



JULY 2016



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4 CFI office CLOSED	5 Central Florida CPC meeting 7:15 pm Orlando	6	7	8 JULY 8-9-10 North FL Area Assembly Gainesville	9 JULY 8-9-10 North FL Area Assembly Gainesville
10 Deadline for Intergrouper submissions July 8-9-10 North FL Area Assembly Gainesville	11	12 District 18 6:30 pm St. Stephen's Lutheran 2140 W. SR 434 Longwood	13	14	15	16
17	18 District 11 7:15 pm 1st Unitarian 1901 E Robinson St. Orlando	19	20 Service Com- mittee 6:30 pm Intergroup Office 283 Live Oaks Blvd. #6 Casselberry	21	22 My Name is Bill W - Movie 8 pm - Christ Church Unity 771 Holden Av Orlando Snacks provided	23
24	25 District 10 6:30 pm Winter Park Group 5407 Lake Howell Rd Winter ParK	26 District 9 6:30 pm Crossroads Gr 5205 S Orange Ave Ste 204 Orlando	27	28	28	30
31 Delegates Meeting 11:30 am Central, 310 E Colonial Dr, Orlando						

**I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere reaches out for help,
I want the hand of AA always to be there.
And for that I am responsible!**

24 Hour Hotline - Call (407) 260-5822

Intergrupper



July 2016

Office Hours
9-4 M-F
10-2 Saturday
Closed Sunday

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Double Standards

(by Anonymous)

As a young girl growing up, I was well aware that boys were treated differently than girls. In some ways I guess, I was jealous but I was glad that I was a girl. I started going to parties at the age of 16 and there was always alcohol, but I drank in moderation. The guys always drank to get drunk.

I never noticed that drinking was catching up to me, and when I graduated I went to college. My first year was nothing but frat parties, drinking and sex. After my first year, my parents said if I didn't improve my grades, they were going to stop throwing good money after bad. My second year was a repeat of my first year - parties, drinking and having sex.

I left school, got married, had twins and stopped drinking for a long period of time. A lot of my friends were having marital problems. I noticed that the wives stayed while their husbands straightened their lives out from drinking. In contrast, I noticed that the husbands would leave when their wives had a drinking problem. I didn't know what the story was, but I went back to drinking. Maybe it was out of boredom, but when the kids starting going to school, I started sitting around with the housewives and eventually the drinking caught up to me again.

My husband was nice enough to give me an ultimatum, to either do something about my drinking or he would leave and take the kids with him. I

went to a detox, but instead of following up and going to a rehab, I went back home thinking that I was cured. Needless to say, I picked up the drink and my husband left with the kids.

With nothing to look forward, I drowned my sorrows in the bottle. I started sleeping around with different men, just for drinks. I got into a terrible car accident, I was driving with three times the legal limit of alcohol in my system. By the grace of God, there was no one hurt, and the DA, instead of sending me to jail, sent me to a rehab.

I am sober now and have been for one-and-a-half years. I have a sponsor, sponsee and a host of female friends, but more importantly than all of that, I see my children again. I know that it is only by the Grace of God that I am able to tell this story and not be just another statistic. I pray every day to my Higher Power that I muster up the strength to stay sober just for today. If anyone, anywhere reaches out for help, I want my hand to be there.



AA's Twelve Steps are principles for personal recovery. The Twelve Traditions ensure the unity of the Fellowship. The Twelve Concepts for World Service provide a group of related principles to help ensure that various elements of A.A.'s service structure remain responsive and responsible to those they serve. Step Seven: "Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings" Tradition Seven: "Every group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions." Concept Seven: "The Trustees have legal rights while the rights of the Conference are traditional."



Happy Anniversary!

Altamonte Springs

Bill R - 40
Marc F - 7
Mike F - 6
Justin M - 1
Rob C - 1

Central Group

Mike S - 29
Dan S - 16
Victoria R - 16
Nancy L - 10
Nathan H - 7
Michael M - 5
Francis T - 4
Blue - 2
Cherie - 1

Clean Air

Brian R - 19
Patty G - 14
Deborah K - 10
Jay M - 7
Guy Y - 6

College Park Triangle

Chet P - 32
Patrick G - 19
Katie R - 8

Crossroads

Mark S - 25
Tiffany S - 2
David J - 1
Shane D - 1
Rafael S - 1
Joseph V - 1

Dr. Phillips

Richie N - 27
Mike M - 27
Mark B - 10
Valerie F - 8
Robert H - 4
Larry H - 3
Lionel O - 1
Clarke S - 1
Joe H - 1

Fortunate Few

Burt L - 25

Friendship

Jim M - 46

Greenhouse

Bradley F - 31
Mike S - 31
Marianne M - 23
Pam R - 19
Nick C - 16
"CJ" James R - 16
Christine - 7
Eric - 4
Sue - 4
Beth P - 3

Happy Hour

Deb S - 34
Knobby - 30
Cheryl R - 14
John S - 11

Living Sober

Thomas B - 37
Alana L - 1
Julie A - 1
Ashley M - 1

Made A Beginning

Gina M - 1
Cris D - 1
Julie Y - 1

Mostly Agnostic Group of Drunks

Holly D - 6

Oviedo

Fred S - 21
Carol C - 12
Matt F - 5
Lee Ann - 4
Christian - 4
Duane S - 4
Vicki B - 4
Barney B - 3
Tom S - 3

Oviedo Women's

Windy - 18
Karen H - 16
Sarah P - 3
Suzy - 3
Karyn S - 1
Cindi G - 1

Pass It On

Judy C - 28
Bobby C - 14
Linda A - 9
Moirra H - 7
Richie P - 7
Norelle A - 6
Lance M - 6
Susan S - 5
Wendell W - 3
Renee S - 2
Colin H - 2
Cindy U - 1

Pine Hills Grace

Carol C - 32
Ally B - 29
Gary Mc - 29
Roy H 25
Trish W - 21
Willie R - 21
Jonathan G - 19
Mark P - 19
Don B - 18
Darrell S - 17
Issan B - 17
Edith A - 11
Megan H - 6
Darrick B - 5
Mark P - 4
Danielle H - 3
Eru D - 3
Franklin M - 3
George Mc - 3
Jason R - 3
Loreatha B - 3
Laura T - 3
Tony C - 3
Veronica D - 3

Christina Mc - 2

Cyndi S - 2
Becky D - 2
Johanne E - 2
Richard Mc - 2
Rob S - 2

Sober Won

Harold K - 25
Billy M - 10
Maggie W - 3
Linda N - 1

South Sanford

John - 38
Tim C - 37
David E - 27
Sean C - 17
Mary F - 12
Terry M - 11
Rolando - 9
John S - 9
Leon J - 4
AC - 2
Brian P - 2

The Home Group

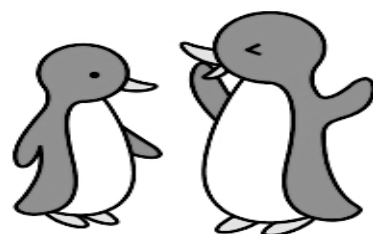
William F - 13
Brenda C - 4

Three Legacies

Willy R - 21
Sally S - 11
Debra M - 8
Tam M - 2
Joan D - 1
Alex D - 1

Winter Park

Jimmy G - 32
Norman D - 32
Julie C - 28
Carole M - 26
Susan W - 23
Heather E - 22
John - 16
William F - 13
Julie C - 11
Barbra D - 9
Bill C - 9
James S - 8
Christine D - 7
Tim D - 7
Vicki O - 7
Blake F - 5
Diana J - 5
Mandi - 5
Nick T - 5
Donna W - 4
Alex D - 4
Amanda M - 3
Beth P - 3
Curt S - 3
Daphne G - 3
Dock - 3
Nick O - 3
Steve G - 3
Steve B - 3
Ronnie M - 3
Jeff F - 2



May 2016 Contributions

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS:

226 Men's	\$49.22
Another Grateful Day	\$100.00
Apopka Big Book	\$40.00
Back to Basics	\$50.00
Central Orlando	\$931.07
Crossroads	\$168.00
Fortunate Few	\$185.00
Geneva Trailblazers	\$20.00
High Noon	\$113.00
Keystone	\$25.00
Made A Beginning	\$223.88
Miracles Happen	\$50.00
Oviedo Women's	\$125.00
Pass It On	\$500.00
Ponderosa	\$100.00
Serenity Now	\$100.00
Step 11 Seekers	\$20.00
Sunset	\$50.00
The Hope Group	\$140.02
Upper Room	\$200.00
Winter Park	\$400.00

TOTAL GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS \$3,590.19

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Anonymous/Anniversary	\$24.80
Anonymous	\$5.00
Anonymous	\$5.00

TOTAL INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS \$34.80

TOTAL MAY CONTRIBUTIONS \$3,624.99

Intergroup Abbreviated Profit & Loss Statement			
	Jan-May Actual	Jan-May Budget	\$ Over/Under
Gross Revenue	\$48,653	\$43,350	\$5,303
Cost of Goods Sold	\$18,398	\$17,500	\$ 897
Gross Profit	\$30,256	\$25,850	\$4,406
Total Expense	\$29,773	\$34,233	(\$4,501)
Net Ordinary Income	\$ 524	(\$ 8,383)	\$8,907
Net Fundraising/Activities	\$ 1,578	\$ 1,300	\$ 278
Net Income	\$ 2,102	(\$7,083)	\$ 9,185

We welcome your stories.....

Come, share with us your experience, strength and hope as you would in a meeting, only this time share it in print.

You don't have to be a great writer. You may even cringe at the thought of getting all the spelling right. No fear and no excuse for that.

We're here, if needed, to help with the spelling, punctuation, and grammar. If you're not sure just how to word something, we can help you with that, too.

Think of writing for the Intergrouper as a form of service work. Your story may say just what someone needs to not pick up that next drink. Or, what you say may inspire someone to have hope in what had seemed like a hopeless situation.

Send your story to cfi@embarqmail.com by the 10th of the month prior to publication.

Tips on Creating Better Fliers

Most fliers are printed in the Intergrouper at a quarter of a page size which is 3-7/8" by 4-7/8". If you design your flier on a full sized 8-1/2" by 11" page, it will have to be shrunk to a mere 1/4 of its original size to fit in the Intergrouper. This can result in some text being too small to be easily read.

To avoid this, design your flier, if possible, in the size in which it will actually be printed.

About print color: the safest policy is to use standard black. Colors such as shades of green and others which may look good in color on a screen often print too light in black and white.

Illustration:



North Florida Area Conference Area Assembly

July 8-9-10, 2016

Not Just for GSRs

Come One Come all

Alunos talleres
traducidos en espanol



Corrections
Workshop

Treatment
Workshop

Public Info
Workshop



Intergroup
Workshop



Workshops - Fellowship - Free!
Saturday - 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Friday - 8:00 PM Discussion Meeting
Saturday - 8:00 PM Speaker Meeting
Sunday - 9:00 AM Business Meeting

Literature
Workshop

Traditions
Las Tradiciones

Cooperation with
Professional Community
Workshop

Concepts
Workshop

Archives
Workshop



Got Questions - get them
answered here.

Wyndham Garden Gainesville
2900 SW 13 St.
Gainesville, FL 32608
Phone: (352) 377-4000
(Same hotel, new name)

aanorthflorida.org

Editorial: On the 7th Tradition

The A.A. Groups themselves ought to be fully supported by the voluntary contribution of their own members. We think that each group should soon achieve its ideal: that any public solicitation of funds using the name of Alcoholics Anonymous is highly dangerous, whether by groups, clubs, hospitals or other outside agencies; that acceptance of large gifts from any source, or of contributions carrying any obligation whatever, is unwise. Then too, we view with much concern those A.A. treasuries which continue, beyond prudent reserves, to accumulate funds for no stated A.A. purpose. Experience has often warned us that nothing can so surely destroy our spiritual heritage as futile disputes over property, money, and authority.

Our growth continuing, the combined income of Alcoholics Anonymous members will soon reach the astounding total of \$250,000,000, a quarter of billion dollars yearly. This is the direct result of A.A. membership. Sober we now have it, drunk we would not.

By contrast, our overall A.A. expenses are trifling.

For instance, the A.A. General Office now costs us \$1.50 per member a year. As a fact, the New York office asks the groups for this sum twice a year because not all of them contribute. Even so, the sum per member is exceedingly small. If an A.A. happens to live in a large metropolitan center where an intergroup office is absolutely essential to handle heavy inquiries and hospital arrangements he contributes (or probably should contribute) about \$5.00 annually. To pay the rent of his own group meeting place, and maybe coffee and doughnuts, he might drop \$25.00 a year in the hat. Or, if he belongs to a club it could be \$50.00. In case he takes The A.A. Grapevine he squanders an extra \$2.50!

So, the A.A. member who really meets his group responsibilities finds himself liable for about \$5.00 a month on the average. Yet his own personal income may be anywhere between \$200. and \$2,000. a month--the direct result of not drinking.

"But", some will contend, "our friends want to give us money to furnish that new club house. We are a new small group. Most of us are still pretty broke. What then?"

I am sure that myriads of the A.A. voices would now answer the new group saying, "Yes, we know just how you feel. We once solicited money ourselves. We even solicited publicly. We thought we could do a lot of good with other peoples' money. But we found that kind of money too hot to handle. It aroused unbelievable controversy. It simply wasn't worth it. Besides, it set a precedent which has tempted many people to use the valuable name of Alcoholics Anonymous for other than A.A. purposes. While there may be little harm in a small friendly loan which your group really means to repay, we really beg you to think hard before you ask the most willing friend to make a large donation. You can, and you soon will, pay your own way. For each of you these overhead expenses will never amount to more than the price of one bottle of good whiskey a month. You will be everlastingly thankful if you pay this small obligation yourselves.

When reflecting on these things, why should not each of us tell himself, "Yes, we A.A.s were once a burden on everybody. We were 'takers.' Now that we are sober, and by the Grace of God have become responsible citizens of the world, why shouldn't we now about face and become 'thankful givers'! Yes, it is high time we did!".

Bill W.

New Meeting

THE LAST HOUSE ON THE BLOCK



Tuesdays 7 - 8 PM
Open Discussion

Saturdays
7 - 8 PM
Open Speaker

@ New Life Church
(Church of God In Christ)
101 S. Clarke Road
Ocoee, FL 34761

*This is a Non-Smoking Meeting
(No smoking permitted anywhere on the premises)*

Meeting is Handicapped Accessible

COME CHECK OUT THE

CLEAN AIR GROUP

238 WILSHIRE PLAZA, Suite 109, CASSELBERRY

WE'RE HARD TO FIND, BUT WORTH IT!

MON - SAT AT NOON & 7:30pm, SUN 10:30am

Mon NOON:	CLOSED DISCUSSION	EVE: CLOSED CANDLELIGHT/MEDITATION
Tues NOON:	CLOSED DISCUSSION	EVE: OPEN GRAPEVINE
Wed NOON:	CLOSED DISCUSSION	EVE: OPEN LIVING SOBER
Thur NOON:	CLOSED STEP	EVE: OPEN AS BILL SEES IT
Fri NOON:	CLOSED DISCUSSION	EVE: CLOSED BIG BOOK
Sat NOON:	OPEN DISCUSSION	EVE: OPEN CANDLELIGHT
Sun 10:30am:	CLOSED DISCUSSION EXCEPT 4 TH (BIRTHDAY) OPEN SPEAKER	

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7 am Tuesday Morning Meeting

Living Sober
@
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Apopka

**Apopka Big Book
July Speakers**

Thursdays @ 8 pm

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
261 S. McGee Avenue, Apopka

07/07	Joe V.	Conway
07/14	Carolina T.	Longwood
07/21	Melanie E.	Sober Won
07/28	Jerry H.	Bridge



DISTRICT 9 PRESENTS
AA MOVIE NIGHT

MY NAME IS BILL W.

Date & Time
Friday, July 22nd
Doors Open: 7:30
Showtime: 8:00 pm

Location
Christ Church Unity
771 Holden Ave.
Orlando, FL 32839

Snacks Provided
Popcorn
Candy
Chips
Coffee
Water



Based on the true story of Bill W., a successful stock broker whose life falls apart after the stock crash of the 20's and how he comes to grips with his alcoholism. Along with a fellow alcoholic he forms a support group that would eventually become Alcoholics Anonymous.

District 18 Treatment Committee is presenting a workshop for all those bringing meetings, or wanting to bring meetings, into treatment facilities. Treatment providers who want to know more about how AA can help their alcoholic clients will learn more about bridging the gap programs. Participants will learn how the hand of AA can reach out to the suffering alcoholic in treatment facilities.

**Workshop Sponsored by
District 18 Treatment Committee**

**Saturday, August 27, 2016
2-6 pm (Food & beverages provided)**

Rebos Club, 130 Normandy, Casselberry



**the
coffee
house**



HAPPY HOUR UNPLUGGED!

◀ Hosted by Happy Hour Group ▶

283 Live Oaks Blvd. Casselberry - 32707 (By Intergroup Office)
July 9, After 7 PM Meeting, Till You Hear Your Mama Call!

**WANTED! SOBER ROCKERS AND PARTY
PEOPLE TO HAVE A COOL MUSICAL
EXPERIENCE AND CARRY THE MESSAGE TO
THOSE SUFFERING OF A BORING LIFE!**

Bring?

- Your Instrument (Small "Pignose" Amp Max)
- Sing Along! (Attitude More Important than Talent)
- Good Coffee By Us! Snacks, Deserts Etc. Welcomed
- Desire to Listen, Play, & Enjoy Cool Fellowship

*New
Meeting*



Language of the Heart

Every Thursday
(Closed Discussion)
12:30 - 1:30 pm

@
St. Richard's Episcopal Church
5151 Lake Howell Road
Winter Park FL 32792

God

You are unconditional love,
the source of everything good.
You are the light in my soul.
You are the provider of courage,
strength and wisdom.
Through Your grace, I believe
I can have a new life
of happiness, joy, truth,
self-respect and purpose.
You offer me peace and clarity of mind.
You never withhold Yourself from me.
Now matter what I have done.
I am your child and
Your plans for me are perfect.
You are my protector.
Your presence comforts and strengthens me.
You place people in my life to prove You care.
You work through others.
I am never alone.

Maryann C.

