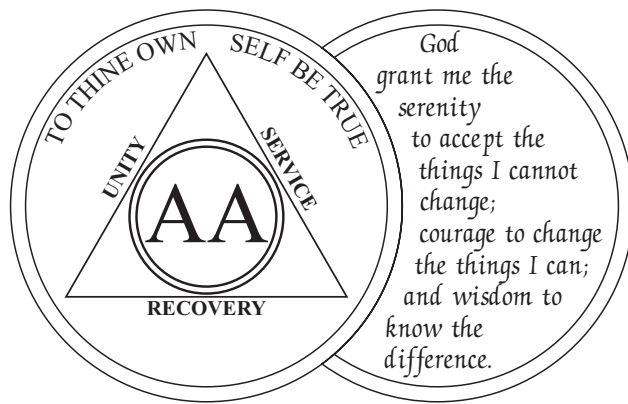


TODAY

Palm Beach County Intergroup Association

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.



January 2013

24 Hour AA Hotline 561-655-5700

9th Annual PBCIA Annual Spaghetti Dinner

Saturday, March 23rd

Old-Timer Speaker Panel
Finland House
301 West Central Boulevard,
Lantana, FL 33462



Dinner tickets are \$10 Available at Intergroup or your Intergroup Rep
Dinner from 6:00-7:30pm
Sobriety Countdown 7:30-8:00pm
Speakers from 8:00-9:30pm

Anyone with 35 years or more sobriety is encouraged to add their name to our list of speaker candidates who wish to share their experience, strength and hope. Please contact the Intergroup office 655-5700 to be added to the list.

Big Book Step Study Workshop

Jan 26 & 27th 8:30am - 4:30pm

At the Triangle Club
in the Serenity Room

Hosted by

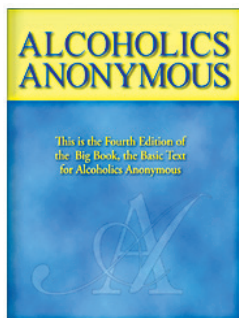
The Good Morning
Group.

For More Info. Contact:

Bill O: 561-588-7024

BRING YOUR BIG BOOK,
SWEATER & SPONSOR

(If you are missing any of the above,
come anyway and we will provide – al-
though sweaters can be a problem.)



HOW IT WORKS

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reasons to volunteer

Whenever I would question my sponsor's suggestion of a particular A.A. Service (such as Intergroup phone volunteer), he would refer me to page 181 in our Big Book. I would read it, relate & follow his suggestion by doing the service. If you don't think you

can be a phone volunteer, I request you read page 181 of our Big Book. — Nick F.

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ANSWER CALLS TO INTERGROUP
FROM YOUR HOME OR CELL

Email: phonevolunteer@aa-palmbeachcounty.org
Call: 561-655-5700

Financial Reports

**Palm Beach County
Institutions Committee
Operating Report
12/1/2012 -12/31/2012**

Beginning Balance	\$6,064.83
Income:	
Group Contributions:	
Free Spirited Women	\$36.84
Days End Group	\$100.00
Total Contributions	\$136.84
Event Income:	
Big Book Ball	\$341.98
Total Income	\$478.82
Expenses:	
Big Books	\$1,246.00
Rent	\$60.00
Total Expenses:	\$1,306.00
Monthly Profit/Loss:	(-\$827.18)
Ending Balance:	\$5,237.65

Office Activity for December

Requests for meetings info:	153
12th Step requests:	-
BTG:	-
Other information:	42
Public Information requests:	2
Institutions Meeting requests:	-
Visitors:	223
Emails:	253
Total Activity:	673

Website Visits for December

Total Visits: 4,707
1st Time Visitors: 4,127
Returning Visitors: 580

**Palm Beach County Intergroup
Operating Report
12/01/2012 - 12/31/2012**

Revenues:

Literature Sales	\$4,679.00
Sales Tax	\$281.55
Group Contributions	\$3,594.96
Christmas Alcothon	\$894.34
"Today" Subscriptions	\$18.00
Birthday Club Memberships	\$70.00
Meeting Baskets	\$ 86.71

Total Revenues:

\$9,624.56

Expenses:

Literature Purchases	\$2,481.04
Sales Tax	\$243.58
Alcothon	\$ 603.10
Office Salary	\$3,869.07
FICA & Unemployment Tax	\$371.71
Paychex(monthly fee)	\$72.00
Rent & Water	\$475.00
AT&T (Internet, Phone, Website)	\$325.96
FP&L	\$92.78
Exterminating	\$35.00
Printing	\$320.00
Office Supplies / Postage	\$194.51

Total Expenses

\$9,083.75

Monthly Surplus / (Deficit)

\$540.81

Checking Account Balance

\$13,290.99

Prudent Reserve Interest \$0.54

Prudent Reserve Balance

\$16,677.96

**If you are
waiting for a sign
this may be it.
Is your group
represented?**



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Volunteers Needed

I have been a phone volunteer for over 9 years. One notable event in that time was long ago I answered a phone call from two women that were looking for a meeting in Lake Worth and were walking. I told them where a 7 pm meeting was they walked there and no one showed up, they called back and were directed to a second meeting at 7:30 pm no one showed again. On the third call I explained that Palm Beach County AA was not going to fail them, I went with a sponsee to pick them up and brought them to a 8:30 meeting. The next night my girlfriend at the time and I meet them out for dinner. One of the two women come every year for vacation we have become good friends, so close that she even came from Vermont for my wedding. You never know how the phone call you answer can change your life or the life of the person calling. — David C.
Call: 561-655-5700

✱ Be A Winner ✱ Stump the Archives

Answer these questions about AA history and you could win.

\$3,000,000

or a fond congratulations

Last months questions

Q:Where was the big book written?

A: It was written at 182 Clinton St in Brooklyn New York. This house was Louis' families house.

This months question

Who typed the Big Book? Hint: She was AA's first secretary.

Email your answer to:

today@aa-palmbeachcounty.org

Be sure to include your first name, last initial and home group with your answer. Answers and prizes will be posted in next months Today.

\$3,000,000

✱ or a fond congratulation ✱

Coming Events

First Sunday of each month:

Institutions Committee meets at the Triangle Club, Mandatory orientation at 4:30p.m in Serenity room, which precedes our general meeting at 5:00 p.m. The Institutions Committee is always looking for volunteers. Join us, a great way to pass it on.

The Intergroup Business Meeting

is held at 6:15 pm on the Second Wednesday of every month at the Intergroup Office, 1371 Okeechobee Rd., West Palm Beach. Visitors are welcome. For more information please call the Intergroup Office at 655-5700.

District 8 General Service

meets at the Triangle Club on the Third Sunday this month @5:00 p.m. Visitors are welcome. For more information please call the Intergroup Office at 655-5700. www.district8area15aa.org

January 11-13

South Florida General Service Quarterly Assembly "Welcome Home." Sarasota, FL. Information available at: www.area15aa.org

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January 31st - February 3rd:

Space Coast Round-Up "Rocking Into The Fourth Dimension"

More info @ www.aaspacecoast.org

February 2: Broward County Intergroup's 2nd Annual AA's Got Talent. More info at:

www.aabroward.org

March 23rd: PBCIA Annual Spaghetti Dinner with Old-Timer Speaker Panel Keep the date open. We will have more information in next months Today.

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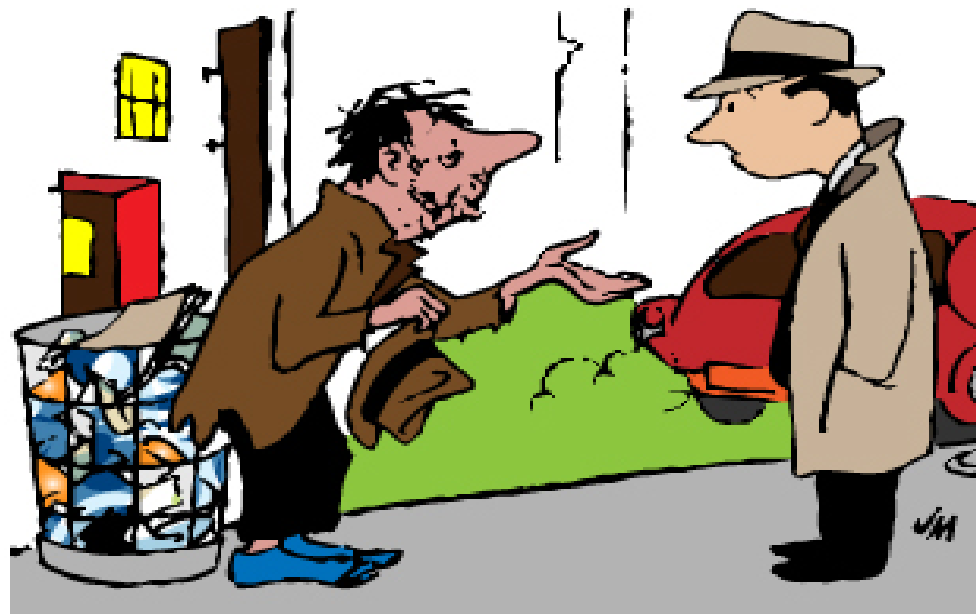
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AA Volunteers are needed:

12 Step List, Phone Volunteers, Institutions Committee, Bridging the Gap, Group Contact Committee, Go to www.aa-palmbeachcounty.org Click on Committees and email the chairman of your choice. People are reaching out to the committees listed above and those committees need volunteers to keep up with the requests. Phone:561-655-5700



"I looked just like you once, but that was back when work wasn't clouding my drinking." —Stephen S., Newmarket, N.H.

Birthday Club

December Celebrants

Celine O 2 years	Terry C 7 years
Roger W 2 years	Ray F. 8 years
Sheran F 4 years	Bruce C. 30 years
Pat D 5 years	

January Celebrants

Diana R. 4 years	Thomas S. 22 years
John C. 6 years	Quentin B. 23 years
Kevin S. 9 years	Larry M. 24 years
Michael G. 12 years	Barry B. 28 years
Steve Y. 16 years	Beverly R. 31 years
Henry M. 17 years	Karen M. 38 years
Michele H. 22 years	

JOIN THE BIRTHDAY CLUB!

Celebrate your years of recovery
by giving a little something back!

You get:

Bill & Bob Medallion, Birthday Flyer, and
Name in the TODAY newsletter.*

Complete this form and mail to:

Birthday Club, 1371 Okeechobee Road, WPB FL 33401

Or email us at: pbciaa@bellsouth.net.

\$1 per year of sobriety is the suggested contribution.
(Feel free to give more!)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

Email : _____

Home Group : _____

Sobriety Date: ____/____/____

Phone # () _____ - _____

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Steps • Traditions • Concepts

Step 1: We admitted we were powerless over alcohol—that our lives had become unmanageable.

Tradition 1: Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon AA unity.

1. Am I in my group a healing, mending, integrating person, or am I divisive? What about gossip and taking other members' inventories?
2. Am I a peacemaker? Or do I, with pious preludes such as "just for the sake of discussion," plunge into argument?
3. Am I gentle with those who rub me the wrong way, or am I abrasive?
4. Do I make competitive AA remarks, such as comparing one group with another or contrasting AA in one place with AA in another?
5. Do I put down some AA activities as if I were superior for not participating in this or that aspect of AA?
6. Am I informed about AA as a whole? Do I support, in every way I can, AA as a whole, or just the parts I understand and approve of?
7. Am I as considerate of AA members as I want them to be of me?
8. Do I spout platitudes about love while indulging in and secretly justifying behavior that bristles with hostility?
9. Do I go to enough AA meetings or read enough AA literature to really keep in touch?
10. Do I share with AA all of me, the bad and the good, accepting as well as giving the help of fellowship?

Concept 1: Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship.

1. Does our group have a general service representative (G.S.R.)? Do we feel that our home group is part of A.A. as a whole and do our group's decisions and actions reflect that?
2. Do we hold regular group conscience meetings encouraging everyone to participate?
3. Do we pass that conscience on to the district, area, or the local intergroup meetings?
4. Is the "collective conscience" of Alcoholics Anonymous at work in my homegroup? In my area?
5. Where do we fit in the upside-down triangle of A.A.?
6. Are we willing to do what it takes to insure that our democracy of world service will work under all conditions? ▲

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Directions to AA:

Just go straight to hell
and make a u-turn
then volunteer.

