

Just For Today Recovery.Unity.Service.

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Tucson Area Intergroup Inc.

April 2013

OUR THREE
LEGACIES
APRIL

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Step Four: (Recovery)

Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.

Tradition Four: (Unity)

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

Concept Four: (Service)

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.

Thus was I convinced that God was concerned with us humans when we want Him enough.

-Bill W.

10 QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT P.R.A.A.S.A

What is P.R.A.A.S.A.? PRAASA is an AA service assembly sponsored by the areas of the Pacific Region (Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington). The purpose of PRAASA is to develop greater unity among the Members, Groups, and Areas of the Pacific Region; to encourage the exchange ideas and experiences; and to provide an opportunity for members to discuss pertinent aspects of AA. The Assembly and the PRAASA committee processes focus on the Recovery, Unity and Service legacies of AA.

Who was there? There were about 1,000 registrants, mostly General Service Representatives (GSRs) from the west. There were also other Intergroup Liaisons, and lots of AA members in wide ranging past and present service capacities.

What was the agenda? I attended the Assembly, which took place on February 28 - March 3, 2013 in Boise, Idaho. Most of the activities were Friday and Saturday. We had all day activities including an orientation, 7 panels, 2 two-hour roundtable discussions, a delegate panel, a trustee report, a business meeting, a main speaker meeting, a banquet and Al-Anon activities. On Sunday, there was an "open forum" discussion, two Q & A sessions, a past Trustees panel, and a "wrap up" meeting.

What is a panel? A panel at PRAASA is an 1.5 hour meeting where 5 or so AA members share a prepared report for about ten minutes each followed by a question and answer period. For example, Panel 3 was titled "Why It Works" from 3:15 - 4:30pm on Saturday. There was a moderator, a reader, a timer, and five speakers

Please Join Us...

Get connected with great service opportunities outside of the home group!

AA of the Air
Contact: Lee M.L. 975-7442

Cooperation with the Professional Community
Contact: Dennis O. 940-5741

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Miscellaneous Income For February 2013

JFT.....\$12.00
Personal Contributions.....642.00
Received from meetings at
Central Office.....651.30

Central Office News

The next Intergroup meeting will be Sunday, April 14th @1:30pm.

We always are in need of people for the Home Answering Service, if you have a year or more of sobriety and want to be involved in this valuable service work please call Reggie or Lynne at 882-7422 and set up a training time. It takes about 30 minutes.

We are in need of some 12 Step volunteers. If you have a year or more years of continuous sobriety, a telephone and a willingness to help the alcoholic who still suffers, then call 882-7422. Just think, the life you save may be your own.



Central Office Calls March 2013

Info: 489

12 step: 53

Internet Hits: 5154

Treasurer's Report February 2013

Total Available Funds.....	\$28,392.38
Income.....	\$10,582.67
Cost of Goods Sold.....	(3,138.30)
Gross Profit.....	7,444.37
Total Expenses.....	8,380.61
Net Income/Loss.....	-936.24

Current available funds for operation total \$28,392.38 which is 59% of our 'Prudent Reserve' of \$48,050.00

Personal Contributions 2/01/2013 to 2/28/2013
Anonymous X4, Fernando R X2, Margaret Mc, David M X2, Bill N, Nancy R, Colette C, Katrina S X2, Elizabeth T, Michael J, John K, Lynne L, Ned & Sally B, Diana & Annie, Walt W, Bob K, Nancy R.

Tucson Area Intergroup, Inc. (TAII) Committee Meeting

Minutes – March 10, 2013

John A. called meeting to order at 1:30pm with the Serenity Prayer, the Preamble, and the TAIL Purpose and Procedures being read.

New Intergroup Reps: Jessica G. of 6pm Weeknight Newcomers, Linda H. of the Woman's Solution Group, Joyce T. of Stone Sober, and Jeffery M. of Smoke Free Nooners were all introduced.

Secretary's Report: (Mark K.) The Feb. 2013 minutes were amended to reflect that Tamara S. of Happy Destiny and Sandrine Q. of Stay Out of the Way were present as New Intergroup Reps. at the Feb. 10 meeting. Thanks were given to Shane C. and John A. for all their work.

Treasurer's Report: (Trish D.) The current prudent reserve is at 59% with \$28,392.38 of \$48,050.00. This translates into only 3 months expenses and operating cost being covered for Central Office. There were no unusual activities to report. Group and individual contributions have fallen down. Please help support TAIL by getting your meeting and group to contribute and also through your personal contributions.

Central Office: (Lynne L.) Central Office is open Mon. through Fri. from 9:30am to 5:30pm. Reggie T. is the Central Office Coordinator and she works Tues. through Fri. Lynne L. is the Assistant Coordinator and she works on Mon. and any day that Reggie T. needs a substitute. Come on down to visit and for a cup of coffee. If we have any work to be done, we will put you to work. We have one Home Answering Service shift open right now; that is the Tues. morning shift from 6am to 9:30am, the 4th week of the month. We are unique in Tucson in the fact that we have real live people that answer the calls and a caller isn't put through to an answering machine. We have paid out taxes for the month. Our Book of the Month, one of the newest Grapevine publications is: "*Into Action*." It is about practicing the AA Principals in all of our affairs. The modest cost is \$13.00. Lynne reminded every one of the, "Why should YOU support Intergroup?" card assembled by the Financial Sustainability Committee which highlights the vital services provided by Central Office and ask that the cards be distributed to all the meetings and groups. Central Office needs help with the meeting and group update forms for current contacts (even one current contact) for all meetings and groups, we would really appreciate it. The Tucson web-site, www.aatucson.org is a great way to find out all that is going on with Tucson AA. And remember you can print the monthly *Just For Today* newsletter from www.aatucson.org. The next Intergroup meeting will be on April 14th at 1:30pm at Central Office. Thank you for letting me be of service. Lynne L. Assistant Coordinator.

Corrections Committee: (Dante G.) Our Committee will meet on Mar. 16th. New volunteer orientation is at 9:30am and business at 10:30am at the Central Office. There was another riot at the state prison. It interrupted some meetings. The Cimarron unit at the state prison is preparing for 4th and 5th step workshops. Volunteers interested should contact Dennis W. at 977-8149. The Pima County Jail is also doing well, always looking for volunteers. Males should contact Jack W. at 906-4888 and females should contact Tamara S. at 271-2401. The corrections committee is looking for a female volunteer to take over the female juvenile detention center, the current volunteer will be stepping down. Call myself at 975-6043, or come to the committee meeting on March 16th. We've had two requests for reentry, on going to Casa Grande, the other coming here to Tucson. Thanks. Yours in Service, Dante G. TAIL Corrections Coordinator 975-6043.

Treatment Committee: no report.

CPC/PI Committee: (Barry G.) All library locations, including Green Valley, have been stocked with informative AA material by volunteers. Barry has a meeting in 2 weeks with Beat 33, an internet radio station, to broadcast local and worldwide public service announcements as well as a 30 minute block of AA outreach. Also KXCI is being approached for their services.

Grapevine Committee: (Andrea S.) There is an energetic drive/ request that old Grapevines and La Viña's be donated for use in corrections, as well as, treatment, hospitals and shut-ins. We will have a table with info at the next per-conference meeting. We are asking each group to please provide Grapevine Representatives. Remember the Grapevine Committee is a great area to be of service in; you get to meet new people, be active and energized in service and make a real difference in and around Tucson. We are asking that each group subscribe to the Grapevine. We have the goal to boost availability of the Grapevine, our "meeting in print," to all those in need in Tucson and the surrounding area that can not make meetings. The next meeting is Mar. 26th at 6pm at Central Office.

AA of the Air Committee: (Jim H.) Experience, Strength and Hope is interested in getting AA of the Air going once again and is re-organizing to get it back on the radio. We are looking for home groups to sponsor our meeting with speakers for a 1-month commitment (4 speakers). Please help support a meeting that goes to people that can't get to one otherwise. Mike M. has offered to help Don with the Tucson AA web site, www.aatucson.org. He has also said we could put a link on our web site for an archive of recorded speakers for AA of the Air. This way anytime day or night anyone on the web site could sit and listen to a speaker meeting. We are currently looking for a radio station, possibly KXCI, to put our meeting back on the air. We will be recording meetings in the meantime to have a surplus on hand and to keep the speakers on the website changing. The speaker share that would be recorded at the Experience, Strength and Hope meeting would then broadcast (only the speakers story, not the discussion afterward). We are reviewing and reviving the format so that the AA Traditions will be observed in-full and a good solid message will be presented. Please make announcements at your home group meetings. Experience, Strength and Hope meets Mon. nights at 7pm

Minutes - Continued

at Streams in the Desert Lutheran Church, 5360 E. Pima St. Flyers were presented. Jim H. is the Speaker Chairperson and can be reached at 248-1698 and Mike M. for questions regarding the website can be reached at 743-6511.

Special Committee: (Tamara S.) Founders Day is Sat. June the 8th at the St. Frances Cabrini Church, 3201 E. Presidio Rd., at Country Club and Fort Lowell and is being sponsored by Happy Destiny. The event is a pot luck. Planned as part of the program will be a 1 hour AA speaker, ½ hour Al-Anon speaker and a ½ hour young peoples speaker. Committees are encouraged to have tables set up for the event with information and literature as well as people manning them to speak to people. Renee S. is the Founders Day Chairperson and can be reached at 488-9505 for questions and to volunteer. Tamara S. is the Food Chairperson and can be reached at 271-2401 for food and beverages donations.

Special Events Coordinator: (Elizabeth T.) I have been in touch with Barry for a review of the New Years Alcothon and will get in touch with Happy Destiny to review the Christmas Alcothon. Thanks is given to Barry G. for all his dedication, hard work and service in Chairing the New Years Alcothon.

Financial Sustainability Committee: (Mel S.) We need all meetings and groups to please update their contact information on the TAIL Group Directory Update form. These forms have not been making their way to Central Office so that we have current contact info. Please help with this vital part of our records. The next meeting will be Sat. Mar. 16th at 1pm at Central Office. Attendance is encouraged. We are requesting support and volunteers to go to those meetings and groups that do not support TAIL and make a presentation. We are also looking for people to volunteer for the booth at Founders Day. Be sure to refer to the Feb. 2013 *Just for Today* newsletter for a complete list of 2012 meeting and group contributions. Please, please give this new committee your support and advocate to those groups that do not contribute to TAIL.

Spanish Liaison: no report.

Vice Chair/ Area Liaison: (John A.) Some highlights of what's happening in District 11 (Pima County): I attended the Mar. 1st - 3rd Pacific Regional AA Service Assembly (PRAASA) in Boise, Idaho. It was announced by our Area 03 delegate Dave M. that the Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous has successfully been translated and printed in Navaho. It was reported that in Salt Lake City, when they too experienced financial challenges, they gave their grateful attention to those groups that did support financially to Intergroup making sure they sent Reps. to Intergroup; thereby sparking an interest from their "dark groups." I have provided a report/ article of my experience for the *Just For Today* newsletter. I also plan to attend and give a report at a post-PRAASA event Mar. 16th. This workshop event is outlined to be a General Service Representative (GSR) Orientation in the morning, a pot luck lunch and a post-PRAASA highlights presentation in the afternoon. This is all in an effort to support the purpose of PRAASA which is to develop greater unity among the members, groups and areas of the Pacific Region; to encourage the exchange of ideas and experiences; and to provide an opportunity for members to discuss pertinent aspects of AA. The 3 day Pre-Conference Assembly is scheduled for Mar. 29th – 31st 2013 in Tucson. Focus is on planning for the 2013 AZ State Convention in Tucson. Spread the word! Service opportunities abound. Meetings are 5:45pm – 6:45pm, the third Thur. at Central Office before the District meeting. Back to Basics Workshop is coming April 13, 2013. Flyer is forthcoming. Service volunteers are being sought. Group-level activity at district reviewing the typical things: dark groups need visiting, budgeting, elections, group moves upcoming (Ironwood Hills) and addressing the Traditions. For the upcoming Pre-Conference Assembly the following topics were discussed: 1) Consider a request to add an index to the Big Book. 2) Discuss fellowship sharing on the effectiveness of the language of the Short Form of Tradition Eleven (to, or not to, include the verbiage "internet" &/ or "social media"). 3) The methods of election of the Area Offices – as outlined in the Area Handbook be in the same verbiage as in our Articles of Association, ie: the Handbook Sec.2 Elections & Eligibility Item B. 4) Consider incorporation the service responsibilities and duties of the service position "Grapevine Rep." into the Service responsibilities and duties of the "GSR." (note: this would be taking away a service position that could possibly keep a member sober and in service to AA.) Thanks for letting me be of service, John A. Vice Chair/Liaison.

Al-Anon Liaison: no report.

Old Business: none

New Business: AA of the Air: A discussion of the function, importance, and history of AA of the Air since 1971 in Tucson was given by members. Jim H. is unanimously voted in as the new AA of the Air Chairperson for TAIL.

Announcements: The Jaywalkers meeting 4:30pm Sun. at Central Office is no longer a mens stag meeting, it is now co-ed and can use support. New treatment meeting Thurs. 7:00pm Catalina's Assisted Living, 5324 E. 1st St.

Adjournment: Closed with the Declaration of Unity and the Responsibility Declaration. The next TAIL meeting will be on April 14th at 1:30pm at Central Office.

In your service,
Mark K.

April Birthdays



801 Group March Oops!

Dan S	2 years
Ray L	2 years
Mike D	4 years
Forrest K	6 years
Joseph C	8 years
Erin W	18 years

April

Potato	1 year
Colin A	2 years
Josiah D	4 years
Nadim	2 years
Talena B	5 years
Matt H	5 years
Terry K	9 years
Katie R	10 years

Morning Shades

Christa	2 years
Shannondora	2 years
Steven F	5 years
Doug Y	22 years
Delene D	33 years

Hopi Group

John P	40 years
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Our Daily Bread

Sarah S	1 year
Jon D	10 years
Judy G	13 years

Mountain Avenue Big Book

Kyle M	3 years
Ken C	20 years
Jonathan K	26 years
Dan W	29 years
Chris L	31 years

A Safe Place for Women

Beth S	10 years
Judy G.	13 years
Laura K-H	24 years

addressing these topics: 1) Tradition 1: Our Common Welfare, 2) Tradition 2: Semantics: Does Language Matter?, 3) Tradition 3: One requirement for Membership, Written or Implied?, 4) Tradition 12: Anonymity: Our Spiritual Foundation (by our own Dave B.), and, 5) The 3 R's: Rituals, Rigidity, Rules.

What was the theme? The General Service Conference Takes Its Inventory -- Our Solution In Action.

Did you meet any other Intergroup Liaisons? I attended a Central Office/ Intergroup roundtable discussion with about 25 other AA members, some of which were Intergroup Liaisons. Everyone in attendance was given two minutes to discuss their Intergroup.

Are there any other things that stood out to you? There was a lot of talk about the 12 Concepts. As I understand it, Bill wrote the concepts

to help AA prepare for its future without him and Dr. Bob. With both a three year inventory beginning this year and a proposal (and lots of opinions about) reorganizing A.A.W.S. and the Grapevine, members and panel speeches including much discussion on the concepts.

Any favorites things you heard over the weekend? Yes, a few quotes: "God doesn't call the qualified; God qualifies the called," and another where a questioner appeared to disagree with the speaker and the speaker responded: "I cannot comment on your experience."

What stood out from the Delegates review of what's happening in their areas?

Arizona's Navajo translation of the Big Book; Washington (west) holding meetings in ASL, Spanish, Korean, and Russian; Central California's outreach to homeless veterans; and Washington (east) holding quarterly workshops for service committees.

Anything else? There is still talk about changes in publishing and the extent this will affect AA coffers; and a call for people with vocational backgrounds in publishing, technology and other areas to serve on the board of trustees.

CHANGES TO THE 'PLANETARY PURPLE' MEETING SCHEDULE



New Meeting

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Tucson into Action Meeting
Salvation Army 1001 N Richey
Blvd

(O) NS (WH) book Study

Tuesday 7:00 pm

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Around the Block
East entrance Library Ansei

Israel

5550 E 5th Street
(O) NS (WH) BB/Discussion
Thursday 6:30

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Hope Group
New Life Bible Fellowship
4900 W Cortaro Farms Rd
(O) NS (WH) 12 & 12/ Disc
Thursday 7:00 pm

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Catalina
From the Promises Group
Mt View Church Kitchen
3270 E Armstrong Ln
(C) NS (WH) Discussion
Thursday 10:00 AM

Precisely How We Recovered

"The 12 Steps According to Dr. Bob & the Oldtimers"



Dr. Bob

Saturday, April 13th. 9 AM - 4 PM
Casas Adobes Congregational Church
6801 N. Oracle Road

Questions? Call Kathy 465-0561 or Gail 907-1046

Speakers: Ollie S. & Floyd L.

This workshop covers how the original members of AA did the 12 steps. This is a method of doing the 12 steps for your own use, or with people you sponsor.

In the 40's you were required to attend the "beginners' meeting" and do all 12 steps before you were allowed to attend the regular discussion meetings. This way, you would have an understanding of the 12 steps. This was Dr. Bob's way, and how they did the 12 steps is taken from the first 164 pages of the Big Book.

"We of AA are more than 100 men and women who have recovered . . . and the book will show you 'precisely how we recovered.'"
-Forward, 1st Edition of Big Book



No need to register.
Just show up!
Lunch included.



Bring your Big Book to this workshop

Groups Represented at the February 2013 Intergroup Meeting

AA of the Air

Courage to Change

Eastside Nooners

Experience Strength & Hope

Footloose Group

Free to be Me

Green Valley

Happy Destiny

Mountain Avenue Big Book

NW Alano Stay Outta The Way

Oro Valley Men's Stag

Oro Valley Step Sisters

Our Daily Bread

Overton Sunday Morning

Pre-weekenders

Right Place

Rincon

Smoke Free Nooners

Spirit of Rotation

Stone Sober

T G I F!

Wednesday 12 x 12

6 PM Weeknight Newcomers

Women's Solutions

Group Contributions Thru February 2013

12 at 12.....	300.00	Stone Sober.....	25.00
A Mountain.....	50.00	Tanque Verde Loop.....	112.65
A Safe Place for Women.....	51.89	TGIF.....	260.00
AA Literature Study.....	25.00	Three Points.....	100.00
ABC Group.....	300.00	Thurs 11th Step.....	150.00
Anonymous Group.....	316.00	Thurs Night AA.....	213.00
Business & Professional Men....	500.00	Tucson Group.....	100.00
BYOB.....	5.00	Tuesday Picture Rocks.....	25.00
Campus Nooners.....	100.00	Twelve Stepping Sisters.....	120.00
Casas Adobes.....	100.00	Under the Mesquite.....	17.00
Catalina Wed Night Mtg.....	104.50	Women by the Book.....	500.00
Clean Air Group.....	170.00	Women From the Heart.....	50.00
Dove Mountain Group.....	407.00	Women of Hope.....	100.00
Eastside Sat AM'ers.....	130.00	Women of Serenity.....	100.00
El Sabado.....	240.00	Women Who Weren't Born Yesterday.....	400.00
Foothills Newcomers.....	500.00		
Forum Group.....	17.25		
Free To Be Me.....	50.00		
Freedom Group.....	100.00		
Golf Links Group.....	350.50		
GV Fantastic Breakfast.....	60.00		
GV Lamplighters.....	164.00		
GV Men Seeking Serenity.....	210.00		
GV Women in Sobriety.....	15.00		
Happy Destiny.....	74.00		
Happy, Joyous & Free.....	50.00		
Honest, Open & Free.....	300.00		
Hopi Group.....	95.00		
Ironwood Hills.....	45.40		
Lodestar of Hope.....	400.00		
Men Seeking Guidance.....	288.91		
Mid Week Serenity.....	250.00		
Mon Night Big Book.....	171.00		
Morning Shades.....	120.00		
Mountain Ave.....	175.00		
New Beginnings.....	280.00		
Odds & Ends.....	62.20		
Oro Valley Men's Stag.....	608.95		
Oro Valley Step Sisters.....	23.00		
Pre-Weekenders.....	33.00		
Retired Professional's.....	40.00		
Rincon Group.....	300.00		
Sahuarita Brand New.....	80.00		
Serenity.....	25.00		
Smoke Free Nooner's.....	Contr.		
Sober Sister.....	100.00		
Solutions Group.....	495.21		
Southside.....	430.50		
Step Sisters.....	160.00		



The "A" Mountain Group
at Holy Way Presbyterian Church
Needs support!!
This is an open discussion meeting
4040 S. Bilbray
On the south side of Ajo Way East of Kinney road.
Wednesdays at 7:00 PM.

THIRD LEGACY

Tucson Area Intergroup, Inc.

Meets 2nd Sunday Monthly
1:30 p.m. at Central Office

CPC & PI Committee

Meets 4th Wednesday Monthly
5:30 p.m. at Central Office

Treatment Committee

Meets 2nd Thursday (even months)
6 p.m. at Central Office

Corrections Committee

Meets 3rd Saturday (odd months)
at 9:30 a.m. at Central Office

Grapevine Committee

Meets last Tuesday (odd months)
6 p.m. at Central Office

Sustainability Committee

Meets 3rd Saturday (following intergroup)
1p.m. at Central Office

DCMC

Cyd B. 909-3862

Alternate DCMC: Fred H. 370-2124

TAII Liaison: John A. 271-8183

District 11-000 Pima County

Meets 3rd Thursday

7 p.m. at Central Office. All GSRs and DCMs have a voice and vote at this meeting.

Northwest District 11-110

Meets 2nd Wednesday at 6:45 p.m.

NW Alano Club 3120 W. Curtis Rd.

DCM: Lana W. 270-0702

Central District 11-111

Meets 2nd Wednesday at 6:45 p.m.

610 E. Delano #103 Stone Sober

DCM: Tim H. 232-4374

Eastern District 11-114

Meets 3rd Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Eastside City Hall, 7575 E. Speedway

DCM: Alex A. 548-1326

Southwest District 11-115

Meets 1st Wednesday 6 p.m.

At Central Office

DCM: Aaron M. 358-5072

Green Valley District

Meets 2nd Thursday at 6:30 p.m.

St. Francis Episcopal Church Library

600 S. La Canada, Green Valley

DCM: Mike F. 407-5581

Spanish Linguistic District 16-016

Meets 1st Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

Spanish Intergroup Office

2549 S. 6th Ave.

DCM: Rene