

# Tri-County Central Office News HAPPY BIRTHDAY AA June 10,1935

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#### TRADITION SIX PROTECTS AA

# "An AA Group ought never endorse, finance or lend the AA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose."

I find it tempting to praise all sorts of political and, religious activities that I have been involved with through the years. I believe it does not violate the spirit of Tradition Six to mention them—even by name—during an AA meeting. However, if I find myself trying to convince other AA members that they should join my church or political party, I have then gone a bridge too far. The same goes for a treatment center where I once worked. I believe competition is fine in the outside world, but it does not belong in AA rooms. Such is sure to provoke friction.

As for finances, I believe all money placed in the AA basket belongs to AA and nowhere else! Donations should support only the Intergroup; District; Area or GSO. Recovery clubs are considered as "outside enterprises" as well as detox centers and hospitals. Of course, according to Tradition Eight, a group can pay for services rendered, such as printing informational flyers, and like that. I also believe finances from the group's prudent reserves are approved for group picnics, conferences, and gas money for out-of-town speakers, etc.

What if the treasurer of a group donates the group's funds to outside enterprises? Well, is there no retribution? Page xix from the FOREWORD TO THE SECOND EDITION, states: "None of these principles have the force of rules or laws." Of course, there will be rotation and elections. But what if the entire group decides to donate some of its prudent reserve funds to an outside enterprise? This violates the First, Fourth and Sixth Tradition. What to do? Maybe nothing. However, I have seen one instance where the Intergroup Office refrained from listing an AA group that stood in violation of Tradition Three.

Tradition Six allows AA to remain autonomously free from outside influence or domination, but we must remain aware of consequences if not followed.

Bob S, Richmond, Indiana

#### UNDERSTANDING THE SIXTH STEP

According to the AA Twelve & Twelve, "This is the Step that separates the men from the boys." And, it should be added, the women from the girls. Step Six addresses the issue of our readiness to have removed the defects of character that we have identified in Step Four and that we admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being in Step Five. After the rigors of the two preceding Steps, this Step seems, at first glance, to be quick and easy. Not much is required emotionally and spiritually. This Step asks us whether or not we are entirely willing to have God remove all our defects of character. Are we willing, in other words, to behave differently from the way we have in the past? Are we willing to change ourselves and to be changed? The AA Big Book puts it this way, "Are we now ready to let God remove from us all the things which we have admitted are objectionable? Can (God) now take them all—every one?" If we are not willing, we are faced again with self-will. We are once more insisting on our own way, even when that way is destructive.

Step Six is about willingness. As we have experienced before, if we do not recognize a problem, we cannot solve it. Step Six allows us to see the problem. It focuses our attention on our unwillingness to give up the defects of character that we enjoy (such as self-righteous anger and feeling superior toward others). This recognition of the problem enables us to do something about it. "At the very least, we shall have to come to grips with some of our worse character defects and take action toward their removal as quickly as we can," suggests the AA Twelve & Twelve. "Delay is dangerous, and rebellion may be fatal. This is the exact point at which we abandon limited objectives, and move toward God's will for us." Self-will in the form of our character defects causes a lot of pain that we could otherwise avoid. A review of our Fourth Step inventory is proof enough of that. Even more important, our character defects can lead us back to our addictions or compulsions and their nightmarish consequences. The AA Twelve & Twelve describes our character defects as "flaws which must be dealt with to prevent a retreat into alcoholism." It is urgent, therefore, that we deal with these defects of character. Given that urgency, Step Six can be confusing because it seems to demand perfection. The phrase "entirely ready" is the sticking point. Who among us is entirely ready to have our defects of character removed? If we are not entirely ready, have we truly taken this Step? The AA Twelve & Twelve offers this interpretation:

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**NOTICE:** The Central Office is currently looking for two AA members to hire as 'on call part time helpers'. We are looking for people who can fill in at the Office when the Office Manager has to be away from the Office (i.e.) when he has doctor appointments, sick, etc. Some qualifications would be...a working knowledge of Quickbooks accounting and some computer skills, a good grasp of the Twelve Traditions, cash register honesty, patience, has worked the Steps, has a sponsor, has ten or more years of sobriety.....just to name a few things. As stated, this is for being "on call". You would not be working steadily all the time....that's why it's "on call". If you already have a job, this is probably not for you. If you are retired, this may fit the bill, if you have free time. To find out more, come by the Office and speak with Tim and see if this something you might like to do.

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

#### CONTACT——(877) AATAMPA or (877) 228-2672

Mike B. opened the May 8, 2021, TBAIC Zoom meeting with the Declaration of Unity. Attendees: Mike B., Scott S., Tom F., Sara R., Hezekiah D., Judy R. and John T. Mike B. presented the chair report. He attended the treatment and corrections meetings at the recent Area 15 assembly and said he was impressed with the Bridging the Gap statistics presented by District 6. He said he requested additional information from them. He also learned about the upcoming Bridging the Gap workshop and had the flyer forwarded to all TBAIC contacts. He also attended the May District 2 meeting and mentioned that a motion was passed to have all meetings held via Zoom for the rest of 2021. John T. read the minutes from the April 2021 meeting. The minutes were approved. Scott S. presented the treasurer's report. Pink Can balance is \$6,310.21. INSTITUTION MEETING UPDATES John T. indicated he received some updates for the institutions contact list and will post the updated list to the TBAIC along with monthly minutes. ACTS Henry Ave – Tom F. said most meetings are still Zoom. However, Gene L. received approval for 3 daytime face to face meetings. Tom said the facility requires outside visitors to be fully vaccinated against Covid-19 and provide proof of vaccination in order OLD BUSINESS: Mike B. said the issue with the central to enter the facility. He said he had contacted several individuals about returning to face to face meetings but so far Gene L. is the only one doing the face to face meetings. ACTS Amethyst Drew Park – John T. said all meeting are still Zoom. He said Allan D. told him he would discuss the possibility of face to face meetings with the facility director. Brandon Real Recovery Community & Environment - John T. said Jeremy G. contacted him and said the Sunday morning meeting time was changed to 11:00AM and that his home group Staying Alive at 5:45 has been handling the meetings. Judy R. asked if the meetings were for men only. John referred Judy to Jeremy and provided her his contact information. Falkenburg Women's Jail - Sara R. said the jail coordinator indicated face to face meetings can re-start as soon as all volunteers re-submit their application to access the facility. Sara said she provided that information to the list of volunteers she had. She said no new applicants will be accepted at this time. She said it make take 2 months or more for all the re-submitted applications to be processed. W.T. Edwards - Hezekiah D. said he has been conducting face to face meetings with small groups on Thursday evenings at the facility. He said all is going well. He said no new applications for access are being accepted at this time, so he is doing the meetings solo. He said he recently arranged to have facility personnel access and play a recording of a Sandy B. talk at one of the meetings. Zephyrhills CI – Tom F. said face to face meetings are being held on Friday evening. He said the new process for submitting an application to access state facilities requires individuals to submit the application with fingerprints to the corrections office in Tallahassee. He said the fingerprints can only be done at either the Polk CI or Sumter CI. He said anyone interested in volunteering should contact him for details. Pasco County Women's Jail – John T. said Tracy B. informed him the jail remains closed for visitors. Bridging the Gap - Mike B. presented the report from Tracy S. which indicated 2 calls in April and 2 calls in May - all from the same number. She indicated there was ringing but no answer when calling back. She also mentioned a problem with the Ring Central voicemail not leaving messages in her e-mail account. Tom F. said he could probably help resolve that issue, but Tracy would need to contact him.

#### **Our Next Committee Meeting**

June 12th, 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 2 in accordance with District 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

office personnel answering the Bridging the Gap calls cannot be resolved without input from Tracy S. Tom F. said he would gladly help Tracy with software problems, but she would need to contact him. He further said that there is no way that central office will or should be taking the Bridging the Gap calls. Mike said no further action will be taken on this issue. NEW BUSINESS: Mike B. said the Bridging the Gap workshop is to be held via Zoom on May 15. See flyer for details. Tom F. requested a case of large print and pocket sized Big Books for ACTS Detox. The committee voted in favor of that request and Scott S. said he would notify central office about the purchase. Meeting adjourned with the Responsibility Statement and the Lord's Prayer. The next TBAIC meeting will be Saturday, June 12, at 9:30 AM via Zoom.

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

Tampa Bay Area Institutions Committee - April 11 through May 8th...New Beginnings (Our Club)-\$125.99, Keep it Simple/Pass it On-\$163.00, Nooners Group-\$103.00, Ruskin Fellowship Group-\$85.00, Turning Point Group-\$343.00

YTD Contributions to TBAIC	\$4,247.81
Pink Can Balance 12/31/20	\$7,339.13
YTD Money Spent on Literature	\$3,995.26
YTD Expenses	\$1,281.47
Pink Can Current Balance	\$6,310.21

#### UNDERSTANDING THE SIXTH STEP

"The key words "entirely ready" underline the fact that we want to aim at the very best we know or can learn. "How many of us have this degree of readiness? In an absolute sense practically nobody has it. The best we can do, with all the honesty that we can summon, is try to have it. Even then the best of us will discover to our dismay that there is always a sticking point, a point at which we say, "No, I can't give this up yet." The AA Twelve & Twelve assures us, "Only Step One, where we made the 100 percent admission we were powerless over alcohol can be practiced with absolute perfection. The remaining eleven Steps state perfect ideal. They are goals toward which we look, and the measuring sticks by which we estimate our progress. Seen in this light, Step Six is still difficult, but not at all impossible. The only urgent thing is that we make a beginning, and keep trying." We cannot remove our character defects without the help of our Higher Power. Step Six is never completed because we cannot achieve a perfect willingness to have God remove our defects of character. The development of more and more willingness to have our defects of character removed is a lifetime process. Some days we are more willing than others. On those days more of our defects of character are removed, or they are removed to a greater extend. As with Step Three, we can turn it over and take it back in an endless cycle of my-will/Thy-will indecision. With both Steps, pray for willingness. The impossibility of achieving the Step perfectly, however, does not mean that we should not try to do it as completely as we can. The AA Twelve & Twelve says that the difference in the Sixth Step between "the boys and the men" and the girls and the women is "the difference between striving for a self-determined objective and for the perfect objective which is one of God." While we can't practice this Step perfectly, we can practice it with courage and discipline, striving for the ideal of complete readiness. Our character defects cause us pain and suffering no matter how much we love them. The more of them and their manifestations we can be rid of, the happier we will be.

Excerpt from "Twelve Step Sponsorship" by Hamilton B.

Not drinking in itself, does not bring one to sobriety or serenity. To begin to recover requires getting at the reasons behind or underneath our drinking



Skipping the steps dealing with resentments is an interesting idea, Sam. How's it working for you?

#### The Founders

A seemingly unplanned meeting in Akron, Ohio in 1935 between two men, both of whom were termed "hopeless" alcoholics, began a program of recovery that has helped millions find sobriety and serenity. Bill W. was one of those men. In fighting his own battle against drinking, he had already learned that helping other alcoholics was the key to maintaining his own sobriety, the principle that would later become Step Twelve in the Twelve Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous. A stock broker from New York, Bill W. had traveled to Akron, Ohio on May 12, 1935 for a shareholders' meeting and proxy fight, which did not turn out his way. Fighting desperately to maintain his sobriety, his immediate reaction was, "I've got to find another alcoholic." A few inquiries lead him to a meeting with an Akron surgeon, forever to be remembered simply as "Dr. Bob," who had struggled for years with his own drinking problem. The effect the meeting had on Dr. Bob was immediate, as he tells it in his own words and soon he too would put down the bottle (June 10, 1935), never to pick it up again. The bond formed between the two men would grow into a movement that would literally affect the lives of millions. Starting in an upstairs room at Dr. Bob's home at 855 Ardmore Avenue, in Akron, the two men began helping alcoholics one person at a time. It took four years to get the first 100 alcoholics sober in the first three groups that formed in Akron, New York, and Cleveland. But after the publication in 1939 of the group's "text book" Alcoholics Anonymous, and the publication of a series of articles about the group in the Cleveland Plain Dealer, the development of A.A. was rapid. Membership in the Cleveland group soon grew to 500. The response was so overwhelming, the group found itself sending out members, who had only a short time in the program themselves, to work with other new members. This was a key point in the development of Alcoholics Anonymous. For the first time, the Founders learned that recovery was something that could be "mass produced" and was not limited to the ground that they themselves could cover. After a dinner in New York in 1940, given by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., to publicize the group, membership soon grew to 2,000. An article in the Saturday Evening Post in 1941 resulted in another growth period and membership in the United States and Canada rose to 6,000. By 1951, Alcoholics Anonymous had helped more than 100,000 people recover from alcoholism and by 1973 more than one million copies of The Big Book had been distributed. Since that time the fellowship has continued to grow and has become worldwide. A number for Alcoholics Anonymous can be found in the white pages of virtually every local telephone directory. Dr. Bob died Nov. 16, 1950 and Bill W. passed on Jan. 24, 1971, but the legacy they left behind continues to touch the lives of millions.

"You know what our genius for rationalization is. If, to ourselves, we fully justify one slip, then our rationalizing propensities are almost sure to justify another one, perhaps with a different set of excuses. But one justification leads to another and presently we are back on the bottle full-time."

(As Bill Sees It...page 197)

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May 11th, 2021 the Central Office Representatives met:
COUNCIL MEMBERS REPRESENTING GROUP

MARGARET S.	CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP
DEBBIE S.	IMPROVE OUR CONSCIOUS CONTACT
KARA H.	LANGUAGE OF THE HEART MEETING
MELISSA A.	SOBRENITY GROUP
BRAD W.	TAMPA NIGHTLY NEWCOMERS GROUP
MICHAELANNE	SISTERS IN SOBRIETY GROUP
SUE Z.	CLEAN AIR GROUP
SANDRA R.	SAFE HAVEN GROUP
CHARLES McG	NEW HOPE BIG BOOK GROUP
JEFF H.	IT'S IN THE BOOK GROUP

#### NOTES FROM INSIDE THE CENTRAL OFFICE

May 11th, 2021 the Board of Directors for Central Office

AL B.	CHAIRPERSON	THURSDAY NIGHT BIG BOOK
JOHN T.	TREASURER	LIVING SOBER/PASS IT ON GROUP
RITA Y.	BOARD MEMBER	OLD SCHOOL GROUP
Absent	BOARD MEMBER	KEYSTONE GROUP
BRIAN L.	BOARD MEMBER	BARRACKS BRIGADE GROUP
OPEN	BOARD MEMBER	

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. Secretary Report: Tim gave a brief synopsis of where we are currently standing here at the Central Office in April. Treasurers Report: Tim presented the April Treasurer's Report. Contributions in April totaled \$ 10,468.15. This accounts for what 76 Groups or individuals in our area have contributed in April. 10 of those contributions were for \$ 3.00 or less. Included we also received \$ 393.00 from 9 members for the Birthday Club. We also received from the Anniversary Challenge \$ 8.58 from the Alpha Group and \$ 2,168.97 from the Ripple Effect Challenge hosted by the Sisters in Sobriety Group. Our literature sales for April was \$ 8,726.30. This includes sales from A.A. material and non-A,A, material (medallions—etc.) Our total income for April was \$ 18,503.54. Our Total Cost of Goods Sold was \$ 6,413.07. Subtracting the Total Cost of Goods Sold from our April income left us with a Gross Profit of \$ 12,090.47. Our Total Expenses for April were \$ 8,289.65. Subtracting our Expenses from our Gross Profit gave us a Net Income of plus+\$ 3800.82 for the month of April. Old Business: None. New Business: Al announced that Central Office was looking for one or two applicants for part-time work at the Central Office. Melissa was wondering when the Jails & Institutions would start back up. John replied that he would give her Sara's number since was coordinating the Women's Jails. He also explained that everyone would need to re-apply on their previous applications and maybe in a few months they would be able to start doing meetings. Announcements: Brad asked about the qualifications for the part-time positions, what days and time Tim explained that it was more on a on call basis. No set days or time. If I have a doctors appointment or woke up sick in the morning and needed someone to come in. Michaelanne asked if it was okay to post this info on Sisters in Sobriety social media and Tim replies that it was okay. Jeff asked about the Fall Roundup. couldn't find the date on flyer in the newsletter. Brad posted the flyer on the chat. Rita asked about what sobriety was needed for the part-time help. Tim replied at least 10 years of sobriety, a sponsor. worked the Steps, knowledge of the Traditions, some computer skills and how to work with Quickbooks or at least a fast learneretc. Meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer.

The next Board & Council Meeting will be June 8th, 2021 at 7:00 pm on ZOOM

Timothy S. Office Manager/Secretary for the Board & Council

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.

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. Members customarily contribute \$1, \$2 or even \$5 a year for each year of sobriety—others may give a penny or a nickel a day for each day of their sobriety. Ask your Treasurer if they have any Birthday envelopes available. We usually send one out when a group sends in their contribution to Central Office or call or email your Central Office. 933-9123 or aainfo@aatampa-area.org

So the next time your group is talking about sending out contributions, think about the bigger picture here, think about what each of the different service entities do to help maintain A.A. so that you can have your meeting and remember also, that all the A.A. Service entities need not only your physical support but also your financial support

ANNIVERSARY TIME It Work-It Really Does—Ask them how they did it!!!				SELF-SUPPORT-MAY 2021
GROUP	Honors To	Date	Years	© Today in May of 2021 COVID has changed the way
SOBRENITY GROUP	MARTIN S.	05/25/98	23 YRS	many groups contribute to the Central Office. Some
JUST WHAT I WANTED	GINA S.	06/14/19	2 YRS	groups have remained steady in their contributions, some groups have gone to ZOOM, A few ZOOM
JUST WHAT I WANTED	JACKIE R.	06/01/06	15 YRS	groups have made some contributions and other groups
JUST WHAT I WANTED	SANDY G.	06/15/93	28 YRS	have folded for a lack of a space to have their meeting. It's certainly a time to renew our efforts and
JUST WHAT I WANTED	LINDA B.	06/09/88	33 YRS	practice the meaning of the Serenity Prayer a little bit more. Contributions in May totaled \$ 4,452.70. This
RIVERSIDE GROUP	TOM N.	06/28/03	18 YRS	accounts for what 43 Groups or individuals in our area
RIVERSIDE GROUP	MARCY	06/13/99	22 YRS	have contributed in May. 8 of those contributions were for \$ 3.00 or less. Included we also received \$ 228.00
SOUTHSIDE BLACKBELT	ERIC H.	06/28/05	16 YRS	from 6 members for the Birthday Club. We also
MUSTARD SEED GROUP	GENE L.	06/10/78	43 YRS	received \$ 395.27 from contributions through our PayPal account. Our literature sales for May was
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP	DIANE M.	06/21/11	10 YRS	\$ 4,52435 and \$ 7.00 for a Newsletter subscription. This includes sales from A.A. material and non-A,A,
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP	JERI T.	06/07/10	11 YRS	material (medallions—etc.) Our total income for May
FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP	KATHIE N.	06/11/79	42 YRS	was \$ 8,992.54. Our Total Cost of Goods Sold was \$ 3,161.73. Subtracting the Total Cost of Goods Sold
CAME TO BELIEVE	COLLEN	06/22/15	6 YRS	from our May income left us with a Gross Profit of
CAME TO BELIEVE	WENDY	06/08/15	6 YRS	\$ 5,830.81. Our Total Expenses for May were \$ 7,687.05. Subtracting our Expenses from our Gross
CAME TO BELIEVE	BOB P.	06/23/85	36 YRS	Profit gave us a Net Income of minus-\$ 2,251.51 for the month of May. As a friendly reminder, we now have
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	PETER L.	06/24/00	21 YRS	a contribution button on our web site www.aatampa-area.org. Many meetings are still live,
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	JUDY K.	06/24/93	28 YRS	but many have gone to ZOOM for the time being due to
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	JOHN v L	06/07/89	32 YRS	the requirements of the facility that they meet in. We thank you for your continuing support. As they say in
LIVING SOBER AS BILL SEES IT	JOHN T.	06/10/85	36 YRS	the rooms of AA "this too shall past." And this virus will too. No matter <i>how good or bad</i> it may appear that
RUSH HOUR SERENITY	JAY McC.	06/01/86	35 YRS	we are doing from one month to another, it takes your consistent contributions and support to keep us
STEPPING STONES	RITA C.	06/28/04	17 YRS	operating on a steady level. As our AA membership continues to grow in the Tampa Bay area, despite the
5:45 HAPPY HOUR GROUP	CHUCK R.	06/21/80	41 YRS	COVID pandemic, the demand for more and more
STEPSISTERS IN SOBRIETY	MINDY W.	06/08/93	25 YRS	material and services has started to expand and so we continue to try and strive to keep up with the
ON THE WAY HOME	DONNA C.	06/27/06	15 YRS	demand. That is only possible with your continued support. Thank you for all of your support!!!
ON THE WAY HOME	TOM L.	06/18/06	15 YRS	A Note from Tim, Office Manager: I wanted to
ON THE WAY HOME	LISANN M.	06/06/89	32 YRS	apologize to everyone who reads our Newsletter for
A BIRTHDAY CLUB ONE DOLLAR OR M		getting the "News" out lateagain and also falling behind on getting the Board and Council Minutes and the new Meeting Where & When Schedules out.		
Home Group	Honors To	Date	Years	I have recently had cataract surgery in both eyes along with other doctor appointments within the last
SIMPLY SOBRIETY	CINDY L.	04/11/07	14 YRS	month or so and it has thrown me behind, somewhat.
NEW WAY WOMEN'S	JANE A.	05/93	28 YRS	I plan on getting back on track as soon as possible, and I am sorry for any inconvenience this may have
NEW BEGINNINGS	SUZANNE B.	05/31/90	31 YRS	caused for any of you waiting to read the "News" or
NEW WAY WOMEN'S LIVING SOBER AS BILL SEES IT	DEB T.	06/07/90	31 YRS	waiting for the new schedules. Thanks, Support your
	JOHN T.	06/10/85	36 YRS	Central Office. ☺
NEW WAY WOMEN'S	KARREN McG	06/10/75	46 YRS	

### MORE NEWS AROUND THE TOWN & THE AREA

#### **DISTRICT 2 GENERAL SERVICE** ACCESSIBILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

Meets 1st Saturday of each Month @ 11:30 am at: Tri-County Central Office 8019 North Himes Avenue Ste. 104 Tampa, Florida 33614

Accessibilities Committee assist A.A. members who have a variety of challenges in accessing the A.A. message in A.A. meetings, Twelve Step work and other A.A. service. While there are no special alcoholics, there are alcoholics who experience access barriers to receiving the A.A. message. For some, a six-inch step can be an insurmountable obstacle. A locked access door, blocked ramp or parking problem can make it impossible to get to a meeting. Some members are ill, homebound or living in retirement or convalescent homes; others have hearing or vision loss, learning, reading or information-processing challenges; and still others are elderly, use wheelchairs or canes, or have other mobility concerns. Literature may be hard to understand. Childcare issues may make it impossible to attend regular meetings. Remote geography or cultural differences may hinder contact with other members. You are invited to attend our meeting and see if this is a type of service work you would be interested in. The coffee is free. Any Questions contact: Brian L. 813-607-0790 BLORIG759@gmail.com

# A.A. Trivia Night proceeds to benefit

Central Office



### Test your AA knowledge! Monday, June 21, 8pm

Hosted by the Wellspring Recovery Group

\$5 a player (a team may consist of up to 4 players).

12x12 Meeting at 7pm Trivia at 8pm The Wellspring Recovery Group At Bay Hope Westchase Church 10701 Sheldon Rd, Tampa, FL 33626

#### Save this Date!

September 3-5, 2021

35th Annual Tampa Bay Fall Roundup

"Finding Courage during the most Challenging times"

Tampa Bay @tbfr1987

Last four numbers on Acct# 7663



#### MTG ID: 893 5402 6934

PW: 202121:

#### Speakers:

The 5 Hickom Brothers - Akron, OH/ Mark C - Folkstone, England/ D - Concord, CA/ Ivan - Africa Tino H - London, England/ Y'israel C - Israel/ Hammish McS - Dundee, Scotland/ Andrea McC -Dundee, Scotland/ Jody W — Australia/ Jessica B — London, England/ Hussain F - Oman, Dubai/ Debbie



Family Workshops ■ Young People Meeting ■ Golf Tournament ASL Interpreting ■ LGBTQ Meetings ■ 5k Run/Walk

Ice Cream Socials ■ Dances and Entertainment ■ Marathon Meetings Spanish Speaking Meetings ■ Grapevine ■ Archives Room

Old Timers Meeting ■ Meditation Meetings ■ Al-Anon

Convention Merchandise ■ Photo ops with our CoFounders Bill & Dr. Bob ■ Yoga



## Guest Speakers: Steve V. - Jacksonville, FL Heather G. - Louisville, KY June G. - Los Angeles, CA Robyn G. (AFG) - Winston-Salem, No Charlie C. - Los Angeles, CA

#### Host Hotel Information

Hyatt Regency Jacksonville Riverside 225 East Coastline Dr. ■ Jacksonville, Florida 32202 (904) 588-1234 ■ 1-800-492-8804

https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/JAXRJ/G-A Rates:

Standard King/Double \$134.00

Suites \$149.00 to \$259.00

Discount Rate Code: G-AAFI Rates will be honored 3 days before and 3 days after the convention dates, based on availability

All rooms are subject to state and local taxes

This Hotel Is Non-smoking

Advance Deposit of first night's room and tax are due a time of reservation.
Check-in 3 P.M. — Check-out 12 P.M.

Parking Rates: \$12/day Self Parking \$17/day Valet Parking

Group	MAY	YTD	Group	MAY	YTD	Group	MAY	YTD
11th Step Group- Christ King	1412 1	110	Live and Let Live Group	1412 1	110	Sober @ 7 Group	1417 1	211.00
114 C N P C					110.00	Sober @ 7 Group Anniversary		440.00
11th Step Meditation AA 101 Group		200.00	Living in the Solution LivingSober/As Bill Sees It		110.00	Challenge Sober on Saturday Group	200.00	440.00
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Alpha Group		180.00	Lunch Bunch Group			Challenge		100.00
Alpha Group Anniversary Challenge		107.58	Lutz @ Noon			SoberSticks Event		200.47
Anniversary Challenge 2021		295.00	Mad Dogs Group			Sobrenity Group Sobrenity Group Anniversary		390.47
Annual Housecleaning		200.00	Mid Day Madness Group		30.00	Challenge		87.00
Anonymous Donations	304.61	3803.15	Mid Day Matinee Group		1,200.00	Sobrietea Women's Group		65.25
As Bill Sees ItRiverview			Morning Express Group	204.10	234.10	Sobriety at Sunrise Group		
As Dill Soos It Mons Odosso		191.99	My Turn Croun		1,200.00	Social Distancing Group of AA (Zoom)	250.00	250.00
As Bill Sees It Mens Odessa Attitude of Gratitude Group		100.00	My Turn Group  Never Too Early Group		215.00	Sobriety at Sunset Group	250.00	230.00
Back to Basics Group		100.00	Never Too Early Group(Zoom)	160.00	160.00	Solutions Group		130.00
Barracks Brigade Group		34.00	New Beginnings-(5:45)Joe's	132.24	156.63	Southshore Men's Group		247.00
Beginners Group		104.00	New Beginnings Brandon		215.00	Southside Men's Group # 1		875.00
Bill D's Group			New Beginnings-(Our Club)		468.15	Southside Men's Group # 2		
BIRTHDAY CLUB	192.00	832.00	New Hope Big Book		258.39	Southside Men's Group #3		
Brandon Free Thinkers			New Tampa Monday Men's		394.76	Southside Men's Group #4		
BrandonSaturday Night By the Book Men's Group			New Way Women's Group Next Door Group		25.00	Spiritual Development Spiritual Growth Group		<del>                                     </del>
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BYO 12 & 12 Group		78.75	Challenge		127.00	Staying Alive @ 5:45 Group		400.00
Came To Believe Group		354.30	Nooners GroupRiverview	87.36	399.73	Staying Alive @ 5:45 Anniversary Challenge		500.00
Cardinal Group - Odessa	2.40	435.30	Nooners GroupRiverview Nooners GroupTampa	81.00	716.52	Step Sisters in Sobriety	260.00	260.00
Clean Air Group		75.00	Noontime Celebration Gp.		450.00	Stepping Stones Group (w)		
Close to Home Group			Northdale Group			Sun City Center Group		38.60
District Two General Service	1.00	667.00	Old School Group		253.00	Sunday Afternoon Step Mtg		
Dover Group Druid Hills Big Book Group			Old School Gp Anniversary On the Way Home Tpa 5:30		200.00	Sunday Speakers - 3333 Sunshine Group		55.00
Early Risers Group - Joe's		108.25	One Day at a Time Group		400.00	Sweet Surrender Group		114.60
Expect a Miracle Group			Palma Ceia Group			Tampa Bay Institutions	50.00	236.00
Experience, Strength & Hope	50.00	150.00	Palma Ceia Big Book Group			Tampa Bay Speakers Gp.	257.92	574.84
FCYPAA Committee Anniversary Challenge		343.00	Pathfinders Group		100.00	Tampa Group		1.34
Fireside Group		343.00	Pilgrim Group -St Leo's		218.00	Tampa Nightly Newcomers-Zoom	149.68	476.89
Freedom in Sobriety Group		82.80	Plank Owners Group		220.00	Tampa Palms Big Book		165.64
Fresh Start Group		67.00	Primary Purpose Group			Tampa Sat Night Speakers	50.00	350.00
Friday Night Lights Group	19.20	42.99	Promises Meeting Group		138.00	TGIS Group		
Friday Night Big book			Reflections Group-Lake Mag			Thank God it's Friday Group		255.00
Friday Women's Gp Anniversary Challenge		175.00	Riverside Group		122.20	The 164 Group		
Friday Morning Women's Friendship			Rule 62/Keep it Simple		194.25	The 164 Group Wesley Chapel		
Grapevine Gals Group			Rush Hour Serenity Group			The Meeting Place Group		
Grupo Solo por Hoy		3.00	Ruskin Fellowship Group		100.00	T & C Sisters in Sobriety Group		151.20
Grupo Un Milagro En Tampa	<b>52.00</b>	3.00	Ruskin 11th Step Meditation		42.00	Turning Point Group -Z-H.		65.00
Happy Destinty Group Helping Hands GpP.C.	53.00	142.40	Safe Haven Group Safe, Sane &Sober Group	179.50	199.50	UT 717 Group Wed Night Step Workshop		
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Hide-A-Way Group		175.34	Challenge		300.00	Wed Keep it Simple Group		50.00
High Nooners Group	200.00	500.00	Saturday Night Fever Gp. Saturday Night Live Group		100 07	Wellspring Group	E0 45	333.10
Hi Nooners Group Plant City Hope Floats Group	100.00 178.57	300.00 178.57	Saturday Night Live Group Saturday Serenity Group	243.00	188.86 243.00	Wesley Chapel Group With Room to Grow Group	50.45	50.45
It's in the Book Group	100.00	248.50	Seekers of Serenity II Group	275.00	42.77	Women's Big Book Tampa	70.00	70.00
It's in the Book Anniversary Challenge		100.00	Serenity GroupZOOM		15.00	Women's Big Book Ruskin		
In Loving Memory			Simply Sobriety Women's Group		402.67	Women's Friendship Group		
Just What I Wanted Big Book	2.40	5.40	Simply Sobriety Anniversary Challenge		175.00			
Keep It Simple/Pass It On	2.70	257.84	Sisters 12 n 12 Group (Zoom)	223.00	223.00			
Keep it Simple Group Dade City		865.70	Sisters in Sobriety Group		630.67			
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Keeping It Real Group  Keystone Group	466.00	183.75 698.00	Challenge Sober @ 6 Group		2,168.97			<del>                                     </del>
Kingsway Group	700.00	390.00	Donations thru PayPal	131.32	3,656.55			
Life Enrichment Group		390.00			,			
Little Harbor Grapevine Group		404.00				Total	1,338.05	
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			Total	1,441.52		Monthly Total	4,448.70	
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YTD Total		14,529.01	YTD Total		16,719.45	YTD Total		8,143.38
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