober on Sunday Group		195.00
Annual Housecleaning Retreat		100.00	Kingsway Group		747.50	Sobriety Group		7.09
Annual Spring House Retreat			Lake Magdalene Group			Sobriety at Sunrise		
Anonymous Donations	452.22	679.19	Lemon Tree Group		230.00	Softball Tournament / CO		709.00
As Bill Sees It--Brandon		500.00	Life Enrichment Group		502.50	Solutions Group	327.36	2915.33
As Bill Sees It Mens -Odessa		612.65	Little Red Book Group		50.00	Southshore Men's Group		299.00
Attitude of Gratitude Group	200.00	400.00	Live and Let Live Group	112.56	299.63	Southside Men's Group		475.00
Back to Basics Group - Tampa		175.00	Living in the Solution Group	305.00	1260.50	Southside Men's Group # 2		260.00
Back to Basics Grp. PlantCity			Living Sober/As Bill Sees It	90.00	90.00	Speaker Meeting (Our Club)		
Barracks Brigade Group			MacDill Group			Speaker Sisters in Sobriety		
Bayshore Back to Basics			Mad Dogs Group			Spiritual Development Group		147.00
Bel-Mar Group		180.70	Mainely Sober Group - Zhills		195.00	Spiritual Growth Group		357.50
Beginners Step Group		100.00	Maple Dale Group			Spiritual Progress Goup		100.00
Bill D's Group		228.76	Mid Day Matinee Group	650.00	1300.00	Staying in the Solution Group		
Birthday Plan	64.00	258.00	Monday Nite Madness 3333		299.40	Step at a Time Group		634.00
Brandon Men's Blackbelt Mt.			Morning Express Group		199.40	Step Sisters in Sobriety		
Brandon Sat. Night Group		178.44	Morning Group - Zephyrhills		196.50	Stepping Stones Group (w)		80.00
Brandon Tues. Big Book Grp		207.75	Morning Miracles Group		775.90	Sulphur Springs - Disbanded		
Brandon Young @ Heart			Mustard Seed Group			Sun City Center Group		625.00
Bring Your Own Big Book Gp.			Nancy's Legacy Retreat		22.00	Sunday Afternoon Meeting SSC		
By The Book Group			New Beginnings - Brandon		520.00	Sunday Speakers - 3333	200.00	680.00
Came To Believe Group		585.00	New Beginnings-(5:45)Joe's	141.31	765.61	Sunshine Group		555.00
Cardinal Group - Odessa		545.71	Newcomers Group (Joe's Club)	101.69	221.08	Sunrise Meeting Our Club		
Carrollwood Group			New Day Group	200.00	600.00	SWAMP Group (w)		
Carrollwood NS Group		294.45	New Way Women's Group		361.75	Tampa Bay Area Institutions		
Challenge of Living Sober		107.20	Nightly Newcomers Group			Tampa Bay Fall Roundup		
Chancey Road AA Group	50.00	50.00	Noon AA Group Brandon	200.00	200.00	Tampa Bay Young Peoples		436.23
Clair-Mel Positive Thinkers Gp.		200.00	Noon Big Book Group-The Club			Tampa Palms Big Book		200.00
Clean Air Group (301)			Nooners Group--Riverview		103.11	Tampa Palms Men's Group		105.00
Design for Living Grp - Joe's		50.00	Nooners Group--Tampa	66.00	421.90	Temple Terrace Men's Group		
District 2 General Service		1,508.57	Noontime Celebration Group		351.97	TGIS Women's Group		845.00
Dover AA Group	131.09	169.24	North Brandon Open Forum		473.00	Thank God It's Friday		
Druid Hills Group		65.00	North Tampa Young & Restless			The Meeting Place Group		75.00
Early Risers Group - Joe's		336.51	Northdale Group		429.00	There is a Solution Conference		
Expect a Miracle Group	70.00	325.00	Odessa Group	325.00	650.00	There is a Solution Group		58.51
Fireside Group		248.00	Old School Group		5193.00	There is a Solution Group 3333	70.45	70.45
Freedom in Sobriety Group		140.00	Oldtimer's Group - Joe's Club		294.00	Thurs. AM Discussion Group		8.16
Friday Night AA @ 8 Group	85.00	85.00	On the Way Home -Tampa 5:30		327.75	Town & Country Step Group		
Friday Night Lights Group	150.00	485.00	One Day at a Time Group		200.00	Town & Country Wed. Group		350.00
Friday Women's Friendship		200.00	Palma Ceia Group			Tuesday Night Big Book		50.00
Gifts of Sobriety Group		511.20	Palma Ceia 12 Step Group			Tuesday Serenity Group	200.00	200.00
Good Start Group - YANA			Palma Ceia Big Book Study	200.00	600.00	Turning Point Group -Z-Hills		30.00
Grupo Alegria de Vivir			Pass It On Group - Plant City		50.00	Uptowners Group		
Grupo Latino Sobriedad			Pilgrim Group - St Leo's Univ.			Uptown/Downtown Group		230.00
Grupo Hispano Salvacion			Plank Owners Group			Valrico Fri. Morning Group		450.00
Grupo Mano Amiga			Primary Purpose Group		29.00	Valrico/Brandon Wed. Night Group	69.62	304.27
Grupo Poco a Poco			Red Chip Day Donation			Village 12 Step Group		
Grupo Una Dia Ala Vez. (PC)			Red Door Group		100.00	Warrior's Group		1.73
Grupo Una Luz Enmicamino			Reflections Group - 3333			Wed.NightStep Wksp Joe's		
Happy Hour Group - YANA			Reflections Group-Lake Mag		325.00	Wednesday Night Women's Gp.		
Happy Hour Mtg.- Apollo Beach			Riverside Group		211.00	Weedpatch Group		100.00
Harbor Lights Group		10.00	Riverview Sisterhood in Sobriety		97.75	Wellspring Group	100.00	486.00
Helping Hands Gp.-Plant City	60.00	460.00	Rush Hour Serenity Group		931.30	Wesley Chapel Group	130.00	328.08
Hide-A-Way Group		300.00	Ruskin Fellowship Group	200.00	550.00	West Side Winners Group		200.00
High Nooners Group		600.00	Safe Haven Group	145.50	245.50	With Room to Grow Group		650.00
Higher Learning Group		47.73	Saturday Night Fever Group	1,300.00	1300.00	Women's Friendship Group		
Hour Glass Group			Saturday Night Live Group			Women's Perspective Conf		
I.D.A.A.		226.26				Zephyrhills Big Book		135.00
TOTAL	1,502.31		TOTAL	4137.06		TOTAL	1,097.43	
YTD TOTAL		16236.37	YTD TOTAL		23494.11	YTD TOTAL		15517.64
						Grand Total for Month	6,736.80	
						Grand Total for Year		55248.12