

THE COURIER

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ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS PREAMBLE:

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of people who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for AA membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. AA is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization or Institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy, neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics achieve sobriety. (Reprinted



Naples Area Intergroup 2021 Gratitude Dinner

Saturday, November 6th @ 6:00pm

NORTH NAPLES CHURCH

6000 Goodlette Road North
Naples, Florida 34109

Tickets: \$30.00 each.

Payable at aanaples.org

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Intergroup Office: 239/262-6535

If questions ... please call us !!!



Step Nine: The Promise Of Intuition

We Will Know Peace

By Rick R. (09/21)

We will intuitively know how to handle situations which used to baffle us. (B.B. pg. 84) How many times in your life have you been faced with a decision, and you did not know what to do about it, then a day and a half later, you awakened in the middle of the night, sat up in bed, and said to your-self, A-Hah, and went right back to sleep? Somehow the answer came to you without having to go through days of research.

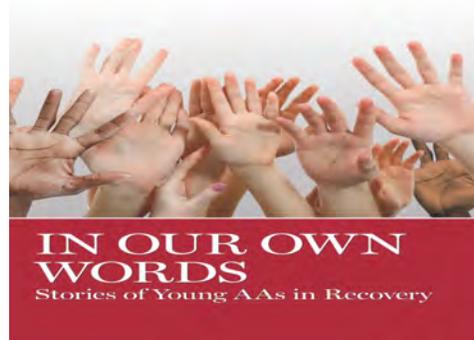
In the early days of 1970, I was going through a course on human behavior and the instructor was trying to describe how the brain functions. He explained that the human brain has approximately ten billion cells and we only use about one billion of them. He then explained that these cells store everything we experience in our life-time. The more current events are easier to remember than the things that are off in the distant past, but they are all in there somewhere. He then likened it to a file system where, if you ask a question, the more current answers come immediately, but for those more distant memories, the brain starts searching the files and it may take a while eventually the answer will come.

With all the mental chaos that we bring with us when we enter the Alcoholics Anonymous (A.A.) program, we have lot of, what I refer to as, *unlearning* to do. We go through the process of trying to rid ourselves of alcoholic thinking and to replace it with sound principles and values. If we are fortunate enough to buy in completely, and do a thorough job of house-cleaning, so to speak, we can start using the ideas that we hear of, and others used successfully, and we get a surprisingly good result. We may hear as many as twenty or thirty people share at any given meeting. Can we remember everything we hear? To me, the answer is yes. I could come up with a dozen boilerplate A.A. cliches about how the answers come to me but it does not get any simpler than the mental file cabinet theory. Sometimes it seems to me that I am learning when I am not even listening, and it is like getting it through osmosis. If you have ever heard of the police trying to get a witness to remember a license plate number by hypnotizing that person, you understand what I mean. It is in the sub-conscious and there is a curtain-like screen between the conscious and subconscious mind. This is what keeps us from going mad due to the busyness of it all.

I never underestimate the capacity of my mind when it comes to problem solving. Attending A.A. meetings on a regular basis and interacting with the people who have had similar experiences and have found similar solutions to their problems gives me a very encouraging outlook for the future. Many of the answers that I am seeking are right in front of my face and some are deeper in the file cabinet. Most of the time, when faced with the dilemma that is causing me any kind of distress, I can refer to my simple request of my higher power. God, please show me to do and please give me the strength to do it. I do not do well on my own. It is surprising how often I awake in the middle of the night, say "A-HAH," and go back to sleep again. It seems that intuitively the answers come.

"An old-timer spoke about the danger of becoming complacent and explained the need for the Steps in her life. 'The way I see it,' she said, 'I might have gotten the monkey off my back, but, the CIRCUS IS STILL IN TOWN !!!'

**"Ham on Wry," New York, New York
September 2005, AAGrapevine**



The NINTH MONTH for ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

STEP NINE: *“Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.”*

TRADITION NINE: *“A.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.”*

TRADITION NINE (Long Form): *Each A.A. group needs the least possible organization. Rotating leadership is the best. The small group may elect its secretary, the large group its rotating committee, and the groups of a large metropolitan area their central or intergroup committee, which often employs a full-time secretary. The trustees of the General Service Board are, in effect, our A.A. General Service Committee. They are the custodians of our A.A. Tradition and the receivers of voluntary A.A. contributions by which we maintain our A.A. General Service Office at New York. They are authorized by the groups to handle our over-all public relations and they guarantee the integrity of our principle newspaper, the A.A. Grapevine. All such representatives are to be guided in the spirit of service, for true leaders in A.A. are but trusted and experienced servants of the whole. They derive no real authority from their titles; they do not govern. Universal respect is the key to their usefulness.*

CONCEPT NINE: *“Good service leaders, together with sound and appropriate methods of choosing them, are at all levels indispensable for our future functioning and safety. The primary world service leadership once exercised by the founders of A.A. must necessarily be assumed by Trustees of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous.”*

9Th Step Prayer: *I pray for the right attitude to make my amends, Being ever mindful not to harm others in the process. I ask for Your guidance in making indirect amends. Most important, I will continue to make amends by staying abstinent, helping others and growing in spiritual progress.*

TRADITIONS—CHECKLIST

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

1. Do I still try to boss things in AA?
2. Do I resist formal aspects of AA because I fear them as authoritative?
3. Am I mature enough to understand and use all elements of the AA program—even if no one makes me do so—with a sense of personal responsibility?
4. Do I exercise patience and humility in any AA job I take?
5. Am I aware of all those to whom I am responsible in any AA job?
6. Why doesn't every AA group need a constitution and bylaws?
7. Have I learned to step out of an AA job gracefully—and profit thereby—when the time comes?
8. What has rotation to do with anonymity? With humility?

“The only way I ever found to displace a thought was to put another thought in its stead.”

“We Must Banish Fear!” Alexandria, Virginia, August 1950, AA Grapevine



HOPE: HEART OPEN, PLEASE ENTER

I'm the youngest of 4 kids born to a butcher and a farm girl 67 years ago in Youngstown, Ohio. My parents created a home life filled with fear of punishment. Two of my siblings died as the result of drinking, drugging, and reenacting the horrors of our upbringing.

I came up thru the 60s & 70s and acquired a lot of bad habits which, when coupled with the patterns of abuse learned from my parents, led me into a life filled with fear, hate, resentment, selfishness, egotism ...you get the idea. Drinking and drugs became a part of everything I did.

I met my husband, Phil, about 40 years ago and we will be married 19 years in a few days. We drank and drugged together for many years, but while Phil cut down over time, I continued drinking.

I managed to acquire a profession and got a decent job. I was somewhat successful, but always had the feeling that something bad was just around the corner.

I was diagnosed with anxiety and depression after experiencing a rather dramatic episode which ended in my sitting on my porch staring at the trees for a couple of months. Medication saved me from acting on my suicidal thoughts.

I moved to Florida 20 years ago thinking the sunshine would pull me out of the depression I seemed always to be battling. It didn't. I quit my job and floated around for a while, then worked at various places till age 65. Once I retired there was no reason to do much of anything BUT drink, so I decided to celebrate by having a party every day. I would start drinking after dinner at first, but then I started a bit earlier, then earlier, then earlier until I was waiting till Phil left each morning to drink all day long.

I would hasten his departure by ignoring him. Sometimes because I was hungover but sometimes out of sheer cruelty. I made it clear through my actions that I wanted to be alone. Once he was out of my way, I could drink and smoke while playing monopoly on the computer all day long. Hours of monopoly, Seagram's & coke, and Basic Menthol Gold 100s.

This went on for about the last six months of my drinking days, while pretending that I was doing the things that needed to be done: Laundry, cleaning, shopping, cooking.

I decided I needed a tweak on my antidepressant because I was feeling so down all the time, so I went to see a psychiatrist. Dr. Coho looked at my urinalysis and shaking hands and said he knew I was drinking too much. He said he would do nothing until I checked into Baker hospital to get dried out.

What a smack in the face. WOW! For the first time someone had told me the truth about my drinking, and I had no argument to rebut it. I realized I had to face it after years of ignoring it, denying it, and drinking over it. It was a Friday. I went home & told Phil I was going to check myself in at Baker hospital to get help that coming Monday. I spent that weekend cleaning house and drinking and smoking.

I was most nervous about smoking. I could not imagine how I would make it a couple of hours without a smoke, let alone days.

The hours went by with Phil once again watching me slowly killing myself with booze and cigs. By Monday morning I had drunk all my Seagram's and was packing to go. Laughably, I packed as though I were going to a hotel. Comfortable jammies, toiletries, my teddy bear. My phone, charger, cigs, lighter. Paper and pen.

Eventually, Phil asked me if I still wanted to go. I was putting it off for sure, but something kept telling me this was it. My last chance to get some order & peace into my life before I lost it all.

At last, I headed toward the door. In the hallway I paused and said the serenity prayer.

WHERE HAD THAT COME FROM?

I was never religious. Never prayed. Had no respect for organized religion.

On occasion I had had a sense that there was a universe of which I was a part, but never went beyond that thought. I could debate the uselessness and hypocrisy of religion; I could insist there was no God or, if there was, it was a cruel, punishing entity of which I wanted no part.

Yet there I was, hand on doorknob asking for serenity, courage, and wisdom from something I had spent years railing against.

I finally got in the car. Phil drove to NCH emergency room.

At the front desk, I said I wanted to be admitted for detox from alcohol.

I said I had seen Dr. Coho who did a psych eval and told me to get dried out, then to see him again.

We went thru the ER doors and were placed in a cubicle to wait for a doctor. I sat on the bed, Phil on a chair. I don't remember talking much. It was cold, someone gave me a warm blanket.

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Then, a beautiful young man came thru the curtain & introduced himself. He had looked at my info; said something about my wanting to get detoxed.

He sat next to me on the bed. He put his warm hand over my cold one.

He said: " If you don't make it this time, we will be here for you when you come back." That melted my heart.

Then he questioned me about the amount of booze I was drinking every day.

I decided for the first time in my life to admit how much I drank or at least to admit as much as I could about the quantity of my consumption. The doctor arrived at the fact that I was taking in at least 16 ounces of whiskey a day. I remember seeing Phil's eyes, those loving eyes.

Looking back, it was though I had admitted to God, to myself and to Phil the exact nature of my habit.

We waited many hours in the ER for a bed to become available at Baker.

When the news came that a bed was open, Phil had gone to the car to get my suitcase. I remember telling him I would be fine without him for a few minutes. I may even have urged him to go home. So, I was admitted to detox without saying goodbye to him. When that detox door closed shut and I realized I could not leave, I started crying and begging to see Phil immediately. The admitting nurse said he could see me at regular visiting hours.

She proceeded to take my purse and place a red ID band on it. She refused to let me have anything in it until she searched it. She did let me call Phil on my cell phone for a minute before seizing it.

When my suitcase was received it was searched as well. I was allowed nothing from it. After all, my jammies had laces to tie at the waist; my toiletries might have alcohol in them; a razor was too dangerous; pen and paper would be provided. Even my teddy bear was locked away with the rest of my personal belongings.

When I saw Phil that night, I was a mess. I have no idea what I said or did, but I do remember seeing his eyes. Those tender loving eyes.

So, my journey to get sober began on November 4, 2019. My withdrawal was eased with medication. I was allowed a nicotine patch during the day to ease my craving for a cigarette.

The first couple of days, I was paired with a young woman who had attempted suicide. I became acquainted with my fellow patients and heard their stories.

We were allowed to share a telephone for a few hours a day, so I arranged an appointment with Dr. Madia to occur upon my discharge. I watched a new arrival rant for hours about being locked up. I watched my second roommate bounce off the walls and furniture of our room and thanked God that was not me.

Phil visited each day, his eyes comforted me again.

I also attended an AA meeting while there. It changed my life. Something clicked in my head and a message came thru the alcoholic fog: HOPE. It was offered up to me as a spoonful of food to the mouth of a baby.

HOPE entered my head.

HOPE filled my heart.

I am convinced that miracles have happened to me, for me, and within me.

I am convinced that these miracles happened because of the HOPE I found at that meeting.

Hope that there is a better way.

Hope that it can be found by anyone.

Hope that allowed me to find a power greater than me.

Now my day begins not with a drink, but with this simple prayer:

Thank you, God, for letting me wake up sober today, with a clear head,
steady hands, and a joyous heart.

Each morning, Phil and I hold hands and recite the serenity prayer together.

Each day of sobriety makes it more real – a miracle. **HOPE: HEART OPEN, PLEASE ENTER !!!**



Deb G.

Naples Florida (09/21)

“Many ask ‘What is anonymity?’ and ‘What is humility?’ To me, they are almost the same thing. They are devoid of prestige; they demand nothing; they don’t ask to be ‘right’; they simply suggest that the icy egocentric elements in all of us retire into the background and that we wear the warm cloak of anonymity and humility and therefore, spirituality.”

“I sometimes forget to feel gratitude for my sobriety ... This is why I must continue to work with others, to go to meetings, to be of some service to the world around me -- not because these are ‘good’ things, but rather so that I can once again be stimulated into feelings of gratitude for this life I have found.”

“Taking Gratitude for Granted,” Los Angeles, California, May 2000, Voices of Long-Term Sobriety



VOICES OF LONG-TERM SOBRIETY

OLD-TIMERS' STORIES
FROM AA GRAPEVINE

**Calling all AA
Authors !!!**

**Please submit
an article to**

The COURIER !!!

Email article to:

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**Your Groups’
Activities
Can Be Here
Next Month.
To Highlight
Your Group,
Please Call Us:
Intergroup Office
239/262-6535**

Who's in Charge Here?

Corporations, churches, schools, even local civic clubs are organized. Yet Tradition Nine states that AA as a whole should never be organized. As a newcomer I was intrigued by Tradition Nine. I landed in a fairly large home group and to my untrained eyes it looked very organized. I immediately began my search for the person in charge. I figured someone had to be running the show – so many different people in the same space – so who's giving directions? The captain goes down with the ship, the buck stops with the CEO – who's running AA?

I was directed to attend my home group's Steps and Traditions meeting and eventually understood that no one was in charge. No one in AA could tell me what to do nor could anyone stop me from coming to AA. My recovery/sobriety was my going to be my "thang." I could do what I wanted to do and no one could kick me out of AA for my actions.

AA's General Service Office is headquartered in New York City. One might think that someone there has some authority over organized AA Groups, but that's not the case. What they can do is offer suggestions based on the accumulated experience of AA members around the world - "Of course you are at perfect liberty to handle this matter any way you please. But the majority experience in AA does seem to suggest...."

Over the years, I've tried to apply the 12 Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous (a design for living) to the best of my abilities. I know that if I fail to integrate the lessons of the Steps into my life, I risk drinking again. The same principle applies at the group level. If we don't conform to AA's Twelve Traditions, our fellowship will deteriorate and die. Unfortunately, I have witnessed the demise of groups that failed to practice the Traditions.

I want to stay sober and Tradition Nine is there to ensure sobriety to all who may want it. Commitments and opportunities for service abound: 12thstep calls need to be answered, rent must be paid and meeting rooms set up, the coffee brewed and refreshments purchased. In all these and other matters affecting the group, it's the spirit of service that binds us together in a true and enduring fellowship.

AA Volunteer Opportunities



*Naples Area
Intergroup*

Mornings: 9:00 to 12:30

Afternoon: 12:30 to 4:00

and, Telephone Helpline

After-hours, various days.

1-year continuous sobriety.

For information: 239/262-6535

4TH ANNUAL KEYS FOR SERENITY 2021 “THE ROAD OF HAPPY DESTINY”

September 17-19, 2021

Key West Marriott Beachside

3841 N. Roosevelt Blvd

Key West, Florida

Workshops* 12step meetings/Panels* Alanon Participation/meetings

*Banquet*Entertainment*Sobriety Countdown

Book now! Early registration \$40.00

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Go to KFS website for event registration and hotel reservations

Guest Speakers Include:

Charlie & Katie P.-Texas

Scott L. Tennessee

Leo S.-Massachusetts

Register online now at: www.keysforserenity.com

We look forward to seeing you in September!

Our committee is working closely with the host hotel KW Marriott Beachside to ensure the health and well-being for those who attend our in-person conference. We will follow Covid-19 guidelines according to the CDC as well as city/state ordinances.

FINANCES	Aug	YTD
Income		
Literature/Merchandise	\$2,559	\$21,812
Group Contributions	1,369	19,301
AA Birthdays	0	515
Faithful Five	5	220
Individual/Anonymous	0	2,078
Total Income	3,933	43,926
Expenses		
Bank/Credit Card Fees	72	546
Travel/Licenses/		86
Office Supplies	182	1051
Office Improve/Repair		433
www Hosting		145
Payroll	1,958	14,431
Payroll Tax		3,340
Postage	26	62
Printing		
Purchases/Lit./Merch.	2,453	11,540
Insurance		
Rent	500	4,000
Sales Tax	191	1,561
Telephone/www	408	2,035
Utilities	100	800
Computer Equipment		
Computer Software	693	987
Computer/Maintain		
Total Expenses	6,583	41,017
Net Ordinary Income	-\$2,650	2,909
Other Income		
Other Expenses		
NET OTHER INCOME		
NET INCOME	-\$2,650	\$2,909

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

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(50%)

General Service Office

P. O. Box 459
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(30%)

District 20

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

Area 15

Wayne H.
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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>Aug</u>	<u>2021</u>
11th Step Prayer & Med., 715482	0	73
12 Steps By Paragraph	0	150
24 Hour Solution	0	0
After and Before	0	50
Anchor	0	0
Aprendiendo A Vivre, 176467	0	0
Back To Basics	0	0
Beach Bums 641645	0	250
Big Book Comes Alive	0	391
Big Book Steppers, Bonita, 698101	0	169
Big Book Steppers, Naples, 654630	0	165
Big Book Study, 662395	0	0
Bonita Awareness, 124788	0	0
Bonita Banyan, 176463	0	269
Bonita Beginnings	0	100
Bonita Friday Night	0	180
Bonita Happy Hour, 670997	0	1,372
Bonita Men, 654428	0	0
Bonita Morning	0	722
Bonita Saturday Night	0	0
Bonita Springs Morning, 678493	0	274
Bonita Springs Women's 169127	250	810
Bonita Springs Step, 134588	0	37
Bonita Unity	0	0
Bring Your Own Big Book	0	150
Brown Bag, 163924	0	1,907
Cake Meeting, 701813	0	25
Came to Believe, 615490	0	0
Candlelight, 606877	0	0
Comes Of Age	0	0
Common Solutions, 179613	0	2,103
Daily Reflections ZOOM	75	1,040
Early Reflections, 653770	0	0
Early Riser, 161795	422	1,793
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	0	60
Jaywalkers, 634271	0	0
Keep It Positive, 650541	0	0
Keep It Simple, 651598	0	0
Ladies Night, Bonita, 672950	0	480
Ladies Noon	0	27
Living Sober, 605904	0	0
Living Sober Isle of Capri	0	0
Men Of Naples, 634030	28	145
Men's Big Book	0	0
Monday Night Men Step 724529	0	0
Monday Noon Big Book	0	31
Monday Noon Daily Reflections	3	46
Morning Reflections, 660700	0	0
Naples Group, 103609	0	0
Naples Men's, 694322	0	0
Naples South, 130210	230	230
Naples Young People, 699130	0	0
New Dawn, 632504	0	596
New Women (Thursday noon)	0	0

<u>Group/Meeting</u>	<u>Aug</u>	<u>2021</u>
One Day At A Time	102	102
Our Common Welfare	0	0
Out To Lunch Bunch, 147323	0	0
Pay It Forward, 704772	0	1200
Primary Purpose Marco, 146715	0	3,060
Saturday Morning Girlfriends 678117	0	0
Saturday Night Live	0	0
Spiritual Solutions, 720796	0	0
Start Where You Are	0	0
Step By Step	0	0
Step Into Life	0	0
Sunday Night Speakers, 665079	55	55
Sunlight Of the Spirit, 647959	126	126
Sunset Serenity, 654981	0	100
Survivor's, 157268	0	0
SW 239 BID	0	0
Swamp Group, 672733	0	0
Tables Of Naples	0	200
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	17	202
Walk The Steps With Women, 701923	0	0
Wanderers, Ave Maria	0	0
We Care, Bonita, 617011	63	63
Wednesday Step St. Johns	0	350
Where Are We	100	100
Women's Spirit	0	0
Women's Step, 159957	0	350
YANA, 270553	0	0
ZOOM Noon	0	100

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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



2021 Faithful Fiver Club

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

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

District 20

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Business meeting the first

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7 p.m., 24 Hour Club

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5:30 p.m., 24 Hour Club

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Opportunity

Business meeting the second

Wednesday of each month at

7pm, 24 Hour Club

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Business meeting the third

Tuesday of each month at

5:30p.m., 24 Hour Club

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Business meeting 3rd Saturday

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District 20**Business Meeting:**

Last Thursday of the

Month, 7pm

New Attitudes Club

4133 Tamiami Trail E.

(Lakewood & E 41)

Behind Speedway Gas

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Every day except

Wednesday

7:00 p.m.

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(next to 24 Hour Club)
First Wednesday of
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