

# Heartland Intergrouper



If we cannot get volunteers on a consistent basis at the Intergroup Office we will be forced to change the office hours to 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday thru Thursday. Please contact Cathy at [www.officemanager@heartlandintergroup.org](mailto:www.officemanager@heartlandintergroup.org) or 863-688-0211 with your comments or willingness to assist with volunteering.

## Events, Announcements and News

Heartland Intergroup

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00am – 5:00pm, Saturday 9:00am – 12:00pm

To our subscribers:

If you would like to include an article, event or announcement in the newsletter, please send as a Word document or as a jpg. to: [heartlandintergrouper@gmail.com](mailto:heartlandintergrouper@gmail.com).

**1936**

## **An offer spurs “group conscience”**



Charles B. Towns, owner of Towns Hospital suggests that Bill move his work to the hospital, where he could treat alcoholics, conduct his meetings, and share in the establishment's profits. At the Clinton Street meeting that very evening, Bill tells his group of the offer — but the members object, insisting that spreading the message for money would violate its integrity. Below: Bill's admission slip to Towns.

Towns Hospital, New York City and Bill's admission slip to Towns Hospital

**1937**

## **The office that will go down in A.A. history**



Bill begins to commute to a small office at 17 William Street, Newark, New Jersey (right), joining Hank P. to raise money for a new business venture — Honor Dealers, an attempt to create a cooperative program for gasoline dealers in northern New Jersey. The office secretary is a young

woman named Ruth Hock.

## **Plans for the future**

In late 1937, Bill pays another visit to Dr. Bob in Akron. Comparing notes, they are astonished to find that at least 40 of the many alcoholics with whom they've worked have stayed sober for two years. This discovery leads to exciting possibilities: Bill and Bob discuss developing a chain of hospitals dedicated to the treatment of alcoholics; employing salaried workers who would spread the word; and literature — especially a book, meant to carry the message far and wide.

## Action in Akron



Oxford Group meetings for alcoholics continue at the large home of T. Henry and Clarace Williams (right), with Dr. Bob sometimes joining Mr. Williams to lead meetings. The recovering alcoholics of the group refer to themselves as the "alcoholic squadron of the Oxford Group."

Home of T. Henry and Clarace Williams

## A momentous meeting

Bill's attempts to raise money for his and Bob's vision prove unsuccessful. In 1937, his brother-in-law, Dr. Leonard Strong, Jr., is able to set up a meeting with men connected to the philanthropies of John D. Rockefeller, Jr. (right). At a December meeting attended by Bill, Dr. Bob, Dr. Silkworth, and a few group members from New York and Akron, the potential backers are moved and impressed by the Fellowship's work. However, after it is pointed out that money could spoil the movement's purpose, the meeting reaps welcome enthusiasm and moral support, but no funds.



John D. Rockefeller, Jr.



**June 8, 2019**

**The Hamptons G&CC, 1094 US Hwy 92, Auburndale, FL 33823**

**Time: Doors open @ 5:00 Dinner @ 6:00**

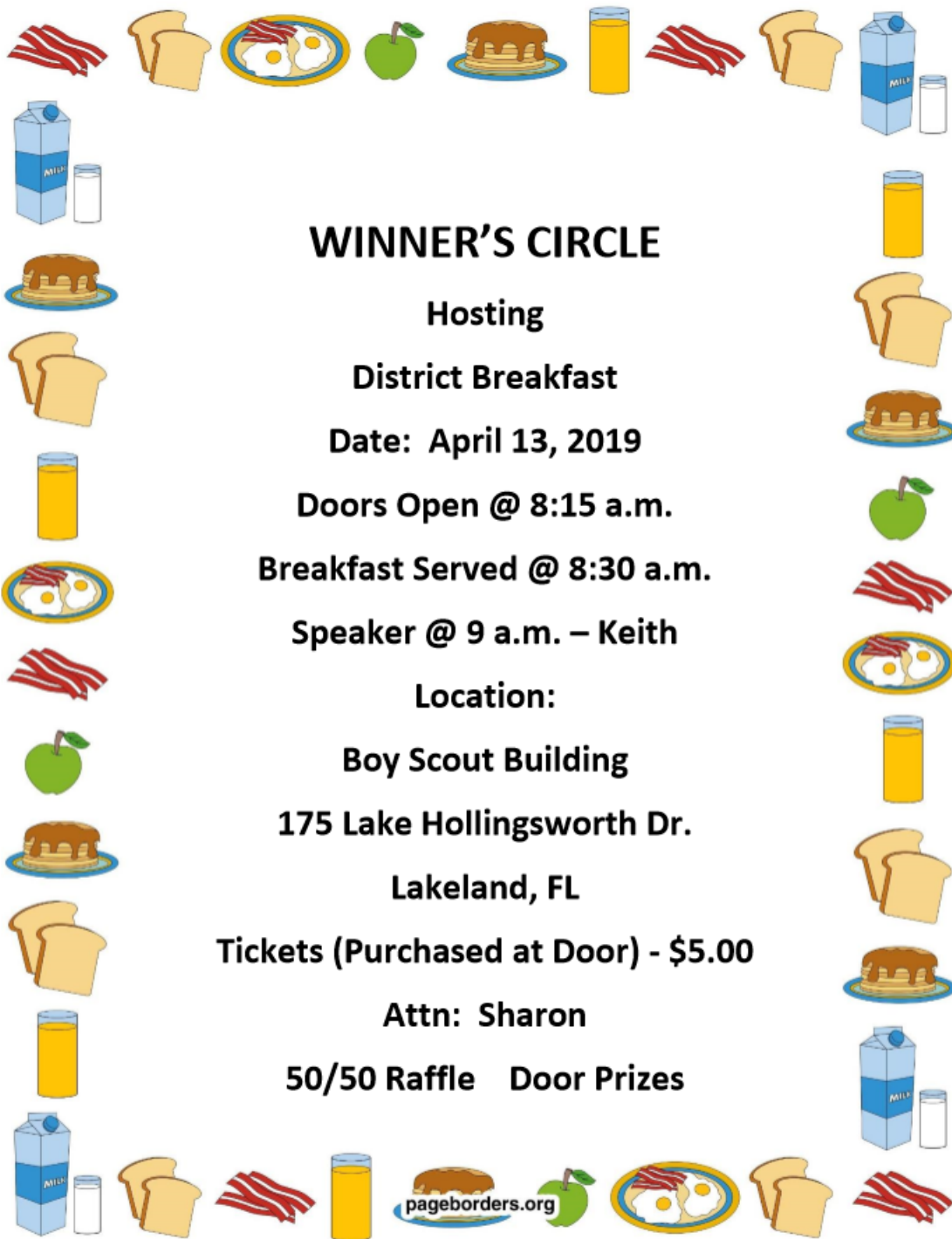
**Menu: Steak dinner with fixings \$20.00**

**Speaker: Dick H. from Massachusetts**

**50/50 Dessert Raffle**

**NO TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR**

**Proceeds to benefit Heartland Intergroup**



## **WINNER'S CIRCLE**

**Hosting**

**District Breakfast**

**Date: April 13, 2019**

**Doors Open @ 8:15 a.m.**

**Breakfast Served @ 8:30 a.m.**

**Speaker @ 9 a.m. – Keith**

**Location:**

**Boy Scout Building**

**175 Lake Hollingsworth Dr.**

**Lakeland, FL**

**Tickets (Purchased at Door) - \$5.00**

**Attn: Sharon**

**50/50 Raffle Door Prizes**

[pageborders.org](http://pageborders.org)



**A.A. District 3**



**Treatment DEMayo**



**Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>**

**5 Speakers**

**5 Minutes Each**

**1:30 PM @ Fellowship Hall**

**Share Some Tacos, Have Some Fun  
& See What A.A. Is Doing In The  
Treatment Places In District 3.**



401 N. Lake Howard Drive, Winter Haven  
Close To McDonalds



## 20<sup>th</sup> Spring Into Sobriety

### Women's Conference

May 3<sup>rd</sup> to May 5<sup>th</sup>

[www.sisconference.com](http://www.sisconference.com)

### Venezia Resort Hotel

425 US 41 Bypass North, Venice, Florida 34285

Please call hotel for accommodations:

941-308-7700

Ask for the SIS-Conference room rate of \$89.00 per night.

**Registration begins January 1, 2019 • Register Early • First 150 will receive a special gift**  
Registration on-line [pay securely with credit, debit or PayPal] [www.sisconference.com](http://www.sisconference.com)

Or mail registration form below along with check made payable to SIS Conference Inc, to:

**SIS Conference • 942 Capri Isles Boulevard, Unit 205, Venice, FL 34292**

**\*\*Please note you will not be able register at the conference\*\***

For further assistance email us at: [womensis@gmail.com](mailto:womensis@gmail.com) or call 941-681-0747

#### REGISTRATION and ORDER FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Sobriety Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Check mark your choices (Please write legibly):

\_\_\_\_\_ \$ 30.00 Registration **\*\*REQUIRED**

\_\_\_\_\_ \$ 12.00 Friday Night: Taco Buffet

\_\_\_\_\_ \$ 12.00 Saturday Lunch: Soup / Salad Bar / Assorted Wraps

\_\_\_\_\_ \$ 32.00 Saturday Banquet: \_\_\_\_\_ Prime Rib \_\_\_\_\_ Artichoke Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Portabella Caprese

All banquet meals gluten free. For special dietary needs call or email SIS to see if the hotel can accommodate.

#### T-Shirt & Coffee Mug Orders

Items can be seen on [sisconference.com](http://sisconference.com) (Preorder only, not available at conference)

**[Orders for Cotton T-shirts must be received by 4/1/19 • Polyester and Mugs by 4/28/19]**

		Available Sizes: S - M - L - XL - XXL - 3X - 4X		STANDARD FIT	
TOTAL	QTY	White (W) - Violet (V) - Pink (P) - Grey (G)	Size	Color	Order by
\$ _____	_____	\$14.00 Cotton Tank Top – Only in (W) or (G)	_____	_____	4/1/19
\$ _____	_____	\$16.00 Cotton V-Neck Short Sleeve – (W), (P), (V)	_____	_____	4/1/19
\$ _____	_____	\$16.00 Cotton Boat Neck ¾ Sleeve – (W) or (P)	_____	_____	4/1/19
\$ _____	_____	\$22.00 Polyester Performance V Neck Short Sleeve	_____	White	4/28/19
\$ _____	_____	\$15.00 Coffee Mug (A MUST HAVE!!!)	11 oz	SIS design	4/28/19
\$ _____		I would like to donate to the scholarship fund.		_____ I am requesting a scholarship	
\$ _____		CONFERENCE and ORDER TOTAL		_____ I would like to volunteer	



Celebrating the Day Bill W. and Dr. Bob First Met

The 29th Spring Conference  
in Orlando, Florida!



# The "Woodstock" of AA

## May 24 - 26, 2019

### Featured Speakers\*

**FRI** 7:00 p.m. "AA Speaker" - To Be Announced!  
8:30 p.m. "AA Speaker" - To Be Announced!

**SAT** 9:00 a.m. "Steps 1, 2, & 3" - To Be Announced!  
10:30 a.m. "Steps 4 & 5" - To Be Announced!  
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Lunch

1:00 p.m. "Steps 6, 7, & 8" - To Be Announced!  
2:30 p.m. "Steps 9, 10, & 11" - To Be Announced!  
4:00 p.m. "Steps 12" - To Be Announced!  
5:00 p.m. "Steps 12" - To Be Announced!

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Dinner Break

8:30 p.m. "AA Speaker" - To Be Announced!  
10:00 a.m. "AA Speaker" - To Be Announced!  
10:30 a.m. "AA Speaker" - To Be Announced!

\*Speakers and Schedule Subject to Change

### DoubleTree by Hilton Orlando East—UCF

12125 High Tech Ave., Orlando, FL 32817

A Full-Service Orlando Hotel  
Featuring Free Parking & Free Wi-Fi

Room  
Rates\*

**\$99**

Reserve Your Room By April 26th

Rates are good for 3 days prior to  
and 3 days after the event.

**(407) 275-9000**

\*Attend The 29th Spring Conference  
- The "Woodstock" of AA - Orlando!

\$43 Registration Fee - Optional Saturday Night Banquet \$38

**\*\*\* PARTICIPATION IS STRICTLY LIMITED TO THE FIRST 300 REGISTRANTS \*\*\***

Supp. & Speaker Meetings, Free Wi-Fi, Free Parking, Fitness Room, Swimming Pool & Starbucks® Shop in the lobby!  
Make Check or Money Order Payable to The Serenity Club & mail to: 11425 Collier Blvd., Ste. 107, Naples, FL 34116

For Conference Information Call 239-756-6767 or Email: [jeddlemann@scf.com](mailto:jeddlemann@scf.com)

Free cancelled check is your receipt. Proceeds from this event will go to support The Serenity Club of Southwest Florida, Inc.

### Woodstock of AA - 29th Spring Conference 2019 - Orlando, Florida

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_  
State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Each attendee must register individually and with a unique email address.

You can register online by visiting our website at:  
<http://www.serenityclubswfl.org>

Please Note: We Do Not Accept American Express!

This is a fundraiser. All sales are final. **NO REFUNDS.** Cancelled/unclaimed registrations will become scholarships.

*This flyer may be copied for distribution or downloaded from [www.serenityclubswfl.org](http://www.serenityclubswfl.org)*

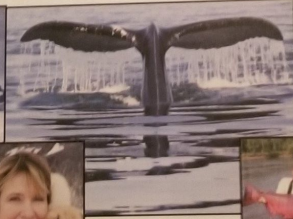
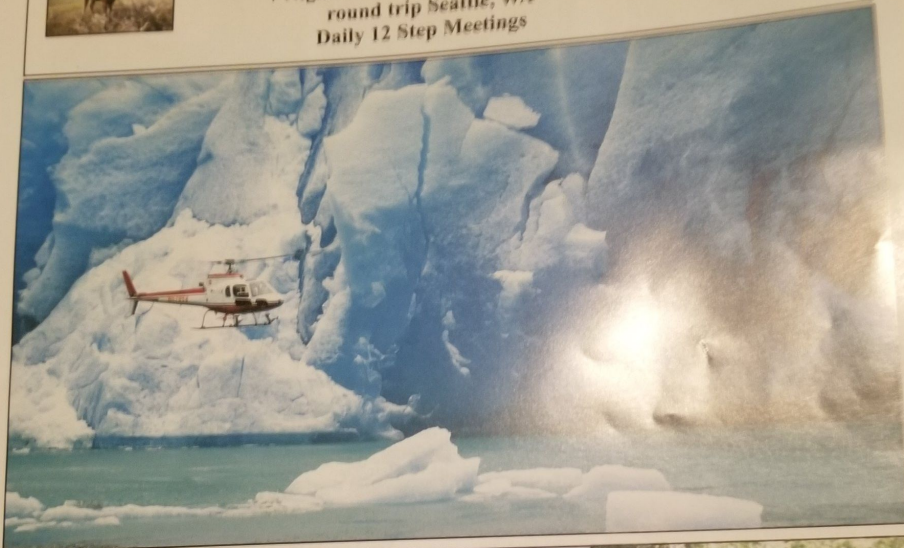


# ALASKA FELLOWSHIP ADVENTURE

June 14-21, 2019

Hosted by Polly Pistole  
7 Night Cruise on Ovation of the Seas  
round trip Seattle, WA  
Daily 12 Step Meetings

Call to book  
561-782-2332



Date	Port	Arrive	Depart
June 14	Seattle, WA		4:00 pm
June 15	Cruising		
June 16	Alaska Inside Passage	12:00 pm	9:00 pm
June 17	Jenatu, Alaska	7:30 am	8:30 pm
June 18	Skagway, Alaska	7:30 am	8:30 pm
June 19	Endicott Arm & Glacier	7:00 am	12:00 pm
June 20	Cruising		
June 21	Victoria, British Columbia	9:00 am	6:00 pm
June 22	Seattle, WA	6:00 am	



[www.sobercelebration.com](http://www.sobercelebration.com)

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## LOCATE MEETINGS WITH A CLICK!

"Meeting Guide by Josh R." is an app which can be downloaded to your cell phone to show you daily meetings in the Heartland Intergroup areas of Polk, Hardee and Highlands Counties. Available in your Play Store for Apple and Android phones.

Check it out!



## Speaker of The Month

Each month, at the end of the month, we present the audio of a speaker from a random meeting from someplace in the country.

Lamar R. from Baltimore, MD speaking at the Sunlight of the spirit confrence in York, PA - 1999

<https://mirror.xa-speakers.org/speakers2/aa/single-speakers/lamar-r/lamar-r-sotsyork1999.mp3>

LISTEN

**Many Thanks to All Who Generously Contribute to Heartland Intergroup.**

In addition to our **Faithful Fivers** and **Group Contributions**, we also receive donations for Anniversaries, Individual Contributions, and spare change to the **"Dime-a-Day"** can at the Intergroup Office. All of it helps us to continue helping the sick and suffering alcoholic.

**Thank you for your support!**

Heartland Intergroup of AA, Inc. Monthly Group Contributions March 2019		Heartland Intergroup of AA, Inc. Monthly Individual Contributions March 2019	
Back to Basics Avon Park		Anonymous	
Back to Basics Sebring Lake Placid		Charles Mc.	
Harder Welcome Group		Chris V	
Just Show Up Group		Dean M.	
Key to Sobriety		Don B.	
Pass it on		Mario L.	
Phoenix Group		Plug in the Jug	
Sebring Group		Shepherd Road Serenity Group	
Shut Up And Get in The Car Escrow		TOTAL	\$69.13
Sunday Nighters Group			
Weekend Serenity Group			
TOTAL	\$792.82		
Heartland Intergroup of AA, Inc. Monthly Faithful Fiver Contributions March 2019			
Brenda F.			
John C.			
Lakeland Highlands Sun. Nite Group			
Mark W.			
Nicholas D.			
Toot M.			
Trish E.			
TOTAL			\$85.00

Contributions from the previous month will be included in the following month's mid-month issue.

**(If you notice that your contribution is not reflected, please remember that we publish the contributions from the prior month, so yours may not show up until next month).**

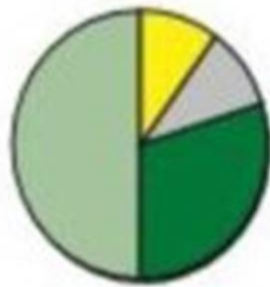
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Heartland Intergroup, 4204 S. Florida Avenue, #H, Lakeland, FL 33813.*

*We also accept payments via debit/credit over the phone at (863) 688-0211.*

### **District III - South Florida Conference General Service**

New District III 2019-2021 Trusted Servants	
Chairperson	James C. 863 528 2938 / <a href="mailto:district3chair@gmail.com">district3chair@gmail.com</a>
Alt. Chairperson	Shirley D. 863 214 3259 / <a href="mailto:district3altchair@gmail.com">district3altchair@gmail.com</a>
Registrar	Melanie - phone forthcoming / <a href="mailto:district3registrar@gmail.com">district3registrar@gmail.com</a>
Treasurer	Beverly E. - 863 206 7195 / <a href="mailto:district3treasurer@gmail.com">district3treasurer@gmail.com</a>
Secretary	Vacant/ position still needs filled

### **Sample of Group Contributions to A.A. Service Entities**



**10% to District  
10% to Area  
30% to G.S.O  
50% to Intergroup**

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