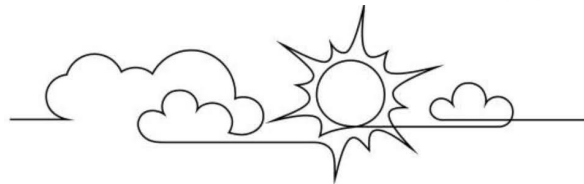


## CONSCIOUS CONTACT WITH God



*“What seemed at first a flimsy reed, has proved to be the loving and powerful hand of God.” -pg. 28 BB.*

Looking back, I can see that God’s hand was on my life from the very beginning. Not because everything worked out or because there was a happy ending. On the contrary, things were so difficult that at one time I figured if there was a God that he was torturing me or must not like me very much. In fact, forces beyond my control were orchestrating a series of events that have led me right here to this very moment. A series of events that no matter how hard I tried to evade, or how persistently I applied myself to sabotaging them, I could not. God brought me right to where I didn’t even know I wanted to be. He has leveraged all of the very things I thought were proof that He did not exist, or was mad at me, into the strongest evidence I have that He exists and loves me beyond my comprehension. He has turned these very things into my most valuable tools for helping others. All that was necessary on my part was to take some simple actions, acquire a new attitude, and utterly surrender it all to Him. The amazing part about it to me is how relentlessly He pursued me while I ran in the opposite direction. Today I walk on faith that if it was true then, then it is true now. If He made a way for me where there was no way, then He can do it again. I believe I can trust God, even when I do not understand what is happening or why. Even when I do not like my circumstances, or they bring me great pain. The story of my journey into recovery is not one of me “reaching the bottom” where I finally “learned my lesson” and decided to “just stay sober no matter what!” My story is that I drifted ashore beaten, defeated, and totally deflated. I knew that I must remain totally sober, but I also knew that no matter how hard I tried, I just wouldn’t be able to. When I crashed and burned (and it wasn’t the first time) the veil of my insanity was temporarily lifted, and I was granted a window of opportunity. My family never stopped praying for me and loving me the best they possibly could, and when I conceded they were ready to help me get help. While the window was open, I was taken to detox (not my first one), where I met a man who convinced me to come to a rehab (again not my first one).

He began to work the 12 steps with a sponsor and relayed his experience to me. Because of this, I too wanted to take these “steps” I had heard about in so many meetings. So, I met a man who showed me what he had done with his sponsor. And that man had done the same with his sponsor! We opened our society’s basic text, the “Big Book” of Alcoholics Anonymous, followed the instructions word for word, and a miracle happened. One that I obviously can not take credit for because I didn’t even know it was happening until it had! I needed only to muster up enough willingness and honesty to take these simple steps. That is why when I think of where I was, and where I am now, I think much less of how proud I am of myself and much more of how thankful I am to God and all those who helped me along the way.

The 12 steps are filled with promise. They promise us a spiritual experience and to connect us to The Power which can save our lives! We never finish the steps; it is a way of life. Their effectiveness is in direct correlation to my action. There is no single action that I can take which will be more effective in keeping me sober than showing another alcoholic that we have a solution and how to take these steps. If I have the capacity to take my body to the fellowship, take my mind to the steps, and take my spirit into service... I can and will remain sober.

Today God’s whispers guide me if I’ll listen. His direction has never led me astray and His promises ring true always. He has never let me down, no matter how many times I have failed. He has been with me in my darkest moments, His love knows no bounds, and none of this would be possible without Him. Words cannot express how grateful I am.

*“Nevertheless, we find that our thinking will, as time passes, be more and more on the plane of inspiration.*

*We come to rely upon it.”*  
- pg. 97 BB.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS



- ◆ The A.A. Hotline and the Intergroup office received 48 calls in September
- ◆ Gratitude Dinner tickets are available at the Intergroup Office, advance sales only
- ◆ Would you be interested in becoming Intergroup's next office manager ? Contact Fred 386-628-2541
- ◆ The newly updated Where & When's are now available at Intergroup
- ◆ Give a big shout out to all the volunteers putting together this years Gratitude Dinner
- ◆ Check out our website aagainesville.org to keep updated on upcoming events

## Tradition 11

The Steps are HOW IT WORKS.  
The Traditions are WHY IT WORKS.

***"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."***

Providence has been looking after the public relations of Alcoholics Anonymous. It can scarcely have been otherwise. Though we are more than a dozen years old, hardly a syllable of criticism or ridicule has ever been spoken of A.A. Somehow we have been spared all the pains of medical or religious controversy and we have good friends both wet and dry, right and left. Like most societies, we are sometimes scandalous – but never yet in public. From all over the world, naught comes but keen sympathy and downright admiration. Our friends of the press and radio have outdone themselves. Anyone can see that we are in a fair way to be spoiled. Our reputation is already so much better than our actual character!

Surely these phenomenal blessings must have a deep purpose. Who doubts that this purpose wishes to let every alcoholic in the world know that AA is truly for him, can he only want his liberation enough. Hence, our messages through public channels have never been seriously discolored, nor has the searing breath of prejudice ever issued from anywhere.

Good public relations are AA lifelines reaching out to the alcoholic who still does not know us. For years to come, our growth is sure to depend upon the strength and number of these lifelines. One serious public relations calamity could always turn thousands away from us to perish – a matter of life and death indeed!

The future poses no greater problem or challenge to AA than how best to preserve a friendly and vital relation to all the world about us. Success will rest heavily upon right principles, a wise vigilance, and the deepest personal responsibility on the part of every one of us. Nothing less will do. Else our brother may again turn his face to the wall because we did not care enough.

So the Eleventh Tradition stands sentinel over the lifelines, announcing that there is no need for self-praise, that it is better to let our friends recommend us, and that our whole public relations policy, contrary to usual customs, should be based upon the principle of attraction rather than promotion. Shot-in-the-arm methods are not for us – no press agents, no promotional devices, no big names. The hazards are too great. Immediate results will always be illusive because easy shortcuts to notoriety can generate permanent and smothering liabilities.

More and more, therefore, are we emphasizing the principle of personal anonymity as it applies to our public relations. We ask of each other the highest degree of personal responsibility in this respect. As a movement we have been, before now, tempted to exploit the names of our well-known public characters. We have rationalized that other societies, even the best, do the same. As individuals, we have sometimes believed that the public use of our names could demonstrate our personal courage in the face of stigma, so lending power and conviction to news stories and magazine articles.

But these are not the allures they once were. Vividly, we are becoming aware that no member ought to describe himself in full view of the general public as an AA, even for the most worthy purpose, lest a perilous precedent be set which would tempt others to do likewise for purposes not so worthy.

We see that on breaking anonymity by press, radio, or picture, any one of us could easily transfer the valuable name of Alcoholics Anonymous over onto any enterprise or into the midst of any controversy. So it is becoming our code that there are things that no AA ever does, lest he divert AA from its sole purpose and injure our public relations. And thereby the chances of those sick ones yet to come.

To the million alcoholics who have not yet heard our AA story, we should ever say, "Greetings and welcome. Be assured that we shall never weaken the lifelines which we float out to you. In our public relations, we shall, God willing, keep the faith."

Wilson, William. The Language of the Heart.

### Heard in a meeting:

"I know that spiritual growth is a great, wide, beautiful thing and that I have only stepped up to the open door."



# October

## ANNIVERSARIES



### TNSS

DO – 10 yrs

### Fourth Dimension

RB – 33 yrs

### Solutions

CH – 20 yrs

### Free to Be

PM – 33 yrs

RR – 45 yrs

### Eye Opener

BM – 10 yrs

PS – 19 yrs

JT1 – 24 yrs

### Hampton Hole in the Wall

CW – 26 yrs

RM – 35 yrs

### Women's Step Study

DE – 1 yr

PM – 33 yrs

### Everything or Nothing

AS – 14 yrs

### Women's Serenity Seekers

"T" – 32 years

ME – 28 years

TC – 8 years



**November Birthdays?  
Send them by Nov 12th  
to  
[POST@AAGainesville.org](mailto: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

PO Box 226

DeLeon Springs, FL 32130

(Checks payable to NFAC)

### General Service Office

PO Box 459, Grand Central Station

NY, NY 10163

(Checks payable to GSO)

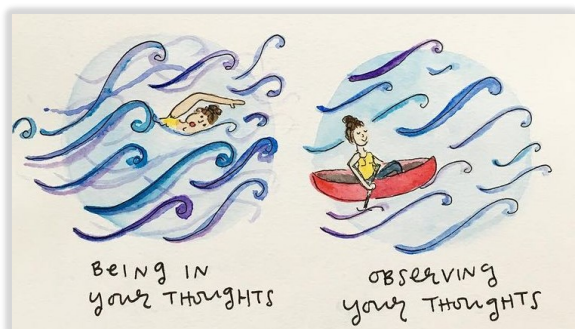
***Self-support: Where money and spirituality mix!***

# Step 11

***“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.”***

Cultivating an active relationship with the God of my understanding has been an awkward yet delightful process. It first began after I started working the steps with a sponsor in AA and he removed my desire to drink and use. I had been absolutely obsessed with numbing myself with substances for over fifteen years, and when the craving quickly disappeared following my initial surrender, I could not believe it. I knew something like this would take a miracle, but I did not believe in miracles, so I was convinced that I was doomed to die. Once the problem was gone, I felt as if God was speaking to me in a very clear and personal way, saying “I am here. You can trust me, and I love you.” The fact that the obsession has not returned in more than eight years continues to amaze me every day. I’ve also had a myriad of other events occur which give me a reason to believe that God is always present and speaking to my spirit.

When I first started working the steps, I practiced Step 11 quite simply because I wanted to stay sober even though it made me very uncomfortable. Over time, because of the innumerable amount of spiritual shifts I have experienced in sobriety, both slight and substantial, I have developed a strong desire to spend time with God; thanking him, sitting in silence with him, dancing for him, singing to him, writing to him, praying out loud to him on my knees with my arms raised, including him in my exercise routines and asking him to lend me some of his strength, going on bike rides with him, travelling on new adventures alone with him, walking or swimming through nature with him while taking pleasure in his wonders, driving with the windows down and feeling his wind move through my hair and all around me, laying in the grass and staring up at his beautiful blue sky through his trees while his sun warms my skin, and at times screaming at him in tears. I feel like every one of these actions bring me just an inch closer to him, and his existence in my life remains unquestionable. I try to be intentional about inviting him into each thing I do. Ten years ago, the idea of God meant almost nothing to me. Since he has reconstructed my entire life and I have consistently made spending time with him a priority, he is as tangible to me as a real-life person sitting right in front of me. This is my greatest joy of being and a beautiful surprise that I was not expecting when I joined AA to avoid my certain death. -TS



## Future Topics

“Protecting Your Sobriety During the Holidays”

December

“The Magic of New Beginnings”

January

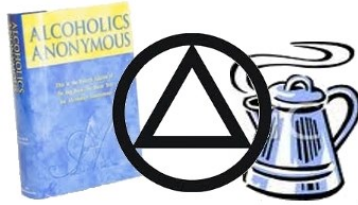
### ***Get Published!***

Entry deadline is the  
**12th of each month**

Send your topic articles, op-eds,  
 opinions or cartoons to:

**POST@AAGainesville.com**

# NCFI



# North Central Florida Intergroup

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**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: 12:00 - 6:00 pm

Saturday: 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Sunday: Closed



## POST Submissions

Send articles and anniversaries to [Post@AAGainesville.org](mailto:Post@AAGainesville.org) 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 [Activities@AAGainesville.org](mailto:Activities@AAGainesville.org). 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 [office.manager@AAGainesville.org](mailto:office.manager@AAGainesville.org) with requests.

## Our next Intergroup meeting

will be held on the last

Sunday of the month:

**November 28th @ 1:00**

Check out our new website @  
**[www.AAGainesville.org](http://www.AAGainesville.org)**



## Intergroup Chairperson's Corner

Hello everyone. I hope this finds you and yours safe and well. The preparations for the Gratitude Dinner are coming along quite well and I would like to thank everyone on the committee for their service. We could still use plenty of help and if you are interested please contact me or go on the [aagainesville.org](http://aagainesville.org) website for more information. The dinner will be on November 20th and tickets are currently on sale. I also encourage anyone to join us for your next Intergroup meeting which is the last Sunday of the month at 1:00 pm at the Triangle Club. I hope to see you there. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Bill Carter, Intergroup Chair

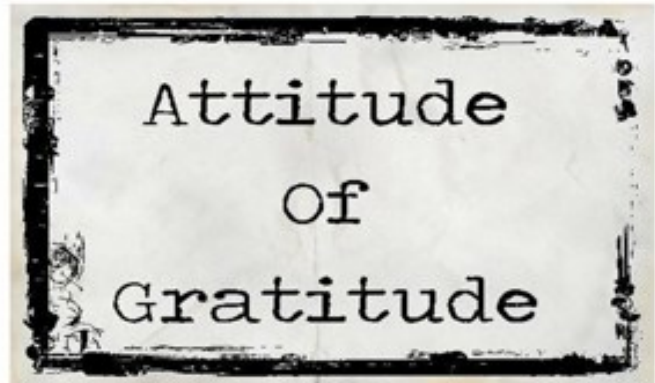
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## Year To Date 7th Tradition Contributions

Group Contributions	Sept	2021 YTD	Group Contributions	Sept	2021 YTD
10th and 11th Step		\$ 875.00	Melrose 12 & 12		\$ 121.00
4th Dimension			Micanopy Group		\$ 50.00
AAA Group			Monday Night BB Study		
Afternoon Reflections			New Freedom		\$ 1,609.17
Alachua A.A.			New Hope		
Be Still and Know			New Life		
Beginners Mind			OutSiders		
Beyond Sobriety			Pamphlet Palooza		\$ 32.00
Bring Your Own Book	\$ 30.00	\$ 45.00	Peace Seekers		\$ 350.00
Bronson Believers		\$ 25.00	Primary Purpose		
By The Book			Progress Not Perfection		\$ 80.00
Daily Reprieve			Promises		\$ 100.00
Down Town Group			Promises Beginners		
Every Step We Take		\$ 12.78	Saturday Night Alachua		
Every Thing Or Nothing		\$ 75.00	Shiloh		
Experience, Strength & Hope			Sick As Our Secrets		
Eye Opener Group		\$ 1,192.50	Starke Happy Hour		\$ 363.40
Free Thinkers			Sober on the Suwannee		
Free to Be		\$ 100.00	Solutions Group		
Friday Serenity			Stuck on Sobriety		\$ 25.00
Friends of Bill W.			Student Group		\$ 55.52
Geezers		\$ 418.00	Suit Up & Show Up		
Good Morning God			Sunday Evening Beginners		
Gratitude Group	\$ 320.00	\$ 575.00	Sunday Morning Sobriety		
Haile Freedom Group			Survivors Group		\$ 15.00
Hampton Hole in the Wall		\$ 206.94	T.G.I. F.		
In Black & White			Tell It Like It Is		\$ 40.00
Jonesville Group			The Loft		\$ 40.00
Kanapaha Step Study		\$ 100.00	The Way Out Group		
Kanapaha Open Discussion			Tues. Night Step Study	\$ 60.00	\$ 165.00
Keep It Simple			Tuesday Alachua Group	\$ 50.00	\$ 250.00
Keystone Group			Unity Group		
Keystone Heights Beginners	\$ 72.00	\$ 72.00	Vulnerable Warriors		
Language of the Heart	\$ 135.00	\$ 135.00	We Think Not		
Live and Let Live	\$ 20.00	\$ 320.00	Wholesale Miracles		
Live Oak Group			Williston Winners		\$ 19.50
McIntosh Group			Women's Drunk Squad		
			Young Peoples Group		
			Anonymous	42.11	710.52
				Sept.	YTD
				\$ 729.11	\$ 8,178.33

### Intergroup Treasurer's Report: September 2021

<i>Sales</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>Y.T.D.</i>	<i>Purchases</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>Y.T.D.</i>
A.A. Literature	515.10	5,275.45	A.A. Literature	0.00	3,662.53
Chips	181.00	779.55	Chips	254.96	541.92
Medallions	76.50	1,192.75	Medallions	0.00	319.43
Other Merchandise	17.00	170.75	Other Merchandise	0.00	0.00
Where and Whens	31.00	125.30	Where and Whens	300.00	415.00
<b>Total Sales</b>	<b>820.60</b>	<b>7,543.80</b>	<b>Total Purchases</b>	<b>554.96</b>	<b>4,938.88</b>
<b>Sales Tax Collected</b>	<b>46.52</b>	<b>517.41</b>			
<b>Activities Revenues</b>			<b>Activities Expenses</b>		
Gratitude Dinner Cake Auction	0.00	0.00	Alkathon	0.00	0.00
Gratitude Dinner Contributions	0.00	0.00	Emotional Sobriety Workshop	0.00	0.00
Gratitude Dinner 50/50 Raffle	0.00	0.00	Gratitude Dinner	117.43	117.43
Gratitude Dinner Tickets	0.00	0.00	Intergroup Trivia Night	0.00	766.89
<b>Total Activities Revenues</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>Total Activities Expenses</b>	<b>117.43</b>	<b>884.32</b>
<b>Contributions</b>			<b>Committee Expenses</b>		
AT&T Credit	174.05	343.49	Gratitude Dinner	49.36	49.36
Faithful Fivers and Tanners	164.00	961.00	Steering Committee	0.00	0.00
Group Contributions	729.11	8,152.33	The Post	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>1,067.16</b>	<b>9,456.82</b>	Trivia Committee	0.00	23.00
<b>Overhead Expenses</b>			<b>Fund Balance</b>		
Corp Filing Fees	0.00	61.25	<b>Checking</b>		
Insurance	558.13	558.13	Checking @ 1st of Mo.	7,690.51	
Intergroup's Monthly Meeting	28.48	142.84	Current Deposits	1,934.28	
Internet	71.17	629.55	Current Expenditures	3,238.76	
Office Expenses	24.74	355.09	Reimb GD Exp to Checking	166.79	
Office Rent	190.00	1,710.00	<b>Ending Balance, Checking</b>		<b>6,552.82</b>
Office Manager Salary	1,102.56	7,357.68			
Paypal & Square Fees	2.95	123.72			
Payroll Taxes	187.62	562.86			
Postage	15.90	96.70			
Printing: Other	0.00	148.00			
Printing: Phone Volunteer Packets	0.00	0.00			
Printing: POST	93.80	590.10			
State Sales Tax	67.61	494.37			
Telephone	174.05	1,606.29			
<b>Total Overhead Expenses</b>	<b>2,517.01</b>	<b>14,436.58</b>			
<b>Reserves</b>					
<b>Gratitude Dinner Reserve</b>		2,331.05			
<b>Office Reserve Available</b>		2,500.00			
<b>Office Reserve in CD's</b>		4,827.80			



ONE DAY  
AT A TIME

SOBRIETY  
ROCKS

**NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA INTERGROUP MONTHLY HYBRID MEETING  
AT THE TRIANGLE CLUB  
SEPTEMBER 26, 2021 MINUTES**

**Opening** – BC, Chair, opened the meeting with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer at 1:00 PM.

**In Attendance (14 Live; 0 Meeting was not on Zoom\*)** – BC (Chair); MC (Alt Chair); NM (Treasurer); PB (Alt Treasurer & Tue Night Step Study); DK (Secretary & Melrose 12&12); FS (I/G Office Manager); NL (Alt Webmaster); SS, in absentia (Phone Committee); and TS (P.O.S.T. & SOS/Sick as Our Secrets).

**IG Reps:** AW (Happy Hour); BF (D14 Literature Committee Chair & Afternoon Reflections); CH (Solutions); GH (Gratitude Group); MB (Young People's Group); and MR (Eye Opener). **Guests:** N/A

**Chair Report – BC:** He welcomed our new treasurer, NM. He thanked PB for staying on to train NM. The Gratitude Dinner planning committee is meeting every Wednesday at 6:30 PM at the Triangle Club. More volunteers are needed! The event will be Sat., Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM, at St. Madeline's Catholic Church in High Springs. See Old Business for more details.

**Alt I/G Chair Report - Matthew C:** No remarks.

**Secretary Report** – DK asked for corrections to the August minutes that were emailed in advance. Minutes of the August 29, 2021 meeting were accepted. Motion by BF 2<sup>nd</sup> by PB Passed unanimously.

**Treasurer Report – NM: July Sales** totaled \$990.60. Group and individual **contributions** totaled \$1,594.57. **Purchases** were \$557.58. **Overhead expenses** totaled \$1,364.74. NM noted that FS successfully petitioned ATT to waive the expense of our Hotline call forwarding. For the next few months, retroactive credits will appear in Contributions. **Ending checking account** balance was \$7,690.51. Gratitude Dinner expenses have been withdrawn from its reserve fund. The August 2021 Treasurer's Report (see October P.O.S.T., Page 7) was approved as reported.

Motion by MR. 2<sup>nd</sup> by NL. Passed unanimously.

**Phone Committee** – BC read SS's report: There are no open shifts on the AA Hotline.

**P.O.S.T. – TS:** She needs members to submit articles!

**Intergroup Office - FS** reported the October 2021 Where and When is available for \$0.75 each, the cost of printing. The office is fully stocked.

**Website – NL (Alt)** reported that the website is up to date.

**Activities – JH** (not present). See [www.aagainesville.org](http://www.aagainesville.org) for event flyers.

**D14 DCM Report – KP (Alt DCM)** was unable to attend virtually. BC reported for her that the Area 14 Assembly will be 100% virtual on Oct. 8, 9 & 10. Volunteers from D14 are still needed to assist with registration. Dorie invited anyone interested to join her in a training session after the meeting.

**Old Business – BC.** and **FM.** gave a status report on the Gratitude Dinner: Tickets will be \$10 and are available now. They will be distributed by planning committee members. The cake auction committee is now accepting commitments from bakers. Ten Baskets of Gratitude will be donated for auction by AA groups. A 50:50 raffle is planned. A parking lot attendant will be on duty. Please spread the word that more volunteers are needed!

**New Business – TS** is serving as IG Rep for a new women's group: SOS or Sick as Our Secrets. The group meets Fridays at 7:00 PM at the Spirit of Truth Church (see Where & When). She appealed to the body for donations of a literature rack, pamphlets and books.

Dorie K. moved to **adjourn** the meeting; 2<sup>nd</sup> by PB. Passed unanimously.

**Bill C** closed the meeting at 1:19 PM with the Responsibility Declaration.

\*Due to unforeseen circumstances, the virtual meeting was not made available to attendees waiting to join. Please accept our apology. We will do everything in our power to prevent this from happening again.

*Respectfully submitted: DK, Secretary*

**Next Hybrid Meeting: Sunday, October 31, 2021**



## District 14 Business Meeting Minutes September 8, 2021

### Meeting called to order – 6:00 pm

#### In Attendance:

**Officers:** TD- DCM; KP-Alt. DCM; AR- Secretary; MO- Treasurer

**Committee Chairs:** MC- Archives; BB- Corrections & GSR Way Out Group; JW-Grapevine; NL- Website; BC- Intergroup; BF- Literature; JW- Grapevine (also GSR 4<sup>th</sup> Dimension Group)

**Intergroup Reps:** GN- also GSR, Downtown Group, MC- Intergroup Alt. Rep

**GSRs/Alts:** DK- Melrose 12 & 12; MR- Tues. Night Step Study; MC- Gratitude Group; GM- New Freedom; SG- Survivors; LM-Gratitude Group; MK- YPG

**Guests:** LG- Area 14 Grapevine Service Coordinator

#### Minutes of August meeting accepted with revision

#### Treasurer's report accepted

#### Alt DCM's Report

Area assembly will be virtual Oct. 8-10, register online on area site

Our District needs 10 volunteers (GSRs or Group members) to assist with registration on Zoom for 2-3 hour segments, training will be provided.

North Florida Service Fair will be held 9/25/2021 virtually. Tobi will email information.

#### Guest Speaker: LG -Grapevine Service Coordinator, Area 14

aagrapevine.org has all information you need. Handbook (130 pages) on line

New book on Prayer/Meditation available 9/1/2021 \$11.50 on line

New publisher, will come in white bag in mail. New editor, article on line.

Encourage people to submit, takes years sometimes to publish, back issues available.

#### DCM calls for Service Committee Reports:

Accessibilities – JR- not present

Archives – GN will bring up new business regarding storage

Corrections – BB not present/sent report: Lockdown at Alachua County Jail/Work Release Center due to COVID-19 infections, Work Camp is close due to budget and staffing problems

CPC / PI – CQ was not present, but DK reported they meet via Zoom on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month at 6 PM and have a Speakers' Bureau for public events and professional groups who request a speaker/literature. Contact CPC@aagainesville.org.

Grapevine – JW- no meeting but plan Zoom meeting 9/13/21

Literature – BF- They did not meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday at 6:30 pm at the Triangle Club.

Treatment – SD reported treatment centers on hold. Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Wed. at 6 PM.

Website – NL- working on corrections.

**Intergroup:** Art, Chair- NM is new Treasurer. Gratitude Dinner November 20 at 4 PM at St. Madeline's Church, High Springs. Three hundred \$10.00 tickets to be sold, TE to chair the cake auction, will have baskets for silent auction. Planning Committee meets every other Wed. at the Triangle Club at 6:30 PM, all are welcome to come help.

#### Old business- None

**New business-** GN from Archives stated that climate controlled storage units (which are essential in this climate) cost ~\$110/month. Committee budget is \$250/year. MR moved that we instead rent a unit at the Triangle /club for \$25/month with a dehumidifier and increase yearly budget by \$300 to cover the expenses. BF seconded and motion passed with one abstention.

**Announcements:** Please sign up on sign-in sheet with \* by your name if you can help with Virtual Registration for Assembly Oct. 8-10.

#### Adjourned with Responsibility Pledge 7:03 PM

Respectfully Submitted: AR, Secretary

## Treasurer Report October 2021 Meeting

### Report on September Financial Activity Fiscal Year April 2021-March 2022

	Amount	Year to Date
<b>Opening Bank Balance</b>	\$ 13,829.00	
Group and Individual Contributions	\$ -	\$ 1,032.52
Committee Expenses	\$ (49.97)	\$ 515.00
D14 Expenses	\$ (54.58)	\$ 267.19
Insufficient Funds - Group Contribution Check Returned		\$ -
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ (104.55)</b>	<b>\$ 782.19</b>
<b>Closing Bank Balance</b>	<b>\$ 13,724.45</b>	
Money Held in Reserve:		
<i>Founder's Day - Reserve for 2020 (\$402.50 *\$50)</i>	\$ -	
<i>Service Fair - Reserve for 2020(300.00-283.03)</i>	\$ -	
<i>Prudent Reserve</i>	\$ 5,000.00	
<b>Operating Cash (bank balance minus reserves)</b>	<b>\$ 8,724.45</b>	

\*Note - Please indicate Group Name or Number if Contribution is via PAYPAL

Group	21-Sep
Eye Opener, 144160	\$ 112.50
Gratitude Group	\$ 240.00
Language of the Heart 00066733	\$ 27.00
Live And Let Live	\$ 20.00
New Freedom 690149	\$ 329.37
Tues Night Step Study 00010332	\$ 100.00
The Loft	\$ 20.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 848.87</b>



## DCM's Corner

Hello everyone from your Alternate DCM Kris P. I'm filling in this month for Tobi who is on a little trip. We hope she enjoys herself and returns safely.

October so far was a very busy month for area and district. We had our area assembly from October 8 – 10th. It was completely virtual due to an unforeseen problem with our contracted hotel. Regardless, the area Ad Hoc Tech Committee did a fabulous job. This was an election assembly for our area Archivist and Vivian was re-elected by 2/3 majority. The body approved a hotel selection for our January assembly. Fingers crossed.

In addition, District 14 hosted registration ensuring that attendees were registered and properly identified as a voting member or visitor. Thank you to all our district 14 volunteers for helping to make this area assembly a success.

As our local and surrounding community opens back up, our Treatment Chair is looking for groups to help once a month by chairing a meeting. All our other committees could use an extra hand or two. Working on a committee is a simple and easy way to do service work. Helping the hand of AA to always be there.

Tobi and I would like to invite all district 14 groups to attend the district meeting and tell us what's going on in your group or local community. How can district help your group carry the message? How can your group help district? District meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month 6pm at Westminster Presbyterian and via Zoom. See you next month!

Kris P, Alt DCM



become a  
**Faithful Fiver**

Faithful Fivers are AA members who graciously choose to contribute five dollars each month to support the Intergroup Office in its efforts to carry the AA message of hope & recovery to those alcoholics who still suffer, in the North Central Florida Intergroup Area. As a Faithful Fiver, your personal contribution will help to carry the message of Alcoholics Anonymous.

*"The Faithful Fiver idea came about when we remembered that we wasted much more than \$5 each month during our drinking careers."*

Payment Options: Checks, payable to NCFI, Cash, or  
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Email any questions to: [Gainesville.Intergroup@gmail.com](mailto:Gainesville.Intergroup@gmail.com)  
or call Fred S. @ 386-628-2541

*It is never  
too late to  
be what  
you might  
have been.*

## Service Positions Available

Intergroup needs Volunteers!  
Volunteer 3 hours of your time weekly  
Mondays or Wednesdays from 2:00 pm till 5:00

Contact Fred @ 386-628-2541

Duties to include;  
Helping Customers with Literature and Merchandise  
Answering the A.A. Hotline  
Familiar with using computer



**Intergroup now accepts PayPal & Venmo for  
Groups, Individuals and Faithful 10er's and 5er's**

Send donations to [gainesville.intergroup@gmail.com](mailto:gainesville.intergroup@gmail.com)

Under notes: Please include Group name, Anonymous Individual or Faithful 5'er or 10'er  
Intergroup wishes to thank all who continue to contribute to help the still sick and suffering

# Gratitude Dinner

"More Will be Revealed"

JOIN US FOR AN  
EVENING OF CELEBRATION

NOVEMBER 20TH, 2021

SAINT MADELAINE CATHOLIC CHURCH  
17155 NW US HWY 441, HIGH SPRINGS, FL 32643

HOSTED BY NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA INTERGROUP FOR  
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

GUEST SPEAKER: LON L. FROM JACKSONVILLE, FL

CAKE AUCTION  
BASKETS OF GRATITUDE SILENT AUCTION  
SOBRIETY COUNTDOWN | TICKETS \$10  
THERE WILL BE A POTLUCK WITH TURKEY AND HAM PROVIDED  
PLEASE BRING A COVERED DISH!

TIMES: 4:00-5:00 FELLOWSHIP  
5:00-6:00 DINNER  
6:00-6:45 CAKE AUCTION  
7:00-7:20 SOBRIETY COUNTDOWN  
7:30-8:30 SPEAKER  
8:30 50/50 RAFFLE AND BOG WINNERS ANNOUNCED