



0777 newsletter

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AA HOTLINE 727 847-0777

June 2011

Unity Meeting

How Important Is It? Group hosts the monthly **Unity Meeting**, 7 PM Saturday, June 18, at Redeemer Community Church, 7540 Ridge Rd., NPR, 1 mile E. of Little Rd., S. side.

Come and enjoy fellowship, speakers & dessert while supporting AA's work.

Will your group sponsor a Unity meeting? Call John C., coordinator, (727) 597-0418.

Step Six: Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.

Tradition Six: An A.A. group ought never endorse, finance or lend the A.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.

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How AA Began

Founders Day Picnic At River Park 6/12

District 15's annual Founders Day celebration will take place 10 am-1 pm Sunday, June 12 at Frances Park on the Pithlachascotee River in New Port Richey.

A pot luck picnic will be held and speakers will share stories of the founding of Alcoholics Anonymous on June 10, 1935, the day Dr. Bob took his last drink.

Frances Park is on Louisiana Ave. at the foot of Jackson St. between Madison and Congress across from Gulf Middle School. The picnic is rain or shine. The park has a large pavilion.

"Food and fellowship, bring a covered dish, a newcomer, yourself. Newcomers, it's never too early to learn the history of AA," the District 15 flyer says, adding: "And for those that have been around a while, share with us. We learn from you."

Speakers will share about Ebby and Bill W., and Bill and Dr. Bob,—who they were, where they came from and how AA began.

The local event is one of hundreds taking place worldwide to remember the modest beginnings of a recovery movement that has swept the world.

Largest and likely most emotional is the three-day Founders Day celebration (June 10-12) at Akron, Ohio, where AA began after Bill W. needed to carry the message to stay sober himself, and was brought together with Dr. Bob. Over 7000 are expected. Visits to Dr. Bob's restored home move many to tears.

Florida AA Meeting In Orlando 7/20-24

Florida AA's annual convention opens at 7 pm Wednesday, July 20 with a speaker and closes Sunday, July 24, with a 10:30 am workshop led by Fr. Tom W. Many activities will take place from 9 am to 9 pm Thursday-Saturday.

Registration forms are available at Central Office or on line at 55.FLSTATECONVENTION. Click on "Activities" at top of the home page for information on the talent show, whose application deadline is July 15.

More info under Looking Ahead on Pg. 4.

Pauline B. Nears 50 Years Sobriety

At 92 years young, **Pauline B.** admits she is excited as she looks forward to receiving her 50-year medallion Friday, June 24 at the Surrender Group, Tarpon Springs.

"I hope to see lots of people there," she said in an interview. "I have lots to share on sobriety—and I love cake!"

Surrender Group meets at 8 pm Fridays at St. Timothy Lutheran Church, 812 E. Tarpon Rd.

Pauline's sobriety date is June 26, 1961, the day she was literally forced to attend an AA meeting during six months in a mental hospital near Clyde, Ohio. She was admitted after a suicide attempt..

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0777 Newsletter

The Newsletter Committee is soliciting info about any AA Activities- group events, dances, picnics etc.

Submit info by 20th of the month prior to publication to: news0777@yahoo.com

Or deliver or mail to

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May Central Office

Niteline calls57

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June Anniversaries

NAME YEARS NAME YEARS NAME YEARS NAME YEARS

Cotee River	KIS Women's	Pasco Big Book	Tropical Attitudes
John R. 16	Donna E. 9	Sally R. 35	Sue S. 4
Happy, Joyous	Luan H. 19	George M. 33	Christine L. 3
And Free	Eleanor G. 38	Rick Mc 13	Jack H. 3
Ron B. 29	Ellie M. 6	Jennifer B. 12	Two or More
John F. 21	Jackie S. 4	Mike T. 1	Alden D. 29
Hoot 'N Holler	Life Goes On	Serenity Group	Jeff C. 8
Eric L. 3	Ron 33	Ed N. 19	Vito 1
Patrick M. 5	Roy T. 36	Mark 8	Noon High
	Sean 19	Wonderful Step	Lori G. 4
	New Hope Be-Ginners	Study Group	Rain S. 4
	Diane D. 25	Lynn F. 15	Herb D. 3
Surrender Group	Triangle Group	Chuck L. 10	Melissa S. 1
Pauline B. 50	Dick T. 31		

For the Hearing Impaired

A sign language "signer" is now translating for the hearing impaired at weekly meetings of the Palm Harbor Group.

The group's closed beginners discussion meetings are held at 6:45 pm Thursdays at Kirk of Dunedin, 2686 Bayshore Blvd. (Alt. US 19), Dunedin.

Please Announce at Meetings

Central Office has been closing during business hours for lack of enough volunteers.

Just 3-1/2 hours of your time per week can help keep the door open. Please volunteer if you can.

Bridging-the-Gap

Detox/Treatment/Jails Needs volunteers. Please Call Central Office (847-0777) and leave message for Don C.

Al-Anon Hotline

1-352-697-0497

Volunteers Needed

At Central Office!

Hotline Coordinator

Office Staff for:

2 shifts daily Mon.-Fri.

10:00 AM - 1:30 PM,

1:30 PM- 5:00 PM

1 shift Sat. 10:00 AM - 1 PM

Call 847-0777

Groups Represented at InterGroup 5/11/2011

- A Club Sat. AM BB**
- New Life**
- Happy, Joyous & Free**
- New Hope Beginners**
- 3 & 11 Steps**
- Noon High**
- Back to Basics**
- Amazing Grace**
- Let's Get Better Together**
- Life Recovery**
- Not a Glum Lot**
- 2 for 1 Women's Step**

District 15 Opportunities

Alt. Chairs Most Committees.
 DCMs for Subdistricts 1 & 4
 Alt. DCM's for all Sub-Districts
3rd Tuesday 6:30 PM. See calendar Pg. 4

Treasurer's Report

April 2011

Beginning Balance.....	\$4494.90
Income.....	\$1979.70
Expenses.....	\$1856.41
Ending Balance.....	\$4618.19

Meeting Updates

Come Hear Speakers

4th Dimension Group announces speakers for its June meetings, held at 7 pm Fridays at Trinity Church, 4651 Little Rd., NPR: **6/3** Tommy M., St. Pete; **6/10** Roger H., St. Pete; **6/17** Melanie, Tampa; **6/24** Web S., NPR.

New Meeting In Spanish

Two new meetings and one discontinued meeting have been reported by Hernando-Pasco A Club, 18922 Titus Rd., Hudson, in County Line Industrial Park.

Grupo Hispano, an open discussion meeting in Spanish, meets at 7 pm Tuesdays.

Back To Basics open discussion meeting meets at 6:30 pm Mondays.

The discontinued meeting was **Last Straw**. It met at 8 pm Saturdays for open discussion.

July Unity Host

New Hope Beginners Group will host the July 16 Unity Meeting. See Pg. 1 for time and location.

Speakers Wanted

Pasco Big Book Group needs speakers for its Saturday night Open Speaker Meetings, which are at 8 PM at Edna Club, 7137 Edna Ave., Hudson. Call Bob T., 819-9427.

Bring Beginners

NPR KIS Group's Open Beginners meeting needs support—6:45 PM Mondays, Redeemer Community Church, 7540 Ridge Rd., NPR

Eating Meeting

Pasco Big Book monthly **Eating Meeting**, 7 PM Thursday, June 30, followed by 8 PM **Member Anniversaries Speakers Meeting**, Edna Avenue Club, 7137 Edna Ave., Hudson. "Bring a dish if you can."

Pauline's 50th

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"The psychiatrist told me, 'You've got to go to the AA meeting,' and I said, 'Why? I can quit drinking any time I want.' He had an attendant put me in a wheel chair, put tape over my mouth, and wheel me into the meeting. At that meeting, God took away my desire to drink."

Earlier, a doctor had told Pauline that she had a wet brain and would never be able to function. In sobriety, she went to college for accounting and then earned a *juris doctor* degree in law. She has worked as a tax accountant since, though now she does only relatives' taxes.

Pauline keeps very busy. Still able to drive in daylight, she attends several AA meetings a week, is on the Intergroup speakers list, belongs to two gyms, and is writing a book.

Her advice to newcomers:

"Don't drink and go to meetings, and get a sponsor. If you don't like your sponsor, get a new one."

Looking back, she says, "So much has happened and I've had so many narrow escapes that I'm glad God has protected me all these years."

One close call occurred while SCUBA diving with a friend.

"We were standing on the ocean floor when we saw a big shark coming at us with its mouth open. Suddenly, a white dolphin swam between us and the shark and drove the shark away. It was like a miracle. Dolphins truly are angels."

Seen on a Tee Shirt

"I am allergic to alcohol. I break out in handcuffs."

June 2011
Mystery Phrase
 Puzzle
 (the Promises)

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 left-over letters.)

Mystery Phrase:

„noitartion“
 „We claim spiritual progress rather than spiri-

By Rain S., Noon High



Finance Committee

2 yrs sober, 2 yr term

Nightline Co-ord.

1 yr sobriety, 1 yr term-

(Call

Central Office @

727-847-0777)

Nominations accepted at InterGroup

Meeting 2nd Wednesday, 6:30 PM

At Central Office

BE THERE !

G	R	O	U	P	D	E	T	A	L	E	R	L
M	O	R	F	I	N	A	N	C	E	G	E	E
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T	A	R	I	M	S	O	P	O	I	S	N	P
R	S	Y	E	N	O	M	G	R	I	E	T	E
E	U	E	A	A	U	Y	L	W	R	R	P	T
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O	C	I	E	E	H	O	R	T	M	R	E	S
R	I	S	R	F	T	N	C	S	O	I	E	R
P	L	T	A	P	E	A	T	B	V	M	S	T
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I	O	R	H	I	M	T	T	S	U	Y	T	V
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T	L	Y	L	E	R	I	T	N	E	I	O	D
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Word List

Alcoholics anonymous character defects divert endorse enterprise entirely facility finance from god group have lend lest money name never ought outside prestige primary problems property purpose ready related remove step these were

June Calendar

June 4: District 15 Public Info/CPC Special Needs Comm. Noon, A Club, 5650 Missouri Ave., NPR.

June 8: WPTSAA Intergroup Meeting, 6:30 PM, Central Office, 6611 US 19, Ste. 505, NPR. **Send a group member & be represented.**

June 11: District 15 Treatment Comm., Noon, A Club, NPR. Join & help carry the message into detox and ACTS.

June 12: District 15 Founders Day event, a picnic from 10 am-1 pm at Frances Park on the Cotee River, NPR. Speakers will share on the founding of AA by Bill W and Doctor Bob 76 years ago. (See pg. 1 for details.)

June 18: District 15 meeting to hear delegates report on the recent **General Service Conference.** Food will be provided and all are encouraged to attend. Reports from 10-11 am followed by lunch at the A Club, NPR

Unity Meeting, 7 PM at Redeemer Community, 7540 Ridge Red. NPR, 1 mile E. of Little Rd., S. side. Host: How Important Is It? Group. Come, have fun and support AA.

Steps to Freedom, 9 am-5 pm Christ the King Church, 821 S. Dale Mabry Hwy, Tampa. All day **12 Steps Workshop** to be conducted by **Mickey B.** from California. Tickets \$8 in advance, \$10 at door, lunch included. See May newsletter on line or call (813) 447-9894 or (813) 850-9888

District 15 Corrections Comm., noon, A Club

June 21: District 15 meeting, 6:30 PM, Community Congregational Church, 6533 Circle Blvd., NPR.

June 30: Pasco Big Book monthly **Eating Meeting** at 7 PM, followed by **Member Anniversaries Speakers Meeting** at 8 PM, Edna Club, 7137 Edna Ave., Hudson. "Bring a dish if you can."

Looking Ahead

South Florida General Service Quarterly Assembly, July 15-17, Doral Golf Resort & Spa, Miami, FL. Sessions begin with a speaker meeting 8:30 pm Friday and end 1 pm Sunday with the Area 15 Assembly. Saturday will see 33 meetings at which "trusted servants" from districts will share ideas and problem solve. There will be a banquet Saturday evening. Deadline for \$129 room registration is June 15. Info at Central Office or on line. "Google" south Florida area 15.

55th Florida State Convention, July 20-24, Orlando, Doubletree Hotel/Universal Studios. Events include speakers, 2 banquets, ice cream socials, entertainment, fitness run/walk, golf tournament, workshops, Al-Anon, Ala-Teen, meetings, swimming and more. There is a July 15 deadline for the talent show. Details and registration information at **Central Office** or online at **55.FLSTATECONVENTION.COM.**



Archive Corner

Gary W., How Important Is It Group, answered last month's question, "**Who do most AAs choose to hear their Fifth Step, according to an informal poll by 0777 news?"**

Answer: Their Sponsor

The new question: **When did the Traditions get accepted by Alcoholics Anonymous and how and why?**

Email me with your answer and/or a question for next month: Nancy A., District 15 Archives Chair. My email is: nauxier@verizon.com.

Archives are on display at Central Office. Stop in to see them & have coffee.

Treatment Committee Starts New Meetings

District 15's **Treatment Committee** has started four new closed meetings at Community Hospital. Meetings are held at 7:30 pm Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, and at Noon on Saturdays.

More AAs are needed to help with the meetings. Attend a treatment committee meeting for more information. The Treatment Committee meets the 2nd Saturday of the month at Noon at the NPR A club. Next meeting is June 11.

More Looking Ahead

16th Annual Southeast Region Woman to Woman Seminar, Aug. 26-28, Naples Grand Beach Resort Hotel, Naples, FL. Theme: **Secrets Women Don't Share.** Pool & beachside workshops, speakers, entertainment, banquet, fun, fellowship. Registration \$30 by July 15, \$35 at door, not including room. Info: (404) 284-0517 or (352) 622-6037 or online at www.sewomantowoman.org

SoberCruises.com has three week-long AA/Alanon cruises scheduled for coming months: from Seattle with four stops in Alaska Aug. 16-23; from New York with four stops in Canada Oct. 8-15; the Caribbean from Miami with stops at Key West, Cozumel, Roatan, Montego Bay. Details at 1-866-356-8211 or online at sobercruises.com. Central Office has flyers.

Step Six By The Book: "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 ideals ...goals...measuring sticks by which we estimate our progress. The only urgent thing is that we make a beginning, and keep trying."—**Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions**, pg. 68

Group Contributions 2011 (Those not in by the 21st each month will be posted the next month.)

GROUP DONATIONS	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
000617577-015	37.80												\$37.80
1001 Reasons													-
2 for 1 Women's Step Study		20.00		15.00									35.00
3 & 11 Group				20.00	20.00								40.00
4th Dimension													-
7 & Up Group	50.00												50.00
A Club 12 & 12													-
A Club Big Book													-
A Club Joe & Charlie Tapes													-
A Club Saturday AM Big Book	30.00			50.00									80.00
A Club Sunday AM Gratitude	100.00			100.00									200.00
AA Way Group													-
Along Spiritual Lines													-
Amazing Grace			32.50										32.50
Anonymous	11.65		3.90	0.50									16.05
As Bill Saw It				25.00									25.00
Back to Basics													-
Bayou Group													-
Brown Baggers	20.00			20.00	20.00								60.00
Came to Believe	25.00			25.00									50.00
Candlelight Beginners													-
Cotee River Young People													-
Discover the Truth													-
District 15													-
Each Day New Beginning			20.00										20.00
Easier Softer Way													-
Edna Ave. Club 12 & 12													-
Edna Ave. Joe & Charlie Tapes													-
Friday Night Live													-
Friday Night Serenity													-
Grapevine													-
Happier Hour					250.00								250.00
Happy Joyous & Free													-
Hoot n Holler Group													-
How Important is It	48.00			48.00									96.00
Intergroup	22.00		20.00	18.00	15.50								75.50
James Gang				10.00									10.00
KIS Women's Group													-
Let's Get Better Together				102.00									102.00
L.I.F.E. Recovery			12.00										12.00
Living Sober Study Group				25.00	70.00								95.00
Living Sober Group													-
Men Only													-
Men's Lets Talk													-
Miracle Group													-
Monday Night Big Book		25.00											25.00
Morning Inventory													-
New Hope Beginners	25.00		25.00		25.00								75.00
New Life Group													-
Noon High		60.00	30.00										90.00
Not a Glum Lot	10.00	10.00	10.00		10.00								40.00
NPR KISS Group		10.00	20.00	10.00									40.00
Pasco Big Book	40.00			60.00									100.00
Serenity Group					178.00								178.00
SOS Group													-
Surrender Group													-
Thursday 12 & 12													-
Triangle Group													-
Tropical Attitudes	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00									240.00
Two or More	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	95.00								495.00
Unity Meeting	20.00	45.25	52.13										117.38
Wonderful Step Group													-
Dry Dock					24								24.00
TOTALS	\$599.45	\$330.25	\$385.53	\$688.50	\$683.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,687.23
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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!