Indian River County Central Office of Alcoholics Anonymous

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Step Seven

Humbly ask Him to remove our shortcomings

Tradition Seven

Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.

Concept Seven

The Charter and Bylaws of the General Service Board are legal instruments, empowering the trustees to manage and conduct world service affairs. The Conference Charter is not a legal document; it relies upon tradition and the A.A. purse for final effectiveness. FOR MORE INFO About Indian River County Alcoholics Anonymous

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The principle behind Step 1 is Hymility

Humility is simply having a realistic sense of oneself. A humble person accurately acknowledges both their strengths and limitations. These people have the capacity to be honest and without pretense in relation to themselves. They are "right-sized" and without false pride, arrogance, or importantly, low self-esteem. They are modest and without "ego", they are authentic and real, and can admit to their vulnerability. -Alcoholics Anonymous Cleveland

Anniversaries

JULY

l Am Responsible

Corey M 7 Nicole L 12 Nick L 3 Ryan K 2 Trish K 18

Early Risers

Donald S 36 Tim 13 Julie A 10 Cassie 1

Meat &

Potatoes Danielle P 10 Lizzy H 5

Sarah R 7 Benni M 13 Dan N 33 Patricia B 35 Dutch V 39 Susie S 43

ODAAT

Sundowners Jean 36 CJ 12

Lunch Bunch Judy D 41 Mikki L 31 Sharon S 26

3 Leg Group

Royal Palm Andy M 17

VB Men Tom H 39 Rich P 35 Bob W 33 Ron P 12 Joe A 10 Brian E 3 Andrew K 1 Paul K 1

IR Women

Katherine C 3 Sarah M 5 Marla B 15 Heather Z 19 Gayle S 35

IR Men

Malcolm 39 Eddie A 36 New Day Sebastian Mimi M 41 Doug D 27 Missy 21 Patty A 18 Zinnia L 18 Chris E 11 Dian 3 Scarlett C 2 Jean H 1 Taylor F 1 Katherine 5 Diane F 3

Women of Sebastian Mary Ann S 34

Sebastian 5:32 John B. 9

417 Ron P 12 Donna S 22

SORRY WE MISSED YOU

Sundowners Tim 47

owners

Submit group anniversaries by the 21st of the month

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GET INVOLVED IN Services



Come to the Central Office business meeting every second Monday @ 7PM Newport Club to get involved!!

- **Birthday Dinner:** to host a speaker dinner meeting as the only fundraiser during the year to support the expenses incurred through the Central Office location and provide the funds necessary to maintain the organization of AA in Indian River County.
- **Public Information:** to distribute literature and information to the public. Stock Where & When in listed facilities, such as libraries, professional offices, hospitals, hotels.
- 12 Step List Coordinator: To collect volunteers from all groups of those persons willing to be on call to go on Twelve Step calls. This to be accomplished through the dissemination of applications for each group, the completed return of which will serve as the base for the 12 Step List. Typically, this process is repeated twice a year around the time of the winter visitor cycle. Roughly November and May.
- Unity: to unite all members and groups throughout Indian River County at centralized events sponsored by the Central Office. Three events are scheduled during each year: a Founders Day celebration close to June 10th, a fall event in early November, and a spring event in late February/early March.

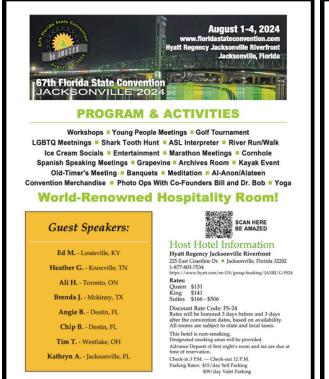
Requirements to Chair: One year of sobriety . Present reports at monthly Central Office Business meetings.

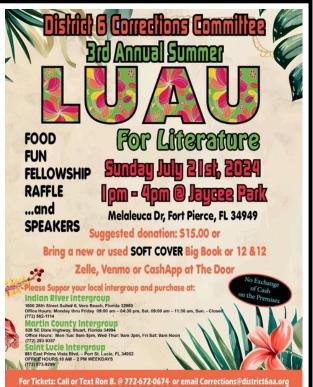


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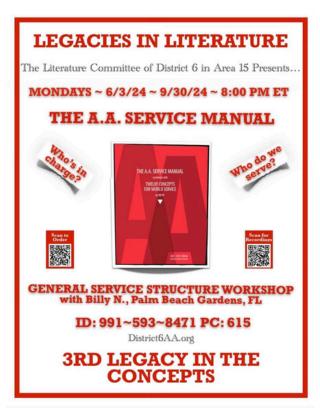
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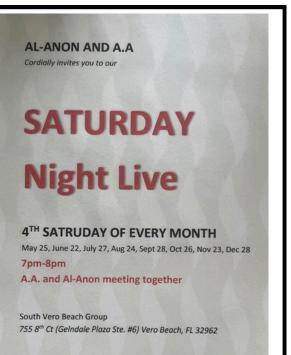
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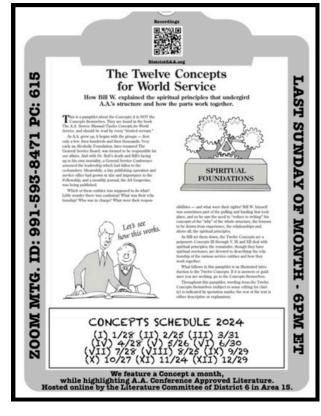


Special Meetings





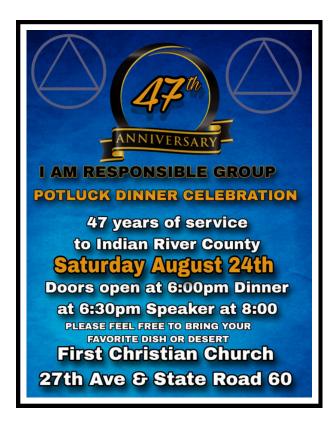
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Know about a new meeting or workshop? Share here

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Parties and Socials



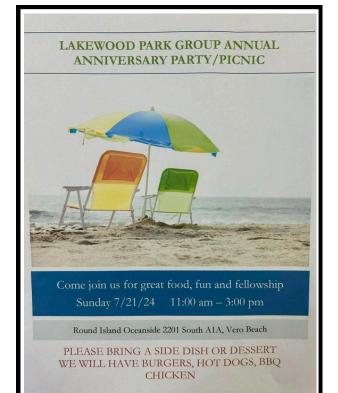
REVISED DATE CHILDREN OF CHAAOS 4-YEAR GROUP ANNIVERSARY PARTY



JULY 31 2024 - 7-8:30PM UNITY CHURCH ON 43RD AVE. POTLUCK AND MEETING COME CELEBRATE WITH US!

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The Next Frontier: Emotional Sobriety by Bill Wilson

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I think that many oldsters who have put our AA "booze cure" to severe but successful tests still find they often lack emotional sobriety. Perhaps they will be the spearhead for the next major development in AA—the development of much more real maturity and balance (which is to say, <u>humility</u>) in our relations with ourselves, with our fellows, and with God.

Those adolescent urges that so many of us have for top approval, perfect security, and perfect romance—urges quite appropriate to age seventeen—prove to be an impossible way of life when we are at age forty-seven or fifty-seven.

Since AA began, I've taken immense wallops in all these areas because of my failure to grow up, emotionally and spiritually. My God, how painful it is to keep demanding the impossible, and how very painful to discover finally, that all along we have had the cart before the horse! Then comes the final agony of seeing how awfully wrong we have been, but still finding ourselves unable to get off the emotional merry-go-round. How to translate a right mental conviction into a right emotional result, and so into easy, happy, and good living—well, that's not only the neurotic's problem, it's the problem of life itself for all of us who have got to the point of real willingness to hew to right principles in all our affairs.

Even then, as we hew away, peace and joy may still elude us. That's the place so many of us AA oldsters have come to. And it's a hell of a spot, literally. How shall our unconscious—from which so many of our fears, compulsions and phony aspirations still stream—be brought into line with what we actually believe, know and want! How to convince our dumb, raging and hidden "Mr. Hyde" becomes our main task.

I've recently come to believe that this can be achieved. I believe so because I begin to see many benighted ones—folks like you and me—commencing to get results. Last autumn [several years backed.] depression, having no really rational cause at all, almost took me to the cleaners. I began to be scared that I was in for another long chronic spell. Considering the grief I've had with depressions, it wasn't a bright prospect. I kept asking myself, "Why can't the Twelve Steps work to release depression?" By the hour, I stared at the St. Francis Prayer..."It's better to comfort than to be the comforted." Here was the formula, all right. But why didn't it work?

Suddenly I realized what the matter was. My basic flaw had always been dependence – almost absolute dependence – on people or circumstances to supply me with prestige, security, and the like. Failing to get these things according to my perfectionist dreams and specifications, I had fought for them. And when defeat came, so did my depression.

There wasn't a chance of making the outgoing love of St. Francis a workable and joyous way of life until these fatal and almost absolute dependencies were cut away.

Because I had over the years undergone a little spiritual development, the absolute quality of these frightful dependencies had never before been so starkly revealed. Reinforced by what Grace I could secure in prayer, I found I had to exert every ounce of will and action to cut off these faulty emotional dependencies upon people, upon AA, indeed, upon any set of circumstances whatsoever. Then only could I be free to love as Francis had. Emotional and instinctual satisfactions, I saw, were really the extra dividends of having love, offering love, and expressing a love appropriate to each relation of life.

Plainly, I could not avail myself of God's love until I was able to offer it back to Him by loving others as He would have me. And I couldn't possibly do that so long as I was victimized by false dependencies.

For my dependency meant demand—a demand for the possession and control of the people and the conditions surrounding me.

While those words "absolute demand" may look like a gimmick, they were the ones that helped to trigger my release into my present degree of stability and quietness of mind, qualities which I am now trying to consolidate by offering love to others regardless of the return to me.

This seems to be the primary healing circuit: an outgoing love of God's creation and His people, by means of which we avail ourselves of His love for us. It is most clear that the current can't flow until our paralyzing dependencies are broken, and broken at depth. Only then can we possibly have a glimmer of what adult love really is.

Spiritual calculus, you say? Not a bit of it. Watch any AA of six months working with a new Twelfth Step case. If the case says "To the devil with you," the Twelfth Stepper only smiles and turns to another case. He doesn't feel frustrated or rejected. If his next case responds, and in turn starts to give love and attention to other alcoholics, yet gives none back to him, the sponsor is happy about it anyway. He still doesn't feel rejected; instead he rejoices that his onetime prospect is sober and happy. And if his next following case turns out in later time to be his best friend (or romance) then the sponsor is most joyful. But he well knows that his happiness is a byproduct-the extra dividend of giving without any demand for a return.

The really stabilizing thing for him was having and offering love to that strange drunk on his doorstep. That was Francis at work, powerful and practical, minus dependency and minus demand. In the first six months of my own sobriety, I worked hard with many alcoholics. Not a one responded. Yet this work kept me sober. It wasn't a question of those alcoholics giving me anything. My stability came out of trying to give, not out of demanding that I receive.

Thus I think it can work out with emotional sobriety. If we examine every disturbance we have, great or small, we will find at the root of it some unhealthy dependency and its consequent unhealthy demand. Let us, with God's help, continually surrender these hobbling demands. Then we can be set free to live and love; we may then be able to Twelfth Step ourselves and others into emotional sobriety.

Of course I haven't offered you a really new idea—only a gimmick that has started to unhook several of my own "hexes" at depth. Nowadays my brain no longer races compulsively in either elation, grandiosity or depression. I have been given a quiet place in bright sunshine.



Mission Statement

The purpose of the Indian River central office (hereafter IRC O) is to provide a services within Indian River county, with the primary goal being to carry the A.A. message to the alcoholic who still suffers. It is the mission of the IRCO to keep groups informed about A.A. activities by newsletter and by maintaining a website, answer inquiries for them, provide A.A. meeting information, maintain an available supply of Conference Approved books and literature, and to provide guidance and support to the IRCO standing committees.

The IRCO shall function within the meaning and intent of the 12 traditions and the guidelines for Intergroup and Central Offices and other guidelines as set forth by the general service office of Alcoholics Anonymous

The IRCO is entirely accountable to the groups it serves and is entirely supported by the voluntary contributions of A.A. groups within Indian River County

SPEAKER EXCHANGE PROGR	AM



This program will allow anyone willing to share their Experience, <u>Strength</u> and Hope to make themselves available. Groups may access the list, kept at the Central Office, to invite any listed AA member to speak at their group.

NAME:	Sobriety Date:				
TELEPHONE NUMBER:	HOME GRO	UP (optiona	ıl) :		
Check days available; Sun Mor	n Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Check available area(s): North County	South C	County	-		
Check available time of day: Morning	s Aftern	oons	Evenings_		
This form can either be Indian	e dropped off at River Central 1600 26 th Street Vero Beach, FI	t, Suite 6			

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	WARPY BIRTHDALL
This contribution on my(n	number of years of sobriety) A.A. Birthday is my way of saying
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RA 12-Step	Volunteer Application
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Phone Number	
Area You would be willing to participate	
North County YN Sou	th CountyYN
AvailabilityMon—Fri	WeekendsDaysEvenings
 <u>Also</u> you should NOT drive a wet drunk with you. 	a twelfth step call alone to help an alcoholic who is still suffer to a treatment facility (detox) without having another A.A. me ase be sure that you have another member of A.A. that is willir
 Talk to someone at their home Meet someone at a meeting Take someone to detox Give rides to AA meeting 	Please return this form to Central Office or mail it to Indian River Central Office of AA. 1600 26th Street, Suite 6

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	INDIAN RIVER COUNTY VIRTUAL MEETINGS	IRC TREATMENT CENTER
12:00 PM	Sunday - The Gratitude Group - (Open) - Virtual Vero Beach - Zoom: 720-843-2825 PC 3807897	Behavioral Health Center 1190 37th St Vero Beach
5:00 PM	Sunday - Sober Connections - (Closed) - Virtual Vero Beach - Zoom: 325-870-3587 PC:762375	Mondays @ 7pm
5:00 PM	Monday - Sober Connections - (Closed) - Virtual Vero Beach - Zoom: 325-870-3587 PC:762375	
4:00 PM	Monday - Men's Discussion Group - (Closed, Men, D) - Virtual Vero Beach - Zoom: 829 3988 4023 PC333791	Week 1 South Vero
4:00 PM	Tuesday - Keep It Simple Meeting - (Open, ABSI, LIT) - Virtual Vero Beach - ZOOM ID 998 7512 9964 - Code 63228	Week 2 Vero Beach Men's
5:00 PM	Wednesday - Sober Connections - (Closed) - Virtual Vero Beach - Zoom: 325-870-3587 PC:762375	Week 3
5:30 PM	Wednesday - Speaker/Big Book - (SP, B, LIT) - Virtual Vero Beach - Zoom: 319-619-2864	Meat & Potatoes
6:30 PM	Wednesday - The 3 Leg Group - (Closed, LIT, XT) - Virtual Vero Beach - Zoom: 452-100-1634 PC:31236 - Phone: 1-305 224-1968	Week 4 417
4:00 PM	Thursday - Men's Discussion Group - (Closed, Men, D) - Virtual Vero Beach - Zoom: 829 3988 4023 PC333791	Week 5
5:00 PM	Friday - Sober Connections - (Open) - Virtual Vero Beach - Zoom: 325-870-3587 PC:762375	South Vero



Meeting Guide syncs with area, district, intergroup/central offices and international general service office websites, relaying meeting information from more than 400 A.A. service entities directly to the app. Over 100,000 weekly meetings are currently listed, and the information is refreshed twice daily.

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Meeting Guide features

- Listing of both <u>in-person</u> and <u>online</u> meetings
- A default view that provides a list of meetings showing time, location and meeting name
- A meeting detail view that offers extra information such as meeting format and any notes provided by the group
- A search function to find meetings by location or keyword
- A daily quote feature lets users read from "Daily Reflections"
- Multiple access points that make finding local A.A. contact information easy
- A news feature with the latest from the General Service Office and Grapevine