TRI-COUNTY INTERGROUP NEWSLETTER - AUGUST 2017

Recovery Means Freedom

Each month a member will provide the experience, strength and hope of their journey so far in OA. From newcomer to friends with years of abstinence, the miracle of this program continues to work if we work it!



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More will be revealed

As long as I am breathing, more will be revealed, thank G-d! I

need to present and plan for tomorrow with my food & finances, for example. Am I ready to ACCEPT what G-d does reveal? If I believe what the Big Book says about ACCEPTANCE, I am ready. Am I giving G-d all the credit so I can remain HUMBLE when my EGO wants to Edge G-d Out and say "Terri, you deserve the credit!" And then, G-d will reduce my EGO when I am wrong and being an imperfectly perfect human! I pray for EGO reduction and HUMILITY and more will be revealed how G-d will reduce my EGO and bless me with HUMILITY.



More will be revealed when I live our 12 Steps with my sponsor

More will be revealed when I attend meetings, workshops and retreats

More will be revealed when I am HONEST, OPEN MINDED and WILLING

More will be revealed when I remember that RECOVERY is contagious and not our Disease

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Always to extend the hand and heart of OA to all who share my compulsion, for this, I am responsible.

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In Gratitude for Continuing Support

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Freedom from blame

Freedom

For many of us, freedom came when we took Step Three and turned the entire problem over to our Higher Power. — OA 12&12, p. 20 This freedom continues to grow with each step.

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More will be revealed when I focus on G-d's priceless gifts of ABSTINENCE, FORGIVENESS, SERENITY, BALANCE, EQUALITY, HARMONY, CONTENTMENT, COURAGE, FAITH, TRUST, GRATITUDES, SURRENDER and other priceless gifts.



More will be revealed when I read Voices of Recovery and For Today and listen

to you at meetings, workshops and retreats.

More will be revealed when I feel anger, joy, fear and other feelings knowing I can choose ABSTINENT SOLUTIONS instead of food.

More will be revealed when I don't know if I am feeling EMOTIONAL, SPIRITUAL and/or PHYSICAL HUNGER and I take an INVENTORY of my feelings. I can then experience AWARENESS, ACCEPTANCE, ACTION and ABSTINENCE.

Until more will be revealed,

Terri Beth South Hills

The Serenity Prayer

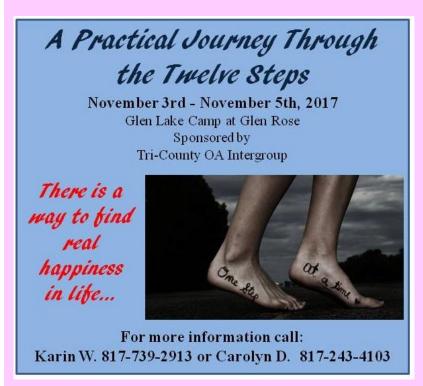
God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can; and wisdom to know the difference.

Living one day at a time; enjoying one moment at a time; accepting hardships as the pathway to peace; taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it; Trusting that He will make all things right if I surrender to His Will; that I may be reasonably happy in this life and supremely happy with Him forever in the next.

Amen. Reinhold Niebuhr

Finding Miracles in the 12th Step

The 12th Step reminds me I have to have something in order to give it away. If I don't have a spiritual awakening I can't guide someone else towards recovery. How do I get the spiritual awakening? For me it is the process of working through the steps with another person as a guide. As much as I want to do it by myself I can't. I lack the ability to be honest with myself.



I have learned, if I turn to food to fix me instead of my Higher Power, I will get another opportunity to go through that situation again and again until I learn. Learning that it is easier to be abstinent and trust my Higher Power, than to try to control and fight my obsession. To let go and let my Higher Power. I have found that my Higher Power is always with me and that something can be learned from any situation if I look for it.

Learning to reach out and help others and guide them through the steps. I stopped watching soap operas a long time ago. Real life is so much more interesting and

rewarding. To watch people change and grow spiritually and to see the miracles that take place as they move through the process of the 12 Steps. To know we are never alone if we are willing to pray and to reach out to others.

This program is so much more than getting my food under control and having a thin body. It's about facing daily living problems with sanity, grace, peace and serenity. It's being there for others and encouraging them. It's about an attitude change: instead of what can I get out of it, what can I give and how can I be of help to God and others. It is being available to others. It's about being committed and giving away what I have been given. It starts with taking small steps, going to meetings, sharing, making calls, leading a meeting and encouraging others to do the same. It's about being a part of a fellowship where we all want the best for each other.

Anonymous - South Hills Group Sunday Writing, Steps and Literature Looking Up Dec 2013

	Tri-Co	ounty Intergroup OVEREATERS A	NONYMOUS ME	ETINGS	
Day & Time		City-Group Name - Address	Subject	Contact	Contact Phone
MONDAY	7:30 PM	Fort Worth - South Hills Christian Church 3200 Bilglade Road, Fort Worth, TX 76133	Literature: Step / Tradition of the Month	Нарру	817-370-7207
TUESDAY	Noon	Fort Worth - South Hills Christian Church 3200 Bilglade Road, Fort Worth, TX 76133	OA 12X12 writing / AA Big Book	Нарру	817-370-7207
TUESDAY	7:00 PM	Richland Hills - City Point United Methodist Church 7301 Glenview Drive, North Richland Hills 76180 Room #104	Literature meeting	Rachel R.	817-595-3044
TUESDAY	7:00 PM	Arlington - City on a Hill City on a Hill Church - 1140 Morrison Dr, Fort Worth, TX 76120	Speakers, Step Studies, Literature	Sherri G.	817-461-4053
WEDNESDAY	7:00 PM	Euless - United Memorial Christian Church 1401 N. Main Street, Euless, TX 76039	Big Book, Voices of Recovery	Cindy	817-455-5125
THURSDAY	Noon	Grapevine OA - First United Methodist Church 421 Church St Grapevine, TX 76051 Brick Thrift Store across the street from the GV First Methodist Church. Park on south side of building, enter thru double glass door, Conf Room C, on right.	Meeting leader chosen topics from OA 12X12, Big Book and OA Literature	Judith D.	682-313-8484
THURSDAY	6:45 PM	New Beginnings HOW - St. Paul Lutheran Church 1800 West Freeway Fort Worth. TX 76102	HOW	Patrice	817-692-718
THURSDAY	7:00 PM	Arlington - City on a Hill Church City on a Hill Church - 1140 Morrison Dr, Fort Worth, TX 76120	HOW	Lisa	682-438-916
THURSDAY	7:30 PM	Fort Worth - South Hills Christian Church 3200 Bilglade Road, Fort Worth, TX 76133	OA & AA Literature	Нарру	817-370-720
FRIDAY	11:00 AM	Saginaw Overeaters Anonymous Meeting Saginaw Church of Christ, 201 Western Avenue, Saginaw, TX 76179	Womens Focus	Deb R.	682-802-039
SATURDAY	9:00 AM	Fort Worth - South Hills Christian Church 3200 Bilglade Road, Fort Worth, TX 76133	Big Book Study with writing	Нарру	817-370-720
SATURDAY	10:30 AM	Fort Worth - South Hills Christian Church 3200 Bilglade Road, Fort Worth, TX 76133	Men's focus, all welcome - Topic/discussion	Dan	925-577-863
SATURDAY	Noon	Arlington - City on a Hill City on a Hill Church - 1140 Morrison Dr, Fort Worth, TX 76120	Literature	Blythe	817-300-432
SATURDAY	Noon	Daily Reprieve, Euless - United Memorial Christian Church 1401 N. Main Street, Euless, TX 76039	Step Study / Big Book	Margie	972-310-363
SUNDAY	4:30 PM	Fort Worth - South Hills Christian Church 3200 Bilglade Road, Fort Worth, TX 76133	Writing, Steps and Literature	Нарру	817-370-720

Tri-County Intergroup meets at 10:30am the first Saturday of every month. The meeting will alternate between New World United Methodist Church, 2201 N Davis Dr, Arlington 76012 at 10:30 am in Room 28, and South Hills Christian Church 3200 Bilglade Road, Fort Worth, TX 76133

2017's Intergroup meetings Arlington 9/9 (workshop) and 1/6/18

remaining: Fort Worth 8/5, 10/7, 12/2; 11/4 (at our Annual Retreat)

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