



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

Overeaters Anonymous

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Pinellas Traditions Intergroup meets every third Friday of the month. EVERYONE is welcome to attend. The next meeting will be:

**Friday, February 15, 2013 at 6:30PM
Morton Plant Hospital
1st Floor – Tuttle D Auditorium
300 Pinellas Street/off Ft. Harrison
Clearwater, FL 33756**

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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.

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The opinions expressed in this newsletter reflect those of the writer and do not represent OA as a whole. Serve your group by sharing your experience, strength and hope in this newsletter. Please submit your article by the first Friday of the month for publication in the next month's newsletter. Email: newspages@oapinellas.org
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Chair Chatter February 2013

"Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity" Do you believe in that Power?

I totally believe and rely on a Power greater than myself! These last few months have been the test for me...When things are going good I never much thought of my H.P. as doing for me what I couldn't do for myself...but ya know H.P. is :-). My will only gets me into trouble. I know that H.P. is with me for these last few months because I am actively seeking guidance when stressing situations come up. We had a great Birthday Marathon, the turnout was good. We had time to share, listen to the speakers and time for fun things. Donna brought her skits, games and music, before long we had everyone participating....We are not a glum lot! The Action in Abstinence Adventure Fellowship (AAAF) had the manatee swim....I couldn't go..I had a small surgery, but I heard that it was soooo great we're probably going to do it again. They went to the Florida State Fair Feb. 9. Sunday Feb. 17 is the gambling cruise. Don't forget the Florida State Convention Feb. 22 to 23. This next intergroup we will be planning March events. One event is the first SOAR 8 convention of the year in Memphis...we do have scholarship money available...if your struggling, new..never been to a convention apply! The applications are online! Come to the intergroup meetings.....3rd Friday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at the Morton Plant Hospital, Tuttle Auditorium. Mark your calendar! Oh April's meeting will be April 26...due to an AAAF event....Camping up in FT. White on private property. Get your camping equipment ready! Hope to see you at the next Intergroup meeting. Please think about doing some service for the group..We need a secretary!

Love N Hugs, Linda

"To be obliged to beg our daily happiness from others bespeaks a more lamenatable poverty than that of him who begs his daily bread." Charles C. Colton. Where do I get my self-worth? Do I rely on others to make me feel good? Does my self-esteem go up and down according to what people think of me? Why are other people's opinion of me worth more than my own? When I find myself looking to another to make me feel worthwhile, I can ask myself why I need someone else's opinion. I take responsibility for my happiness and self-esteem, knowing that practicing the twelve steps program to the best of my ability each day is all I really need to feel good about myself. For today: Practicing the OA principles in all my affairs means giving myself spiritual sustenance. For Today, Pg. 48

"Abstinence in Action "Adventure" Fellowship"

Feb. 17th Afternoon Tradewinds Gambling Cruise at Johns Pass call Linda or Toni

Feb. 22-24 Florida State Convention Cocoa Beach

March 15-17 SOAR 8 in Memphis - \$200 Scholarship available on oapinellas.org, if interested - Fill out and bring to PTI meeting.

April 18-21 Free camping trip at Fort White

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PTI has a set off the SOAR 8 November Convention CD's that will be raffled off in April. Hopefully, there will be someone in your group selling raffle tickets, \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Tickets are also available at Intergroup meetings. There is an extra set that will be set up for lending out through Donna D, if interested, please call her.

Report on Saturday, Jan 19th Gratitude Marathon, well attended, fabulous,

Everyone participated; dancing, acting, singing, etc., great speakers, great fellowship!

PINELLAS COUNTY MEETING LIST

DAY	TIME	MEETING NAME	MEETING TYPE / NOTES	LOCATION	CONTACT
Mon	10:15 AM OA#46182	Just For Today	1-Step/ 2-Lifeline/ 3-Lit/4-BB/5-Speaker *	Lutheran Church of the Resurrection 1555 Windmill Pt Rd., Palm Harbor	Mary Ellen 781-2597 Joan 785-9208
Mon	12:00 PM OA#48303	Voices of Recovery (Candlelight Meeting)	Voices of Recovery Discussion *	Jewish Community Center 5023 Central Ave., St. Pete 33710	Linda H. 647-8280 fdnymom@msn.com Ann G 212-399-7099
Mon	7:00 PM OA#47788	Focus on Abstinence	Speaker Meeting Speaker Abstinent 90+ Days *	Friendship United Methodist Church 2039 E. Druid St., Clearwater <i>(Between Belcher & Hercules)</i>	Stephanie 442-9855
Mon	7:00 PM OA#01530	Search Out Serenity "SOS"	Leader / Discussion Jackson Street entrance *	St. Anthony's Hospital, Classroom B 1200 7th Ave. N., St. Petersburg <i>(Jackson Street entrance)</i>	Cynthia 561-254-3642 MaryLou 727-323-6880
Tues	7:00 PM OA#46184	Principles	Steps & Traditions Meeting *	Windmoor Health Care of Clearwater 11300 U.S. 19 North, Clearwater	Linda Mc 804-4610 Donna D. 480-0865
Tues	7:30 PM OA#52602	NEW Big Book Meeting	Big Book Study *	Northwood Presbyterian Church 2875 State Road 580, Clearwater	Beth M. 452-6139
Wed	6:45 PM OA#10359	Madeira Beach Beach Bunch	On sand on the beach * <i>(Bring chair and look for flag on pole)</i>	15100 Gulf Blvd., Madeira Beach <i>On the beach in front of the snack shack -- bring a chair</i>	Linda H. 647-8280 fdnymom@msn.com Donna D. 480-0865
Thur	11:00 AM OA#40873	Key to Freedom	Literature Meeting *	First Presbyterian Church 455 Scotland St., Dunedin <i>(Downtown Dunedin)</i>	Pat 733-6858
Thur	5:30 PM OA#49784	Steps to Freedom	Focusing on Steps 1, 2, 3 (90 Day Meeting) *	St Cecelia's Church, Room A 820 Jasmine Way, Clearwater	Mary Mc 319-4321 Stephanie 442-9855
Thur	7:00 PM OA#51708	Beginners In Action	1-Step/ 2-Traditions/ 3-Big Book/4-OA Brown Book/5-Speaker *	Anona United Methodist Church 13233 Indian Rocks Road, Largo	Dawn 743-7590
Thur	7:30 PM OA#46183	First Fellowship	1-step/ 2-speaker/ 3-lit/4-BB/5-Lifeline *	Palm Harbor Presbyterian Church 2021 Nebraska Ave., Palm Harbor	Diane S. 781-1814
Fri	6:00 PM OA#49602	Nitty Gritty	Big Book *	Unity Christ Church 6168 First Ave. N, St. Pete	Theresa D. 459-0837
Fri	6:30 PM OA#09412	Pinellas Tradition Intergroup Meeting	Third Friday Only All OA's welcome *	Morton Plant Hospital, 1st Floor Tuttle D Auditorium, Clearwater	Linda H. 647-8280 fdnymom@msn.com
Sat	9:30 AM OA#36776	Great Reality	Beginners *	Pinellas Park Public Library 7770 52nd St. N., Pinellas Park	Linda H. 647-8280 fdnymom@msn.com Donna D. 480-0865
Sat	10:00 AM OA#45426	First Fellowship	Step/Tradition Meeting *	Palm Harbor Presbyterian Church 2021 Nebraska Ave., Palm Harbor	Pat 784-3375
Sat	10:30 AM OA#27235	Saturday Serenity	Big Book *	First Lutheran Church 1644 Nursery Rd, Clearwater	Betsey 466-9277 Judy 442-9234
Sat	4:00 PM OA#52497	Clearwater Men's	Men's Meeting	Friendship United Methodist Church 2039 E. Druid St., Clearwater <i>(Between Belcher & Hercules)</i>	Ron E. 727-584-4522 Joel M. 703-609-5110
Sun	6:00 PM OA#32923	Clearwater Oasis	Big Book (90 day) **	Morton Plant Hospital, 1st Floor Tuttle A Auditorium, Clearwater	Claudia 781-7411 Stephanie 442-9855
Sun	6:30 PM OA#49012	Joy of Abstinence	Leader/Discussion *	Gulfport Neighborhood Center 1617 49th St. S., Gulfport	Ann K. 251-0133

*All meetings are open meetings **OA members only

If this is your first time attending a meeting listed, please be sure to call to clarify directions and meeting specifics.

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To find telephone or online meetings, please go to: <http://www.aa.org/membersgroups/find-a-meeting/>

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