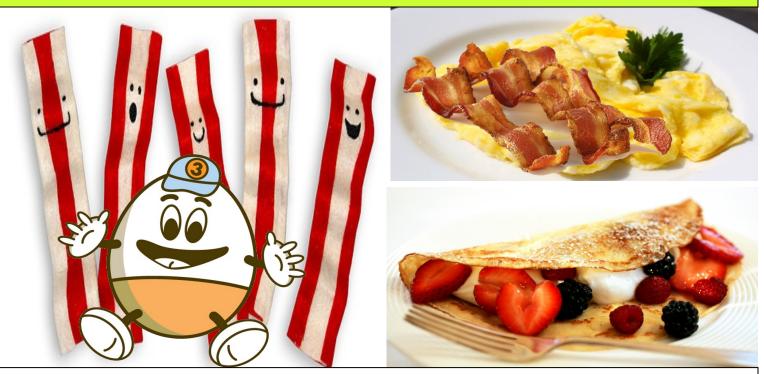


WHEN: SATURDAY, MAY 13TH, 2017 DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 PM WHERE: ST ANDREW LUTHERAN CHURCH 295 SW PRIMA VISTA BLVD PORT ST LUCIE, FL 34985 \$12.00 CONTRIBUTION IN ADVANCE OR AT DOOR

PROCEEDS WILL BE USED TO PROVIDE BIG BOOKS & OTHER CONFER-ENCE APPROVED LITERATURE FOR TREATMENT FACILITIES IN DISTRICT 6. PLEASE HELP US CARRY THE MESSAGE TO THE ALCOHOLIC WHO IS STILL SUFFERING.



Dinner will consist of Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Biscuits, Sausage Gravy, Crepes with Fruit, Filling and Cheese, Also Coffee and Beverages.

Dinner Will Be Followed By Two Speakers

Pastries & Desserts welcome. For Additional Information Call (561) 252-8946



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Step Five

Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.



So how's that Maturity thing

working out for you?

The mature person has developed attitudes in relation to himself and his environment which have lifted him above "childishness" in thought and behavior. Some of the characteristics of the person who has achieved true adult hood are suggested here:

1. He accepts criticism gratefully, being honestly glad for an opportunity to improve.

2. He does not indulge in self-pity. He has begun to feel the laws of compensation operating in all life.

3. He does not expect special consideration from anyone.

- 4. He controls his temper.
- 5. He meets emergencies with poise.
- 6. His feelings are not easily hurt.

7. He accepts the responsibility of his own actions without trying to "alibi."8. He has outgrown the "all or nothing"

stage. He recognizes that no person or situation is wholly good or wholly bad, and he begins to appreciate the Golden Mean.

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9. He is not impatient at reasonable delays. He has learned that he is not the arbiter of the universe and that he must often adjust himself to other people and their convenience.

10. He is a good loser. He can endure defeat and disappointment without whining or complaining.

11. He does not worry about things he cannot help.

12. He is not given to boasting or

"showing off" in socially unacceptable ways.

13. He is honestly glad when others enjoy success or good fortune. He has outgrown envy and jealousy.

14. He is open-minded enough to listen

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Notices ...

The District 6 Monthly **Business Meetings** are held on the second Tuesday of each month Indian River State College 3209 Virginia Avenue Ft. Pierce At 6:30 pm **Building R Room 131 Come support your** District!! Visit district6aa.org

GSRs — ARE YOUR BASKET DONATIONS

HELPING AA AS A WHOLE?

Does your Home Group distribute the remaining donations after Group expenses and prudent reserve according to AA Tradition?

Is your Home Group doing it's part to help support your local

Intergroup Office?

District 6? Area 15?

The General Service Office ?

Is your Home Group represented at the local monthly Intergroup steering committee meeting?

Is your local Intergroup Office and its members properly serving the needs of the local Groups?

These are questions you should be asking at your Home Group business meetings.

Get involved.

Support AA as a whole!

DOES YOUR GROUP HAVE AN INTERGROUP REPRESENTATIVE ?

Intergroup Steering Committee and Group Representatives meet the 3rd Thursday of every month (a) 7pm. Help support Intergroup **REMEMBER:** "I am responsible . . .

When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that: I am responsible."

District 6 Committee Meetings (at the Intergroup Office 883 E Prima Vista Blvd. Port St Lucie, Fl 34952)

DCMs/GSRs Meeting the 1st Saturday of month 10:30 a.m. *Corrections Committee* Meeting ... the 2nd Saturday of month, 10:30 a.m. *Events Committee* Meeting the 3rd Saturday of month, 10:30 a.m. *PI/CPC Committee* Meeting the 4th Saturday of month 10:30 a.m.

Please send all **District 6 Group** donations to: District 6 Treasurer P.O. Box 12248 **Fort Pierce, Fl** 34979-2248

Want to get Involved? **Bridging the Gap** needs volunteers as contacts for individuals leaving treatment. Be their first contact. To sign up contact the District 6 **Treatment Committee BTG Coordinator** Howard_F@comcast.net 772-441-8006

St. Lucie Intergroup needs to update our Twelfth Step list. If you would like to be contacted to help insure that the hand of AA is always there, please contact the Intergroup

Office and leave your information: name, phone number and hours available so we can continue to help the still sick and suffering alcoholic. Call 772-873-9299 or e-mail stlucieintergroup@att.net



Anniversaries

APRIL 2017

Begin Where You Are

Mickie K	29 yrs					
Bruce H	29 yrs					
Dana P	12 yrs					
Brenda M	2 yrs					
Kenneth K	1 yr					
Lakewood Park						
Mary Ann	26 yrs					
Steve W	24 yrs					
Debbie	16 yrs					
Debra R	5 yrs					
Kira	2 yrs					
Joel	1 yr					
Ashley	1 yr					

WHY AREN'T MY GROUP'S ANNIVERSARIES HERE???

It would be a service... and an easy one, for the folks who make sure anniversary coins and cards are ready each month to let the Intergroup Office know, too.

So how's that Maturity thing working out for you?

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thoughtfully to the opinions of others.

15. He is not a chronic "faultfinder."

16. He plans things in advance rather than trusting to the inspiration of the moment.

Then we think in terms of spiritual maturity:

1. He has faith in a Power greater then himself.

2. He feels himself an organic part of mankind as a whole, contributing his part to each group of which he is a member.

3. He obeys the spiritual essence of the Golden Rule: "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

Emotional sobriety is when:

1. I am free of resentments, jealousy, and envy--and free to forgive quickly.

2. My emotions are not so violent that they cause me to go or be on a dry drunk.

3. I am able to make normal every-

day decisions without my vision being unduly influenced by my emotions.

4. I am able to identify & live by my personal values without compromise to emotional pressure.

5. I am able to enjoy life as spiritual principles would dictate--such as being properly revolted by ugliness, sin and suffering, and positively rewarded by happenings of love, beauty and principle. 6. I am happy when others do things better or quicker than I have done them.

7. My emotions are in sync with my intellect and both are in synch with God's Will.

8. I can live freely without being emotionally subservient to another human being.

9. I can move freely between the emotional states of child, adult and parent.

10. I derive genuine, healthy pleasure from helping others without thought of reward, money, prestige or station.

ADDRESSES FOR GROUP DONATIONS

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District 6 Treasurer PO Box 12248 Ft. Pierce, Fl 34979-2248 South Florida Area 15 Treasurer PO Box 56 Sebring, Fl 33870-0056 GSO PO Box 459 Grand Central Station New York, NY 10163

2017 Group Contributions through March 31

GROUP	Group #	MAR.	YTD	GROUP	Group #	MAR.	YTD
A Desire To Stop GP	Group #	0.00	0.00	Lunch Bunch	169623	50.00	50.00
A Promises GP	671816	0.00	0.00	Men's Sobriety Group	172529	100.00	300.00
Alternate MC Beginners AA GP	645696	0.00	0.00	Midday Matinee	172992	0.00	0.00
Back to Basics	617295	0.00	66.00	New Hope Group	163611	0.00	0.00
	134955	0.00	37.82	New Windmill Point	148626	0.00	0.00
Bayside GP			0.00	Okeechobee Discussion		0.00	0.00
Begin Where You Are	666125	0.00	169.19	Okeechobee Night Group	103633	252.00	252.00
Better By The Beach	688860	0.00		Okeechobee Noon Group	147217	60.00	60.00
Better Understanding	670079	0.00	0.00	Okeechobee Sobriety Group	643907	0.00	0.00
Bleeding Deacons	710958	0.00	0.00	Okeechobee Women's Group	0.0001	0.00	0.00
Easy Does It	149241	60.00	120.00	Primary Purpose Welcome Home	141056	50.00	50.00
Ensollielle (French, seasonal)	681471	50.00	50.00	Primary Purpose Bayshore	679364	0.00	0.00
Eye Opener	169889	100.00	450.00	PSL AA Tues. Nite Group	103698	10.00	20.00
First Things First	697413	0.00	131.11	PSL Sat. AM Men's Group	606637	250.00	250.00
Friday Night Men's	604208	0.00	0.00	Reach Out Group	714201	0.00	10.00
Friendship Group	103470	0.00	0.00	Sisters of Sobriety	700856	0.00	0.00
From Darkness To Light		0.00	0.00	Step Into Action	696779	0.00	0.00
Gays In Recovery	655112	35.00	35.00	Step Sisters	683996	0.00	80.00
Good Guys North	678914	0.00	0.00	Sun Rise 11th Step		0.00	0.00
Grupo Renacer Hispano FP (Spar	nish)	0.00	0.00	Talking Feathers		4.00	21.00
Grupo Serendad PSL (Spanish)		0.00	0.00	The Future of AA (Young People)	697507	0.00	0.00
Happy Hour Living Sober	653464	100.00	100.00	Tough Love Group		0.00	0.00
Heard it thru the Grapevine GP	662713	0.00	0.00	Warriors		0.00	0.00
Helping Hands Group	654010	0.00	60.00	Wake UP Group		0.00	0.00
Higher Power Sunday	679339	0.00	0.00	Watch your Steps	645676	0.00	0.00
How It Works-Bayshore		0.00	0.00	We Stopped in Time	669606	0.00	146.00
Just For Today	168564	0.00	0.00	Westside Group Ft Pierce	125608	0.00	0.00
Keep It Simple— Okeechobee	643906	0.00	0.00	Wolff Road Group Okeechobee	703404	0.00	25.00
KISS	127410	0.00	200.00	Women Stepping Up	157843	0.00	50.00
Lakewood Park	177727	40.00	120.00	Women's New Beginnings	611306	00.00	100.00
Last Call	151221	0.00	0.00				
Late Risers	681809	0.00	300.00				
Lunch Box		0.00	0.00	TOTAL AA GP Contributions		1131.00	3253.12

In 1957, Bill W. said, "We pay our rent and utility bills, buy coffee, snacks and AA Literature. We support our Central Office, our Area Committee and our General Services Office. If it were not for these entities, many people would never discover the miracle of AA."

District 6's Founder's Day Luncheon,

Ice Cream Social

And Annual Chili Cook-off

Saturday June 17th, 2017 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. *Langford Park Recreation Center* 2369 NE Dixie Hwy, Jensen Beach, Florida

Double Speaker Meeting – featuring 2 Speakers with over 25 years who will share their experience strength and hope

> Bring your best batch of chili for the chili cook-off and chance to win a prize. (Contest entries are anonymous until winner is announced.)

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On the Fifth Step ...

The Fifth Step ...

Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.

<u>The Fifth Step Principle</u>...

The principle behind the Fifth Step is Integrity.

<u>A Fifth Step Prayer ...</u>

God, I thank you from the bottom of my heart that I know you better. Help me become aware of anything I have omitted discussing with another person. Help me to do what is necessary to walk a free man at last. Amen (p. 75 Big Book)

On the Fifth Step ...

The Fifth Tradition ...

Each group has but one primary purpose — to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

My Fifth Tradition Checklist ...

1. Do I ever cop out by saying, "I'm not a group, so this or that Tradition doesn't apply to me"?

2. Am I willing to explain firmly to a newcomer the limitations

of AA help, even if he gets mad at me for not giving him a loan?

3. Have I today imposed on any AA member for a special favor or consideration simply because I am a fellow alcoholic?

4. Am I willing to twelfth-step the next newcomer without regard to whom or to what is in it for me?

5. Do I help my group in every way I can to fulfill our primary purpose?

6. Do I remember that AA old-timers, too, can be alcoholics who still suffer? Do I try both to help them and to learn from them?