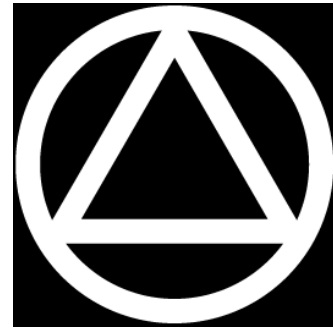


West Pasco / Tarpon Springs Inter-Group

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AA HOTLINE 727 847-0777

AL-ANON HOTLINE 352-697-0497

Step Five: “Admitted to god, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.”

Tradition Five: “Each group has but one primary purpose—to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.”

Unity Meeting

NPR Kiss Group, hosts the monthly **Unity Meeting**, 7 PM Saturday, May 19, at Redeemer Community Church, 9230 Ridge Rd., NPR, 1 mile E. of Little Rd., S. side. Come and enjoy fellowship, two speakers & dessert while supporting AA work. June Unity host: **Tropical Attitude Men’s Meeting**, Saturday, May 19, same time and place.

Will your group sponsor a Unity meeting? Call Lorraine R., Unity Coordinator, (727)452-6243.

April Central Office

- Nightline calls.....56**
- Office calls.....98**
- Walk-ins.....63**

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Step Five:

Reprinted from June 2009 Grapevine

Finally, I finished my fourth step. I was still afraid of the fifth. I still could not understand why this house cleaning was necessary. “You can wait as long as you want to stay miserable”, he said. I had spent a long time sober and miserable. Fear or no fear, I was ready to try anything.

Now I needed to find someone to do my Fifth Step with. I remembered the person who had called me again and again when I was so sick, but couldn’t admit it. He was there when no one else was. I asked him for his help and he said that he would be honored.

I told him all about myself. There was one last thing and I wasn’t sure that I could share it. It was the worst thing I had done. I had been warned that our secrets keep us sick, and I wanted to get better more than anything, so for that reason I was able to let it out. He said “I did that , too”. All the time I’d wasted, beating myself up and anesthetizing myself to avoid the anguish. Now I wasn’t alone! It was such a relief. It was as if a two-ton weight had been lifted from my shoulders.

When I arrived home that evening I felt as if I were floating on air. I could see myself for the first time in my life as one among many, part of the

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Setting An Example

In service, there are many people. I will never forget one man who really catapulted me into service. His name was Harold; we called him Moses. He was a lovely man, full of gratitude and action. The moment he walked into a room, I felt better. I knew that everything was going to be okay because Harold was there. He helped me get started doing service. The night that we were to start a new meeting in our local jail, he told me something I will never forget. He said “ If you want someone to talk about you in A.A., just do something. They will talk because they are jealous and envy you. It doesn’t matter, just keep doing it and take no offense. Service is not about you; it’s about getting out of you. If you do service in A.A., with no motive, you will be rocketed into a new dimension. If you want to see the face of God simply put your hand on the suffering alcoholic’s shoulder , that’s where you will see him.” The way he talked and walked with me made me want it. He was right. I love service in Alcoholics Anonymous because it is gratitude in action that fills the hole that used to be there. These types of people have become my leaders, mentors, sponsors, good friends and, at times, lifesavers. The other type of person I have encountered is the one who by example, shows me what it can be .

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“EACH MEMBER OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS IS BUT A SMALL PART OF A GREAT WHOLE. AA MUST CONTINUE TO LIVE OR MOST OF US WILL SURELY DIE. HENCE OUR COMMON WELFARE COMES FIRST. BUT INDIVIDUAL WELFARE FOLLOWS CLOSE AFTERWARDS.”

PICKIN UP CHIPS

Send your favorite stories, quips, and news clips to news0777@yahoo.com
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Information received after the 20th of the month will be submitted in the following month's publication.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>YEARS</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>YEARS</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>YEARS</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>YEARS</u>
AA WAY		HOW IMPORTANT IS		ROBERT P.	12	PASCO BB	
JOHN D.	9	IT		EDDIE M.	2	MICHIGAN JIM	17
BACK TO BASICS		MAX H.	25	KENNETH O.	1	ROBIN MC.	13
MARC M.	5	DELONI S.	1	NPR KISS		DANI P.	5
COTTEE RIVER		KIS WOMEN'S		NICK P.	25	MICHAEL Y.	1
JOY G.	24	BRIDGET S.	23	PHIL V.	8	2 FOR 1 WOMEN'S	
HAPPY JOYOUS		JACKIE M.	4	PAUL F.	6	PAM S.	4
FREE		LIVING SOBER		DANI	5	3 & 11 STEPS	
MARILYN MC.	12	MIKE S.	3	JEREMY H.	4	PENNY C.	1
NOON HIGH		NEW HOPEBEGIN-		KEVIN M.	3	WONDERFUL GROUP	
STEPHANI B.	23	TERS		SERENITY GROUP		MICHAEL C.	2
MICHAEL Y.	8	DOTTIE I.	24	KIM H.	21	LINDA H.	1
HOOT N' HOLLER		HAPPIER HOUR		LINDA S.	11	NIKKI C.	1
JIM H.	33	SB	23	TROPICAL ATTI-			
VINCE O.	32	GREG A.	18	TUDES			
PAUL F.	6	MIKE B.	14	BRIDGET S.	23		

District 15 & Intergroup Opportunities

Alt. Chairs for all Committees except PI/CPC

Minimum 3-5 yrs. Sober, 2 yr. term *(Please refer to the AA service manual for information on specific committees and responsibilities)*

DCM for Sub-district 1(A-Club)

4-5 yrs. Sober, 2 yr. term
(Please refer to the AA service manual for duties and responsibilities)

Alt. DCM's for all Sub-Districts

The Alternate is backup for the DCM.
 The alternate is encouraged to assist, participate, and share in the DCM's responsibilities at district and area meetings. *(Please refer to the AA service manual for more information)*

Intergroup Finance Committee

2 yrs. sober, 2 yr. term
 Reviews the budget and financial reports of A.A. World Services and The Grapevine, and reviews or initiates Conference recommendations that involves finances. Since it first convened in 1951, the committee has kept abreast of the movement's needs by looking into annual budgets, and concerns with income needed to carry out service work and recommending the expansion of services to groups and to the public.
(For more information refer to the A.A. Service Manual)

Intergroup Treasurer

2 yrs. sober, 2 yr. term
 The treasurer keeps financial records for the area and reports regularly to the assembly. In most cases, the treasurer is responsible for encouraging contributions support for area and G.S.O. services. The treasurer should be organized enough to keep good records, and some accounting or bookkeeping experience is useful.

Central Office Opportunities

Office Coordinator Trainee

5 yrs. Sober, 2 yr. term

Sunday Hotline

Office Staff for:

2 shifts daily Mon.-Fri.

10 AM - 1:30 PM

Or

1:30 PM- 5 PM

1 shift Sat. 10 AM - 1 PM

Nominations accepted at Intergroup Meeting the 2nd Wednesday of the month, 6:30 PM At Central Office.

Archives Chair is open

Chair for Founder's Day event is needed

Groups Represented at

Intergroup 4/11/2012

3 & 11 STEPS

CAME TO BELIEVE

**HAPPY, JOYOUS AND
FREE**

HAPPIER HOUR

HOW IMPORTANT IS IT

LITE RECOVERY

NEW LIFE

NEW HOPE BEGINNERS

NOON HIGH

NOT A GLUM LOT

NPR KISS

TROPICAL ATTITUDES



Terina from the "Let's Get Better Together" group is the new Recording Secretary for District 15.

Lynda G. from the "Came To Believe" group is the new Intergroup Liaison.

Lorraine R. is the new Unity Meeting Coordinator.

When you feel overburdened and full of self-pity, remember this—most of the work in this world is done by tired people who don't feel too good.

Step Five

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human race, not separated from my fellows. It was the closest thing to the strike of lightning spiritual experience the Big Book talks about, I had never felt closer to my Higher Power.

John L., Seabrook, Texas

SETTING AN EXAMPLE

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like to be a miserable sober member. This type has become a great example and teacher of what I do not want to be and what not to do in A.A. I do not get too close to this type of person, but I do support them in their journey.

"Anonymous"

On Line Updates

eBook versions of the Big Book (Alcoholics Anonymous 4th Edition) and Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions are now available at www.aa.org.

Free eNewsletters about AA history, news and activities from AA members in the U.S, Canada and around the world are also available at www.aa.org.

Plenty of useful information is available on our website, www.wptsaa.org. It includes events, the monthly newsletter, updated Where & When meeting lists, a video for persons interested in AA, literature and links to other Intergroup websites.

"Daily Reflections" page now online at AA.org: We are pleased to announce the availability of a *Daily Reflections* page on the AA.org Web site in English, French and Spanish. This page updates daily, so visitors can view the reading for that calendar day. The new page can be reached by clicking on the "Daily Reflections" link on the upper left corner of our home page at www.aa.org. We hope that these Web site Daily Reflections by A.A. members for A.A. members will be helpful.

I Was a Scared Newcomer

Reprinted from May 1983 Grapevine

When I attended my first meeting of A.A., a woman approached me, asked if I was new, got me a meeting list, and wrote her name and telephone number on the cover, She told me that if I needed her for any reason that night, I should call.

Even though I was sick, shaking, and frightened, I was amazed at this. I had never seen this woman before, but she had taken the time to make me feel welcome and give me information.

I know now that this was the grace of God. If no one had talked to me, I might have left that meeting and not gone back, for I knew nothing at all about AA—not even that there was more than one meeting a week.

As it turned out, I called her the next morning, and arranged for someone to pick me up and take me to a morning meeting. It was at that meeting I met my sponsor, who took me under her wing, and I was off and running toward sobriety.

Meetings, meetings, meetings! They kept me away from alcohol; they were my salvation. And because someone spoke to me at my very first meeting, a chain of events occurred that kept me dry, then sober, for the past five years.

It is important for all of us to notice the scared newcomer. Give them your phone number, and offer a sincere welcome. They just might need that encouragement to start a new life. It worked for me.

Anonymous, Brockton, Mass.

Treasurer's Report

April 2012

Beginning Balance.....	\$5,291.12
Income	\$1,249.20
Expenses	\$1,769.42
Ending Balance	\$4,770.90

**May 2012
Mystery Phrase
Puzzle**

Step/Tradition Five

Directions-

Find all the words listed and use the remaining letters to solve the **mystery phrase**. (Hint – circle individual letters that you find to make it easier to see the leftover letters.)

Mystery Phrase:

We cleanse our souls of negative
will.

By Rain S., Noon High

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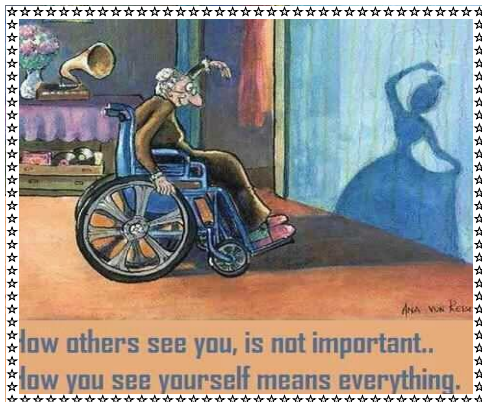
Word List

Admitted	exact	nature	stop
Alcoholic	five	one	still
another	god	our	suffers
being	group	ourselves	tradition
but	has	primary	who
Carry	human	purpose	wrongs
Each	message		

Tips For Newcomers For Working Step Five

1. We must be entirely honest with somebody if we expect to live long or happily in this world.
2. Trying to avoid this humbling experience almost invariably will get you drunk.
3. In Actual practice, we usually find a solitary self-appraisal insufficient.

Chapter 6, Into Action, Big Book Alcoholics Anonymous



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Items and Ideas on Area Gatherings for A.A.s—

May 5: District 15 Special Needs Committee, noon, A Club, 5650 Missouri, NPR. Attend and help alcoholics with physical limitations.

May 9: WPTSAA Intergroup meeting, 6:30 pm, Central Office, 6611 US 19, Ste. 505, NPR. **Send a representative of your group.**

May 13-15: South Florida Area 15 Quarterly Assembly, USF Embassy Suites, 370 Spectrum Blvd., Tampa. Meetings and workshops will fill the weekend. Info at www.area15aa.org.

May 12: District 15 Treatment Committee, noon, A Club. Join & carry the message into hospitals, detox & ACTS. Female members acutely needed.

May 12: Hernando Unity Meeting: 7:30-9 pm, Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 6193 Spring Hill Dr., Spring Hill. Doors open at 6:30.

May 17: Unity Meeting, 7 PM Redeemer Community church, 7540 Ridge Rd. NPR, 1 mile E. of Little Rd., S. side. Host: NPR KISS Group.. Two speakers, fellowship, snacks. Doors open at 6:30.

May 17: District 15 Committee meeting, 6:30 pm, Community Congregational Church, 6533 Circle, Blvd., NPR. Come & learn. Each group should be represented. All AAs welcome.

May 21: District 15 Corrections & Public Info/-CPC Committees both meet at noon at A Club and need members.

May 25-28: Summer Kickoff Classic, Memorial Day Weekend, Hilton St. Petersburg Carillon Park. Speakers, workshops, dancing & more. \$30 before May 1, then \$35. Info: www.summerkickoffclassic.org

May 28: Memorial Day Picnic, NPR KISS Group, 12-4 PM Pavilion A near the playground, Starkey Park. Hamburgers & hotdogs provided. Bring a dish to share if you can.

May 31: Pasco Big Book monthly Eating Meeting at 7 pm, followed by member anniversaries speakers meeting at 8 pm. Edna Ave. Club, 7137 Edna Ave., Hudson. "Bring a dish if you can."

Around the Globe

May 4-6: Cocoa Beach, Florida. 22nd Spring Conf., "the Woodstock of AA," International Palms Resort. Write: Ch., 3822 Oyster Ct., Orlando, FL 32812; www.woodstockofaa.com

May 17-20: Tri-State Roundup, Laughlin, NV. AA, Al-Anon, Alateen meetings, Mardi Gras costume banquet & much more. www.Tri-StateRoundup.com.

May 22-24: Tallahassee, Florida. Founder's Day Florida Style. Write: Ch., Box 38034, Tallahassee, FL 32315-8034; www.foundersdayflorida.org

FUTURE EVENTS

June 8-10: Founder's Day weekend, Akron, OH, the birthplace of A.A. Activities are held at the University of Akron. Packages of lodging, meals & registration are offered. Bus tour to Dr. Bob's home and other sites. Info on line at akronaa.org.

June 8-10: Great Events Will Come to Pass, celebrating the 77th anniversary of A.A., presented by Sandy B., Tampa, and Bob B., St. Paul, MN. History, steps & stories. Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel, 111 West Fortune St., Tampa, FL. \$30 until May 8, then \$35. Flyer at leestapesandcdds.com (407) 333-4330.

August 1-5: 56th Florida State Convention Innisbrook Golf Resort, 36750 U.S. Hwy. 19 North, Palm Harbor, FL. Visit www.56.flstateconvention.com for details. **Many volunteers are needed.** Call Barbara R., District 15 chair, (727) 992-5175. Flyers in Central Office.

August 10-12, 2012: Sunset Roundup 2012 Double Tree Grand Key Resort, Key West, Fl. www.sunsetroundup.com

NON-AA EVENTS

Events listed here are presented solely as a service to readers, not as an endorsement by the Newsletter Committee or General Service Office. For any additional information, please use the addresses provided.

May 11-13: A Club spring yard sale 8a-4p; 5650 Missouri Ave., New Port Richey. Now accepting donations. Info call Nikki at 727-237-3552.

May 25-27: Annual Florida Conference of Young People in AA, World Golf Village Renaissance Resort, St. Augustine. Pre-registration \$20. Info on line at fcypaa2012.com.

July 13-15: Florida Alateen Conference, Lake Placid (FL) Camp & Conference Center. \$130 cost includes six meals & two nights lodging. Info on line at northfloridaal-anon.org.

Group Contributions 2012 (Those received too late for a month will be posted the next month.)

GROUP DONATIONS	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
647471	\$ 35.00												\$ 35.00
678675	\$ -												\$ -
1001 REASONS	\$ -			\$ 25.00									\$ 25.00
2 FOR 1 WOMEN'S GROUP	\$ -												\$ -
3 & 11 GROUP	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00										\$ 60.00
4TH DIMENSION	\$ 185.00			\$ 122.00									\$ 307.00
7 & UP GROUP	\$ -			\$ 25.00									\$ 25.00
A CLUB 12 & 12	\$ -												\$ -
A CLUB BIG BOOK	\$ -												\$ -
A CLUB JOE & CHARLIE	\$ -												\$ -
A CLUB SAT AM BIG BOOK	\$ 50.00												\$ 50.00
A CLUB SUN AM GRATITUDE	\$ -												\$ -
AA WAY GROUP	\$ -												\$ -
ALONG SPIRITUAL LINES	\$ -												\$ -
AMAZING GRACE	\$ -												\$ -
ANONYMOUS	\$ -												\$ -
AS BILL SEES IT	\$ -												\$ -
BACK TO BASICS	\$ -												\$ -
BAYOU GROUP	\$ 65.00												\$ 65.00
BEACH GROUP	\$ -												\$ -
BROWN BAGGERS	\$ 20.00			\$ 20.00									\$ 40.00
CAME TO BELIEVE	\$ -												\$ -
CANDLELIGHT BEGINNERS	\$ -												\$ -
COR, ROPE, HOPE	\$ -												\$ -
COTEE RIVER YOUNG PEOPLE	\$ -												\$ -
DISCOVER THE TRUTH	\$ -												\$ -
DISTRICT 15	\$ -	\$ 340.00											\$ 340.00
DOUG GRAAT	\$ 24.00												\$ 24.00
DRY DOCK	\$ -	\$ 0.70											\$ 0.70
EACH DAY NEW BEGINNING	\$ -	\$ 15.00											\$ 15.00
EASIER SOFTER WAY	\$ -												\$ -
EDNA AVE JOE & CHARLIE TAPES	\$ -												\$ -
EDNA AVENUE CLUB 12&12	\$ -												\$ -
FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE	\$ -												\$ -
FRIDAY NIGHT SERENITY	\$ -												\$ -
GRAPEVINE	\$ -												\$ -
GRAPEVINE	\$ -												\$ -
HAPPIER HOUR	\$ -												\$ -
HAPPY JOYOUS FREE	\$ 23.50	\$ 10.00	\$ 38.75	\$ 14.45									\$ 86.70
HOOT N HOLLER	\$ 0.50			\$ 31.74									\$ 32.24
HOW IMPORTANT IS IT	\$ 110.00			\$ 8.00									\$ 118.00
IN MEMORY OF RAY	\$ -	\$ 250.00											\$ 250.00
IN THE BEGINNING	\$ 0.40												\$ 0.40
INTERGROUP	\$ 19.00		\$ 17.01	\$ 20.00									\$ 56.01
JAMES GANG	\$ -												\$ -
KIS WOMEN'S GROUP	\$ -			\$ 60.00									\$ 60.00
K.I.S.S. GROUP	\$ -			\$ 10.00									\$ 10.00
L.I.F.E. RECOVERY	\$ -												\$ -
LET'S GET BETTER TOGETHER	\$ -												\$ -
LIFE DISCUSSION GROUP	\$ -			\$ 50.00									\$ 50.00
LIFE RECOVERY	\$ 5.00												\$ 5.00
LIVING SOBER	\$ -												\$ -
LIVING SOBER STUDY GROUP	\$ -												\$ -
MEN ONLY	\$ -												\$ -
MEN'S LETS TALK	\$ -												\$ -
MIRACLE GROUP	\$ -		\$ 50.00										\$ 50.00
MONDAY NIGHT BIG BOOK	\$ -												\$ -
MORNING INVENTORY	\$ -												\$ -
NEW HOPE BEGINNERS	\$ -		\$ 27.00										\$ 27.00
NEW LIFE GROUP	\$ -												\$ -
NOON HIGH	\$ -	\$ 228.06											\$ 228.06
NOT A GLUM LOT	\$ -	\$ 30.00	\$ 10.00										\$ 40.00
NPR KISS GROUP	\$ -	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00									\$ 30.00
PASCO BIG BOOK	\$ 0.85	\$ 60.00											\$ 60.85
SATURDAY MORNING BIG BOOK	\$ -			\$ 40.00									\$ 40.00
SERENITY GROUP	\$ -	\$ 50.00		\$ 100.00									\$ 150.00
SOBER NOT DEAD	\$ -		\$ 13.55	\$ 17.42									\$ 30.97
SUNDAY MORNING GRATITUDE	\$ 50.00		\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00									\$ 150.00
SURRENDER GROUP	\$ -												\$ -
THURSDAY 12&12	\$ -												\$ -
TRIANGLE GROUP	\$ -												\$ -
TROPICAL ATTITUDES	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00									\$ 200.00
TWO OR MORE	\$ -			\$ 138.00									\$ 138.00
UNITY MEETING	\$ 46.40		\$ 33.27	\$ 18.65									\$ 98.32
WHY IT WORKS	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 52.36										\$ 92.36
WONDERFUL SATURDAY STEP GROUP	\$ -			\$ 133.35									\$ 133.35
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TOTALS	\$ 714.65	\$ 1,073.76	\$ 381.94	\$ 953.61	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,123.96

Please keep in mind the seventh tradition: Every A. A. group ought to be fully self supporting, declining outside contributions. That means Central Office is supported by your group contributions. Thanks for your support!