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A.A.'s Responsibility Statement

"I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that: I am responsible."



Any Lengths or Many Lengths?

When I first joined AA, my sponsor asked me "What I was willing to do to stay sober?" I said, "Whatever you tell me." My understanding then was that all I needed was to stop drinking. I later discovered there was much more to be had in AA and my idea of any lengths had to change.

AA said I needed to go to any lengths for victory over alcohol, which meant practicing the steps. As time went on, I realized that putting these spiritual principles in all my affairs could make me a better person and give me a peaceful life. At first this seemed relatively easy but in my early sobriety I hurt more people than I did when I was drinking. The Big Book says that "Selfishness, self-centeredness that, we think, is the root of our troubles." So, I needed to start practicing being selfless and other-centered. This is not to say that I suddenly became saint-like but that I am moving away from that selfish, self-centered

One of the principles I had to embrace was change. Regardless of whether I liked it or not, the one thing that was always true was that change would happen. And as things change, I have to change my old ideas of what "any lengths" means. Because it is no longer responsible behavior (in my opinion) to meet in large groups not practicing social distancing, I must be willing to wear a mask even though it is uncomfortable because I could be protecting you and those you come into contact with. I have to be willing to learn new technology. I once thought that computer meetings could not get anyone sober (another old idea I had to let go of) but I have witnessed new comers coming to zoom meetings, finding a sponsor and working the steps. For me I must remain willing to go to any length. When anyone anywhere reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that I am responsible

David L.
New Smyrna Beach, FL

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INTERGROUP NEWS and MEETINGS SCHEDULE

Volusia County Intergroup Representative's Meetings - 6:30 pm, 3rd Thursday each month at the Central Baptist Church, 142 Fairview Ave (just north of International Speedway Blvd off US 1)
Steering Committee Meetings – 6:30 pm, 2nd Thursday each month at the Intergroup Office



Groups represented at the Intergroup Representative's August 2020 Meeting:

Happy Hour
High Noon
Hour of Power
Love & Service
Sobriety First
Sunrise Group Daytona /Deland
Wednesday Women's

The Volusia County
Intergroup Office
Wants You



Volusia County Intergroup

Open:

Monday – Friday
9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Saturday 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

• Anniversary Coins, Books, Book covers, Cards, Jewelry.

• Credit cards accepted

• **Special Events Coordinator**

• Please email or call Margaret K.

• Phone - **(386) 756-2930**

• Email [admin@aadaytona.org/](mailto:admin@aadaytona.org)



Special Thanks to the following Home Groups for their contributions

2's Night Speaker
Back to Basics/Deland
Basic Text/Ormond
Four Townes
Had Enough
High Noon
Hour of Power
Miracle Group
New Dawn
Noon Group
Sunday Morning Sober
SunriseGroup/Daytona Deland

When sending a donation check, please be sure that your group's name is noted

Steering Committee Elections October 15
 Volunteer Candidates and Nomination names and resumes are due to Intergroup by September 10 or bring to the Steering Committee meeting on the same date
 Open positions are: Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, and Trustee

Committees, Coordinators, & Volusia County Intergroup updates for July 2020

Office Coordinator: Margaret - We had 179 Visits and 65 calls in July. . We have a new Friday morning volunteer, Linda S., and a new Wednesday afternoon volunteer, Erica R. Thanks to both for volunteering!

Phone Army/12 Step Coordinator: Roy S - There were 46 phone calls in the month of July and one visit.

Special Events Coordinator: - Interaroup is still looking for a Special Events Coordinator

From the Archives

Decoration from Oldtimers Dinner 2005

The table decorations for the Oldtimers Dinner February 19, 2005 are unique. They are large bottles using the illustrations from the book *Stool and Bottles* as labels. They were made by Megan S. and Lonnie D. There are 8 bottles which each describes a character defect which is found as part of the Fourth Step section of the book *Stools and Bottles* by the Author of *The Little Red Book*. One bottle was placed on each table at the dinner. We have the complete set on display in the Archives room.

This is a sample of the label of each bottle:

A.A. Dry Drunk Dishonesty (Double-Crossers Highball)

Heavy doses of this drink will keep you at a disadvantage in AA—at home and among strangers.

A.A. Dry Drunk Criticism (Home-brewed Dissension)

Criticism is highly intoxicating. A choice drink for those still in the "driver's seat." The drink with the perpetual hangover.

AA Dry Drunk Self-Pity (The Crying Jag of A.A)

It magnifies your problems. It absorbs you with calamity's details until you cannot see the helpful opportunities about you.

A.A. Dry Drunk Intolerance (Unadulterated Sour puss Juice)

This drink is unsurpassed for blocking the freedom and happiness of family, friends and associates

A.A. Dry Drunk Jealousy (Dynamite Cocktail)

Daily use of this emotional monstrosity will prey upon the alcoholic mind until like a malignant cancer it injures or destroys it.

A.A. Dry Drunk Anger (TNT Special)

A specific emotion aimed toward injury to others. Its end is to kill or destroy. Primitive man used it as a means of survival. A.A. suggests no instance where it benefits our members. On the contrary, we are warned to avoid it.

A.A. Dry Drunk Fear (A.A. Jitters)

Fear induces the energy to flee or duck reality. Drunk on this mental poison we placed distorted faith in ideas of harm to our health ---lives --- families --- reputation --- social standings --- finance --- anonymity --- and sobriety.

A.A. Dry Drunk Resentment (A.A. Rotgut)

Distilled from Stinking Thinking and all other alcoholic Character Defects.

Repeated snorts from this bottle are guaranteed to maintain mental and spiritual illness.

This drink obstructs all effort to turn your will and life over to the care of God.



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September Anniversaries

NAME	YR	DATE	NAME	YR	DATE	NAME	YR	DATE
5:30 Group			Alvis H	11	9/3/2009	Peace of Mind Group		
John S	40	9/24/1980	Huey	4	9/13/2016	Diane D	40	9/24/1980
Joy G	21	9/5/1999	Les D	4	9/13/2016	Steve H	32	9/7/1988
Paula C	6	9/1/2014	Birdie V	3	9/8/2017	Tom N	25	9/1/1995
Eric M	1	9/17/2019	John S	3	9/27/2017	Nannette N	7	9/11/2013
Back to Basics/Deland			Rachel B	2	9/10/2018	Lynne A	7	9/15/2013
Karen L	8	9/21/2012	Aly S	2	9/10/2018	Lisa F	5	9/11/2015
Flora W	2	9/26/2018	Mark H	2	9/18/2018	George W	3	9/2/2017
Walter E	1	9/14/2019	Kenny F	2	9/24/2018	Precisely How		
Beachside NSB			Joe R	2	9/26/2018	Dan B	1	9/20/2019
George D	25	9/25/1995	Maggie W	2	9/20/2018	Riverbrige Group		
Carole G	3	9/4/2017	Larrie R	1	9/30/2019	Jim B	17	9/24/1993
Choice Is Yours Group			Sarah N	1	9/27/2019	Randie	17	9/26/1993
Dan M	17	8/9/2003	High Noon			John B	10	9/13/2010
Kevin C	15	9/17/2005	Jeff H	31	9/22/1989	Doreen R	3	9/12/2017
Patrick H	8	9/19/2012	Hour of Power			Road to Recovery/Osteen		
Jim G	2	9/23/2018	Joe S	31	9/12/1989	John B	44	9/10/1976
Deb D	1	9/5/2019	Andrew C	6	9/29/2014	Sunrise Holly Hill		
Deland Big Book			Chris E	2	9/15/2018	Scott H	21	8/25/1999
Austin S	9	9/11/2011	Dave P	1	9/6/2019	Thursday Night Men's		
Deltona Men's Group			Lest We Forget			Terry T	42	9/8/1978
Jim M	40	9/1/1980	Diane L	44	9/10/1976	Dennis K	38	9/27/1982
Early Ducks			Karen F	35	9/30/1985	John M	27	9/26/1993
Tank B	36	0/18/1994	Kelly L	32	9/12/1988	Don S	14	9/16/2006
Ron D	29	9/4/1991	Bambi H	20	9/20/2000	Billy E	6	9/26/2014
Cathy St. G	24	9/16/1996	Erin M	11	9/10/2009	Tony V	1	9/8/2019
Scott C	11	9/27/2009	Lifesaver's Group			Way of Life		
Jerry B	10	9/1/2010	David LeB	37	9/7/1983	Nanette L	31	9/28/1989
Jim E	8	9/3/2012	Larry C	36	9/1/1984	Roy F	13	9/11/2007
Pam R	8	9/24/2012	Jeana M	12	9/1/2008	Robert W	10	9/24/2010
Kevin R	8	9/24/2012	New Dawn			Bob O	3	9/13/2017
David O	4	9/13/2016	Dan M	38	9/4/1982	Anthony P	2	9/26/2018
Scott S	3	9/22/2017	Nanette L	31	9/28/1989	Joshua T	2	9/13/2018
Jim B	2	9/3/2018	Lee B	29	9/15/1991	Wendy H	1	9/28/2019
Peter O	2	9/24/2018	Blair	17	9/28/2003	Barry H	1	9/19/2019
Friday Noon Men's			Cindy L	13	9/12/2007	Barbara F	1	9/7/2019
Dave C	44	9/3/1976	Phyllis N	8	9/8/2012	Wednesday Women's Group		
Terry T	42	9/8/1978	Brad C	7	9/10/2013	Diane G	34	9/23/1986
Jim S	27	9/3/1993	Meghan M	3	9/29/2017	Sue H	22	9/28/1998
Friday Sobriety			June L	3	9/12/2017	YOLO		
Joyce F	38	9/23/1982	Travis U	1	9/13/2019	Tim M	30	9/18/1990
Happy Hour/DB			Pass It On/Deland			Joan L	15	9/3/2005
Frank P	33	9/4/1987	Steve O	39	9/16/1981	Billy E	6	9/26/2014
Lawrence	28	9/24/1992	John F	20	9/6/2000	Danny D	2	9/7/2018
MyKey P	22	9/28/1998	Jeremy K	2	9/2/2018	Willow	1	9/24/2019
						Meg S	1	9/25/2019

Anniversaries Submission Deadline: The 15th of the previous month. Please bring or mail your group's anniversaries to the intergroup office, or email them to: admin@aadaytona.org

National Zoom Meetings

During the pandemic, we've had to get used to zoom meetings. While they can't replace our in-person meetings in terms of warmth and a sense of the Fellowship, it might be fun to meet some new people and experience other meetings around the country. Here are some good meetings you can tune into:

High Watch – Connecticut

8 a.m. 558-322-660

Noon 147-692-744

7:30 p.m. 162-713-326

Structured

Mix of people from all over the country

Marty Mann (first woman to stay sober in AA)
founded this treatment center.

Key West

7 days a week at noon.

ID #878-8119-7485

Password: 404 VaSt

Very strong group

People from all over the world

Usually over 250 people

NY Midnite Group

ID 911-944-6298

7 days a week. No password.

A fun group of people

Seven meetings a day

12:30 p.m., 5:15 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 8:00 p.m.,

10:00 p.m., 12 a.m., 2:00 a.m.

In love and service,
Marti S.



High 'n Dry Service Position Now Available

"Carry the Message"

ACQUISITIONS EDITOR

The Acquisitions Coordinator searches for writers and articles and decides which articles should be submitted to the Editor for publication

Click the link for Information

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This position reports to the Steering Committee

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This article, from the March 1949 Grapevine, describes one of the first A.A. court programs
Editor

An Experiment A.A. Meetings in a Courtroom

I WANT to tell you about a wonderful experiment that has proven successful in our city.

Through the efforts of a former city police officer who has been working the Program over three years, the police force, the jailers, and at least one of our municipal judges have cooperated with our A.A. groups. For three years a municipal judge has been consulting A.A. in handling drunk cases. About a year ago, he decided to make A.A. available to more alcoholics. He consulted a member of the Santa Monica Group who agreed to "pitch" A.A. to such alcoholics as were required to attend a meeting in the court room, every other week, as a term of probation.

When I first heard of these meetings, I was skeptical, for I feared they contained the element of compulsion which ordinarily does not work. But when I saw many people attending our regular meetings of their own free will, after getting their introduction to A.A. at the court room meetings, I knew the idea was a success.

Many other A.A.s who were skeptical is now enthusiastic. I have been conducting the courtroom sessions every other Thursday night for about six months now, and I can vouch for their effectiveness.

As far as I know, this is the first effort of its kind and it certainly opens a new approach to the problem of alcoholism for our courts. The fact that the judge is a non-drinker makes his deep and sincere interest in the problems of the alcoholics the more commendable. I am sure that his office would be glad to give such information as requested to individuals and groups interested in starting similar meetings. The judge is a very busy man and cannot encourage curiosity seekers, but any legitimate inquiry forwarded through *The A.A. Grapevine* will receive prompt attention.

I personally know of quite a number who are active in my own group who got their introduction to A.A. at the courtroom meetings. I judge that many attend other groups

At the request of the head jailer and the matron weekly meetings are being held regularly at the city jail, one meeting for men and a separate meeting for women. Prisoners in the jail who wish to attend the courtroom meetings are permitted to do so.

R.W.L
Santa Monica, California

July 2020 Volusia County Intergroup Donations

Group & District Donations: \$3,104.42

Anniversaries Donations: \$38.00

Anonymous Donations: \$ 28.00

7th Tradition Donations: \$ 42.50

In Memory of: \$0

Total: \$3,212.92



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DISTRICT NEWS

Monthly District Meetings:

District 8: Last Monday – 7:15 pm, Almous Club
569 Foote Court, Daytona Beach

District 19: 4th Monday - 6:30 pm, First Cong. Church
(Fellowship Hall), 201 W. University, Orange City

District 20: 3rd Sunday - 7:00 pm, United Church of
Christ, 203 Washington St., New Smyrna Beach

District 21: 2nd Tuesday - 6:30 pm, St. James Episcopal
Church, 38 S. Halifax Drive, Ormond Beach

District 32: 1st Monday - 6:00 pm, Grace Lutheran
Church, 338 Ocean Shore Blvd., Ormond Beach

Want to know what's happening in your District?
All A.A. members are welcome to attend their District
meetings listed above & **get involved!**

From the September 1948 Grapevine

Reasonable Doubt

A FEW months ago I visited Reno, Nev., for the first time. While looking around the town I got into conversation with one of the local residents.

During our conversation his curiosity finally got the best of him and he asked, "Are you here for the cure?"

I replied very proudly, "Heaven no! I belong to Alcoholics Anonymous." He gave me a silly grin and walked away. I found out three days later what he meant by "the cure." It's Reno's way of asking if you're getting a divorce.

Maybe by now he knows what I meant by saying I belong to A.A.--but it's doubtful.

E.S.
San Diego, California

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Changes to the Meeting List

Mon-7pm

Primary Purpose

12&12

Bicentennial Park
BYOB & chair

Tuesday 8pm

No Name Listed

St James

Rockefeller Garden Park
Open Discussion Meeting
Bring a chair

Wednesday 7pm

Message in a Bottle

On the beach at Tom Renick Park
Bring a chair

Thursday 6:30 pm

Usual Suspects

Men only

Pavilion on beach at Granada approach

Friday 6:30 pm

Riverbridge Meeting

Bicentennial Park
Open discussion

Saturday 5pm

No Name Listed

Central Park off Hammock Street
Kid friendly

Go to <http://aadaytona.org/updates/> for the
latest reports on meeting status

Step IX

"Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others."

Tradition IX

"A.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve."

Concept IX

"Good service leadership at all levels is indispensable for our future functioning and safety. Primary world service leadership, once exercised by the founders, must necessarily be assumed by the trustees"



Events

Both the fall District 20 Picnic and the District 20 Gratitude Dinner are **CANCELLED for 2020**. With consideration of Traditions 1 and 4, "our common welfare comes first" those in attendance tonight (District Meeting) while considering the welfare of all, felt that for this year gathering in large groups, in person, is not prudent.

The **Area 14 Assembly in Sept. is VIRTUAL ONLY**. Contact your DCM if you would like to volunteer



Historical Tidbits

September 1:

1939 - 1st AA group founded in Chicago

September 5

1907 - Nancy Flynn, author of "Independent Blond" born

September 11:

2001 - 30 Vesey St, New York, AA's first Office is damaged during the World Trade Center attack

September 12:

1942 - U.S. Assist. Surgeon General Kolb speaks at dinner for Bill and Dr. Bob

September 13:

1937 - Florence R, 1st female in AA in NY

1941 - WHJP in Jacksonville, FL airs Spotlight on AA

September 15, 1979

2001 - Father Mychal J., Died sober in the World Trade Center attack

September 17:

1954: Bill D, AA #3 dies.

September 18:

1947 - Dallas Central Office opens its doors

September 19:

1965: The Saturday Evening Post publishes article "Alcoholics Can Be Cured - Despite AA"

1975 - Jack Alexander, author of Saturday Evening Post article, dies

September 21:

1938 - Bill W & Hank P form Works Publishing Co

September 24:

1940 - Bill 12 steps Bobbie V who replaced Ruth Hock as his secretary in NY

September 30:

1939 - Morris Markey runs story on AA, Alcoholics and God in Liberty Magazine

1975 - Bill W a biography by Robert T is published

2003 - Searcy W. died today, sober 20,962 days in a row