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NO BOOZE NEWS

Reason to Celebrate

When I first got sober, each day forward was a struggle. After a few months, the alcoholic fog began to lift as I started to understand and embrace the AA program. I could feel myself getting stronger.

I stood up proudly in meetings and announced my monthly sobriety achievement. Everyone clapped and I received my coin and I felt good. Then it happened. My first sober holiday—the Fourth of July.

Wow, July Fourth. I had so many drunken memories of that day. I thought, How will I ever celebrate a holiday that's synonymous with party? One of the tools I learned to use in my outpatient treatment was a technique called rewinding the tape. I sat that morning and reflected on how I used to celebrate my past Fourth of Julys. I'd usually be drunk by noon! I'd pour myself a drink very early while I prepared the food for the day's parties. By the time the fireworks started, I was usually passed out (or close to it) on a blanket in the park.

My "rewind" worked. I so wanted this holiday to be different. I asked my Higher Power for strength. I also knew that if I felt any temptation, AA was nearby. So with the change in my purse, I bought myself a bunch of sparkling water and met the day. I have to say, I had a great time.

The next day I was so grateful I had made it through my first Fourth of July—sober! I even remembered the fireworks from the night before. At my next AA meeting, I shared all about my first sober Fourth of July.

The next holiday up was Labor Day. I rewound the tape again as I had been taught and I went through the same process. For me, Labor Day had always been a three-day-long session of binge drinking. By Monday, I'd have the shakes going back to work.

Then came my birthday. I repeated the process. I decided in the morning that this would be not only my first sober birthday, but my first birthday giving back. Instead of waiting for friends and family to remember that it was my birthday and then being disappointed and drinking until I passed out, I instead looked for opportunities to be of service. I looked for ways to make someone happy or make a donation to someone who needed it. I found the opportunities plentiful. What a rewarding birthday I had that year.

Later in my Saturday meeting, the chairperson asked, "Were there any birthdays in the past week?" I proudly raised my hand and announced it was my first sober birthday since I was in my teens.

These sober successes were soon followed by even more traditional drinking holidays: Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's Eve, Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day, Easter and Memorial Day weekend. And I made it through all of them, sober. As I went through the year, each holiday got easier and one year later, what do you know? I had them all under my belt.

From Cyndee S., AA Grapevine, July 2021

"How you doing tonight?" the old-timer asked. "Fine. . .under the circumstances," I answered.

He laughed and shook his head. "What in the world are you doing under there?"

That encounter was over thirteen years ago, but almost every day I have a chance to reflect on the wisdom of that question.

What am I doing under the circumstances of any situation? I ask myself when problems or obstacles surround me. Thanks to AA, I have all the support I need to rise above circumstances. And with the power of God, I have the opportunity to overcome any circumstances, any obstacle in my life.

Of course, I didn't know this in my drinking days. Back then, I truly lived under the circumstances. Things going bad at work? Poor me, under job-related circumstances beyond my control. Problems with my wife? Poor me, caught under circumstances of a miscast marriage. Landlord, sheriff, and bill collectors at my door? Poor me, hassled by outsiders who don't understand the circumstances I live under. Time for another drink? You bet, and you'd drink too if you were under my circumstances!

Fortunately, Alcoholics Anonymous has taken away my alibis of circumstance. The Big Book tells me that my misery is of my own making. And the promises given on pages eighty-three and eighty-four of the Big Book assure me that I can use the Steps and tools of this program to overcome--and come out from under--each and every circumstance.

I remember my first experience with this new knowledge. Sober for less than three months, I was on a lengthy business trip when my flight was canceled in some distant city. I soon found myself in line with several other red-faced passengers, awaiting my turn to hurl anger at the airline agent.

Standing there feeling sorry for myself, a light suddenly switched on in my head. I wasn't just in bad circumstances, I was letting myself be under the circumstances. I had to laugh. "What are you doing under there?" I asked myself.

I thought about the tools of the program, and the HALT acronym came to mind. I had all the symptoms. I was hungry because the canceled flight had caused me to miss dinner. Anger at the airline was consuming me. I was all alone in an unfamiliar city airport. And I was certainly very, very tired.

I walked away from the line at the agent's counter, determined to climb out from under these circumstances. A hot meal in the airport cafeteria quickly relieved the hunger. A review of the Twelve Step card in my wallet helped dissipate the anger. A phone call to my sponsor eased the loneliness. And just sitting quietly rather than pacing about with rage helped restore my energy.

The process worked. Within an hour, I was no longer under the circumstances. I wasn't happy to be stranded in the airport, but I was no longer controlled by the minor inconveniences. My attitude was changed. And best of all, I didn't once think that a trip to the airport bar might improve my situation.

"The person who has no inner life is a slave of his surroundings," wrote Henri Frederic Amiel. If I haven't worked on my insides lately, I'm more likely to be a prisoner of situations surrounding me. But when I'm smart enough to use AA's tools and trust God's power, I can undoubtedly crawl out from under any circumstance.

From Sam H., AA Grapevine, February 1995

Most "I want a drink"
thoughts are really...

"I need to eat."

"I need some rest."

"I need connection."

"I need a break."

Not a drink.



I may be in the *Guinness Book of Records* as the oldest person ever to become a newcomer in AA. I'm not sure that's a good thing, but I'll let you be the judge of that as I tell you something about myself.

I took my first drink at age 18 and my last drink on September 7, 2021. Now I'm not good at math, but I figure that was 60 years ago. That means 60 years of pumping alcohol into my poor body, which eventually worked its way to my brain. If I seem a bit confused, you can now understand why.

I came from a family where my mother was an alcoholic and my father rarely drank. I have an identical twin brother and we both enlisted in the Air Force to get away from the chaos at home. I was sent to a Royal Air Force base in England. Our mother died of cirrhosis of the liver while I was in England. For anyone who doesn't know, that's a disease often caused by alcohol abuse.

I didn't get the message that alcohol can be deadly. I went happily on my way going to lots of parties, drinking lots of rum and cokes and having a good old time. I was discharged from the military, came home, got married, found a good job, continued having a good time and changed my drink to scotch on the rocks on weekends.

Years passed and my wife and I started a family and had three wonderful kids. I changed careers to the hotel industry and again went happily along drinking, but now it was gin martinis for lunch with clients during weekdays and again after work. We had great times with neighbors and friends on weekends and my drinking went into overtime.

The day before I turned 50, I was shocked when my twin brother announced he was going to AA. Of course, I didn't believe I was like him. How could I be? I was having way too much fun. I didn't know at the time that alcoholism is progressive. It sneaks up on us—sometimes quickly but often more slowly—and it always has the same goal: It wants to take away everything of value—family, marriages and relationships—while it deadens our ability to love and have normal emotions. Then eventually, it kills us. My happy, carefree days slowly turned into unhappy, troubled, isolated, lonely days, and the only way to feel better was to have another drink.

In 2016 my wife died following a heroic three-year battle with cancer. She seldom drank alcohol and had put up with my drinking and alcoholic behavior for over 50 years before God brought her home. After her death, my drinking accelerated at warp speed. Vodka and red wine became my poisons of choice. I never let my family see me drink vodka; I saved that for when I was alone at night.

My children used to have a special plastic wine glass for me to use while I was at their house. It didn't stop me from spilling my wine, but did save them from replacing so many glasses. I feel like I've spilled more wine in any given year than most people drink in their lives. All of that stopped suddenly when I finally surrendered on that September day in 2021 and found my way into a 6:45 morning AA meeting where I asked for help.

I became a member of the Sunrise Sobriety Group of AA and got help from the wonderful people I met there. From that day I haven't had the desire to drink. I could never have stopped drinking alone.

So here I am, thankful to be celebrating one year of sobriety. I have found what AA promised—serenity, peace and love. I get to be of service to other alcoholics, to my family, to my friends and to everyone I meet. Thanks to AA, I now know how to not drink and live a better life.

Group, District, and Area AA Announcements & Events Page 4

ROUNDUPS, CAMPOUTS AND CONFERENCES

PRESCOTT INTERGROUP SHOESTRING ROUNDUP

FRIDAY 7/24 ~ SUNDAY 7/26
PRESCOTT RODEO GROUNDS
840 RODEO DR. PRESCOTT AZ
928-356-8778

THE GREAT OUTDOOR BEAVER MEETING

THIS YEAR LITTLE BEAVER TURNS 50!!
THURS 9/3—SUN 9/5
www.greatoutdoorbeavermeeting.com

SALT RIVER INTERGROUP PRESENTS A GREAT SENSE OF PURPOSE

36th Annual Summer Roundup Aug 7-9
Doubletree Resort Paradise Valley/Scottsdale
REGISTER: SRIROUNDUP.ORG

APACHE LAKE CAMPOUT

November 6th-8th
Registration open now!
Info and registration at
TRAILTOSerenity.ORG



Please join us!!

Potluck & Speaker Meeting

Path Less Traveled Group

6:15 Potluck & 7pm-8 pm Speaker

San Tan Valley Veterans Center

5764 East Hunt Highway

Last Friday Every Month

EVI PRESENTS

BASEBALL NIGHT!!!

Tuesday July 21 Chase Field 6:40
PM

D'BACKS VS A'S

Tickets only \$25 ~ Purchase at EVI
Office or Square QR code



East Valley Intergroup's **Sponsorship Workshop**

AUGUST 1ST, 2026

10:00 AM

AHWATUKEE MENS GROUP

Workshop Format

Q & A portion and Refreshments

Church of the Epiphany

2222 S. Price Rd. Tempe, AZ 85285

Arizona State Convention of

Alcoholics Anonymous

NEW FREEDOM NEW HAPPINESS

7.31.26—08.02.26

Little America Hotel

Flagstaff, AZ 86004

[HTTPS://WWW.AREA03.ORG/ARIZONA-STATE-CONVENTION](https://www.area03.org/arizona-state-convention)

SUB DISTRICT QUARTERLY POTLUCK

SPEAKER MEETING JULY 11TH 2026

5:30 PM—8:00 PM

MAIN DISH: TACOS!

Host Groups: Great Starts Weekdays
and As Bill Sees It

Epiphany of Christ Lutheran Church

1050 W. Superstition Blvd

Apache Junction, AZ 85120

FIRST FRIDAY MONTHLY SPEAKER MEETING

EXPERIENCE.STRENGTH.HOPE

Hosted by a different East Valley group each
month

From 7 PM—8:30 PM!

July 3 ~ Courage to Change Group

August 7 ~ Step x Step Group

Church of the Epiphany

2222 S Price Rd.

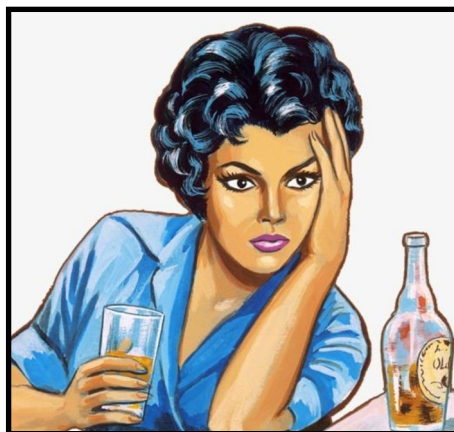
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Name	Date	Days
Alcoholics Anonymous	6/10/1935	33258
Tom F	7/8/1979	17167
Sandy S	7/23/1984	15340
Kathy K	7/26/1986	14610
Tim H	7/12/1987	14245
Joann E	7/16/1987	14245
Gail J	7/5/1988	13879
Sandy S	7/25/1989	13514
Shelley M	7/15/1990	13149
Bill R	7/30/1992	12416
Pam W	7/31/1993	12053
Catherine C	7/22/1994	12053
Craig M	7/21/1996	11688
Steve C	7/14/1998	10957
Mercer C	7/2/2001	10227
Eileen K	7/11/2001	9131
Becky S	7/25/2002	9131
Mary L	7/14/2006	8766
Kristina B	7/16/2006	7305
Deana E	7/23/2007	7305
Anne H	7/28/2007	6940
Arne R	7/14/2008	6574
Jim H	7/10/2009	6209
Michael W	7/15/2010	5844
John R	7/23/2010	5844
Aaron M	7/24/2010	5844
Kerry R	7/17/2011	5479
David K	7/27/2011	5479
Raquel R	7/14/2014	4383
Pam R	7/24/2015	4018
Rick T	7/8/2016	3652
Bertha E	7/15/2016	3652
Jade S	7/21/2016	3652
Sean O'G	7/11/2017	3287
James R	7/24/2018	2922
Benjamin R	7/8/2019	2557
Drew R	7/22/2019	2557
Jody G	7/1/2020	2191
Bruno A	7/12/2024	730
Carrie P	7/29/2024	730

One night after work, I pointed to two old drunks sitting across the bar from me and my friend and said, "Look, that's us in 10 years."

My friend looked at me and said, "Dumb wit, that's a mirror!"

Anonymous, Duluth, Minn.



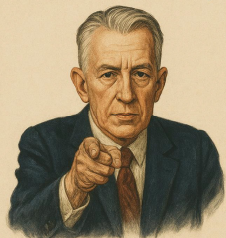
Step Seven~ Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.

Tradition Seven~ Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.

Concept Seven~ The Conference recognizes that the Charter and the Bylaws of the General Service Board are legal instruments: that the Trustees are thereby fully empowered to manage and conduct all of the world service affairs of Alcoholics Anonymous. It is further understood that the Conference Charter itself is not a legal document: that it relies instead upon the force of tradition and the power of the A.A. purse for its final effectiveness.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

BILL W WANTS YOU



TO HELP US CARRY
THE AA MESSAGE

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"Our Twelfth Step – carrying the message – is the basic service that AA's Fellowship gives; this is our principal aim and the main reason for our existence.... We must carry the message, else we ourselves can wither and those who haven't been given the truth will die." [Bill W, July 1955; Language of the Heart, p. 160.]

Does your Home Group Have an Intergroup Representative?

The East Valley Intergroup and Steering Committees strongly encourage all groups to elect an Intergroup Representative to attend the monthly Intergroup meetings and help make decisions that will help the groups carry the message to the alcoholics in our community who still suffer.

EVI Phone Workshop

Third Friday's at 6:15 pm

Before the monthly business meeting

On **ZOOM aamesaaz.org**

Or

Workshops can be done at your Group !

For more information Contact

Robin –602-465-0916

EVI Sponsorship Workshop

10am the 1st Saturday of every other month

Check aamesaaz.org for location information

Contact: Ken C.

HOST GROUP SCHEDULE

TBD

PI / CPC

(Public Information and Cooperation with the Professional Community)

**THE EVI PUBLIC INFORMATION (PI/CPC) COMMITTEE INVITES
YOU TO BECOME A "MEMBER" OR A "FRIEND"**

1st Mondays at 7pm.

1855 E Southern Ave #103 (EVI Office)

Zoom ID: 984 4383 7353 Passcode: 061035

480 827-1905 or email picpc@aamesaaz.org

aamesaaz.org



UNITY COMMITTEE NEW MEETING INFO!

Meets at 2pm last Thursday of odd months via Zoom. Contact

Sally C. for log in info. 602-578-0238

or desertmarketingaz@gmail.com.

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

Office Volunteers & EVI Hot Line Phones

4 hour shifts in the EVI office

Call Roxanne for specific
times and days.

602-571-5840

*** Fill~in and Regular Shifts Available ***

EVI Monthly Speaker Meeting

1st Friday of Every Month

(Church of the Epiphany) 2222 S Price Rd. Tempe

Doors open at 6:30 pm

Dates Change so Keep Watching.

Central Office Manager's May 2026 Report June 19, 2026

In May we received 234 requests for information and assistance! Of those, 56 were for meeting info, 75 were office visitors, and 9 resulted in a 12-step call. The remaining were a mixture of miscellaneous calls and visits.

It's been an extremely busy month in your EVI Office! There's so much that goes on behind the obvious scenes of book and chip sales, the newsletter, events, meeting updates, ordering inventory, and paying bills. This has included things like maintaining compliance required by the banking industry for our credit card transactions, researching replacement for our credit card machine which is becoming outdated, researching current insurance policies and completing paperwork for renewal, *trying to find contacts for meetings that are not where they're supposed to be when they are listed to be there*, discovering additional areas of our financial accounts needing change of management applications submitted, (those seem to just keep coming!), following up on employment taxes, deposits, forms, etc. in addition to maintaining daily financial records and accounting for each and every contribution from your groups and members which we want to thank you for. We appreciate your support! Thank you! This has been a major team effort learning how to fit all of this into a three days per week schedule.

Discuss with your group all the service opportunities that are available through your East Valley Intergroup. Answer the A.A. hotline, go on an old fashioned 12 step call, take a meeting to a home bound member, share information about A.A. with the public and professional community, help put on an event, print and fold directories and newsletters or take a shift at the office. These are just a few of the services we provide and it takes hundreds of volunteers dedicated to carrying the message.

In the spirit of Tradition Eight,

Love and Service

Rita Crawford

Central Office Manager

Meeting List Updates...

Our website (aamesaaz.org) is being updated weekly. Check it out!

New Meetings:

Step Sisters Women's Group Spirit of Hope Church 6:45pm-8pm

Fallen Women Step Study Pigeon Coop 4415 S Rural Rd Tempe Sat 1:30

Extravagant Promises 1075 S Arizona AZ Chandler MON 6:00a

A Fresh Start 1075 S Arizona Ave Chandler Mondays 9 AM

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Changes:

Society—All 8 PM mtgs are now at 7 PM and no Sat or Sun 8 PM

Easy Does It Sat Noon Meeting is now a Men's Meeting

Serenity Sisters HAS MOVED to Peace Lutheran Church 15317 East Riggs Rd Gilbert

No Name Group HAS MOVED to Gilbert Presbyterian 235 E Guadalupe Rd

EVI CENTRAL OFFICE ACTIVITY

	May	2026
Meeting Information Calls.....	56	305
General Information	75	372
Referred to Salt River Intergroup	0	5
Referred to Al-Anon.....	0	8
12th Step Calls	9	35
Business Calls	19	154
Office Visitors	75	507
Meeting lists printed.....	100	1420
Info request via E-mail	24	252
Desk Volunteers-Reg/Sub/None.....	40/ 17/0	

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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
3661 N Campbell Ave. #605
Tucson Az 85719

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 *NEW 2025-01*
PO Box 112
Apache Junction, AZ 85117

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
Vwhi.org

GSO 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

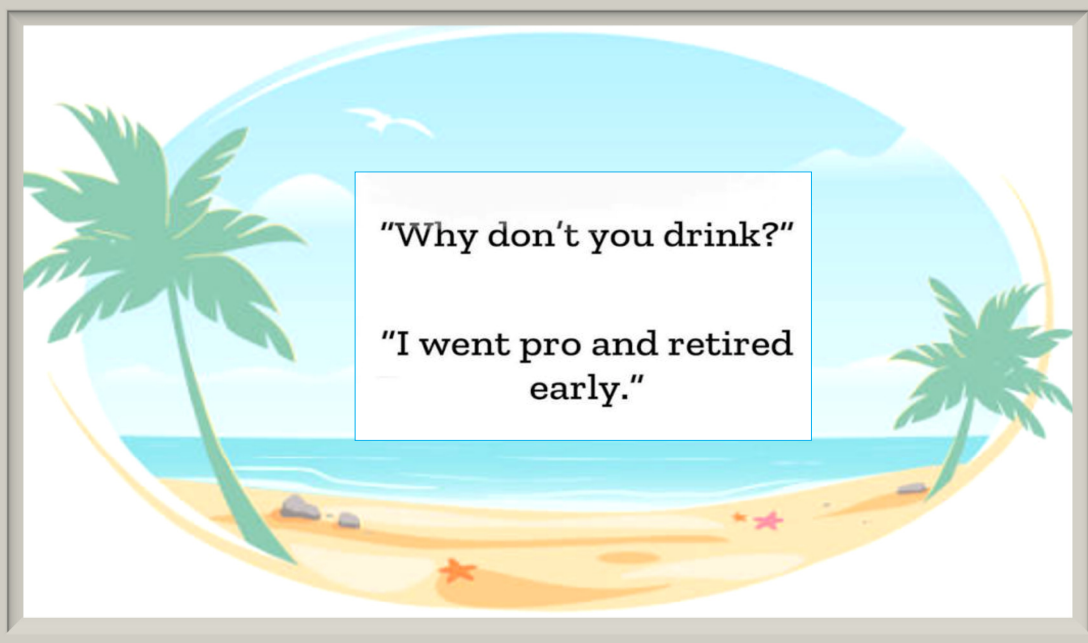
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A Vision For You Group -QC		\$ 80.00	Monday Night Madness		\$ 168.00
Ahwatukee Group		\$ 94.74	Name In The Hat		\$ 500.00
Ahwatukee Nooners		\$ 145.00	New Spirit Group	\$ 196.05	\$ 433.55
Ahwatukee Saturday Men's		\$ 638.29	No Name Group		\$ 50.00
Ahwatukee Women's Group		\$ 201.78	Over The Influence	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Arbor Daily Noon Group	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,000.00	Page A Day Group		\$ 1,063.71
Arbor Rain or Shine		\$ 57.00	Path Less Traveled		\$ 400.00
As Bill See's It - QC		\$ 338.40	Patio Group	\$ 509.50	\$ 711.70
Attitude Adjustment CG		\$ 135.00	Pioneer Group		\$ 64.00
Basic II		\$ 600.00	Primary Purpose Group		\$ 111.00
Bloopers	\$ 75.00	\$ 375.00	Province Group	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Bottom of the Bottle		\$ 73.50	Renewed Spirit	\$ 208.62	\$ 208.62
Busted Ego		\$ 300.00	Road To Recovery	\$ 110.00	\$ 550.00
Chandler Men's Stag Group		\$ 400.00	Rock Solid	\$ 181.20	\$ 682.35
Chandler Noon Group	\$ 152.00	\$ 758.00	San Tan Men's	\$ 135.00	\$ 135.00
Chandler Women's BB Group		\$ 480.45	Second Chance Group		\$ 614.00
Chant 2		\$ 162.30	Skyline Rain or Shine		\$ 44.00
Common Thread		\$ 731.69	Sobriety is Gold	\$ 135.00	\$ 313.00
Courage To Change	\$ 868.00	\$ 1,168.00	Sobriety Rocks	\$ 145.45	\$ 325.64
Desperation Group		\$ 50.00	Some Are Sicker Than Others	\$ 50.00	\$ 250.00
East Phoenix Men's		\$ 400.00	Southeast Valley Stag	\$ 37.50	\$ 187.50
East Valley Men's Stag		\$ 379.90	Step By Step	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00
East Valley Veterans	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	Steppers		\$ 60.00
Easy Does It		\$ 600.00	Stepping Stones		\$ 350.00
Family Recovery		\$ 200.00	Sunday Afternoon Step		\$ 60.00
Fill In The Blank		\$ 550.00	Sun Lakes Women's Serenity Seekers		\$ 545.00
Firehouse Meeting		\$ 383.12	Sunset Group		\$ 100.00
Flourence Group		\$ 40.00	Superstition Sunrise	\$ 100.00	\$ 175.00
Get It Together	\$ 241.06	\$ 687.92	Tempe Group		\$ 155.00
Gilbert BB Step Study	\$ 80.00	\$ 80.00	Tempe Nooners	\$ 260.00	\$ 700.00
Gilbert Group		\$ 985.68	Tempe Sunrisers	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Good Ol' Back To Basics		\$ 312.00	The Real Thing		\$ 137.00
Grateful Girlfriends		\$ 177.00	The Way Out Group		\$ 175.00
Great Start	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00	Tuesday Nite Steppin' Out		\$ 125.00
Happy Hour @ Sunbird		\$ 200.00	Tumbleweeds Group		\$ 164.50
Hope for Today		\$ 268.50	Upon Awakening		\$ 650.00
Kitchen Table Group		\$ 250.00	We Ain't Dead Yet		\$ 139.00
Last Resort		\$ 30.00	Women In Gratitude		\$ 150.00
Life In The Big Book		\$ 221.20	*Anonymous Groups		\$ 920.20
Lost and Found		\$ 200.00	Individual Contributions	\$ 133.50	\$ 1,909.87
			GRAND TOTALS	\$ 5,947.88	\$29,232.11

Fun Fact

76 years ago, in July 1950, A.A. held its first International Convention in Cleveland, Ohio. Not only were they celebrating 15 years of A.A., this is where and when the Twelve Traditions were adopted!



BALANCE SHEET May 2026

Assets

Current Asset	
Checking	18,783.61
Prudent Reserve (Savings)	39,595.04
Accounts Receivable	1229.05
Inventory Asset	21,131.30
Undeposited Funds	-277.08

Fixed Assets

Cash On Hand	50.00
Office Equip/Furnishings	22,538.00

Depreciation (-22,538.00)

Total Assets \$80,537.22

Liabilities & Equity

Liabilities

Accounts Payable	-357.40
Visa Credit Card	1497.44
Payroll taxes	138.00

Total Liabilities \$1,278.04

Equity

Opening Balance Equity	43,778.94
Retained Earnings	26,443.21
Net Income	9,037.03

Total Equity \$80,537.22

Total Liability & Equity \$80,537.22

PROFIT \$ LOSS STATEMENT May 2026

38 Group contributions totaling **\$6,101.38**
 11 Individual contributions totaling **\$283.50**
 Intergroup Business Meeting &
 Service Committee's 7th Tradition

Total Contributions \$6,384.88
Total Income \$ 9,726.10

Less total Cost Of Goods Sold \$1,972.41

Gross Profit \$7,753.69

Less total Expenses of \$2,574.04

Net April Income \$5,179.65

YTD 2026 Income \$9,037.03

The current Prudent Reserve balance is \$39,595.04

The Prudent Reserve has been established for 2026
 in the range of \$40,250.73 - \$48,300.87

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

Grateful to be of service,
 Alex B. EVI Treasurer
 480 250-0000

Sign Up to Become a GRATEFUL GIVER

Join your fellows and pledge \$10 or more each
 month
 to support the East Valley Intergroup.

*Sign up online at aamesaaz.org

*Choose a monthly pledge amount, \$10 to \$416
 (\$5000 annual maximum for members)

*Paypal contributions are automatically withdrawn.

*Set us up as an auto pay in your bank account.

*All personal contributions are anonymous at the



East Valley Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes

June 19th, 2026 Please note: Minutes have been abbreviated in several areas due to space limitations. Please see original Intergroup packet for complete text.

Rep Attendees In-Person (30)

Rep Attendees on Zoom (14)

*Welcome new reps: No Booze News-Tamara L

1. Opening: Meeting opened by Chairperson Roxanne B. with the Serenity Prayer.

· Hybrid meeting format confirmed.

2. Readings: The 12 Traditions were read by Mike

3. Introductions & Attendance

New Intergroup Representatives and Trusted Servants introduced themselves verbally and via Zoom.

Total 32 voting members were counted (combined in-person and Zoom).

4. Officer Reports

Secretary (OPEN)

· Roxanne presented Secretary Report

· Motion to approve secretary report passed, seconded Jen.

Treasurer – Alex B.

· Presented full financial report including income, expenses, and trends.

· Expenses are lower, it is keeping us in the positive.

· Motion to approve Treasurer's Report by Mike, seconded by Colin, passed.

Chairperson – Roxanne B.

· Rita and Roxanne have been working hard at the EVI office.

· Encouraged groups to visit the EVI office and pick up No Booze News.

· There are flyers on the table and emailed to the Representatives with the packet.

· Announced that December 2026 will be final month of service as Chairperson.

Vice Chair – Lucy W.

· Reported attendance in Post Conference Assembly; Everything AA App has been purchased by World Services. Joe & Charlie tapes will be eliminated due to not being conference a

5th addition of Big Book has been approved.

· Attended Founders Day; 91 years.

· Volunteering at the EVI office on Wednesdays.

Office Manager – Rita C.

· Need phone volunteers and office volunteers for the EVI office. Encouraged people to come and spend some time at the office.

· Received email in regards to Everything AA App from New York. On display at the EVI office.

· Reported 234 requests information and assistance.

5. Standing Committee Reports

The following summaries reflect key committee updates and actions:

· Website (Dawn H.)

o Dawn was not present.

o Roxanne reported no longer reporting traffic from anywhere but the United States.

· PI/CPC (Erica.)

o Reported the decision to only focus on two areas at a time (ex: Literature, outside events, education, etc). This will allow more focus on each area one at a time.

o Reported PI/CPC and Alternate Secretary Position are currently open.

· Special Events (Andrea M.)

o Upcoming events:

§ Diamondbacks Game – July 21 (\$25 tickets) Tickets are available through the EVI office and online.

§ July 3rd Monthly Speaker Meeting 7:30pm Courage to Change is hosting.

§ Quarterly Breakfast – October 17

· Phones (Robin F.)

o There are enough volunteers now for everyone to have one shift instead of two or three.

o Continue to work on process of 12 Step callers to respond.

o Andrew will step up next month in place of Tracy.

· Unity (reported by Tracy)

o Finished first tier of getting EVI reps from meetings. Several new Intergroup Representatives have been recruited.

· Sponsorship (Ken C.)

o Reported over 35 people in attendance to last Sponsorship Workshop.

o August 1st is the next Sponsorship Meeting hosted by Ahwatukee's Men's Group.

· No Booze News (Regan G. via Roxanne)

o Editor stepping down; replacement is Tamara.

· Literature

o No report (absent due to travel).

· Office Volunteer Coordinator

o Position now OPEN; Roxanne stepping down.

o Requires 5 years sobriety.

6. Liaison Reports

Key liaison updates included:

· Al-Anon Liaison

o Position remains OPEN.

· H&I (Nicholas S.)

o Written Report was included in packet. Any questions please contact Nicholas S directly.

· Spanish Liaison

o No report.

· Subdistrict 08-820 (Julius)

o July 11th 530pm Quarterly Potluck

o Planning Support was provided for the Post-Conference Assembly

o Monthly Meetings continue on the first Monday of each Month.

· Subdistrict 08-818 / 08-819

o No reports given.

7. Key Operational Issues

The meeting highlighted several ongoing challenges:

- Critical vacancies:
 - o Al-Anon Liaison open
 - o PI/CPC Chair open
 - o Office Volunteer Coordinator open

8. Old Business

9. New Business

- Motion for 300\$ budget for the website through end of 2026 passed. This will support website content additions, including newsletters, event flyers, and service materials.
- Tamara elected for New Booze News Editor. Motion passed unanimously with 32 votes.
- Kathryn elected for Secretary. Motion passed unanimously with 32 votes.
- Arizona is bidding to host the event for ICYPAA. Looking for letter of support from EVI. September and October of 2027 is possible dates for event. Motion passed for EVI to draft and submit letter of support for the AZ ICYPAA bid.

10. Action Items

11. Announcements

- 6/20/2026 4pm Common Thread fundraiser for retreat in October.
- Diamondback baseball tickets for sale.
- Apache Trial Roundup
- State Convention.
- July 11th Potluck hosted by Subdistrict 820
- EVI will be closed July 3rd in observance of July 4th Holiday.

12. Meeting Recap

- Kathryn elected as EVI Secretary.
- Tamara elected as No Booze New Editor.
- Website Budget of 300\$ approved.
- Letter of support for Arizona's ICYPAA bid was approved.
- Positive financial report with strong prudent reserve.
- Continued recruitment efforts for open service positions, PI/CPA Chair, Al-Anon Liaison, Office Volunteer Coordinator.

13. Closing

- Mike, seconded Tom
- Meeting closed with the Responsibility Statement: "When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that: I am responsible."

Tradition Seven

Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.

1. Honestly now, do I do all I can to help AA (my group, my central office, my GSO) remain self-supporting? Could I put a little more into the basket on behalf of the new guy who can't afford it yet? How generous was I when tanked in a barroom?
2. Should the Grapevine sell advertising space to book publishers and drug companies, so it could make a big profit and become a bigger magazine, in full color, at a cheaper price per copy?
3. If GSO runs short of funds some year, wouldn't it be okay to let the government subsidize AA groups in hospitals and prisons?
4. Is it more important to get a big AA collection from a few people, or a smaller collection in which more members participate?
5. Is a group treasurer's report unimportant AA business? How does the treasurer feel about it?
6. How important in my recovery is the feeling of self-respect, rather than the feeling of being always under obligation for charity received?



*"Would you just look at that neighbor's yard across the street?
What a mess!"*

—Mike G., Ontario, Canada

We here at The No Booze News would love to hear from you about your experience, strength and hope. Maybe something that's happened in your recovery or an experience that shows how the program is working in your life.

It's an effective way to help other members who may be inspired by your story. Please include your name and phone number. We reserve the right to edit for content and/or clarity. Email your story to:

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