

THE COURIER

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GRATITUDE

A Full and Thankful Heart...

One exercise that I practice is to try for a full inventory of my blessings and then for a right acceptance of the many gifts that are mine—both temporal and spiritual. Here I try to achieve a state of joyful gratitude. When such a brand of gratitude is repeatedly affirmed and pondered, it can finally displace the natural tendency to congratulate myself on whatever progress I may have been enabled to make in some areas of living. I try hard to hold fast to the truth that a full and thankful heart cannot entertain great conceits. When brimming with gratitude, one's heart must surely result in outgoing love, the finest emotion that we can ever know.

Bill W.

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In 1956 and 1957, there were floor actions at the annual GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCES recommending that Thanksgiving week in those years be designated A.A. Gratitude Week.” *Acceptance may be the answer to all our problems, but gratitude has to be a close second.*

As many in A.A. have discovered, gratitude is a sure cure for self-pity. And can you be resentful at the same time that you're grateful? Some in recovery will coax their thinking onto spiritual lines with gratitude lists.

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 with permission of AA Grapevine, Inc.)



Naples Area Intergroup 2021 Gratitude Dinner

Thank you Naples AAers for a wonderful time of food and fellowship on Saturday, November 6, 2021 ... 136 tickets were sold. If you were not able to attend, go ahead and mark your calendars

for your **NOVEMBER 2022 GRATITUDE DINER ... make plans TODAY !!!**



During our EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE, the following (samples) were submitted by our attendees as items for which they were GRATEFUL:

- A SECOND chance.
- I am so grateful for my sober program and the fellowship of AA. It gave me my life back.
- I'm grateful for the AA fellowship and the help of some incredible AA women in my sober life.
- Freedom from bondage of self; and, AA functions such as this.
- Grateful for ACCEPTANCE of what I have today.
- Thankful for the FELLOWSHIP and to have a purpose.
- I'm grateful to be a sober alcoholic and able to enjoy this amazing life.
- I am grateful for the gifts of sobriety. My life was in the gutter 9 months ago. Today I have my family in my life; great sober support; and, hopefully I'm getting a new apartment tomorrow.
- For the chance to live one day at a time.
- Grateful for the ever present LOVE OF GOD !!!



The Four Absolutes – Honesty, Purity, Unselfishness, and Love

Donald W., Ft. Myers, FL

The Oxford Group used the Four Absolutes in three specific ways:

As a way to take inventory of our past to see where and how we fell short, so that we could learn what areas of our life needed to be worked on.

During morning quiet time while meditating or seeking direction, they are used as a checklist to differentiate between “God” thoughts and our own thoughts.

As an instant checkpoint – “Is this thought God’s will or my own?”

The Four Absolutes can be put into practice by asking a simple question for each: We have to remind our self in the morning, and as we go through our day the following questions before acting or speaking:

Honesty - Is it true or is it false?

Purity - Is it right or is it wrong?

Unselfishness - How will this affect another person?

Love - Is it ugly or beautiful?

Honesty- Is it True or Is It False?

Honesty refers to an aspect of moral character and signifies positive and virtuous attributes such as integrity and truthfulness in both words and actions, along with the absence of lying, cheating, theft or other character defects. While this may seem like a foreign concept to us when we are new in recovery, the Big Book reminds us that complete honesty is a must! It doesn’t happen all at once or overnight but perhaps the real virtue of honesty lies in the persistent dedication of striving for it. Over time, the unrelenting pursuit of truth will set us free.

Purity – Is it Right or Is It Wrong?

Purity is defined as the condition or quality of being pure; freedom from anything that corrupts, contaminates, or pollutes. The question asked, “is it right or wrong?” is not a hard concept for anyone to grasp but we can sometimes struggle with doing the right thing and can sometimes rationalize bad behavior. This is a great way to check our motives and find out if we have hidden agendas. By practicing this absolute we are better able to make choices and decisions based on the right thinking that will help us line up our lives with Gods will. As with honesty, the virtue lies in striving for purity, it is not an overnight matter but something that must continue for our lifetime.

Unselfishness - How will this affect another person?

Unselfishness is defined as the quality of not putting yourself first, but being willing to give your time, attention, money, or effort to others. Through the inventory process we have probably discovered that we have spent most of our lives thinking of ourselves first, last and everything in between. We often are reminded that what we gain in sobriety is directly proportionate to what we give away and that helping others is the cornerstone of our recovery. In examining our motives before we act, we must ascertain how this will affect others around us to determine is this based on solely self-interest without consideration as to how this will affect others?? Is this self-will or God’s will?

Love - Is what I am about to do based upon love of others?

Love is not just an emotion or a feeling; it is an action. It is how we treat those around us every day. When we love others, we treat them with patience, kindness, generosity, humility, courtesy, sincerity and good temper. These are characteristics that we can practice every day to everyone we interact with.

The ELEVENTH MONTH for ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

STEP ELEVEN: “Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God, as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out. “

TRADITION ELEVEN: “Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films.”

CONCEPT ELEVEN: “The trustees should always have the best possible committees, corporate service directors, executives, staffs, and consultants. Composition, qualifications, induction procedures, and rights and duties will always be matters of serious concern.”

TRADITIONS CHECKLIST

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

1. Do I sometimes promote AA so fanatically that I make it seem unattractive?
2. Am I always careful to keep the confidences reposed in me as an AA member?
3. Am I careful about throwing AA names around—even within the Fellowship?
4. Am I ashamed of being a recovered, or recovering, alcoholic?
5. What would AA be like if we were not guided by the ideas in Tradition Eleven? Where would I be?
6. Is my AA sobriety attractive enough that a sick drunk would want such a quality for himself?

ELEVENTH STEP PRAYER: Higher Power, as I understand You, I pray to keep my connection with You open and clear from the confusion of daily life. Through my prayers and meditation I ask especially for freedom from self-will, rationalization, and wishful thinking. I pray for the guidance of correct thought and positive action. Your will Higher Power, not mine, be done.

“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



The Values I Learned as a Child

An All-Encompassing Spiritual Roadmap

By Rick R., Naples, FL

As I navigate my way through the program of Alcoholics Anonymous (A.A.), with only a limited education, but a desire to learn all I can about life as it unfolds, it occurs to me that most of the things that the program teaches me are things I've have been taught before. I learned the Ten Commandments in church. In the Boy Scouts, I learned that a scout is Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful, Friendly, Courteous, Kind, Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty, Brave, Clean, and Reverent. In sports I learned of Teamwork and of Disappointment. In kindergarten, I learned to play fair in the sand box, I also heard of the Golden Rule. These things have been around long before me and even before A.A; so, where did I go wrong? I, like most Alcoholics that come into the program, had a myriad of personal problems, and at first, I believed that those life issues including Marital, Legal, Economic, Physical, etc.; were the cause of my drinking the way I did.

At that time, I was not experienced enough to understand the ins and outs of these things. I am not sure that anyone can just drop what they have been conditioned to do, just because they quit drinking. There must be more to it than that. If at first, we are fortunate enough to envision the wonderful life we can experience as the result of fully embracing this program, we will first, want to clear up the wreckage of the past. This we can do by thoroughly going through the steps in the spirit they were intended to be taken, being careful not to hold back anything.

As we approach the twelfth step, we are introduced to the Saint Francis prayer in the 12&12. Francis was not a saint when he wrote this prayer, but he expresses that these virtues were the answer to all the misguided thinking of the past. Note that not one of his requests is for help with things that are of a selfish or material nature. I am not affiliated with any religious organization, but I am not threatened by religious doctrines, and I agree with the statement on pg. 87 of the Big Book:

“Be quick to see where religious people are right. Make use of what they offer.”

I am sometimes honored when a newer member of the program asks for some guidance and I will usually suggest that he/she write out this prayer in long hand, paste it on his/her mirror and read it every day for a minimum of 30 days, and I guarantee that it will influence your thinking for the rest of your life. It did for me. I do not know of a more practical thing to set the tone for a person's interactions with others. Thinking back on it, I always knew the right thing to do, but was not always strong enough to do it. I dismissed these things, not realizing the pain that would result as I lost my direction in life. The Saint Francis prayer is one of the ways in which the program suggests we revisit our early value system. It gives us a spiritual direction that deals with the change in our inner self, which, if we heal in that area, the material world will take care of itself.

When faced with a sticky situation, I have a choice whether to escalate it or to back off and withdraw with love and understanding. After years of trying my best to live in the spirit of this prayer, it occurred to me that, as the result, I qualify in all those things I learned as a child, in church, in the Boy Scouts, in Kindergarten, The Golden Rule, and in childhood sports. To me, it is an ALL-ENCOMPASSING SPIRITUAL ROADMAP.

What Do Those Mottos Mean? – From Twenty-Four Hours a Day

First Things First

We should always keep in mind that alcohol is our number one problem. We must not ever let any other problem, whether of family, business, friends or anything else, take precedence in our minds over our alcohol problem. As we go along in AA, we learn to recognize the things that may upset us emotionally. When we find ourselves getting upset over something, we must realize that it's a luxury we alcoholics can't afford. Anything that makes us forget our number one problem is dangerous to us.

Live and Let Live

Tolerance of other people who think differently than we do, whether they are in AA, or outside of AA. We cannot afford the luxury of being intolerant or critical of other people. We do not try to impose our wills on those who differ from us. We are not "holier than thou". We do not have all the answers. We are not better than other good people. We live the best way we can and allow others to do likewise.

Easy Does It

We just go along in life doing the best we can and not getting steamed up over problems that arise in AA or outside of it. We alcoholics are emotional people and have gone to excess in almost everything we have done. We have not been moderate in many things. We have not known how to relax. Faith in a Higher Power can help us to learn to take it easy. We are not running the world. I am only one among many. We are resolved to live normal, regular lives.

But for the Grace of God

Once we have fully accepted the AA program, we become humble about our achievement. We do not take too much credit for our sobriety. When we see another suffering alcoholic in the throes of alcoholism, we say to ourselves: "But for the grace of god, there go I". We do not forget the kind of people we once were. We remember those we have left behind us. And we are very grateful to the grace of god which has given us another chance.



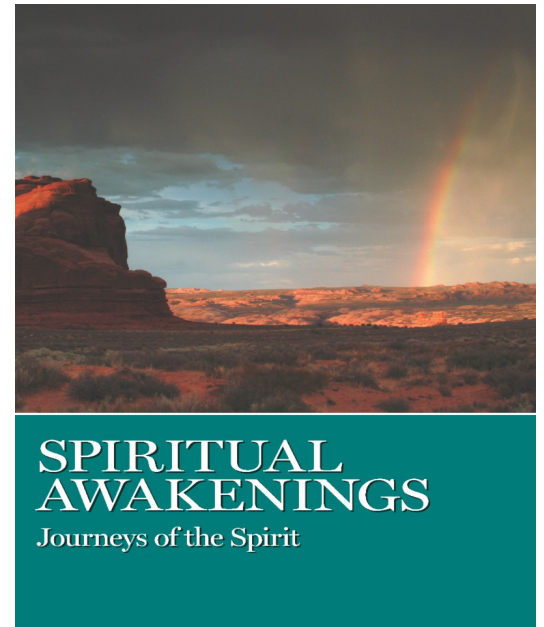
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**Jewelry, AA Medallions, Coffee Mugs,
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9 to 4 / Monday - Saturday

"We measure our progress in AA by two words, 'humility' and 'responsibility.' May I ever keep my eye on these yardsticks as I continue to seek only knowledge of his will for me."

"The Power of the Program," Tulsa, Oklahoma, July 1978, Spiritual Awakenings



AA Volunteer Opportunities



*Naples Area
Intergroup*

Mornings: 9:00 to 12:30

Afternoon: 12:30 to 4:00

(One morning or afternoon each week.)

and, Telephone Helpline

After-hours, various days.

1-year continuous sobriety.

For information: 239/262-6535

BIG BOOK TIMELINE

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| May 1938 | Bill's Story |
| June 1938 | There Is a Solution |
| September 1938 | More About Alcoholism and We Agnostics |
| November 1938 | To Wives, The Family Afterward, Working with Others, To Employers, and A Vision for You |
| December 1938 | How It Works and Into Action |
| January 1939 | Tom Uzzell and Janet Blair Edit Manuscript |
| Feb. 1939 | Original Manuscript Released |
| April 10, 1939 | Big Book Released to Public |

**Calling all AA
Authors !!!**

**Please submit
an article to**

The COURIER !!!

Email article to:

naplesintergroup@yahoo.com



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

GROUPS??? MEETINGS???

What's the difference?

The A.A. GROUP - The Final Voice of the Fellowship

In Alcoholics Anonymous, a Group is very different than an AA meeting. Generally speaking, a meeting forms first, and eventually matures into a home group. Typically, a new meeting is begun by a few AAs (sometimes with a resentment and a coffee pot) and if the new meeting fills a local need, it lives on. If the new meeting committee is wise, they recruit a membership right away. In many areas, there are AA meetings that take place in public spaces, are listed in our AA meeting schedules, but have no effective membership at all.

If, because the meeting takes place in a tourist area, a cruise ship, seasonal resort, or in a hospital or institutional setting, some meetings never form into groups, even though they maintain a presence for years or even decades.

Sometimes, if a meeting survives for years without organizing into a home group, it is because there is some "maternal" entity that allows the meeting to be held without exacting the price of commitment from the attendees. It could be a well-meaning old timer who makes the coffee and organizes the room for years at a time, never understanding that this support actually damages the meeting by keeping it from maturing into a group.

A "smothered group" also fails in its primary purpose in important ways, because there are no members to form the basis of the service committees that a healthy group forms. This means that there is no General Service Representative, so the meeting is isolated from the decision-making branches of Alcoholics Anonymous. If a recovering alcoholic only attends this meeting or several similar meetings, they may never know what it means to be a member of a world-wide organization. Service committees in a healthy group send members out to jails and hospitals, schools and detox units, to carry the message to suffering alcoholics. This part of the Twelfth Step is central to the continuing sobriety of many AAs.

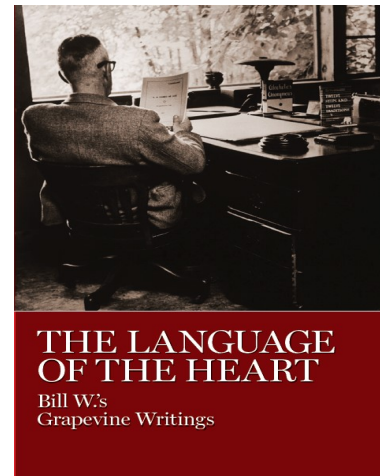
Sometimes the smothering only takes the form of denying members the joy of service at the group level, and attendees never make the coffee, greet at the door, cleanup after the meeting, or make cookies for the meeting. Someone thinks they are doing them a favor, but newcomers are being denied the "rites of passage", the heart-felt feeling of belonging that group service brings to the newcomer's heart.

So, if you are currently attending a "smothered" meeting or want to start a group, contact the General Service Office in New York and request a guide to starting a meeting. You will receive a Group Handbook and you will be able to register your group so that it will be "connected" to the rest of AA.

For complete information regarding Groups, please see the AA Pamphlet P-16, "The A.A. Group, where it all begins" available at Central Office or from any Group's literature rack.

"The Traditions are neither rules, regulations, nor laws. No sanctions or punishments can be invoked for their infractions. Perhaps in no other area of society would these principles succeed. Yet in this Fellowship of alcoholics, the unenforceable Traditions carry a power greater than that of law."

AA Co-Founder, Bill W., July 1960, "The Language of the Heart", The Language of the Heart





Nov 19, 20 & 21, 2021

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3 Day Workshop & Saturday Lunch ONLINE Registration Only \$40

Register Early as Space is Limited

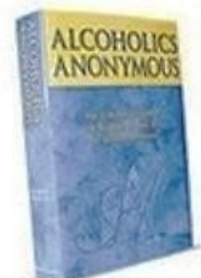


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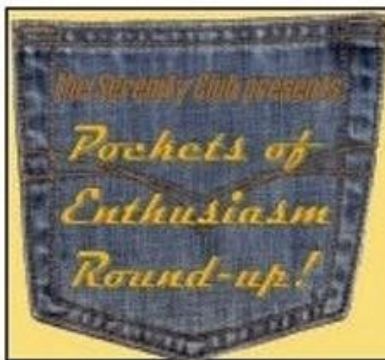
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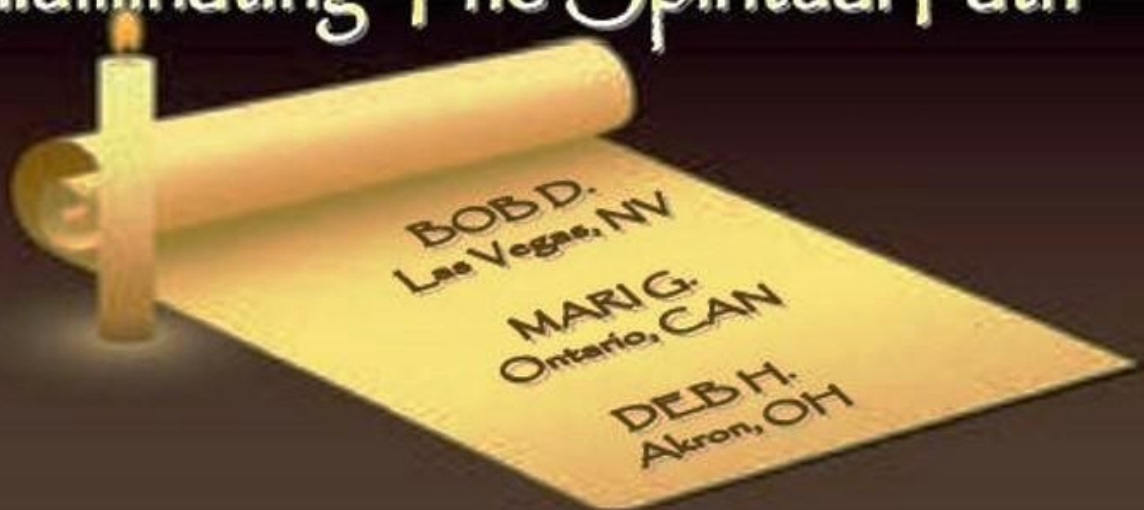
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This is a fundraiser. All sales are final. NO REFUNDS. Cancelled/unclaimed registrations will become scholarships.

FLORIDA CONFERENCE OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN AA (FCYPAA)

SW239 BID FOR FCYPAA 101

WHO ARE WE & WHAT DO WE DO

WHAT WE DO

SW239 IS A GROUP OF MEMBERS OF AA WHO ARE DEDICATED TO BRINGING THE FCYPAA CONFERENCE TO THE SWFL AREA. WE BRING AA MEETINGS INTO DETOX FACILITIES AND TREATMENT CENTERS TO INSPIRE HOPE AND SPREAD THE MESSAGE OF OUR BID'S MISSION. WE THROW EVENTS IN OUR AREA TO FUNDRAISE AND INTRODUCE NEWLY SOBER PEOPLE TO MEMBERS WITH LONG TERM SOBRIETY.



WHO WE ARE

THE SW239 BID FOR FCYPAA IS COMPRISED OF SOBER MEMBERS OF AA WHO ARE YOUNG OR YOUNG AT HEART.

WHERE AND WHEN DO WE MEET

OUR BID MEETS EVERY OTHER THURSDAY AT 7:00PM AT SAINT MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN BONITA SPRINGS. CLOSER TO THE TIME OF THE CONFERENCE IN LATE JUNE WE WILL BEGIN MEETING WEEKLY.



HOW TO GET INVOLVED

STEP 1: SHOW UP!!!
WE HAVE TONS OF SERVICE POSITIONS AVAILABLE. WE PUT A BOOK TOGETHER TO PRESENT TO AN ADVISORY COUNCIL WE PUT ON A SKIT THAT WE PERFORM FOR THE COUNCIL AND OTHER BIDS. WE COULD USE YOUR HELP EVERYWHERE!!

MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT
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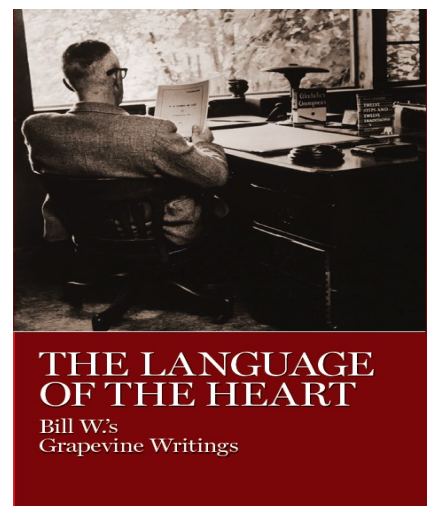
Twelve Tips for a Sober Joyous Holiday Season

Holiday parties without alcohol may still be a dreary prospect for new AAs. But many of us have enjoyed the happiest holidays of our lives sober. **Here are some tips:**

1. Line up extra AA activities—meetings, speaking, phone answering, other AA service.
2. Entertain AA friends, especially newcomers.
3. Keep AA phone numbers with you at all times—and use them.
4. Find out about special holiday parties, meetings, or other events at groups in our area, and go. If you're shy, take a newer member.
5. Skip drinking occasions you're nervous about. Remember your drinking talent for making excuses? Put it to work for you in sobriety.
6. If you must attend a drinking party, and can't find a fellow AA to come with you, keep some candy handy.
7. You don't have to stay late. Plan for an "important date."
8. Go to church. Any church.
9. Don't sit around brooding. Catch up on reading, letters, walks.
10. Remember, one day at a time. Don't start now to worry about all those silly parties and "holiday temptations."
11. **And, lastly ... if you can't give material gifts this year, you *can* give love !!!**

"In despair, I had cried out, 'Now I am willing to do anything. If there is a God, will he show himself?' And he did. This was my first conscious contact, my first awakening. I asked from the heart, and I received."

*AA Co-Founder, Bill W., July 1960,
"The Language of the Heart", The
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FINANCES**Nov****YTD****Income**

Literature/Merchandise \$2,928 \$29,060

Group Contributions 2,798 22,426

AA Birthdays 0 515

Faithful Five 15 260

Individual/Anonymous 80 3,146

Total Income 5821 55,407**Expenses**

Bank/Credit Card Fees 79 623

Travel/Licenses/Permits 86

Office Supplies 305 1,754

Office Improve/Repair 433

www Hosting 145

Payroll 1,958 18,347

Payroll Tax 1,113 4,454

Postage 0 62

Printing

Purchases/Lit./Merch. 1,539 14,547

Insurance 568

Rent 500 5,000

Sales Tax 303 2,042

Telephone/www 205 2,591

Utilities 100 1,000

Computer Equipment

Computer Software 13 1012

Computer/Maintain

Total Expenses 6,115 52,664**Net Ordinary Income** (294) 2743

Gratitude Dinner 1,680 2760

Other Expenses 274 274

NET OTHER INCOME 1,4060 2486**NET INCOME** \$1,112 \$5,229

**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**

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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>Nov</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 Step Study.....	24.....	24
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.....	0.....	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.....	25.....	50
Came to Believe, 615490.....	0.....	0
Candlelight, 606877.....	0.....	0
Comes Of Age.....	0.....	0
Common Solutions, 179613.....	0.....	2,103
Daily Reflections ZOOM.....	200.....	1,240
Early Reflections, 653770.....	0.....	0
Early Riser, 161795.....	50.....	1,843
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.....	19.....	165
Men's Big Book.....	0.....	0
Monday Night Men Step 724529.....	0.....	0
Monday Noon Big Book.....	0.....	31
Monday Noon Daily Reflections.....	2.....	48
Morning Reflections, 660700.....	0.....	0
Naples Group, 103609.....	0.....	0
Naples Men's, 694322.....	0.....	0
Naples South, 130210.....	0.....	230
Naples Young People, 699130.....	0.....	0
New Dawn, 632504.....	0.....	596

<u>Group/Meeting</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>2021</u>
New Women (Thursday noon).....	0.....	0
Newcomers Coming Together, 684199.....	0.....	0
No Compromise, 681260.....	0.....	0
Not A Glum Lot.....	0.....	0
Nueva Vida.....	0.....	0
Old Timers, 698956.....	0.....	0
One Day At A Time.....	0.....	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.....	0.....	55
Sunlight Of the Spirit, 647959.....	0.....	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.....	6.....	208
Walk The Steps With Women, 701923.....	0.....	0
Wanderers, Ave Maria.....	0.....	0
We Care, Bonita, 617011.....	0.....	63
Wednesday Step St. Johns.....	0.....	350
Where Are We.....	0.....	100
Women's Spirit.....	0.....	0
Women's Step, 159957.....	0.....	350
YANA, 270553.....	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.



The Birthday Club

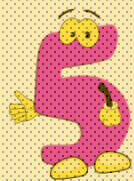
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Ron P.	50 years
Ron L.	42 years
Don M.	41 years
Jim B.	39 years
Dennis F.	35 years
Rad W.	35 years
Jackie T. F.	36 years
Judy W.	34 years
Steve K.	28 years
Peter F.	25 years
Eileen D.	22 years
Bill S.	19 years
Mary B.	18 years
Laura T. F.	4 years
Bree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



Faithful Fivers Needed



2021 Faithful Fiver Club

***Bill S., James B., Jeanette H., Jim B., Jim H., Judy W.,
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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 for a one time Credit Card charge.

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

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

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Fourth Thursday of the Month, 7:00 pm
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 month at 7:00pm

**Treatment
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Every day except
Wednesday
7:00 p.m.
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