



The Message

A MONTHLY NEWLETTER

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Membership—Vacant

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Corrections—Wanda H—Northside

Grapevine—Joe J—HomeGroup

Intergroup—Dawn K—Northside

Accessibilities—Kayce M—Downtown

Archives—Vacant

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INTERGROUP 5, INC.

JULY, 2003

TALLAHASSEE, FL

CASA-12

There have always been A.A.'s who sought a place to go for coffee and conversation; a spot where members could gather for lunch; a place where they could gather socially on weekends and holidays.

In 1947, Bill W. wrote a Grapevine article on clubs that became part of our pamphlet "A.A. Traditions—How It Developed." The title carried the question, "Clubs in A.A.—Are They With Us to Stay?" Today, the answer to that question can be "yes." The success and the endurance of the club idea can be ascribed to the wisdom and guidance expressed in Bill's article and to the willingness of club minded A.A.s to help make them work. These A.A.s make it possible for a club to function effectively without detracting from A.A.s source of recovery—the A.A. group experience demonstrates that a club can live in harmony with the A.A. community and serve a very useful purpose for those who find a club helpful.

CASA—12 is one of those clubs that live in harmony with the A.A. community and serve a very useful purpose for alcoholics. I disliked clubs when I started my journey in A.A. This was primarily due to ignorance and closed mindedness. One day my sponsor asked if I were a member of the local club in our community. My response was no. She asked me why and I started a dialogue about why clubs were not good for A.A. Like any wise sponsor, she allowed me to rant and rave for about five minutes. She looked me dead in the eyes and informed me that it was not about me, but about the *newcomer*. They need a safe haven (sometimes I do too); groups that meet at a club operated by A.A.s usually have two to five meetings a day; newcomers often attend meetings at a club which provides me with an opportunity to be service and to give back what has freely been given to me; and that clubs are great places to meet with sponsees, provided that you are a member of the club.

That conversation changed my opinion of clubs and has motivated me to become a member of the local club wherever I live. No, CASA is not affiliated with A.A.; however, it serves a very useful purpose to the A.A. fellowship in Tallahassee.

A.A. Guidelines for Clubs and The Message Editor

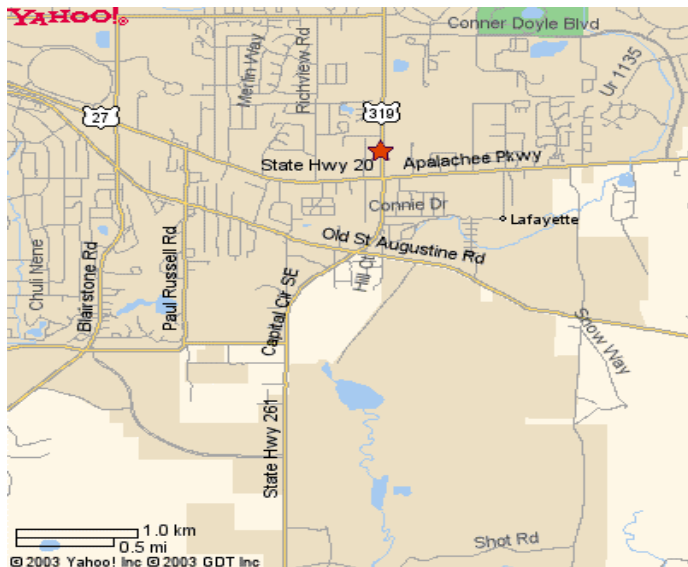
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News Around Tallahassee

Group News

CASA —MOVED

As of July 4th, CASA-12 is moving to Cross Creek Square shopping center, 1208-H Capital Circle SE, in a storefront next to the Merita bread thrift store. This is at the corner of Apalachee Parkway and Capital Circle SE. The mailing address will remain: P.O. Box 12391, Tallahassee, FL 32317-2391. The phone number will still be: 850-422-2272.



Groups that meet at CASA-12

Monday thru Friday:

7:15 a.m. Conscious Contact - Open AA Meditation

12:30 p.m. Living Sober - Open AA, Discussion

6:15 p.m. Happy Hour - AA

(Mon.-Open Beginners Mtg.;

Wed.-Open Speaker Mtg.; Thurs.-Closed Discussion, Tues. & Fri.-Open Discussion)

Saturday/Sunday:

11:00 a.m. Living Sober - Open AA Discussion

6:15 p.m. Happy Hour - Open AA Discussion

Last Friday of month:

6:00-7:30 p.m.: Happy Hour/Living Sober

Birthday Mtg. and Potluck dinner

Last Saturday of month:

7:30 p.m. Conscious Contact Anniversary Celebration (bring a dessert)

Meeting day/time additions or corrections: Call Kris D. at 385-8358 or 556-5503

Intergroup News

June, 2003 Finance Report

Beginning Balance		\$ 533.66
INCOME		
Contributions from Groups ¹	\$ 475.07	
Anonymous Donation	\$ 130.00	
Picnic	\$ 271.00	
Total Income		\$ 876.07
EXPENSES		
Rent	\$ 222.79	
Office Supervision	220.00	
Office Supplies	7.40	
Answering Service	188.96	
Telephone	40.77	
Web Site/Domain Name	25.00	
Newsletter/Printing	61.29	
Liability Insurance	304.27	
Dept of State/Corporate Fee	61.25	
Total Expenses		\$ 1,131.73
Net After Expenses		\$ 278.00
Prudent Reserve	\$ 733.55	

¹ Group Contributions will be posted in the August Newsletter.

Faithful Fivers

Faithful Fivers are A.A. members who consistently contribute \$5.00 each month to Intergroup to help with expenses. Become a Faithful Fiver by dropping your "five" in the mail to Intergroup. If desired, we will publish your name in "The Message" as a Faithful Fiver.

sincerely appreciates your help!

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Thank you for your generosity! Intergroup



News from District V

The monthly District meeting was held on Wednesday, June 18, 2003, at 7:00 PM at the Faith Presbyterian Church.

Groups represented at the meeting – Central, Crawfordville, Downtown, Happy Hour, Lloyd, Northside, Pathfinders, Perry, Powder-No-Puff

News from the North Florida Area – Assembly will be held July 25, 26, and 27th at the Sheraton Gainesville Hotel in Gainesville, FL. (800) 325-3535

District V

DCM – Area is looking into Accessibilities issues. Questions were asked of district regarding Conference approved literature formats...The pamphlet “The AA Group” is being looked at for changes. Groups are asked to bring suggestions to their GSRs.

CPC – Fran M. will be resigning as CPC chair. If you are interested in taking this service position, please at-

tend the next meeting on July 16. We would like to thank Fran for her hard work and service.

Treatment – Tom M. is still looking for groups responses to taking meetings into treatment centers. Contact your GSR if you are interested.

Corrections – Wanda H. is working hard to form a corrections committee. She is currently looking for a place to meet the second Saturday of the month. Please contact Wanda if you have suggestions or would like to be a committee member.

IG5 – Founder’s Day picnic will be held this weekend (June 21) at Wakulla Springs. Food, fun, and fellowship are expected!

Accessibilities – Kayce M. is looking for any ideas or suggestions. Contact your GSR or attend the next district meeting on July 16 if you would like to help.

Lisa F., Secretary

District 5 Finance Report - May, 2003

Beginning Balance		\$ 867.88
INCOME		
Contributions	\$ 165.40	
Transfer from Savings	528.28	
Total Income		<u>\$ 693.68</u>
EXPENSES		
Total Expenses	0.00	<u>\$ -</u>
Net After Expenses		<u>\$ 1,561.56</u>
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Savings Account Balance as of 04/30/03		\$ 1,553.68
Less Transfer to Checking		(528.28)
Balance in Savings Account		\$ 1,025.40
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Check Book Balance		\$ 1,561.56
Savings Account Balance		1,025.40
Total District Funds		\$ 2,586.96

Discover the High! in Corrections

*District V Committee Meeting
Saturday, July 12, 2003
4:00 pm
Central Group
909 Gadsden Street
Tallahassee, FL*

47th State Convention

**Registry Resort
Naples, FL
July 16-20, 2003
Contact Chris H.
(850) 445-3882**

Wanted

A.A. speaker tapes to supply the Wakulla Correctional Institution Tape Library. See Chris H. or Ed V.

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Volunteers to carry the message into Treatment Facilities. Get involved in your own sobriety by contacting Tom M. to sign up for a meeting.

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Volunteers to carry the message into Correctional Institutions. Get involved in your own sobriety by contacting Wanda H. to sign up for a meeting.

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Volunteers to serve on the PI and CPC committees. Get involved in your own sobriety by attending the June District meeting (06/18/03) and volunteer to work on one of these committees.

Events and Happenings

July 2—Intergroup 5, Inc., monthly meeting, Faith Presbyterian Church, Meridian and John Knox Road, 7:00 pm.
July 10-13—28th Annual Atlanta Roundup, Westin Atlanta North Perimeter, Atlanta, GA.
July 12—**Corrections Committee Monthly Meeting**, Central Group, 4:00 pm
July 16—District V monthly meeting, Faith Presbyterian Church, Meridian and John Knox Road 7:00 pm.
July 16-20—47th Florida State Convention, Registry Resort, Naples, FL. See Chris H. for flier or additional information.
July 25-27—Area 14 Assembly, Sheraton Gainesville Hotel, Gainesville, FL. Mention that you are with NFACAA when making reservations to get group discount (\$61/night, register early).

WANTED INTERGROUP Office Volunteers

Sun—Afternoon
 Mon—10 am to 12 noon
 Mon—2 to 4 pm
 Tues—11 am to 12 noon
 Thurs—11 am to 12 noon
 Fri—12 to 3 pm
 Sat—All Day

If you are willing to be of service, please contact Tom A., Office Coordinator, (850) 224-1818.

WANTED

Volunteers to chair the Intergroup Membership and Special Events committee. If you are willing to be of service, please notify Tom A., Office Coordinator, (850) 224-1818

NEWSLETTER

Please submit articles, anniversary notices or announcements for "The Message" to the Intergroup office or send email to wfhale@msn.com by the 28th of each month. If you have questions, please call (850) 656-3035.

Intergroup 5 News Continued

June, 2003 Literature Report

Beginning Balance		\$	-
INCOME			
Contributions - District 5	\$ 1,000.00		
Literature Sales	215.50		
Sales Tax	16.18		
Total Income		\$	1,231.68
EXPENSES			
Literature on Credit Card	\$ 86.60		
Total Expenses		\$	86.60
Net After Expenses		\$	1,145.08

New Meeting

Tuesday and Thursdays
 12:30 til 1:30

Advent Episcopal Church
 815 W. Piedmont Drive

Tallahassee, FL

We will meet in the library which is located through the office.

First meeting will be held on Tuesday July 1, 2003
 Any questions, call Diz T. 385-2112

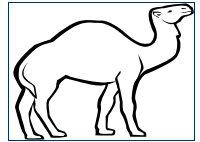
ANNOUNCEMENT

Due to *CASA* moving, the Sunday Night Big Book and Step Study Group will be meeting at the Addiction Recovery Center at 8:00 pm **starting June 22, 2003:**

Addiction Recovery Center
 1931 Buford Blvd.
 Tallahassee, FL
 (850) 656-5112

For Additional Information
 Contact:
 Jim B. at (850) 513-1370

Keep
 Coming Back
 Without a
 Drink!



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

June Central Group

Patti P.—4 yrs
 Van J.—8 yrs
 Steve I.—12 yrs
 Sabrina—14 yrs
 Jerilyn C.—17 yrs
 Stanley P.—18 yrs

July Northside Group

Greg—1 yr
 Dave F.—1 yrs
 Steven S.—1 yrs
 Charlie B.—21 yrs

Correction

Last month's issue of *The Message* announced in the meeting change for the Sunday Night Big Book Study that *CASA* was closing. *CASA* is not closing; they are moving. See page 2 for details. *The Editor*

Twelve Promises for Beginners

1. You will know your full name and address.
2. You will be able to shave yourself.
3. You will be able to dress and undress yourself.
4. You will know the town, state, and country you are in.
5. You will be able to find socks that match.
6. You will be able to smoke without burning yourself, your clothes, or the furniture.

To Be Continued Next Month