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One Primary Purpose

I love my home group. I'm not trying to say it's the best in the world, because my hope is that everyone feels that way about their own home group. But for me, ours is the best.

Our group started in 1998, and our name is Primary Purpose. I feel it truly depicts us and what we are about. Tradition Five long form reminds me that "each Alcoholics Anonymous group ought to be a spiritual entity..." and I truly feel we are.

I arrive at my home group an hour before the meeting starts. The room has already been set up and the crew has gone to dinner. There's usually about five or so minutes when I'm there by myself, and I sit and feel the spirit before the "entity" starts and our members begin to trickle in. That's when the place comes alive. I listen to the glad tidings and the laughter. I can smell the coffee. I see the smiles of the regulars and the scared faces of our new friends as they enter.

Tradition Five goes on to say, a...has but one primary purpose—to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers." What is my group's message? I know what my message is, but my group's?

Well the first thing is...Our group is accessible for members using wheelchairs. We post signs so people will know where we're located. We have at least two greeters at our door to welcome people. We have a nice literature area, which includes Grapevine and La Viña and other AA literature. We also have CDs of past speakers and birthday cards for members to sign. We also have a table with AA pamphlets and flyers of upcoming events. At the front of the room are the three window shades: Steps, Traditions and Concepts. We have lots of coffee and donuts, plenty of comfy seats and a spirit in the room that's alive.

Quote of the Month

Somebody once said, "As much as you may grow, as many recoveries as there may be, I think the eventual by-products of AA will be greater than AA itself."

-Bill W.

...Continued

If you happen to sit down before our meeting starts, be advised you will continually be approached and welcomed. You might even be invited to meet others.

The meeting starts promptly at 8 p.m. and we all take our seats. We appreciate the quiet respect shown during the readings and our speakers.

During our announcements you'll hear how to get involved with Hospitals & Institutions service. We offer help with getting a sponsor, literature or service commitments. We also announce annual AA birthdays, as well as reports on Grapevine, La Viña, General Service and intergroup. We wrap up at 9:15 with a prayer. Fellowship continues until around 10. Our group's message is one of recovery, unity and service in action. I think I'll keep coming back.

Try this: The next time you visit your home group, pretend you're a newcomer or a visitor. Ask yourself...What do you see, feel, hear? Is your group contributing to that spiritual entity? It's a lifeline for many. May that lifeline be strong.

-Debby D. Concord CA.

The Generous Lifelines of Intergroup

"Every A.A. member wants every alcoholic in the world to have the chance he had. Every A.A. member wants unity for our movement. Every A.A. member wants the good opinion of medicine, religion, and the general public. We know we must have these things, or the new man may never get his chance. The Intergroup associations are the best insurance we can have that our lifelines to the hundreds of thousands yet to come will never break or tangle. Let us always be generous. Let us warmly support Intergroup"

- A.A. Co-Founder - Bill W. 1949

From the Twelve Steps And Twelve Traditions

Step 11 - Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.

PRAYER and meditation are our principal means of conscious contact with God. We A.A.'s are active folk, enjoying the satisfactions of dealing with the realities of life, usually for the first time in our lives, and strenuously trying to help the next alcoholic who comes along. So it isn't surprising that we often tend to slight serious meditation and prayer as something not really necessary. To be sure, we feel it is something that might help us to meet an occasional emergency, but at first many of us are apt to regard it as a somewhat mysterious skill of clergymen, from which we may hope to get a secondhand benefit. Or perhaps we don't believe in these things at all.

Please use the Gratitude With Service form below to volunteer for any of EVI's Standing Committees, such as Special Events, Literature, Unity, or Phone Volunteers.

We always need volunteers for our 12th Step call list. 12th Step work can be very challenging yet spiritually re-

EAST VALLEY INTERGROUP – Gratitude With Service form revised 9/020

Return to: 1855 E Southern Ave. #103 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

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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

MIRACLE ON THE RIVER

NOVEMBER 4 ~ 6

100 PARK AVE.

LAKE HAVASU CITY, AZ

APACHE LAKE CAMPOUT

NOVEMBER 11 ~ 13

APACHE LAKE MARINA AND RESORT

APACHE LAKE, AZ

LAS VEGAS ROUNDUP

NOVEMBER 24 ~ 27

TROPICANA HOTEL AND CASINO

LAS VEGAS NV

RIVER ROUNDUP

JANUARY 7 ~ 9

RIVERSIDE RESORT

LAUGHLIN NV

**Check the events page on our website. We will
post information as it becomes available.**

**EAST VALLEY INTERGROUP
NEW YEARS EVE**

DINNER, MEETING AND DANCE.

5:30 PM SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31

TILL SOMETIME NEXT YEAR.

2222 S PRICE RD. TEMPE

(CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY)

COME RING IN A SOBER NEW YEAR

PRAASA 2023

Save the Date

March 3 ~ 5, 2023

Los Angeles, CA

**East Valley Intergroup
Thanksgiving Alcathon**

12 Noon Wednesday, November 23,
2022

To 12 Noon Friday, November 25, 2022

Fellowship, Fun and Food.

See the Traditions Play

Meetings on the odd hours.

2222 S Price Rd. Tempe AZ



Arizona Area 03

November Assembly

November 5th

425 S Power Rd. Mesa AZ

Area 03 - Virtual Workshops

12 X 12 X 12

Steps, Traditions and Concepts

Every 4th Thursday at 7pm

Meeting ID: 843 7907 2144

Passcode: 523310

Name	Date
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Marilyn M.	11/29/1978	16071
Laure K.	11/6/1982	14610
Tom E.	11/19/1982	14610
John H.	11/11/1983	14245
Terry S.	11/22/1984	13879
Richard W.	11/22/1985	13514
Laurie L.	11/30/1985	13514
Roxanne B.	11/8/1986	13149
Vance C.	11/9/1987	12784
Ann Marie E.	11/23/1988	12418
Pam Y.	11/25/1988	12053
Candace R.	11/17/1989	12053
Kay R.	11/21/1989	12053
Pepe M.	11/1/1990	11688
Patty W.	11/20/1991	11323
Bob C.	11/1/1993	10592
Gordon G.	11/7/1993	10592
Brandon B.	11/7/1995	9862
Vicki B.	11/29/1995	9862
Rose M.	11/1/1996	9496
Jay Z.	11/14/1996	9496
Jamie F.	11/3/2001	7670
Ed B.	11/10/2001	7670
Jim N.	11/17/2001	7670
Melissa H.	11/1/2002	7305
Patricia B.	11/1/2003	6940
Jennifer M.	11/26/2005	6209
Maggie S.	11/29/2009	6209
Tara E.	11/11/2006	5844
Don S.	11/26/2006	5844
Kristina M.	11/10/2007	5479
Dawn H.	11/18/2007	5479
Meredith J.	11/9/2008	5113
Bob C.	11/9/2008	5113
Linda F.	11/19/2008	5113
Cristy F.	11/6/2009	4748
Aaron B.	11/26/2009	4748
Shawn W.	11/5/2010	4017
Peter U.	11/11/2012	3652
Joshua E.	11/15/2015	2557
Matthew J.	11/28/2015	2557
Gavin R.	11/26/2016	2193
Kathryn M.	11/2/2019	1096
Michael R.	11/25/2020	730
Diana B.	11/9/2021	365

At Wits End

"If you drink, don't drive. Don't even putt."

—Dean Martin

"I envy people who drink. At least they have something to
blame everything on."

—Oscar Levant

Feeling UN-connected in AA?

Public Information and Cooperation with the Professional Community (PICPC) is a great place to plug back in.

How can you help?

**Create a new service position in your homegroup for a
PICPC rep.**

- **Volunteer** to take meeting lists to RV Parks and Seasonal Parks in the East Valley.
- **Volunteer** to help committee members with outreach to East Valley Veteran Services and other Government programs.
- **Volunteer** to help committee members with outreach to Eat Valley Schools and Educational Services.
- **Volunteer** to help committee members with outreach to Media (print, radio, television) to run free Public Service Announcements.

Questions? Email: picpc@aamesaaz.org

Step Eleven~ "Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out."

Tradition Eleven~ "Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities."

Concept Eleven~ "The trustees should always have the best possible committees, corporate service directors, executives, staffs, and consultants. Composition, qualifications, induction procedures, and rights and duties will always be matters of serious concern."

PI / CPC

(Public Information and Cooperation with the Professional Community)

Meets 1st Monday's at 7:00pm

1855 E Southern Ave #103

(EVI Office) and on Zoom

Zoom ID: 984 4383 7353

Passcode: 061035

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

480 827-1905 or email picpc@aamesaaz.org

aamesaaz.org

EVI Phone Workshop

Third Friday's at 6:15 pm

Before the monthly business meeting
at

On ZOOM

aamesaaz.org

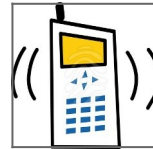
Or

Workshops can be done at your Group !

For more information

Call Lisa V.

480 827-1905



EVI Sponsorship Workshop

10am the 1st Saturday of every other month

Check aamesaaz.org for location information

Contact: Ken H.

HOST GROUP SCHEDULE

November 12 ~ Sunset Group

Live and let live

Join the

EVI Unity Committee

Meeting at 6:15pm Every 3rd Friday

Check aamesaaz.org for location information

aamesaaz.org

Contact 480 827-1905

EVI Special Events Committee

Meeting held before the Monthly Speaker Meeting

1st Friday of the month

2222 S Price Rd. Tempe

contact: 480 827-1905

EVI Monthly Speaker Meeting

1st Friday of Every Month

2222 S Price Rd. Tempe

(Church of the Epiphany)

Doors open at 7:00pm

Now Live only, no more ZOOM

November 4 ~ SL Women's Serenity Seekers

December 2 ~ San San Men's

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.

602-571-5840

***** Fill and Regular Shifts Available *****



Central Office Manager's Report

October 21, 2022

In September it started to cool off, business and weather wise. We received 393 requests for information and assistance during office hours. Of those 100 calls were for meeting info, 96 were office visitors and 15 resulted in a 12-step call. Our website stayed busy with 23,373 visits. And our Google totals for last month were 3,531 views. Of those 432 went to our website, 48 requested directions and 31 gave us a call. Part 2 - ICOAA seminar held September 1 to 5 in Denver CO.

More news from NY - Bob W, our GSO General Manager, reported that AAWS will be producing a first draft of the Big Book in plain language. It is not going to replace the original Big Book but rather is considered a translation like a Big Book in any other language. Much research was done concerning this translation. The target comprehension level for Plain Language is 5 to 6 grade, where as the original book requires a 12 -14 grade level. Per US literacy statistics; Nationwide, on average, 79% of U.S. adults are literate in 2022. 21% of adults in the US are illiterate in 2022. 54% of adults have a literacy below 6th grade level.

We received a memo from Grapevine informing us they will be raising prices on their top 10 selling books by \$2.49. The price of their other items will be increased as they go to reprint. That will bring the price of an average Grapevine book to \$14.50. We will continue selling at the old price until we have to reorder. Come stock up for the holidays.

Please take some Gratitude with Service forms back to your group and encourage members to volunteer. 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

EVI CENTRAL OFFICE ACTIVITY

	Sep.	2022
Meeting Information Calls.....	100	989
General Information	89	910
Referred to Salt River Intergroup	6	36
Referred to Al-Anon.....	10	91
Referred to Community Info.....	0	
12th Step Calls.....	15	163
Business Calls	77	696
Office Visitors	96	1125
Meeting lists printed.....	800	7200
Info request via E-mail	41	344
Desk Volunteers-Reg/Sub/None.....	28/ 5/ 4	
Desk Volunteers-Reg HRS YTD.		1140hrs
Web Stats		
Website Visits last 30 days	23,373	YTD 207,596
Google Searches last 30 days	4,017	

Meeting List Updates...

Our website (aamesaaz.org) is being updated weekly. Check it out for the latest on which groups are meeting and where.

New Meetings:

Easy Does It	1933 E University Dr #24, Mesa	MO & WE 6:30am	O
The Society	9333 E. Main St. Mesa	SU 6:30am	C, Meditation
Femme Fatal Freethinkers	4415 S Rural Rd. Tempe	SA 4:30pm	W, Secular

Changes:

Upon Awakening has moved to 3225 S Lindsay Rd. #101 Gilbert
 EV Men's Stag has moved to 3225 S Lindsay Rd. #101 Gilbert
 Tempe Nooners has moved back to 5801 S Rural, Tempe.

Deletions:

Fe Y Esperansa	145 E 1st Ave. Mesa	SA 9:00a	O, Spanish
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 1855 E Southern Ave. Suite # 103
 Mesa, AZ 85204

Alcoholics Anonymous - Contributions
 PO Box 2407

James A Farley Station
 New York, NY 10116-2407

General Service Office - correspondence

PO Box 459, Grand Central Station
 New York, NY 10163

Area 03 Treasurer ** NEW **
 PO Box 2065
 Green Valley, AZ 85622
 Make Check To: AZ Area Committee

District 08-818
 PO Box 12044
 Tempe, AZ 85284

District 08-819
 PO Box 594
 Mesa, AZ 85211

District 08-820
 PO Box 1901
 Queen Creek, AZ 85142-9998

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

Alcoholicos Anonimos - Oficina
 2720 E Thomas Rd. B#180
 Phoenix AZ 85016

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



GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS



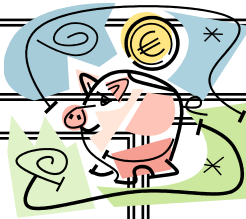
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<u>GROUP</u>	<u>September</u>	<u>YTD</u>
11th Step Candlelight		\$300.00
2121 Beginner Workshop		\$0.00
417 Group		\$200.00
A Vision For You	\$510.00	\$510.00
ABC Group		\$150.00
Ahwatukee Group		\$422.69
Ahwatukee Nooners		\$458.09
Ahwatukee Saturday Men's		\$1,759.58
Ahwatukee Women's Group		\$0.00
Arbor Daily Noon Group	\$200.00	\$1,600.00
As Bill Sees It QC		\$220.00
Attitude Adjustment CG		\$800.00
Basic II		\$100.00
BBookworms		\$912.00
Bloopers		\$0.00
Bootstrap Men's		\$125.00
Both Books		\$0.00
Bottom of the Bottle		\$276.30
Breakfast Club		\$750.00
Busted Ego		\$250.00
By The Book		\$457.00
Chandler Men's Stag Group		\$0.00
Chandler Noon Group		\$959.74
Chandler Women's Big Book Group	\$452.35	\$542.38
Common Solution		\$0.00
Common Thread		\$1,469.30
Courage To Change		\$400.00
East Phoenix Men's		\$200.00
East Valley Men's Stag	\$436.37	\$436.37
East Valley Veterans		\$392.00
Easy Does It Group	\$88.87	\$799.83
Eye Opener Group		\$300.00
Family Recovery Group		\$200.00
Feelings and Solutions		\$750.00
Fill in the Blank		\$564.00
Firehouse Meeting		\$310.00
Florence Group		\$0.00
Friday Night BB		\$371.90
Get In The Car		\$100.00
Get It Together		\$3,014.26
Gilbert Gals		\$210.00
Gilbert Group		\$232.42
Gold Canyon 12 X 12 Group		\$0.00
Good Ol' Back to Basics		\$200.00
Good Orderly Direction		\$65.00
Grateful Dames		\$0.00
Grateful Girlfriends	\$159.82	\$699.82
Gratitude Group		\$263.00
Great Start		\$800.00
Gut Level		\$100.00
Happy Destiny		\$50.00
Happy Hour @ Sunbird		\$150.00
Hope For Today		\$220.60
Ladies Lunch Bunch		\$50.00
Last Resort		\$63.36
Life In The Big Book	\$80.00	\$692.10
Livin Life Women		\$150.00
Maricopa 12 X 12		\$240.00
Maricopa Group		\$145.00
Mid-Morning Group		\$500.00
Miracle House		\$386.95
Monday Night Madness		\$130.00
Morning After		\$93.00
Name In The Hat		\$600.00
New Beginnings		\$200.00
New Spirit Group		\$752.00
No Big Deals		\$245.00
No Name AA Group	\$50.00	\$150.00
Opportunity Knocks		\$400.00

<u>GROUP</u>	<u>September</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Patio Group		\$1,279.20
Pioneer Group		\$404.36
Price Is Right	\$50.00	\$100.00
Primary Purpose Group		\$82.00
Progress Rather Than Perfection		\$0.00
Province Group		\$67.00
Putting God First		\$0.00
Queen Creek Nooners		\$1,035.37
Re-Awakening Group		\$20.00
Remember When		\$0.00
Renewed Spirit		\$250.00
Rising Spirit		\$0.00
Road To Recovery	\$50.00	\$2,150.93
Rock Solid		\$50.00
San Tan Group	\$80.00	\$80.00
San Tan Men's		\$180.00
Second Chance Group		\$486.00
Serenity Now	\$38.40	\$386.40
Shade Tree		\$300.00
Sisterhood Of Solutions		\$0.00
Sobriety is Gold		\$1,666.60
Sobriety Rocks		\$179.00
Society Group		\$1,000.00
Some Are Sicker Than Others	\$50.00	\$550.00
Southeast Valley Stag		\$800.00
Spirited Women		\$200.00
Step By Step Group		\$214.67
Steppers	\$100.00	\$210.00
Stepping Stones		\$330.00
Sunday Afternoon Step		\$0.00
Sunday Night BB Step Study		\$0.00
Sunday Serenity Seekers		\$236.00
Sundowners		\$300.20
Sun Lakes Women Serenity Seeker	\$95.00	\$579.75
Sunset Group		\$0.00
Tempe Group		\$200.00
Tempe Nooners	\$50.00	\$450.00
Tempe Sunrises		\$437.50
The Library		\$82.00
The Real Thing		\$0.00
The Way Out Group		\$403.89
Thursday Night Step Group		\$0.00
Tuesday Night Steppin Out		\$230.00
Tuesday's Trudgers		\$0.00
Tumbleweeds Group		\$264.00
Upon Awakening	\$800.00	\$2,500.00
We Ain't Dead Yet		\$186.25
We Agnostics		\$0.00
We Can Group		\$0.00
Wednesday Night Step		\$0.00
Wednesday Night Winners		\$0.00
Welcome Home		\$0.00
West Chandler Men's		\$0.00
Who's Driving Your Bus?		\$0.00
Wolf Pack Group		\$100.00
Women in Gratitude	\$109.61	\$601.13
Women in Solution		\$0.00
Women in Touch		\$0.00
Wonder Women-disbanded		\$0.00
*Anonymous Groups		\$547.11

OTHER GROUPS/COMMITTEES

Apache Lake Campout		\$0.00
AZ AA Women's Conf.		\$300.00
District 08		\$0.00
Dist 08-813		\$0.00
Dist 08-820		\$0.00
Meal and a Message		\$0.00
Group Totals	\$3,601.45	\$50,805.07
EVI Committees	\$69.00	\$648.95
Individual Contributions	\$138.99	\$4,776.95
GRAND TOTALS	\$3,809.44	\$56,230.97



BALANCE SHEET September 30 , 2022

Assets

Current Assets

Checking	9,221.69
Prudent Reserve (Savings)	42,439.71
Accounts Receivable	886.90
Inventory Asset	22,090.31
Undeposited Funds	203.01

Fixed Assets

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

Total Assets **\$79,911.99**

Liabilities & Equity

Liabilities

Accounts Payable	45.00
Visa Credit Card	0.00
Payroll taxes	110.00

Total Liabilities **\$0.00**

Equity

Opening Balance Equity	43,778.94
Retained Earnings	33,242.68
Net Income	2,845.37

Total Equity **\$79,866.99**

Total Liability & Equity **\$79,911.99**

PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT September, 2022

21 Group contributions totaling	\$3,601.45
10 Individual contributions totaling	\$138.99
Intergroup Business Meeting & Service Committee's 7th Tradition	\$69.50
Total Contributions	\$3,809.44
Total Income	\$8,918.77
Less total Cost Of Sales	\$4,324.01
Gross Profit	\$4,594.76
Less total Expenses of	\$7,054.91
<u>Net September Loss</u>	(\$2,460.15)
<u>YTD 2022 Gain</u>	\$2,845.37

The current Prudent Reserve balance is \$42,439.71

The Prudent Reserve has been established for 2022 in the range of \$36,760 - \$44,112.

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

Grateful to be of service,
Joseph M. EVI Treasurer
602 918-6043

Tradition Eleven: Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion: we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films.

1. Do I sometimes promote AA so fanatically that I make it seem *unattractive*?
2. Am I always careful to keep the confidences reposed in me as an AA member?
3. Am I careful about throwing AA names around—even within the Fellowship?
4. Am I ashamed of being a recovered, or recovering, alcoholic?
5. What would AA be like if we were not guided by the ideas in Tradition Eleven?

Where would I be?

6. Is my AA sobriety attractive enough that a sick drunk would want such a quality for himself?

East Valley Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes**October 21, 2022**

J opened the meeting at 7:00 PM in person and on Zoom with the Serenity Prayer.

Attendees: Charles B – Ahwatukee Men's, Lori K – Courage to Change, Charlie R – East Valley Men's Stag, Marge M – Easy Does It, Anne Hale -GIT, C.J. M. – Gold Canyon Firehouse Group, Ronnie C – Good Orderly Direction, Rose M. – Happy Hour, Morning After, Peggy R – Opportunity Knocks, Elizabeth L – Rising Spirit, Kathleen D. – Road to Recovery, Rich H. – Step by Step, Tom E. – Steppers, Monica S.E. – Stepping Stones, Deb R. – Sun Lakes Serenity Seekers, Susan M. – Tempe Group, Roxanne B. – The Real Thing, Janette K. – The Tribe, Beth N –The Society, Cris H–Bloopers, Daisy C –Serenity Now, Danielle H –Sunset Grp, Doug –Spirit of Hope, Fay J –The Society, Kevin M – Dr. Bob's Nightmare, Kyle M –Bottom of the Bottle, Nina –Life in the BB, Rebecca –Ahwatukee Grp, Rita K –Sisters of Serenity, Robin F– Livin Life, Scott C – Tumbleweeds, Susan G – Women in Gratitude, Teghan H –Putting God First, Tom B –New Spirit, Gail H. –New Spirit, Tracy L –Feelings and Solutions, Shauna – Ahwatukee Bookworms, Tracy C. – By the Book, John D. – Page a Day, Rob F. – Bootstraps, Kara – Ahwatukee Group, Tim C. – The Way Out, Fred – Vision For You

Welcome to the New Reps: Janette K. – the Tribe, Anne H. – GIT, Fred – Vision for You, Kathleen D. – Road to Recovery

Committee and other Trusted Servants:

J welcomes everyone. J read the 12 Traditions. Introduction of new reps.

Secretary's Report: Andrea (covering) – report in packet. Tom made motion to accept – Marge 2nd. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Joseph M- reviewed report from the packet, pages 5-12. Gary made motion to accept – Rich 2nd. Motion passed

7th Tradition: \$57. You can make a 7th tradition contribution on the EVI website www.aamesaaz.org

Chairperson's Report: J J. – written report in packet. Position for Vice Chair is open, please contact with any questions or interest. Ad Hoc committee being formed for Insurance, we have received no inquires and hope to see members of the fellowship

Marge- Please explain the insurance to us? J-Office Manager can give more in depth explanation. Insurance rate has raised. After approximately 20 years with same agent, we have decided to form ad hoc committee to research different rate to present to body.

Cris- Who is the insurance carrier? Kim- Philadelphia

Vice Chairperson Report: position open

Office Manager Report: Kim W. – Written report in packet. Old Sound system used by EVI is for sale. Please call office or see after meeting.

-Received email at Church in Higley and Broadway that has meeting space available!

-Part 2 from IOOC meeting: AAWS GM explained a Big Book translation will be drafted in Plain Language – 4/5 grade reading level. Current Big Book is at 12-14 grade reading level.

-Grapevine raising prices on material

-AAWS is getting rid of Big Book Dust Jackets (money saving option). Current Cost of Big Book is \$9.50 (hard cover or large print)

-Holiday season coming- Join 12 step list!

Folding day is Thursday, Oct 27th at 9am. Come for coffee, donuts, and fellowship.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

PI/CPC: Andrea M. - Written report in packet.

Special Events: Roberta – Unity Day is coming up – still room for volunteers to set up – handle food etc. Thanksgiving Alcahthon sign-up sheet (included in tonight's email packet) has opening for midnight -4am shift. 2023 Speaker Meeting sign-up sheet is also included in tonight's email packet –Getting ready for N.Y. Eve event is coming together. Tickets are for sale for NYE, thanks for Ken for printing tickets and flyers. Dinner is being catered.

Phone committee: Lisa – not present. Need Co-Chair.

Unity Committee: Ben– This committee reaches out to “dark” meetings in the East Valley (meetings without an EVI rep). We can use some volunteers – asking folks to go out to ONE extra meeting this coming month to let them know what EVI is and how they can connect. We have a script you can use.

Sponsorship Workshop: Ken C. – The next Sponsorship Workshop will be November 12th at 10am hosted by the Sunset Group. Usually 1st Saturday of month, but they are joining this with the 30th Anniversary of the Sunset Group – workshop from 10-11:30 then FREE lunch from 11:30-1pm all hosted by Sunset Group. This will be at the Church of the Epiphany – flyer at EVI. Next year looking at having these workshops on the even months – there are 2 or more 3-day weekends on the odd months and many folks are out of town so the workshop is not so well attended. April 2023 is first available slot!

No Booze News (NBN) Newsletter Editor: Mike –not present. Submit stories to info@aamesaaz.org

Literature: Monica S.E. – Will have a table at Unity Day with EVI literature – can use some volunteers. If you are having any events where literature can be sold, please contact!!

Ad-Hoc Committee (chat/website): Mary Beth T. – not present

LIASION REPORTS

Al-anon Liaison: Rebecca – Flyer sent for Chili Cook- off at AA/Alanon/Alateen at Church of Epiphany Oct 22. Nov 19th Women’s meeting. Flyer will be sent out.

H&I Liaison: Dave T. – not present If you need Big Books or 12x12’s for an institution meeting, you can order via the link on the website: www.vvwhi.org

Spanish Liaison: Natalie – not present

Sub District 08-818: Tim G. – not present.

Sub District 08-819: Robert S. – Meets on second Thursday every Month at EVI Office. Courage to Change sent new Rep! Attended MC Service Meeting- 4 motions for updating District guidelines. 1motion to record and transcript District meetings. Will be voted in Eb. Please remind GSR to attend meetings to bring back info to your groups. PRASSA is coming to Los Angeles in March. Other events on Area Website

Sub District 08-820: Wayne – First Monday of Month at 1050 Superstition. Please send GSR’s

OLD BUSINESS: Motion to add Chat Help button to EVI webpage had been tabled. No ad-hoc committee report on this tonight. Motion tabled until the ad-hoc committee can complete their report. Reminded we need participation on Ad Hoc to research Insurance quotes/rates. Please contact with questions or interest to join. Need a new Vice-Chair. No volunteers or nominations yet.

NEW BUSINESS: J read Budget Policy procedure. Proposed Budget for 2023 is listed on page 17-20 of packet. Please take this back to group, review, discuss, bring back questions next month.

Cris/Bloopers – Ask for clarification for NYE line item. J explained how to read report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Roxanne- We need office volunteers who can sub from 9-1PM or 1-5PM. We also have opening for Friday afternoons 1-5PM starting in 2023.

Rich – Mesa Round Up is hosting “Creepin’ It Real” Halloween Dinner & Dance Oct 29th, First United Methodist Church, 15 E First Ave, 5PM- 10PM, Costume contest, dinner served, 50/50 Raffle, Speaker, Adults \$20, Children 5-12 \$10, Children under 5 free.

7:50 pm Tom - Motion to close. Marge – 2nd. Passed. Meeting closed with Responsibility Declaration.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Andrea M. Acing EVI Secretary



A Day Is A Day Is A Day By Betty L.

NO one ever trips over a mountain," my sponsor told me. Or, as the "Twelve and Twelve" attests, the deployed forces in WWII had far fewer relapses than the alcoholics stateside. So it is that most of us in recovery find we can get through big events and crises sober but are sometimes challenged when all seems to be going smoothly.

So it is with holidays, at least for me. In my family, the "big" holidays were Thanksgiving and Christmas. They were not big drinking days. My family was not alcoholic. On the big holidays, there were too many people and too much to do to for me to be able to drink.

But what I thought of as the "minor" holidays were another story. Those three-day weekends were tailor made for drinking. Throughout my sobriety, I have treated those holidays with great respect and made sure to layer them with meetings, fellowship and service.

What prompts this is not an awareness I had during a meeting this past Memorial Day. My last drunk was on a Saturday. My first day sober was Sunday, and the next day was Labor Day. It's taken me almost 20 years to see the humor of my Higher Power in pulling me over in that time frame. What I could never have done myself--interrupt a three-day drunk--my Higher Power did. I have maintained this gift of sobriety a day at a time since 1990.

My first time doing a minor holiday sober was my second day of sobriety! What a miracle! In reflection, I see that surrender was all that was needed. And surrender, relying on God as I understand him, allows me to do life sober on a daily basis.

A day is a day is a day. All days are equal. When I foresee a day or an event as a challenge or risk, what I do does not change, nor need to. All that's required is to take the Third Step and proceed.