### Overeaters Anonymous Twelve Steps

- 1. We admitted we were powerless over food that our lives had become unmanageable
- 2. Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity
- Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him.
- 4. Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves
- 5. Admitted to God to ourselves and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs
- 6. Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.
- 7. Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings
- 8. Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.
- Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.
- 10. Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong, promptly admitted it.
- 11. Sought through prayer and mediation 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 that out.
- 12. Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to compulsive overeaters and to practice these principles in all our affairs.

### Overeaters Anonymous Twelve Traditions

- 1. Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon OA unity.
- 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.
- 3. The only requirement for OA membership is a desire to stop eating compulsively.
- 4. Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or OA as a whole.
- Each group has but one primary purpose to carry its message to the compulsive overeater who still suffers.
- An OA group ought never endorse, finance or lend the OA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.
- 7. Every OA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.
- OA should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers.
- 9. OA, as such, out never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.
- OA has no opinion on outside issues; hence, the OA name ought never to be drawn into public controversy.
- 11. Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the lever of press, radio, films, television and other public media of communication.
- 12. Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all these Traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.



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## Pinellas Traditions Intergroup MEETING LIST

For Telephone and Online Meetings go to: www.oapinellas.org www.oaregion8.org www.oa.org

#### OA PREAMBLE

Overeaters Anonymous is a fellowship of individuals who, through shared experience, strength, and hope, are recovering from compulsive overeating. We welcome everyone who wants to stop eating compulsively.

There are no dues or fees for members; we are self-supporting through our own contributions, neither soliciting nor accepting outside donations.

OA is not affiliated with any public or private organization, political movement, ideology or religious doctrine; we take no position on outside issues.

Our primary purpose is to abstain from compulsive overeating and to carry this message of recovery to those who still suffer.