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TUCSON AREA INTERGROUP INC.

April 2021

## OUR THREE LEGACIES APRIL

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### STEP FOUR

*Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.*

### TRADITION FOUR

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

### CONCEPT FOUR

*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.*

## Tangible Evidence

When I first came to AA and read the steps, I went down the list mentally checking off the ones I would and would not do. Step Four fell into the "will not do" category. My pride and ego were strong. I was certain that any bad behavior on my part was caused by something someone else had done to me. I was merely reacting to situations thrown at me. I was only doing what I had to in order to survive such circumstances. The list of excuses and self-justifications was endless. For quite some time I did the Waltz, 1,2,3 and 1,2,3 and 1,2,3.

Going to meetings, working the first three steps, having fun in the fellowship worked great for a while, until it didn't. After a while, my life wasn't working so well. I was not getting along with others, I was angry, resentful, and feeling victimized. Finally, when I was uncomfortable enough, I became willing to work the rest of the steps. My sponsor informed me; "Resentment is like acid; it burns the container it is in."

With a lot of resentment and a great deal of tears, I set about putting all of my resentments and fears on paper. I listed out all of the people and institutions I was angry at. The second column, the cause, was easy to come up with, but re-living all of it through putting it on paper often was not and I had to take frequent breaks. The third column, "affects my" wasn't always so easy; often times, the answer was that my security was threatened. The fourth column, my part, was by far the most difficult. I had to spend a lot of time battling my pride working through this, but I grudgingly started to see where I may have had something to do with some of these resentments. (That ego can be tough!) I began to see where my unhealthy reliance and, in fact, demands that other people make me happy often created the very situations that I feared the most. I started to see where my poor attempts to get the attention I felt I deserved caused harm to others. Some items on my list, I honestly could not see my part. I left those blank to be discussed with my sponsor.

I balked at doing the sex inventory. Whose business is it? Why do I need to do this? However, listing it out, I was able to do away with some of the shame I was carrying. I could see where I had aroused jealousy or suspicion in others. I could look at my relationships and measure if they were

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# Central Office News

## Join Us For Great Service Opportunities!

### Bridge the Gap

Contact: Juliet M. 730-3307

### Cooperation with the Professional Community

Contact: Pat S. 405-0965

### Public Information

Contact: Karrie T. (815) 354-6382

### Treatment

Contact: Terry B. 271-4732

### Corrections

Contact: Emil B. (520) 332 8426

### Grapevine

Contact: Joycejean 702-203-5940

### Events

Contact: John A. (520) 271-8183

### Historical

Contact: open

### ASCYPAA

1st and 3rd Sundays

2:00 pm at Central Office

Contact: Lauren 343-0268

### JFT Stuffing

Contact: Brian H. 668-7764

### Just for Today Editor

Contact: Maureen H.

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The next Intergroup meeting will be Sunday, April 11, 2021, at 1:30 p.m. Look on website aatucson.org and click on Calendar for Zoom instructions.

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 Jim 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 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.

At this point, all changes to the Sky Blue Meeting Schedule are on hold. Check with aatucson.org and click on Calendar for meeting information.

**Central Office will reopen April 12,2021. Hours will be Mon. through Fri. 9:30am to 5:30pm.**

### Phone Calls

February calls for information: 301. 12 Step calls: 43.

### Website

February

### Views

20,585

### Visitors

4,222

### Treasurer's Report: February 28, 2021

<b>Total Operating Funds</b> .....	\$	<b>62,026</b>
Income.....	\$	8,035
Cost of Goods Sold .....	\$	13.282
Gross Profit.....	\$	6,707
Total Expenses.....	\$	9,310
<b>Net Income/(Loss)</b> .....	\$	<b>(2.603)</b>

Current available funds for operating total \$62,026 which is equal to 5.4 months operating expenses. The savings account holding our prudent reserve is \$17,400 (15% of annual budget).

### Miscellaneous Income

Received from meetings at Central Office (rent).....	\$	750.19
Special Events .....	\$	6.00
Personal contributions .....	\$	1,394.78
<b>Total</b>	\$	<b>2,150.97</b>

## 24-HOUR HOTLINE & MEETING INFORMATION

**520 - 624 - 4183**

**AATucson.org**



# Intergroup Meeting Minutes

**March 14, 2021. The meeting opened at 1:30pm with the Serenity Prayer.**

**New Intergroup Reps** – Teri P. – Courage to Change; Ellen – A Safe Place for Women; Serena – Free at Last; Mandy – Our Daily Bread.

**Administrative Subcommittee Quarterly Report**– Steve A.

*December 2020* – We discussed the proposal to change the TAI Bylaws to keep current with Alcoholic Anonymous GSO recommendations noted in the “A.A. Guidelines - Finance (MG-15)” pamphlet. The proposal was brought to the Intergroup floor and voted on at the January 2021 meeting. Motion passed.

*January 2021* – We discussed the 2021 budget changes.

*February 2021* – No meeting because there was not a quorum.

**Secretary's Report** – Maureen A. – There were 2 corrections that were fixed in the Just for Today. Laurie's last name begins with B, not L. Lynne L's first name has an e at the end. Joycejean made a motion to accept the minutes; Teri P. seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report** – Brian H. – We currently have \$62,026.00 which is equal to 5.4 months of operating expenses. We have a prudent reserve of \$17,400.00 which is 15% of our annual budget.

**Central Office** – Jim W. – Federal payroll taxes have been paid. The February register has been reconciled. Thanks to all groups and individuals for contributions. Central Office is still closed. Jim and Lynne are there the middle of the day. If you need chips or literature, you can come down during the middle of the day or call 882-7422 and leave a message and they will get back to you. A new book called *A Visual History of Alcoholics Anonymous* is available. We need a group or groups to host Founder's Day. Please let your groups know. Contact Central Office if you are interested. Thank you for the opportunity to be of service.

**Corrections** – Emil B. – The next Corrections Committee meeting will be on April 17. If you would like to order a subscription of the Grapevine or La Vina for an inmate in jail or prison, call the Grapevine at (800)631-6025 or La Vina at (800)640-8781. A new book called *Free on the Inside* is available. That is also the name of the Corrections Conference which will be held in October by Area 03. The chaplains in AZ state prisons and jails received literature and made it available to inmates. Literature shipped to them included Big Books, Grapevines to individual inmates, and other assorted literature to both jails and prisons. Many inmates have tablets and GSO is working on providing electronic literature to them. Emil used Corrections' funds to purchase Big Books. He has enough to purchase 25 Big Books per month for jails and prisons.

**Bridge the Gap** – Juliet – No report.

**Treatment** – Terry B. – There are 3 live meetings in facilities. There are 5 on Zoom. A volunteer is needed to take a meeting to Cornerstone Behavioral Health every other Saturday at 5pm. The Zoom link for the Treatment meeting on the TAI Calendar is not currently working and needs to be fixed. The next meeting is on April 21 at 5:30pm on Zoom.

**PI/CPC** – Pat S. – CPC/PI meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month at 5:30pm on Zoom. The paperwork with information on taking a medical professional to a Zoom meeting will be sent to Central Office. Volunteers are needed for this service. Please let your groups know and have them contact Central Office if interested. There is a link [area03.org](http://area03.org) for app. Link with information for professionals with an app on the [area03.org](http://area03.org) website.

**Grapevine** – Joycejean – Please take back to your group that we need Grapevine Reps from groups. There will be a workshop on how to write for the Grapevine on June 5, 2021. If you have written for the Grapevine and would like to help, please contact Central Office.

**Events Coordinator** – Position is open – No report.

**Historian** – Laurie B. – The first Historian Committee meeting will be coming soon. No information yet on when it will be.

**Monthly City-Wide Speaker Meeting** – Rob C. – No report; on hold until further notice.

**Homebound Exploratory Committee** – Karen B. – No report.

**Spanish Speaking Liaison** – Sara B. – No report.

**Area Liaison/Vice Chair** – James W. – I attended the District 11 meeting on February 18. There's still a mix of online-only, hybrid, and in-person meetings in the District. Not much change since the previous month. Not much change in DCM reports from last month. District 11 will be hosting the Assembly in August 2021 and will be looking for volunteers soon. Flyer should be out soon. ASCYPAA (Arizona State Conference of Young People in AA) will be held

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in Tucson at La Paloma July 30<sup>th</sup> through August 1<sup>st</sup>. More at <http://ascypaa2021.online>. District 11 voted to put in a bid for the 2022 AZ State Convention.

I will be attending the virtual pre-conference assembly 3/25-3/27. Six GSC topics have been assigned to our Intergroup. James went through the 6 topics, gathered feedback from the group and will bring to pre-conference assembly. For more background on these topics, contact James W. through Central Office.

1. GSC FINANCE AGENDA ITEM C: Reconsider the 1972 G.S.C. Advisory Action stating "G.S.O. should not accept contributions from clubs, listed or known as such, whether or not composed solely of A.A. members. Contributions are welcome from groups meeting in clubs as long as they are sent in the name of the group." Should GSO accept contributions from clubs? James W.'s thoughts were that because many clubs host non-AA events and have non-AA members, GSO should not accept contributions from clubs
2. GSC POLICY and ADMISSIONS AGENDA ITEM J: Consider requests regarding participation of online groups in the General Service Structure. Do you support finding a way to include these groups? Should they be included in current service structure? If so, how? If not, why not? Should there be a separate 94<sup>th</sup> Area for these groups? Other ideas. James W.'s thoughts were to form a 94<sup>th</sup> District and they would decide how to organize into districts, etc.
3. GSC LITERATURE AGENDA ITEM U: Consider if proposed agenda items for plain language, simplified language, accessible translations, and large print versions of the book Alcoholics Anonymous as well as workbooks to help study the program of Alcoholics Anonymous can be addressed with a common solution. Should the Trustees' Literature Committee explore possible solutions that could help make our message more available? James W.'s thoughts were yes, it would be worthwhile to make our message available to more people who may need translations in their language, simpler language, and have other barriers to receiving the message of A.A.
4. GSC PUBLIC INFORMATION AGENDA ITEM G: Discuss Public Information pamphlets/service material: 1. Consider revising the pamphlet "Speaking at Non-A.A. Meeting." Should revisions be made? Why or why not. Pamphlet was reviewed by Area 64 committee. They concluded that the information in the pamphlet was disorganized, the language was unclear, and it was lacking vital information. A proposed outline was provided to include the following subjects: a. Non-AA Meetings; b. Which AAs are qualified to speak at non-AA meetings about AA; c. What and How to Share About AA; d. Brief Outline for a Talk; e. Frequently Asked Questions by Non-AA Groups. James W. feels it should be revised.
5. GSC LITERATURE AGENDA ITEM G: Consider requests to revise text related to open meetings in the pamphlet "The A.A. Group." Should the text be revised? The original motion was that the language in the pamphlet "The A.A. Group", page 13, concerning open meetings be revised to omit the text "Non-alcoholics may attend open meetings as observers." GSC previously voted against adding the statement to the GSO-published 'Blue Card', which is often read before closed meetings. This furthers the inconsistency between the A.A. Group pamphlet and the blue card. Removing the statement would bring the 2 into line with each other. An argument against keeping the statement is that it is an overreach into how each group manages its affairs.
6. GSC REPORT & CHARTER AGENDA ITEM E: Consider a request to revise Concept Eleven essay of The Twelve Concepts for World Service. The essay on Concept 11 describes the General Service Structure as it existed when Bill W. wrote the essay in 1960. There have been several subsequent changes to the structure which are not reflected in the essay. The motion is an attempt to update the Concept 11 essay to bring it into agreement with the currently operating structure. James W. is in favor of revising the essay.

**AI-Anon Liaison** – Brian C. – No report.

**Continuation of Elections:** *Events Coordinator* – no takers. *Administrative Sub-Committee Member* – Teri P. would like to volunteer; she was elected in.

**Contribution to GSO** – Mary S's group would still like to have groups vote on whether or not to contribute. No specific amount. Motion passes. Take back to your groups the issue of whether or not to have TAIL use funds to contribute to GSO.

**New Business** – Karen W. – TAIL does not have a Zoom account for groups to use. Meeting guide app has a button with information and news about GSO and new information.

**Intergroup Representative announcements** – Lynne – Group Reps should email attendance at this meeting to [info@aatucson.org](mailto:info@aatucson.org).

**Adjournment with I am Responsible at 3:34pm**

# Group Contributions through February 2021

ABC Group	339.00	GV Sober Sisters	40.00	Survivors Big Book Study	262.50
Anonymous Groups	681.86	Happy Joyous & Free	100.00	TGIF	165.00
Basic AA	40.00	Ironwood Hills Grp	202.50	Twelve and Twelve	200.00
Campus Nooners	250.00	Lodestar of Hope	100.00	Twelve Stepping Sisters	312.50
Dove Mountain Group	180.00	Midvale Morning Group	150.00	Upon Awakening	500.00
Foothills Newcomers	504.00	Odds & Ends	60.00	Way Out West	150.00
Free at Last	30.00	Oro Valley Men's Stag	100.00	Wed 12 Step Study	48.00
Fresh Start Group	250.00	Oro Valley Step Sisters	50.00	Westside Primary Purpose	90.00
GV Daily Reprieve Group	144.00	Overton Sunday Morning	1,024.66		
GV MORNING GROUP	210.00	Smoke Free Nooners	1,614.00		
GV Serenity Seekers (Men)	86.40	Southside	200.00	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,084.42</b>

## P.Y.M.W.Y.M.I.

February 2021

Amber P.	Dale A.	Elizabeth T.	Jane L.	Michael J.
Anonymous	Darlene W.	Fernando R.	John & Jeanne M.	Mick C.
BJ & Bill B.	David M.	Frank S.	Katrina S.	Pete L.
Bob L.	David Z.	Ian L.	Lorraine I.	Reggie T.
Cori C.	Elizabeth C.	James K.	Lynne L.	Ronda C.
Courtney W.	Elizabeth H.	James W.	Mary R.	Valerie C.
			Maureen B.	Veva

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selfish or unselfish. I could see where, at times, I had put myself in uncomfortable situations. Writing the sex inventory helped me to shape new ideals about what I wanted my behavior to look like and what I was worthy of.

Having been as thorough and honest as I could at that time, this was, as the last line in Step Four reads in the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions "...the first tangible evidence of our complete willingness to move forward."

– Karen W.

The Grapevine committee is planning a program on

### Writing for the *Grapevine*

to be held on June 5th 2021 from 11AM-2PM.

**We are searching for writers whose stories about alcoholism have been published in the *Grapevine*.**



Perhaps you could share your experiences in our program. Please contact Rita R. (520)369-6497. More will be revealed.

**Central Office  
Reopens April 12!**

**Hours will be  
Monday - Friday  
9:30am to 5:30pm**



**Home Groups at the  
March 2021  
Intergroup Meeting**

**By the Book Step Study  
Courage to Change  
Free at Last  
Golf Links  
Honest Open and Free  
Jay Walkers  
Odds and Ends  
Our Daily Bread  
Overton Sunday  
Morning  
Southside  
Sunday Morning AA  
Group  
Twelve at Twelve  
Twelve Stepping Sisters  
Wednesday Night 12  
Step Study**

**WORD SEARCH**

**CAN YOU FIND THESE STEP 4 WORDS?**

T N O Z P V I G O R O U S Z  
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T O J C A U S E S K Y G X U  
N F E A R L E S S H U O B B  
E U S F A C T F I N D I N G  
S C G N I H C R A E S Q L Y  
E C O U R A G E O T Q V I Z  
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language assistance may  
call: 520-622-5112**

**Meeting Spotlight**

**Our Daily Bread**

**Thursday, 7:15 p.m.**

**(O) NS (WH) Discussion (10)**

**Saguaro Christian Church, 8302 E. Broadway**

# Tucson Meeting Updates

We do our best to provide the most up-to-date meeting information available on our website, [aatucson.org](http://aatucson.org). Please note, the "Sky Blue" meeting schedule booklet is currently incorrect and will be updated when meetings resume their regular schedules. Thanks for your patience during this challenging time.

## Third Legacy

Committee meetings may be suspended due to Covid-19. Check the website and click on Calendar for possible Zoom meetings, or call the Committee Chairperson's number for information.

### Tucson Area Intergroup, Inc.

Meets 2nd Sunday Monthly  
1:30 pm on Zoom

**DCMC** Johnnie W. 520-907-1779

Alternate: Jo S. 520-869-8678  
TALL Liaison: open

### CPC & PI Committee

Meets 4th Wednesday Monthly  
5:30 pm at Central Office

### District 11-000 Pima County

Meets 3rd Thursday Monthly  
7:00 pm at Central Office  
All GSRs and DCMs have a voice and a vote at this meeting.

### Treatment Center Committee

Meets 2nd Tuesday Monthly  
5:30 pm at Central Office  
Contact: Terry B. 271-4732

### Northwest 11-110 & Southwest 11-115

Meets 2nd Wednesday @ 6:00 pm  
NW Alano Club, 3120 W.Curtis Rd.  
DCM: Jo S. 520-869-8678

### Corrections Committee

Meets quarterly, 3rd Saturday  
January, April, July, October  
10:30 am at Central Office  
New volunteer orientation @ 9:30  
Contact: Emil B. 332-8426

### Central Sub-District 11-111

Meets 2nd Wednesday @ 6:45 pm  
610 E. Delano #103 Stone Sober  
DCM: Cory S. 520-507-0486

### Grapevine Committee

Meets 1st Sunday Monthly  
2:00 pm on Zoom  
Contact: Joycejean 702-203-5940

### Eastern Sub-District 11-114

Meets 3rd Wednesday @ 6:00 pm  
Eastside City Hall, 7575 Speedway  
DCM: Rick D. 520-336-6053

### Historical Committee

Temporarily suspended.

### Sub-District 11-119

Meets 2nd Thursday @ 6:00 pm  
St. Francis Episcopal Church  
600 S. La Canada, Green Valley  
DCM: Jeffrey S. 520-822-7582

### JFT Stuffing and Mailing

Last Saturday Monthly  
9:00 am at Central Office  
Contact: Brian H. 668-7764

### Spanish Sub-District 11-122

Meets first Monday @ 7:30 pm  
Next door to "Grupo 4 de enero"  
2241 N. Oracle Rd. #4, Tucson AZ  
520-622-5112

### Bridge the Gap Committee

Meets 1st Sunday Monthly  
Contact: Juliet M. 730-3307

### Homebound Committee

Meets 2nd Sunday Monthly  
3:00 pm at Central Office  
Central Office: 520-882-7422

**Join us  
for service work!**

# APRIL BIRTHDAYS!

### Courage to Change

Donna M. 7 years  
Rick B. 29 years

### 801 Group

Eric Q. 3 years  
Gianna R. 4 years  
Hans 4 years

### TGIF!

Sara S. 17 years  
Laura K-H. 32 years  
Jack C. 33 years  
Dan W. 37 years

### Morning Shades

Eliyanah P. 1 year  
Tara D. 1 year  
Teresa G. 2 years  
Lisabeth A. 2 years  
Steve V. 3 years  
Ron H. 3 years  
Chauna C. 4 years  
Lori T. 4 years  
Mariana S. 4 years  
Patty L. 4 years  
Jay T. 6 years  
Kristen F. 8 years  
Jeff S. 9 years  
Shannondora 10 years  
Sarah S. 17 years  
Frank D. 19 years  
Rich W. 31 years  
Edi A. 35 years  
Delene D. 41 years  
Donna B. 44 years

### Freedom Group

Ken P. 39 years  
*March:*  
Michael N. 8 years  
Ashley H. 13 years  
Bill B. 35 years

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