

# Today

September  
2009

Palm Beach County Intergroup Association

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## **Intergroup's Food, Fun and Fellowship Picnic, CANCELED.**

As most of you know Intergroup was hosting a picnic. Due to our recent struggle with the income of money we have had to cancel it.

For those of you who purchased tickets you will receive a full refund. Sorry for the inconvenience.

## **Intergroup office closed on Saturday for the month of September**

## **We've run out of MONEY!!!!**

As most of you have heard Intergroup has been low on funds. Well now we don't have enough money to print our **Meeting List** (The Where and When). We have been operation at a deficit now for a few consecutive months. Due to this fact our money is SO LOW we cannot afford to send the list to our printer. Please go to all the groups you attend and make sure we are not holding on to extra funds. Or if you'd like to make a direct donation you may do that to Intergroup also. Please spread the message before we close the doors on the office too.

### **Palm Beach County Intergroup**

Needs help in identifying your Group's contact person.

Please contact

Steve Y. (561) 689-4638 or  
Debbie S. (941) 830-0158

## **Service Schedule**

**9/6 -Institutions Committee Mtg. 4:30pm**

**9/16 -GSR Meeting 5:00pm**

**9/30- Steering Committee Meeting 6:15pm**

**10/7- Intergroup Meeting 6:15pm**

## **BIRTHDAY CLUB**

### **◆ Birthday Celebrants ◆**

#### **~ Celebrants in September ~**

"Shipwreck" John H. 38 yrs.

Cathy C. 13 yrs.

Ann C. 10 yrs.

Mark P. 7 yrs.

#### **Welcome new Reps in August**

John O. (Alt.) Happy Hour

Susan C. Cardinal Lane

Maggie M. Free Spirited Woman

Joe C. Lunch Bunch

**28 Reps Attended**



#### **Calls to the office in July**

AA Related -211

Twelve Step Calls -5

Other Programs-23

Public Information -3

Institutions -3

Visitors-203

AA Emails-57

**Total Activity-505**

Website Unique visitors-

Website-first time visitors-

Website-return visitors-

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Celebrate  
your years of  
recovery!  
Join the  
Birthday  
Club  
(Use form on  
Page 3..)  
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## **Intergroup's Purpose**

To serve our associated groups in carrying the A.A. message to the still suffering alcoholic according to the principles of the twelve steps, twelve traditions, and twelve concepts of A.A., always remembering that our common welfare comes first.

## Intergroup Meeting Minutes for August 5, 2009

Luke G. called the meeting to order at 6:15pm followed by the Serenity prayer and the reading of the 12 Traditions.

**Welcome New Representatives:** John O– Happy Hour Group, Susan C – Cardinal Lane, Maggie M – Free Spirited Woman, Joe G. – Lunch Bunch

**Secretary's Report:** David C. Motion made and passed to accept minutes as printed in the Today.

**Treasurer's Report:** Robert. No Report / Excused – No questions

### **Committee Reports:**

**1. General Service/Intergroup Liaison: Luiz C.** Archives wanted to post an ad in the today about the availability of Archives display at meetings. The special needs committee discussed funding sign language at love, faith, and life meeting for the hearing impaired in the area. Lastly the tradition skit will be performed Sun. Aug 9, 2009 at the triangle club at 5 pm all are welcome and skit is available upon request.

**2. Institutions: Luke.** The Institutions committee meets on the first Sunday of the month at 5:00 p.m. Orientation for new volunteers at 4:30 p.m. We need volunteers with 6 months of sobriety or more to join our team as we joyfully carry the AA message and ensure our own sobriety. Donations to the Institutions committee should be made payable to Palm Beach Institutions Committee.

**3. Office Manager: Beth E.** All shifts are filled at Intergroup as of now. Sales have been down but the office is steady. We have had to transfer money from our prudent reserve to pay bills.

**4. Public Information: Larry M.** There were four people who went to the health and wellness conference at PBC stockade. Timing was perfect the women speaker was able to stay until all women came through. Second came the men and all went well. .

**5. 12 Step List: Anthony M.** No Report / Excused

**6. Phone Volunteer: Lisa M.** No Report / Excused

**7. Today: Matt S.** – If you have content for the next today please get it to Intergroup before the third Wednesday of the month for approval by the Steering committee. Also there is fascinating information on the cover of the Aug. Today please take some time and read it.

**8. B-Day Club/Today: Hue** No Report

**9. Website Committee: Mark P.** – Website is up to date. Please check out site for accuracy and inform Intergroup if any inaccuracies are found. We were notified the site is being moved from Bellsouth to AT&T. There will be more services for the same money.

**10. Group Contact Committee: Steve Y. & Debbie** We have finished a group census; there are 409 meetings held a week in North Palm Beach County from Boynton Beach Blvd. to Martin County Line. Also 265 groups are responsible for those 409 meetings. If your group has not talked to us please call Steve or Debbie to update your group's contact information.

**11. Bridging the Gap: Babs-** I did 25 bridges in July.

### **Unfinished Business:**

- Intergroup Picnic- Dennis has volunteered to be the chair person of this event. Picnic will be at the center pavilion at John Prince Park on Oct 4, 2009 from 10am to 4pm. The bake sale aspect of this needs a chair person. If anyone has information on a cheap rate for renting tents and canopies intergroup would be interested in looking into it. The tradition skit will also be performed there.

### **Business to be Discussed:**

- Fund rising for Intergroup was tabled for lack of time.
- John was elected to the Intergroup Vice-Chair position.

Meeting adjourned at 7: 02 PM

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## **Palm Beach County Intergroup**

Operating Report – 7/1/09 - 7/31/09

<b>Income:</b>	
Literature Sales	\$4258.65
Sales Tax	\$271.82
Exempt Sales	\$368.45
Group Donations	\$4093.45
Today Subscriptions	\$6.00
Birthday Club	\$168.00
Intergroup Meeting	\$70.02

**Total Income** \$9236.11

<b>Expenses</b>	
Office Salary	\$3974.24
AT&T (Internet/Long Distance)	\$325.56
FPL	\$114.09
Pest Control	\$35.00
Rent/Water	\$475.00
Sales Tax	\$263.58
Payroll Tax	\$3256.08
Accountant	\$206.25
Health Insurance (Quarterly)	\$0.00
Printing	\$108.40
Office Expense	\$232.97
Literature Purchases	\$997.25
Unemployment Tax	\$47.06
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$10,035.48</b>

**Monthly Profit/Loss** \$-799.37

Checking Account Balance	\$2,895.69
Prudent Reserve Balance	\$12,389.38

### **PALM BEACH COUNTY INSTITUTIONS COMMITTEE**

Operating Report 7/1/2009-7/31/09

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	\$7,133.67
<b>Income:</b>	
<b>Group Contributions</b>	
Lantana Group	\$52.00
Third Tradition Group	\$25.00
Day Openers	\$39.65
Good Guys Group	\$98.00
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$215.25</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$215.25</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>	
Bank Charge	\$0.00
Big Books	\$0.00
Printing (for 2 months)	\$42.45
Rent	\$60.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$102.45</b>
<b>Monthly Profit/Loss</b>	<b>\$112.80</b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$7,246.47</b>

2009	YEAR TO DATE	JULY
ANONYMOUS	\$ 335.00	\$ -
AFTER HOURS GROUP	\$ 1,204.80	\$ -
BEACHCOMBERS BACK TO BASICS	\$ 270.00	\$ -
BASIC TEXT GROUP	\$ 100.00	\$ -
BIG BOOK STEP STUDY	\$ 152.75	\$ -
CARDINAL LANE	\$ 80.00	\$ 80.00
CENTRAL GROUP	\$ 250.00	\$ -
CONSCIOUS CONTACT	\$ 200.00	\$ -
DAY'S END	\$ 110.00	\$ -
DAY OPENERS	\$ 526.34	\$ 71.07
DON'T QUICK BEFORE MIRACLE	\$ 76.30	\$ -
EACH DAY A NEW BEGINNING	\$ 160.38	\$ -
EXPECT A MIRACLE	\$ 400.00	\$ -
END OF THE ROAD GROUP	\$ 400.00	\$ -
FERN STREET GROUP	\$ 100.00	\$ -
FLORIDA ROUND UP	\$ 456.25	\$ -
FREE SPIRITED WOMEN	\$ 180.00	\$ -
FRIDAY NIGHT BEGINNERS	\$ 33.00	\$ -
GOLDCOAST CANDLELIGHT	\$ 250.00	\$ -
GOOD GUYS GROUP	\$ 150.00	\$ -
GOOD MORNING GROUP	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 500.00
GOOD NEWS GROUP	\$ 100.00	\$ -
GOOD ORDERLY DIRECTION	\$ 361.00	\$ 60.00
HAPPY HOUR GROUP	\$ 840.00	\$ 360.00
HAPPY HOUR @ ST EDWARDS	\$ 500.00	\$ -
HAPPY, JOYOUS & FREE	\$ 50.00	\$ 16.00
HARMONY WOMEN'S GROUP	\$ 1,475.00	\$ 813.00
HERE AND NOW	\$ 300.00	\$ 150.00
HIGH NOON GROUP	\$ 200.00	\$ 50.00
JUPITER FARMS GROUP	\$ 280.00	\$ -
JUPITER INLET MEN'S GROUP	\$ 120.00	\$ -
JUPITER SUNRISE GROUP	\$ 3,949.68	\$ -
JUST FOR TODAY	\$ 160.40	\$ -
KIRK ROAD GROUP	\$ 200.00	\$ 25.00
LADIES STEP FORWARD	\$ 125.00	\$ -
LAKE WORTH GROUP	\$ 137.00	\$ -
LAKE WORTH SERENITY GROUP	\$ 237.50	\$ 145.00
LANTANA GROUP	\$ 643.87	\$ -
LIFE IS GOOD	\$ 165.00	\$ -
LIVING FREE	\$ 50.00	\$ -
LIVING SOBER GROUP	\$ 120.00	\$ -
LIVE & LET LIVE	\$ 110.00	\$ -
LOGGERHEAD BEACH GROUP	\$ 796.00	\$ 381.00
LOOK TO THIS DAY	\$ 150.00	\$ -
MAKE YOUR BED GROUP	\$ 150.00	\$ -
MEN'S FIFTH TRADITION	\$ 185.00	\$ -
MID DAY LIVE	\$ 350.00	\$ 172.00
MONDAY NIGHT MEDITATION	\$ 160.00	\$ 25.00
MONDAY NIGHT MEN'S GROUP	\$ 165.00	\$ -
NOON HOUR GROUP	\$ 375.00	\$ -
NORTHWOOD GROUP	\$ 25.00	\$ -
OCEAN PARK MEETING	\$ 100.00	\$ -
PASS IT ON	\$ 180.00	\$ 100.00
PRIMARY PUROSE	\$ 402.50	\$ -
PRIMETIME GROUP	\$ 472.5	\$ -
PROMISE BY CANDLELIGHT	\$ 96.13	\$ -
PROMISES PROMISES	\$ 120.00	\$ 20.00
RIVER BOTTOM GROUP (Fri)	\$ 559.50	\$ -
SERENITY GROUP	\$ 55.00	\$ -
SERENITY ON THE BEACH	\$ 430.00	\$ -
SINGLENESS OF PURPOSE	\$ 780.00	\$ -
SISTERS IN SOBRIETY	\$ 175.00	\$ 100.00
SMOKE FREE SOBRIETY	\$ 508.00	\$ -
SATURDAY EVENING RECOVERY	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
SOBER ON SUNDAY	\$ 250.00	\$ -
SOBER SENIORS	\$ 730.00	\$ 100.00
SOBER SISTERS	\$ 75.00	\$ -
SOBRIETY FIRST GROUP	\$ 420.60	\$ 300.60
SOBRIETY IS A BEACH	\$ 300.00	\$ -
SPIRIT OF 76 GROUP	\$ 286.00	\$ -
SPONSORSHIP GROUP	\$ 300.00	\$ -
SWEET SERENITY GROUP	\$ 150.00	\$ 50.00
TELL IT LIKE IT IS	\$ 340.00	\$ -
TEQUESTA MEN'S GROUP	\$ 95.85	\$ -
THE NEW DOWNTOWN GROUP	\$ 200.00	\$ -
THERE IS A SOLUTION	\$ 200.00	\$ -
TIKI HUT BEACH GROUP	\$ 514.50	\$ 514.50
TWISTED SISTERS	\$ 25.00	\$ -
UNKNOWN GROUP	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
WESTERN COMMUNITIES MEN'S	\$ 100.00	\$ -
WESTSIDE GROUP	\$ 100.00	\$ -
WOMEN'S AWAKENING STUDY	\$ 30.00	\$ -
WOMEN IN SOBRIETY	\$ 160.00	\$ -
YOUNG PEOPLE LIVING SOBER	\$ 35.00	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 28,420.25</b>	<b>\$ 4,093.17</b>
<b>DONATING GROUPS</b>		<b>23</b>

**SIGN UP FOR THE BIRTHDAY CLUB**  
**Complete form & mail to "Birthday Club"**

**1371 Okeechobee Rd, WPB FL 33401**  
**Or e-mail us at pbciaa @ Bellsouth.net**  
**Please include your name & address,**  
**anniversary month and year.**  
**Included in your membership you will**  
**receive A "Bill and Bob" Medallion a**  
**Birthday Flyer and Your name printed**  
**in the Today news letter.**  
**\$1.00 per year of sobriety is the**  
**suggested donation.**

**Birthday Club Form**



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Sobriety Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Donation \_\_\_\_\_

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Mail to:  
Palm Beach County Intergroup Association  
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## Phone Meeting

Are you homebound? Mobility impaired? You are invited to the TELEPHONE AA MEETING. Join us on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. without leaving your home. All you need is a telephone.

Just dial 1-712-432-1630 and when asked for your conference code enter 933358#. Please say your first name when you are connected and the host (chairperson) will call on you to share by name. This will be a closed AA meeting. If you recognize one of the other callers, please do not break his or her anonymity. You may call in any time after 7:15 p.m. but if you call in after 7:30 when the meeting is in progress, please wait until the person speaking is finished before announcing your name.

IMPORTANT! This is not a toll-free call. The conference call feature is free and will accommodate up to 95 callers. However, you will be responsible for any long distance charges at your own rate. Many who use cell phones, digital phone services or special calling packages will have no long distance charges.

This meeting is provided by the Special Needs Committee of General Service District 8 in Palm Beach County, Florida. If you have any questions, call 561-844-7655 or e-mail to [TrustsForPets@bellsouth.net](mailto:TrustsForPets@bellsouth.net).

ASL Interpreted Meetings are offered at the following meeting:

**Thursday @ 8:30PM Love, Faith & Life Group at Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, 2341 South Military Trail**

If you have any Questions Contact Intergroup at 561-655-5700

### **2009 Gratitude Dinner Organizational Meeting:**

**September 27 - Sunday - 4pm - Club Oasis**

**We need over 150 volunteers to help to do our Committees:**

**GREAT opportunity to do Service Work !!!!  
This is a wonderful Experience**

**The 47th Annual Gratitude Dinner will be held Nov. 14th, Saturday  
at St. Catherine's Greek Orthodox Church**

**Please Call Chuck S.-chairperson - 543-6264  
for any questions**

### **Are you really giving what you can?**

AA does not ask very much of us. One of those few things is that we be self-supporting through our own contributions. That means US. I see very expensive cars in the parking lot, Rolex watches, people wearing flashy clothes and even wads of cash at meetings; yet very few people opt to put more than a dollar or the change in their pocket into the basket. Why? Because times are tough. I doubt it.

A Dollar!!!! It is impossible to get drunk for that little. So why is it that when the basket comes we can't seem to find more than 100 pennies to put in for something that saved our life, but when it came to drinking we spent everything we had to kill ourselves. So ask yourself next time the basket comes your way, how much is my life really worth?

ARCHIVES DISTRICT 8 REQUESTS FOR BIG BOOK DONATIONS YOUR HELP IS NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE DISPLAY OF BIG BOOKS FOR THE NEW DISPLAY CASE DESIGNED TO BE HUNG IN THE NORTH COUNTY INTER GROUP OFFICE: A TIME LINE OF BIG BOOKS IS UNDERWAY AND THE DISTRICT IS LOOKING FOR DONATIONS OF THE FOLLOWING EDITIONS:

1. Big Book, second edition, first printing
2. Big Book, third edition, first printing
3. Big Book, soft cover, first edition, first printing
4. Big Book, large print, first edition, first printing
5. Big Book, small book, first edition, first printing

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ARCHIVING A BIG LOOK IN YOUR COLLECTION PLEASE CONTACT THE ARCHIVES CHAIRMAN, DISTRICT 8 AT 561-603-5471

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SERVICE.  
IN LOVE AND SERVICE, CLAUDIA M.

### **The Good Morning Group**

at the Triangle Club had to cancel the Big Book Study that was supposed to be held on **July 25/26th**. They have rescheduled it for **September 26/27th**.