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**SALT RIVER INTERGROUP**

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*Celebrating 80 years  
of Alcoholics Anonymous  
in our Phoenix Valley!*

SINCE 1943, THE HAND OF UNITY CARRYING THE MESSAGE  
OF HOPE IN THE VALLEY OF THE SUN

**SPEAKER TERRY M FROM GILBERT AZ**

TICKETS WILL GO FAST REGISTER EARLY

**29 APRIL 2023**

## EVENT SCHEDULE

5PM-6PM FELLOWSHIP

6PM-7:15PM DINNER

7:30PM-8:30PM SPEAKER

8:45PM-9PM RAFFLE - 1ST EDITION BIG BOOK & 50/50

\$30 REGISTRATION | INC DINNER & COFFEE | \$1 CASH DRINKS

NON-SMOKING VENUE 

PARADISE VALLEY UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH  
4455 E. LINCOLN DR  
PARADISE VALLEY, AZ, 85253

TIME  
**5PM-9PM**

ONLINE REGISTRATION ONLY AT  
[AAPHOENIX.ORG/EVENTS/ANNIVERSARY](https://aaphoenix.org/events/anniversary)

## From Your Steering Committee

### Tradition Four

**Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or A.A. as a whole.**

Last week I spent a good bit of time trying to write another one of my studious articles about another one of our traditions. I wrote and wrote for three days. I had hundreds of words about the analogy of traditions to steps; about a group's evolution; about learning responsibility in sobriety and taking it; about mindfulness of self; about good citizenship; about pioneer stories I've read and heard; lessons learned; freedom, democracy, common welfare; group formation trends on zoom, and international meetings, and statistics, and quotes from Bill; quotes from Bob; quotes from *Our Twelve Traditions*; quotes, quotes and more quotes.... All this informative stuff!... A central theme.... Connect the dots... Include this... reword that... how do I?... or maybe not... faster. Faster. FASTER....

AND... eventually the hamster wheel just blew. Lines

and dots and high moral concepts all over the place. I prayed. In the ensuing calm I remembered the KISS principle, and the last words Bob said to Bill.

So... in Tradition Four, we say:

Do it your way. Consider others.

Be mindful of what makes AA, AA.

and "...let's not louse this thing up!"

Dave B.

#### Suggested reading:

Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, pp. 146-149

The A.A. Group *pamphlet*, [aa.org](http://aa.org)

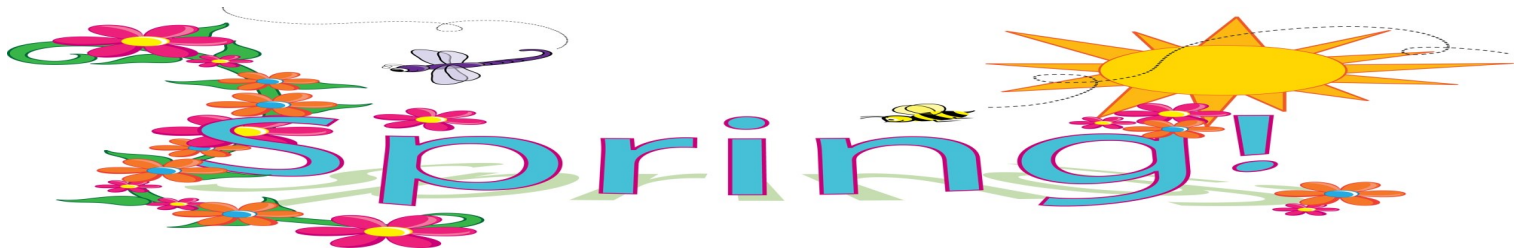
The Group Handbook *booklet*, [aa.org](http://aa.org)

Our Twelve Traditions, pp. 47-60

A Brief Guide to A.A., pp. 6-7, 9 *pamphlet*, [aa.org](http://aa.org)

Language of the Heart, pp. 20-22, 80-82, 315-318

Pass It On, p. 342



### Tradition Four Checklist

Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or AA as a whole.

Do I insist that there are only a few right ways of doing things in AA?

Does my group always consider the welfare of the rest of AA?  
Of nearby groups? Of loners in Alaska? Of Internationalists miles from port? Of a group in Rome or El Salvador?

Do I put down other members' behavior when it is different from mine, or do I learn from it?

Do I always bear in mind that, to those outsiders who know I am in AA, I may to some extent represent our entire beloved Fellowship?

Am I willing to help a newcomer go to any lengths – his lengths, not mine – to stay sober?

Do I share my knowledge of AA tools with other members who may not have heard of them?



## Concept Four

*“Throughout our Conference structure, we ought to maintain at all responsible levels a traditional ‘Right of Participation,’ taking care that each classification or group of our world servants shall be allowed a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge.”*

Concept IV is about equality and inclusion. Voting members include not only delegates, but also the trustees, and the directors and staff members of A.A. World Services and the A.A. Grapevine.

This allows not only trustees, but also non-trustee directors, paid administrators and staff members to vote. Some are surprised to see paid executives, staff members and outside accountants attending the board meetings. They are invited because of A.A.’s Right of Participation.

Bill W. warns against the possibility of new delegates or trustees trying to weaken, modify or

toss out the Right of Participation. “Certainly, our trustees and service workers are not less conscientious, experienced and wise than the delegates. It is vital” said Bill W.

The spiritual reason for the Right of Participation is all of us desire to belong. In A.A. we’re all equal.

**Question:** Do we understand the spiritual principles underlying the “Right of Participation”?

**Reference:** W., Bill (1962, pp 11-14). *Twelve concepts for World Service*. New York, NY: General service office of Alcoholics Anonymous

Taken from April 2021

**HYBRID!!! PI/CPC meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm;  
Meeting ID: 976 6139 5578 Passcode: 397657 & In person at SRI Central  
Office 3215 E. Thunderbird Rd, Phoenix 85032**

## Concept Four Checklist

At all responsible levels, we ought to maintain a traditional “Right of Participation,” allowing a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge.

Do we understand the spiritual principles underlying the “Right of Participation”?

What does “in reasonable proportion” mean? Do we understand when it is appropriate for A.A. paid staff to have a vote at the General Service Conference or in our local service structure?

Do we expect that, because we are A.A. members, we should be allowed to vote at any group, even if we are not active members of that group?

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**Salt River Intergroup  
Business Meeting  
March 14, 2023, Zoom**

**Mission Statement – Adrian****Open meeting with Serenity Prayer – Adrian****3<sup>rd</sup> Tradition Reading and Tradition Checklist Reading – Dave, pg 3****3<sup>rd</sup> Concept Reading and Concept Checklist Reading – Bud, pg 3-4****Introduction to Steering Committee****New Intergroup reps – Brittney** - 5:30 Happy Hour; Nathan - New Vision Group; Cindy – Freedom Hall. Introduction to pages 6 – 7 of IG packet for communication of information to and from the home groups

Number of attendees - 49

**Remarks and announcements by chair – Adrian****Previous month's meeting minutes – pgs. 8 –9 of IG packet.** Motion to accept – Chuck; Rob seconded. Motion approved**General Service Liaison (Area) - Bud –** Attended PRAASA conference in Los Angeles, a brief report is forthcoming; the general trend is on Technology and Service. A flash drive of the entire conference was purchased and will be available for download.**Treasurer Report – James – pgs. 10 – 13 of the IG packet.****7<sup>th</sup> Tradition – Self Support Card - Adrian****Central Office Report – Cyndee – pgs. 4 – 5 of the IG packet.** AAWS price of all printed materials is increasing. Please see pg 14 for details. SRI Central Office will hold the current prices and not raise them for 6 months. Equipment to hold hybrid meetings from the Central Office will be purchased. All new reps please send your information (first name, last name initial, phone number, email address, home group name) to [info@sriphoenix.org](mailto:info@sriphoenix.org)**Event Committee Liaison****2023 Anniversary – Bud –** Tickets go on Sale – online only - Monday March 20, 2023. Flyer is done. There is a need for a Security Chair and volunteers to serve food. Next meeting is March 14 @ 6pm; hybrid (Central Office).**2023 Summer Round - Up – Robbin –** Save the date August 11 – 13. Location of venue is the same: Scottsdale Doubletree Resort. Chair and co-chair meeting April 1. After the Anniversary event the Round-Up committee will meet regularly via zoom. Theme: Acceptance Is the Key in 2023. The Round-Up committee is expanding the Round-Up to make it more family friendly.**2023 Alcothon – James, Dave -** No update**Old Business****Ad Hoc – Finance - Adrien** appointed Jerry to chair the ad hoc finance committee and commence meetings. Current volunteers include Jerry, WNMSS; Beth, Zoom Cactus Study; Bob M. James is to be ad hoc liaison.**New Business****AAWS Price Increase –** AAWS price of all printed materials is increasing. Please see pg 14 for details. SRI Central Office will hold the current prices and not raise them for 6 months.**Hybrid meeting –** Cyndee will purchase necessary equipment for hybrid meetings.**SRI Standing Committee Reports****Archives – Pat –** No report**PI/CPC - Terry –** Hybrid Business Meeting is the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month. The working meeting is on 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday @ 6pm located at Central Office. Check SRI calendar.**Meeting Update Committee –** no report**Grapevine –** no report [www.aagrapevine.org](http://www.aagrapevine.org)**H & I – Bob -** H&I meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday each month via zoom. [www.vwhi.org](http://www.vwhi.org)**Birthdays:** Jerry 34 years, Robbin 37 years**Motion to close –** Barry, Rob seconded, motion to close meeting carries.**Responsibility Pledge****Meeting adjourned****Cass R: meeting minutes**

## Central Office Manager's Report

Hello everyone...

Presently all the shifts are filled at Central Office and TAS. I am so grateful for the volunteers, THANK YOU!!

Please update Zoom codes and passwords with Central Office, CTRL + Click to follow this link: <https://aaphoenix.org/groups/group-update/> or from the home page of the SRI website click on meetings, then click on meeting update form. [www.aaphoenix.org](http://www.aaphoenix.org)

**Please remind groups to buy literature & chips from SRI office to help support your local AA Intergroup so that we can keep the hand of A.A. there for all who need it.**

We have approx. 1,600 meetings per week here in the Valley. Approx. 700 of those meetings are registered with us, Salt River Inter Intergroup. Approx. 275 are registered with Agua Fria Intergroup and approx. 500 are registered with East Valley Intergroup.

In the Spirit of Tradition Eight,

Cyndee Rogers

### February Phone Stats

	This Month	Last Month	
Total Help Line Calls:	496	622	20.3%

### February WEB Stats:

	This Month	Last Month	
Total Sessions:	21,725	22,108	1.76%

*New stats reset	This Month	Last Month
New Visitor	75.2%	74.3%
Returning Visitor	24.8%	25.7%

Sessions by Acquisition	This Month	Last Month
Organic Search:	65.6%	64.4%
Direct	31.6%	32.3%
Referral	2.3%	1.9%
Other	0.5%	1.4%

Sessions by Device	This Month	Last Month
Mobile	72.5%	72.8%
Desktop	25.8%	25.9%
Tablet	1.56%	1.76%



## Steering Committee Member Spotlight

### **Come all the way in, sit all the way down and apply the tools!**

What makes a person come into the rooms? Desperate, hopeless, and out of options—I stopped at the last house on the block. I was driven by countless fears. I was homeless and counted out by many. My desire to live shifted from a desire to die.

What makes a person want to stay in the rooms? Dr. Bob said our 12-steps can be condensed down into two words: **LOVE & SERVICE**. He was right! For thirty-seven years, I had to learn how to love myself to learn how to love you. It has not always been an easy path. However, our 12-Concepts remind me of why it is important! I had to embrace the **WE** in Step 1 and realize I could no longer travel alone.

Come all the way in - - -conceding to my inner most self, I admitted I was a defeated alcoholic. You grabbed me up, invited me to sit all the way down, put a Big Book in my hand and told me we would learn the steps, traditions and concepts. You spoke of the gifts I could also get if I plugged into a God of my own understanding. You asked me if I was willing to let go and trust the process?

Apply the tools? Yep, living the triangle! Unity, Service and Recovery! Being active in service work saves my life. Joining in fellowship keeps me humble. Participating in my own recovery brings transformation. No matter where my path has crossed, recovery continues to teach me. . . being in the middle is easiest!

# Meeting

## **SRI Intergroup Meeting via Zoom April 11, 2023 at 7pm.**

If you are the Intergroup Rep for your home group, do we have your e-mail? If, you are not sure if we have your current info please send an e-mail to [info@sriphoenix.org](mailto:info@sriphoenix.org).

***Meeting documents can be found on the website under "groups" [www.aaphoenix.org](http://www.aaphoenix.org)***

**I am Responsible . . .**

**When anyone, anywhere  
reaches out for help**

**I want the hand of AA to be there,  
And for that,**

**. . . I Am Responsible**

## Group Contributions

Group	Group Name	FEB	YTD
5221	11 AT 7		\$171.53
5243	11TH STEP MEETING		\$100.00
1900	12 AND 12 (CAREFREE)		\$156.75
1028	4848 GROUP	\$270.00	\$270.00
1035	5:30 HAPPY HOUR		\$500.00
1211	6:00 RUSH HOUR (CROSS ROADS)	\$400.00	\$400.00
5498	7am Solution	\$299.75	\$599.50
1700	A.A. SAFE PLACE		\$168.74
6168	BEYOND THE FIRST MIRACLE	\$530.64	\$530.64
5298	BILL'S SOLDIERS	\$170.00	\$170.00
5110	BREAKFAST CLUB		\$73.30
6106	BRUNCH BUNCH		\$67.81
5402	BYOChair	\$602.00	\$602.00
6137	CAREFREE RATTLERS		\$73.00
1056	CAREFREE SOBRIETY		\$274.00
1191	CAREFREE WAY OF LIFE		\$136.00
1080	CAREFREE WILDLIFE	\$100.00	\$100.00
1089	CASUAL NOONERS	\$230.88	\$230.88
6042	CREIGHTON TUESDAY STAG		\$300.00
5271	CROSSROADS TO HEAVEN		\$300.00
2110	FOUNTAIN HILLS GROUP, THE		\$120.30
2706	FREEDOM HOUR	\$482.00	\$482.00
2731	FRIDAY MORNING BIG BOOK STUDY	\$153.50	\$153.50
5388	FRIDAY NIGHT YOUNG PEOPLE	\$655.96	\$655.96
3400	Gay Men's Stag	\$381.00	\$381.00
1098	GO FOR IT GROUP I	\$2,343.29	\$2,343.29
6183	HAPPY DESTINY		\$17.83
6221	HAPPY VALLEY EAST		\$91.75
5452	Happy Zoomers Womans 12 & 12	\$50.00	\$50.00
5404	HOW IT WORKS		\$200.00
5290	How It Works Big Book Step Study		\$500.00
5104	IN-BETWEENERS		\$100.00
1340	K.I.S.S. Keep It Simple Sisters		\$80.13
6061	KNUCKLEHEADS		\$506.62
6622	LADDER OF SUCCESS		\$100.00
1514	LET'S TALK ABOUT IT	\$582.70	\$707.70

5297	LIVING IN THE SOLUTION		\$130.00
5178	LONE MOUNTAIN BB STUDY		\$341.00
3114	LUNCH BUNCH (CROSSROADS)	\$155.02	\$589.80
5196	Mandalay Village	\$50.00	\$50.00
1092	MENS 4PM MONDAY MEETING		\$125.14
5111	Mens Attitude Adjustment		\$1,900.00
1158	MEN'S MONDAY NIGHT BB STUDY		\$150.00
1204	Mid City Group		\$140.00
5489	Mid Day Pause	\$50.00	\$50.00
5006	MONDAY MORNING MIRACLES	\$200.00	\$200.00
5285	MOUNTAIN TOPPERS	\$22.00	\$22.00
5383	My Friend's Promise Saturday BB Study	\$396.00	\$396.00
5413	N SCOTTSDALE TUE NIGHT MENS STAG		\$750.00
1062	NEVER HAD IT SO GOOD	\$55.00	\$55.00
1037	NO SNIVELING	\$940.00	\$940.00
5209	NOONERS GROUP	\$150.00	\$150.00
5085	NORTH MOUNTAIN STUDY GROUP	\$95.00	\$168.00
6214	ON AWAKENING		\$600.00
2820	PINNACLE PEAK GANG		\$133.00
1516	RIO VERDE AA GROUP		\$194.10
1606	SATURDAY NIGHT 12&12		\$100.00
1169	SHADOW MOUNTAIN GROUP		\$25.00
2813	SISTERS IN SOBRIETY	\$75.00	\$75.00
5106	SOBER SISTERS		\$105.00
5013	SUNDAY EVENING SERENITY	\$250.00	\$250.00
1203	SUNDAY MORNING ELEVEN AM	\$314.00	\$314.00
1129	SUNNYSLOPE GROUP		\$180.00
1060	Sunnyslope Happy Hour		\$4.00
2823	SUNRISE SERENITY	\$544.00	\$544.00
5280	VALLEY ALANO CLUB	\$300.00	\$300.00
1029	WESTSIDE RUSH HOUR	\$600.00	\$600.00
2803	WOMAN BY THE BOOK		\$275.50
5500	Work In Progress Group		\$97.00
5263	WORKS BEST When READ		\$140.00
5496	ZOOM CACTUS STUDY GROUP	\$450.00	\$450.00
5494	ZOOMS Best When Read	\$54.00	\$149.00
		\$11,951.74	\$22,406.77

**THANK YOU**

***BREAKING***

***NEWS***

SAVE THE DATES!



Salt River Intergroup  
33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Summer Roundup

**\*\*DOUBLETREE RESORT PARADISE VALLEY\*\***

August 11<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023

UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

4/01/23 @ 11am via Zoom

Hybrid Meetings (starting in May)  
Thursdays @6:30 PM

5/04/23

6/08/23

6/22/23

7/06/23

7/20/23

7/27/23

8/03/23

8/10/23 @ the hotel

Zoom info  
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PW: sri2020

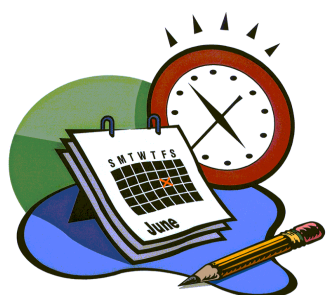


**Salt River Intergroup, Inc.****Balance Sheet****As of February 28, 2023**

<b>ASSETS</b>				
	<b>Current Assets</b>			
		<b>Checking/Savings</b>		
		<b>General Fund</b>	45,647.65	
		<b>Prudent Reserve Fund</b>	71,285.22	
		<b>Total Checking/Savings</b>	116,932.87	
		<b>Other Current Assets</b>	29,987.67	
		<b>Total Current Assets</b>	146,920.54	
		<b>Fixed Assets</b>	7,903.97	
		<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>154,824.51</b>	
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>				
	<b>Equity</b>			
		<b>Funds Balance</b>	145,635.78	
		<b>Net Income</b>	9,188.73	
		<b>Total Equity</b>	154,824.51	
		<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>154,824.51</b>	

**Salt River Intergroup, Inc.****Profit & Loss****February 2023**

<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>				
		<b>Income</b>		
		<b>Contributions</b>	12,116.30	
		<b>Store Income</b>	7,153.00	
		<b>Non Store Income</b>	38.66	
		<b>Total Income</b>	19,307.96	
		<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>	4,233.77	
		<b>Gross Profit</b>	15,074.19	
		<b>Expense</b>		
		<b>Ordinary Expenses</b>	4,744.95	
		<b>Employee Expenses</b>	5,891.85	
		<b>Total Expense</b>	10,636.80	
		<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	4,437.39	
	<b>Net Income</b>		<b>4,437.39</b>	



**Please update your meetings with Central Office.  
It's important, so can we provide current information to the Alcoholic who asks for help!!**

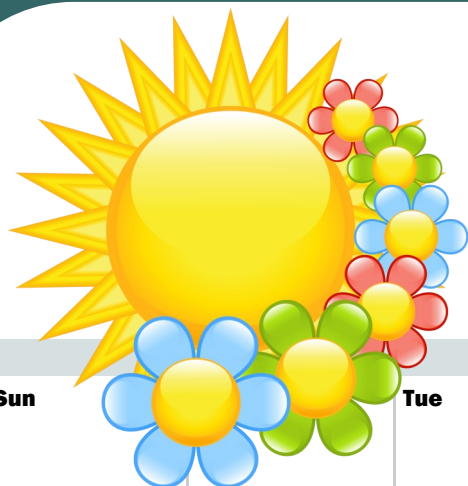
**<https://aaphoenix.org/groups/group-update/>**



First	LI	Sober Date	Years
Jack	M.	4/17/1967	56
Eddie	M.	4/13/1970	53
H.B.	M.	4/25/1970	53
Anne	S.	4/13/1970	53
Kathleen	C.	4/15/1974	49
Lee	M.	4/6/1975	48
Margaret	P.	4/17/1975	48
Scott	H.	4/26/1977	46
Larry	B.	4/20/1978	45
Al	L.	4/12/1978	45
Dave	M.	4/19/1978	45
Thomas	M.	4/21/1978	45
Dulcie	S.	4/1/1978	45
Byron	F.	4/29/1978	45
Jeanne	C.	4/10/1979	44
Kitty	K.	4/28/1979	44
Wally	C.	4/1/1979	44
Marty	L.	4/15/1980	43
Donald	R.	4/3/1980	43
Harry	R.	4/17/1980	43
Frank	B.	4/20/1980	43
Diane	R.	4/14/1980	43
Louise	J.	4/7/1981	42
James	S.	4/29/1981	42

Kathy	M.	4/27/1982	41
Jim	F.	4/13/1982	41
Joel	M.	4/22/1982	41
Jim	G.	4/22/1982	41
Steve	L.	4/25/1983	40
Bill	M.	4/9/1983	40
Bert	N.	4/1/1984	39
Chris	W.	4/15/1984	39
Gary	N.	4/25/1984	39
John	J.	4/13/1984	39
Scott	W.	4/9/1985	38
Donette	J.	4/1/1986	37
Dino	F.	4/28/1986	37
Kori	K.	4/8/1986	37
Sean	D.	4/20/1986	37
Chuck	T.	4/17/1987	36
Mike	S.	4/27/1987	36
Donna	L.	4/7/1987	36
Billy	L.	4/22/1988	35
Mike	R.	4/25/1988	35
Lenny	G.	4/10/1990	33
Dennis	A.	4/7/1990	33
Billie	S.	4/5/1991	32
Sandy	B.	4/13/1993	30

We are currently updating our Old Timers data base. Please email any changes to [info@sriphoenix.org](mailto:info@sriphoenix.org). If you have 25+ years and would like to be added please email your sobriety date, address, phone number and email address to [info@sriphoenix.org](mailto:info@sriphoenix.org) or call Cyndee at Central Office 602-264-1374.



# April 2023

Sun		Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 Steering Committee Meeting	5	6	7	8
9 Happy Easter 	10	11 Intergroup Meeting via Zoom 7pm	12 H&I Meeting 7pm	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25 PI/CPC meeting 7pm see pg3 for details	26	27	28	29 80th Anniversary Dinner/Meeting
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Please check specific meetings for cancelations or postponements

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website [www.aaphoenix.org](http://www.aaphoenix.org)  
email: [info@sriphoenix.org](mailto:info@sriphoenix.org)

Group Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
New      Renew      Change

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Individual Newsletter Delivered via USPS Mailing = \$15.00

Annual Group Copies (5) Delivered at SRI Business Meeting = \$20.00

