

## The 12 Steps Revisited/Step 7

"SOMETIMES the mere reading of Step Seven gives me a deeply excited, tingling feeling. I think of those moments--and who in AA who has been around for a time has not known them, or something like them?--when I felt I was actually in touch with the Higher Power as I understood Him. I think of the even more vivid experiences of some of my AA colleagues. And I experience a thrill, as new and fresh each time it comes as it was the first time I felt it, that the very source of the universe can be directly approached--not just by saints, geniuses and biblical characters, but by miserable self-defeating drunks and ex-drunks, capable at any moment of reverting, like myself.

At other times I read the same Step and think, "ask Him? Who's Him? God? Who's He?" The possibility of being in communication with the Creator seems as remote as Mount Kilimanjaro; a Creator's very existence seems doubtful.

Later I learned, through reading, that these contradictory feelings are almost universal. Veteran writers on the spiritual life--and I accept the Big Book's statement that the AA program is "the maintenance and growth of a spiritual experience"--even have a name for this state of doubt: "the dark night of the soul."

This discovery helped me to answer questions I had asked as a newcomer and have heard many times since: "How do you take the Steps--all at once or now and then? In order or skipping around? And when?" The question answered itself. I couldn't wholeheartedly ask anything of a Power I was not in touch with and wasn't sure existed. I had to take Step Seven when the feeling was on me that the Power was near and in touch and available and listening. Then, and then only, could I ask what I had to ask in Step Seven and really, deeply mean it.

I have formulated some notions about things that keep these times from coming more frequently. The times God seems improbable, I have noticed, usually coincide with the times I am most involved in everyday commerce and controversy. In grandfather's day a lot of people used to say "I'll meet you at one o'clock, God willing." Now people meet at appointed times "if traffic permits," and there's a difference. We are affected by this difference. The unspoken assumption of everyday life is that there is no God who matters. Through habit we come to accept this assumption. It feels so right, when you're swinging along with the regiment, to be in step. It's hard, even dangerous, to contend that everybody is out of step but Johnny, even though it may be true. We in AA have rediscovered that there is a Higher Power who cares about each one of us, regardless of what the regiment may think. We have found it to our advantage, insofar as sustained sobriety is our goal, to ask Him to remove our shortcomings. We do this when and as we can, and this is our Step Seven.

Besides "Him" and "asked" and "remove" there are two other words I have found important in Number Seven--"humbly" and "shortcomings." I've learned something about shortcomings during the past few years I hadn't known before. It's how they differ from other things called "limitations." There are certain human limitations God is unlikely

to remove in this stage of existence, no matter how much we implore Him. Now I see I was asking something God had never granted. We all have limitations. I cannot walk unequipped on still air, nor can anyone else. Even the great and versatile Leonardo conceded that Michelangelo was a better sculptor than he was, and Raphael a better painter. To excel in any field calls for lifelong singleness of purpose, particularly in our age of specialization. There are fixed limitations of our earthly condition and it is out of bounds to ask that they be removed.

"Shortcomings" is another matter altogether. A shortcoming, as I understand it, is failing to measure up to a reasonable--not an unreasonable--expectation. It is reasonable to try to render the help that is within our power when it is asked; to reduce the voltage of fear, anger, pride, envy, impatience, intolerance and malice that flickers through our lives; to try to get rid of the resentments that could destroy our sobriety. To slight any one of these efforts is, as I have come to see it, an AA shortcoming. I believe God will work with us toward removing them if we ask Him to, humbly.

Humbly? The classic explanation of humility, Bible readers will recall, is in the story wherein the solidly-on-the-program Job, vexed at his run of bad luck, challenges God: "Show me my fault!" God does not argue, but asks Job, "Can you cause the sun to come up or the moon to rise?" On this word "humbly," I'm quoting from something I wrote on Step Seven in "Twelve Steps and the Older Member," as it appeared in the Grapevine seven years ago:

"What is humility? It became one of the really vital words in my new AA vocabulary, but just exactly what did it mean?"

"During the first year or so, humility to me meant an absence of pride. 'You've got to be cut down to size,' an old-timer remarked, and I flared in resentment. Even while protesting, though, I had a hunch he was right, and it soon grew into a conviction. Getting humility was going to be a grim, bumpy business of getting rid of pride." J. E., Guilford, CT

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### On Humility

"Life is a long lesson in humility--"

-James M. Barrie

"The farther behind I leave the past, the closer I am to forging my own character--"

-Isabelle Eberhardt

"The firm, the enduring, the simple, and the modest are near to virtue--"

-Confucius

"Be modest! It is the kind of pride least likely to offend--"

-Jules Renard

"Modesty is a shining light; it prepares the mind to receive knowledge, and the heart for truth"

-Madam Guizot

"If I only had a little humility, I'd be perfect--"

-Ted Turner

"In peace there's nothing so becomes a man as modest stillness and humility--"

-William Shakespeare

### THE STEPS & THE TRADITIONS

STEP 7: "Humbly asked him to remove our shortcomings."

TRADITION 7: "Every A.A. Group ought to be fully self supporting declining outside contributions."



## It Happened In JULY

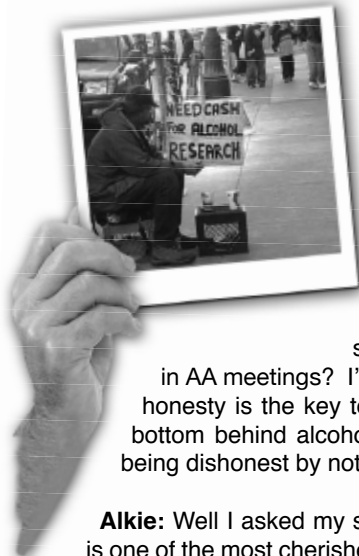
**July 1934** - Bill W's second admission to Towns Hospital (again paid by Dr Leonard V Strong). Bill met Dr Silkworth for the first time. Silkworth explained the obsession and allergy of alcoholism but Bill started drinking again almost immediately upon discharge. Bill was unemployable, \$50,000 in debt (\$675,000 today) suicidal and drinking around the clock (Source: AA Timeline, www.silkworth.net)

**July, 1938** - Dr William Duncan Silkworth wrote a letter of support for AA for use in fundraising for the book. The letter was incorporated into the chapter "The Doctor's Opinion" in the yet-to-be-published Big Book. Dr Esther L. R. of Baltimore was the AA member who suggested to Bill W to get a "Number one physician" in the alcoholism field to write an introduction.

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## Ask Alkie

I'm an  
"And a..."



**Dear Alkie:** Why shouldn't I say I'm an alcoholic and addict' in AA meetings? I'm new to recovery and now know honesty is the key to staying sober. The truth is I hit bottom behind alcohol and other substances. Aren't I being dishonest by not admitting that up front?

**Alkie:** Well I asked my sponsor. Tradition One says unity is one of the most cherished qualities, right behind recovery and service, illustrated by the triangle on every medallion. We have to conform to these principles to maintain singleness of purpose...to stay sober. Lots of newcomers want to hold onto their individuality, but isn't that what brought us to our knees in the first place? Remember, at the start of every A.A. meeting, it's clearly stated to keep to the subject of alcohol. Know you have the freedom to attend other 12-step programs where it's okay to identify with those individual issues. Good Luck!

## Can Groups support the **Birthday Club?**

One of the ways to support your Intergroup is through donations to the Birthday Club. Those who donate receive recognition of their progress in sobriety in the SCAAN as well as contributing to the operation of your Intergroup office. Groups can also consider gaining recognition of their group's anniversary date in the SCAAN. The suggested donation is \$1 for every year, although any amount is appreciated. Thanks.

## 21st Annual South Palm Beach County Intergroup

### \*\*\*GRATITUDE DINNER\*\*\*

A night of sharing a meal together; listening to a member share their experience, strength and hope; see old friends and meet new ones; and, most of all show love and support to OUR Intergroup Office. Watch next month's SCAAN for more information.

Hostess: Diane S., Snow P., and our Sober Sisters Group.

## Humbled By Humor:

"Humor unlocks the door. We only laugh about things which are dear to us. That's why so many jokes are centered on sex, politics, and religion---our most precious relationships with our family, our fellow man, and our God. Humor is a great sign of recovery and healing, and until we can laugh at our past, we will not recognize our imperfections or be humble. I don't ask him to remove shortcomings which will make me perfect, which means I will die human and, I hope, humble and humorous. I pray you hear 'the whisper of humility' and also hear God's laughter".

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## HUMOROUS DEFINITIONS

The following "definitions" were found in "Ham on Wry: in the December 1986 Grapevine:

- Meditation: inner-calm system
- Ego Trip: stumbling over your own feet
- Tear: remorse code
- Sarcasm: barbed ire
- Neurotic: self-taut person
- Apathy: vigor mortis
- Temper tantrum: call of the riled.

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## The **FUNNIES**



"I give an excellent talk, because I put across my sincerity and humility!"



**We ARE self-supporting**  
through our own contributions

Group Contribution Income	May 09	YTD '09	Group Contribution Income	May 09	YTD '09
12 O'Clock High,W Boca	100	440	One Page at a Time, Delray	70	70
Boca Boyz, West Boca	150	415	Open Your Heart, Delray	0	100
Boca Men's Recovery	0	75	Page 112 @ 12	172	172
Boca Study, Boca	0	119	People With Time	0	20
Boca Women's Group	0	200	Saturday Night Live @ Five	0	54
Boynton Beach Beginners	0	25	Second Chance Women	0	115
Boynton Beach Group, Boynton	568	839	Serenity Hour, Delray	180	1,140
Boynton Beach Men's, Boynton	400	400	Serenity On The Beach	0	130
Central House Delray	0	100	Sober Sisters, Boca	60	309
Depression and the Alcoholic	0	70	Sober Sunset Group	0	400
Divas at 830 AM	99	189	Sobriety For Breakfast	0	153
Downtown Delray Group	0	469	Sobriety In The Wind, Delray	0	1,055
Downtown, Boynton	0	250	Sobriety on Sunday, Boca	0	570
East Delray Men's Group	0	173	Spiritual Awakenings,Boca	0	950
Eastside Women's Group	0	200	Sunday Men's Roving BB	0	100
Five Time Losers, Delray	150	750	Sunday Morning Spiritual Grp	0	200
Friday Night Special,Boynton Bc	450	450	Sunday Serenity Group	0	50
Friendship, W Boca	0	100	Sunny Isles, Lantana	124	124
Grub & Gratitude	0	50	Sunrise Group, Delray	0	2,550
Happy Hour, Boca	100	350	TGIF, Delray	0	100
Intergroup Meeting	44	238	To Thine Own Self Be True	0	227
Journey to Freedom, Boca	126	448	Today Not Tomorrow, Boca	0	201
Just For Now, Boca	0	958	We Agnostics, Boca	0	15
Language Of The Heart, Delray	0	221	We are Not Saints, Boynton	0	116
Lantana Group	30	74	Wed. Night Beginners W Boca	0	11
Let's Do Lunch, Boca	52	354	Welcome Home in Delray	50	296
Lunch Bunch, Boca	0	555	West Boca Beginners	0	240
Men's Boca Central, Boca	0	186	West Boynton Group	0	460
Men On-Track, Boca	0	420	Westside Group, Delray	0	200
Midday Miracles, Delray	700	700	Wine Into Water, Delray	0	600
Morning Medicine,Boca	80	480	Women's Big Book Study, Boca	0	25
New Beginnings, Wayside	65	122	Women In Recovery, Boca	35	35
New Life Group	200	850	Women Living Sober, Boca	75	125
North Delray Steps & Traditions	27	27	Womens BBSS, Delray	37	78
Oldtimers Group, Delray	0	100	Young People with a Solution	0	252
One Day At A Time, Delray	0	400	<b>Total Contribution Income</b>	<b>\$4,144</b>	<b>\$23,039</b>

Profit & Loss	May '09	YTD 2009
Group Contributions	4,144	23,039
Non Group Contributions/Anonymous	2	2,269
Alcathon Income	-	1,044
Birthday Club	41	444
2009 Anniversary Picnic	-	7,208
Vendor Discounts	-	127
Sales	5,885	38,365
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 10,072</b>	<b>\$ 72,496</b>
Less Cost of Goods Sold	(3,626)	(22,888)
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>\$ 6,446</b>	<b>\$ 49,608</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Annual Report Fee	-	70
Bank & Credit Card fees	103	499
Insurance	560	2,800
Payroll & Payroll Taxes	4,207	18,068
Postage & Shipping	106	198
Printing	355	1,544
Professional Fees (Accountant)	750	750
Program & Committee Exp	417	615
Rent	1,313	6,563
Supplies	172	934
Telephone	376	1,965
Utilities/Electric	247	1,055
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 8,606</b>	<b>\$ 35,061</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$ (2,160)</b>	<b>\$ 14,547</b>

Accounts & Balances @ 5/31/09	
Operating Account	\$ 3,228.20
Prudent Reserve	\$ 22,688.31
Petty Cash	\$ 150.00
<b>Account Balances</b>	<b>\$ 26,066.51</b>

Hospitals & Institutions Account	
Balance Forward 4/30/09	\$ 1,156.90
May Book Distributions	\$ (308.70)
<b>Balance 5/31/09</b>	<b>\$ 848.20</b>

## Telephone Relay

North Delray Steps & Traditions.....July  
 Boca Men's.....August  
 Happy Hour Boca.....September

*Groups that take a telephone relay commitment help insure that the hand of AA is available 24hrs a day!  
 Thanks to all groups who participate.*

# Are we supporting our support system?

*Scaan* | July 2009

Group contributions to Intergroup through the five months ending May 2009 are down 15%, or \$4,167. And as we know, group contributions for all of last year (2008) were down 15% or \$8,703. Certainly part of this is economy driven, and part of this may be changes in group conscious or new treasurers with lack of direction from their group. We are truly grateful for the contributions made by groups, and recognize that the first priority is the preservation of the group. The purpose of this article is simply to inform the groups in South Palm Beach County of our situation.

Recognizing this as an issue, the Steering Committee put on the 25th Anniversary Picnic and a raffle, and fortunately it was a well supported success. This has allowed us to rebuild our prudent reserve to some degree. We also have two fund raisers planned for the last three months of the year – The 6th Annual Serenity Scramble in October, and the 21st Annual Gratitude Dinner in November. But it is the consistent contributions of individual groups that allow intergroup to serve.

Detailed below is an article that appeared in the April 1995 Grapevine titled “Are We Supporting Our Support System?” It might be something you want to review with your Home Group, particularly if your Group has not been supporting intergroup or other AA service entities.

“When was the last time your group made a contribution to your local Intergroup? Has it been a month, two months, or six months? Or is your group one of those that has never made a contribution? Is this apathy or just a lack of knowledge?”

“I serve on the advisory board for our intergroup office and it seems no one is willing to make contributions any more. It’s becoming harder and harder to support our intergroup office and provide the services necessary for our AA community.

“As a member of the advisory board I knew it was part of my job to help find some answers to this problem. I started questioning the meeting I regularly attended, asking them point blank why they hadn’t made a contribution. The answers received astonished me. One group told me that the secretary decided they wouldn’t make a contribution because they needed the money for the group’s social activities. Another secretary told a group member that he’d do what he damn well wanted with the money.

“Then there were groups who said there just wasn’t enough money left over to make contributions. Some secretaries admitted they had to kick in their own money to keep the group going.

“The hardest and saddest stories I heard were from groups that simply didn’t know how and where to make a contribution.

“The basics of intergroup information are published regularly in our local service newsletter. In addition, a pamphlet from GSO on the question of self-support is sent regularly in the secretary’s packet. Either groups don’t read the secretary packet or they’ve never paid any attention to the information under the heading “Contributions.” Unfortunately, we have many secretaries out there who are new in sobriety. They’re not even out of the fog before someone pushes the job of secretary on them.

“New in sobriety, I received really clear-cut directions from my sponsor about how much time in sobriety was recommended before I made a commitment to certain service positions. When my time did arrive to serve, I was informed what I needed to do. I was told the coffee was

to be made an hour before the meeting time so there would be time for fellowship. All of the literature was to be displayed on the table, especially the Big Book. Most importantly, I was told that regular contributions to support our intergroup office must be made.

“I realize that all newcomers have sponsors. But the group has a responsibility to inform those secretaries who are newcomers.

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“I can hear the responses already: It’s not my job. Let someone else do it. I didn’t get sober to spend my time running after a bunch of drunks and keeping them straight.

“The fact is, there are only so many of us in service. We need help, so we turn to other members. They need to remember that AA stands for unity, recovery, and service.

“Bill W. said if AA was to be destroyed, it would be from within. It would be sad if it was due to apathy.”

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South Palm Beach County Intergroup made available at the last Intergroup Business Meeting a historical review of each group’s contributions for the full years of 2006-2008, and the first quarter of 2009. They will be available at each meeting until distributed, or you can get a copy at the intergroup office if your Group does not have an intergroup representative. In addition, Intergroup has a Group Information Committee which would be happy to attend any group’s business meeting to discuss Intergroup. Call or email Intergroup if you would like to set up a meeting with Group Information. Thanks.

## Committee Chair Elections at July Business Meeting

Elections for Committee Chairs will be held at the July Business Meeting on July 29. Per our Bylaws, approved November 19, 2003, elections are held every year during the July meeting. Details of each Committee Chair position were published in the June SCAAN. They are now posted online at [www.aainplambeach.org](http://www.aainplambeach.org).

## New Where & Whens Published

New Where & Whens have been published and made available at the June 24 Business Meeting. The new format is similar to those used in other Intergroups in our area. The continued growth in groups and meetings necessitated the change as we simply ran out of space in the old format. Because of the size and cost of the new Where & Whens, they will now be updated on an as needed basis as opposed to quarterly. Importantly, you can always go to [www.aainpalmbeach.org](http://www.aainpalmbeach.org) where up-to-date city-by-city printable meeting lists are available.

## Intergroup Minutes - May 27, 2009

**Chairperson:** Al A. – Meeting opened with moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Minutes from April 29 approved. Page 4 of the SCAAN features officer and committee positions information; elections will be in July.

**Welcome New Group Rep's:** Elodie L. – Serenity Hour; Anthony D. – East Delray Men's; Jimmy P. – Five Time Losers.

**Treasurer: Ed T.** – April 18 picnic profit: \$7,208. Monthly group contribution income: \$3,314 (\$18,895 YTD) down 16.6% from last year; sales: \$7,826 (\$32,570 YTD) up 17.6% from last year; gross profit: \$7,462 (\$36,105 YTD) up 9.2% from last year; expenses: \$6,773 (\$11,029 YTD); net income: \$689 (\$25,076 YTD); total income: \$7,897 (\$32,284 YTD); account balances: \$29,590; prudent reserve: \$22,688.

**Office Manager:** Pam T. Please see SCAAN for report.

**Archives:** Pam T. – No report.

**Bridge the Gap:** Barry W. – All inquiries have been accommodated.

**General Service:** Upcoming Dates: May 31 at 1:30 – District Inventory at Triangle Club; June 6-10 – NPBC Intergroup Office closed; July 10-12 – Area 15 Quarterly at Hutchinson Island; June 13 – District 8 Founder's Day Dinner at Knights of Columbus (sold out); June 14 at 2:00 – Delegates Report from the GS Conference. List of all the items in the District 8 Archives Inventory will soon be available. Vacancy for non alcoholic AA Trustee in 2010.

**Group Information:** Pat C. – Absent. No report.

**Hospitals & Institutions:** Ken F. – Excused absent. John L. reported H&I volunteer calls have begun and database is being built; volunteers with Microsoft Access experience needed. Some treatment centers have requested additional meetings.

**Public Information:** Bill J. – Big Books given to Boynton, Lake Worth and Palm Springs libraries. Speakers needed to serve in CPC capacity at 3 outpatient meetings in June; please contact Bill (305-3400) for this or other volunteer PI opportunities.

**SCAAN:** Brent W. absent; will stand down as Chair. Ray D. will oversee production until July elections.

**Special Events:** Lucas H. – Future events to be based on "Pioneers in AA", "They Stopped in Time" and "They Lost Nearly All" Big Book stories; dates and times TBA. Please email Pam at the office with volunteer suggestions.

**Telephone Relay:** Willy B. – Relay phone commitments through Oct. (see SCAAN for schedule).

**12th Step Committee:** John E. – Committee welcomes two new members; a few more from Boca/West Boca areas would be ideal. Please ask again if anyone in your home group would like to be on the 12th Step list. For more forms, call (353-8498) or email (johnennen@gmail.com) John. Al welcomed volunteers to stand for Co-Chair position; motion to elect Nicola L. unanimous.

**Where and When:** Joe P. – Committee welcomes John and Kristen. Deadline for July is first week of June; to be printed in new format and less frequently (6-9 months based on budget). Please email Pam any changes or updates.

**Serenity Scramble:** Sandy B. – Oct. 18 at the Delray Beach Golf Club, with golf, 50/50 and gift raffles. Tee sponsors, gift donations, volunteers needed. Flyers available soon.

**Old Business:** None. **New Business:** None.  
Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm with the Lord's Prayer.  
In Love and Service, Liz S.

## Office Manager Report – May 27, 2009

You probably noticed when you came in that we have a lot of information available on the back table tonight.

We have prepared individual Group Contribution reports for you to bring back to share at your Group business meetings. Please see me if you did not receive your report when you arrived tonight.

To better assist our Groups with questions about setting up Group Bank Accounts, there are step by step directions available for you to take to your Group treasurer. We have two versions: #1 is a readable version; and #2 has the same information with visuals of the IRS site. I am very grateful to Kristin D., a talented new volunteer who prepared these documents for us. If you prefer, we can email this information to you as well. Our vice Chair, Ray D. has updated and prepared new Intergroup Fact Sheets, which are also available for you tonight.

Last month we voted to ask our Group members if they were willing to put their names on a Speaker List. I've had several groups and a few individuals email their information to me; and Carol D. (Sobriety for Breakfast) set up a spreadsheet that we can use as new information and names are submitted. This spreadsheet will be provided to any Group member who contacts Intergroup asking for a Speaker List. If you wish to add names to the list, we request: your name; Sobriety Date; Phone #; email address; and, home group.

GSO notified us that they will not be printing regional directories this year. They will print the International Directory, Domestic Central Office/Intergroup, and the foreign Central Office/Intergroup directories.

Five years ago today I started my first day of work for SPBC Intergroup. I would never have known so many of you had I not been offered this opportunity to serve in this position. There are so many of you who have helped me, supported me and shared your time and love with me. I am grateful for the privilege and honor to work for you and for A.A. There is a saying among the paid workers in A.A. – We go to work for Alcoholics Anonymous and we serve God. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted in love and service,

## Registration now open for 6th Annual Serenity Scramble

Registration is now open for the 6th Annual Serenity Scramble. Early registration is encouraged, as it is anticipated that it will be a sellout this year. The cost of the tournament including golf, lunch and prizes is \$90 per person. Registration forms were distributed at the June Intergroup business meeting. The date of this year's Serenity Scramble is Sunday, October 18th. The new location is the Delray Beach Golf Club, a 1923 classic Donald Ross championship design.

Golfers will like the new additions: a) a driving range to practice before teeing off; b) a continental breakfast; and, c) an actual cookout for the awards lunch – "We are not a glum lot!" Sandy B, Chairperson, hopes groups will begin discussing hole sponsorship, donations of prizes, and volunteering. More details will be communicated next month. If interested in volunteering, call the Intergroup office. You will be contacted within the next month.



# Upcoming Events

## South Palm Beach County Intergroup Events

**Traditions Workshop** – Central House – Saturday, Aug. 15, 2-4 pm. Traditions 7,8,9 – Three speakers, food & beverages.

### A.A. Service Meetings & Conferences

**SPBC Intergroup Business Meetings** @ 7 p.m. last Wed. of each month – Delray Central House: July 29; August 26.

**SPBC Group Information Committee Meetings** @ 11:00 a.m. first Saturday each month at Intergroup Office: August 1, No meeting July 4.

**SPBC Intergroup Steering Committee meets** @ 12:30 p.m. the second Sat. each month at Intergroup Office: July 11; August 8.

**SPBC H&I Committee Meetings** @ 2:00 p.m. third Saturday of each month at the Intergroup Office: July 18; August 15.

**District 8 General Service meets** @ the Triangle Club, WPB. GSR/DCM sharing @ 5 p.m. and District Business meetings @ 5:45 p.m. on Sundays: July 12; Aug. 9.

**So. Florida Area 15 General Service Quarterly Assembly** – July 10-12 at Marriott Hutchinson Island (reservations 772-225-0003).

**2010 International Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous** – July 1 – 4, 2010, San Antonio Texas. Convention registration and housing reservations open fall 2009. Info – [www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org)

## Other Events

*The Other Events listed below are presented solely as a service to SCAAN readers, not as an endorsement by South Palm Beach County Intergroup.*

**53rd Annual Florida State Convention** – July 29-Aug 2, 2009 Jacksonville @ Hyatt Regency ([www.jacksonville.hyatt.com](http://www.jacksonville.hyatt.com) – discount code: jaxrjaafs2009). Great speakers; special meetings; golf; ice cream social; many other activities. Registration forms online: [www.53.flstateconvention.com](http://www.53.flstateconvention.com).

**65th Southeastern Conference & Area 1 54th Annual Convention** – Mobile Alabama, August 13 – 16. Conference and accommodation information @ [www.riverviewmobile.com](http://www.riverviewmobile.com)

**20th Annual Florida South AFG Convention** Aug 21 -23 (Al-Anon Family Groups), with AA participation. Hilton Palm Beach Airport, West Palm Beach. Convention registration @ [www.southfloridaal-anon.org](http://www.southfloridaal-anon.org), and Hotel @ [www.hiltonpalmbeachairport.com](http://www.hiltonpalmbeachairport.com).

## Group Changes & Corrections

**The Happy Hour Group**  
(Boca Raton, Friday, Lion's Club)  
Has changed their meeting time from  
5:30pm to 5:15pm

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Office Hours

Monday-Friday: 9am - 5pm

Saturday: 10am - 3pm

Literature, Medallions, Chips, Meeting Lists, Cards, & Gifts

Chairperson.....Al A.	Archives .....Pam T.
Vice Chair .....Ray D.	Bridge the Gap .....Bari W.
Treasurer .....Ed T.	General Services Liaison .....John E.
Secretary .....Liz S.	Group Information .....Pat C.
Office Manager .....Pam T.	Hospitals & Institutions .....Ken F.
	Public Information .....Bill J.
	SCANN .....Open
	Special Events .....Rob A.
	Telephone Relay .....Willy B.
	Twelve Step Committee .....John E.
	/ Nicola L.
	Webmaster .....David R.
	Where & When .....Joe P.
	Serenity Scramble .....Sandy B.
	Intergroup Gratitude Dinner .....Diane S.



## Birthday Club

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