High 'N Dry

February 2025

VOLUSIA COUNTY INTERGROUP SERVICES

Districts 8, 19, 20, 21 & 32

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.*

SHARING THE COMMON BOND

When I was a new person in AA, I felt a connection to the people at the meetings. The common bond that's talked about in our literature was realized for me after just a few meetings. The people I met seemed to be doing alright. As I listened to what was said, I started to believe what they were saying. It made sense to me. I started to understand the bond they were talking about had something to do with truth, honesty, and a willingness to accept some new and different ideas. These people were from all different walks of life and it didn't matter if they were affluent, blue collar or what social status they were in, we all had this common bond that connected us. It's called alcoholism. Being new to AA, I had a lot to learn. At thirty days without a drink I didn't know very much. However, as time went on and I got to know more and more sober people, I knew this is where I belonged. I didn't have to act anymore. For the first time in my life I could just be me and that was good enough.

Over time and having this unique bond, I found what I was looking for. The AA's said if you want what we have, you'll do what we do. As I practiced this new and sometimes hard life, I just kept on remembering **"One day at a time."** I knew if didn't drink today I would be alright. I strengthened my AA bond by attending regular meetings and sharing what was going on with me. That was the start of my journey and it has continued over forty years. Today I have a strong bond with the AA community. I have found a Higher Power that I share a personal bond with. I have a road map on a design for living sober.

When my life was going the wrong way and I wasn't sure what I was going to do or how to do it, It was suggested to me to take a chance on something else. For me it was AA.
Take a chance. What do you have to lose, but everything! *-Anonymous*

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Archives Story - *contributed by Jim B. - Intergroup Archives Chair*

(Note: Original has editorial revisions; underlines in this are underlines in the original including many in pencil.) Hope you enjoyed this as much as I did.

Richmond Walker talk on my Second A.A. Birthday

1) On my last birthday, I had only been in A.A. about two months – I was still near enough to the "scene of the accident" to be groggy from the beating that alcohol had given me – But I knew then that liquor had become my enemy – And I wanted to lick it, if I could and when I looked around at Jack P., Jack D., Palmer Y., and Ray M., I figured that if they could do it, I could do it. There was no question about the fact that I honestly wanted to get dry.

2) This birthday having been in A.A. a year and two months, I'm just as sure as I was a year ago, that liquor is my enemy – In fact, I'm ever surer than I was before, that liquor can never be my friend again. During the past year, I've made it my main business to keep sober. A year ago, I wanted to get dry, now I want to stay dry, more than anything else in the world.

3) I can truthfully say that the past year has been the happiest one I've had for a long time – Thanks to A.A., everything has gone well for me – And I know it will continue to go well, as long as I continue to follow the A.A. program, and make it my main business to keep sober, with God as my partner in this business.

CONCLUSION – I'm very grateful to everyone in A.A., and I hope that I'll be right here in A.A. on every birthday that I have – from now on.

Step II

Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.

Tradition II

For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.

Concept II

The General Service Conference of A.A. has become, for nearly every practical purpose, the active voice and the effective conscience of our whole society in its world affairs.

Can't attend a meeting in person? There is an AA guide to online meetings at anytime:

https://aa-intergroup.org/

ONLINE INTERGROUP
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

On the Dry Side →

Remember Rule #62 "Don't take yourself so damn serious."

Do you ever get drunk?

☐ Yes

☐ No X

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WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A GSR (General Service Representative)?

For most A.A.s, membership in a home group is one of the keys to continuing sobriety. In a home group, they accept service responsibilities and learn to sustain connections with other recovering alcoholics. The home group affords individual A.A.s the privilege of voting on issues that affect the Fellowship as a whole; it is the very basis of the service structure. While many A.A. members attend other groups as well,the home group is where they participate in business meetings and cast their vote as part of the group conscience of the Fellowship as a whole. As with all group conscience matters, each member has one vote.

The role of the **general service representative,** or **GSR,** is essential to the purpose of general service. Bill W. wrote in Concept I of *The Twelve Concepts for World Service:* "The A.A. groups today hold ultimate responsibility and final authority for our world services." The role of the GSR is essential to ensuring that groups can fulfill that responsibility. Only when a GSR keeps the group informed and communicates the group conscience can the Conference truly act for A.A. as a whole. This communication is a two-way street, making the GSR responsible not only for bringing forward the group's voice, but for taking back to the group Conference actions that affect the Fellowship's unity, health and growth.

So what is the role of a GSR? The GSR is the link between the group and "A.A. as a whole." This link becomes a channel through which news, information, opinions and ideas can flow back and forth. Importantly, this also gives the group a voice in the affairs of the Fellowship. **The GSR is that voice.** (reprinted from the AA Service Manual)

Monthly District Meetings

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

District 19: 4th Wednesday– 6:30 pm
First Congregational Church
(Jane Murray Fellowship Hall)
201 W. University, Orange City

District 20: 3rd Sunday-6:30 pm for
PI and Treatment Committees
7:00 pm for District meeting.
United Church of Christ
203 Washington St., New Smyrna Beach

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

District 32: 1st Monday - 6:30 pm
Grace Beachside Lutheran Church
338 Oceanshore Blvd. Ormond Beach

"Faith without works is dead."

Service work In Alcoholics Anonymous can enhance your sobriety and save your life.

North Florida Area Conference

Area 14 Assembly

Pre-Conference Agenda Items

Workshop

March 15, 2025, at The Almous Club 1:30pm to 3:30pm

569 Foote Ct. Daytona Beach, 32114

(The Almous Club)

This Workshop is intended to be an informative platform where our Area 14 Delegate, Lori P., will be given an opportunity to allow GSR's and Area group members to receive information regarding the scheduled agenda of the North Florida Conference, to be presented to the GSO Assembly in New York.

The items requiring voting by groups, proposals, as presented by The New York GSO Assembly will be discussed. Any questions can be presented on proposed topics and will be clarified with the latest updates.

This workshop is open to all that wish to attend, we strongly encourage all DCM's, GSR's and those members holding service positions to attend.

Food and drinks will be provided during the workshop. Area Districts and groups are encouraged to donate snacks and/or desserts for this workshop.

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

NAME	YR	DATE
2'sday Nite Sobriety		
Rhonda H	27	2/21/1998
5:30 Group		
Johnny B	18	2/7/2007
Amy D	15	2/10/2010
Alcoholics and God		
Chris F	17	2/12/2008
Susan F	8	2/6/2017
Any Lengths		
Will S	2	2/27/2023
Central Facts		
Don M	1	2/16/2024
Brandon V	1	2/29/2024
Choice Is Yours		
Kim S	41	2/0/1984
Ashley	8	2/0/2017
Drew W	5	2/0/2020
Donut Group		
Bob H	54	2/20/1971
Dianne G	39	2/5/1986
Louis S	21	2/3/2004
Ashley C	8	2/27/2017
Happy Belated Anniversary		
Will H	5	1/25/2020
Deltona Men's Group		
Jonas W	13	2/14/2012
Driveway Meeting		
Connie	18	2/18/2007
Jenny B	17	2/9/2008
Early Ducks		
James H	7	2/13/2018
Ralph R	1	2/4/2024
Matt K	1	2/6/2024
Four Townes Group		
Janet	44	2/18/1981
Rafael	28	2/22/1997
Tim M	15	2/10/2010
Lee M	11	2/7/2014
Karl S	9	2/16/2016
Scott A	9	2/28/2016
Susan	8	2/6/2017
Mike T	5	2/17/2020

NAME	YR	DATE
Had Enough		
Roz DC	27	2/21/1998
Happy Hour (Daytona)		
Tom G	36	2/12/1989
John B	18	2/7/2007
Tom H	15	2/6/2010
Eddie M	10	2/13/2015
Kevin C	6	2/14/2019
Walter B	5	2/12/2020
Glenda S	5	2/25/2020
Sherry M	4	2/1/2021
Anthony A	1	2/7/2024
Marilyn R	1	2/14/2024
High Noon		
Joy S	11	2/28/2014
Ray	3	2/1/2022
Hour of Power		
Michael C	50	2/11/1975
George F	50	2/26/1975
Charlie D	42	2/9/1983
Tina S	19	2/6/2006
Amy M	19	2/22/2006
Ron S	15	2/21/2010
Scott W	14	2/25/2011
Melinda	8	2/1/2017
Irene T	5	2/21/2020
Craig P	4	2/10/2021
Andy W	3	2/7/2022
Krissy C	2	2/19/2023
Chris C	1	2/5/2024
Insane Today		
Keith C	2	2/25/2022
Lifesavers		
Ron A	41	2/10/1984
Joan G	40	2/10/1985
John B	18	2/7/2007
Daniel McG	15	2/2/2010
New Dawn Group		
Dennis L	39	2/2/1986
Alan M	20	2/27/2005
New Smyrna Beach Group		
Mark L	2	2/18/2023

Total Sobriety Represented in February – 815,969 One Days at a Time!

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

NAME	YR	DATE
Open to Change		
Bob P	38	2/14/1987
Calleen D	28	2/5/1997
Pass It On		
Dave B	19	2/26/2006
Susan	8	2/6/2017
Riverbridge Group		
Jim F	4	2/7/2021
Road to Recovery (Daytona)		
Truck C	35	2/12/1990
Road to Recovery (Osteen)		
John F	6	2/25/2019
Sand and Sea		
Letisha T	16	2/13/2009
Josh E	10	2/22/2015
Cynthia F	7	2/14/2018
Staci K	5	2/14/2020
Taylor T	3	2/12/2023
Tatiana R	2	2/12/2023
John L	2	2/1/2023
John L	2	2/1/2023
Angela H	2	2/8/2023
Heather O	1	2/8/2024
Sisters in Sobriety (DeLand)		
Debbie W	47	2/10/1978
Steps In Slow Motion		
Christina "Tina" H	16	2/15/2009
Steps For Life		
Bev J	19	2/20/2006
Lisa F	8	2/25/2017
Melissa R	5	2/26/2020
Sunrise Group (Holly Hill)		
Chuck C	36	2/17/1989
Cathy M	35	2/2/1990
Tomoka Group Beachside		
Amy K	18	2/28/2007
Rodney M	1	2/15/2024
Never Had It So Good		
Geno E	10	2/28/2015
Rick R	11	2/16/2014
George	10	2/26/2015
Allan	20	2/27/2005
Irene	5	2/21/2020

NAME	YR	DATE
Sunrise Group (DeLand)		
Frank M	31	2/1/1994
Amy K	12	2/28/2013
Tracy O	9	2/15/2016
Susan F	8	2/6/2017
Laura D	4	2/12/2021
Jeff S	1	2/11/2024
Way of Life		
James M	42	2/28/1983
Dennis L	39	2/3/1986
Rosie K	39	2/15/1986
Jeffery W	21	2/16/2004
John B	18	2/7/2007
Mary P	14	2/6/2011
Mari K	14	2/8/2011
Chuck B	4	2/23/2021
We Are Alive		
Mary R	24	2/14/2001
Brian P	15	2/22/2010
Abe R	8	2/1/2017
Krissy	2	2/19/2023
Wednesday Women's		
Julie S	4	2/24/2021
Women's Book Study		
Michelle C	22	2/20/2003
Melissa R	5	2/26/2020
Glenda S	5	2/26/2020
Cindy S	2	2/27/2023
YOLO		
Charlie D	46	2/6/1979
Matt C	9	2/2/2016
Ryan	4	2/5/2021
Devini S	3	2/21/2022
Michael M	1	2/2/2024
Justin A	1	2/23/2024
Young At Heart		
Eileen	29	2/25/1996
Johnny G	18	2/7/2007
Lest We Forget		
Laurie M	37	2/14/1988
Cathy M	35	2/2/1990
Jenny B	17	2/9/2008

VOLUSIA COUNTY INTERGROUP NEWS

Intergroup Representative's Meetings:	Intergroup Steering Committee Meetings:	Corrections & Treatment Committee Meetings:
6:30 pm, 3rd Thursday each month Central Baptist Church 142 Fairview Ave; Daytona Beach, FL	6:30 pm, 1st Thursday each month Coastal Center (upstairs) 1635 S. Ridgewood Ave. South Daytona, FL	6:30 pm, 1st Thursday each month Coastal Center (upstairs) 1635 S. Ridgewood Ave. South Daytona, FL

VOLUSIA COUNTY INTERGROUP OFFICE

Open: Monday- Friday 9 am – 5 pm;
Saturday 9 am – 1pm

Anniversary Coins, Books, Book Covers, Cards, Jewelry.

***** Credit cards accepted *****

Interested in service work?
Contact the Office Coordinator
Email: admin@aadaytona.org
Phone: (386) 756-2930

Groups represented at Jan IGR meeting :

Women's Book Study; New Dawn; DeLand Big Book; Wednesday Women's; Way of Life; The Driveway; Happy Hour (DB); Good Day Group; High Noon; New Smyrna Beach Group; The Grateful Group; Sunrise Group (HH); Deltona Men's Group; Saturday Women's AA; How It Works; Tomoka Beachside

Group Donations (Dec): $1,313.74:

Sunrise Group(HH); Lifesavers; Holly Hill Book Study; Attitude Adjustments; Sand & Sea; YOLO; Grateful Group; Sunday Morning Sober; IGR meeting; Intergroup Steering Committee; Anonymous

Where can AA groups send their contributions?

GSO Contributions:
General Services Office
Post Office Box 2407
James A Farley Station
New York, NY 10116-2407

Or online at:
https://contribution/aa.org

Area 14 Contributions:
Area 14, Panel 73 Treasurer
PO BOX 840066
St. Augustine, FL 32080

Or on-line at:
https://aanorthflorida.org

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

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

Intergroup Committees and Coordinators updates

Office Coordinator: 207 Phone Calls; 205 Visits. The inventory went well, thank you to those that helped.

High 'n Dry Editor: If interested in submitting an article, please email *admin@aadaytona.org* March Anniversaries should be submitted no later than February 15th.

Archives Report: Will bring display and present on Volusia AA history and Twenty Four Hours a Day book to 7th annual AA Archives workshop in Panama City.. *-Jim B. Archives Chair*

Twelve Step Coordinator: There was an issue with the phone company, but it has been resolved.

MEETING NEWS

NEW MEETINGS

Victory House Meeting
9:00 am Saturdays
748 S Ridgewood Ave.
Daytona Beach, FL
Corner of Bellevue and South Ridgewood Ave. Parking is accessed from the Bellevue side of the house.

The Dumping Ground
7:00 pm Sundays thru Fridays
962 Derbyshire Rd
Daytona Beach, FL
For Military Veterans only.

NEW LOCATION

Line By Line
7:00 pm Mondays
100 E. Granada (SR 40)
Second floor cafeteria
Ormond Beach. FL

NEEDS SUPPORT

Came to Believe
5:30 pm Thursdays
Alcoholics & God
1060 E. Industrial Dr. Suite P
Orange City, FL

NEW TIME

Road to Recovery
6:00 pm Mondays
United Methodist Church
179 Carpenter Ave.
Osteen, FL

Back to Basics
7:00 pm Thursdays
Church of the Holy Presence
355 N. Kepler Rd..
DeLand, FL

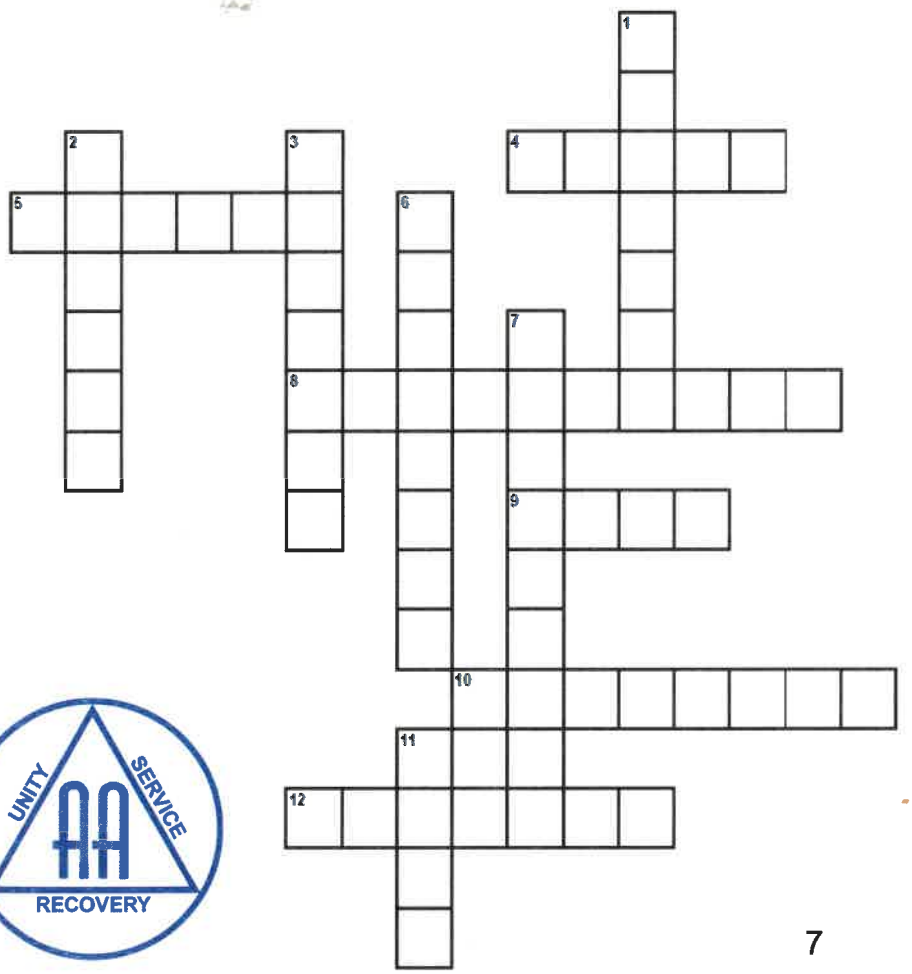
AA SERVICE WORK

Across

[4] The "_____ conscience" represents substantial unanimity on an issue before action is taken.
[5] An important service position in many AA groups is a _____ maker.
[8] Districts 8, 19, 20, 21 and 32 are all served by Volusia County _____.
[9] The AA groups and districts in Volusia County are all a part of North Florida ____ 14.
[10] Our leaders are trusted _____, they do not govern (2nd Tradition).
[12] A person assigned by some groups to welcome people to meetings.

Down

[1] A guide or spiritual advisor to help people go through the Twelve Steps.
[2] Area 14 holds regular assemblies that include GSR's and DCM's as _____ members.
[3] A GSR is the "General ____ Representative" that represents an AA group ath the District level.
[6] DCM is the "_____ Committee Member" representing a particular AA area, such as North Florida Area 14.
[7] Intergroup office can maintain contact with local groups in correctional facilities and _____ facilities.
[11] AA groups should be fully _____ supporting (7th Tradition).



2025 Unity Under the Stars Campout
Doe Lake, Umatilla Florida

March 14-16, 2025

Friday & Saturday Dinner

Fishing Kayaking

Saturday Breakfast

Bring a dessert to share on Saturday

Fun 50/50

Meetings Speakers

Price includes camping for the weekend or day, Friday and Saturday dinner, continental breakfast Saturday, welcome packet, and other fun activities!

Please fill out, detach, and send in with payment.
Please make checks payable to "Unity Under the Stars Campout"

Name_____ Phone No._____ email _____

Overnight Registration fee: $40.00 per adult- $10 kids over 10 - children under 10 free
How many overnight: Adults_____ Children (over 10) _____ Children (under 10) _____
Total $_____

Saturday Day pass fee: $15.00 per adult- children free (include children in registration)
How many day: Adults_____ Children_____ Total $_____

T-shirts $15 must be ordered by 3/1/23. There will not be any for sale at event.
How many: Small____ Med_____ LG_____ XLG_____ 2XLG ($17)_____

Additional Scholarship Donation $ _____ Total $_____

Register on line at https://forms.gle/TZix1eJzxN3fiyVo9, or scan the QR code above. Reservation will not be held until payment is received.
Payments can be sent to: Unity Under the Stars, 1689 Barrow St., Deltona, FL 32725
Contact the UUTS committee at d19unityunderthestars@gmail.com

IGR EATING MEETING

All Intergroup Reps (IGR) and interested group members are invited

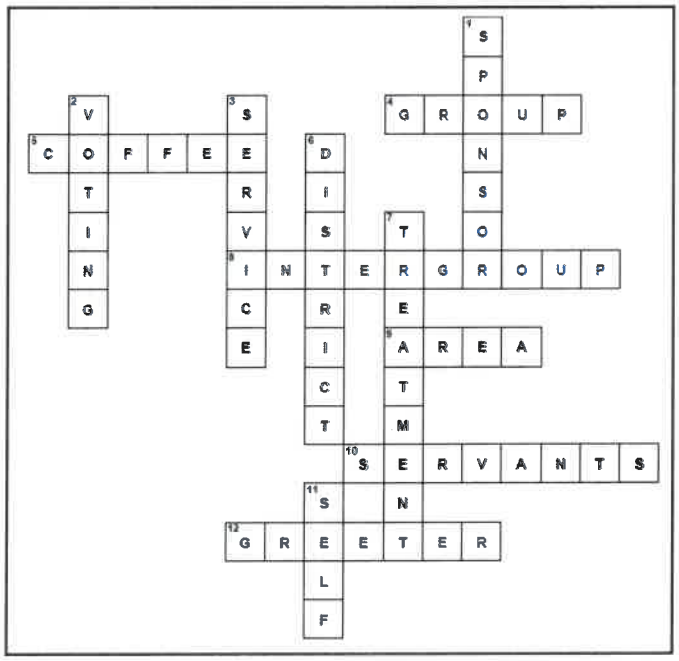
Thursday, March 20th 2025
6:30pm

Central Baptist Church
152 Fairview Ave
Daytona Beach, Fl 32114

Does your group have an IGR?

- Hear what the committees do
- Learn what we do at the Volusia County Intergroup
- Discuss your group happenings
- Find ways Intergroup can help
- Get Information to bring back to your Groups!

Answers to puzzle on page 7



District 19 invites you to a fun afternoon of fellowship and a game of AA Literature Jeopardy

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Saturday, February 15, 2025

1:30pm to 3:30pm

Emmaus Lutheran Church
2500 S. Volusia Avenue
Orange City

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Prizes and Snacks

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