

HIGH 'N DRY



Districts 8, 19, 20, 21 and 32

August 2023

Volusia County Intergroup Services

Coastal Centre

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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."



Reflection – Remember When

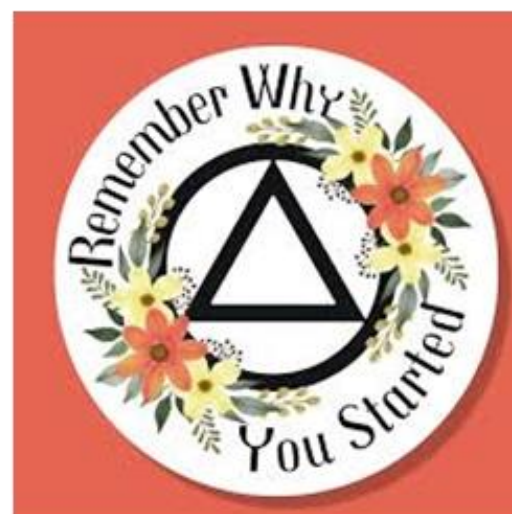
So recently while visiting a foreign country, it occurred to me how much we in Volusia County have gotten away from the chairperson explaining how a meeting is supposed to be run. For example, if it is a literature-based meeting, how much do we read? Do we discuss the read portions between people or wait until the end of all readers? Do we just jump in and read or go around the room? When asked to speak, do we ask for how long we are to share? Do we dress appropriately for the podium? Wearing dresses for ladies and collared shirts for grown-up gentlemen was once requested. After all, you are representing the fellowship that saved your life and turned you from a drunken irresponsible human, into a productive member of society (hopefully).

Sometimes we assume that everyone knows the plan, but are we often considerate of the visitor, making them feel welcome? There was a time not so long ago before the existence of cell phones, when we actually had some of the best discussions and laughter before the meeting. Now it seems we walk into a meeting, and everyone is glued to their cell phones and the laughter is practically non-existent. I miss those days. So, when at all possible, I try and

be really grown up and leave my cell in the car. "WHAT!" you say? "Enter an AA meeting 20-30 minutes prior without a cell and participate in fellowship and talk to people! Really, you can't be serious!" as I chuckle when I hear the eyes roll of a newbie saying, "this is ridiculous."

If you want what we have, then do what we did. Show up early. Look for visitors, especially as we live in a town riddled with visitors and newcomers. Make them feel welcome, like Alcoholics Anonymous is a great place to be. Besides, in the end it's where all graced alcoholics show up. Some might even be lucky enough to stay.

Anonymous



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ARCHIVES for August: "Bill W. My First 40 Years: An autobiography by the Cofounder of Alcoholics Anonymous"

Note: "I" is Bill W. and inside brackets [] are my comments.

In the summer of 1918, Bill W. was still training for artillery. Lois and other wives are in town (Newport) and Bill is in an army tent. One visit a week to see Lois. When Bill was about to depart [to "over there"], Bill and Lois were on the beautiful cliffs watching the sunset. Gloom of departure became exhalation of duty and patriotism. First outline of a "spiritual experience mechanism." It was an unforgettable experience. The troops sailed from Boston to New York and then sailed east on the British ship Lancashire. Onboard the ships officers gave me my first taste of brandy which was "elevating."

Entering the Irish Sea where enemy submarines were abundant, one night there was an ear shattering crash. Our ship was packed tight with bunks with one officer [Bill was an officer] in charge of a group. Panic ensued as we thought "our number was up" but I quieted my men down within a minute after I withdrew my gun. Another spiritual experience with a wave of "confidence and exhilaration" and a feeling "Well you [Bill] aren't yellow after all." Later we learned that a torpedo was fired on our ship but missed. A destroyer dropped an "ash can" (depth charges as they are now called) and the explosion was the sound we heard.

We arrived and were quartered in Winchester. We went sightseeing and I visited Winchester Cathedral. I wandered the graveyard and saw Thomas Thatcher and thought of my friend Ebby Thatcher "Here lies a Hampshire grenadier..." [In a prior archive

story I compared Bill's version with Wikipedia.] A group of us entered the cathedral and while some were "pretty tough looking specimens," there was a subdued atmosphere. I have been in many cathedrals and never experienced the same feeling. Returning in 1950, I did feel a similar spiritual experience to what I felt back then. At first, I thought of the wounds, death and oblivion and then the mood shifted and the atmosphere of the place began to possess me and lifted me to a sort of ecstasy "And though I was not a conscious believer in God at the time—I had no defined belief—yet I somehow had a mighty assurance that things were and would be all right." Classic mechanism of a spiritual experience: "collapsed human powerlessness, then God coming to lift him up to set him on the high road to his destiny. Those were my impressions of my experience in the cathedral."

[Hope you enjoyed learning about Bill W.]
Jim B. Archives



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Area 14 Contributions:

NFAC Treasurer
PO Box 6301
Jacksonville, FL 32205

Intergroup Contributions:

Volusia County Intergroup
Coastal Centre
1635 S. Ridgewood, # 107
South Daytona, FL 32119

Monthly District meetings

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

District 19: 4th Thursday (note change in
day) – 6:30 pm, First Cong. Church
(Fellowship Hall), 201 W. University,
Orange City

District 20: 3rd Sunday, United Church of
Christ, 203 Washington St., NSB. 6:30 for
PI and Treatment Committees, 7 pm for
District meeting.

District 21: 4th Tuesday of each month,
6:30pm at St. James Episcopal Church,
38 South Halifax, Ormond Beach

District 32: 1st Monday, Zoom only, 6 pm
Meeting ID: 868 3466 0731

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

Step VIII

*"Made a list of all persons we had
harmed, and became willing to make
amends to them all."*

Tradition VIII

*"Alcoholics Anonymous should remain
forever nonprofessional, but our service
centers may employ special workers."*

Concept VIII

*"The trustees are the principal planners
and administrators of overall policy and
finance. They have custodial oversight of
the separately incorporated, and
constantly active services, exercising this
through their ability to elect all the directors
of these entities."*

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NEW MEETINGS

NSB Sunday Serenity Group

7:00 PM on Sundays
Christ Community Church
203 Washington St
NSB, FL

Central Fact

7:00 PM – Sunday & Monday
United Presbyterian
730 Beville Rd
Daytona Beach, FL

MEETING NEEDS SUPPORT

Brighter Days

11:00 AM – Sunday's
Almous Club
569 Foote Court
Daytona Beach, FL

5 O'clock Somewhere

5:00 PM – Sunday's
Club YANA
111 Howes Street
Port Orange, FL



August Anniversaries

NAME	YR	DATE
5:30 Group Rebos		
Patsy J	38	8/5/1985
Bill R	12	8/15/2011
Margaret C	12	8/26/2011
Dean W	7	8/14/2016
Brain W	2	8/10/2021
Robert A	2	8/18/2021
Rachael L	1	8/18/2022
Alcoholics and God		
Barb W	21	8/13/2002
Tonya S	16	8/13/2007
Kathy M	15	8/2/2008
George K	10	8/19/2013
Dayna G	2	8/7/2021
Aloha		
Sean D	35	8/8/1988
Debbie B	13	8/2/2010
Back to Basics Deland		
Del L	38	8/3/1985
Lisandra M	14	8/8/2009
Janet S	3	8/30/2020
Beachside-NSB		
Alan S	39	8/7/1984
Sandy S	32	8/8/1991
Central Fact		
Troy P	28	8/25/1995
Charlie N	20	8/3/2003
Choice is Yours		
Rick	21	8/10/2002
Debbie W	16	8/24/2007
Angelo	13	8/7/2010
April	6	8/17/2017
Linda C	6	8/3/2017
Sharon B	5	8/15/2018
Rodger L	5	8/1/2018
Deltona Men's Group		
David M	32	8/5/1991
Greg R	4	8/5/2019
Donut Group		
Carla W	37	8/5/1986
Mike R (Buckeye)	29	8/22/1994
Vlad S	24	8/1/1999
Theresa Q	10	8/9/2013
Shaun M	2	8/4/2021
Driveway Meeting		
Patti F	22	8/25/2001
Mickey S	8	8/5/2015
Amanda J	6	8/15/2017

NAME	YR	DATE
Early Ducks		
Jim G	3	8/17/2020
Four Townes		
Brian C	37	8/28/1986
Kathie M	22	8/1/2001
Kathy M	15	8/2/2008
Glenn R	2	8/19/2021
Friday Noon Men's		
Robert W	43	8/18/1980
John R	40	8/28/1983
Bob C	38	8/26/1985
Good Day Group		
Deborah H	11	8/23/2012
Hosea B	3	8/16/2020
Christopher B	2	8/5/2021
Karla S	2	8/25/2021
Loretta R	2	8/30/2021
Caleb C	1	8/1/2022
Darrah W	1	8/30/2022
Mya H	1	8/25/2022
Grateful Group		
Pamela P	9	8/1/2014
Happy Hour Daytona		
Mistia	20	8/23/2003
Jon W	11	8/19/2012
Nick	7	8/10/2016
Jay N	6	8/3/2017
Teresa S	3	8/21/2020
Donald M	2	8/3/2021
Brenda H	2	8/5/2021
Mya H	2	8/27/2021
Jessica C	1	8/22/2022
High Noon		
Kathy S	35	8/5/1988
Scott M	8	8/22/2015
DJ	1	7/11/2022
Hour of Power		
Tom O	35	8/29/1988
Dan G	7	8/9/2016
Lori F	6	8/6/2017
Jay	3	8/23/2020
Lest We Forget		
Mary Jane M	38	8/19/1985
Theresa S	36	8/23/1987
Margo D	36	8/27/1987
Mackenzie W	10	8/21/2013
Joan H	2	8/20/2021

August Anniversaries

NAME	YR	DATE
<i>Lifesavers</i>		
Joan O	35	8/7/1988
Mary Beth H	22	8/23/2001
Jason W	3	8/21/2020
<i>Message In A Bottle</i>		
John R	40	8/28/1983
<i>Never Had It So Good</i>		
Dean M	45	8/1/1978
Dick C	40	8/7/1983
Steve R	21	8/22/2002
Chet O	18	8/29/2005
Dave P	14	8/15/2009
Kayla V	2	8/14/2021
<i>New Dawn Group</i>		
Tania C	49	8/3/1974
Steve R	21	8/22/2002
Linda T	21	8/14/2002
Charlie N	20	8/3/2003
Paul G	11	8/2/2012
Angelena	10	8/28/2013
<i>New Smyrna Beach Grp</i>		
Sandy S	32	8/8/1991
<i>Ormond Beach Group</i>		
Chris P	1	8/16/2022
<i>Riverbridge</i>		
Al J	33	8/9/1990
Kevin M	20	8/14/2003
<i>Road to Recovery - Osteen</i>		
Chuck S	34	8/13/1989
Peggy P	26	8/7/1997
Jessica R	8	8/14/2015
Ann O	3	8/16/2020
Peggy M	2	8/1/2021
<i>Saturday Women's AA</i>		
Irene V	33	8/26/1990
<i>Sand & Sea</i>		
Keith S	39	8/13/1984
Blaine A	27	8/26/1996
Rad H	3	8/11/2020
Brett C	3	8/29/2020
Linda S	2	8/26/2021
Lauren D	2	8/26/2021
<i>Steps For Life</i>		
Tania C	49	8/3/1974
Georgia J-T	20	8/19/2003
Linda T	10	8/13/2013
<i>Sunrise Group Deland</i>		
Sue G	10	8/11/2013
John K	4	8/25/2019

NAME	YR	DATE
<i>Sunrise Group - Holly Hill</i>		
Scott H	24	8/25/1999
Jake R	19	8/3/2004
Kathleen	1	8/28/2022
<i>Tomoka Group Beachside</i>		
Deb O	35	8/8/1988
<i>Way of Life</i>		
Ronnie	34	8/29/1989
Kevin P	23	8/22/2000
Diana B	20	8/18/2003
Bob C	8	8/17/2015
April H	6	8/17/2017
Richard K	4	8/1/2019
Michael L	3	8/28/2020
Rob R	3	8/1/2020
Greg B	3	8/28/2020
David P	3	8/23/2020
Jacob	2	8/6/2021
John M	2	8/1/2021
Jessica C	1	8/22/2022
<i>We Are Alive</i>		
Skip	41	8/22/1988
Sandy S	32	8/8/1991
Scott M	8	8/15/2015
Sam S	3	8/1/2020
<i>Wednesday Women's</i>		
Mistia D	20	8/23/2003
Jennifer C	9	8/1/2014
Jackie S	1	8/15/2022
<i>YOLO</i>		
Bob <small>Rock & Roll</small>	43	8/18/1980
Steve R	21	8/22/2002
Charlie N	20	8/3/2003
Chris	2	8/26/2021
Bill M	2	8/3/2021
James M	1	8/2/2022
Brain P	1	8/19/2022
<i>Young at Heart</i>		
Dan C	35	8/21/1988
Tammy D	22	8/9/2001
Chris H	14	8/8/2009
Sharon	5	8/15/2018
Doug C	3	8/6/2020
Frank R	3	8/12/2020
Larry D	2	8/22/2021
Anthony	1	8/28/2022

**2,282 Years of Sobriety
in August 2023**

Intergroup News and Meeting 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, 1635 S. Ridgewood Ave.



Special thanks to the following for the contributions:

Group contributions

Attitude Adjustment	Lest We Forget
Any Lengths	Message In A Bottle
Anonymous Donation	New Hope
Basic Text	Steps For Life
Back To Basics Deland	Steering Comm & IGR
District 20	Sunday Morning Sober
Friday Sobriety	Usual Suspects
Grateful Group	Young At Heart
Insane Today	

TOTAL JUNE DONATIONS
\$2751.18

Intergroup Representatives (IGR) attending JULY Meeting:



Daytona Beach

Good Day Group
 Precisely How
 Happy Hour
 Three Legacies
 Wednesday's Women's
 YOLO
 The Driveway
 Way of Life

Port Orange

New Dawn
 Women's Book Study

Orange City

Alcoholic and God
 Four Townes

Deltona Group

Deltona Men's Group

New Smyrna Beach

High Noon
 Hour of Power
 Lifesavers

Ormond Beach

HowIt Works
 Tomoka Group Beachside

Deland

Deland BB Study

Lake Helen/Osteen

Road to Recovery

Holly Hill

Lest We Forget
 Sunrise Group

Edgewater

Ladies Tuesday Night



Volusia County Intergroup Office

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 Monday – Friday
 9 am – 5 pm
 Saturday 9 am – 1 pm
 Anniversary Coins, Books, Book
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 Coordinator, Candy

Email: admin@aadaytona.org
 Phone: (386) 756-2930

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

Committees, Coordinators, and Volusia County Intergroup updates

Office Coordinator: In June, Intergroup had 169 visits and 62 calls.

Website Administrator: Hi Everyone. Google Analytics has switched to a new version called GA4. I set GA4 up today to start tracking. This affects the Monster Insights program I use to track the website, which will restart collecting data today. I performed weekly plugin and security updates, and Steve O. has been doing a great job updating events and meetings. I want to thank Joan O. for setting up some policies on the workflow of new meetings and events. Please contact me if you have any questions ~HP

Archives Report: Thanks for the group history information from Sand Dollar Recovery Beach meeting and The Grateful Group (now in Lake Helen). I continued the inventory of High N' Dry from first issue September 1977 to 2023. Missing are October 1982, December 1982, February 2017, May 2017, and July 2017. We have the front page only for May 1990: do you have the full issue? If you have any of the missing issues please consider donating to Volusia County Intergroup Archives. Thanks! Archives relies on donations but please provide information so that archives can learn about and evaluate the document. We received a poster with photos of a lady from the silver dollar club. No information was provided.

High 'n Dry Editor's: If interested in submitting an article, please email us at editor@aadaytona.org

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5'0" 5'0"
4'0" 4'0"
3'0" 3'0"
2'0" 2'0"
1'0" 1'0"

THE USUAL SUSPECTS

PRESENT

JOE C. & DEBRA V.
SAN DIEGO CA JACKSONVILLE FL

FRIDAY OCTOBER 20, 2023
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

SATURDAY OCTOBER 21, 2023
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

GraceLife Beachside Church
6 Sandra Dr. Ormond Beach FL 32176

**50/50 RAFFLE
FREE ADMISSION
REFRESHMENTS** ****NEW****

**FREE - BUFFET PIZZA PARTY
LUNCH ON SATURDAY**

23rd Annual Serenity Weekend
Women's Fall Conference 2023 • September 8-10, 2023
Find us online at serenityweekend.com/womenfallconference.com

Featuring SEVEN Wonderful Speakers

Friday 7:00 PM Karen R, Tampa, FL - Steps 1 & 2
8:30 PM Carol M, Orlando, FL - Step 1

Saturday 9:00 AM Workshop: Steps 4 - 7
Polly P, Jacksonville, FL and Paula F, Champaign, IL
12:00 PM Lunch Break
3:00 PM Rachel F, Miami, FL - Steps 8 & 9
3:30 PM Raquel G, Chicago, IL - Step 12
5:00 PM Dinner Break
7:45 PM Beth H, Austin, TX - Speaker Her Story

Sunday 9:30 AM Karen R, Tampa, FL - Steps 11 & 12

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SPACE LIMITED TO THE FIRST 500
Come Early, Stay Late

\$40 registration fee per person (non-refundable) by August 12. After August 12, registration is \$45.
See serenityweekend.com for more details.

To pay by check or money order make checks payable to "SWWC" and mail to:
C/O AA Foundation
4244 Bull Tower Ct., Belle Isle, FL 32810
For additional information call 407-871-6275

Serenity Weekend Women's Fall Conference 2023 Registration

Name _____ Name _____
Address _____ Address _____
City _____ City _____
State _____, Zip _____ State _____, Zip _____
Phone _____ Phone _____
Email _____ Email _____
Home or badge _____ Home or badge _____

SPONSORSHIP CONTRIBUTION \$ _____ (SEND A HARD TO THEM UNABLE TO PAY THE REGISTRATION FEE)

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**Intergroup Volunteers
to
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- Archives
- Volunteer Coordinator
- High N' Dry
- Special Events Coordinator
- Corrections & Treatment Coord

****Contact Intergroup Services Office**
If Interested**

- Email: admin@aadaytona.org
- Phone: (386) 756-2930
- Type: Committee Inquiry in Subject Line

Please announce this at all meetings.

Happy Hour Group
**35th ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION**

Join us at
THE ALMOUS CLUB
569 Foote Court, Daytona Beach
Saturday, August 26, 2023

DON'T MISS THIS GALA EVENT!

4:00 - 5:00 Buffet Served

5:00 - 6:00 Sobriety Countdown

6:00 - 7:00 AA Meeting
Speakers to include members of the group from the early days to the present.

ADMISSION FREE

AA WORKS GOOD FOOD • GOOD FELLOWSHIP
Come and meet some of the early members and the members of today!

- Contributions and/or store bought dishes & deserts are welcomed.
- Donations for Raffle and Door Prizes will be accepted.

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Stay Until The Miracle Happens

When I walked into this treatment center, I was a lost soul, helpless and without home. Alcohol had finally taken me to a place where I was surely going to die. I had no answers to any of my many problems. I was mentally and spiritually bankrupt. However, I didn't know that everything was about to change. I stayed in that center for the recommended thirty days and what I learned about me was amazing.

I found out that I was an alcoholic. I learned that there was an answer and a solution to my malady. I was introduced to a program called Alcoholics Anonymous and through that introduction I found some HOPE. I started going to AA meeting and did everything that was asked of me to the best of my ability. I read the big blue book and worked the twelve steps. Through all of that I found a Higher Power and I learned a lot more about me. Over the next weeks and months, I realized something else was working in my life. I couldn't explain it, but I felt that

everything was going to be alright. That was in 1984. I haven't had a drink since. Today I realize this only happened by the Grace of God, the program of Alcoholics Anonymous and our wonderful fellowship. I believe for me that I stayed until the Miracle happened and every day at the meetings, I see Miracles all around me.

Anonymous

**Don't Give Up
Before The
Miracle
Happens**

Love and Service

Dear Fellow AA's,

"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."

At 3:00 am, July 12, Roy answered my phone call, that woke him out of his sleep, and the responsibility statement became real to me, more than just abstract words I will always be grateful to Roy and the Phone Army for being there in my hour of need, and for being there for everyone else. Your example of service is inspiring. I pray to know and do God's will. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mary - 4 ½ months



Elections Notice

The Intergroup Representatives will be holding an October election for

Trustee's and Secretary's positions

Interested parties may call or email Intergroup for more information or to express willingness to serve.

We would like to have all

Replies by

September 21st 6:30 p.m.

IGR meeting

Central Baptist Church

152 Fairview Ave.

Daytona Beach, FL 32114

Please announce at all groups to help us fill these service positions.

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