



OA pinellas newspapers

traditions intergroup

February 2008

Step 2 - Came to believe that a power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.

Tradition 2 - 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.

Pinellas Traditions Intergroup

Friday, 15 February 2008

7:00PM - til

Morton Plant Hospital

1st Floor - Tuttle D Auditorium

300 Pinellas Street

Clearwater, FL

PINELLAS TRADITIONS INTERGROUP COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chair:	Donna D.	526-4082	hooha@mac.com
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Treasurer:	Karen C.	533-8403	kcornacchia@tampabay.rr.com
Secretary:		OPEN	

FLORIDA STATE OA CONVENTION

"I just wanted to remind everyone that it isn't too late to consider getting warmed up (if you are a northerner) in Florida, the end of February for the Florida State OA convention. It's being held right on Cocoa Beach! I know of friends coming from Minnesota and Little Rock. Maybe you can come too? Don't wait until the last minute as the hotel will fill up. Go to the region website for a registration form, www.oaregion8.org. I hope to see you there."

Love, Gerri, Chair Region 8

PS, Hurry, hurry, Jan 26th is the deadline for early registration of only \$20. If you wait, the hotel fills up, then you have to drive from another hotel, pay \$30 instead of \$20 for registration and I can hear you complaining already. On a more positive note, there is a chair, a sandy sea shell, and a ray or two of warm sunshine with your name on it waiting there for you.

I am helping find room mates for people. If you need help, please call. 526-4082 Donna D., Chair, PTI

2nd STEP Prayer

God, I'm standing at the turning point right now. Give me your protection and care as I abandon myself to you and give up my old ways and my old ideas just for today.
(p. 59 BB)



News from an OA in Durham, N.C.,

At my home group this past Saturday, I shared on how excited I was that this past week, I got a call from someone in Florida, an email from a member from NY, and two calls from members in and around Durham. I shared that I just had the feeling that something good is happening at least in this neck of the woods. More members are talking about buying scales, weighing and measuring, getting a sponsor, and causing problems. Can you believe, we had to actually get up and put out more chairs as more members kept showing up the past few weeks. What a great problem to have.

What 'ja say let's keep it going?



PTI Meeting minutes December 20, 2007

Treasurer Report

- ✓ add year to date report to next newsletter
- ✓ Motion to accept treasurers report by Stephanie
- ✓ 2nd by Linda Mc

Events

- ✓ Writing workshop planned for March 15 or 22, 2008 at St. Marks Church on Curlew Road, Dunedin. Peggy has been contacted to lead the workshop
- ✓ Applications for members who want to attend SOAR 8 in Mississippi are available for distribution. A Copy of the application is in the Newspages.
- ✓ Other events are being planned
- ✓ "Abstinence for the Holidays" Marathon brought in \$150. \$75 to Church and \$75 for PTI. SOAR 8 Mississippi \$71. Bouquet \$122, \$ 100 to PTI 50 attendees and 10 from Coco Beach

Florida State Convention

- ✓ Next meeting will be held January 26, 2008
- ✓ Program available for review
- ✓ Items were collected for Basket

Outreach:

- ✓ Young people meeting starting at Turning Point December 30, 2007.

Webmaster:

- ✓ A check was requested by previous webmaster to cover cost of web hosting for the next three months. Also would like to have name changed on the account to someone on the board.
- ✓ This lead to a discussion about having a debit card for the bank account. The discussion was tabled until further review and find out the limitations and liability of having a Debit for OA.

WSO:

- ✓ Karen requested that she attend the OA business meeting. Motion by Marty for Karen to attend WSO Business meeting with a budget limited to \$1000. 2nd by Stephanie.

Respectfully submitted by Linda Mc

Treasurer's Report - Dec 2007

Beginning Balance		7584.54
<i>Income</i>		
November donations		\$ 463.76
WSO Public Awareness Campaign		\$ 20.50
Abstinence workshop		\$ 75.00
	Total	\$ 559.26
<i>Dispersments</i>		
WSO		\$ 139.13
WSO Public Awareness Campaign		\$ 20.50
Soar 8		\$ 46.38
Freedom Intergroup (telephone)		\$ 16.00
Copying, Nov & Dec newspages		\$ 115.39
Morton Plant Foundation donation		\$ 60.00
	Total	\$ 397.40
Beginning balance		\$ 7,585.54
Income		\$ 559.26
Expenses.		\$ (397.40)
Ending Balance		\$ 7,747.40

Meeting #		Name	Amount	PTI	WSO	Region 8
47788		Focus on Abstinence	\$ 100.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 10.00
46184	Tuesday	Lifeline	\$ 100.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 10.00
36656		New Largo Step	\$ 60.00	\$ 36.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 6.00
47934	Thursday	Wake Up Call	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 5.00
49602		A Step Up	\$ 20.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 2.00
27235		Serenity	\$ 118.76	\$ 71.26	\$ 35.63	\$ 11.88
49012		Joy of Abstinence	\$ 10.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 1.00
1942		PTI intergroup	\$ 5.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 1.50	\$ 0.50
			\$ 463.76	\$ 278.26	\$ 139.13	\$ 46.38

WSO Public Awareness Campaign			
Meeting #	Name		Amount
47934	Wake Up		\$ 14.50
1942	Intergroup		\$ 1.00
49012	Joy of Abstinence		\$ 5.00
		Total	\$ 20.50

Submitted by: Karen C, Treasurer PTI

Anyone interested in submitting articles, questions, comments, pictures, etc to the newspapers, please submit to: akrayow@tampabay.rr.com.
Please indicate in the subject line – "submission for OA newspapers". Thanks. annkr

12 Step Within

Hello everyone,
Hope you had a wonderful beginning to this New Year.
Great to be abstinent!!!!
I signed myself as an email sponsor this summer with WSO and did not have any response until Dec 31 when two people contacted me about sponsor. The new year usually brings out the desire to change and improve so hopefully we will see more attendance at our meetings.



....MARCH MISSION TO MISSISSIPPI....

How is everyone doing collecting funds? I spoke with Lesa (from Central Mississippi IG & 12th Step W/I committee) this weekend and so far there are 12 people from the area who have requested funding to attend the recovery convention. She thinks there could be as many as 20. This is really Twelfth Step Within at work! Please, if you want your collection to send Mississippians to the March SOAR 8, get your funds to Karen C the treasurer for SOAR 8, by **February 1** so that plans can be made. Please put for **March Mission to Mississippi** in the **Memo** along with your **group** or **Intergroup number**. Let me know if there is anything I can do to help you
Don't eat no matter what. **Action** is the Magic word.
stephanie
12th Step Within chair.

Outreach Activities Report

A special thank you goes out the Recreation Program Coordinator, Keith Tickner with the City of Largo. Largo Recreation had a fitness and wellness event. January 8th - January 12th. I meet with Keith and offered to set up OA information booth.

With only ten days notice and a lot of service from Felicia, Mary Mc, Patti, Stephanie, and Karen we were able to pass out program information at three different locations in Largo. I'm happy to report that our first "interested party" has already shown up at an OA meeting. Being next to the Blood Pressure & Body Fat analysis table we could offer our "no dues, no fees, no weigh-ins, no diets, one day at a time" solution to anyone who was unhappy with his BMI (body mass index).

Keith listened to our stories and invited us back for a fourth day. He is already planning a Spring Event and is interested in inviting OA to participate.

We have an event in St Petersburg Planned for March and I am pursuing leads for health fairs in other areas of the county. If you are available during the day or evening, please e-mail me at marionc@ix.netcom.com I'd like to have a large pool of people I can call on for service. Also let me know if you have any contacts I can use to get into more areas with our traveling information booth.

We get to keep our program and show our gratitude by passing it on to others. You never know when the seed you plant by sharing will save another life from our common disease.

