

# THE COURIER

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## The A.A. Group... *WHERE IT ALL BEGINS*

### Words from Bill W.

*"The strength of our whole A.A. service structure starts with the group and with the general service representative (G.S.R.) the group elects. I cannot emphasize too strongly the G.S.R.'s importance."*

#### **Does your Group have a G.S.R.**

By choosing its most qualified man or woman as G.S.R., a Group helps secure its own future-and the future of A.A. as a whole. The G.S.R. links your Home Group with the whole of A.A. **Please see A.A. Pamphlet P-19, G.S.R. General Service Representative**  
**Is your meeting "Open" or "Closed?"**

The purpose of all A.A. group meetings, as the Preamble states, is for A.A. members to "share their experience, strength and hope will each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism." Toward this end, A.A. groups have both open and closed meetings.

**Closed meetings:** are for A.A. members only, or for those who have a drinking problem and "have a desire to stop drinking."

**Open meetings:** are available to anyone interested in Alcoholic Anonymous' program of recovery from alcoholism.

Non alcoholics may attend open meetings as observers.

At both types of meetings, the A.A. chairperson may request that participants confine their discussion to matters pertaining to recovery from alcoholism. Whether Open or Closed, A.A. group meetings are conducted by A.A. members who determine the format of their meetings. **Please see A.A. Pamphlet P-16, "The A.A. Group", page 11.**

#### **Is yours "a meeting" or "a Group"?**

A.A. Groups are defined by the long form of our Third Tradition. However, some A.A. members hold A.A. meetings that differ from the common understanding of a Group. These members gather at a set time and place for a meeting for convenience or some special situation. The main difference between meetings and Groups is that A.A. Groups continue to exist outside the prescribed meeting hour, ready to provide Twelfth Step help when needed. Also, A.A. Groups are registered with General Service Office in New York as well as their local Intergroup Office and their District and Area.

#### **Does your group practice "Spirit of Rotation?"**

Traditionally, rotation of group officers ensures that group tasks, like nearly everything else in A.A. are passed around for all to share. To step out of an A.A. office you love can be hard. If you have been doing a good job, if you honestly don't see anyone else around willing, qualified, or with the time to do it, and if your friends agree, it's especially tough. Rotation helps to bring us spiritual rewards far more enduring than any fame. **Please see A.A. Pamphlet P-16, "The A.A. Group", page 26.**

#### **Does your group utilize "An Informed Group Conscience?"**

The group conscience is the collective conscience of the group membership and thus represents substantial unanimity on an issue before definitive action is taken. This is achieved by the group members through the sharing of full information, individual points of view, and the practice of A.A. principles. To be fully informed requires a willingness to listen to minority opinions with an open mind. **Please see A.A. Pamphlet P-16, "The A.A. Group", page 26-27.**

#### **Does your group periodically take a "Group Inventory?"**

Group inventory meetings are held to evaluate how well they are fulfilling their primary purpose to help alcoholics recover through A.A.'s suggested Twelve Steps of recovery. Some groups take inventory by examining our Twelve Traditions, one at a time, to determine how well they are living up to these principles. **Please see A.A. Pamphlet P16, "The A.A. Group", page 27-28.**

**STEP FIVE:** *“Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.”*

**TRADITION FIVE:** *“Each group has but one primary purpose—to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.”*

**CONCEPT FIVE:** *“Throughout our World Service Structure, a traditional “right of appeal” ought to prevail, thus assuring us that minority opinion will be heard and that petitions for the redress of personal grievances will be carefully considered.”*

**5TH Step Prayer:** *“My inventory has shown me who I am, Yet I ask for Your help in admitting my wrongs to another person and to You. Assure me, and be with me, in this Step, For without this Step I cannot progress in my recovery. With Your help, I can do this, and I do it.”*

## TRADITIONS—CHECKLIST

This is a Checklist for Tradition FIVE. Reprinted with permission from Service Material from the General Service Office:

1. Do I ever cop out by saying, “I’m not a group, so this or that Tradition doesn’t apply to me”?
2. Am I willing to explain firmly to a newcomer the limitations of AA help, even if he gets mad at me for not giving him a loan?
3. Have I today imposed on any AA member for a special favor or consideration simply because I am a fellow alcoholic?
4. Am I willing to twelfth-step the next newcomer without regard to who or what is in it for me?
5. Do I help my group in every way I can to fulfill our primary purpose?
6. Do I remember that AA old-timers, too, can be alcoholics who still suffer? Do I try both to help them and to learn from them?

## The 12 steps of Hybrid Meetings

- #1 - Had an honest desire to have a hybrid meeting
- #2 - Came to believe it was God's will that an IT guy greater than ourselves would miraculously show up at our meeting
- #3 - Made a decision to turn our will and our life over to the care of technology we did not have to actually understand, in order to receive power from it
- #4 - Made a fearless inventory of our friends' houses for equipment
- #5 - Admitted to our home group we did not have a Zoom account
- #6 - Were entirely ready to let People half my age tell me what to do
- #7 – Humbly asked people half my age what to do
- #8 – made a list of reasons people could be helped by seeing their home group when they could not be there
- #9 – made direct amends for all the judgmental things I said about online meetings before COVID...
- #10 – Continued to ask other Hybrid groups how they help AA reach more people who suffer from alcoholism
- #11 – sought through prayer to be ever open to 12<sup>th</sup> stepping drunk Zoom bombers
- #12 – having had a spiritual internet connection on a Hybrid meeting, sought to carry this experience to other groups who were still suffering without one

### Step 5



It is suggested we go back and review our 4th Step prayerfully, and ask God's help in guiding us through the process. We pick this person (another human being) based on our need to have complete trust. It takes a measure of humility to openly confess our wrongs to another human being, but the rewards are usually incredible.

For many of us this step can be very painful, and it takes great humility to be open and honest about the deeds of the past. If we remember how powerful the use of alcohol was in our lives before A.A., perhaps we can understand how much of our bad behavior was the direct result of being drunk.

The beauty and truth about recovery is that if we have the integrity, honesty and willingness to do this step completely, and thoroughly, we can rid ourselves of the guilt, regrets and burdens of the past.



## Tradition 5

The unique ability of each A.A. to identify himself with, and bring recovery to, the newcomer in no way depends upon his learning, eloquence, or on any special individual skill. The only thing that matters is that he is an alcoholic who has found a key to sobriety. These legacies of suffering and of recovery are easily passed among alcoholics, one to the other. This is our gift from God, and its bestowal upon others like us is the one aim that today animates A.A.'s all around the globe.

***“If we skip this step, we may  
not overcome drinking”***

*Alcoholics Anonymous, page 72*

When I did my fifth step it was because it came after step four. I could see this process was working for others, I wanted what you had and so I willingly took the next step.

Being sober and active member of A.A. I thought I was getting it, but I realized now it wasn't until I was asked to hear another's inventory that I actually joined A.A. While hearing another's fourth and fifth step I learned I had to practice these principles in all my affairs. I had to listen and hear, to not judge or try to fix, to observe patterns. I had to not give advice but rather to draw on only my experience in order to identify with that person's pride and fear and shame. At some point I realized the trust that person is placing in me. It overwhelmed me with a feeling of—yes we really are in this together—I became responsible.

I too try to give back as it was so freely given and shown to me, kindly, and with the hope of recovery always in mind. I'm beginning to understand when people share that they didn't know how sick they were. I am so grateful for A.A. and for this progressive recovery, not perfection. Today, I am okay with waiting for more to be revealed. *Mary A.*

## Editorial: On the 5th Tradition

*Each Alcoholics Anonymous group ought to be a spiritual entity having but one primary purpose--that of carrying its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.*

Says the old proverb, "Shoemaker, stick to thy last." Trite, yes. But very true for us of A.A. How well we need to heed the principle that it is better to do one thing supremely well than many things badly.

Because it has now become plain enough that only a recovered alcoholic can do much for a sick alcoholic, a tremendous responsibility has descended upon us all, an obligation so great that it amounts to a sacred trust. For to our kind, those who suffer alcoholism, recovery is a matter of life or death. So the society of Alcoholics Anonymous cannot, it dare not ever be diverted from its primary purpose.

Temptation to do otherwise will come aplenty. Seeing fine works afoot in the field of alcohol, we shall be sorely tempted to loan out the name and credit of Alcoholics Anonymous to them; as a movement we shall be beset to finance and endorse other causes. Should our present success continue, people will commence to assert that A.A. is a brand new way of life, maybe a new religion, capable of saving the world. We shall be told it is our bounden duty to show modern society how it ought to live.

Oh, how very attractive these projects and ideas can be! How flattering to imagine that we might be chosen to demonstrate that olden mystic promise: "The first shall be last and the last shall be first." Fantastic, you say. Yet some of our well-wishers have begun to say such things.

Fortunately most of us are convinced that these are perilous speculations, alluring ingredients of that new heady wine we are now being offered, each bottle marked "Success"!

Of this subtle vintage may we never drink too deeply. May we never forget that we live by the Grace of God--on borrowed time; that anonymity is better than acclaim; that for us as a movement poverty is better than wealth.

And may we reflect with ever deepening conviction, that we shall never be at our best except when we hew only to the primary spiritual aim of A.A.--"*That of carrying its message to the alcoholic who still suffers alcoholism.*" **Bill W.**



***“When it comes to ego deflation, few steps are harder to take than Five. But scarcely any step is more necessary to longtime sobriety and peace of mind than this one.”***

*Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, page 55*

As the Big Book puts it, is a primary cause of relapse into for us “To drink is eventually to go

Much the same penalty overhangs even-unity and purpose are lost. Given still disintegrate; it can actually die. This is prescribe no punishment for any mis- no alcoholic can be deprived of his

“punishment never heals, only love can heal”



“Resentment is the number one offender.” It drinking. How well we of A.A. know that mad or die.”

ry A.A. Group. Given enough anger, both more ‘righteous’ indignation, the group can why we avoid controversy. This is why we behavior, no matter how grievous. Indeed, membership for any reason whatever.

## **Editorial: On Cultivating Tolerance**

During nine years in A.A. I have observed that those who follow the Alcoholics Anonymous program with the greatest earnestness and zeal, not only maintain sobriety, but often acquire finer characteristics and attitudes as well. One of these is tolerance. Tolerance expresses itself in a variety of ways: in kindness and consideration toward the man or woman who is just beginning the march along the spiritual path; in the understanding of those who perhaps have been less fortunate in educational advantages, and in sympathy toward those whose religious ideas may seem to be at great variance with our own. I am reminded in this connection of the picture of a hub with its radiating spokes. We all start at the outer circumference and approach our destination by one of many routes.

To say that one spoke is much better than all the other spokes is true only in the sense of its being best suited to you as an individual. Human nature is such that without some degree of tolerance, each one of us might be inclined to believe that we have found the best or perhaps the shortest spoke. Without some tolerance we might tend to become a bit smug or superior--which of course is not helpful to the person we are trying to help, and may be quite painful or obnoxious to others. No one of us wishes to do anything which might act as a deterrent to the advancement of another--and a patronizing attitude can readily slow up this process. Tolerance furnishes, as a by-product, a greater freedom from the tendency to cling to pre-conceived ideas and stubbornly adhered-to opinions. In other words it often promotes an open-mindedness which is vastly important--in fact a prerequisite to the successful termination of any line of search, whether it be scientific or spiritual.

These, then, are a few of the reasons why an attempt to acquire tolerance should be made by each one of us.

*Dr. Bob , Akron Ohio*

## Accepting Our Differences

I had been sober on my own for almost two years when my shaking knees took me to the top of a flight of stairs where the club for AAs had rooms. I had come to find help for someone else, but I found a program of recovery that helped me relax my own white knuckles.

After the speakers meeting, I bought a Big Book as I put money in the jug for my coffee. I sat at the long table and waited. It did not take long. Soon I was asked my first name and that was when you accepted me. You asked if you could help. I felt a someone understood. I sat words whirled back and forth. I accepted, of belonging.

Now I find that I have to accept derstand.

I am confused by the person fights the concept of God or "as we understood Him." I have my Higher Power. I do not argue own ideas and the ease of turning over my problems to the God of my understanding. I do not make a sermon out of this. I hope he will come to believe and I accept him.

I am uncomfortable with some of the bad language that occurs in one meeting room. It has recently become a place for newly recovering alcoholics. They are mostly young people and their need to express themselves is almost desperate. The words they use turn the tips of this old lady's ears pink. If the going gets too rough, I sometimes leave, but I wish them all well. If they are alcoholics, they have come to the right place, and I accept them into the Fellowship, but I have the right to leave. I am fortunate to live in an area with a choice of meetings, and I attend several. I do not feel this is a cop-out on my part, because there are many people in that room that use the same lingo and are ready to help. I do go back once in a while.

I have had some trouble accepting the dually addicted, because I have not understood this problem. It reminds me of the time my beloved doctor asked me when I became an alcoholic. It was hard to answer that question, and it is difficult for dually addicted people to explain their problems to me. I am trying to learn and understand more, because I personally believe that a large percentage of new members in AA will be dually or manifoldly addicted. I want to be there if someone who is also an alcoholic reaches out his hand.

I try to accept my fellow travelers just as they say they are--after all *you* accepted *me*, and I can do no less.



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*Donna K., Lakewood, Colorado*



**FINANCES****Apr****YTD****Income**

Literature/Merchandise	\$3032	\$11579
Group Contributions	4732	9237
AA Birthdays		472
Faithful Five	10	105
Individual/Anonymous	-50	1678

**Total Income**

4692 23069

**Expenses**

Bank/Credit Card Fees	94	285
Travel/Licenses/Permits		61
Office Supplies		283
Office Improve/Repair		
www Hosting		
Payroll Net	1711	6844
Payroll Tax	1113	2226
Postage		37
Printing		
Purchases/Lit./Merch.	1458	6113
Insurance		
Rent	500	2000
Sales Tax	238	712
Telephone/www	492	1161
Utilities	100	400
Computer Equipment		
Computer Software	13	193
Computer/Maintain		

**Total Expenses**

5719 20316

**Net Ordinary Income**

2005 2763

Other Income

Other Expenses

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2005 2763

## Thank You to all who contributed to Naples Intergroup/Central Office

### Spirituality and Money

"While the work of the group treasurer often involves many details, it is important to remember that the money the treasurer oversees serves a spiritual purpose: it enables each group to fulfill its primary purpose of carrying the A.A. message to the alcoholic who still suffers. This is the fundamental work of A.A. and to continue it the group must keep its doors open. The group treasurer is an important part of this Twelfth Step work."

### SELF-SUPPORT:

#### Where Money and Spirituality Mix

##### Naples Area Intergroup

1509-2 Pine Ridge Road  
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(50%)

##### District 20

District 20 Treasurer  
P.O. Box 2896  
Naples, FL 34106  
(10%)

##### General Service Office

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##### Area 15

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Safety Harbor, FL 34695  
(10%)

### Disbursement of a Group's Funds

"After the group's basic needs are met, such as providing for rent, literature, refreshments, and insurance, the group can participate in the financial support of the Fellowship as a whole by sending money to various A.A. service entities: 1) their local Intergroup or Central Office, 2) Area 15 and District 20; and 3) the General Service Office in New York. Many groups provide financial support for their G.S.R.s attending service functions. These entities use contributions in a number of ways, always with the aim of carrying the A.A. message to the alcoholic who still suffers. *The A.A. Group Treasurer, F-96,*

*Service material prepared by the  
General Service Office*



## GROUP\*/MEETING CONTRIBUTIONS

The six digit number next to the meeting name is their unique AA Registration Number assigned by the General Service Office in New York. This number signifies they are a "Registered Group"...Those meetings listed without a six digit number are **NOT registered with G.S.O.** and therefore not a "Group" (by AA definition), but is a "meeting".

*\*Please see A.A. pamphlet: "The A.A. Group...where it all begins" P-16*

<u>Group/Meeting</u>	<u>APR</u>	<u>2021</u>
11th Step Prayer & Med., 715482.....	32.....	73
12 Steps By Paragraph.....	0.....	150
24 Hour Solution.....	0.....	0
Anchor.....	0.....	0
Aprendiendo A Vivre, 176467.....	0.....	0
Back To Basics.....	0.....	0
Beach Bums 641645.....	250.....	250
Big Book Comes Alive.....	130.....	220
Big Book Steppers, Bonita, 698101.....	42.....	105
Big Book Steppers, Naples, 654630.....	0.....	84
Big Book Study, 662395.....	0.....	0
Bonita Awareness, 124788.....	0.....	0
Bonita Banyan, 176463.....	158.....	158
Bonita Beginnings.....	0.....	100
Bonita Friday Night.....	0.....	0
Bonita Happy Hour, 670997.....	618.....	995
Bonita Men, 654428.....	0.....	0
Bonita Morning.....	373.....	722
Bonita Saturday Night.....	0.....	0
Bonita Springs Morning, 678493.....	0.....	349
<b>Bonita Springs Women's 169127</b> .....	0.....	325
Bonita Springs Step, 134588.....	0.....	0
Bonita Unity.....	0.....	0
Bring Your Own Big Book.....	0.....	50
Brown Bag, 163924.....	293.....	1,018
Cake Meeting, 701813.....	0.....	25
Came to Believe, 615490.....	0.....	0
Candlelight, 606877.....	0.....	0
Comes Of Age.....	0.....	0
Common Solutions, 179613.....	1298.....	1298
Early Reflections, 653770.....	0.....	0
Early Riser, 161795.....	0.....	650
East Trail, 150873.....	0.....	0
Easy Does It, 156979.....	0.....	0
FCYPAA.....	0.....	0
Free 2 Be, 670930.....	0.....	0
Friday Big Book.....	0.....	0
Go To Any Length, 305375.....	0.....	0
Golden Gate, 123819.....	0.....	0
Good Orderly Direction, 642330.....	0.....	0
Gratitude Hour, 134223.....	0.....	0
Happy Hour, 172923.....	60.....	0
Jaywalkers, 634271.....	0.....	0
Keep It Positive, 650541.....	0.....	0
Keep It Simple, 651598.....	0.....	0
Ladies Night, Bonita, 672950.....	30.....	480
Living Sober, 605904.....	0.....	0
<b>Living Sober Isle of Capri.....</b>	<b>0.....</b>	<b>0</b>
Men Of Naples, 634030.....	39.....	90
<b>Men's Big Book.....</b>	<b>0.....</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Monday Night Men Step 724529.....</b>	<b>0.....</b>	<b>0</b>
Monday Noon Big Book.....	0.....	31
Monday Noon Daily Reflections.....	11.....	30
Morning Reflections, 660700.....	0.....	0
Naples Group, 103609.....	0.....	0
Naples Men's, 694322.....	0.....	0
Naples South, 130210.....	0.....	0
Naples Young People, 699130.....	0.....	0
New Dawn, 632504.....	0.....	0
New Women (Thursday noon).....	0.....	0
Newcomers Coming Together, 684199.....	0.....	0
No Compromise, 681260.....	0.....	0
Not A Glum Lot.....	0.....	0

<u>Group/Meeting</u>	<u>APR</u>	<u>2021</u>
One Day At A Time.....	0.....	0
Our Common Welfare.....	0.....	0
Out To Lunch Bunch, 147323.....	0.....	0
Pay It Forward, 704772.....	1200.....	1200
Primary Purpose Marco, 146715.....	0.....	675
<b>Saturday Morning Girlfriends 678117.....</b>	<b>0.....</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Saturday Night Live.....</b>	<b>0.....</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Spiritual Solutions, 720796.....</b>	<b>0.....</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Start Where You Are.....</b>	<b>0.....</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Step By Step.....</b>	<b>0.....</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Step Into Life.....</b>	<b>0.....</b>	<b>0</b>
Sunday Night Speakers, 665079.....	0.....	0
Sunlight Of the Spirit, 647959.....	0.....	0
Sunset Serenity, 654981.....	0.....	100
<b>Survivor's, 157268.....</b>	<b>0.....</b>	<b>0</b>
SW 239 BID.....	0.....	0
Swamp Group, 672733.....	0.....	0
Tables Of Naples.....	0.....	150
The Solution Big Book Study Group 632503.....	0.....	0
Third Tradition, 143298.....	0.....	0
Three Legacies, 679400.....	0.....	0
Thursday New Women.....	0.....	0
Unity Monday Noon Step.....	0.....	0
Unity Step.....	0.....	0
Veranda.....	172.....	172
Walk The Steps With Women, 701923.....	0.....	0
Wanderers, Ave Maria.....	0.....	0
We Care, Bonita, 617011.....	0.....	0
Wednesday Step St. Johns.....	0.....	0
Where Are We.....	0.....	0
Women's Spirit.....	0.....	0
<b>Women's Step, 159957.....</b>	<b>0.....</b>	<b>0</b>
YANA, 270553.....	0.....	0
ZOOM Noon.....	0.....	0

**AA Groups/Meetings listed here are those which are either registered as a Group at the AA General Service Office in New York, or, have contributed financially to the Naples Area Intergroup.**



## Online Meetings

<http://www.aa-intergroup.org/directory.php>

AA-Alive.net  
An Online AA Group.  
Online Meeting and Chat Room  
<http://www.aa-alive.net/>

AA Chat Meetings  
<http://www.stepchat.com/aa.htm>

AA Online.net  
Conducts open topic meetings  
online very much like face-to-face meetings  
<http://www.aaonline.net/>

AA Online Meeting.net  
English speaking Skype based online  
Alcoholics Anonymous meeting  
<http://www.aaonlinemeeting.net/>

Alcoholics Anonymous Online Group  
AA Beginner / Newcomer OPEN to th  
Public Discussion Forum Meeting  
Online <http://www.onlinegroupaa.org/>  
is mobile device friendly.

Grateful Recovering Online Women's  
(GROW) Group  
<http://www.g-r-o-w.com/>

Lamplighters Group of AA  
We share our experience,  
strength and hope with each other over  
the Internet, and via email  
<http://www.aa-lamplighters.org/>

Staying Cyber  
AA Meeting for the WWW  
<http://www.stayingcyber.org/>

## **Founders Day (June 10)...What will you be doing to celebrate A.A.'s 86th Anniversary?**

***Following is an early AAs recollection of his first Founders Day in Akron, Ohio (birthplace of A.A.).***

"Never shall I forget my first Founders Day in Akron, birthplace of A.A. It was held in the Mayflower Hotel dining room. The date: June 10, 1945, I had been sober only three months. During my last binge, the country had changed Presidents, and I did not know it till my third day in the St Thomas alcohol ward, where they showed me a newspaper.

I spent six days in the ward, and there I had the opportunity to meet Sister Ignatia and the beloved Dr. Bob, co-founder of A.A.

Dr. Bob was on the staff of the hospital. He would come in to see us twice a day. There were eight of us.

Most of the early members who came to our bed-sides have gone to their reward, I was only thirty-four at the time. Dr. Bob and the other A.A.'s took much time with me. Today, I am humbly grateful for the message of hope that was passed on to me. I shall always have a place in my heart and mind for the six days I spend there. It was there my real adult life began.

We are now living in Florida, like a lot of other old people, but we plan to be in Akron form Founders Day if it is the Lord's will.

For us who are privileged to have this A.A. way of life, there is no better means of showing our grateful appreciation to The Founders and other pioneers of this Program of Alcoholics Anonymous. Looking forward to some great A.A. Fellowship in June."

## The Birthday Club

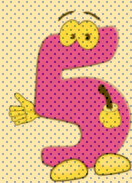
Did you know you can share your sobriety and gratitude in a practical way by joining the AA Birthday Club? Sign up today and be featured in the *Courier*. Show your support for your Central Office. A donation of only one dollar for every year of your sobriety will help carry the message to alcoholics who still suffer. Envelopes available at Central Office or from your Intergroup Representative.



Ron P.	50 years
Ron L.	42 years
Don M.	41 years
Jim B.	39 years
Dennis F.	35 years
Rad W.	35 years
Jackie T. F.	36 years
Judy W.	34 years
Steve K.	28 years
Peter F.	25 years
Eileen D.	22 years
Bill S.	19 years
Mary B.	18 years
Laura T. F.	4 years
Bree F.	3 years



## Faithful Fivers Needed



### 2020 Faithful Fiver Club

***Ron L., James B., Theresa R., Judy W., Kathryn Mc., Bill S.,  
Jim B., Tim A., Wendy T.***

We are members of A.A. who want the hand of A.A. always to be there in the Naples, Florida area.

***It's easy to join!***

Use a Check or Credit Card to contribute monthly, or one time.

Stop by the Central Office or Telephone the Central Office for a one time Credit Card charge.

***\$5.00 per month or \$60.00 per year!***

Your membership directly supports 12Step work in District 20 and Central Office Operations.

**District 20**

(Collier County, the portion of Monroe County bordered by Collier and Miami-Dade Counties, and the portion of Hendry County below the northernmost boundary of Collier County.)

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**Public Information/CPC**

Opportunity

Business meeting the second Wednesday of each month at 7pm, 24 Hour Club

**Grapevine/Literature**

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Business meeting the third Tuesday of each month at 5:30p.m., 24 Hour Club

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Last Thursday of the Month, 7pm

New Attitudes Club  
4133 Tamiami Trail E.  
(Lakewood & E 41)  
Behind Speedway Gas

**MONTHLY  
NAPLES  
INTERGROUP  
MEETING**

Central Office  
1509-2 Pine Ridge Rd.

(next to 24 Hour Club)

First Wednesday of  
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Every day except  
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