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PA SERVICEGRAM for Feb 2016

Phone Army: *If you're reading this you may have already stood a phone watch. If you've had any calls of note, or your own personal gateway to AA was the phone watch then you know the importance and benefits of this sort of service.*

Here is my challenge. Talk about this service to others, those in your home group, at business meetings. Can we get a group to step forward for a commitment on the phone service? Can we become good service mentors for those in need of service commitment? Can we get a group to step forward, if only to commit to holidays, if not the next available Regular watch?

The next three intergroup holidays that require volunteers to cover a 9AM–noon and noon-4PM are:

<i>05/30 Mon.</i>	<i>Memorial Day</i>
<i>07/04 Mon.</i>	<i>4th of July</i>
<i>09/05 Mon.</i>	<i>Labor Day</i>

12th Step List: *First Off: A Big THANK YOU to those on the 12th Step List who pick up the phone and follow thru. Thank You*

We have some No-Response phone numbers on the 12th Step List. I'll be doing the task of house cleaning over the next couple months to reduce this. So I look forward to hearing from you.

Next, the challenge: Are we carrying the message of 12th Step Service to our home groups? I recently requested a need for 12th Step volunteers in the Barefoot Bay area. The Intergroup Rep brought the request to his group, and 11 volunteers stepped forward. Can you bring the challenge to your Home Group? Every area in these 3 districts could be fully covered with committed volunteers. Let's bring the message of Service that is so important to us.

Lessons Learned:

- *Closure: We have them on the phone, first contact with AA, do we just tell them what meetings are available, Or do we follow thru with the 12th Step, 'Let's meet' or 'can I have someone call you from your area?' (the 12th Step list).*
- *Mentors: We have a wealth of AA experience on the volunteer lists. Anyone with experience on the phone or 12th Step list willing to mentor new or junior members, please step forward. Call me or the Intergroup to start pairing up. We are not alone.*

*Yours in Service,
Greg S.*