

# CASA NEWS



## THANKSGIVING DINNER AT CASA

Thanksgiving Day, Nov 27 at 1:30 (Immediately following Sober Living Meeting)



Ralph & Kris are doing a turkey, Kelli & Patty are bringing a ham, and Jack S. is providing a smoked turkey! There's a Sign-Up Sheet at CASA – please bring a covered dish (dessert, casserole, bread, drinks, etc.)

**COME CELEBRATE FELLOWSHIP, FOOD, AND THANKS!**



### DON'T LOSE YOUR BIG BOOK *Submitted by Diz T.*

In the spring of 1992, I was doing a BIG BOOK study at one of the clubhouses in Tallahassee. It was a Sunday afternoon and I noticed two ladies coming to the front and sitting down in the row beside where I was sitting on a stool.

I noticed as I went through the Book how studious they were as to keeping notes, underlining certain sentences and even asking questions as the study continued.

It took about 13 weeks to do a thoroughly good job and the two ladies kept up with me. As the last week came to a close, one of the ladies (a former school teacher) asked me what do I do with the Books after I finish a study. I answered, "take it home and leave it open on my desk." She asked, "Can I have this one?" and I answered, "it's all marked up." She said, "That's fine with me, I love to look at all the notes you have marked." I gave her the Book.

Through the years whenever I was at a meeting she attended, I noticed she always carried that Book I gave her and when a subject would come up, she would look up that subject in the Book as if it was a Bible (which it is to us).

In later years, she attended meetings I did not attend. I heard one evening that as she was driving home after a meeting, she passed her road to her home and turned at the next one - which was a boat landing for a lake. She was going too fast to stop, and got in so deep that the electric shut off in her car... all except the lights. A truck driver passing by noticed the lights of the car going down in the lake. He stopped his truck, grabbed a tool for smashing windows and ran into the lake. He smashed the back window of her car and reached to get the lady out. She was almost out when she turned and reached into the front seat, grabbed the BIG BOOK I had given her years ago, and then got out into the water.

The driver of the truck took this road only this time, as he usually used a different road to go home. He also carried a tool to smash windows. Two coincidences for the AA lady to be rescued along with her BIG BOOK.

## CASA BOARD MESSAGE FROM DIANE H.

Chair, CASA Board of Directors



### MEMBERSHIP IS OUR LIFEBLOOD!

The lifeblood of an organization like CASA 12, Inc. is our members! We now have over 100 members of CASA, but some have not renewed their membership recently. If you are not sure when your dues need to be paid, you can contact **Chris B.**, our new Membership Chair at: [casa12news@gmail.com](mailto:casa12news@gmail.com). If you have recently renewed, thank you! Those of us who pay every six months, like me, often forget when it is time to renew. These funds are needed greatly especially at this time of year when we have special insurance payments due as well as our mortgage.

Thanks to everyone who helped make CASA's Halloween Party such a success! We had a great turnout with folks from other meetings and clubhouses. The contest for best costume was won by two people – the **One Night Stand (Mike)** and the **Zombie or Accident Victim (Tracy)**. A good night of food, fun, dancing and fellowship. Thanks to **Tim W.** for making that great hearty stew for the party and to **Frank R.** for being a great DJ.

Best wishes to all for a wonderful holiday season! If it is your first year sober, believe me, I know it can be tough during the holidays, but you will never regret getting sober. There will be Alcahons on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve – meetings held every two hours – for anyone who needs a place to go or a meeting. We need folks to sign up as Chairs for those nights – two people who serve as Chairs for each two hour meeting. Please take part and it's great service work. Thank you for your continued support for the organization.

**“I don't drink these days. I'm allergic to alcohol and narcotics. I break out in handcuffs.”**

**– Robert Downey, Jr.**

### GRATITUDE FOR SERVICE

CASA 12, Inc. wishes to recognize the service provided by **Trish H.** as outgoing Membership Chair! She recently turned over the reins to Chris B. **Thanks, Trish, for all your hard work!**

We also want to thank **Cheryl S.** for her service as Assistant Treasurer. Cheryl gave us a year of her time and this is not an easy job! **Thank you, Cheryl, for your great service!**

*Service on the CASA 12, Inc. Board of Directors is open to CASA members with two years of sobriety. Please visit any of the board meetings, held on the second Wednesday each month at 7:30 p.m., to learn more about the efforts of the Board. Contact **Diane H.** at [dianehhines@comcast.net](mailto:dianehhines@comcast.net) if you are interested in serving on the Board or on a committee, such as the Building Committee or Events Committee.*

**CASA 12, INC. BUILDING FUND  
PLEDGE FORM**

**DONOR INFORMATION** (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEDGE INFORMATION**

I (we) pledge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be paid:  Monthly  
 Quarterly  
 Yearly

Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to **CASA 12, Inc. Building Fund**.  
 Payments (*along with this form*) can either be mailed to the below  
 address or placed in an envelope in the clubhouse safe, or go to  
[casa12inc.org](http://casa12inc.org) and make your building donations online.

**CASA 12, INC. BUILDING FUND**  
 P.O. BOX 12391  
 TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32317-2391

**Contributions are tax-deductable and will go toward the  
 purchase of a permanent Clubhouse Building for CASA 12, Inc.**  
*Thank you for your support.*



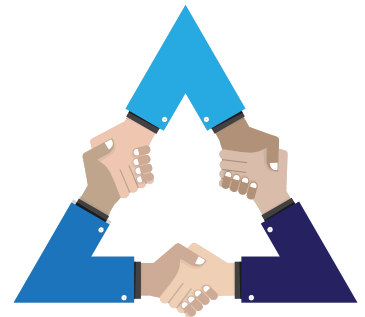
**CASA BREAKFAST**

Breakfast takes place the **second Sunday of every month** from 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Feast on the best custom-made omelets prepared by **Mark H.**

Please bring a side dish like hash browns, sausage, bacon, fruit, etc. Help with setting up and cleaning up is always needed and appreciated... so get there early and stay late.

It's only \$3.00 for CASA members & \$5.00 for all others.  
**It's the best deal in town!**



**CASA BOARD MEETING**

The CASA Board meets on the **second Wednesday night of every month** at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend, and your input is welcome. Please join us!

# MEETINGS AT CASA-12, INC.

2410 MONDAY ROAD  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32301

## MONDAY

7:00 a.m. – Conscious Contact AA meeting – Meditation (*Casita*)  
12:30 p.m. – 1. Living Sober 12 & 12 AA meeting  
12:30 p.m. – 2. Al-Anon meeting (*Casita*)  
6:15 p.m. – Happy Hour AA meeting

## TUESDAY

7:00 a.m. – Conscious Contact AA meeting – Meditation (*Casita*)  
12:30 p.m. – Living Sober AA meeting  
6:15 p.m. – Happy Hour AA meeting

## WEDNESDAY

7:00 a.m. – Conscious Contact AA meeting – Meditation (*Casita*)  
12:30 p.m. – Living Sober AA meeting  
6:15 p.m. – Happy Hour AA – Speaker meeting

## THURSDAY

7:00 a.m. – Conscious Contact AA meeting – Meditation (*Casita*)  
10:30 a.m. – Tears & Laughter Women's AA meeting  
12:30 p.m. – Living Sober AA meeting  
6:15 p.m. – Happy Hour AA meeting – (*Closed Meeting*)

## FRIDAY

7:00 a.m. – Conscious Contact Open AA meeting – Meditation (*Casita*)  
12:30 p.m. – 1. Living Sober AA meeting  
12:30 p.m. – 2. Al-Anon meeting (*Casita*)  
6:15 p.m. – 1. Step-Sisters (*Casita*) *On the last Friday of each month, Step-Sisters meets at 5:15 p.m.*  
6:15 p.m. – 2. Happy Hour AA meeting \*

\* **THE LAST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH:** *CASA's Sobriety Birthday Meeting celebrates those attending Living Sober, Happy Hour, Step-Sisters or Conscious Contact AA meetings. Covered dish dinner starts at 6:00 p.m., followed by celebrants sharing their stories of recovery 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. (Open Meeting.)*

## SATURDAY

9:00 a.m. – Conscious Contact AA meeting – Meditation (*Casita*)  
11:00 a.m. – Living Sober AA meeting  
6:15 p.m. – Happy Hour AA meeting – 12 & 12 Step Study  
7:30 p.m. – Game Night!

## SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. – Conscious Contact AA meeting – (*Meditation*) \*  
\* *On the 2nd Sunday of each month, Conscious Contact meets at 8:00 a.m.*

**CASA BREAKFAST from 9:30 – 10:30 A.M. on the 2nd Sunday of Each Month**

11:00 a.m. – Living Sober AA meeting  
6:15 p.m. – Happy Hour AA meeting – Half and Half Book Study  
8:00 p.m. – Miracle Group AA meeting

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