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NO BOOZE NEWS

A Happy Ending

Right when the meeting was over, a stranger put his hand up to share something he'll never forget

At just five months sober, this year I attended the Area 3 annual convention in Pinetop, Arizona. I looked forward to escaping the Phoenix heat and taking part in my first AA convention in the cool pines of the Arizona mountains. I went by myself, but a couple from my home group was also planning to attend. So chances were good that I would see at least two familiar faces.

A new term jumped out at me from the convention program: "marathon meeting." Wanting to experience this sort of meeting, I met up with an old-timer from my home group and we went together. The topic of the morning meeting was about having a spiritual experience in sobriety.

Of the roughly 30 people in the meeting, I noticed a man who came into the room with friends. He sat across from me at the large U-shaped table. I couldn't place his face, but thought maybe I recognized him. From television? A bus stop ad? I did not think much of it, except for the fact that this guy was looking at me like he, too, recognized me. Toward the close of the meeting, I took a turn to share my spiritual experience from my drinking days. I told about God's goodness filling the void left by a departing dark force. The memory was still very fresh for me. When I finished sharing, the meeting leader started his closing remarks but he was stopped by the familiar guy across from me. "May I share quickly?" the stranger asked.

The leader allowed him to speak. "During the weeks before I got sober," the man said, "I was housesitting for a friend of mine and his wife. It was in that house that several things happened. One, I came face to face with my powerlessness over alcohol and marijuana. Second, I bought 20 feet of rope, which was the first time I finally acted on my despair. Last, I had my final drink there, as well as my last smoke of pot. And that was your house, wasn't it, Tom?" Here he nodded to me.

I slowly nodded back. Now I remembered him!

The man continued, "I was staying at that house when, having been mandated to go to AA after a DUI, I went to a meeting and 'had my blinders removed' in a moment and completely accepted that I was an alcoholic. And I celebrated 21 years of sobriety this last week."

"You're kidding me," I blurted out.

I recognized the man as Scott, an old friend and drinking partner in Tucson whom I had not seen for 20 years. The room was filled with puzzled faces and several gasps. After the meeting and a big hug, Scott explained to me that he hit rock bottom while housesitting for us while we were out of town on vacation. He recalled for me how he had considered committing suicide in my house. Not being able to find my revolver (I had taken it with me on our trip), he turned to the rope, but was unable to find a suitable branch on the tamarisk trees in our yard on which to proceed. This failure bought him just enough time to have his eyes opened.

There we stood, together again.

After hitting bottom in my living room, Scott began his new, sober life about the same time my wife and I moved to another city. Back then, I had no idea what a "bottom" was or that Scott had hit his in my house. My own bottom was two decades and 200 miles away still.

It turns out that Scott's attendance at the convention was almost a lastminute decision. And at just a few months sober, my own attendance surprised folks in my home group. Whether mere coincidence or divine intervention, my rekindled friendship with Scott has become yet another gift to me from God in AA. An old friend has been a blessing to this newcomer.

-- Tom J. Chandler, Ariz., USA

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From the October 2017 magazine.*

Tradition Nine - AA, as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.

It's always fascinating to learn just how people came to Alcoholics Anonymous. In my case, I looked AA up in the phone book and called our local central office. Thank goodness, some service board or committee put it there! The person on the other end of the line took my number and had an AA member call me back for the one-on-one, language-of-the-heart introduction that began my incredible journey in sobriety. At my very first AA meeting, I was warmly greeted and taken to the literature rack at the front of the meeting room. My greeter selected some of the pamphlets for me to take home. I could relate not only to the AA members but to the AA literature as well. Thank goodness, some service board or committee wrote, published, and distributed these pamphlets!

Although I only planned to attend one meeting a week, I went to more because I had a car and some other newcomers didn't. One would call and ask if I planned on going to a meeting that night and I'd say yes in spite of myself. So, I picked up a meeting list which helped us find meetings--where and when. Thank goodness some service board or committee gathered the information, printed and circulated this

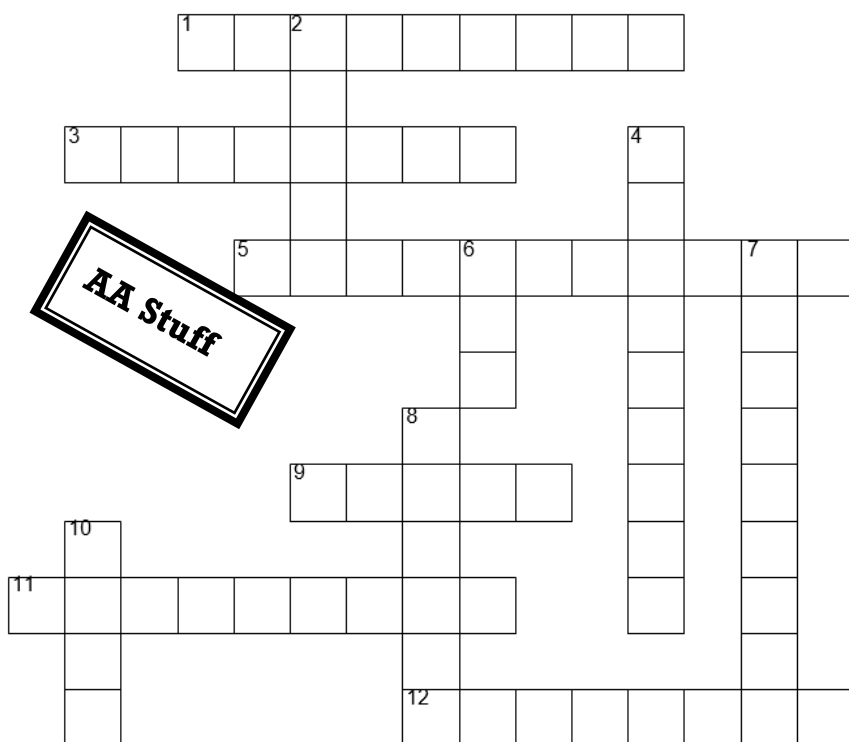
list! Many of my AA friends--and yours too, I'm sure--found the Fellowship in a variety of ways, and not a few are due to some kind of service board or committee whose efforts facilitate our Twelfth Step work. Correctional, Treatment, and Hospitals and Institutions committees arrange for institutional meetings and bridge the gap between a facility and an individual AA or a group.

In some instances, a doctor or member of the clergy recommended AA to their patient or parishioner; Cooperation with the Professional Community committees most probably paved the way. Some AA members were exposed to a radio or TV program, not necessarily produced by AA but by someone who has benefited from the work of a Public Information committee. All these dedicated endeavors of service boards or committees make our Twelfth Step work possible.

The preliminary work done by AA service boards and committees directly responsible to those they serve (you and me) is invaluable to the future of the Fellowship. I might not be here today if they hadn't put Alcoholics Anonymous in the phone book!

Lois C. Pittsburgh, PA

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ACROSS

1. Who authored the 11th step prayer?
3. One alcoholic helping another alcoholic is said to be without this?
5. Where is AA's General Service Office located?
9. Ebby T. was a contributor to the personal stories section in the Big Book, true or false?
11. AA's monthly publication, also known as a "meeting in print" is named The...?
12. It's often said that he/she is the most important person in a meeting.

DOWN

2. You must stop drinking completely before you can attend a meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous...true or false?
4. Who was the first of forty-two alcoholics to tell their story in the Big Book?
6. How many GSR's (General Service Representative) does each AA homegroup have?
7. How many people do you need to have an AA meeting?
8. The fellowship for family members of alcoholics is called...?
10. The only requirement for membership to Alcoholics Anonymous is the desire to quit drinking...true or false?

Principles

Aug Newsletter

Across

1. humility
4. step eight
5. solution
6. perseverance
9. step two

Down

2. spirituality
3. discipline
7. integrity
8. faith
10. service
11. willingness
12. step four

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Attitude of Gratitude

If you are grateful for your sobriety and would like to give back to the program that has so freely given to you, please use the Gratitude With Service form below to volunteer for any of EVI's Standing Committees, such as PI/CPC (Public Information / Cooperation with the Professional Community), Special Events, Literature, Unity, or Phone Volunteers. Participating in any of these committees can be a great way to carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic, both in and out of the rooms.

As an ongoing reminder, we are still in need of more volunteers for the 12th Step call list. Although we are great at making sure the phones are answered day or night, finding someone willing and available to do a 12th Step call can sometimes be very challenging, and often times it's hit or miss depending on the time of day. If you have at least one year of continued sobriety and are willing to make yourself available to the alcoholic reaching out to AA for help from time to time, please be sure to complete the form provided below and return to the EVI Central Office via fax, mail, e-mail or in person as soon as possible. Who knows — the life you save could be your own....

EAST VALLEY INTERGROUP – Gratitude With Service form *revised 2/09*

Return to: 1320 E. Broadway Rd., Suite 105 Mesa, AZ 85204

(480) 827-1905

e-mail: info@aamesaaz.org

www.aamesaaz.org

Date _____ *First Name _____ Last _____

Address _____ *Phone _____

*City _____ *ST _____ *Zip _____ *Gender _____

*Sobriety Date _____ Home Group _____

e-mail address _____ Alt Phone _____

* = required for listing in 12th Step List

☐ *No Booze News* Subscription / Renewal (\$12.00 annual subscription fee enclosed)

Volunteer Service Options

Check only those you are willing to commit time to

12th Step List Volunteer

☐ Weeknights

☐ Weekends

☐ Weekdays

Phones Night & Weekend

☐ Weekends

☐ Weeknights

☐ Office Phone Volunteer

☐ Other Office Help

Committees of Interest

Check only those you are willing to serve on

☐ Public Information / Cooperation with the Professional Community

☐ Special Events

☐ Literature

☐ Newsletter (*No Booze News*)

☐ Unity Committee

☐ Deliver A Meeting



ROUNDUPS, CAMPOUTS AND CONFERENCES

PRESCOTT SHOESTRING ROUNDUP

AUGUST 31 ~ SEPTEMBER 2

PRESCOTT RESORT AND CONFERENCE CENTER

PRESCOTT AZ

ROCKY POINT ROUNDUP

OCTOBER 19 ~ 21

SONORAN SEA RESORT

PUERTO PENASCO, MEXICO



LAKE HAVASU ROUNDUP

NOVEMBER 2 ~ 4

1477 QUEENS BAY

LAKE HAVASU CITY, AZ

APACHE LAKE CAMPOUT

NOVEMBER 2 ~ 4

APACHE LAKE RESORT

APACHE LAKE, AZ

MIRACLE ON THE RIVER

NOVEMBER 2 ~ 4

1477 QUEENS BAY

LAKE HAVASU CITY, AZ

JEROME AA ROUNDUP

NOVEMBER 2 ~ 4

260 HULL AVE.

JEROME AZ



2018 EVI Day of Service

October 13, 2018

2:00pm to 8:00pm

805 N Country Club Dr. Mesa AZ

(First Christian Church)

A presentation on
all service opportunities
at your Intergroup,
dinner
and a speaker meeting.

Agua Fria Intergroup

35th Anniversary Celebration

5pm. September 22, 2018

8335 W Jefferson St.

Peoria AZ 85345

Dinner and Speaker

**Mesa Roundup Needs Your
Help !!!**

MESA Round Up Committee

Needs board members and volunteers!

Committee meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month at 7pm at the Mesa Alano club. We host five events per year and It's a blast way to do service! Come on down!

2018 November Assembly

November 3rd, 2018

100 Park Ave,

Lake Havasu City, AZ

(Lake Havasu Aquatic Center)

2018 Arizona State Convention

August 31 ~ September 2

2620 W Dunlap Ave.

Phoenix AZ

(Sheraton Crescent Hotel)



Name	Date	Days
Greg W.	9/10/1979	14245
Anne V.	9/8/1982	13149
Mickey A.	9/14/1984	12418
Barbara M.	9/27/1984	12418
Mary B.	9/11/1985	12053
Beth H.	9/29/1985	12053
David P.	9/8/1987	11323
Denis S.	9/21/1988	10957
Cliff H.	9/23/1988	10957
Ron S.	9/16/1989	10592
Guff W.	9/30/1989	10592
Roy B.	9/2/1991	9862
Tom A.	9/10/1995	8401
Michael S.	9/19/1995	8401
Lauren B.	9/21/1997	7670
Terri B.	9/12/1998	7305
Mike W.	9/22/1999	6940
Bill B.	9/24/2000	6574
Mike G.	9/22/2003	5479
Travis B.	9/24/2004	5113
Alex B.	9/13/2005	4748
Amanda B.	9/13/2005	4748
Barbara C.	9/23/2005	4748
Don D.	9/18/2006	4383
Aaron C.	9/24/2006	4383
Brett A.	9/4/2007	4018
Carol L.	9/5/2007	4018
Chad F.	9/23/2008	3696
James L.	9/9/2010	2922
Margaret B.	9/26/2010	2922
Nick V.	9/28/2010	2922
Virgil F.	9/30/2010	2922
Mike H.	9/8/2012	2186
Adrian B.	9/26/2013	1826
Linda O.	9/18/2014	1461
Terry F.	9/26/2014	1461
Dana P.	9/2/2015	1096
Linda L.	9/7/2015	1096
Mike M.	9/24/2015	1096
Judy W.	9/30/2015	1096
Madilaine B.	9/14/2016	730
Denise V.	9/20/2016	730
Christel A.	9/25/2016	730

At Wit's End

Heard at meetings

"I was happy to get to my second AA birthday because then I could say that I had 'years' of sobriety. At my fourth anniversary, I was even happier: Then I could say 'years and years.'"

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Step Nine~ Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.

Tradition Nine~ A.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.

Concept Nine~ Good service leadership at all levels is indispensable for our future functioning and safety. Primary world service leadership, once exercised by the founders, must necessarily be assumed by the trustees.

You can grow flowers
from where dirt used to be.



At Wit's End

HEARD AT MEETINGS...

"I had a really good reason for working Step Nine and making amends to my family and friends: I didn't want a parade of people at my funeral singing, 'Ding, dong, the wicked witch is dead!'"

Someone has defined forgiveness as 'giving up all hope of having had a better past.'



PI / CPC

(Public Information and Cooperation with the Professional Community)

Meets 1st Monday's at 7:00pm

235 E Guadalupe Rd. Gilbert

(Gilbert Presbyterian Church)

Come help carry the message at the public level and to professional groups who have contact with alcoholics.

For more information contact:

480 827-1905

EVI Phone Workshop

Third Friday's at 6:15 pm

Before the monthly business meeting at

1125 N Dobson Rd

Antioch Community Church

Or

Workshops can be done at your Group !

For more information

Beth H

EVI Sponsorship Workshop

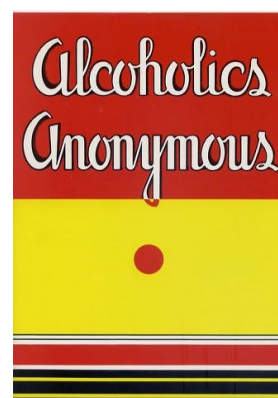
10am the 1st Saturday of every other month

235 E Guadalupe Rd. Gilbert AZ

(Gilbert Presbyterian Church)

Contact: Gail H.

HOST GROUP SCHEDULE

September 1st ~ Bloopers

Join the

EVI Unity Committee

Meeting at 6:15pm Every 3rd Friday

Antioch Community Church

1125 N. Dobson Rd Chandler

EVI Special Events Committee

Meeting held before the Monthly Speaker Meeting

1st Friday of the month

Antioch Community Church

1125 N Dobson Rd Chandler

contact: Deana E.

EVI Monthly Speaker Meeting*1st Friday of Every Month***Meeting Now At 7:30pm**

Antioch Community Church

1125 North Dobson Road, Chandler

September 7th ~ The Way Out Group

October 5th ~ Sunset Group

These are subject to change - so keep watching.

Office Volunteers &
EVI Hot Line Phones

4 hour shifts in the EVI office

Call Roxanne for specific

times and days.

*** Fill In shifts available now***



Central Office Manager's Report

August 17, 2018

We received 491 requests for information and assistance last month. Of those 127 calls were for meeting info, 144 were office visitors and 15 resulted in a 12 step call. Our website stays busy too. It had 51,859 visits in the last 30 days. Our Google listing also receives steady traffic 8,107 people found us on Google. Of those 243 went to our website and 43 got directions to the office. And, we now accept Apple Pay on the office credit card terminal.

The EVI mailing address can be used as a relay point for those corresponding with inmates thru the Corrections Correspondence program. We have had some requests for this recently and are happy to help. If you are participating in this service and wish to use our address, please let us know and provide us with contact information so we can notify you when mail arrives.

The office had one copy of the Navajo Big Book and it sold fairly quickly to a very grateful recipient. We have received several more requests for them and do have them on order.

A new church at the Extension and University area called to offer meeting space. They have several rooms available, one large enough for 200 people. If anyone is wanting to start a meeting or looking for a new location, give me a call at the office for contact info.

All front desk shifts at the office are filled but we still need temps and fill in's when the regulars need a day off. The 12 step list is in need of people willing to provide the hand of A.A. for those trying to get sober. Please take some Gratitude with Service forms back to your Home Group and encourage members to sign up for this or any service positions. The life you save may be your own.

In the spirit of Tradition Eight,
Love and Service

Kim W. Central Office Manager
East Valley Intergroup

EVl CENTRAL OFFICE ACTIVITY

..... July	2018
Meeting Information Calls.....	127 1040
General Information	94 783
Referred to Salt River Intergroup	6 60
Referred to Al-Anon.....	13 98
Referred to Community Info.....	1 9
12th Step Calls	15 79
Business Calls	91 774
Office Visitors	144 1123
Meeting lists printed.....	700 5100
Info request via E-mail.....	42 376
Desk Volunteers-Reg/Sub/None.....	28/ 8/ 4
Desk Volunteers-Reg HRS YTD.	1056 hrs

Web Stats

Website Visits last 30 days 51,859 YTD 317,911
Google Searches last 30 days 8,107

Meeting List Updates...

New Meetings:

417 Group 6289 S Greenfield Rd. Gilbert (Light of Christ) TH 7:00p O
East Valley Vets 165 N Centennial Way, Mesa (Mesa Vets Center) SA 9:00a O
Why Not Wednesday 45295 W Honeycut Ave. Maricopa WE 6:00p O
East Valley Vets 165 N Centennial Dr. Mesa SA 9:00a O
Bloopers 5000 S Price Rd. Tempe **New Spanish Mtg** TU 7:00p O

Changes:

Women in Gratitude **Moving to:** 6101 E Virginia St. Mesa TU 7:00p W,O
Sobriety Rocks 462 N Palo Verde Dr. AJ SA 10:00am is now a BB Study
Fountain Hills Group 13001 N Fountain Hills Blvd TU & TH now meet at 7:00pm

Deletions:

East Valley Intergroup
1320 E. Broadway Rd. # 105
Mesa, AZ 85204

General Service Office
PO Box 459, Grand Central Station
New York, NY 10163

*** NEW ***
Area 03 Treasurer
PO Box 18765
Tucson, AZ 85371

*** NEW ***

District 08-818
PO Box 12044
Tempe, AZ 85284

District 08-819
PO Box 594
Mesa, AZ 85211

District 08-820
PO Box 20404
Mesa, AZ 85277

District 08 (Maricopa County)
PO Box 45066
Phoenix, AZ 85064

Valleywide H & I
PO Box 80126
Phoenix, AZ 85060

Example of Group Contributions to A.A.

Service Entities

Distribution of funds from groups that
support four service entities

10% to District 10% to Area

30% to GSO 50% to Intergroup



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GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS



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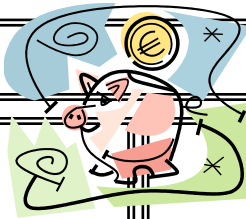
GROUP	July	YTD
11th Step Candlelight		\$100.00
2121 Beginner Workshop		\$0.00
24 Hours A Day		\$0.00
A Vision For You Group	\$193.92	\$607.16
ABC Group		\$75.00
AHA! It's Monday		\$100.00
Ahwatukee Daybreak Serenity		\$0.00
Ahwatukee Group		\$211.28
Ahwatukee Nooners		\$600.00
Ahwatukee Saturday Men's		\$911.27
Ahwatukee Women's Group		\$132.13
Arbor Daily Noon Group	\$300.00	\$1,450.00
Attitude Adjustment Ahwatukee		\$187.75
Attitude Adjustment CG	\$20.00	\$70.00
Attitude of Gratitude		\$150.00
Basic II		\$0.00
Bloopers	\$500.00	\$710.00
Bootstrap Men's		\$500.00
Breakfast Club	\$1000.00	\$1,200.00
Busted Ego	\$80.00	\$400.00
By The Book	\$175.66	\$340.72
Chandler Men's Stag Group	\$71.00	\$391.00
Chandler Noon Group	\$256.00	\$857.60
Chandler Women's Big Book Group		\$0.00
Cold Coffee Group		\$0.00
Common Solution		\$70.00
Common Thread	\$150.00	\$150.00
Copper Basin Group		\$0.00
Courage To Change	\$600.00	\$900.00
Daily Reflections Group		\$0.00
Day At A Timers		\$0.00
East Valley Men's Stag		\$390.00
Easy Does It Group	\$88.87	\$622.09
Eye Opener Group	\$1,005.47	\$1,455.47
Family Recovery Group		\$0.00
Feelings & Solutions		\$75.00
Firehouse Meeting		\$150.00
Florence Group		\$0.00
Friday Night Big Book Study		\$0.00
Friends Of Bill W.		\$184.00
Get It Together		\$2,586.65
Gilbert Gals		\$0.00
Gilbert Group		\$0.00
Gold Canyon 12 X 12 Group		\$0.00
Good Ol' Back to Basics		\$400.00
Grateful Dames		\$0.00
Grateful Girlfriends		\$70.00
Gratitude Group		\$324.00
Great Start		\$700.00
Cut Level	\$160.00	\$256.00
Happy Hour @ Sunbird		\$420.69
Heard It Thru The Grapevine		\$0.00
Into Action		\$150.00
Inwardly Reorganized		\$0.00
Keepin It Real Ladies	\$197.00	\$375.00
Life In The Big Book	\$86.80	\$715.40
Maricopa 12 X 12	\$40.00	\$120.00
Maricopa Group		\$75.00
Mid-Morning Group		\$100.00
Monday Night Madness		\$85.00
Morning After Group		\$335.00
Name In The Hat		\$306.83
New Beginnings		\$400.00
New Hope Group	\$50.00	\$110.00
New Spirit Group		\$300.00
No Name AA Group		\$0.00
Not A Glum Lot		\$100.00
Page A Day		\$900.60
Pioneer Group	\$60.00	\$233.00

GROUP	July	YTD
Price Is Right		\$60.00
Primary Purpose BB Study	\$140.00	\$240.00
Primary Purpose Group		\$0.00
Prime Time		\$0.00
Progress Rather Than Perfection		\$0.00
Putting God First		\$950.00
Queen Creek Saturday Speaker		\$0.00
Re-Awakening Group		\$15.00
Remember When		\$0.00
Renewed Spirit		\$300.00
Right Place Women's		\$0.00
Rising Spirit	\$402.94	\$891.55
Road To Recovery		\$942.54
Rock Solid		\$95.50
San Tan Men's	\$21.50	\$35.50
Second Chance Group		\$360.00
Seniors In Sobriety-Tempe		\$0.00
Serenity At Six		\$0.00
Shade Tree		\$0.00
Sisterhood Of Solutions	\$165.00	\$290.00
Sobriety is Gold		\$200.00
Sobriety Rocks		\$213.38
Society Group		\$500.00
Solutions Group		\$0.00
Some Are Sicker Than Others		\$0.00
Southeast Valley Stag		\$250.00
Spirited Women		\$112.50
Step By Step Group	\$40.24	\$40.24
Stepping Stones		\$60.00
Sunday Morning Women		\$0.00
Sunday Night BB Step Study	\$123.90	\$518.61
Sun Lakes Women		\$92.00
Sunland Serenity Seekers		\$183.00
Sunset Group		\$340.00
Tempe Group		\$100.00
Tempe Nooners		\$100.00
Tempe Sunrises		\$0.00
Tempe Young People		\$0.00
The Library		\$113.00
The Real Thing		\$0.00
The Way Out Group		\$800.00
Thursday Night Step Group		\$0.00
Tuesday Night Steppin Out		\$205.00
Tuesday's Trudgers		\$0.00
Tumbleweeds Group		\$120.00
Upon Awakening		\$1,400.00
We Ain't Dead Yet		\$82.50
We Agnostics	\$240.00	\$440.00
We Can Group	\$63.00	\$129.00
Wednesday Night Step		\$0.00
Wednesday Night Winners		\$0.00
Welcome Home	\$188.65	\$188.65
West Chandler Men's		\$80.00
Who's Driving Your Bus?		\$0.00
Wolf Pack Group		\$50.00
Women in Gratitude		\$105.00
Women in Solution		\$207.63
Women in Touch		\$123.00
*Anonymous Groups	\$217.65	\$648.15

OTHER GROUPS/COMMITTEES

Apache Lake Campout		\$102.02
VALYPAA		\$62.00
AZ AA Womens Conference		\$500.00
Dist 08-818		\$61.84
Mesa Round Up		\$0.00
Group Totals	\$6,617.60	\$33,861.25
EVI Committees	\$68.83	\$633.74
Individual Contributions	\$652.67	\$1,952.67
GRAND TOTALS	\$7,339.10	\$36,447.66

(*Group contribution with no group name listed)



BALANCE SHEET July 31, 2018

Assets

Current Assets

Checking	4,675.89
Prudent Reserve (Savings)	25,863.61
Accounts Receivable	423.87
Inventory Asset	23,605.28
Undeposited Funds	0.00

Fixed Assets

Cash On Hand	50.00
Office Equip/Furnishings	22,538.00
Depreciation	(-22,538.00)

Total Assets **\$57,735.97**

Liabilities & Equity

Liabilities

Accounts Payable	1.50
Visa Credit Card	3,641.47
Payroll taxes	94.88

Total Liabilities **\$3,737.85**

Equity

Opening Balance Equity	43,778.94
Retained Earnings	5,591.38
Net Income	4,627.80

Total Equity **\$53,998.12**

Total Liability & Equity **\$57,735.97**

PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT July 2018

29 Group contributions totaling	\$6,617.60
4 Individual contributions totaling	\$652.67
Intergroup Business Meeting & Service Committee's 7th Tradition	\$68.83
Total Contributions	\$7,339.10
Total Income	\$11,954.15
Less total Cost Of Sales	\$3,456.35
Gross Profit	\$8,497.80
Less total Expenses of	\$6,119.50
<u>Net July Gain</u>	\$2,378.30
<u>YTD 2018 Gain</u>	\$4,627.80

The current Prudent Reserve balance is \$25,863.61
The Prudent Reserve has been
established for 2018 in the amount of \$25,895.52

Please call me with any questions or comments
regarding the financial statements.

Grateful to be of service,
Lois L. EVI Treasurer

Traditions Checklist

Tradition Nine: AA, as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.

1. Do I still try to boss things in AA?
2. Do I resist formal aspects of AA because I fear them as authoritative?
3. Am I mature enough to understand and use all elements of the AA program—even if no one makes me do so—with a sense of personal responsibility?
4. Do I exercise patience and humility in any AA job I take?
5. Am I aware of all those to whom I am responsible in any AA job?
6. Why doesn't every AA group need a constitution and bylaws?
7. Have I learned to step out of an AA job gracefully—and profit thereby—when the time comes?
8. What has rotation to do with anonymity? With humility?

East Valley Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes**August 17, 2018****Meeting Opened by Ed at 7:00 PM with Moment of Silence followed by Serenity Prayer****12 Traditions ready by – Barb****INTRODUCTIONS:** *Your attendance and participation are appreciated, and visitors are always welcome!***Intergroup Representatives:****New Reps:** Tom *Common Thread*, Rose (Alt to Alt Rep) *Gratitude Group*, Goose *Society*, Jessica (vistor) *LIBB*
*Not Available at time of printing.***Committee and other Trusted Servants: (N/P = Not Present)***Not Available at time of printing.***Secretary's Report:** Andrea: Welcome to new reps, Please sign in and update info, New Rep packets available, see Andrea after meeting, Denis- Motion, Gary-2nd**Treasurer's Report: Report in Packet** Lois- report in packet, 29 groups contributed in June for a total of \$6617.60! (*Please keep in mind that some groups make quarterly contributions*). Lois reviewed all reports in packets, asked for reps to review group contribution report to assure it aligns with known contributions. Matt-Motion to accept, Kaitlyn- seconded**Chairperson's Report:** Ed- will report in new business**Vice Chair's Report:** Chuck E- reminded that all GSR reps are at Assembly this weekend, reminded all to send event announcements to Kim at Office so EVI help share event information.**Office Manager:** Kim- We received 491 requests for information and assistance in June. 127 calls were for meeting info, 144 were office visits and 15 resulted in 12-step call. Busy for summer! Office credit card machine now accepts Apple Pay. Office address can be used as a relay point for those corresponding with inmates thru the Corrections Correspondence program.*Pat -ask for clarification of Correspondence Program, Kim explained that it is a program through H&I to correspond with inmates.*

Will be getting more Navajo books in office. Currently, they are on backorder. Church at Extension and University called to offer space. They have several rooms available and one large enough for 200 people! Call office in interested

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**PICPC: Victor**, explained PI/CPC, explained most of the activity for committee right now is on the CPC side of committee. There are 11 sub committees- Outside Events, Education, Literature, Media, Clergy, Legal and Corrections, Health Services, Community Services, Governmental Services, Fellowship, Seasonal. The sub committees are working hard at evaluating needs for specific literature (pamphlets) needs and determining what pamphlet each sub committee can use as some pamphlets are free. Education committee presented motion to purchase BB and Living Sober Book for 30 High School Libraries and Public Libraries. Art of Recovery Event is also coming up in Sept. Overall, this committee is now active!!**Special Events:** Deana- Please join us for Special Events Committee meetings on First Friday of the month at 6:30PM @ Antioch Community Church, Grab a Flyer and The Way Out group is hosting. Thanked everyone for efforts around Bowlathon. 76 people attended the Bowlathon!! Great event!

Pick up a flyer for EVI Day of Service on October 13- free event, free food! Please sign up homegroups for service commitments for this events. Will pass around sign up list!

Phone Committee: Beth- Nothing to report, everything going well. We would like to see more people at training workshop. This is a great way to be of service!**Unity Committee:** Tom- Thanked everyone for attended business meeting, thanked committee for working diligently and attending meetings that are not represented at this monthly meeting, committee has been reaching out so non represented groups know they have a voice at this meeting. If interested, we have list that the committee works from to target groups. There are groups that attend here every month and would like to recognize that diligent participation. The following groups have participated for at least 14 of the last 18 months: Upon Awakening, Stepping Stones, Price is Right, Friends of Bill W., SNBBS, Page-a-Day, Welcome Home, Tempe Sunset! Thank you all!**Sponsorship Workshop:** N/P**Newsletter Editor:** N/P**Literature:** N/P**LIASION REPORTS****Alanon Liaison:** Rosemary- was at International last month, huge success with 4000 attendees with some great AA speakers, Please join for Family Recovery Night, flyers in back, Family Recovery Night is food, fun, great speakers. This is the last Saturday of the month at St. Peter Lutheran in Mesa. All the flyers have been picked up, please come take a picture with your phone.

H&I Liaison: N/P, Deana reported that a chair is still needed for H&I event.

Spanish Liaison: Marge- attending different meetings with Elizabeth, Bloopers Spanish Speaking meeting Tuesday, 7PM open! Please share!

Sub District 08-818: N/P **Sub District 08-819:** N/P **Sub District 08-820:** N/P

OLD BUSINESS:

none

NEW BUSINESS:

Ed presented seconded motion to group- (On back page of packet)

Motion to be presented to EVI Representatives on 8/17/2018

Seconded motion from Steering Committee 8/13/2018: 5 eligible votes- 5 yes. Motion passed.

Motion to increase the 2018 budget for the PI/CPC from \$500 to \$1500.

Background Information:

Steering Committee reviewed current budget set at \$500. They have already spent \$673.47 for the year on literature for holders set at various locations. The committee is working on putting BB and Living Sober book in every High School Library. This is at a cost of \$14.50 (book bundle) x 30 schools for a total of \$435.00. Art of Recovery trade show is coming up which has costs of \$105. Steering committee discussed the need for increase because this committee is now active.

July 2018 Treasurers report states a \$4,627.80 YTD income indicating availability of funds.

Ed asked reps to first decide if they want to vote or go back to groups with seconded motion.

Pat- Wants to take back to group

Ken- Does this need a vote?

Ed- yes, this is a seconded motion from Steering committee about increasing a budget for committee.

Gary- Will increase of 2018 budget mean the this will roll into the 2019 budget?

Ed- No, when the forecasted 2019 budget is compiled there will be investigation if budget needs to remain increased.

Victor- Would shared more information on what is happening with committee.

Matt- if we delay a month will this hold progress?

Kaitlyn- What happens at Art of Recovery?

Victor- PI/CPC will have booth with literature rack. Two people will always be covering the booth. They will have one male and one female in order to answer questions from event attendees about what AA is and what AA is not.

Becca- Point of Information- Can the author of the motion amend to motion to just ask for money Art of Recovery, then other budget increase can go back to groups?

Matt- Let's vote

Barb-Yes, let's vote

Kim- Would like to re-state treasurer's report that we have \$4627.80 of available funds.

Ed called for how many people want to vote tonight? Majority raised hand (28 yes to vote) (1 opposed)

Called to Vote on Seconded Motion- 34 yes, 1 opposed

Minority Opinion- does see need for funds but think group needs education on what is being voted on

Motion passes

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Group Problems & Solutions: none

Announcements: Lois- Thanked Steve W. for getting No Smoking signs to hang at church for this meeting and monthly speaker meeting. Steve announced the printer made an error with sign orientation (*landscape or portrait*), so there are three signs at office if any groups need to use for events.

Close Meeting: Motion to close- all, 2nd- all ! We finished by 7:50 PM tonight!

Thank you,

Andrea M.

AA Grapevine Daily Quote**July 29, 2018**

"Great modesty and humility are needed by every AA for his own permanent recovery. If these virtues are such vital needs to the individual, so must they be to AA as a whole."

Family Negligence Headed the List

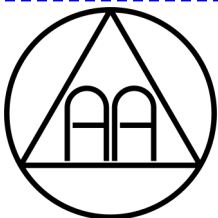
I was serving in the navy, living like a fleet sailor, in a rocky marriage, with one child, in and out of port, drinking and quarreling a lot with my wife, and circling the drain. One day my ship pulled into port and tied up to the pier. I grabbed my essentials and went to my home in the navy housing facility to find the place empty and deserted. Gone was my wife, my son, my furniture, my car, my marriage and my pride. I returned to my ship, shamed and humiliated and absolutely crushed. I spent the next two years crying in my beer and looking for sympathy. I stared across the bar at myself in the mirror wondering if everyone in the bar knew how much pain I was in. I began to have problems getting back to my ship on time in the morning, and after the third such episode, when I woke up at 9 am, I was already two hours late for muster, I called the local A.A. fellowship and found my way there. That was on Oct. 15, 1969, and I have been sober ever since. A little over a year after I got sober, I was re-married to my current wife of 47 years. About a year into that marriage I remember waking up in the middle of the night, sitting up in bed and my wife asked me, "what's wrong". I replied "I can't do this anymore". She asked me what I was talking about and I replied, "I have to stop bad mouthing my first wife". From that day until now, my wife and I have been treating her with kindness, respect, empathy, understanding and love. That is where I started getting into making amends and family negligence headed the list. There are many areas in our lives where we need to repair damaged relations, but there's no more important place to start than at ground zero. Our families have been on the receiving end of our errant behavior for years, and it will take time to regain their trust. They were not the problem, we were, and they don't owe us anything. Until we gain some credibility, we can't make any demands. Credibility is doing what you say you're going to do, and not making any promises we can't keep. A whole bunch of credibility leads to the beginning of integrity. We can repair other relations as we spiral outward from our families to our close friends then to our work mates and our fishing buddies and so on. Being a good husband/wife, a good father/mother or, a good sister/brother, I think, should hold a top priority, as our families need us. About twelve years ago, after living in the same community for 24 years, at the time, and attending meetings daily I made a statement at a meeting that I would give anyone \$100.00 if they had ever heard me say one negative thing about my first wife, and nobody could collect on it, including my wife, and that son I thought I had lost. As I think back on that incident, I realize that it was the seed that fashioned my whole attitude about how I practice my principles. Now tell me, if I say that I never say anything bad about my first wife, but I am still gossiping and being critical about other people, am I not a hypocrite? I cannot be selective about who I apply these principles to. Principles are not flexible. They are the solid bedrock that my credibility and integrity rest upon. Learning how to treat my family makes it much easier to repair the damage to those outside the family circle and my family will be witness to my credibility and my integrity.

Rick R.

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