



Tri-County Central Office News

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SPIRIT OF SERVICE	MILESTONES IN AA
<p>I can hear it now...”This Grapevine article is about service work, so I won’t read it!” “Don’t get into service work in AA! It’s all politics, and it’ll get you drunk.” “I never go to group business meetings—all I want out of AA is sobriety.” “I quit the area committee, because that old-timers clique won’t let me do the right thing.” “I don’t want to be a big shot in AA, so I stay out of service work.” I resisted advice to stop drinking; it did not end there. I resisted when I was told service work would enrich my sobriety. So I was inclined to believe statements that cast aspersions on service work and the dedicated people who performed it—the very service work that got me into AA and saved my life. I had not liked the idea of stopping drinking, and I continued not liking things that were good for me right into my fourth year of sobriety. Though I listened to the criticisms, I was hesitant about joining the quarrelsome people who knocked service; they seemed negative. Nevertheless, they had been sober a long time and their complaints fed my fear of authority. I don’t fear authority anymore. I don’t fear it, because it doesn’t exist in AA and it’s not logical to fear phantoms. The informed group conscience, guided by a loving God, is the only chief in AA. After listening to it carefully, I don’t overreact to it anymore, because I have found that it’s never wrong. My first experience with service came when I was elected chairman of my group. Two people stopped talking to me immediately after the election, and I had not anything for them to dislike. Their fear led me to start reevaluating all those warnings about big-shot-ism. I was certainly no big shot. If they were wrong about this, perhaps they were wrong about other things. In my fourth year, I got very active on committees in my area. I learned to love the people at the area committee and at the central office. They were active, positive, and having fun. Sure they argued at times; but they also kept their sobriety green and got loads of AA work done. I never knew one to get drunk. My only problem was being away from my home group while I did service work. I missed it at first. I would be at a service meeting and find myself wondering what was happening at my group that night. I finally realized that I had to be where the greater spiritual good was accomplished. For me at that time, it was in service. I reached a point where I personally felt the need to help alcoholics in ways other than in my group. Participating as a group member helped me, and I was able to sponsor people. But unsung committee members in service were helping people they would never meet. This seemed a fine lesson in the true meaning of humility; with only an occasional exception, they did not seem like big shots at all. But the child in me still resisted the maturity of older, wiser people in service. When I came up with a bright idea, I felt frustrated if it wasn’t adopted at once. Gradually, I matured to the point of realizing that many of my bright ideas had been tired and tired before. Some simply were not workable. This knowledge made me listen to the voice of experience and serenity. It was not my job to radicalize AA not to get “laws” passed that defied common sense.</p>	<p>October 1938. In this month the founders of AA—insolvent but dedicated—were attempting to raise sufficient funds to finance Bill W.’s writing of the Big Book, which at that time was entitled “One Hundred Men.” A glowing prospectus was created to be used as a lure to persuade prospective angels into buying stock in this as-yet-unwritten manuscript. This gilt-edged document now reads like the brain child of a Lewis Carroll or a Jules Verne...it is truly the stuff from which dreams are woven. Among other golden possibilities held out as bait to persuade these angels of the financial soundness of the enterprise, the following inducements stand out: 1. “This Week Magazine” expressed interest in running a Page 2 article regarding AA and its forthcoming book. The editor prophesied 25 to 30 thousand inquiries as a result of such an article... 2. “Readers Digest” in a personal interview between Bill W. and the managing editor stated that the work of AA and the forthcoming volume was of such interest as to justify putting a staff writer on it and running an article just prior to publication... 3. ‘Good Housekeeping’ editor after a personal call by two AA members requested an outline of an article which could be used before publication of the Big Book. (Ed. Note—Not one of these lovely fantasies ever got past the wishful stage.) Included in the prospectus was this uncompromising statement: ‘It is an indisputable fact that over the past <i>four years</i>, 100 <i>true</i> alcoholics have recovered, who from the standpoint of medicine and psychiatry were considered hopeless. These men have dubbed themselves Alcoholics Anonymous.’ It was on this record and with these prospects that our intrepid founders embarked on their plans to raise funds for publishing the Big Book. By January of 1939 the results of the stock-selling scheme definitely indicated a need for a more stable method of floating some “eating money” and so Frank Amos, our great friend and one of the first of the non-AA trustees, sent out a dinner invitation to a group of <i>selected tycoons</i>. In it he stated: “The most important accomplishment, aside from redeeming alcoholics, has been the writing of ‘One Hundred Men’ by Bill W.” The book was indeed now in the rough draft stage, but not a tycoon rose to the bait. In April, 1939 came a day of of high excitement for the 100 men. “We the People,” a tremendously popular radio program, scheduled the first AA program over the air. Its purpose was to promote the sale of the now published book renamed “Alcoholics Anonymous.” Gabriel Heatter opened the historic half hour in his inimitable Voice-of-the-Prophet manner: “The man beside me has had one of the most gripping and dramatic experiences I have ever heard...if only one person is helped by hearing his story, we the people have done a real service.” It was gripping all right, and at the end of it our AA hero added the words the other 99 were waiting to hear: “Recently we wrote a book called ‘Alcoholics Anonymous.’ It tells precisely how we all came back from a living death. That’s why I wanted to come on this program...to tell people in torment: they too can come back!”</p>
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TBAIC - District 2 - Hillsborough & East Pasco Counties

TAMPA BAY AREA INSTITUTIONS COMMITTEE PRESENTS:

K.I.S.S. Tournament & Fun Day at Gadsden Park
 SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27TH, 2012
 TOURNAMENT STARTS AT 8:30 A.M
 FESTIVITIES TO LAST ALL DAY

- 50/50 Raffle
- Horseshoes
 - Fishing
 - Playground
- Food and Drink
 - Pet Friendly
 - Family Event

Tournament Details:

Registration Deadline: October 22nd 2012
 Registration Contact: Buddy H. 813-871-2514
 Registration Costs: \$100.00 Donation Per Team
 (Or \$10.00 Per Person)

Tournament Details: Co-Ed Teams
 Minimum of 4 Women Per Team
 Double Elimination Tournament

Other FESTIVITIES:

Gadsden Park is packed with activities for the whole family.
 There is a pond at the park that is open to public fishing,
 along with a dog park and a playground for the kids.
 TBAIC will be hosting a side game of horseshoes,
 frisbee, football, and a 50/50 raffle!
 There will be hotdogs and water available at 50 cent and sodas
 for 75 cent.

All to Fund TBAIC:

The Tampa Bay Area Institutions Committee carries
 the message into jails, prisons, detox centers, and hospitals.
 All money raised goes directly to buy and place pocket size Big
 Books,

12 and 12s, and various AA literature for these facilities.
 Even if you don't plan on playing ball come out, support your team,
 and have a day of fun and fellowship while supporting our 5th
 tradition!

Directions:

Address: Gadsden Park; 6901 S. MacDill Ave.
 Head straight down South MacDill Ave. toward MacDill Air Force
 Base.

The park is on the right side of the street directly
 before entering the Air Force Base.

If you have hit the base you have gone to far.

Our Next Committee Meeting

Is at 9:30 AM on October 6th 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:**

TBAIC 2011 Committee Members

Buddy H. - Chair	813-871-2514
Bobby B. Alternate Chair	813-415-4961
Brian B. Treasurer	813-361-5884
Wayne H.— Alternate Treasurer	813-465-1462
John O. – Secretary	813-263-4998
Dick D. - Hills Jails - Emeritus	813-254-4423
Paul D. – Hillsborough County Jail	727-385-5529
Nancy B.— Hills Women's Jails	813-872-0262
Ron G. - Detox	813-802-1324
Michele C.—HCI Women's Prison	813-294-0806
Cathleen C. - E Pasco Jail-Women's	813-727-1415
Chris D. - E Pasco Prison	813-857-5400
Rob T.—Treatment	813-453-6059
Michele S. Women's Bridge The Gap	813-507-5796
Joel C.— Men's Bridge The Gap	813-525-8033
Robert - Pre-Release	616-808-0463
Joel C.— Juvenile	813-525-8033

Treasurer's Report – September , 2012

<u>SUMMARY OF EXPENSES</u>	
Total Received 09/12	\$15,376.57
Prudent Reserve	(\$500.00)
Total Moved to Spending Account	(\$13,100.00)
Total Paid - Operational Expense	\$505.42
Balance 08/12	\$1,271.15

SPIRIT OF SERVICE continued from page One

I got tripped up anytime I felt I had to lead brilliantly. Many service people *are* aggressive and successful at it in their business lives; but in AA we lead by *servicing*. I had to become a trusted *servant*. Guess what—I found it comfortable, and I discovered that things get done by people who are working together harmoniously in the spirit of service. The word “service” seemed so vague at first. I finally found peace with it when I realized it could be defined loosely as anything from greeting a newcomer at a meeting to serving on the AA board of trustees. Originally, I defined it as any AA activity that was no fun. That definition began to lose its validity when I found it was fun to do *anything* that helped me and another drunk to stay sober. Today, I define service as anything one does for one’s group or for AA as a whole. Divine guidance lead different people into different tasks in order to carry the message. Making coffee is certainly serving the group. Everyone does not want to serve on the general service area committee. Formal committee work is not for everyone. We would have an unruly cavalry charge at area meetings if everyone in AA woke up one morning and decided to be a GSR (general service representative). So it’s good that some people love group service and some learn to love Twelfth Step work of the area or committee type. But I do feel that we lose lots of potentially good service people by implying there is something wrong with the detail work needed to help AA carry the message in all parts of society where it is so desperately needed. I sponsor people into service by saying things like: “Service work is good for your growth”; “Listen to the elder statesman and –woman—they know a lot about AA and remember to put principles before personalities”; “The best way to *not* be a big shot in AA is to serve.” If you’ve read this Grapevine article all the way through, you just might be interested and a fine service worker.

E.S., Manhattan, NY

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MILESTONES IN AA continued from page One

Now we were in! Our little band of pioneers settled back to wait for the orders to flood in. After a few days the final count stood: we received exactly twelve inquiry cards. Two of them ordered the big, the other ten were poor jokes from doctors who clearly did not feel their practices were in jeopardy. Shortly after this fiasco Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick wrote his magnificent review of the book. It was reprinted many times and in many publications and started the first serious appraisal of AA. In October of the same year the Cleveland Plain Dealer published the series on AA that was to change the course of our history. The first issue to reach the public read, in part: “Alcoholics Anonymous has hit town...Every Thursday evening at the home of some ex-drunk in Cleveland, forty or fifty formerly hopeless rummies meet for a social evening during which they each other up.” This may not seem a very promising beginning to us today but, from this series, hundreds of inquiries were launched on the unsuspecting N.Y. and Cleveland groups, and the hundred men became hundreds almost over night. By the end of 1939 over 2000 copies of the Big Book had been sold and we were on our way...the ebb tide turned to a flood.

GV Staff, N.Y.

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WE THE PEOPLE

The Gabriel Heatter broadcast of April 25, 1939. The first national exposure for Alcoholics Anonymous came with the April 25, 1939 "We The People" broadcast. Gabriel Heatter's radio program was a tremendously popular program that was tuned in by millions of people. Morgan R., the AA member who spoke on the program, was expected to launch sales of the newly published book, Alcoholics Anonymous. How Morgan was prepared for his three-minute talk, and the resulting book sales are described in the A.A.W.S. publication Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age on pages 174-175. This is a transcript of the interview:

"WE THE PEOPLE" HEATTER:

The man beside me now has had one of the most gripping and dramatic experiences I've ever heard. I'm not going to tell you his name. And when you hear what he has to say I think you'll understand why. But after checking the facts, the Listeners Committee of "We The People" decided to grant him time because they feel that if one person is helped by hearing his story, then WE THE PEOPLE will have done a real service. Alright, sir. ANONYMOUS GUEST:

Six months ago I got out of an insane asylum. I'd been sent there because I was drinking myself to death. But the doctors said they could do nothing for me. And only four years ago I was making 20,000 dollars a year. I was married to a swell girl and had a young son. But I worked hard and like lots of my friends - I used to drink to relax. Only they knew when to stop. I didn't. And pretty soon - I drank myself out of my job. I promised my wife I'd straighten out. But I couldn't. Finally she took the baby and left me. The next year was like a nightmare. I was penniless. I went out on the streets - panhandled money for liquor. Every time I sobered up - I swore not to touch another drop. But if I went a few hours without a drink - I'd begin to cry like a baby, and tremble all over. One day after I left the asylum I met a friend of mine. He took me to the home of one of his friends. A bunch of men were sitting around, smoking cigars, telling jokes - having a great time. But I noticed they weren't drinking. When Tom told me they'd all been in the same boat as I was - I couldn't believe him. But he said, "See that fellow? He's a doctor. Drank himself out of his practice. Then he straightened out. Now he's head of a big hospital." Another big strapping fellow was a grocery clerk. Another the vice president of a big corporation. They got together five years ago. Called themselves Alcoholics Anonymous. And they'd worked out a method of recovery. One of their most important secrets was - helping the other fellow. Once they began to follow it the method proved successful and helped others get on their feet - they found they could stay away from liquor. Gradually - those men helped me back to life. I stopped drinking. Found courage to face life once again. Today I've got a job - and I'm going to climb back to success. Recently we wrote a book called "Alcoholics Anonymous". It tells precisely how we all came back from a living death. Working on that book made me realize how much other people had suffered - how they'd gone through the same thing I did. That's why I wanted to come on this program. I wanted to tell people who are going through that torment - if they sincerely want to they can come back. Take their place in society once again! (APPLAUSE) (MUSIC)

NOTES FROM INSIDE THE CENTRAL OFFICE

August 14th, 2012 the Board of Directors for Central Office met:

BOARD MEMBERS		REPRESENTING GROUP
AL B.	CHAIRPERSON	MORNING MIRACLES GROUP
BRETT B.	VICE-CHAIR	164 GROUP WESLEY CHAPEL
LINDA G.	TREASURER	TURNING POINT GROUP
OPEN	BOARD MEMBER	
LOIS M.	BOARD MEMBER	BACK TO BASICS GROUP
JIM M.	BOARD MEMBER	TAMPA PALMS BIG BOOK GROUP
ROB L.	BOARD MEMBER	THE MEETING PLACE GROUP
BRIAN W.	BOARD MEMBER	ODESSA GROUP
EXCUSED	BOARD MEMBER	CLEAN AIR GROUP
JIM McI	BOARD MEMBER	DAILY REFLECTIONS GROUP

Al opened the meeting in the usual matter by welcoming the Board members to the meeting followed by the Serenity Prayer and then asking everyone to turn down their cell phones. Before Al started the meeting he had to point out the Seven Million Dollar error posted on page 5 the Office Manager had made when preparing the Newsletter and the Minutes. Everyone had a good laugh at my expense ☺👉 Jim gave the Secretary Report by reading the August minutes. Corrections were made to the minutes. The Meeting Place and the Turning Point Group had been listed as being there. More laughs! A motion to accept the minutes was made and approved. Linda G. presented the August Treasurers Report. It was noted that we were \$105.94 short of making our Budget for the month but we were still \$5,281.46 to the good for the year to date. Some discussion followed about how the Budget report was set up. It was finally decided that the way it's done is pretty standard practice. Discussion moved into ways of keeping literature sells separate from expenses. After much discussion the Treasurers report was finally approved. In Old Business discussion about the new Birthday Club envelope was tabled until the Council meeting. Discussion then moved into the why we aren't and why we don't need to at this time discussion on sending money to GSO and somehow replenishing our CD that we had cashed in last year for literature. Finally a motion was made to replenish the CD with any extra money left over before sending any money elsewhere. In New Business Al read a letter to the Board from a concerned AA member about certain practices around the country and how it could affect Central Office. Much discussion followed and it was finally decided to table this discussion until further investigation of this subject could be gathered. Also in New Business, Tim informed everyone that earlier this month someone had broken into some of the Offices in the complex and had also broken one of our windows but nothing was damaged on the inside. Tim was asked to look into the cost of some type of monitoring or alarm type devices. At the Council Meeting, Mary S. from the Rush Hour Serenity Group was welcomed to the Council. Also Al presented Jim M. with a Certificate of Appreciation for his services for the past two years as a Board Member. Again Al had to point out the Seven Million Dollar error posted on page 5 the Office Manager had made when preparing the Newsletter and the Minutes. Again, everyone had a good laugh at my expense ☺👉 In Old Business the Birthday

August 14th, 2012 the Central Office Representatives met:
COUNCIL MEMBERS REPRESENTING GROUP

VIVIAN J.	FREEDOM IN SOBRIETY GROUP
GENE M.	LIVE & LET LIVE GROUP
LINDA F.	STEP SISTERS IN SOBRIETY GROUP
CHERYL T.	CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP
LESLIE G.	PROMISES GROUP
MARY S.	RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP
JOSEPHINE J.	SINCERITY GROUP
DONNA L.	SUNSHINE GROUP
WES M.	SOLUTIONS GROUP
BILL J.	EARLY RISERS GROUP
BILL S.	OLD SCHOOL GROUP
DAVE H.	NOON BIG BOOK GROUP
BONNIE C.	NIGHTLY NEWCOMERS GROUP
JOHN G.	TAMPA PALMS BIG BOOK STUDY GROUP
TERRY F.	PRIMARY PURPOSE GROUP
JOHN F.	SOBRENITY GROUP
CHRISTOPHER T.	MONDAY NITE MADNESS GROUP
CHRISTA G.	SOBER @ 7 GROUP
BRANT W.	164 GROUP WESLEY CHAPEL
MELISSA N.	TAMPA BAY YOUNG PEOPLES GROUP
TOM F.	WELLSPRING GROUP

Club envelope was shown for everyone's final approval. Everyone was okay with the final design. Al noted that we still needed someone to handle the Parking Duties for our Anniversary Dinner. Dave H. from the Noon Big Book Group volunteered to handle the responsibility. Linda G. asked everyone to bring something for the Anniversary Dinner with a 38 on it still it was to be our 38th anniversary. Unsure why? There was no New Business. Tom F. presented the District 2 Liaison report noting that our Delegate, Kathy G. had asked all Districts to discuss Tradition 11 and how it relates to anonymity breaks on Face Book and other social networks. There is consideration on changing the wording of Tradition 11 to include Internet and other social type networks or is it even necessary? Several announcements were made and Al reminded everyone to call in their literature orders ahead of time before the meeting to help us get out a little earlier. The meeting ended as usual with the Lord's Prayer.

Bring me your old and used AA Books and Grapevines. Your huddled masses of old meeting schedules, service manuals and any other service oriented materials that you no longer have use for and we will find a place for them.

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8019 N. Himes, Suite 104
Tampa, FL 33614

ANNIVERSARY TIME

SELF-SUPPORT-AUGUST 2012

GROUP	Honors To	Date	Years
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	BETTY E.	10/08/09	3 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	ANN S.	10/01/88	24 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	RICH R.	10/01/74	38 YRS
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	DOTTY R.	10/05/10	2 YRS
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	JANIE H.	10/24/06	6 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP	JENNIFER H.	10/25/04	8 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP	HEATHER D.	10/03/04	8 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP	LAURA G.	10/31/91	21 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP	ROBERT R.	10/26/87	25 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP	DON S.	10/20/84	28 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY GROUP	ROSE C.	10/15/84	28 YRS
EXPECT A MIRACLE GROUP	JODI N.	10/15/04	8 YRS
EXPECT A MIRACLE GROUP	JACKIE W.	10/18/92	20 YRS
EXPECT A MIRACLE GROUP	LARRY T.	10/18/88	24 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	TINA S.	10/09/05	7 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	JEFF K.	10/17/05	7 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	JEFF C.	10/21/96	16 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	SCOTT B.	10/15/92	20 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	BRIAN M.	10/30/83	29 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	DIANA H.	10/30/58	54 YRS
KEYSTONE DISCUSSION GROUP	ED D.	10/17/05	7 YRS
KEYSTONE DISCUSSION GROUP	JOE B.	10/16/05	7 YRS
KEYSTONE DISCUSSION GROUP	ALEX P.	10/11/90	22 YRS

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

Honors To	Date	Years
RITA S.	06/22/94	18 YRS

**CENTRAL OFFICE 38th ANNIVERSARY
 DINNER & SPEAKER MEETING**

Saturday, February 2nd, 2013

Christ the King Church
 (Parrish Center)

821 Dale Mabry Hwy S.

Tampa, FL. 33609

Seating Limited to 220

Tickets for a Raffle for a First Edition

11th Printing Big Book

are available at the Central Office.

\$5.00 per ticket.

We are still in the early planning stages.

More will be revealed..... 813-933-9123

☺ Back in 2004 our annual income was around \$59,000.00 and our annual expenses were around \$54,000.00. Today we have almost doubled both of these amounts. Why? That's easy. More Groups, more people in AA. In 1998 we had 174 Groups in the Hillsborough/ East Pasco area. That was 364 meetings per week in our area. Today in July of 2012 we have **229** Groups with **601** meetings a week. Although we have lost some groups in the past year, that's still a lot of meetings and that's still a lot of Groups wanting material and more groups are being formed as we speak. This year to date contributions from Groups (August, 2012) have totaled \$51,728.67 for the year. That accounts for what **131** Groups in our area have contributed plus the 74 AA'er's who contributed \$1270.79 in contributions anonymously and the \$1000.00 from the Old School Group's Anniversary Dinner and the \$3,055.00 minus \$984.94 in expenses we generated from ticket sales, the 7th Tradition Basket and a raffle at our Anniversary Dinner and the \$1,150.00 generated from Raffle Tickets for the First Edition Big Book we are raffling off at our first ever Founders Day Event. And the \$ 272.00 generated from the 12 Step Workshop hosted by the 164 Group and the \$1400.00 from the All Groups meeting hosted by the keystone Group and the \$91.87 from the All Groups meeting hosted by the Cardinal Group. And the \$1500.00 donated to us from the Soberstock event. And the \$36.30 from the Women's Perspective Conference. And the \$218.00 from the 9 members who have participated in the Birthday Plan thus far. Our Literature sales for August bought in \$8,959.07 plus \$20.00 in Newsletter subscriptions. Contributions were \$4,564.00. Our total income for August was \$13,552.63. Our Cost of Goods Sold was \$6,784.84. Subtracting the Cost of Goods Sold from our August income left us with a Gross Profit of \$6,767.79. Our Expenses for August were \$6,873.73. Subtracting our Expenses from our Gross Profit gave us a Net Income of minus \$105.94 for the month of August. As I have stated in the past, we are not trying to squeeze you for more money. We know we can always count on you. We just wanted to bring some awareness of our situation to those who may be new to A.A. or new to being a Treasurer or Trusted Servant to their Group or to those who do not understand what the 7th Tradition and Self-Supporting means. It's the nature of the beast...as our AA membership continues to grow in the Tampa Bay area, the demand for more and more material and services continue to expand and we have to try and strive to keep up with the demand. That is only possible with your continued support through your contributions, special events that groups put on for the benefit of Central Office and the literature sales. That's why we have started including this report in the newsletter, so you can see how we are doing and what's needed on a monthly basis. Thank You for your Support.
 tws:) Office Manager



MORE NEWS AROUND THE TOWN & THE AREA

**South Florida Area 15
General Service Quarterly Assembly
October 12-14 , 2012
Fort Lauderdale Marriott North**

For complete details & a flyer:
www.area15aa.org

16th ANNUAL NATIONAL AA ARCHIVES WORKSHOP

October 4-7, 2012
International Palms Resort &
Conference Center
1300 North Atlantic Avenue
Cocoa Beach, FL 32931

For Details:
www.aanationalarchivesworkshop.com



**Dolphin Beach Resort
St Pete Beach, Florida, USA
October 19 - 21, 2012**
For Complete Information
www.suncoastroundup.org

2012 DISTRICT 2 GENERAL SERVICE OFFICE GRATITUDE DINNER

Saturday November 17th, 2012

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

Net Proceeds to benefit GSO in New York

Doors Open: 6:00 pm

Dinner: 6:30 pm-7:45 pm

(please bring a covered dish)

Speaker: 8:00 pm

Chairperson: Ryan A., CTMD Chair Dis-
trict 2

Guest Speaker: Monica A.-PI/CPC Chair,
District 2 DCM

FOOD

FELLOWSHIP

FUN

50/50 RAFFLE

Tickets: \$6.00

For Information or to Help Out:
Barbara M. 813-752-5980



SOBER @ 7 GROUP 10th Anniversary Speaker Meeting and Dinner

Tuesday October 2nd, 2012
St. John the Divine Episcopal Church
705 9th Street SE
Ruskin, FL. 33570
\$5.00 donation per person
Pot Luck Dinner @ 6:00 pm
Speaker @ 7:00 pm
(Speaker: Bill W. Tampa, FL.)

*WE ASK YOU TO PLEASE BRING A COVERED DISH
(WITH FOOD IN IT) TO THE CHURCH
BY 5:30 P.M. SO WE CAN SETUP THE FOOD.
FOR IDEAS ON WHAT TO BRING
PLEASE JOIN US AT ONE OF OUR
OPEN DISCUSSION MEETINGS WHICH MEETS
EVERY TUESDAY AT 7:00 P.M.
All proceeds go to benefit Central Office*

The Friday Night Lights Group Movie Night to benefit Central Office DOUBLE SPEAKER MEETING 7:30 P.M.

Movie Immediately Following the Meeting

CHALK TALK

Featuring Father Joseph Martin

Bring a Newcomer

Friday, October 19th, 2012

Faithworxs Church

202 Flamingo Drive

Apollo Beach, Florida

Refreshments and Popcorn



Group	AUG	Y T D	Group	AUG	Y T D	Group	AUG	Y T D
11th Step Meeting- Christ King		250.00	Just What I Wanted Big Book		55.10	Saturday Night Candlelight		33.50
11th Step Meeting--Sun City			Keep It Simple/Pass It On		275.74	Saturday Night Fever Group	60.00	60.00
12 Steps to Growth Group		120.00	Keep It Simple - YANA		150.00	Saturday Night Live Group		314.00
164 Group			Keep It Simple Group (Dade)		224.90	Serenity Group MLK		
A.A. 101 Group		827.81	Keystone Group	143.00	886.00	Sisters in Sobriety Group		252.00
A.A. 102 Group		162.25	Kingsway Group		132.12	Sober @ 7 Group		386.79
All Groups		1,491.87	Lake Yale Spring Meetings			Sober on Saturday Group	171.00	631.05
Anniversary/Old School Gp.		1,000.00	LateNighters Group		227.27	Sober on Sunday Group		200.00
Alpha Group	10.00	80.00	Lemon Tree Group	263.90	264.60	Sober Spirits Group		10.00
Anniversary Dinner 2012		3055.00	Life Enrichment Group		222.30	SOBERSTOCK		1500.00
Annual Housecleaning Retreat			Little Red Book Group			Sobriety at Sunrise Group		33.00
Anonymous Donations	170.49	1,164.40	Live and Let Live Group	371.00	1237.00	Sobriety Group	107.44	195.18
As Bill Sees It--Brandon	300.00	600.00	Living in the Solution Group	160.00	1135.00	Softball Tournament / CO		
As Bill Sees It Mens -Odessa		605.94	Living Sober/As Bill Sees It		180.35	Solutions Group	54.82	1307.78
Attitude of Gratitude Group		500.00	Love & Service Group	38.00	38.00	Southshore Men's Group		260.00
Back to Basics Group - Tampa		100.00	Lunch Bunch Group		27.00	Southside Men's Group		
Barracks Brigade Group			Mainly Sober Group - Zhills			Southside Men's Group # 2	110.00	185.00
Bel-Mar Group		120.25	Maple Dale Group		300.00	Southside Men's Group # 3		
Beginners Step Group			Mac Dill Group			Spiritual Development Group		275.00
Bill D's Group		250.00	Mid Day Matinee Group		1500.00	Spiritual Growth Group		
BIRTHDAY PLAN		324.00	Monday Nite Madness 3333		546.80	Spiritual Progress Goup	14.95	179.40
Brandon Beginners 12 & 12		100.00	Morning Express Group		275.00	Step Sisters in Sobriety		119.11
Brandon Men's Blackbelt Mt.			Morning Group - Zephyrhills		315.00	Step at a Time Group		496.00
Brandon Sat. Night Group			Morning Meditation Meeting			Stepping Stones Group (w)		103.00
Brandon Tues. Big Book Grp			Morning Miracles Group		230.57	Sun City Center Group		
BYO 12 & 12 Group		518.44	My Turn Group			Sunday Afternoon Meeting		306.00
Came To Believe Group	195.00	487.50	New Beginnings - Brandon		702.00	Sunday Speakers - 3333	80.00	640.00
Cardinal Group - Odessa	525.20	892.29	New Beginnings Our Club		0.19	Sunshine Group		490.00
Carrollwood Group		100.00	New Beginnings Women's		120.00	Tampa Bay Fall Roundup		
Carrollwood NS Group		130.00	New Beginnings-(5:45)Joe's	799.13	1527.22	Tampa Bay Speakers Group		365.60
Chancey Road AA Group		50.00	Newcomers Group (Joe's Club)		53.06	Tampa Bay Young Peoples		
Clair-Mel Positive Thinkers Gp.		50.00	New Day Group	19.50	175.50	Tampa Bid for FCYPAA		
Clean Air Group		9.73	New Way Women's Group		992.00	Tampa Palms Big Book		335.00
Dade City Step Group		150.00	Nightly Newcomers Group		560.71	Tampa Palms Men's Group		368.20
Design for Living Grp - Joe's			Noon AA Group Brandon			Temple Terrace Men's Group		
District 2 General Service			Noon Big Book Group		261.03	TGIS Women's Group		603.28
Dover Group		77.40	Nooners Group--Riverview		108.46	Thank God it's Friday Group		
Druid Hills Group			Nooners Group--Tampa		202.75	The 164 Group		166.80
Early Risers Group - Joe's		306.90	Noontime Celebration Group	250.00	600.00	164 12 Step Workshop		272.00
Easy Does It Group		60.00	North Brandon Open Forum	35.00	105.00	The Meeting Place Group	5.02	240.87
Expect a Miracle Group		80.00	Northdale Group	121.55	254.80	The Next Frontier Group		100.00
Fill the Gap Group		55.06	Odessa Group		28.00	There is a Solution Group		
Fireside Group			Old School Group		909.43	There is a Solution Group 3333		
Founders Day Event		2,210.21	Oldtimer's Group - Joe's Club		315.00	Thurs. AM Discusion Group		50.00
Freedom in Sobriety Group	72.00	145.41	On the Way Home -Tampa 5:30		324.00	Town & Country Sisters in Sobriety		100.00
Friday Night AA @ 8 Group			One Day at a Time Group		100.00	Town & Country Wed. Group		200.00
Friday Night Lights Group		635.60	One Day at a Time Mtg.		90.00	Tuesday Night Big Book Study		75.00
Friday Night Women's Group		260.00	Palma Ceia Group		532.55	Tuesday Serenity Group		
Friday Women's Friendship		489.95	Palma Ceia 12 Step Group		187.00	Turning Point Group -Z-Hills	40.00	305.00
Gifts of Sobriety Group	100.00	308.00	Palma Ceia Big Book Study		700.00	Uptown/Downtown Group		
Good Day AA Group			Pass It On Group - Plant City			Valrico Fri. Morning Group		170.00
Good Start Group - YANA			Pilgrim Group - St Leo's Univ.		150.00	Valrico/Brandon Wed. Night Group		
Happy Hour Group Brandon			Plank Owners Group		200.00	Village 12 Step Group		
Happy Hour Group YANA			Primary Purpose Group		75.63	Warrior's Group		3.36
Harbor Lights Group			Promises Meeting		139.00	Weedpatch Group		80.00
Helping Hands Gp.-Plant City		100.00	Prosperity AA Group		126.00	Wellspring Group		140.92
Hide-A-Way Group		133.75	Raise the Bottom Group	97.00	97.00	Wednesday Night Step Workshop		
High Nooners Group	200.00	1100.00	Red Chip Day Donation			Wesley Chapel Group		245.13
Higher Learning Group			Red Door Group			West Side Winners Group		103.89
Hour Glass Group	50.00	330.00	Reflections Group-Lake Mag		325.00	With Room to Grow Group		
I.D.A.A.			Riverside Group		179.64	Women's Friendship Group		89.75
In the Wind Group		532.00	Riverview Sisterhood in Sobriety		81.73	Women's Perspective Conference		36.30
Into Action Group			Rush Hour Serenity Group		593.45			
It's in the Book Men's Group		100.00	Ruskin Fellowship Group		250.00			
Just for Today Group			Safe Haven Group		75.00			
	TOTAL	1,622.69					TOTAL	12027.91
	YTD	TOTAL	TOTAL	2298.08		Grand Total for Month	4564.00	
		20,063.76		YTD	TOTAL	Grand Total for Year	51455.57	