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Relax, Take It Easy ... But Take Action

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What looks so appealing to us when we first get to AA, broken in spirit and nerve-racked, is the fact that many recovering people seemed calm and comfortable in their own skins. Somehow they were dealing with life on life's terms and could apparently deal with the complex details of everyday living in our fast-paced world! I had lost any proximity to that skill many years before- I could only address the chaos of late bills, missed appointments, and overdue deadlines in a state of panic. Living day to day with my "hair on fire" certainly gave me more reason to drink! All I've ever wanted is peace, plain and simple. I'm first told to slow down.... "easy does it"! Then I'm told that my recovery, and indeed my survival, depends on an assertive "course of action".

So which is it anyway- take it easy or take action, and when? The Big Book on page 86 suggests a prayerful request to God, especially when I'm in the state of indecision, followed by cessation of struggle (MY will almost always involves struggle, and I always can feel it). The action in this case involves my intentional connection to my higher power - my surrender of willfulness allows God to direct my will and my life. Clearly, my disastrous history of poorly choosing and then forcing solutions was uncovered in steps 4 and 5. The very same willingness to let go of dysfunctional thinking in steps 6 and 7 is the key here as well. Only with a calm mind and an open heart can I submit myself to God's will, that "cosmic slipstream" that the seasoned members of AA referred to when I first got to recovery.

The net effect of practicing steps 3 ,7 and 11 is a closer relationship to my Creator and a possibility of becoming more attuned to His care and direction! The "action" involved" is active, intentional, abject surrender-something that has been previously repugnant to most of us!

So now when I hear the slogan "Easy does it... but do it" I realize that God is in charge and my responsibility is to do the next right thing, and

then the next right thing, and then the next right thing.... If mind mind is still, I will intuitively know exactly what to do next. I'm actually shocked at how easy this is to practice, one day at a time. I am especially grateful because this creates enormous peace in my life, and frees up a bunch of time! Who would have thought?

~Anonymous

The more I shared secrets that I thought were so awful, the more people were drawn to me and I to them. I found some serenity when I got out of the driver's seat, I found God working in my life. [Author Unknown]



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• Intergroup is looking for a Alternate Treasurer. For requirements and job description please call Intergroup.

Next Gratitude Dinner Meeting September 27th at 6:00pm more to follow.

AA Corrections is in need of men to participate in the Corrections Correspondence
program. Details: <u>Corrections@aagainesville.org</u>.

- Don't forget about the Labor Day event at the Triangle Club Monday Sept 3rd. Starting at 12:30 with a speaker, 2:00 lunch (please contribute a side dish). 50/50 raffle and great fellowship. Brought to you by New Life, Gratitude, Unity and Downtown Groups.
- Get your Gratitude Dinner tickets at Intergroup. Tickets are on sale for \$10/per person.
- Congratulations to FCYPPA for winning the bid for next years conference!! What a wonderful accomplishment, and truly deserving of your years worth of effort.
- For all the latest information please check out the new website at **AAGainesville.org**. It is mobile friendly and is the one-stop location for District 14 and local AA events, meetings and other pertinent information!

The Steps are HOW IT WORKS. The Traditions are <u>WHY IT WORKS</u>.

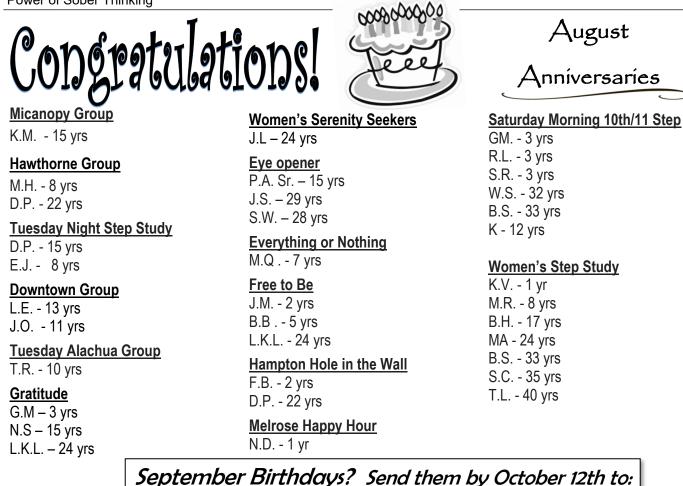
"AA, as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve."

It has been my experience that AA survives despite attempts to organize it. There are at least two opposing personality types in AA. The alcoholic, now sober, who wants to see AA to be as orderly and bureaucratic as many traditional organizations. The other type, also sober, who hates joining anything and barely wants to be a member of AA. In business meetings and group conscience meetings I have seen these types go hammer and tong to shape the group, leading to hard feelings. The result for most groups is agreement on how much organization they need. Do they have group by-laws? Are there guidelines for each committee position? Do they follow The General Service Organization (GSO) recommendations for donations to the other AA committees? Do they hold a group conscience meeting annually? These questions are up to each group.

There are guidelines which can be followed by AA groups. These are to be found in pamphlets and other literature provided by the GSO. The GSO is the main committee to provide worldwide support for AA. As at the local Intergroup level, there are some people who are hired to run the office, sell, package and ship literature, communicate with all the local groups, and perform all the other tasks to keep AA running.

At the GSO level and at the Area Assembly, the District and the Intergroup levels, there are committees comprised of volunteers to run these organizations. While this sounds like quite a hierarchy, all of the positions are volunteer and should be rotated regularly. The committees are directly responsible to the people they serve. This is also true of Home Groups. No one person has "power," nor should a person stay in a position too long. In the spirit of service, the terms of the Secretary, the Treasurer, the GSR, etc. should be limited. This keeps new ideas coming into the organizations and prevents potential problems. I have rarely seen malfeasance in committee members, but it does happen, rotating positions can limit the possibilities.

So even though the lack of organization drove me crazy when I first joined AA, I now see the wisdom of this tradition and am truly grateful for all of them. The traditions make it possible for alcoholics and AA organizations to operate in the world at large.



"My sobriety date tells you when I got on this path ... Not how far I have traveled"

POST@AAGainesville.org

7th Tradition Addresses

North Central Florida Intergroup

2632 NW 43rd Street, Suite 1182 Gainesville FL 32606-7551 (Checks payable to: NCFI)

District 14 PO Box 357254 Gainesville, FL 32635-7254 (Checks payable to District 14)

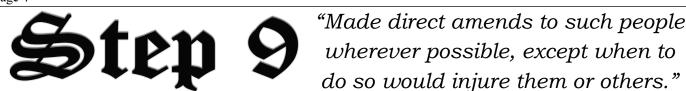


North Florida Area Assembly

5703 Red Bug Lake Road, Unit 241 Winter Springs, FL 32708 (Checks payable to NFAC)

<u>General Service Office</u> PO Box 459, Grand Central Station NY, NY 10163 (Checks payable to GSO)

Self-support: Where money and spirituality mix!



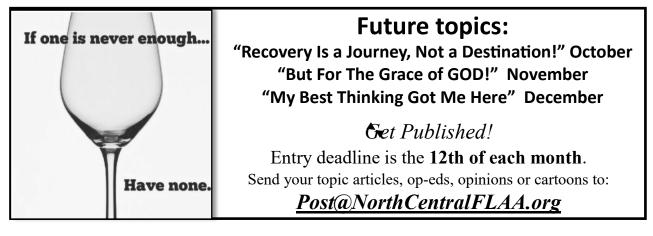
Steps 8 & 9 were the most freeing part of the 12 steps for me. Making amends of my past harms to the best of my ability removed the guilt and shame I carried. Step 8 has 2 parts – Making the list of the people I had harmed ... AND becoming WILLING to make amends. (2nd part was the hard part).

Step 9 was putting Step 8 into action. Putting the theory into action. Eyeball to eyeball whenever possible.... EXCEPT "when to do so would injure them or others". My sponsor was sure to remind me that nowhere in there did it say that I was included in "them or others". I was convinced that I would be irreparable harm to me to go through with this step.

It was hard for me to wrap my mind around the idea that my expectations for the outcome did not matter. The twist in this action was that it really didn't matter if they accepted what I was offering them or not. What mattered was that I purged myself of that burden I had been carrying, that I made the attempt to make things right. This is where humility comes from. And through humility comes FREEDOM!

And it all starts by making a decision to try, and becoming willing to do....





DISTRICT 14

Serving Alachua County

Hello everyone,

First off, a *huge shout-out* to the members of the **352 FCYPAA Bid Committee!!** For those of you who have not heard, the **2019 FCYPAA conference** will be held right here in Gainesville! This is no small feat and is the culmination of countless hours of hard work and dedicated service, over a period of several years, by a group of very determined and committed young (and young at heart) people. All of us in District 14 should be very grateful for and proud of this accomplishment and I am so looking forward to seeing how we will all reap the benefits of the conference being here. Congratulations and thank you to each of you who has been a part of this amazing effort over these past years. You are a Force!

Secondly, **District 14 Elections** for Officers and Service Committee Coordinators will be held during the October meeting. Serving our District at this level for the past six plus years has been such an honor and one of the greatest highlights of my sobriety. If you, or someone you know, may be interested in standing for one of these positions, you can learn more about the qualifications, eligibility and duties of each position by going to our newly revised District 14/Intergroup website at <u>http://aagainesville.org</u> and clicking on "Committees", then scrolling down to "District 14 Structures and Guidelines". (Major kudos to WM, RC and any others involved for all their efforts on the fantastic new website!)

This September will be the final **Area Assembly** to be held in Gainesville for at least the next two years and probably much longer. If you have never been to one, I encourage you to check it out. It's an awesome experience to see how our fellowship comes together to ensure AA continues on for the next suffering alcoholic. It's AA at work from a completely different level.

Finally, if your home group does not currently have a **GSR**, please consider electing one so your group has a vote in matters concerning our District and Area. Our **District 14 meetings** are held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6 pm at Westminster Presbyterian Church and are open to all. As always, please contact me with any questions or suggestions of how we can better serve our fellowship.

Thank you for allowing me to serve, Pati C, DCM for District 14, (352) 281-5751 <u>gvillepati@cox.net</u>

District 14 Service Committee Meetings

District 14 Business Meeting

2nd Wednesday, 6:00 pm Westminster Presbyterian Church

Accessibilities

2nd Thursday, 6:00 pm Books a Million (Newberry Rd)

Archives

1st Tuesday, 6:30 pm Triangle Club

Corrections

3rd Tuesday, 6:00 pm Triangle Club

CPC/PI

1st Tuesday, 6:30 pm Triangle Club

Grapevine

3rd Monday @ 6:30 at the Triangle Club Contact Robin G at *rockin46robin@yahoo.com* for more info.

Literature

2nd Tuesday, 6:30 pm Intergroup Office

Phones (NCFI Committee)

2nd Tuesday, 5:00 pm Intergroup Office

<u>Treatment</u> 1st Monday, 6:30 pm

Triangle Club

Visit our combined District 14 & Intergroup website @ www.AAGainesville.org for more information!

DCM Corner

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Our office is located in Land Title Plaza 2632 NW 43rd Street Building 1000, around back to 1182 Gainesville, FL 32606-7551 Telephone: 352-372-8091 Our office hours are: Monday - Wednesday: 2:00 - 5:00 pm Thursday - Friday: 2:00 - 6:00 pm Saturday: 11:00 am - 2:00 pm Sunday: Closed



Check out our new website @ www.AAGainesville.org

North Central Florida Intergroup



POST Submissions

Send articles and anniversaries to <u>Post@AAGainesville.org</u> or mail them to the NCFI office no later than the 12th of each month.

Activities Submissions

Send information for all activities in the AA community to <u>Activities@AAGainesville.org</u>. If you want them to be announced in the POST they must be submitted by no later than the 12th of the month.

Intergroup

Questions about AA in North Central Florida or to order large quantities of literature please contact <u>Gainesville.Intergroup@gmail.com</u>.



Intergroup Chairperson's Corner

Hi everyone! It's my honor and pleasure to be your Intergroup chair for the next year. I look forward to serving you in any way possible. There are some great changes going on at Intergroup, and we would love more people to be involved.

If you don't have an Intergroup rep for your homegroup, please send someone to represent you! Attendance has been very good at the monthly meeting, so come get involved.

The Gratitude Dinner is Friday, November 9th so keep your ears open for our planning meetings. We need a lot of help, and it's a great opportunity for service! Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

Thanks, Greg N. (352) 283 2648 gregnorm5@aol.com

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA INTERGROUP 7/29/18

ATTENDANCE – GN (chair), BC (alt chair), SR (secretary), KK (alt chair), PB (treasurer), Fred S (office mgr), SS (phone chair), DO (POST), WM (webmaster), JH (activities), TR, DH, MP, BK, JVB, E, JS, TC, JM, JF, CH, PM, ST, JS, MR, JD, PC, SW, MN

MINUTES - June minutes on page 7 of the POST; read and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT – PB presented on page 8 of the POST; noted that payroll taxes for the office mgr are taken out quarterly; he highlighted the difference between the checking account balance vs the total balance which includes reserves; reviewed and approved.

PHONE COMMITTEE – At the time of the meeting, there was one opening; SS requested that there be an ongoing announcement at groups for this service commitment. A phone committee workshop is in the planning for Saturday, 10/13/18, from 1-4pm at the First Christian Church on NW 83rd St; it will include a panel discussion and scenarios; flyers will be available soon. The phone hotline booklets are in the process of being updated including current resource numbers; many thanks to BB for all his work helping with this. GN noted that an out of town guest called the hotline Friday evening and stated what a wonderful service this is.

POST – DO said they are "trudging" along; the new deadline for submissions is the 12th of the month; there will be a new section (Chairperson's Corner); the activities chair is the conduit to the POST with Community News and upcoming activities.

LITERATURE/MERCHANDISE – FS said the office is fully stocked; approx. 800 W&Ws have been sold, will be updated and reprinted when down to 100; the office has Language of the Heart in soft cover; the racks outside the office with W&Ws was stolen. PC suggested that the PDF version of the W&W be placed outside rather than the more expensive booklet; KK suggested a more user friendly PDF version; WM explained that getting the PDF version into a printable format is technically challenging.

WHERE & WHEN – WM addressed concerns about the viewability and downloadability of the W&W; SS noted that anyone can download the W&W PDF, and it is viewable for free.

WEBSITE – WM and RR are making progress in combining the IG and District 14 websites which will now be accessible at "AA Gainesville Florida" (vs looking for NCFIG or District 14); the logo and address will be more prominent; drop down menus will be utilized; RR is maintaining the events. The hosting contract will be officially combined effective Wednesday, 8/1/18 for three years; the charge is more, but there is a rebate; it will also be less expensive than maintaining two websites; links to the POST will ask for month/year that you are seeking. DO asked if the link could also show the meeting dates/times/locations for Intergroup, District 14, and Area Assembly; WM said that he would work on that information.

ACTIVITIES – JH discussed upcoming activities; announcements for the post should be sent to activities@aagainesville.org; four can be printed on the back of the POST (first come, first served). On 7/30/18 @ 11am, there will be a tour of Spring Hill Baptist Church on Waldo Rd (site of the 2018 Gratitude Dinner; the next Gratitude Dinner meeting will be on Monday, 8/13/18 @ 6pm at the Intergroup office; there are still plenty of service opportunities; the Gratitude Dinner will be on Friday, November 9; it will be potluck with ham/turkey provided; the theme is "I Am Responsible" and submissions for flyer design can be sent to aagainesville.org to win a free ticket (deadline 8/1).

DCM REPORT – GN introduced PC, the DCM for District 14; in the future, the NCFIG chair and the DCM will attend both meetings for a more comprehensive working relationship; District meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6pm at Westminster Presbyterian. There is always a need for GSRs and elections will be held at the October meeting; alternate treasurer is up for election. PC said that they are excited about working together and the combined website.

OLD BUSINESS – The steering committee is making progress on updating the bylaws; the next steering committee meeting will be on Sunday, 8/19/18 at 12:30pm at the Intergroup office; a draft copy will be presented for each group to review once completed. The question was raised about putting e-mail addresses in the POST for pertinent contacts/committees.

NEW BUSINESS – Intergroup is in need of an alternate treasurer. JD reminded that the Hawthorne Picnic would be on 8/18/18 and requested support from Intergroup in the form of a \$200 contribution; motion was made and passed. JS stated that the Melrose Happy Hour Group would be celebrating their 10th anniversary on Tuesday, 8/7/18 at 5:30pm, and all are invited. JF reminded Intergroup that the Intergroup Board one year member would be rotating off at the end of the year, and a new board member would need to be selected for a three year term (the current two year member would go to one year, and the current three year member would go to two years). FS announced that the NCFIG yard sale raised \$206 which went into the Gratitude Dinner reserve (total Gratitude Dinner reserve \$3500). NCFIG office is working on credit card availability.

NEXT MEETING - SUNDAY, 8/26/18, 1PM AT SCHAEFFER HALL

Intergroup Treasurer's Report: July 2018

Sales	Current	Y.T.D.	Cost of Sales	Current	Y.T.D.
A.A. Literature	1,161.90	7,601.06	A.A. Literature	790.29	5,505.76
Chips	107.94	107.94	Chips	173.95	173.95
Medallions	212.00	1,936.63	Medallions	137.30	1,079.08
Other Merchandise	56.00	207.45	Other Merchandise	0.00	96.67
Where and Whens	250.15	250.15	Where and Whens		658.00
Total Sales	1,787.99	10,103.23	Total Cost of Sales	1,101.54	7,513.46
Activities Revenues			Activities Expenses		
Gratitude Dinner		0.00	Alkathon		131.43
			Gratitude Dinner	358.06	688.42
			Hawthorne Picnic Donation	200.00	200.00
			Intergroup's Monthly Meeting Phone Workshop	19.00	39.00
Total Activities Revenues		0.00	Total Activities Expenses	577.06	1,058.85
Group Contributions	622.01	4,645.43	Committee Expenses		
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Office/Operating Expenses			Steering Committee	7.00	7.00
Grapevine Subscriptions		0.00	The Post		0.00
Insurance		0.00	Website Committee	0.00	30.83
IRS 501C3 App. Fee		275.00	Total Committee Expenses	7.00	37.83
Internet	65.63	328.15			
Office Expenses	31.52	883.72	Fund Balances		
Office Rent	190.00	1,330.00	Checking		
Office Manager Salary	650.00	4,550.00	Checking @ 1st of Mo.	883.38	
Payroll Taxes		350.99	Current Deposits	2,410.00	
Postage	41.19	403.02	Current Expenditures	3,036.54	
Previous Manager's Bonus		650.00	Transfer to Grat. Din. Res.	204.00	
Printing: Other	18.38	18.38	Ending Balance, Checking		52.84
Printing: Phone Volunteer Packets		23.50	Reserves		
Printing: POST	121.38	1,038.35	Office Prudent Res. (CD) 1st of Mo.	5,097.54	
State Sales Tax	113.31	640.29	Interest Earned	5.42	
Telephone	119.53	941.62	Ending Balance, Off. Res.		5,102.96
			Grat. Din. Res. (Savings) 1st of Mo.	2,615.29	
			Interest Earned	0.00	
			Transfer from Checking	204.00	
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"The tremendous fact for every one of us is that we have discovered a common solution". Page 17 Alcoholics Anonymous

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10th & 11th Step 4th Dimension	380.00 50.00			400.00			350.00						1130.00 50.00
A Daily Reprieve	30.00												0.00
A Vision for You												(0.00
Afternoon Reflections													0.00
Alachua AA Thursday Group													0.00
Alachua Tuesday Night				100.00									100.00
All-Inclusive Solution					150.00	40.00							150.00
Beginner's Mind						40.00							40.00
Bell Serenity Group Beyond Sobriety													0.00
Big Book Basics		-											0.00
Bring Your Own Book (BYOB)			40.00										40.00
Bronson Believers	1		57.5703		25.00								25.00
By the Book													0.00
Campus Group													0.00
Celebrations!													0.00
Chiefland's Reflections	1												0.00
Courage to Change					470.00								0.00
Cross Creek Daily Reflections					170.00								0.00
Design for Living		-							-				0.00
Downtown Group													0.00
Every Step We Take	1												0.00
Everything or Nothing						60.00							60.00
Experience, Strength & Hope													0.00
Eye Opener	21.00			67.50			44.00						132.50
Faith, Hope, & Strength	40.00	10.00	8.00	400.05	10.00	10.00	40.00						38.00
Faithful Tenners	10.00	10.00	10.00	100.00			10.00						140.00
Free to Be Friends of Bill W	54.92			85.77			97.57						238.26 0.00
The Geezers (Men's)	30.00		30.00	-		30.00							90.00
Gifts of Sobriety	00.00		00.00	1		00.00							0.00
Good Morning God				50.00									50.00
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Gratitude Group				152.35									152.35
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Happy Hour Group / Starke			290.00										290.00
Hawthorne Group	81.50	103.93				63.00	50.01						248.43
Hole in the Wall	78.32			66.64			58.91						203.87 0.00
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New Life				50.00									0.00
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Old Town Saturday													0.00
Out to Lunch Bunch						40.00							40.00
Peace Seekers				150.00									150.00
Primary Purpose													0.00
Promises													0.00
Saturday Night Serenity Seekers													0.00
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Turning Point	1												0.00
Unity													0.00
Waking Up Sober	1												0.00
We Think Not (Men's)													0.00
Wholesale Miracle				30.00									30.00
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Women in Action						20.00							0.00
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District 14 Business Meeting – August 8, 2018

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM by Pati C. Minutes recorded by Matthew R.

In attendance – Officers: Pati C. DCM, Chris M. Alt DCM, Matthew R. Secretary, Kris P. Treasurer; Committee Chairs: Mikel T. Archives, Bill B. Corrections, David A. CPC/PI, Robin G. Grapevine, Wanda L. Literature, Dady S. Treatment, William M. Web Site; GSRs & Alt GSRs: Daniel N. Afternoon Reflections, Sam R. All Inclusive Solution, Charlie C. Beginner's Mind, Fred S. Bring Your Own Book, Sebastian O. By the Book, Terry C. Cross Creek Live and Let Live, Mike O. Downtown Group, Jace P. Everything or Nothing, Dady S. Eye Opener, Ed M. Good Morning God, Mary C. Gratitude, Kris P. and Tim G. Keystone Heights, Shirley P. Micanopy Group, Jeanette E. New Freedom, Matthew R. The Way Out, David A. YPG Others: Jess M. FCYPAA, Greg N. Intergroup, Danny F. Past Delegate Area 54 Panel 59

DCM-Pati C. Moment of silence; Serenity Prayer followed by introductions.

Secretary—Matthew R. William, alternate web site chair, pointed out that the \$120 share in old business is actually from before the merging of the web sites. Minutes accepted without amendment.

Treasurer—Kris P. Dady pointed out that the treatment budget is supposed to be \$1500. Report accepted as presented.

DCM—Pati C. Area assembly will be September 28-30. This is the voting assembly, so it is very important. We will elect our panel that will lead us for the next two years. We have been asked to do registration for this assembly, so we need lots of volunteers. I have passed around the Area newsletter. One important thing to note is that the registration process is longer so that you can get a dot on your badge to vote. You should really attempt to do it Saturday because Sunday morning will be very busy. We have elections for district in October, so I provided copies of the qualifications and eligibility for the positions.

Alt DCM—Chris M. I attended the last area assembly and helped some new GSRs get registered. If you know of any new GSRs, please let me know so I can help them get registered before the voting begins.

Accessibilities-Katy K. Some people have contacted me, and I am still available

Archives—Mikel T. We met yesterday. We are still revising and updating the tree with the groups on it. We will be having another work day to help sort out the archives material.

Corrections—Bill B. We need a couple of men to help with a meeting at Lake Butler. Our corrections correspondence program also needs men to sign up and answer prison mail. Your address will be kept confidential.

CPC/PI—David A. We are still looking for people to carry the message into North Florida Safety Council, you would participate in the DUI school, reading a paper and talking a little bit about your experience. We also need a new coordinator for that. We are still looking at PSAs on Pandora. We are looking to put on a brunch for professionals in our area, particularly judges, so we can tell them what we do and what we don't do.

Grapevine—Robin G. We have had new people show up to the committee meeting last month. We need more people to help come up with new ideas.

Literature—Wanda L. Nothing to report. No one has called me asking for packets or asking us to visit their meetings.

Treatment—Dady S. We are pulling out of the VOA commitment except for the second Tuesday of the month because of non-participation. It is possible that accessibilities can take it over, so we will talk to them. The workshop we were planning in September has been cancelled. It will take place in the spring. We are talking about getting pocket Big Books for our meetings. We are going to start bringing the literature for the groups to the monthly committee meeting to make things more streamlined.

Website—William M. We made web site bookmarks that we are handing out. An anonymous donor supplied them. This should help raise awareness. The web site consolidation is now complete. The new cost for the web site hosting is going to be about \$75 per year for the next six years. Intergroup will bill the district for each fiscal year. If you are a committee chair, and you want to have a special email account, let us know.

FCYPAA—Jess M. FCYPAA was last month. We won the bid for the 2019 conference, so it will be held in Gainesville. We are disbanding August 19 and forming a host committee and setting elections for September. We are also outreaching to six different states to see their conventions, if anyone wants to join us.

Intergroup—Greg N. The unified web site agreement is ready to be signed by both myself and your DCM. The gratitude dinner tickets are for sale; they are only \$10 this year. Some of the district committees have talked to us about having display tables. FCYPAA will also have a table for preregistration for their conference next year. Please attend our planning meetings.

Workshops—On October 13 there will be a phone committee workshop

New business—Matthew mentioned that the *Post* now needs to have materials by the 12th of the month, including the district minutes, so district should consider holding its monthly meeting earlier so that the *Post* isn't delayed when going to print. Intergroup representatives said that they didn't think it was necessary for us to do that and that they would make sure our minutes still appear.

8th Tradition and 8th Concept were read by Matthew R. and Danny F. respectively. Meeting Adjourned at 6:49 PM. Next district meeting September 12th.

See AAGainesville.org for more information.

District 14 Treasurer Report - August 2018 Meeting

July Financial Activity

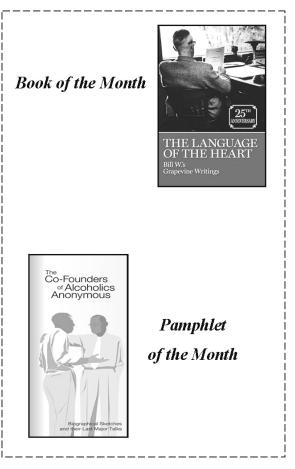
Opening Bank Balance	\$ 11,279.27	
Group Donations	\$ 244.79	\$ 1,215.04
Miscellaneous Income (reimbursement for PO box late fee)		
Adjustment to balance account		
Total Expense	\$ (33.00)	
Closing Bank Balance	\$ 11,491.06	
Money Held in Reserve:		
Founder's Day - Reserve for 2018 (\$4,859-\$3,889)	\$ 970.00	
Service Fair - Reserve for 2018	\$ -	
Prudent Reserve	\$ 5,000.00	
Operating Cash (bank balance minus reserves)	\$ 5,521.06	

Group Donations 2018 - 2019											2		
Group	Apr 18	May 18	June 18	July 18	Aug 18	Sept 18	0 <i>c</i> t 18	Nov 18	Dec 18	Jan 19	Feb 19	Mar 19	Y-T-D
10th & 11th Step (Saturday morning)	\$ 80.00			\$ 70.00	3								\$ 150.00
Afternoon Reflections													\$-
Alachua Tuesday Night	\$ 100.00		<u>]</u>										\$ 100.00
All Inclusive Solutions		\$ 150.00											\$ 150.00
Beginner's Mind			\$ 40.00										\$ 40.00
Big Book Basics													\$-
Bring Your Own Book			\$ 50.00										\$ 50.00
By The Book													\$ -
Cross Creek Group													\$-
Campus Group													\$-
Design For Living													\$-
Downtown Group													\$-
Every Step We Take					<i>y</i>								\$-
Everything or Nothing		\$ 60.00											\$ 60.00
Eye Opener	\$ 16.88			\$ 11.00	·								\$ 27.88
Faith, Hope, & Strength (Ft White)		\$ 10.00											\$ 10.00
FCYPPA													\$-
Fourth Dimension													\$ -
Free To Be	\$ 85.77			\$ 97.57									\$ 183.34
Geezer's Group (Thursday Night)			\$ 30.00						ĵ.	1			\$ 30.00
Gift of Sobriety										í.			\$ -
Good Morning God		\$ 50.00											\$ 50.00
Gratitude Group								1					\$ -
H.A.L.T Group													\$ -
Hawthorne Group	1	\$ 12.60			<i>y</i>					, k		2	\$ 12.60
Hampton Hole in the Wall	1									1			\$ -
Into Action	1		¢		2				1	9			\$ -
Keep it Simple										E		-	\$-
Keystone Heights													\$ -
Lawtey Primary Purpose												-	\$-
Micanopy Group	2		\$ 20.00		<i>.</i>					-		1	\$ 20.00
New Freedom	2		0 20.00							1			\$ -
No Name Yet Group		\$ 25.00											\$ 25.00
Out To Lunch Bunch		\$ 10.00							-				\$ -
Promises		\$ 100.00											\$ 100.00
Suit up & Show up		\$ 100.00							1				\$ -
Starke Happy Hour								1					\$ -
Tues Night Step Study					5								\$ -
Thurs Night Alachua Group					5								\$ -
TILIS Men's Group								1					\$ -
The Loft	\$ 20.00												\$ 20.00
Vision For You, A													\$ -
Way Out Group													\$ -
Wholesale Miracle	\$ 30.00												\$ 30.00
Women's Serenity Seekers	1	\$ 90.00											\$ 90.00
Westminter Group	1									0			\$ -
Women's Step Study (Thursday morning)				\$ 66.22									\$ 66.22
YPG (Young People's)			1										\$ -
Miscellaneous													\$ -
Totals	\$ 332.65	\$ 497.60	\$ 140.00	\$ 244.79	s -	s -	\$ -	s -	\$ -	s -	\$ -	s -	\$ 1,215.04



The Corrections committee is looking for a few men to step up and carry an AA meeting in to the Lake Butler Medical Facility. All volunteers will require a background check.

Details-Contact: Corrections@AAGainesville.org





by paying it forward to the next alcoholic in need

Gratitude Dinner November 9th, 2018

Springhill Baptist Church 120 SE Williston Road, Gainesville Fl. 32641



Fellowship starts at 6:00 pm Join us for the Cake Auction, 50/50 Raffle Turkey& Ham, Pot Luck Dinner, bring a side-dish & dessert Sobriety Countdown Speaker

Tickets \$10.00 in Advance Only

Intergroup's yearly Fundraiser



(Serving Dixie, Levy & Gilchrist Counties)

District 27 Business Meeting:

3rd Tuesday, 6:00 pm St. Alban Episcopal Church 7550 NW 149th Place, Chiefland

> District 27 Hotline: (352) 949-2239

Contributions Address: District 27 AA PO Box 1257 Bronson, FL 32621

Website Address: www.District27aa.org

