

Palm Beach County Intergroup Association

# TODAY

To serve our associated groups in carrying the AA message to the still-suffering alcoholic, according to the principles of the Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions, and Twelve Concepts of AA, always remembering that our common welfare comes first.

August 2019

[www.aa-palmbeachcounty.org](http://www.aa-palmbeachcounty.org)

24-hour AA Hotline  
561-655-5700



Grapevine writing workshop &  
chili cook off!

Saturday, August 17 12pm-2pm

St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
701 W. Palmetto Park Road  
Boca Raton, FL 33486

Enter your chili!  
Top 3 chilis win prizes!



Lake Worth Serenity Group  
Meets Thursdays at 10 am  
Closed Discussion, Step Study

Now meeting at:

Church of the Guardian Angels  
1325 Cardinal Lane  
Lantana FL 33462  
3 miles south of Lake Worth



# July Financial Reports

PB County Intergroup Operating Report July 2019	
Opening Balance Checking	\$4,441.44
Opening Balance Prudent Reserve	\$15,547.11
<b>Income</b>	
Group Contributions	\$7,599.17
Other Direct Public Support	\$148.29
Sales - Books	\$3564.60
Sales - Literature	\$761.60
Sales - Medallions	\$1,291.00
Birthday Club	\$112.00
Interest - CD	\$0.13
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$13,476.79</b>
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>	
COGS - Books	\$3,047.34
COGS - Literature	\$384.22
COGS - Medallions	\$553.24
Purchase Costs & Discounts	\$53.30
COGS - Other	\$161.62
<b>Total Cost of Goods Sold</b>	<b>\$4,199.72</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>\$9,277.07</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Credit Card Fees	\$65.36
Fac/Equip - Exterminating	\$37.00
Fac/Equip - Rent & Water	\$475.00
Operations - AT&T Internet	\$505.79
Operations - FPL	\$172.24
Operations - Office Supplies	\$178.99
Operations - Printing & Copying	\$275.54
Payroll Exp - FICA, Unempl. Tax	\$253.54
Payroll Exp - Office Mgr Salary	\$3,313.92
Paychex	\$87.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$5,369.72</b>
<b>Net Profit/(Loss)</b>	<b>\$3,9075.35</b>
Ending Balance Checking	\$6,218.43
Ending Balance Prudent Reserve	\$15,547.24

PB County Institutions Committee Operating Report July 2019	
Beginning Balance Operating	\$4,293.61
Beginning Bal Prudent Reserve	\$12,501.84
<b>Income</b>	
Group Contributions	\$380.20
Interest	\$0.11
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$380.31</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Literature	\$1,045.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$1,275.24</b>
<b>Monthly Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$894.93)</b>
Ending Balance Operating	\$3,398.57
Ending Balance Prudent Reserve	\$12,501.95

Office Activities July 2019	
Meeting Information Calls	187
12th Step Request Calls	0
BTG	0
Other Info	19
Public Information	0
Institution Meeting Requests	3
Visitors	243
Emails	196
<b>Total Activity</b>	<b>648</b>



## Standing Meetings

### Institutions Committee

Meets on the First Sunday of every month at the Intergroup Office, 1371 Okeechobee Road, WPB. For those interested in becoming involved, there is a mandatory orientation at 4:30 pm, which precedes our general meeting at 5:00 pm. The Institutions Committee is always looking for volunteers. Join us! This is a great way to pass it on.

### Intergroup

Meets at 6:15 pm on the Second Wednesday of every month at the Intergroup Office, 1371 Okeechobee Road, WPB. Visitors are welcome. For more information please call the Intergroup Office at 561-655-5700.

### District 8 General Service

Meets on the Second Sunday of every month [except months when the District quarterly meeting is held; then on the Third Sunday] at 4 pm, at the Triangle Club, 1369 Okeechobee Road, WPB. Visitors are welcome. For more info, please go to [www.district8area15aa.com](http://www.district8area15aa.com) or call the Intergroup Office at 655-5700.

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1371 Okeechobee Road, WPB FL 33401

## Autobiography in Five Chapters

by Portia Nelson

I

I walk down the street.  
There is a deep hole in the sidewalk  
I fall in.  
I am lost...  
I am hopeless.  
It isn't my fault.  
It takes forever to find a way out.

II

I walk down the same street.  
There is a deep hole in the sidewalk.  
I pretend I don't see it.  
I fall in again.  
I can't believe I'm in the same place.  
But it isn't my fault.  
It still takes a long time to get out.

III

I walk down the same street.  
There is a deep hole in the sidewalk.  
I see it is there.  
I still fall in...it's a habit  
My eyes are open; I know where I am;  
It is my fault.  
I get out immediately.

IV

I walk down the same street.  
There is a deep hole in the sidewalk.  
I walk around it.

V

I walk down another street.

# Steps • Traditions • Concepts

## Step 8

Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.

## Tradition 8

Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers.

- 1.) Is my own behavior accurately described by the Traditions? If not, what needs changing?
- 2.) When I chafe about any particular tradition, do I realize how it affects others?
- 3.) Do I sometimes try to get some reward - even if not money - for my personal efforts?
- 4.) Do I try to sound in AA like an expert on alcoholism? On recovery? On medicine? On sociology? On AA itself? On psychology? On spiritual matters? Or, heaven help me, even on humility?

## Concept 8

The trustees are the principal planners and administrators of the overall policy and finance. They have custodial oversight of the separately incorporated and constantly active services, exercising this through their ability to elect all the directors of these entities.

- 1.) Do we understand the relationship between the two corporate service entities (AA World Services, Inc. and AA Grapevine, Inc.) and the General Service Board?
- 2.) How can the business term “custodial oversight” apply to the trustees’ relationship to the two corporate service entities?

# Join the Birthday Club!

Celebrate your years of recovery by giving a little something back! You will receive a Bill & Bob medallion, birthday flyer, and your name printed in the TODAY.\*

Complete this form and mail to:

Birthday Club  
1371 Okeechobee Road  
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

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

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| NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ |

| ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ |

| \_\_\_\_\_ |

| EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ |

| HOME GROUP: \_\_\_\_\_ |

| SOBRIETY DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ |

| PHONE: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ |

| DONATION: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ |

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\*Deadline for a greeting in TODAY is a full month ahead of your anniversary month (e.g. end of September for a November sobriety date).

Birthday Club			
August Anniversaries			