

The *Today*

Palm Beach County Intergroup Association



*December
2011*

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.

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45th Annual Christmas Alcathon

December 24th at Noon - December 25th at Noon @ The Triangle Club main room.
1369 Old Okeechobee Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33401

For more Information, please contact the Intergroup Office
(561) 655-5700

12:00 - 12:45 PM	Lunch Bunch	12:00 - 12:45 AM	Friends of Bill W.
1:00 - 1:45 PM	Leaves of Gold	1:00 - 1:45 AM	Love, Faith, and Life
2:00 - 2:45 PM	Happy Hour (EDI)	2:00 - 2:45 AM	Men's 5th Tradition
3:00 - 3:45 PM	Cardinal Lane	3:00 - 3:45 AM	Day's End
4:00 - 4:45 PM	Happy, Joyous, and Free	4:00 - 4:45 AM	Good Guys
5:00 - 5:45 PM	Big Book Spiritual	5:00 - 5:45 AM	Women's Awakening
6:00 - 6:45 PM	Monday Night Men's	6:00 - 6:45 AM	Seaside Serenity
7:00 - 7:45 PM	Primary Purpose	7:00 - 7:45 AM	Lantana Group
8:00 - 8:45 PM	Smoke-Free Sobriety	8:00 - 8:45 AM	Young People's Living Sober
9:00 - 9:45 PM	Wednesday Night Winners	9:00 - 9:45 AM	Fern Street
10:00 - 10:45 PM	Mid-day Live	10:00 - 10:45 AM	Lake Worth Young People's
11:00 - 11:45 PM	After Hours	11:00 - 11:45 AM	Central Group
	Alt - 1		Day Opener's
	Alt - 2		Lake Worth Group
	Alt - 3		Sober on Sunday
	Alt - 4		Getting Started
	Alt - 5		End of the Road



Alcoholics Anonymous



New Year's Eve Alcathon

2012

December 31st at 1pm - January 1st at Noon @
The PBC Intergroup Office meeting room.



1:00 - 1:45 PM Somewhere to Turn
 2:00 - 2:45 PM Ebony Group
 3:00 - 3:45 PM Good Morning Group
 4:00 - 4:45 PM End of the Road
 5:00 - 5:45 PM Day's End Group
 6:00 - 6:45 PM Smoke-Free Sobriety
 7:00 - 7:45 PM Leaves of Gold
 8:00 - 8:45 PM Day Opener's
 9:00 - 9:45 PM Lake Worth Young People's
 10:00 - 10:45 PM Gratitude Group
 11:00 - 11:45 PM Big Book Spiritual
 12:00 - 12:45 AM Primary Purpose
 1:00 - 1:45 AM Fern Street
 2:00 - 2:45 AM Good Guys



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 11:00 - 11:45 AM Getting Started
 Alt - 1 Friend's of Bill W.
 Alt - 2 Young People Living Sober
 Alt - 3 Central Group
 Alt - 4 Ebony Group
 Alt - 5 Happy Hour



Volunteers will be needed to help set up, clean up, and maintain the coffee and room throughout the Alcathons.

Really special volunteers will be needed to maintain the coffee and room during the really late night hours.

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Financial Reports

Palm Beach County Intergroup Operating Report - 11/01/2011 - 11/30/2011

Revenues:	
Literature Sales	\$3,956.77
Sales Tax	\$237.53
Tax Exempt Sales	\$260.00
Group Contributions	\$2,516.46
Bake Sale	\$268.50
Today Subscriptions	\$0.00
Birthday Club Memberships	\$0.00
Meeting Baskets	\$72.70
Total Revenues:	\$7,311.96
Expenses:	
Literature Purchases	\$3,297.08
Sales Tax	\$206.32
Office Salary	\$2,461.52
FICA & Unemployment Tax	\$188.31
Paychecks (monthly fee)	\$69.00
Bake Sale	111.67
Rent & Water	\$475.00
AT&T (Internet, Phone, Website)	\$348.82
FP&L	\$99.53
Exterminating	\$35.00
Printing	\$0.00
Office Supplies / Postage	\$193.17
Master Monitoring (Annual Fee)	\$276.00
Form 990EZ Tax Preparation	250.00
Total Expenses	\$8,011.42
Monthly Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$699.46)
Checking Account Balance	\$2,230.97
Prudent Reserve Interest	0.34
Transferred to Prudent Reserve	\$0.00
Prudent Reserve Balance	\$20,046.85

Palm Beach County Intergroup Institutions Committee Operating Report - 11/01/2011 - 11/30/2011

Beginning Balance	\$8,771.29
Income:	
Group Contributions	
After Hours Group	\$118.85
Love, Faith, & Life	\$10.00
Days End Group	\$90.00
Sweet Serenity Group	\$10.00
Big Book Ball	\$2,908.00
Total Income	\$3,136.85
Expenses:	
Where & When	\$0.00
Big Books	\$1,246.00
Printing	\$42.90
Rent	\$60.00
Big Book Ball	\$198.76
Bank Charge	\$5.00
Total Expenses	\$1,552.67
Monthly Profit/Loss	\$1,584.18
Ending Balance	\$10,355.47

Office Activity in November

- 12 Step Requests - 4
- Other information - 31
- Bridging The Gap - 0
- Institutions - 0
- Request for meeting info - 188
- Public Information - 5
- Visitors - 192
- AA Emails - 200
- **Total Activity - 620**

Website Visits in November

- 1st time visits - 1849
- Return visits - 412
- **Total Visitors - 2261**

New Where & When's Have Arrived !

All new updated information
On sale now at Intergroup!

Tomorrow

December 17th: Service Sponsorship Workshop @ Delray Central House - 2170 W. Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach from 2 pm -4 pm

December 24th - 25th: PBC Intergroup's Annual Alcathon @ Triangle Club from noon to noon.

December 26th: PBC Intergroup Office CLOSED in observation of Christmas

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December 31st - January 1st: PBC Intergroup's Annual Alcathon @ Intergroup Office from 1pm to noon.

January 1st: Institutions Committee Meeting @ Triangle Club (4:30pm - Orientation) 5:00pm Committee Meeting.

January 2nd: PBC Intergroup Office CLOSED in observation of New Years Day.

January 4th: PBC Intergroup Committee Chair Meeting 6:15pm @ Intergroup Office. All are welcome to attend.

January 8th: General Service, District 8 Meeting 5:00pm @ Triangle Club.

January 11th: PBC Intergroup Business Meeting 6:15pm @ Intergroup Office.

January 13th - 15th: Area 15 Quarterly in St. Petersburg, FL @ Hilton Hotel— Hosted by Dist. 1 - For more info: www.area15aa.org

February 2nd - 5th: Space Coast Round-Up "Rocking Into The Fourth Dimension" More info @ www.aaspacecoast.org

March 24th: PBCI Annual Spaghetti Dinner with Old-Timer Speaker panel @ Finland House, Lantana, Fl 6pm - 9pm

August 1st - 5th: 56th Florida State Convention @ Innisbrook Golf & Spa Resort Palm Harbor. More info: www.56.flstateconvention.com.

November 9th - 11th: Southeast Regional Forum @ Boca Raton Marriot. FREE! More info @ www.area15aa.org

Intergroup has lowered the cost of all A.A. Books & Literature!

Due in part of continued Group contributions and prudent spending, Intergroup has been able to buy more in bulk and pass the savings on to you!

Check out the
low prices!

BIRTHDAY CLUB

★ November Celebrants ★

Gary B.	22 Years	Susan D.	22 Years
Donald H.	22 Years	George A.	16 Years
Karen P.	4 Years	Hugh H.	4 Years
Rich S.	3 Years	Thomas C.	2 Years

★ December Celebrants ★

Terry C.	6 Years	Pat D.	4 Years
Sharon F.	3 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.
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In Loving Memory of

Frances H. Charlie S.

With gratitude, we remember and celebrate the lives and sobriety of those we were blessed to have met as we trudge the road of happy destiny.

STEPS • TRADITIONS • CONCEPTS

Step 12: Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these Steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all our affairs.

Tradition 12: Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our Traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.

1. Why is it good idea for me to place the common welfare of all AA members before individual welfare? What would happen to *me* if AA as a whole disappeared?
2. When I do not trust AA's current servants, who do I wish had the authority to straighten them out?
3. In my opinions of and remarks about other AAs, am I implying membership requirements other than a desire to stay sober?
4. Do I ever try to get a certain AA group to conform to *my* standards, not its own?
5. Have I a personal responsibility in helping an AA group fulfill its primary purpose? What is *my* part?
6. Does my personal behavior reflect the Sixth Tradition—or belie it?
7. Do I do all I can do to support AA financially? When is the last time I anonymously gave away a Grapevine subscription?
8. Do I complain about certain AAs' behavior—especially if they are paid to work for AA? Who made *me* so smart?
9. Do I fulfill all AA responsibilities in such a way as to please privately even my own conscience? Really?
10. Do my utterances always reflect the Tenth Tradition, or do I give AA critics real ammunition?
11. Should I keep my AA membership a secret, or reveal it in private conversation when that may help another alcoholic (and therefore me)? Is my brand of AA so attractive that other drunks want it?
12. What is the real importance of *me* among more than a million AAs?

Concept 12: The Conference shall observe the spirit of A.A. tradition, taking care that it never becomes the seat of perilous wealth or power; that sufficient operating funds and reserve be its prudent financial principle; that it place none of its members in a position of unqualified authority over others; that it reach all important decisions by discussion, vote, and, whenever possible, by substantial unanimity; that its actions never be personally punitive nor an incitement to public controversy; that it never perform acts of government, and that, like the Society it serves, it will always remain democratic in thought and action.

- ◆ How do we guard against becoming a "seat of perilous wealth or power?"
- ◆ How do we practice prudent use of our Seventh Tradition contributions and literature revenue?
- ◆ Do we insure the spiritual liberties of all A.A. members by not placing any member in the position of absolute authority over others?
- ◆ Do we try to reach important decisions by thorough discussion, vote and, where possible, substantial unanimity?
- ◆ As guardians of A.A.'s traditions, are we ever justified in being personally punitive?
- ◆ Are we careful to avoid public controversy?
- ◆ Do we always try to treat each other with mutual respect and love?