South Palm Beach County Intergroup Association, Inc. Serving A.A. Groups in Boca Raton, Boynton Beach, Delray Beach and Lantana 28 Years of Service ~ 1984-2012



The Hand of AA

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24 Hours a Day

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South Palm Beach County Intergroup Celebrates 28 Years of Service!

In May 1984 ~ 29 AA Groups pledged to support a new Intergroup in South Palm Beach County . . . We now have 161 Groups holding 316 meetings every week! It works if you work it!



South County Intergroup held its first meeting on May 2, 1984 at the Advent Lutheran Church in Boca Raton.

At the June 1985 meeting it was unanimously voted to hire a part-time paid employee.















In 1987 the "Where and When" listed 6 groups in Bonton Beach, 16 in Boca Raton, 4 in West Boca and 5 in Deerfield Beach.

In 1988 a picnic was held in April at Patch Reef Park. "Tradition of the Month" first appeared in the May SCAAN. A full-time Office Manager replaced the Office Secretary in July. Two, 24-hr. Alcothons were held on Christmas and New Year's.



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SCAAN



March 1993 the office moved to 12 SE 1st Avenue in Delray Beach.

1997-1998 4th Quarter "Where and When" listed 109 groups and over 200 meeting times and places. SCAA







h County Intergroup Association, F coholics Anonymous Groups in Celebrating Our 25th Year Of Service!!!

2001 - 4th Edition of The Big Book is printed. There are now 150 groups and 276 meeeting times.

Since the first meeting in May 1984 to today there have been 16 Chairpersons, and hundreds of other Trusted Servants stepping up to serve as Officers and Committee Chairs. As Bill W. said: "no society can function well without able leadership in all its levels, and AA can be no exception."

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MAY 2011

Happy Birthday South Palm Beach County Intergroup!

THE STEPS & THE TRADITIONS

STEP 6 - "Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character." TRADITION 6 - "An A.A. group ought never endorse, finance or lend the A.A. name to any related facility or ourside enterprise, lest problems of money, property and prestige divert us from our primary purpose."

STEP SIX. We're am entirely ready for God to remove all my defects of character

Sentence #1. If we can answer to our satisfaction, we then look at *Step Six*. [Big Book, page 76, line 1]

What are we answering? On the prior page we are instructed to do certain things after completion of step 5, including:

Carefully reading the first five proposals we ask if we have omitted anything, for we are building an **arch** through which we shall walk a free man at last. [Big Book, page 75, line 29]

Your arch spans 7 of the 12 steps. It was entered in step 3, when you decided to turn your life and will over to the care of your understanding of God. Upon completion of step 9, which you are yet to do, you will have entered the "realm of the spirit" (step10).

But wait a minute. The design is not yours. Then whose design (path) is this?

RARELY HAVE WE seen a person fail who has thoroughly followed <u>our path</u>. [Big Book, page 58, line 2]

Both you and the new man must walk day by day in the **path** of spiritual progress. [Big Book, page 100, line 6]

Time after time, this apparent calamity has been a boon to us, for it opened up a **path** which led to the discovery of God. [Big Book, page 116, line 15]

Sentence #2. We have emphasized willingness as being indispensable. [Big Book page 76, line 2]

The alcoholic mind has little difficulty in translating indispensable to suggested. But if our foundation is one of <u>complete</u> <u>willingness</u>, can we do without it?

Willingness is the foundation of abstinence!

There is the type of man who is **unwilling** to admit that he cannot take a drink. He plans various ways of drinking. He changes his brand or his environment. [Big Book page xxviii, line 13]

I ruthlessly faced my sins and became **willing** to have my new-found Friend take them away, root and branch. I have not had a drink since. [Big Book page 13, line 11]

But this man still lives, and is a free man. He does not need a bodyguard nor is he confined. He can go anywhere on this earth where other free men may go without disaster, provided he remains **willing** to maintain a certain simple attitude. [Big Book page 27, line 1]

Willingness is the foundation of belief in God:

I stood in the sunlight at last. It was only a matter of being **willing** to believe in a Power greater than myself. Nothing more was required of me to make my beginning. [Big Book page 12, line 18]

We found that as soon as we were able to lay aside prejudice and express even a **willingness** to believe in a Power greater than ourselves, we commenced to get results, even though it was impossible for any of us to fully define or comprehend that Power, which is God. [Big Book page 46, line 16] We needed to ask ourselves but one short question. "Do I now believe, or am I even **willing** to believe, that there is a Power greater than myself?" As soon as a man can say that he does believe, or is **willing** to believe, we emphatically assure him that he is on his way. [Big Book page 47, line 14]

The point is, that we are **willing** to grow along spiritual lines.. [Big Book page 60, line 9]

He can choose any conception he likes, provided it makes sense to him. The main thing is that he be **willing** to believe in a Power greater than himself and that he live by spiritual principles. [Big Book page 93, line 8]

Sentence #3. Are (you) ready to let God remove from (you) all the things which (you) have admitted are objectionable? [Big Book page 76, line 3]

Please note that this step does not include willingness to have God remove your nagging spouse, the law suit your neighbor slapped upon you, the court appearance you are facing nor your swollen liver, even though you may be willing to have them removed. We are dealing here with **your** defects, not those of the world. If you reflect upon the papers you carried away from step 5, one of them was a listing of your character defects. These are the things which you have "admitted are objectionable". Go through your list again. For each item, ask yourself if you are willing to have it removed.

Most of us were not totally willing to have all of our character defects removed totally right away. Pick out an easy one, and become willing to have it removed immediately. Then, pick out a harder one, and nibble around the edges of its desirability. Help yourself be more willing for its removal than you were before. For the really tough ones, pray for willingness to become willing. However, don't postpone Step Seven until you are totally willing to have them all eradicated. Flush your defects one at a time. "Divide and conquer", you know.

One measure of your willingness to be free of a defect is to stop reinforcing it. Don't do it anymore. Or, more practically, postpone its next reinforcement as long as you can. Learn from the experience of defect-relapse. What are the triggers? What, if any, are the benefits? What are some other tools for postponement/eradication that you have not tried?

Sentences #4 & #5. Can He now take them all—every one? If (you) still cling to something (you) will not let go,... ask God to help (you) be willing. [Big Book page 76, line 5]

We know of one fifth step partner who, upon completion of a friend's fifth, would produce the character defect list, and they would both go through it, checking off each defect that applied. The stepping friend would then go outside with his inventory, the list of defects, and a large brass urn. He would sit in the yard taking step six alone with his Father, performing the reflection described in the Big Book. When entirely ready, the inventory and the defects were solemnly burned in the urn. The symbolism was total willingness to be cleansed of these defects in the healing presence of God.

South Palm Beach County Intergroup Profit Loss - April 2012

	Apr 2012	Jan - Apr 12		Apr 2012	Jan - Aor 12		Apr 2012	lan - Anr 12
Ordinary Income/Expense			Cost of Coods Sold			Land of the state		
			Supplemental Suppl			Denización de la contraction d		
BUCCHI			AAWS BOOKS	2,328.83	11,324.22	Inventory Adjusment	0.00	-140.05
CC Sales Fee Reimbursement	2.00	14.00	AAWS Other	234.29	559.44	Payroll Expenses	5,608.29	25,919.41
Contribution-Non Group			AAWS Pamphlets	162.58	931.16	Postage and Delivery	0.00	57.15
Anonymous	43.75	164.95	Books Purchases	12.12	115.68	Printing and Reproduction		
Faithful Fivers	1,130.00	2,875.00	Chips Purchased	162.05	941.52	SCAAN	191.00	841.00
Florida Roundup	0.00	248.85	Demdaco Gift Items	71.50	412.80	Printing and Reproduction - Other	0.00	90.09
Total Contribution-Non Group	1,173.75	3,288.80	Gift Items	374.76	2,190.89	Total Printing and Reproduction	191.00	901 00
Total Group Contribution Income	4,763.77	16,728.78	Grapevine Books	178.78	899.26	Professional Fees		
Fund Raising Income			Grapevine Other	45.43	88.12	Computer Technology	39.00	374.75
2012 Picnic Income	5,065.25	5,165.25	Hazeiden Books	191.47	1,287.41	Total Professional Fees	39.00	374.75
2012 Raffle Income	935.00	1,095.00	Hazelden Other	6.04	20.58	Program & Committee Expenses	•) : :
Aicathon Income	0.00	1,050.92	Medallions Purchases	475.31	2,220.89	Delray Central House	310.00	360.00
Birthday Chub	22.00	125.00	Other Purchases	9009	28.54	New Group Rep Packets	88.20	88.20
Events	0.00	263.00	Shipping & Handling Purchases	62.95	171.95	Program & Committee Expenses - Other	48.04	48.04
Total Fund Raising Income	6,022.25	7,699.17	Where & Whens	181.02	1,142.12	Total Program & Committee Expenses	446.24	496.24
Miscellaneous Income	00:0	10.00	Total Cost Of Goods Sold	4,493.13	22,334.58	Rent		
Sales		g	Gross Profit	14,984.34	41,693.79	Meeting or Event Rent	70:00	105.00
AAWS Books	3,046.45	14,658.35	Expense			Rent - Office	1,273.58	5,831.72
AAWS Other	350.05	830.15	Annual Report Fee	20.00	70.00	Total Rent	1,343.58	5,936.72
AAWS Pamphiets	202.43	1,046.09	Bank Service Charges	15.00	90:09	Storage	107.00	428.00
Chips	328.50	1,843.00	Business Hotel/Meals/travel exp			Supplies		
Demdaco Giff Items	110.50	721.05	Quarterlies & Meetings	0.00	44.15	Commissary	0.00	208.58
Gift Items	822.42	3,656.42	Total Business Hotel/Meals/travel exp	0.00	44.15	Computer Software & Supplies	40.00	160.00
Grapevine Books	286.00	1,423.50	Fees Credit Cards	203.72	621.25	Office Supplies	0.00	573.68
Grapevine Other Material	53.40	172.80	Fund Raising Expenses			Total Supplies	40.00	942.26
Hazelden Books	352.00	2,467.95	2012 Picnic expenses	2,437.60	2,649.60	Telephone	348.05	1,086.80
Hazelden Other	14.00	91.41	Intergroup Gratitude Dinner	00:0	100.00	Utilities		
Medallions	1,612.50	7,231.50	Serenity Scramble	0.00	250.00	Electric	177.08	482.74
Sale of Books	13.95	137.70	Total Fund Raising Expenses	2,437.60	2,999.60	Total Utilities	177.08	482.74
Sale of Other Material	2.50	2.50	Insurance			Total Expense	12,294.63	44,373.53
Where & When	321.00	2,005.20	Employee Insurance		~	Net Ordinary Income	2,689.71	-2,679.74
Total Sales	7,515.70	36,287.62	2012. Employee Injury	458.07	853.51	Other Income/Expense		
Total Income	19,477.47	64,028.37	Employee Insurance - Other	810.00	3,240.00	Sales Tax Adjustment	-14.12	-93.10
			Total Employee Insurance	1,268.07	4,093.51	Total Other Expenses	-14.12	-93.10
			Total Insurance	1,268.07	4,093.51 Net Income	let Income	2,703.83	-2,586.64

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Total Checking/Savings \$23,844.62 Inventory Assets \$29,841.69

Total Cash/Inventory \$53,686.31

Inventory Purchases during April 2012	g Apr	11 2012
AAWS - Literature	€9	3,782.80
Medallions	₩	218.48
Gift Items:		
Big Book Covers	€9	352.33
AA Jewelry	↔	245.00
AA Grapevine - Literature	₩	508.00
Hazelden - Literature	₩,	639.43
Total Inventory Purchases	↔	\$ 5,746.04

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Group Contribution Income	<u>April</u>	Y-T-D	Group Contribution Income	<u>April</u>	Y-T-D	
12 O'Clock High,W Boca	0.00	220.00	Sobriety In The Wind, Delray	0.00	83.32	
Big Book Adventure, Boca	132.27	248.70	SOS (10am), Boca		55.32	324.07
Big Boys, Boca	43.18	43.18	Spiritual Awakenings,Boca		111.50	386.13
Boca Men's Recovery	300.00	300.00	Sunny Isles, Lantana		0.00	466.50
Boca Men's, Boca	233.00	516.00	TGIF, Delray		0.00	100.00
Boca Women's Group	0.00	75.00	Untitled Group		0.00	19.00
Boynton Beach Beginners	0.00	50.00	We Agnostics, Boca	15.00		
Boynton Boat Ramp Group	0.00	20.00	We are Not Saints, Boynton		33.81	33.8
Cardinal Lane, Lantana	40.00	80.00	We Believers, Boca		0.00	284.00
Delray 11th Step Meditation Grp	150.00	150.00	Welcome Home in Delray		0.00	100.00
Depression and the Alcoholic	0.00	70.00	West Boca Beginners		0.00	181.00
Divas at 830 AM	0.00	283.97	West Boynton Group		331.48	331.48
Double Digit Gang, Delray	0.00	200.00	Westside Group, Delray		350.00	350.00
Downtown Delray Group	0.00	556.21	Women's Peace of Mind, Boca		50.00	50.00
Downtown, Boynton	95.00	95.00	Women Living Sober, Boca		0.00	192.50
East Delray Men's Group	150.50	310.50	Womens BBSS, Delray		0.00	53.00
Friendship Group, West Boca	200.00	300.00	Young People with a Solution		175.46	246.91
Inside Out Group	20.00	25.00	Total Group Contribution Income	\$	4,763.77 \$	16,728.78
Intergroup Meeting	45.30	376.50				
Journey to Freedom, Boca	162.00	491.00	2012 P	icnic	Report	
Just For Now, Boca	0.00	376.96	Income			
Language Of The Heart, Delray	0.00	236.23	Picnic Tickets sold	\$	3,490.00	
Let's Do Lunch, Boca	0.00	100.00	Contributions/Anonymous	\$	1,136.25	
Lunch Bunch, Boca	241.00	1,034.00	50/50 Raffle	\$	476.00	
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Men's Tuesday Solution, Boca

Men With Solutions, Delray

Midday Miracles, Delray

Morning Medicine, Boca

No Matter What Group

North Delray Steps & Traditions

One Page at a Time, Delray Beac

New Life Group

People With Time

Principles and Promises

Road To Recovery, Boca

Seniors In Sobriety Delray

Serenity Hour, Delray

Sobriety For Breakfast

Romance & Finance, W Boca

Saturday Night Live @ Five, Boca

Second Chance Women, Delray

Serenity On The Beach, Lantana

Sober Sunset Group, Boca Pines

Principles in Practice

New Beginnings, Wayside

Men On-Track, Boca

2012 Picnic Report						
<u>Income</u>						
Picnic Tickets sold	\$	3,490.00				
Contributions/Anonymous	\$	1,136.25				
50/50 Raffle	\$	476.00				
50/50 Raffle Paid to Winner	\$	(238.00)				
Picnic Income			\$	4,864.25		
Raffle Tickets Sold	\$	1,095.00				
Raffle Prizes/Donated	\$	(60.00)				
Raffle Income			\$	1,035.00		
<u>Expenses</u>						
Parks & Recreation	\$	237.00				
Bounce House	\$	102.60				
Food & Supplies	\$	1,889.00				
		-	\$	(2,228.60)		
Total Picnic Revenue			\$	3,670.65		

With special thanks to the Picnic Chair, Billy R. and to to all those who served on our 2012 Anniversary Picnic Committees

We served over 400 people and provided an opportunity for members of our fellowship and their families to come together to play games, eat a great meal visit with old friends and make new friends.

Thank you for supporting your Intergroup!!

New Meeting
Delray Beach Central House 10 pm Mon-Fri
Candlelight Meditation

TRADITION SIX - LONG FORM

Problems of money, property, and authority may easily divert us from our primary spiritual aim. We think, therefore, that any considerable property of genuine use to A.A. should be separately incorporated and managed, thus dividing the material from the spiritual. An A.A. group, as such, should never go into business. Secondary aids to A.A., such as clubs or hospitals which require much property or administration, ought to be incorporated and so set apart that, if necessary, they can be freely discarded by the groups. Hence such facilities ought not to use the A.A. name. Their management should be the sole responsibility of those people who financially support them. For clubs, A.A. managers are usually preferred. But hospitals, as well as other places of recuperation, ought to be well outside A.A.-and medically supervised. While an A.A. group may cooperate with anyone, such cooperation ought never to go so far as affiliation or endorsement, actual or implied. An A.A. group can bind itself to no one.

TRADITION SIX GROUP CHECKLIST

Tradition Six: An AA group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the AA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.

- 1. Should my fellow group members and I go out and raise money to endow several AA beds in our local hospital?
- 2. Is it good for a group to lease a small building?
- 3. Are all the officers and members of our local club for AAs familiar with "Guidelines on Clubs" (which is available free from GSO)?
- 4. Should the secretary of our group serve on the mayor's advisory committee on alcoholism?
- 5. Some alcoholics will stay around AA only if we have a TV and card room. If this is what is required to carry the message to them, should we have these facilities?

RUTH O'NEIL - 1915-2012

Ruth O'Neil of Toms River NJ passed away on Sunday April 22, 2012. She was 97 years old & had just celebrated 68 years of sobriety on April 14. Sober since 1944, it is possible Ruth had the longest living sobriety of any woman or man at the time of her death. She also knew and helped Dr. William D. Silkworth, who wrote most of "The Doctor's Opinion" in the Big Book.

Ruth was a wonderful power of example in all that she did. She loved to laugh, to eat, to sing & dance, to speak at meetings & she loved her chocolate! She was a wonderful friend & a great sponsor. We will surely miss you, Ruthie!

In 1995 at the International in San Diego at the long-timers meeting, the crowds went wild begging for additional time allowance after she was "gonged" for her time being up. Her talks were a great wealth of history.

Within a few months after she got sober, at a meeting in Brooklyn NY, she was given a business card by another AA member. On one side of the card was the Four Absolutes of the Oxford Group (Absolute Honesty, Absolute Unselfishness, Absolute Love, and Absolute Purity) and on the other side of the card was the following prayer. She recited it daily and shared it when she spoke. It has come to be known as "Ruth's Prayer":

Thank You, dear God, for another day,
The chance to live in a decent way,
To feel again the joy of living
and happiness that comes from giving.
Thank You for friends who can understand
and the peace that flows from Your loving hand.
Help me to wake with the morning sun,
With the prayer today, "Thy will be done."
For with Your help I will find the way.
Thank You again, dear God, for AA.

SHARING EXPERIENCE ON COPING WITH INFLUX OF NEW MEMBERS

Many letters come to G.S.O. sharing experience, strength, and hope about how A.A. groups are handling the influx of new people referred to A.A. by treatment facilities. This memo attempts to bring together some of these ideas to share with everyone.

Based upon the experience of some areas where these problems have been solved:

- That when the sponsorship capacity of a group is being overburdened by large numbers of alcoholics with whom it is not prepared to cope, this situation be discussed in a friendly way with those who have the responsibility for sending alcoholics to A.A. meetings. Suggest that they send fewer people to a single meeting, for instance. In one area, the agencies and facilities are notifying the groups in advance about the number of people who are planning to attend.
- In some areas, Intergroup is handling this through *New Meetings*.
- Some groups are forming special sections of their meetings, intended for the new people.

Administrators of Treatment Facilities cannot be expected to understand the dynamics of A.A. groups – how the function or the Traditions which keep them together. Sometimes, clients from a Treatment Facility "descend" on a local A.A. group in large numbers, thereby upsetting the balance of the group by 'weighing' it on the side of too many newcomers for the group to handle. In such an instance, the area Treatment Facilities Committee has the responsibility for approaching the Treatment Facility administrator to discuss the matter.

Remember, A.A. Traditions and guidelines are the responsibility of A.A. members. Professionals in the field of alcoholism will be receptive to approaches from A.A.'s that are conducted in the spirit of cooperation.

Excerpts from SMF-142&M-40i



" I hope you came in an unmarked car!"

USE OF THE CIRCLE / TRIANGLE SYMBOL

On April 29, 1993, A.A. World Services Board distributed a statement advising that it would no longer oppose the use of the circle and triangle symbol on medallions, jewelry or other items.

For a number of years prior to that date, individuals and organizations, *other than A.A. entities*, used the circle and triangle symbol in connection with goods and services marketed primarily to A.A. members. When G.S.O. began to receive reports from the Fellowship regarding such misuse, along with related expressions of concern, A.A.W.S. responded with exhaustive, good faith efforts to prevent the continued, inappropriate use of its registered symbol. This policy was consistent with A.A.'s Sixth Tradition, the gist of which, as applied here, would urge that A.A. should not be associated with goods and services provided by sources outside of A.A.

However, the burden of increasingly costly and timeconsuming efforts, including litigation, diverted resources from activities which related more directly to fulfilling A.A.'s primary purpose. At some point, then, A.A.W.S. decided that continued efforts to protect the circle and triangle mark could no longer be justified.

Consistent with A.A.W.S' original purpose in protecting the circle and triangle mark, that is, its desire to avoid the appearance of association or affiliation with outside goods and services, A.A.W.S. phased out its own "official" use of the circle and triangle symbol on, or in connection with, its literature and other materials, and its services.

Note, however, that A.A.W.S. will continue to oppose any unauthorized use of the registered trademarks and service marks, "A.A." and "Alcoholics Anonymous," whether or not used in combination with the circle and triangle. The unauthorized use of other registered marks, including, "The Big Book," "Box 4-5-9," "The Grapevine," "GV," "A.A. Grapevine," "Box 1980," and "La Viña," will also be opposed by A.A.W.S. or the Grapevine, as appropriate.

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INTERGROUP MINUTES- APRIL 25, 2012

Chairperson: Sheryl S. Meeting opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Minutes from March 28, 2012 were approved. Baskets were passed according to the 7th Tradition. New group reps were welcomed. Distributed new business handouts and steering committee and committee chair description handouts. Announced that elections will be held in July. Thanked everyone who participated in the Annual Intergroup Picnic.

New Group Reps: Eric L.- Five Time Losers; Gary T.-Traditions 3 @ Crossroads; Meghan B.(alt.)- New Life; Pati R.- Women With A Solution; Agnis S.- Too Young To Be Glum; Danial R.- Men's Roving Big Book Study.

Vice Chair: Liz S. No report.

Treasurer: Sarah P. Explained March 2012 financial report.

Secretary: Cheryl S. No report.

Office Manager: Pam T. The 62nd General Service Conference will be held this week in New York. This year's theme is "Anonymity: Our Spiritual Responsibility in the Digital Age." **Beginning in April our rent will be reduced by 12% and payroll will be reduced on the average of 20%. Printing costs for the SCAAN has nearly been cut in half. **Sales continue to be strong and our group contributions for the month are 40% higher compared to April of last year. The financial report from the Annual Picnic will be announced next month. Intergroup is still in the process of collecting money from all ticket sales.

Archives: Nick L. Excused absence.

Bridge the Gap: Willie B. Volunteers are needed.

General Service: Chip C. District 8 will hold the Founder's Day Dinner on Saturday June 9, 2012 at 6pm at the Holy Spirit Catholic Church to celebrate AA's 77th anniversary. Tickets are \$10.00.

Group information: Taylor R. No report.

Hospitals and Institutions: Cary A. No report.

Public Information: Kathleen H. The Delray and Boynton Beach Public Libraries have been restocked with AA literature. Delray Beach Police Department has been given AA literature for their police cruisers to be distributed in the community.

SCAAN: Maryanne T. Articles are welcomed and can be emailed to the Intergroup office.

Liaison to NPBC Intergroup: Andrew H. Elections are scheduled for this month. For more information, contact the Intergroup office.

Telephone Relay: Zach S. The phones are covered throughout the year except one month. Contact the Intergroup office to volunteer.

Where and When: Todd L. Excused absence. The new Where and Whens will be printed in May. Please submit any additions or changes no later than May 4th.

12th Step Committee: Bari W.- excused absence. Bill J. Volunteers are needed.

Gratitude Dinner: The Gratitude Dinner will be held on November 17, 2012 at the Embassy Suites in Boca Raton. Further details are still being worked on.

Serenity Scramble: Sarge. The Serenity Scramble will be held on October 14, 2012. \$90.00 per golfer includes golf, cart, continental breakfast,lunch & prizes. \$25.00 for lunch only. Looking for hole sponsorship: \$100.00/hole. Gifts and prizes will be more AA oriented. Old Business: The Intergroup Inventory report from Kathy G. was emailed to reps. A motion was made by Steve C. and seconded to suspend next month's normal business agenda so we can discuss the Intergroup Inventory report. The motion was approved.

New Business: Items of new business will be printed out and distributed to group reps prior to the meeting so they can take them back to their groups for discussion if applicable.

- 1. Financial Accounting: The Intergroup office has contacted our accountant to obtain the fees associated with a quarterly preparation of the finances of the Intergroup office. When the information becomes available, it will be brought to the business meeting for
- 2. <u>District 8 Website:</u> <u>A motion</u> was made to allow District 8's website to link with SPBC Intergroup's website. The motion was unanimously passed.
- 3. Worker's Compensation Insurance: The Intergroup office is investigating ways to get Worker's Compensation Insurance for the office. Results will be discussed at the next business meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Cheryl S., Secretary

The Hand of AA is Available 24 Hours a Day!

With Gratitude to these Groups for covering our Relay Phone:

June: Cheer Up @10:13 pm, West Boca

July: Just Before Dawn, Boynton Beach Aug.: Women Living Sober, Boca Raton

Sept.: West Boynton Group, Boynton Beach

FAITHFUL FIVERS

With Gratitude for their support for this year:

Anonymous; Bari W.; Jim S.; Gerald M.; Suzy V.; Chris E.; Jeanne McT.; Kathryn S.; Jennifer L.; John T.; Nick L.; Susan K.; Christopher T.

With Gratitude for their service at the Intergroup Office during the month of May:

Bari W.; Andrew H.; Bob K.; Susan K.; Chris L.; Lynn E.; Nick L.; Michael G.; Cheryl S.; Zach T.; Mr. Bo Jangles; Kris O.; Stephanie M.; Rich W.; Michelle K.; Stan R.; Jeannie G.; Bobbi K.; Joe B.



Margo C. - Wed Nite Study Group - 5/17/08 - 4 yrs

Pam B. - Principles in Practice - 5/5/07 - 5 yrs

Maria C. - Welcome Home - 6/2/07 - 5 yrs

Pam T. - Welcome Home - 5/5/00 - 12 yrs

June Service Meetings

June 10th

General Service District 8 Business Meeting Sunday @ 5pm-Triangle Club

June 12th

SPBC Intergroup Steering Committee Meeting Tuesday @ 5:30 pm-Intergroup Office

June 16th

Intergroup H & I Committee Meeting Saturday @ 2pm-Intergroup Office

June 27th

SPBC Intergroup Business Meeting Wednesday @ 7pm-Delray Central House

Upcoming Events

<u>June</u>

June 9

Founders Day Dinner

Hosted by: General Service Dist 8

Location: Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 1000 Lantana Rd.,

Lantana 33462

Doors Open 6pm, Dinner 7pm, & Speaker 8pm.

Tickets available at both Intergroup offices.\$10 Dinner & Desserts are appreciated. For more info: 561-585-5970

June 16

Traditions 5,6 Workshop

Time: 2-3:30pm Location: Triangle Club, 1369 Okeechobee Rd., WPB 33401 Sponsored by the District 8 Traditions Committee

June 23

Delegates Report & Luncheon

Hosted by: General Service Dist. 8

Time: 1-4pm Location: Triangle Club, 1369 Okeechobee Rd.,

WPB 33401/561-832-1110

<u>July</u>

July 4

Delray Beach Central House Picnic

Location: John Prince Park, Central Pavillion, 11-3, Tickets \$10

July 13-15

General Service Quarterly Assembly

Location: The Waldorf Astoria, 475 Seagate Dr., Naples

34103/888-722-1267

Room Rate: \$99 Ref: South FL Area 15. Banquet Tickets: \$35. For more info: 239-269-7651

July 21

Concept 4,5,6 Panel

Time: 2-4:30pm Location: Triangle Club, 1369 Okeechobee Rd., WPB 33401 Sponsored by the District 8 Traditions Committee

August

August 1-5

*56th Florida State Convention "Always Be There"

Location: Innisbrook Golf & Spa Resort, Palm Harbor, FL. Phone: 727-942-2000 (convention room rates available) Speakers, workshops, marathon meetings, & a full Al-Anon

family groups program!

For more info: www.56.flstateconvention.com

August 17-19

*17th Annual SE Women To Women Conference

Location: Marriott Beach Hotel, Delray Beach, FL. Opportunity for sober women to experience recovery & fellowship together! Make your reservation before rooms are sold out!! For more info: www.southeastwomentowomen.com

August 18

Traditions 7,8 Workshop

Time: 2-3:30pm Location: Triangle Club, 1369 Okeechobee Rd., WPB 33401

Sponsored by the District 8 Traditions Committee

October

October 14 - Save the Date!!

SPBC Intergroup 9th Annual Serenity Scramble Golf **Tournament**

Location: Delray Beach Golf Club

November

November 9-11

Southeast Regional Forum "Sunlight of the Spirit"

Hosted by: Area 15 Location: Boca Raton Marriott, FL. For more info: www.area15aa.org

November 17 – Save the Date!!

SPBC Intergroup Gratitude Dinner

Location: Embassy Suites, Boca Raton

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Chair - Sheryl S. Vice Chair - Liz S. Treasurer - Sarah P. Secretary - Cheryl S. Office Manager - Pam T.

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