

# INTERGROUP-EXPRESS

SEPTEMBER 2024, VOLUME 44 #9

## Lee County Area Intergroup Central Office 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Our office opened on February 20, 1984. *Please see Page 2 for stories & other memories.*

## Sober Activity Highlights

*See Page 9 for more information.*

- (1) The 10-4 Halloween Bash at Alva Community Center, Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>
- (2) Halloween Party at Dry Palms, Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>
- (3) 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Gratitude Dinner Fundraiser, Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>

## Call to Action!!! ---- Support needed!

- **Early Bird Special**  
Monday, 5:30 pm, Epiphany Episcopal
- **North Fort Myers Group**  
Saturday, 7:00 pm, Community of Christ

## Meeting Changes

- Cape Connected is moving, effective October 7<sup>th</sup>, to St. Katherine Drexel Church, Cape Coral.
- Cape Coral Group's FINAL meeting is Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup>

## Alateen meetings

*Included as a service to Al-Anon and Alateen*

- Young Serenity Stairway Alateen, Tuesday 7:30pm at Cape Alliance Church in Cape Coral
- Young Serenity Seekers Alateen, Wednesday 5:30pm at YANA in Fort Myers

*For more information on both Al-Anon and Alateen meetings: [www.SouthFloridaAl-Anon.org](http://www.SouthFloridaAl-Anon.org).*

### 2024 Steering Committee

Peggy M (Chair), Tom M (Vice Chair), Joyce D (Treasurer),  
Michelle H (Secretary), Sharon K (Member at Large),  
Amy J (Member at Large), Stephanie H (Manager)

## CHAIRPERSON MESSAGE

Greetings all,

Hope this finds you well, sober and serene.

As you probably have already heard we are gearing up for our November Fund Raiser. We only have one fundraiser a year so we really appreciate your support. Tickets are \$45.00 and the event is November 2<sup>nd</sup> in Cape Coral. Please call the office, go on the LCAI website or ask your Intergroup Rep about tickets, etc. It is always a good time of fellowship and sober socializing. It's also a nice occasion to dress up. We are not a glum lot and we clean up pretty nice. And as I said before it is a fund raiser and we do appreciate your attendance.

Speaking of fund raising... I heard a great one the other day in my home group. We were discussing being self-supported and what we usually give in the basket. One of my sisters in sobriety said she goes to Dunkin Donuts before every meeting. Whatever she spends at Dunkin she puts the same amount in the basket. I thought that was a great idea. When I look through my day at the things I spend money on, it got to be embarrassing to me when I realized I was still putting \$1.00 in the basket. For over twenty years I was still stuck on my one-dollar donation. Then I realized due to cost of living increases my \$1.00 donation wasn't stretching very far. This is a personal reflection on my part. Just some food for thought. I realized some of us don't have the means and are on fixed incomes but the next time you buy that iced coffee before your meeting, give it a thought.

I also wanted to mention that in October we will be forming a nomination committee for Intergroup Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. So, if you are an Intergroup Rep please attend the next few monthly meetings as there is a lot going on. If your home group does not have an Intergroup Representative then please look into why. Get motivated and join the intergroup team. We would love to have you!

In Peace, Love and Service, Peggy Mac

As the writer and editor of your Intergroup-Express, I want to thank Michele and Kim for reaching out regarding writing for this newsletter. Their contributions can be found on page 3.



## LEE COUNTY AREA INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE

*In recognition and celebration of our 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary, articles and other information will be reprinted from the District Seven Sounding Board (1971-1989) and the Intergroup Express (1984- ) on a monthly basis for 2024. This is our local history. I hope you enjoy this journey.*

### WHAT IT WAS LIKE, WHAT HAPPENED, & WHAT IT IS LIKE NOW

*The following is from a letter written to GSO in 1966:*

"We have formed a new group in Cape Coral Florida. I am acting chairman until we are more organized. There has been several new prospects at all three meetings. We will send you the names of the officers after the election in Dec."

*& answers to an inquiry in 1983:*

"The **Cape Coral Group** was formed in 1966. It met every Friday as at present. It was an open discussion. Since most members attend more than 1 group meeting, attendance at new groups especially with no conflict of meeting dates was quite good, usually 10 or more as word got around. Very poor attendance first few years 2 or 3 then 4 or 5 finally 10 or more after about 5<sup>th</sup> year (1971). Perseverance and need for a Cape meeting place for AA. Several members were among founders or backers of Intergroup and group is an ardent supporter from beginning."

As of September 2024, the few remaining group members have made the difficult but necessary decision to disband the group. Their final meeting is Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup>.

*The following is from a letter written in 1980:*

"The **North Fort Myers Group** of AA first began as a small meeting in 1968. It was formed initially to satisfy the needs of visiting and local AA members as a place for sharing. At that time meetings were held only on Saturday evening and were open discussion meetings.

In 1969, two meetings a week were started. There was a closed discussion meeting on Tuesday and an open meeting on Saturday. For years the Saturday meetings were discussion in the summer and speaker meetings during the winter.

It is interesting to note how this group, starting with such a small nucleus, could grow to its present size with two AA meetings, two Alanon and an Alateen meeting on Tuesday night with the AA members numbering in the 50s and a Saturday night open meeting having an average attendance of 904 members."

As of September 2024, there is one meeting a week – the Saturday night open speaker meeting. Like many of the older speaker meetings in our area, its attendance has dwindled significantly. Your attendance is encouraged to help keep this meeting active and available for all who may need it.

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## FROM OUR FELLOWSHIP

Asking for help was our first step into recovery. Being honest, open minded and willing to finally admit we are powerless and our lives are unmanageable takes a lot of courage! You should be so proud of yourself if you are able to do this humbling act. Admitting complete defeat over our alcoholism, addictions, behaviors, mistakes, shortcomings, and defects is so beneficial to our sobriety and growth. Sometimes we don't realize how this type of honesty isn't supposed to shame us or make us feel like we have to beat the hell out of ourselves for making mistakes. What it really does is makes us better human beings and gain some amazing assets. When we want to get better we get into action by doing these uncomfortable confessions. The coolest part about this is as we share this with our fellow alcoholic addicts, we learn we are not being judged, we are being accepted by like-minded people who know exactly how we feel. Thank you God for these gifts of authenticity, transparency, and understanding. If we are struggling with telling someone about our personal imperfections, remind yourself that you agreed to go to any lengths for your sobriety, do not be ashamed, because you are not alone, we have all been there. We will reap the rewards of being honest, open minded and willing! Take a moment today to thank your higher power for these gifts and then share with someone how beneficial this is to your recovery.

~ Michele

I used to think there was much to unpack in the madness of my youth. Now I realize it wasn't unique or remarkable... I was simply drunk, and in that I'm not alone. The thought-life of a drunkard, even before they pick up that first bottle, is a tyranny no one can understand unless and until they, themselves, reach recovery. Today I am free - no longer tyrannized by madness nor drink. Today I am free of constraint, comparison, and confabulation. No, there's not much to unpack anymore, if ever there was, of a misshapen, or misspent youth. There's simply a period of reconstruction, which I've been trudging, in earnest, for the past eleven years.

~ Kim

## Found in the Intergroup-Express, March 2004

### WHAT IS A "GRATEFUL GIVER"?

Twenty years ago, when our central office was new, the idea of the "I.G.G. Club" was conceived.

Members of the fellowship were encouraged to become "Grateful Givers." A grateful giver was a member of the fellowship who pledged a donation of \$5.00 or more a month to intergroup. The idea was conceived on the basis that many of us wasted much more than \$5.00 a month during our drinking careers. It was hoped that the I.G.G. Club (Intergroup Grateful Givers) would help to keep the central office solvent on a month to month basis and also allow for normal growth and expansion.

As a member of the IGG Club, grateful givers were mailed a personal copy of the Intergroup-Express, with a stamped envelope (for the next donation to be sent in).

There are still "grateful givers" in our community. Last month, \$155.00 was sent to intergroup by individuals who give on a personal basis. Many members of the fellowship send money at the time of their sobriety anniversary.

Should we reinstate the IGG Club the way it was originally established? Let us hear from you ...

The IGG Club later became the "Faithful Fivers". As of 2024, the intergroup has 3 Faithful Fivers. Throughout the year, we receive one-time individual contributions from other grateful givers, often for their sober anniversary. The IGG Club and Faithful Fivers are great ideas! I know money's tight ... but if you're still putting only \$1 in the basket, maybe consider this as another way to give.

## THE BEST OF THE GRAPEVINE, VOLUME III

Recently, an article, "AA: How Can We Help You?", that was first published in *The Grapevine Magazine*, December 1994, and then republished in *The Best of the Grapevine, Volume III*, was brought to my attention. For the next several months (April – September), the article will be shared here in sections.

### *NEW TECHNOLOGY HELPS CUT COSTS*

All intergroups look for ways to economize. Increasingly, they are taking advantage of newer technology to cut costs. Computerization allows them to reduce staff, store data accurately and access it faster, and do their own printing. Computerized telephoning services provide cost-effective round-the-clock telephone answering by alcoholics: at EVI, for example, a "call diverter" forwards calls on nights and weekends to volunteers' homes. With EVI's system, the only continuing cost after the initial equipment cost is a second phone line for the outgoing "diverted" calls. Smaller intergroups have special problems: EVI's office manager plans ahead and puts in big orders so he can buy literature from GSO and the Grapevine at quantity discounts. Small intergroups also can pool orders with neighboring intergroups in order to get the discounts.

### *WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS*

Changes in the way medical services are paid for may mean a reduction of inpatient services in the future, and this may mean an increase in the Twelfth Step function of intergroups. In Tennessee, for example, the number of people who go through treatment facilities has been cut dramatically, and in the view of Peggy B-C., this isn't a bad thing. "I think this is going to save Alcoholics Anonymous. It seems to me that too many AAs have abdicated their responsibility – they depend on treatment to do Twelfth Step work. Twelfth Step work is what keeps us sober. It kept Bill W. sober." Twelfth Step work lies at the heart of every intergroup, as it does at the heart of the Fellowship. It's the wet drunk and the newcomer who renew AA's purpose.

This article began with the story of a woman, sober less than twenty-four hours, calling her local intergroup. The woman never found out who answered her call, though his kindness on the phone, his good cheer, and his gratitude were not forgotten. The man himself remained anonymous, a volunteer working the phones at intergroup on a summer afternoon.

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**The above was written in 1994, yet so much of it is still true today.**

## **I AM RESPONSIBLE: The Hand of AA**

### *A Dose of Reality*

I recently went on a Twelfth Step call with another recovering alcoholic to a woman's home. What I saw and felt there is almost impossible to put into words, but I felt the need to try for those in the Fellowship who may be getting somewhat complacent. After many years of sobriety it's easy to remember, but not always feel, the depth of the pain. This experience flooded my soul with the reality of the disease.

As my friend and I entered the apartment, we were met with the stench of vomit and urine. The woman was covered with filth. She was partially nude, she was malnourished, there was no food in the house, bills were gathering dust. Two bottles of whiskey were at her bedside. With this chaos around her, all this poor woman could ask for, beg for, was another drink.

Amidst this disarray and sickness, on her stark walls was evidence of her past life: hanging in a beautiful frame was a "Mother of the Year" award.

This woman altered my life. Although I didn't reach the depths of despair that she did, it is waiting for me if I drink again.

I thank God for a daily reprieve contingent on my spirituality. Because of this woman, I pray longer, help others more, read AA literature with a vengeance, and try to apply the Steps more avidly. I don't know if I helped her, but she will never know how much she helped me.

~ Jill L., York, Pennsylvania, September 1999

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## SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES



The circle stands for the whole world of A.A.

The triangle stands for A.A.'s three legacies of Recovery, Unity, and Service.

**Lee County Area Intergroup** – for more information on any of the following, contact Stephanie (239-275-5111)

- Intergroup Representative (IGR) for your home group
- 12 Step Call list
- Speaker list
- Office volunteer
- Gratitude Dinner Committee
- Steering Committee

### District 7

- General Service Representative (GSR) for your home group
- Accessibilities Committee – currently vacant; contact Bree (812-322-3220)
- Archives Committee: contact Kathie (239-738-9154)
- Corrections Committee: meets once every quarter on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at YANA at 6:30pm; contact Linda (313-268-1966)
- Finance Committee: contact Greg (239-357-7358)
- Grapevine Committee: meets monthly on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday on Zoom at 6:30pm; contact Martin (239-314-9274)
- Hospitality Committee: contact Pat (239-244-9421)
- Literature Committee: contact Shawna (608-225-2656)
- Outreach Committee: contact Steve (716-462-3283)
- Public Information/Communicating with Professional Community (PI/CPC) Committee: meets monthly on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday at YANA at 7:00pm; contact Raul (786-626-3188)
- Treatment Committee: meets monthly on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday at Epiphany Episcopal in Cape Coral at 7:00pm; contact Henry (239-699-5174)
- Website Committee: contact Sabine (239-322-6546)

**FIND OUT MORE** about any of the above by attending a monthly business meeting:

Intergroup meets monthly on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 6:30pm, Covenant Presbyterian, Fort Myers

District meets monthly on the last Sunday, 2:00pm, YANA, Fort Myers

# GROUP & MEETING CONTRIBUTIONS – AUGUST & YEAR-TO-DATE 2024

*ALL active groups & meetings in the Lee County Area are listed.*

NAME	Aug	Jan-Aug	NAME	Aug	Jan-Aug
			Favorite Passages in AA Literature (o)	75.00	125.00
			F.B.I. Group		50.00
			First Things First		
1-2-3-Go Group		100.00	Footprints in the Sand		
12 & 12 Step meeting (o)			Fort Myers Beach Men's Group		302.00
1935 Step Group		18.75	Fort Myers Group	40.00	590.00
5 Alive			Fort Myers Shores Group	150.00	300.00
5:30 Group	200.00	595.00	Foxhall Group		80.00
630 Beginners Group			Freethinkers of Bonita Springs Group		
7&7 Group		506.00	Freethinkers of Fort Myers Group		65.00
ABC Beginners Group	106.00	563.00	Fresh Start		382.43
After Hours			Friday Night Beginners Group		
Against All Odds Group		150.00	Friday Night Group		
All Lit Up			Friday Night Lights		
Alva A.A. Way Group	300.00	600.00	<b>Friends of Bill Group</b>	50.00	50.00
<i>A Miracle (disbanded)</i>		63.00	Garden Group		300.00
A New Perspective			Garden Group (o)		120.00
Anonymous		240.00	Get Well Group		
Another Peace of Hope			<i>Grapevine Group (disbanded)</i>		90.00
As Bill Sees It			Grupo 4 de Julio		
As Bill Sees It by the River Group			Grupo Hispano de Lehigh		
A to Z		123.00	Grupo Nuevo Despertar		
Attitude Adjustment Group		180.00	Grupo Recuperacion de Immokalee		
A Woman's View of ABSI Group (o)	45.00	95.00	Grupo Sendero de Vida		
Baby Steps			Highsteppers Group		300.00
Back to Basics			Hopeful Sisters in Sobriety (o)		
Back to Basics Women's Group	62.59	62.59	Hotrod Ranch Group		1000.00
Beginners 123			H.O.W. Group	117.00	167.00
Beginners Big Book Workshop			How It Works		
Being Convinced			Interesting Topic Group		120.00
Beyond Belief			It's 5 O'clock Somewhere		
Big Book Babes		211.00	Just for Today Group		300.00
Big Book Connections Group		200.00	Just Show Up Group		
Big Book Steppers Group		428.50	Keep It Real Group		100.00
Big Book Study Group			Keep It Simple Group		490.50
Bike Night Group			<b>LaBelle Group</b>		200.00
Bonita Men's Group	300.00	2700.00	Lambda Drummers Group		
Bonita Springs Step Group			Lehigh 12&12		
Bonita Springs Women's Step Group			Lehigh Big Book Study		
Bonita Unity Group			Lehigh Group		43.00
Book Worms Group		123.00	Lehigh Happy Hour Group		32.00
Bottom of the Barrel Group		200.00	Light at Heart Group		360.00
<b>Brady Bunch Group</b>		50.00	<b>Living Sober (ABSI) Group</b>		500.00
Brown Baggers Group	500.00	2500.00	<b>Living Sober by the River Group</b>		200.00
Buckingham AA Group			Lunch Hour Group		
Buy the Book Group			Mad Hatters Group		100.00
Calamity Janes Group			Maintenance Group		
Came to Believe Group		300.00	Meat & Potatoes Group		302.39
Cape Connected		50.00	Men's Big Book		
Cape Coral Bookies Group		100.00	<b>Men's Recovery Group</b>		500.00
Cape Coral Group		218.46	Men's Stag		
Cape Reflections Group		500.00	Mid-Day Miracles Group		150.00
Central Group		150.00	Mixed Nuts		
Chiquita Bananas Group		750.00	Monday Beginners Big Book		
Clean Slate Big Book Group			Monday Big Book Study		201.50
Clear the Air Group		911.46	Monday Living Sober Group		500.00
<b>Courage to Change Women's Grp</b>		449.88			
<b>Daily Reprieve Group</b>		368.86	Monday Recovery Group		
Depot Park Men's Meeting			Morning After Group		329.00
Digital Drunks Men's Discussion (o)			Myana Group		161.00
Doctor's Opinion Study			New 12&12 Step Study		
<b>Dragon Fly Group</b>		211.07	New 730 Group	95.30	1386.45
Drunkin Donuts Group			New Beginnings		
Early Bird Special Group			North Fort Myers Sat Nt Spkr Group		
Early Risers Group (o)	600.00	1,600.00	Not a Glum Parking Lot Group		
Eye on Hope Group			Old Timer's		



Open Door Group			Sugarsweet Group		
Our Primary Purpose Big Book Study		375.00	Sunday Breakfast meeting (o)		
Parking Lot Meeting			Sunday Morning Serenity Group		
PI Groupers			Sunday Night Group		100.00
Pine Island Sisters in Sobriety Group		251.79	Sunday Speakeasy Group		350.00
Pine Island Zoom meeting (o)			Sunlight of the Spirit Group		
Pit meeting			Sunshine Sisters Group		
<b>Plan of Recovery Group</b>		850.00	Support System Group		
<b>Port LaBelle Group</b>		510.00	Survivors Group		
Precisely How We Have Recovered Group		182.00	SWFL Women's Speaker Meeting (o)		
Primary Purpose Group	100.00	200.00	TGIF	332.02	332.02
Primary Purpose with Joe & Charlie			The AWOL Club		125.00
Progress Group			The Islanders		500.00
Promises of Cape Coral Group		200.00	The Lunch Break Big Book Meeting		
Quinto Paso Grupo			The Nooners Group		1200.00
Recovery Group			The Serenity meeting		
Recovery Rocks Group		527.00	The Shared Gift		400.00
Recovery Too Group			Toes in the Sand		370.00
Refuge for Recovery Group			Tough Love Group		100.00
River Reflections Group		20.00	Tuesday Night Step Meeting		
San Carlos Park Group		900.00	Tuesday Night Young People's Group		253.00
Sanibel Approved AA Literature (o)			<i>Unity Group (disbanded)</i>		400.00
Sanibel Friday Nt Speaker Group		300.00	Upon Awakening		
Sanibel Noon (o)			Veteran's Meeting		110.00
Sanibel Speaker meeting (o)			<b>Walk with Purpose Group</b>		150.00
Sanibel Step Meeting			Way of Life Group		200.00
Sanibel Survivors Beach Meeting			Way of Living Big Book Study		12.67
Saturday Night Beginners Group		279.50	We Agnostics Group		
Saturday Night Open Discussion Group			Welcome Home		
Saturday Night Women			What It's Like		
Serenity Group	50.00	1069.00	Willing to Grow through the Principles		100.00
Sermon on the Mount			<b>Women in Sober Exploration Grp W.I.S.E.</b>		334.82
Serving Our Brothers		100.00	Women of Willingness Group		
Singleness of Purpose Group		607.50	Women of Worth Group		
<b>Sisters in Sobriety Group</b>		200.00	Women's Big Book Group		100.00
Sisters Step Study (o)	215.00	215.00	Women's Daily Reflection Meeting		
Sober in East L.A.			Women's Day		
<b>Sober on the Shores Group</b>		412.00	Women's Evening Meditations Group (o)		
Sobriety at Six (o)			Women's Meeting		
Solutions on a Sunday			Young at Heart Group		236.00
Soul Sisters Group	206.50	652.50	Zoom Sisters Group (o)		
<b>Southern Women Group</b>	204.50	204.50			
Spiritual Search Group		150.00	O.D.A.A.T. (D20)		143.10
Step & Grow Group			Bonita Banyan Group (D20)	103.50	103.50
<b>Stepping with the Big Book Group</b>		350.00			
Stepping with the Girls Group		50.00	<b>BOLD = Intergroup Rep attended August Intergroup Representative monthly business meeting</b>		
Step Sisters Group		327.64			
Step Sisters in Sobriety Group		60.00			
<b>Steps to Awakening Group</b>	69.50	743.15			
Steps to Sobriety from the 12&12 Group		168.50	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,921.91</b>	<b>40,741.03</b>

## ALL CONTRIBUTIONS – AUGUST & YEAR-TO-DATE 2024

TYPE	AUGUST	JANUARY - AUGUST
Bequests/In memory of		108.00
Faithful Fivers	10.00	200.00
Groups	3,921.91	40,741.03
Individual	50.00	1,877.53
Intergroup Rep Meeting	31.00	300.00
Special Events (Fundraiser)	2,160.00	2,160.00
Miscellaneous (Bank Interest, Cash +/-)	27.56	219.72
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,200.47</b>	<b>45,606.37</b>

“There are no dues or fees for membership in A.A., but we do have expenses such as rent, refreshments, A.A. Conference-approved literature, meeting lists, and contributions to services provided by the local intergroup (central office), district and area, and the General Service Office of A.A.” (P16 “The A.A. Group ... where it all begins, p.16. Reprinted with permission of A.A.W.S., Inc.)

“Suggested” contributions by Lee County Area, District 7:

50% to intergroup	30% to district
10% to area	10% to G.S.O.

### Websites & Addresses for Contributions:

**Lee County Area Intergroup** [www.leecountyaa.org](http://www.leecountyaa.org)  
12734 Kenwood Lane #72, Fort Myers, FL 33907

\*\*\*NEW\*\*\*

**General Service District 7**  
P.O. Box 61732, Fort Myers, FL 33906-1732

\*\*\*NEW\*\*\*

**Area 15 Treasurer**  
2950 W Cypress Creek Rd, Ste 101 #1097, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309

via PayPal at: [area15aa.org](http://area15aa.org)

via Zelle to: [Treasurer@area15aa.org](mailto:Treasurer@area15aa.org)

**General Service Board** [www.contribution.aa.org](http://www.contribution.aa.org)  
PO Box 2407, James A Farley Station, New York, NY 10116-2407

## **ATTENTION → Meeting Chairpersons**

As a trusted servant, please make time at your meeting to share information about your Intergroup office which extends the “hand of A.A.” beyond your meeting:

- A.A. literature – Big Books, 12&12’s, and many more
- Anniversary coins – 1 through 65 years in a variety of styles and colors
- Anniversary cards – 1 through 65 years

*The information in this section will change every month. Please continue to share at your meetings.*

## **RULE #62: “DON’T TAKE YOURSELF TOO DAMN SERIOUSLY”**

[Tradition 4, page 149, Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions](#)

***The following is for AMUSEMENT PURPOSES ONLY. The editor does not accept responsibility for your reactions.***

From Intergroup-Express, January 2004:

- ❖ A drunk staggering in the street was struck by a passing car. “Look out!” the driver shouted as he slammed on the brakes, jumped out and looked back at the drunk. The drunk raised his head and asked, “Why? You gonna back up?”
- ❖ A drunk walks into a Doctor’s office. He has a cucumber up his nose, a carrot in his left ear and a banana in his right ear. “What’s the matter with me?” he asked. “You’re not eating properly,” replied the Doctor.

From Intergroup-Express, April 2004:

- ❖ A drunk phoned police to report that thieves had been in his car. “They’ve stolen the dashboard, the steering wheel, the brake pedal, even the accelerator!” he cried out. However, before the police investigation could start, the phone rang a second time with the same voice coming over the line. “Never mind,” he said with a hiccup, “I got in the back seat by mistake.”



# OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

**7&7**

Robyn D. 10/9/11

**ALVA AA WAY**

Mike K. 10/15/23

**BACK TO BASICS W**

Vicki A. 10/25/86

**BUCKINGHAM**

Billy Jo H. 10/26/15

**CHIQHITA BANANAS**

Greg B. 10/11/95  
Sandra K. 10/23/04

**CLEAR THE AIR**

Bob H. Sr. 10/25/76  
Michele P. 10/1/18  
Bob H. 10/11/10  
Mike V. 10/17/22

**COURAGE TO CHANGE**

Suzy C. 10/15/91  
Colette H. 10/21/13

**DAILY REPRIEVE**

Bill P. 10/4/15  
Terrie S. 10/8/20

**FRIENDS OF BILL**

Holly S. 10/1/04

**HOTROD RANCH**

Cliff C. 10/8/90  
Gordon 10/9/15

**H.O.W.**

Jim W. 10/24/97  
Larry E. 10/25/05

**LIVING SOBER ABSI**

Ken S. 10/13/17  
Denise H. 10/16/23  
Curt V. 10/25/23

**MEAT & POTATOES**

Brian V. 10/7/19  
Ken F. 10/8/93  
Jamie B. 10/13/18

**MONDAY BB STUDY**

Casey B. 10/31/19  
Ryan K. 10/31/20

**NOONERS**

Keren W. 10/1/23  
Joyce C. 10/11/95  
Nicole H. 10/17/23

**SINGLENESS OF PURPOSE**

Sue M. 10/1/89  
Dennis B. 10/4/73  
Ann G. 10/6/21  
Johnny T. 10/14/15  
Lisa H. 10/18/99  
Debbie T. 10/18/15  
Allison Y. 10/18/18  
Tom S. 10/23/94  
Mark M. 10/25/20

**STEPS TO AWAKENING**

Lori A. 10/29/20

**SURVIVORS**

Jim M. 10/15/06  
Mary S. 10/4/06

**WALK WITH PURPOSE**

John R. 10/26/87

**W.I.S.E.**

Jaimee L. 10/2/16

If you have changed home groups – did you inform the last group you belonged to so they could take your name off their list?

If someone in your group passes, please notify Intergroup so their name can be removed from the list.

## THINGS TO DO, PLACES TO GO

**40<sup>th</sup> Annual Gratitude Dinner Fundraising Event for Lee County Area Intergroup**

Saturday, November 2, 2024

Doors open 5:30pm --- Dinner 6:30pm --- Speaker 8:00pm

Faith Presbyterian, 4544 Coronado Pkwy, Cape Coral

Tickets \$45/person

**The 10-4 Halloween Bash**

Saturday, October 26, 2024, 4:00pm-9pm

Food! Fun! Recovery!

Alva Community Center, 21471 N. River Rd, Alva

Admission \$20/person – includes meal

**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Halloween Party**

Sunday, October 27, 2024, 6:00pm-10pm

Family friendly! Costumes suggested! 50/50! Photo ops! Bonfire!

Dry Palms, 1251 Lamar Rd, North Fort Myers

Tickets \$12/person – includes food and beverage

**Intergroup Representative Meeting**

Next meeting – October 17, 2024

5:30P Gratitude Dinner Committee meeting  
6:30P (New IGRs @ 6:00P)

Covenant Presbyterian Church  
2439 McGregor Blvd, Fort Myers

**District 7 General Service Representative Meeting**

Next meeting September 29, 2024  
2:00P (New GSRs @ 1:00P)

YANA, 1185 Lake McGregor Dr., Ft Myers

**SAVE THE DATE!!**

Women's Day

February 23, 2025



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