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SALT RIVER INTERGROUP

Salt River Intergroup, Inc. **NOMINATIONS**



for Steering Committee
Members will be taken
at the
September (9/8)
&
October (10/13)
Intergroup Meeting via
ZOOM.

GET INVOLVED WITH YOUR INTERGROUP!

Positions Open	Sobriety Requirement	Term
Chairperson	5-five years	1-one year
Vice Chairperson	5-five years	1-one year
Treasurer	5-five years	2-two years
Advisor #1	3-three years	2-two years
Advisor #2	3-three years	2- two years
Advisor #3	3-three years	1-one year

Send to info@sriphoenix.org or call 602-264-1374 for more information.

From Your Steering Committee

Tradition Nine

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

This is a perfect tradition for consideration as we approach the elections for the 2021 Steering Committee. Originally Tradition Nine was written stating, "Alcoholics Anonymous needs the least possible organization." That statement was amended to its current verbiage "ought never be organized". And to that end we have rotating service positions at all levels of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Unlike any other organized body of people, there is no member of AA that can direct or punish the activities of anyone else in AA. We are an organization built on advice and suggestions...on experience. Many years ago the staff and trustees of GSO used the following sentences in recognition of this tradition "Of course, you are at perfect liberty to handle this matter any way you please. But the majority experience in AA does seem to suggest..." Just as the individual alcoholic recoils from being told they "must" so does the body of AA.

That being said, the individual and the group soon learn that adherence to the 12 steps and traditions are critical to their ongoing existence. Our slips are not the result of penalties of those in authority, but a direct result of our violation of spiritual principals. We learn...sometimes quickly and sometimes slowly...that we serve one Power...and that is the one that is greater than all of us. And that Power gives the opportunity to serve and be of service...directs us in ways that will make the dissemination of His message possible.

We gain no power through our positions. We are directed in service and universal respect or the individual and the group will cease to exist. Rotation and elections ensure that all get to share in this humble act of service and spirituality.

Question: Do I try to understand and use all elements of the AA program – even if no one makes me do so – with a sense of personal responsibility?

Holly W. Advisor

Tradition Nine Checklist

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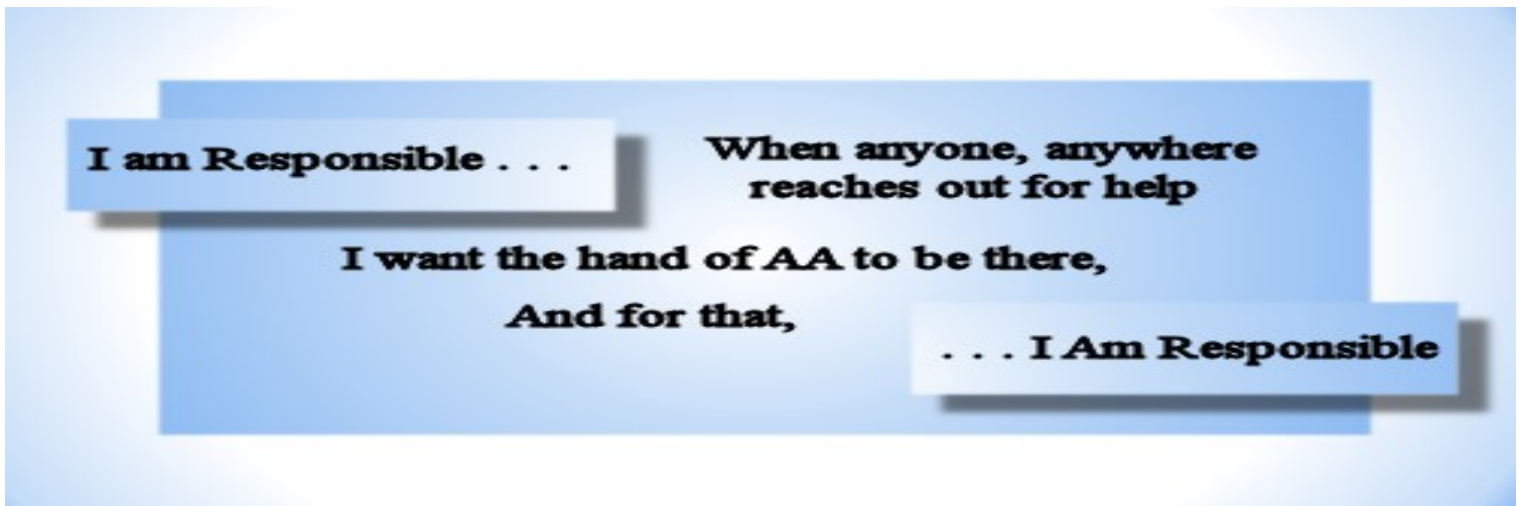
- Do I still try to boss things in AA?
- Do I resist formal aspects of AA because I fear them as authoritative?
- Am I mature enough to understand and use all elements of the AA program --- even if no one makes me do so --- with a sense of personal responsibility?
- Do I exercise patience and humility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



Concept Nine

Good service leaders, together with sound and appropriate methods of choosing them, are at all levels indispensable for our future functioning and safety. The primary world service leadership once exercised by the founders of A.A. must necessarily be assumed by the Trustees of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous.

This concept addresses the importance of being and electing good service leaders. “Due to A.A.’s principle of rotation, furnishing our service structure with able and willing workers has to be a continuous effort.” It is essential that our leaders act *for* AA and not “boss” it’s members. This often requires our leaders to acknowledge that good ideas can come from anyone and anywhere. Consequently, good leadership often needs to discard their own ideals and implement a plan that takes AA in a seemingly better direction. Therefore, when it comes to AA’s elected leaders, willingness and open-mindedness are vital. Both allow for cheerful compromise and enable progress.



Concept Nine Checklist

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.

- Do we discuss how we can best strengthen the composition and leadership of our future trusted servants?
- Do we recognize the need for group officers? What is our criteria for election? Do we sometimes give a position to someone “because it would be good for them”?
- Do I set a positive leadership example?

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**Salt River Intergroup
Business Meeting
August 11, 2020**

Open Meeting with Serenity Prayer -Robbin

Tradition 8 and Tradition Checklist Reading – Laurie

Concept 8 Reading and Concept Checklist Reading – Quianna

New Intergroup Reps – Matt-Neither Here nor There, Megan-Women by the Book, Jeff- Mid City

Remarks and Announcements by the Chair – Robbin

Previous Month's Minutes – July Intergroup packet page 5 Motion to accept: Chuck Seconded: Quentin. Unanimous acceptance.

General Service Liaison (Area) – Adrian Report on Pg 6 of the IG packet. Flyers can also be found in the packet for various events including the State Convention.

Treasurer Report – James – Pgs 14-21 of the IG packet

Saturday Volunteers – Terry- none at this time

7th Tradition – Self Support Card – Robbin

Central Office Report – Cyndee – pgs 3-4 of the IG packet

Diane requested that any event changes such as the golf cancellation, could have an email distributed to the IG membership. Central Office will undertake to send a blanket email to inform of any changes. Robbin asked all to be mindful of the attention needed as there may be more emails from SRI than people may take notice of.

Old Business

Elections – Quianna coming up. Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, 2 x 2 year Advisor positions, 1 x 1 year Advisor Position. To be eligible to vote a group must be represented at 3 of the last 5 meetings prior to the election. Nominations and resumes should be submitted asap to Central Office for inclusion to the October IG packet. At that meeting, nominations from the floor will also be accepted. Elections will take place in November for incumbency beginning Jan 2021.

New Business

Fundraising- Central Office has suggested the possibility of selling face masks with the SRI logo as well as travel mugs. Dave and Chuck will coordinate to send an email to outline fundraising opportunities. Chuck will take lead on accepting ideas. Email to Chuck at papafo315@gmail.com, Dave at dkbandcjb@gmail.com

Event Committee Liaison

2021 Summer Round Up – Robbin, Adrian, Quianna – Finalized contract with Doubletree Hilton Scottsdale resort for the Summer 2021 Round Up. We have negotiated a room rate of \$84 plus a \$10 resort fee. We also reduced the room block requirement. The 2020 Committee will undertake the 2021 commitment. All our vendors including cart transportation, sound recording, etc will be honored in 2021.

2020 SRI Alcothon – Terry, Laurie – no report at this time.

2021 Anniversary – Paul, Holly – No report at this time.

SRI Standing Committee Report

Archives – Rosemary – no report

PI/CPC - Terry – for info about the zoom meeting on 25th Aug please ring Terry

Meeting Update Committee – Holly – please let the Central Office know if meetings begin to take place again in person

Grapevine – Laurie – outlined how Epub has taken over the app. Told the joke.

ZONYPAA – Lauren – decreased in size and focusing on being available to young people in the current pandemic climate

H & I – Kimberley – no report

Birthdays – Congrats on another day of sobriety!

Motion to close: Linda. Seconded: David. We left.

Central Office Manager's Report

Hello everyone...

We will have a few spots open on **Tuesday's 9a-12p, Wednesday's 12p-3p, Thursday's 12p-3p & 3p-6p, and Friday 3p-6p** to answer the phones here at Central Office. This is a weekly commitment and has a sobriety requirement of 1 year of continuous sobriety and have worked your 12 steps. We also have a spot to answer the phones from your home; Friday's 11pm-6am, if nobody is scheduled, the phones don't get answered. Period.

You never know... the life you save just might be your own!!! If interested, please let me know! I can be reached at (602)264.1341.

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

July Phone Stats

	This Month	Last Month	
Total Help Line Calls:	892	977	8.7%



July WEB Stats:

	This Month	Last Month	
Total Sessions:	12,211	14,352	-14.9%



	This Month	Last Month
New Visitor	69.9%	69.4%
Returning Visitor	30.1%	30.6%

Sessions by Acquisition	This Month	Last Month
Organic Search:	62.2%	59.6%
Direct	33.1%	35.8%
Referral	4.3%	3.9%
Social	0.4%	0.6%

Sessions by Device	This Month	Last Month
Mobile	62.9%	64.7%
Desktop	34.1%	32.7%
Tablet	3.0%	2.7%



As It Goes On....and On....

In times that are difficult and ongoing I find myself reaching a bit deeper and more actively for the tools I've been given in the programme of Alcoholics Anonymous. This doesn't only mean when we got hit and life changed as COVID came on the scene. For me, life had drastically changed several times before this. The obvious times spring to mind, like when I got sober, or the first time someone I loved died and I didn't have to pick up a drink or the fact that I've lived in another country for the last 7 years. I've discovered that those changes, and the connection with my HP that Alcoholics Anonymous facilitated, have given me some of the best tools to use in the current socio-political climate.

I know that many of you aren't happy or even comfortable with Zoom meetings and long for the day when we can meet face to face regularly, hugging with impunity. As do I. I'm not a huge fan of the Hollywood Squares version of AA (if you're too young to remember, Google it). Technology is a marvellous thing and I'm very grateful we have the option but my WIFI can be spotty and I can get frustrated with missing every 4th word. Conversely, I had the distinct pleasure to witness as my best mate in London zoomed to the Sat morning meeting in Fountain Hills and shared his experience, strength and hope. I've been trying to get him out here for years!! In a classic AA paradox, we all had to be stuck at home for him to make the journey!!

To borrow a phrase, 'here's what I know for sure'. For alcoholics, isolation is a just 4 syllable word for danger. When I asked my first sponsor to be my sponsor she didn't, as I thought she should, say how privileged and honoured she'd be. She asked, "Are you willing to go to any lengths?". Being a clever girl, I knew the correct answer to this obviously trick question. So imagine my surprise when I said, "I don't know what that means."

And I didn't know then what that meant just as I didn't know what being an alcoholic was. However, as time has gone on I've learned what 'any length' means to me. It's been a little while since I asked but I still try not to get too hungry, angry, lonely or tired because my disease is physical as well as mental and spiritual and I know that low blood sugar makes me funky. I know that when I start to get self righteous (all too easy in these tricky times) or start feeling scratchy or a resentment begins to fester, I need to speak with someone about it, laugh it off so the crazy doesn't grab hold and insist that I'm right. I know that me being finger pointy at you means I need to look more closely at what is probably fear in me. I try to have new experiences with the steps and principles therein so I can continue to grow. It is vital that I maintain an open connection with my HP and for me that means staying close to those in Alcoholics Anonymous any way I can, like it or not. I do this because here are the people who will call me on my....stuff, who will love me unconditionally, who will offer me a clearer perspective because they get me and who will provide me with the opportunity to live a happy and useful life especially through service. Most importantly, it allows me to hear the voice of my HP, as he/she/it so often works through you.

Terry L



SRI Intergroup Meeting via Zoom September 8th, 2020 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

Group Contributions

Group	Group Name	JUL	YTD
5221	11 AT 7		498.50
5134	11TH STEP MEDITATION MTG.		220.00
1900	12 AND 12 (CAREFREE)	27.50	91.50
1030	1-6-4 GROUP		117.41
1265	1ST THINGS FIRST		400.00
1087	6 P.M. HAPPY HOUR (LAMBDA)	113.35	188.01
1211	6:00 RUSH HOUR (CROSSROADS)		204.00
1071	6:00 TIME OUT		200.00
5195	A NEW WOMEN'S MEETING		232.93
1700	A SAFE PLACE		229.14
5352	A WAY OUT ON TATUM GROUP		330.00
5204	AFTERNOON DELIGHT	50.00	50.00
5097	BEFORE BREAKFAST CLUB		200.00
1083	BELLANO		80.00
6168	BEYOND THE FIRST MIRACLE	116.94	194.19
6060	BIG BOOK EXPERIENCE		146.45
1510	BIRDS OF A FEATHER		100.00
5110	BREAKFAST CLUB	68.57	216.14
6106	BRUNCH BUNCH		178.94
1059	CACTUS STUDY GROUP	1,035.00	1,485.00
5340	CAME TO BELIEVE - Cave Creek	100.00	100.00
6137	CAREFREE RATTLERS		50.00
1080	CAREFREE WILDLIFE		50.00
1089	CASUAL NOONERS		343.57
5070	CELEBRATE LIFE		1,200.00
5273	DESIGN FOR LIVING		178.56
6215	DIVINE DIVAS		600.00
5365	EIGHTY SIXED	100.00	100.00
6129	FEELINGS & SOLUTIONS	30.00	430.00

2706	FREEDOM HOUR		550.00
	FRIDAY MORNING BIG BOOK STUDY	100.00	658.75
2731	BOOK STUDY		
6054	FRIENDS OF BILL W.		200.00
5257	FRIENDS OF EBBY		105.50
			90.00
6067	FRIENDS STAYING SOBER		
1097	FUNCTIONAL GROUP	178.00	650.00
1610	GET YOUR SPIRITS HERE		31.40
1098	GO FOR IT GROUP I	300.00	690.00
2111	GRANITE REEFERS		300.00
5188	GRAPEVINE MEETING		109.00
5234	HAPPY ALCOHOLICS	356.00	720.00
	HAPPY HOUR (CROSSROADS 4PM)		200.00
1162	HAPPY HOUR GROUP SAHUARO	20.00	120.00
1060	HAPPY VALLEY EAST	77.00	97.00
6221	HAYDEN GROUP DISCUSSION		30.00
5391	HOGAN'S HEROES		182.50
	HOW BAD DO YOU WANT IT		944.21
5310	HOW FREE DO YOU WANT TO BE?		20.00
5341	HOW IT WORKS BIG BOOK STEP STUDY		288.31
5290	IN-BETWEENERS		100.00
5104	INTO ACTION	393.14	583.14
6627	KNUCKLEHEADS		357.41
6061	LADIES' TEA PARTY		250.00
6142	LADYBUGS	245.00	604.16
1023	LANGUAGE OF THE HEART		196.00
5122	LEFT FORK GROUP		70.00
5112	LET'S TALK ABOUT IT	190.80	1,563.18
1514	LIVING IN THE SOLUTION	80.00	623.00
5297	LIVING SOBER		773.18
5139	LONE MOUNTAIN BB STUDY	81.25	376.75

THANK YOU

Group contributions continue

3114	LUNCH BUNCH (CROSSROADS)		393.00
5275	MAD MEN		784.00
1041	MALE CHAUVINISTS		141.00
1092	MENS 4PM MONDAY MEETING	98.75	339.75
5111	MEN'S ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT	1,000.00	1,000.00
1056	MEN'S CAREFREE SOBRIETY	56.25	305.75
5305	MOHAVE GROUP		55.00
1008	MONDAY MORNING LADIES STEP MEETING		40.00
5006	MONDAY MORNING MIRACLES		247.00
2003	MONDAY NIGHT B.B. STEP STUDY		595.20
6064	MORNING MIRACLES		106.51
5285	MOUNTAIN TOPPERS	50.00	208.00
5360	MY FRIENDS PROMISE		213.01
5390	NEW COMERS AA		31.00
5286	NEW VISION GROUP		210.16
1037	NO SNIVELING		8,669.86
5209	NOONERS GROUP	150.00	150.00
5085	NORTH MOUNTAIN STUDY GROUP	30.00	240.00
1006	NORTH PHOENIX MEN'S STAG		1,000.00
6034	NORTH SCOTTSDALE STEP STUDY		200.00
6214	ON AWAKENING		400.00
0007	OTHER 7TH TRADITION		767.85
1159	PATHFINDERS		65.00
2820	PINNACLE PEAK GANG	108.25	370.74
2402	POST TIME		114.83
2824	PUTTIN' SOBER		1,071.54
4066	QUIT-IN-TIME		280.00
5200	RAIN OR SHINE		610.00
5252	RENEWAL IN THE DESERT		208.32

1516	RIO VERDE AA GROUP		175.00
1103	SATURDAY MORNING BROTHERHOOD		1,020.00
1606	SATURDAY NIGHT 12&12		100.00
1113	SATURDAY NITE VARIETY		225.00
1040	SCOTTSDALE NON- DRINKERS		180.00
1117	SCOTTSDALE SPEAKERS MTG.		360.00
2408	SCOTTSDALE STOP OFF		117.00
2813	SISTERS IN SOBRIETY		50.00
6031	SISTERS IN SOBRIETY		100.00
6005	SISTERS OF SERENITY		261.44
5386	SMOKIN OLDIES		100.00
6133	SNAKEPIT		300.00
1065	SOUTHSIDE GROUP		28.83
1021	STEP SISTERS	375.00	923.17
5197	STEPS TO SOBRIETY		66.00
5013	SUNDAY EVENING SERENITY		600.00
1129	SUNNYSLOPE GROUP		330.00
2823	SUNRISE SERENITY	492.80	1,176.67
6104	TGIF		17.00
5370	THE PEACE WITHIN MEDITATION MTG		100.00
6006	THOMPSON PEAK GANG	66.00	666.83
5280	VALLEY ALANO CLUB		200.00
1251	WE CHOSE LIFE	57.60	250.55
6120	WED. NIGHT MEN'S STEP STUDY	60.76	870.23
2105	WINNERS GROUP	100.00	755.00
2803	WOMAN BY THE BOOK	109.50	370.20
5263	WORKS BEST WHEN READ		105.00
		6,417.46	48,163.27

THANK YOU

Salt River Intergroup, Inc.		
Balance Sheet		
As of July 31, 2020		
		Jul 31, 20
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Checking/Savings		
General Fund		29,388.05
Prudent Reserve Fund		40,031.15
Total Checking/Savings		69,419.20
Other Current Assets		31,714.64
Total Current Assets		101,133.84
Fixed Assets		16,607.80
TOTAL ASSETS		117,741.64
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Equity		
Funds Balance		98,930.64
Net Income		18,811.00
Total Equity		117,741.64
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY		117,741.64

Salt River Intergroup, Inc.		
Profit & Loss		
July 2020		
		Jul 20
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Group Contributions		6,417.46
Individual Contributions		4,394.75
Store Income		3,260.90
Non Store Income		7.34
Total Income		14,080.45
Cost of Goods Sold		2,027.83
Gross Profit		12,052.62
Expense		
Ordinary Expenses		5,614.39
Employee Expenses		7,842.01
Total Expense		13,456.40
Net Ordinary Income		-1,403.78
Other Income/Expense		
Other Income		
Round-up Income		-720.00
Total Other Income		-720.00
Net Other Income		-720.00
Net Income		-2,123.78



Central Office will be closed September 7th in observance of Labor Day



First	Last	Sober Date	Years
Gordon	D.	9/13/1969	51
Jack	D.	9/11/1970	50
George	S.	9/11/1970	50
Augie	A.	9/17/1972	48
Val	G.	9/2/1972	48
George	L.	9/16/1973	47
Patrick	P.	9/24/1975	45
Henry	C.	9/14/1975	45
Joe	B.	9/22/1976	44
Dorothy	B.	9/18/1977	43
Bobby	F.	9/26/1977	43
Fran	D.	9/9/1978	42
Jack	S.	9/22/1978	42
Stephen	M.	9/17/1980	40
Judy	J.	9/15/1980	40
James	S.	9/5/1980	40
Chuck	N.	9/11/1981	39
Jim	B.	9/28/1982	38
Charlie	L.	9/3/1983	37

Becky	D.	9/19/1983	37
Don	E.	9/29/1983	37
Dottie	H.	9/12/1983	37
Patricia	B.	9/23/1983	37
Mark	T.	9/9/1983	37
Terry	D.	9/2/1984	36
George	M.	9/1/1984	36
Stan	P.	9/4/1984	36
Lea Anne	H.	9/28/1985	35
Flo	G.	9/12/1985	35
Arnie	G.	9/27/1987	33
Art	S.	9/30/1987	33
John	M.	9/13/1987	33
Laurie	W.	9/14/1987	33
Terry	J.	9/13/1988	32
Laurie	D.	9/4/1989	31
Cori	H.	9/5/1989	31
Greg	B.	9/7/1989	31
Virginia	D.	9/14/1993	27
Tom	L.	9/26/1993	27

September 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Steering Committee Meeting via Zoom	2	3	4	5
6	7 Central Office closed for Labor Day	8 Intergroup Meeting 7pm via Zoom	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

Please check specific meetings for cancelations or postponements

SALT RIVER INTERGROUP

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Phone: 602-264-1341
website www.aaphoenix.org
email: 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

