

# District Dispatch

## *Thank you to our 2019 trusted servants and volunteers !*

Nothing happens in God's world by mistake, and guess what ??? nothing happens without the help and support of members in our District 2 / Area 15. Let's give a great SHOUT OUT of gratitude, accolades and much warranted **THANK YOU's** for the District 2 General Service individuals of which we as a group would not be able to accomplish everything we have accomplished ! We are looking forward to as successful if not a greater 2020 ! Here's to our 20/20 VISION and thank you to everyone who has supported us throughout the year last year !

### District 2

Chair	Robin L	//Alt Chair	JoAnn B
Treasurer	Vicki R	// Registrar	James S
Secretary	Vivian H	//Accessibilities	Larry B
Archives	Leonard	// Carry The Message	Day David
Current Practice	Wayne H	//Delegate Luncheon	Rob R
District Dispatch	Sophie C	//Finance Chair	Tom F
Grapevine	Brian L	// Gratitude Dinner	Gary R
Intergroup Liaison	Beth S	// Literature Chair	Betsy B
Public Information	Suzanne B	// Web Servant	Sheryl R
New GSR Orientation	Suzanne B	//TBAIC Corrections	Alan D

### DCM/ACM

Sub-District A: (Central Brandon) Greg P.  
 Sub-District B: (Zephyrhills, Wesley Chapel, Dade City) Brian L  
 Sub-District D: (LandOLakes, Lutz, Odessa) Susan O  
 Sub-District E: (West Columbus) Joe T  
 Sub-District F: (YANA, Bayshore) Craig C/ ACM Rob R.  
 Sub-District H: (Apollo Beach/Ruskin/Sun City) Mike B  
 Sub-District J: (Town N Country) Mila A.  
 Sub-District K: (Hyde Park, Downtown) Alan D. /ACM Bobby  
 Sub District Q: (S Brandon, Clair Mel) Denny M

### GSR/Alt GSR's

There are well 103 groups in District 2. We hope to see the representation grow in this area, and we are grateful to those that serve and continue to serve !!!

**BIG THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF !!!**

## A.A. HIGHLIGHTS FOR DISTRICT TWO (2)

### GENERAL SERVICE

Meetings 1st Sunday of the month @ The Club ; 3333 W Columbus Drive

\*Jan 12th / Feb 2nd / Mar 29th

GSR Orientation / DCM Sharing  
 2-3 pm // Business Meeting 3-5pm

### LITERATURE COMMITTEE

Meetings 11:00 am / 1st Saturday of the month @ Tri-County Central Office, Inc. 8019 N. Himes, Suite 104 ; Tampa, FL 33614

### PI/CPC COMMITTEE

Meetings 9:15 am / 3rd Saturday of the month @ Tri-County Central Office, Inc. 8019 N. Himes, Suite 104 ; Tampa, FL 33614

### ACCESSIBILITIES COMMITTEE

Meetings 9:00am / 1st Sunday of the month @ 301 House - 8601 Bowles Rd ; Tampa, FL 33637

### SOUTH FLORIDA AREA 15

### GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY

QUARTERLY SOUTH FL AREA 15

GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY

**APRIL 3 - 5, 2020**

REGISTRATION FRI 4-8:30 PM

SAT 8-8:30 PM/ SUN 7AM-9AM

QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT  
 QUARTERLY ASSEMBLY CHAIR

## Tradition of the Month

*Tradition One: Long Form: Each member of Alcoholics Anonymous is but a small part of a great whole. AA must continue to live or most of us will surely die. Hence our common welfare should come first. But individual welfare follows close afterwards.*

### Practice These Principles...\*\*

**Tradition One:** Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon AA unity.

1. Am I in my group a healing, mending, integrating person, or am I divisive? What about gossip and taking other members' inventories?
2. Am I a peacemaker? Or do I, with pious preludes such as "just for the sake of discussion," plunge into argument?
3. Am I gentle with those who rub me the wrong way, or am I abrasive?
4. Do I make competitive AA remarks, such as comparing one group with another or contrasting AA in one place with AA in another?
5. Do I put down some AA activities as if I were superior for not participating in this or that aspect of AA?
6. Am I informed about AA as a whole? Do I support, in every way I can, AA as a whole, or just the parts I understand and approve of?
7. Am I as considerate of AA members as I want them to be of me?
8. Do I spout platitudes about love while indulging in and secretly justifying behavior that bristles with hostility?
9. Do I go to enough AA meetings or read enough AA literature to really keep in touch?
10. Do I share with AA all of me, the bad and the good, accepting as well as giving the help of fellowship?

\*\* These questions were originally published in the AA Grapevine in conjunction with a series on the Twelve Traditions that began in November 1969 and ran through September 1971. While they were originally intended primarily for individual use, many AA groups have since used them as a basis for wider discussion.

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### ARCHIVE COMMITTEE

For more information reach out to your DCM !

### CARRY THE MESSAGE DAY

District is in search for a Chairperson to Lead this effort. For more information reach out to your DCM !

### DISTRICT DISPATCH

Please send any feedback or articles from your District for inclusion. If you'd like to help please reach out to your DCM

### GRAPEVINE COMMITTEE

Meetings 11am /4th Saturday of the month @ Tri-County Central Office, Inc. 8019 N. Himes, Suite 104 ; Tampa, FL 33614

### INTERGROUP LIASION

Meetings 6 pm /2nd Tuesday of the month @ Tri-County Central Office, Inc. 8019 N. Himes, Suite 104 ; Tampa, FL 33614

### TBAIC CORRECTIONS

Meetings 9:30 am /2nd Saturday of the month @ Tri-County Central Office, Inc. 8019 N. Himes, Suite 104 ; Tampa, FL 33614

## ***Pamphlet of the Month***

*Did you know there is a pamphlet for just about any and all topics in Alcoholics Anonymous? Our plan is to highlight the Concepts each month from the below pamphlet in an effort to spread the information of the Concepts to our Area !*

[https://www.aa.org/assets/en\\_US/p-8\\_the\\_twelve\\_concepts.pdf](https://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/p-8_the_twelve_concepts.pdf)

*Let your DCM know if your group is interested in a learning more*

### **Concept I: Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship.**

**A**lcoholics Anonymous has been called an upside-down organization because the “ultimate responsibility and final authority for . . . world services” resides with the groups — rather than with the trustees of the General Service Board or the General Service Office in New York.

In Concept I, Bill traces how this came to be. The first step in 1938 was “the creation of a trusteeship,” first called the Alcoholic Foundation, renamed in 1954 the General Service Board. Why? To perform the services the groups could not do for themselves: e.g., uniform literature, uniform public information about A.A., helping new groups get started, sharing with them the experience of established groups, handling pleas for help, publishing a national magazine, and carrying the message in other languages and in other countries. A service office was formed to carry on these functions under the board’s direction. Both the board and the office looked to the co-founders, Bill and Dr. Bob, for policy leadership.

In the midst of the “exuberant success” of early A.A., Dr. Bob became fatally ill and Bill asked, “When Dr. Bob and I are gone, who would then advise the trustees and the office?” The answer, Bill felt, was to be found in the collective conscience of the A.A. groups. But how could the autonomous, widely scattered groups exercise such a responsibility?

### **A.A. HIGHLIGHTS FOR DISTRICT TWO (2)**

#### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE OPEN DCM POSITIONS**

SUBDISTRICT C (DOVER/PLANT CITY)

SUBDISTRICT G (CARROLWOOD)

SUBDISTRICT I (TEMPLE TERRACE)

SUBDISTRICT M (SEMINOLE HEIGHTS)

SUBDISTRICT N (RIVERVIEW)

SUBDISTRICT R (LITHIA/VALRICO)

SUBDISTRICT T (NEW TAMPA/USF)

SUBDISTRICT U (DREW PARK/NW TAMPA)

SUBDISTRICT V (CITRUS PARK, NORTH DLE)

SUBDISTRICT W (EN ESPANOL)

## ***Pamphlet of the Month (cont'd)***

Over great resistance by trustees and members devoted to the status quo, Bill managed to “sell” the idea of calling an A.A. General Service Conference (see Concept II), and eleven years later Bill was able to declare, “The results of the Conference have exceeded our highest expectations.” This Concept is rooted in Tradition Two, which states:

*“For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority — a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.”*

The principles of Tradition Two are crystal-clear, Bill asserts: “The A.A. groups are to be the final authority; their leaders are to

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#### **NEXT MONTH !!!**

UPDATES FROM OUR AREA  
ASSEMBLY MEETING

UPDATES FROM OUR  
DISTRICT COMMITTEE  
MEMBERS