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Our Three Legacies... Recovery, Unity & Service

Steps, Traditions and Concepts

Step Eleven

"Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscience contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry it out."

Of course we finally did experiment, and when unexpected results followed, we felt different; in fact we *knew* different; and so we were sold on meditation and prayer. And that, we have found, can happen to anybody who tries. It has been well said that "almost the only scoffers at prayer are those who never tried it enough".

Tradition Eleven

"Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio and films."

Therefore, a great responsibility fell upon us to develop the best possible public relations policy for Alcoholics Anonymous. Through many painful experiences, we think we arrived at what that policy ought to be. It is the opposite in many ways of usual promotional practice. We found that we had to rely upon the principle of attraction rather than of promotion.

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Concept Eleven

"The trustees should always have the best possible committees, corporate service directors, executives, staffs, and consultants. Composition, qualifications, induction procedures, and rights and duties will always be matters of serious concern."

In this, the second longest of the Concepts, Bill explains in great detail the composition, functions and relationships of the standing committees of the General Service Board, its subsidiary operating boards, the General service Office and the A.A. Grapevine — as they existed in 1962. As A.A. has grown and changed, many of the descriptions would be different today, and some of the issues that are addressed are no longer relevant. Nevertheless, the full text is valuable as an historical document, and many of the principles still apply.

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Tradition Eleven: Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films.

1. Do I sometimes promote AA so fanatically that I make it seem unattractive?
2. Am I always careful to keep the confidences reposed in me as an AA member?
3. Am I careful about throwing AA names around—even within the Fellowship?
4. Am I ashamed of being a recovered, or recovering, alcoholic?
5. What would AA be like if we were not guided by the ideas in Tradition Eleven? Where would I be?
6. Is my AA sobriety attractive enough that a sick drunk would want such a quality for himself?



Concept XI: The trustees should always have the best possible committees, corporate service directors, executives, staffs, and consultants. Composition, qualifications, induction procedures, and rights and duties will always be matters of serious concern.

- Do we understand how the roles of nontrustee directors and nontrustee appointed committee members help serve and strengthen the committee system?
- How do we encourage our special paid workers to exercise their traditional "Right of Participation"?
- Do we practice rotation in all our service positions?

This Month in A.A. History...

November 1:
1947 - 1st AA Group in Anchorage, Alaska
1963 - Reverend Sam Shoemaker dies

November 3:
2001 - J.P. Miller, wrote screenplay for "The Days of Wine and Roses" died

November 9:
1966 - President Johnson appoints Marty M to the 1st National Advisory Committee on Alcoholism

November 10:
1940 - 1st AA group formed in Minneapolis
2001 - 1st of 400,000 4th Edition Big Books arrives in the mail

November 11:
1934 - Bill W's final drunk begins on Veterans Day and lasts about a month

November 12:
1940 - 1st AA meeting is held in Boston

November 13:
1939 - Bill wants to go back to work, NY drunks want him to stay on as head of the movement November 13, 1939

November 14:
1940 - Alcoholic Foundation publishes 1st AA Bulletin

November 15:
1949 - Bill W suggests that groups devote Thanksgiving week to discussions of the 12 Traditions

November 16:
1950 - Dr Bob S dies in Akron, Ohio

November 18:
1946 - 1st Dublin Ireland group met.

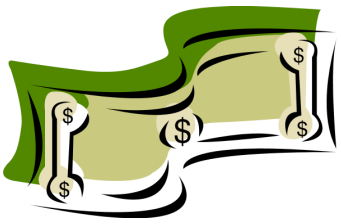
November 21:
1939 - AA's in San Francisco hold 1st California AA meeting in the Clift Hotel -
1952 - Willard Richardson, past Treasurer/Chairman of Alcoholic Foundation, dies

November 26:
1895 - William Griffith W. born, East Dorset, VT
1939 - Hank P writes Bill advocating autonomy for all AA groups
1939 - Dilworth Lupton gave sermon "Mr. X and Alcoholics Anonymous". Became one of first pamphlets on AA.

November 28:
1934 - Ebby T. carries message to Bill.
1936 - Fitz M leaves Towns Hospital to become 'AA #3 in NY', with Bill W and Hank P.
1937 - Bill and Dr. Bob compare notes in Akron. Count forty cases staying sober. Meeting of the Akron Group to consider Bill's ideas for how to expand the movement ... a book, AA hospitals, paid missionaries. Passed by a majority of 2.
1939 - Akron group withdrawals from association with Oxford Group. Meetings moved from T Henry & Clarence Williams to Dr Bob and other members homes.
1939 - Hank P writes Bill advocating autonomy for all AA groups.
1943 - Bill guest speaker San Quentin Penitentiary. (sometimes dated Dec 2, 1943)

Other significant events in November for which we have no specific date:

1936 - Fitz M leaves Towns Hospital to become AA #3 in NY with Bill W and Hank P.
1941 - "First Mass AA Meeting" in Oklahoma City, 8 present, 1 was drunk
1945 - Bill's article called 'Those Goof Balls' published in Grapevine.
1986 - The Big Book is published in paperback



Join the Tri-District Faithful Fivers



"When we meet and defeat the temptation to take large gifts, we are only being prudent. But when we give a token that we are grateful for our blessing and evidence that we are eager to share what we have found with other who still suffer." — Bill W. *Reprinted from The Language of the Heart with permission from the AA Grapevine, Inc.*

2025 Tri-District Faithful Fivers

Lee K.	David C.	Michael D.
Bill S.	Tom C.	Carol V.
Karen A.	Virginia D.	Mark V.

Thanks to all of our Faithful Fivers!





Birthday Club – November 2025

Mark V. *28 Years*

Anyone wishing to becoming a part of the Birthday Club — See page 10 for details.



Please join the Journey @ Noon

family for a meeting, fellowship, and food! November 26, 2026 @ 12:00pm

Meat is provided by the J@N group, but please bring a favorite side dish or dessert if you can.



@ St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church,
6451 Park Ave, Milton, FL
(FYI: Mass will be at 10:00 am)


JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL
THANKSGIVING
DINNER MEETING
SATURDAY, NOV 21ST
NEW WARRINGTON FELLOWSHIP GROUP
HAM & TURKEY WILL BE PROVIDED,
PLEASE BRING A SIDE OR DESSERT
3:30 PM DOORS OPEN
4:30 PM DINNER
5:30 PM SPEAKER, RANDY B.
50/50 RAFFLE
Town & Country Plaza, Suite C, near Citi Trends
Corner of Pace Blvd. & Fairfield Dr.

As Bill Sees It

Thursday Night Speaker Meeting

December 2026 Speakers:

12/3/26 - Ben M. *(Living Sober Group - Jay)*

12/10/26 - Joey I. *(Traditions Group - Shalimar)*

12/17/26 - Bill S. *(Faith Group - Crestview)*

12/24/26 - Christmas Eve

12/24/26 - New Year's Eve

The doors WILL BE OPEN on Christmas Eve and New Years Eve!!

Please come and join us!!

At Our NEW Location!

Thursday Nights from 7:00PM to 8:00PM-ish

at:

Woodbine Church

5200 Woodbine Rd.

Pace, Florida 32571

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One person or the whole group, one checkout.

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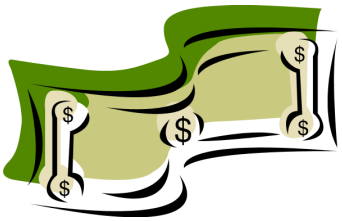
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What are Faithful Fivers?

Faithful Fivers are AA members who contribute at least Five dollars each month to support Tri-District Intergroup AA Central Office to carry the AA message of hope and recovery to those alcoholics who still suffer in the Tri-District Area of Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties. As a Faithful Fiver, your personal contribution can and will make our vital services possible.

The Faithful Fiver idea came about when we remembered we wasted much more than five dollars each month during our drinking days. Your contribution will help Tri-District Intergroup AA Central Office provide the services necessary to carry the message of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Tri-District Central Office

helps carry the AA message to the still suffering alcoholic by coordinating the following services:

- Answers inquiries from those seeking help (suffering alcoholics, sober alcoholics, meetings, groups, professionals and the general public)
- Orders & sells AA literature
- Publishes meeting lists
- Maintains a 12-step list to help the still suffering alcoholic
- Maintains and updates website: www.aapensacola.org
- Acts as an information exchange for all Escambia and Santa Rosa meetings and groups
- Cooperates closely with other AA entities such as GSO New York, General Services, Public Information/Cooperation with Professional Community, Hospitals & Institutions, and Bridging the Gap Committees.

Your Contribution goes directly to supporting these services!

If you want to drink —
That is your business —
If you want to stop drinking —
That's Ours.

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Faithful Fivers are Doing Service Work!

Yes! Please enroll me as a Faithful Fiver! Date_____

I will pay ❑ Annually ($60) ❑ Quarterly ($15) ❑ Monthly ($5)

Please email a reminder ❑ Email address_____

Here is my contribution of $_____ for _____ months.

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ State_____ Zip_____

Phone number_____

Mail to: Tri-District Central Office, 600 University Office Blvd, Ste 14B, Pensacola, FL 32504



You're Invited to join the

Birthday Club

Birthday Club is when AA members
contribute $1 per year of their Sobriety
to the Central Office as act of gratitude
and support your local Tri-District Intergroup.

All you do is send us your Contribution on your Birthday month with your sobriety date & home group or mail it in with this sheet and we will print it in the Newsletter monthly Birthday Club.

Name

_____

Sobriety Date

_____

Home Group

_____

PENSACOLA TRI-DISTRICT INTERGROUP

SERVICE WORK VOLUNTEER FORM

FULL NAME:		DATE:
HOME GROUP:	SOBRIETY DATE:	
HOME PHONE :	CELL PHONE:	
MAILING ADDRESS: STREET: CITY/STATE/ZIP:	EMAIL:	

AVAILABLE SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

MARK ANY SERVICES THAT INTEREST YOU

( ) CENTRAL OFFICE WORKER - PM SHIFT 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM EVERY OTHER WEEK
(1 YEAR SOBRIETY REQUIRED)

( ) 12 STEP CALL LIST...SPECIFY HOURS AVAILABLE:_____
GEOGRAPHIC AREA:_____
( ) CALL BACKS ONLY

( ) VOLUNTEER TO GIVE RIDES TO MEETINGS - SPECIFY AREA:_____

Give this form to your Intergroup Rep or mail to:

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