

SCAAN

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AA Old Preamble – 1940

We are gathered here because we are faced with the fact that we are powerless over alcohol and unable to do anything about it without the help of a Power greater than ourselves. We feel that each person's religious views, if any, are his own affair. The simple purpose of the program of Alcoholics Anonymous is to show what may be done to enlist the aid of a Power greater than ourselves regardless of what our individual conception of that Power may be. In order to form a habit of depending upon and referring all we do to that Power, we must at first apply ourselves with some diligence. By often repeating these acts, they become habitual and the help rendered becomes natural to us. We have all come to know that as alcoholics we are suffering from a serious illness for which medicine has no cure. Our condition may be the result of an allergy, which makes us different from other people. It has never been by any treatment with which we are familiar, permanently cured. The only relief we have to offer is absolute abstinence, the second meaning of A.A.

There are no dues or fees. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. Each member squares his debt by helping others to recover.

An Alcoholics Anonymous is an alcoholic who through application and adherence to the A.A. program has forsworn the use of any and all alcoholic beverage in

STEP 4
Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves

TRADITION 4
Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups of A.A. as a whole

any form. The moment he takes so much as one drop of beer, wine, spirits or any other alcoholic beverage he automatically loses all status as a member of Alcoholics Anonymous. A.A. is not interested in sobering up drunks who are not sincere in their desire to remain sober for all time. Not being reformers, we offer our experience only to those who want it. We have a way out on which we can absolutely agree and on which we can join in harmonious action.

Rarely have we seen a person fail who has thoroughly followed our program. Those who do not recover are people who will not or simply cannot give themselves to this simple program. Now you may like this program or you may not, but the fact remains, it works. It is our only chance to recover. There is a vast amount of fun in the A.A. fellowship. Some people might be shocked at our seeming worldliness and levity but just underneath there lies a deadly earnestness and a full realization that we must put first things first and with each of us the first thing is our alcoholic problem.

To drink is to die. Faith must work twenty-four hours a day in the through us or we perish. In order to set our tone for this meeting I ask that we bow our heads in a few moments of silent prayer and meditation. I wish to remind you that whatever is said at this meeting expresses our own individual opinion as of today and as of up to this moment. We do not speak for A.A. as a whole and you are free to agree or disagree as you see fit, in fact, it is suggested that you pay no attention to anything which might not be reconciled with what is in the A.A. Big Book.

If you don't have a Big Book, it's time you bought one. Read it, study it, live with it, loan it, scatter it, and then learn from it what it means to be an A.A.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS	
Apr 13 - 15	Area 15 General Service Quarterly/Assembly ~ Crowne Plaza at Sabal Park ~ Tampa, FL ~ Phone: 813-623-6363 ~ Reservations: 800-465-4239
Apr 13 - 15	5th Carolinas Spring Fling! Marriott Executive Park. Charlotte, NC. Info: www.carolinasspringfling.com
Apr 20	2nd Anniversary of Blue Lake Group @ New Covenant Church, 3311 N. Andrews Ave. Ext., Pompano Beach 6pm: Coffee Hour - 6:30 Dinner - 8:30 Speaker Chris R Bring a desert!
Apr 27-29	Spring Fling, Galesburg, IL. ~ info at: AA_SpringFling@yahoo.com
Apr 29	Bottom Line Group ~ Annual Anniversary Picnic at Quiet Waters
May 4-6	Serenity Weekend Women's Spring Conference Registration: \$30 "The Woman I Am, The Woman I want to Become" At Holiday Inn Town Center (\$89/night) Info: Ann P. 407-876-4430
May 25 - 27	21st Annual "Gathering of Eagles" ~ Memorial Day Wk-End Doubletree Hotel Dallas, TX ~ over 7000 Yrs of Recovery Celebrated in 2006! Special Speaker ~ Sister Maurice. Information & Registration: www.dallasgatheringofeagles.org
May 25-28	Daytona 17th Spring Conference & Memorial Weekend Party Registration: \$25 & Hotel \$89/night. Info: 877-902-5975 or download registration form: www.leestapesandcnds.com
June 9	FOUNDERS DAY DINNER Sponsored by Dist 8 General Service. ** Remembering Our Co-Founders** 6PM at The Triangle Club, 1369 Okeechobee Road, WPB. Tickets \$5.00 includes dinner, coffee and a great speaker.
June 10	SERVICE FAIR & DELEGATE'S LUNCHEON at the Triangle Club, 1369 Okeechobee Road, WPB. 2pm Service Fair (SPBC Intergroup will have a table at the fair); 3pm Free Luncheon served followed by the Delegate's Report at 3:30.
June 15-17	FCYPAA 2007 ~ Marco Polo Beach Resort, Miami Beach Info at: www.fcypaa.org
July 13-15	Way of Life Conference - Singer Island, FL at the Crown Plaza Oceanfront Hotel - ~ 561-842-6171 ~ \$129/nite Circuit Speakers, Workshops, Beach Meetings, Fun in the Sun! Information@wayoflifeconference.com
Aug 8-12	51st Florida State Convention ~ ...and great events will come to pass ~ Caribe Royale All-Suites Resort & Convention Center, Orlando, FL. 800-823-8300 or www.CaribeRoyale.com . Register: www.flstateconvention.com .
Aug 16 - 19	63rd SouthEastern Conference ~ Biloxi, Mississippi "Our 12 th Step Responsibility ~ Are We Going To Any Length?" Imperial Palace Hotel ~ 1-888-946-2847 or www.ipbiloxi.com . (Must use code V491 to receive special rates) Conference registration forms available at Intergroup office.
Aug 24-26	20th Annual Sunset Round Up in Key West. Info at: www.sunsetroundup.com
Sept 14-16	Serenity Weekend Women's Fall Conference 2007 , Cocoa Beach. Cocoa Beach Oceanfront Resort, 1-800-206-2747 ~ \$84/nite. Registration \$30 ~ Info: Call Ann P. 407-876-4430

51st FLORIDA STATE CONVENTION 2007*"and great events will come to pass."*

August 8 - 12, 2007

At the Caribe Royale All-Suites Resort ~ Orlando
www.CaribeRoyale.comAA Workshops & Al-Anon Family Group Workshops
"Together We Can Do It" on Sponsorship
"The Gift of Amends" AA & Al-Anon spouses

Activities: Friday Dinner/Speaker * Saturday Dinner/Speaker & Dance * Basketball 3/3 Tournament * Golf & Tennis * Dance Lessons ~ Latin & Ballroom * 5K Walk/Run * Ice Cream Socials * DJ's * Pool Parties * Yoga *

Workshops & Meetings for Spanish; Gay & Lesbian; Online & Young People.

Great Events & Guest Speakers!

...Make your reservations now ...

www.flstateconvention.com**FLORIDA CONFERENCE OF YOUNG PEOPLE OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**WWW.FCYPAA.ORG**MIAMI 2007 / Pre-registration \$15.00****June 15th - 17th, 2007****Marco Polo Beach Resort ~ A Ramada Plaza
19201 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, FL 33160**www.marcopolobeachresort.com**Intergroup Meeting**last Wednesday of each month at
at Central House, 7pm.**All AA members are welcome to attend.****Upcoming Meetings:**April 25 ~ May 30 ~ June 27 ~ July 25 ~ Aug 29 ~ Sept
26 ~ Oct 31 ~ Nov 28 ~ Dec 26**INTEROFFICE MEMO FROM GSO:**

It is with great sadness that we share the news that Nell Wing died on Wed., Feb 14, 2007 at 7pm after a lengthy illness. Nell was 89 years old.

Nell was Bill W.'s secretary and assistant for 17 years and a close friend and long-time companion to Lois W. She worked at the General Service Office of A.A. from the beginning of 1947 until her retirement at the close of 1982, starting as a receptionist and later becoming secretary of A.A. World Services, Inc. Additionally, she served as G.S.O.'s first Archivist for the last ten of her years at the office. The Archives opened in 1975.

Please join us in extending our heartfelt condolences to Nell's family.

Quarterly Meeting Schedule

April 13-15, 2007 Area 15 General Service Quarterly/ Assembly ~ Hosted by District 2 ~ Crowne Plaza at Sabal Park ~ Tampa, FL ~ Phone: 813-623-6363 ~ Reservations: 800-465-4239

July 13-15, 2007 Area 15 General Service Quarterly Hosted by District 9 ~ Ft. Lauderdale

October 5-7, 2007 Area 15 General Service Quarterly Hosted by District 8 ~ Boca Raton

All AA members are welcome to attend

Intergroup Minutes – January 31, 2007

Chairperson: Diane S. opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Henry B. shared on the Second Tradition. Welcome to new group reps: Lisa – Boca Women's, Chris – Boynton Beach Group, Tyler – East Delray Men's, Dave – Living in Sobriety.

Vice Chair: Al A. reported that Intergroup desperately needs 12th Step volunteers, and to be serious about their commitment. On August 31, our lease is up and we are looking into several alternatives that may suit our budget and our growing needs.

Treasurer: Justin B. Not Present, see report in SCAAN

Office Manager: Pam T. See Report in SCAAN

Archives Committee: Dave F. (Tony) shared on his AA oral history experience and he will assist our archives committee.

General Service: Donald N. reported that the Founder's Day Dinner will be held on June 9, 2007, 6pm @ Triangle Club. The Archives Committee will be hosting a pizza party in April 21 @ 3pm. at the warehouse in Boynton; if you want to come by and help out please contact Intergroup for more info. The next quarterly is hosted by District 2 in Tampa, April 12-15.

Group Information Committee: Chris C. reported that he just received the list of groups and reps and now he will be able to see what groups need reps or need to contribute.

Intergroup Gratitude Dinner: Ray P. reported that the Gratitude dinner will be hosted on Friday, Nov. 19, 2007. Some changes will be made such as no more bears, one speaker instead of two, but the \$35 ticket price will remain the same.

Institutions Committee: Geoff K. reported that H&I is actively seeking monetary and literature donations, as well as female AA members to take meetings into the treatment centers during the week.

New Years Eve Dinner/Dance: David K. No Report

Public Information: Tyler F. Motion was made and passed that AA will have a booth at PBCC Fair.

SCAAN: Janet B. No report.

Speaker Exchange: Kathy G. No Report

Special Events: Nancy P. No Report

Telephone Relay: Scott I. & Tyler F. reported that Young People with a Solution will take the phone in May, Serenity on the Beach in June, Men's Boca Central in July and All Aboard Group in August.

Website: Drew M. No Report

Where and When: Sean P. Please make your changes before the end of the second week of the month.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer.

In Love and Service, Alex K.

District 8 Meeting Schedule

(All Meetings at Triangle Club, West Palm Beach)

April 22, 2007	5 pm GSR/DCM Sharing 5:45pm Business District 8
May 20, 2007	5 pm GSR/DCM Sharing 5:45pm Business District 8
June 10, 2007	Delegates Report Time not set yet
July 8, 2007	5 pm GSR/DCM Sharing 5:45pm Business District 8
August 12, 2007	5 pm GSR/DCM Sharing 5:45pm Business District 8
September 9, 2007	5 pm GSR/DCM Sharing 5:45 pm Business District 8
October 14, 2007	5 pm GSR/DCM Sharing 5:45 pm Business District 8
November 11, 2007	5pm GSR/DCM Sharing 5:45 pm Business District 8
December 9, 2007	5 pm GSR/DCM Sharing 5:45 pm Business District 8

All AA members are welcome

Office Manager Report ~ February 28, 2007

There is a new Group Rep sheet going around the room. Please place a check mark by your group name if you are the rep or alternate rep, and verify the information; if you are a new rep or visitor, please complete the New Rep/Visitors sheet. I will update these sheets monthly according to the information you provide; and I am asking all members who would like reminder emails, and are not receiving them, to please email the Intergroup office so I can add your email to my address book. Also, please include your group name on the subject line of your email, as I do not open emails that are not recognized as Intergroup business.

We have a new volunteer, Nate S, who agreed to take on Bridge the Gap for South Palm Beach County, and he would like me to share with you that there were 2 referrals from our Area 15 Bridge the Gap Chair this past month. He will not be able to attend our Intergroup Business meeting on any regular basis, but we are extremely fortunate and grateful for his service

As of this date, the Archives committee has yet to hold it's first legitimate meeting, but we will do so in March! Members of the committee so far: Dave F., Tony P., Pam T., Chris C., and Margie Z.

Everything at the office is going great!

In love and service,
Pam T.

SOUTH PALM BEACH COUNTY MEETINGS

Intergroup Monthly Meeting
 April 25 at 7:00 pm at Central House

Institutions Monthly Meeting
 April 25 at 6:30 pm at Central House

District 8 Monthly Meeting
 April 22 at Triangle Club, West Palm Beach
 5:00 pm - GSR/DCM Sharing
 5:45 pm - District 8 Business Meeting

General Service Quarterly
 April 13-15, 2007
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 Reservations: 800-465-4239

join the birthday club

if you or your group is celebrating an a.a. anniversary and would like to be added to the list of celebrants, please mail the following information to the intergroup office with the suggested donation of \$1 for each year of sobriety. this money is used to carry the message to all alcoholics in south palm beach county.

name _____
 address _____
 home group _____
 sobriety date _____
 donation _____

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intergroup officers & committees

- chairperson diane s
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- speaker exchange kathy g
- special events nancey p
- telephone relay scott i
- website drew m
- where & when sean p
- *****
- intergroup dinner jay p
- new year's eve dinner/dance david k
- serenity golf scramble jack c, sandy t

Please read and post at all A.A. meetings for the next 90 days.
 We ask that the Members of A.A. to help safeguard our 11th Tradition which states: "Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and film" (including electronic media). Therefore, we ask for your help in insuring that your picture or last name not be identified with A.A. before the general public.
Note: At the Quarterly last month the Area 15 PI/CPC expressed concerns that we have been in violation of our Traditions in the local media over the past few months.

BIRTHDAY CLUB - CONGRATULATIONS!!

JOE E.	1 YR	2/2/2006	SPIRITUAL AWAKENINGS
JOE B.	2 YRS	3/15/05	12 O'CLOCK HIGH, BOCA PINES
RICK O.	5 YRS	2/10/02	SUNNY ISLES, LANTANA
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LISA P.	5 YRS	2/11/02	WE'RE JUST BEGINNERS, BOCA PINES
SUMMER B.	6 YRS	2/24/01	12 O'CLOCK HIGH, BOCA PINES
HOWARD E.	10 YRS	3/3/1997	ONE DAY AT A TIME, CROSSROADS CLUB
STEVE G.	11 YRS	3/5/1996	BOCA MEN'S RECOVERY
GREG P.	12 YRS	3/1/1995	BOCA MEN'S CENTRAL
PEGGY B.	18 YRS	2/14/1989	SOBER SISTERS, BOCA RATON
JILL G.	19 YRS	2/18/1988	ROAD TO RECOVERY, BOCA RATON
KEVIN O.	25 YRS	4/10/1982	CENTRAL HOUSE, DELRAY BEACH
FRED M.	26 YRS	3/24/1981	
KATIE B.	29 YRS	4/ /1978	CENTRAL HOUSE, DELRAY BEACH
LYN WEBSTER	34 YRS	4/24/1973	BOCA STUDY GROUP