



Conscious Contact

Prescott Area Intergroup: Serving Central Yavapai County

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It's All About Us

These days are really interesting. Safe to say, we've never been through anything like this, but it's all good, depending on the frame of mind and the actions we choose—right now.

Well-known Franciscan priest and author Richard Rohr writes on the concept of *order*, *disorder*, and *reorder* in his latest book, as a contemplative way of working with internal or external change. First, *order*: life, having a sober experience, is going along well; hitting meetings, going to dinner with fellow survivors afterwards, to break bread/fellowship, working with others, going pretty much wherever and whenever—everything is in order—good times.

Then we get hit over the head with *disorder*: pandemic virus, stay at home mandates, employment and income upended. Working at home, or not working at all, daily life turned on its head—this is some serious *dis-friggin'-order*. There's more; meetings shutting down, going online to, what? Zoom meetings? Virtual chips and cakes? Huh? Maintaining social distancing, wearing masks, disinfecting, and all this other stuff no one wants to do. Can't go and do what we want now; my mind tells me *it's always going to be like this*. It's really easy to retreat into the old defiant character, and get really pissed off by all this stuff going on contrary to the way the world *should* be going.

Thank God for this program of recovery; “the fallacy of our defiance was revealed. At no time had we asked what God's will was for us; instead we had been telling Him what it ought to be. . . Belief meant reliance, not defiance.” (12&12, p.31). I had to really take a hard look at my current relationship with my Higher Power. Where is my reliance, today? Is it with some news outlet, or other social media telling me how terrible things are, and that it's only going to get worse? Although staying up with the news is worthwhile, it's easy to become unreasonably fearful. I found it necessary to reinvigorate my reliance upon my H.P., keeping close to the 3rd step promise of becoming “conscious of His presence, we began to lose our fear of today, tomorrow, or the hereafter. We were reborn.” (Big Book, p.63).

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Tradition Six

“An A.A. group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the A.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.”

The first thing that came to my mind when I read Tradition Six was UNITY, which is one of our three legacies. Some ask why unity is so important. We want to have a common message of recovery. There are many great causes outside our program. We do not endorse any of them. There can be a great treatment center, but it is not AA. Even if they use our steps as a tool of recovery for alcoholics, we cannot endorse them. Some of our members might work there, but they are there as individuals, not members of the Fellowship.

Early in our fellowship Bill W., Dr. Bob and Marty M. did endorse the National Council on Alcoholism. Marty was the founder and director. Bill and Bob were on the board. We were developing our traditions and Bill and Bob decided to remove their names from being associated with the council, even though its purpose was to educate the public on the problems of alcoholism. Sounds good but we can not endorse this because somebody will want A.A. to endorse something else.

The purpose of Tradition Six is that no outside influences “divert us from our primary purpose.” Our primary purpose is carrying the message of A.A. to the still suffering alcoholic. We do not need discussions on what causes to support, who on the outside of A.A. is doing a good job or not. Let them do what they do, and we will do what we do best, which is carry the same message that Ebby carried to Bill in the fall of 1934, Bill carried to Dr. Bob (spring, 1935), and the people in Ulster County, New York carried to me when I was a young man.

Our twelve steps along with fellowship are our main means of helping alcoholics recover. “A.A.'s Twelve Traditions apply to the life of the Fellowship itself. They outline the means by which A.A. maintains its unity and relates itself to the world about it, the way it lives and grows.” (12 & 12 p. 15)

Dan S.
Prescott Valley, AZ

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Reliance on God helps facilitate a new and altogether untraveled *reorder*. In our area, organizations are entering into phased or outright re-opening, which will also include renewing face-to-face A.A. meetings. I need an open mind for this. The questions I have to ask are, how can I help? What can I bring to a meeting under this new reordering? It's important to stay really mindful of the First Tradition, that "Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity" (12 & 12, p 9). We have no idea how the reordering of meetings is going to shake out, but I want to do my part to ensure the health and well-being of my fellow travelers, as well as that of the Program itself. I'm relying on my Higher Power to guide us in being of maximum service to our fellows, and I know it's going to be good—*really good*. *By the grace of God, we can do anything.*

Greg S.

NOTICE

The Prescott Area Intergroup office will be open
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

10:00 am to 4:00 pm

(Closed Monday and Friday until further notice)

Safety restrictions are posted on the front door.

We will keep you posted regarding
our local in-person and online meetings at

www.prescottaa.org

***Please call or email us with any news
you have about your group***

Virtual Founders' Day Event

June 13th & 14th

www.foundersday.org

**Love & Service - Founders' Day Committee
Akron Area Intergroup Council**

June AA Birthdays CONGRATULATIONS!

The Slice of Life

George L. 6/24/08

Park Ave

Mary M. 6/01/17

Round Table

Jessica F. 6/07/12

Josh W. 6/21/08

PV Sun. No Name Grp

Steve K. 6/18/06

Terry L. 6/11/00

Seniors in Sobriety

Henry W. 6/23/89

Rod S. 6/15/80

Welcome Valley

Amy M. 6/05/11

Dale F. 6/10/91

Monica A. 6/02/90

Chino Friday Group

Sheree D. 6/25/19

Dirk S. 6/26/18

Dan S. 6/03/81

Gail V. 6/03/81

PV Lushes t' Ladies

Christy A. 6/10/15

Diane M. 6/26/87

Carol G. 6/12/87

Kay S. 6/28/83

PV Noon Group

Jennifer L. 6/06/13

Angela H. 6/04/13

Cindy S. 6/14/09

Roger T. 6/04/82

Alternatives

Mike C. 6/26/10

Nancy 6/07/05

Patty K. 6/27/96

Cat L. 6/13/69

Humboldt Men's Stag

Dan D. 6/20/98

Bill B. 6/09/85

Jon M. 6/02/85

Mike T. 6/10/78

PV Men's Book Study

Victor H. 6/10/13

Kevin B. 6/28/01

Dave E. 6/06/00

Dale F. 6/10/91

Russ H. 6/27/86

Girly Birds

Terri W. 6/18/17

Susie M. 6/01/17

Erica A. 6/13/15

Turiya C. 6/06/09

Alisha T. 6/18/07

Lauren E. 6/28/02

Sona D. 6/26/98

Mary V. 6/25/88

Serenity at Sunrise

Celeste A. 6/20/18

Peter Ma. 6/13/17

Will M. 6/02/17

Kerry J. 6/11/15

Andy L. 6/30/14

Theresa O. 6/22/06

Peter Me. 6/11/06

Cindy E. 6/12/05

Jess R. 6/19/91

Tom S. 6/19/84



CELEBRATE SOBRIETY!

Please help us update our AA birthday list!

**Being the birthday chairperson for your group
is a great way to be of service!**

**Email, mail, or bring in a copy of your group's
updated birthday list to the Intergroup Office.**

Sign up for our monthly update email.

HAPPY 85th BIRTHDAY ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS!

**Prescott Area Intergroup's April 2020 YTD
Treasurer's Report**

GROUP DONATIONS	YTD
A Way Out Group	\$75.00
AA Freedom	\$155.00
Afterwards Group	\$150.00
Amity Group	\$30.00
AZ AA Women's Conference	\$500.00
Bradshaw Seniors Meeting	\$155.50
Carry This Message	\$192.00
Coming Home	\$25.00
Crazy Birds	\$184.00
Early Risers	\$20.00
Friday Big Book Solutions	\$160.00
Girlie Birds	\$1,500.00
Healing the Hole in the Soul	\$150.60
Intergroup Meeting	\$132.30
Noon BB Discussion	\$626.19
Old Shoe (Skull Valley)	\$100.00
Park Avenue Group	\$100.00
Prescott Group	\$60.00
Principles B4 Your Personality	\$300.00
PV Friday Night Speaker Mtg.	\$320.00
PV Gut Rap Group	\$10.00
PV Lushes t' Ladies	\$169.25
PV No Name Group	\$192.00
PV Sunday Nooners	\$70.00
Serenity At Sunrise	\$30.00
Sun. AM Men's Stag	\$360.00
Sunday AM AA Solutions	\$240.00
Sunny Days	\$64.00
The Great Fact	\$153.12
Toolbox Group	\$300.00
Walking Through Hell	\$20.00
Working Girls	\$65.00
TOTAL GROUP DONATIONS	\$6,608.96
OTHER INCOME	YTD
AA Birthday Gratitude	\$279.00
Anonymous	\$1,401.00
Literature Sales	\$2,658.76
Chips Etc.	\$804.00
Meeting Directory Sales	\$54.00
Newsletter Sales	\$15.00
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	\$5,211.76
TOTAL INCOME	\$11,820.72
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$16,769.83
INCOME LESS EXPENSES	-\$4,949.11
Total Monies 4/30/20	\$29,920.52
Literature & Chips Value	\$8,879.00

Local In-Person Meetings

Prescott

The Great Outdoors

Weekdays at noon
Granite Creek Park (bring a chair)
554 W. 6th St.

AA Meetings

Every day at Noon and 7pm
Safe Harbor, 520 W. Delano

Sunday Morning Men's Stag

Sunday at 9:00am
Safe Harbor, 520 W. Delano
(C,M) (also on Zoom)

Sunday Morning Solutions O,P

7:30 am 2nd and 4th Sunday
Safe Harbor, 520 Delano

4 Directions Meeting (O,P)

Tuesday at 7:00pm
910 Clubhouse Dr.

Afterwards Group

Tuesday & Thursday 5:30pm
Granite Creek Park (bring a chair)

Chino Valley

318 Perkinsville Rd.
Mon. – Sat. 12:00 pm (O,P)
Mon. & Wed. 5:30 pm (O,P)
Tuesday 7:00 pm (W,O,P)
Thursday 7:00 pm (M,O,P)
Thursday 10:00 am (W.O.P)
Friday 7:00 pm (O,P)
Saturday 5:30 pm (O,D)
Sunday 8:33 am (O,P)
Sunday 7:00 pm

Paulden

6675 N. Hwy 89
north of mile marker 334
south of Buffalo Rd
Sunday 12:00 pm (O,D)
Monday 7:00 pm (O,D)
Tuesday 7:00 pm (O,12+12)

Mayer

Higher Power Hour (O,BBD)
Sunday – Friday 5:00 pm
13278 E. Central Ave

2020 ROUNDUP LOGO CONTEST

Enter to win a T-Shirt printed with *Your* artwork, plus
free admission to the

35th Annual

Prescott Shoestring Roundup

Prescott Resort & Conference Center
1500 AZ-69 Prescott, AZ 86301

October 9th – 11th, 2020

Your artwork could become a part of
Prescott AA history!

Submit entries to:

- prescottaa@prescottaa.org
- Or, drop it off at Prescott Area Intergroup,
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