

# Flagstaff Intergroup Newsletter May 2019



**Flagstaff Intergroup** is made up of representatives from Flagstaff area Groups plus other AA members who coordinate local AA activities in service to Groups and members. Some of these activities include:

-Providing a meeting list for Flagstaff and surrounding areas, Maintaining a website [www.flagstaffaa.org](http://www.flagstaffaa.org), Keeping an active 12-step list, Publishing a newsletter, Maintaining Flagstaff's all volunteer Central Office and literature/chip inventory & sales, and Planning special events to build unity and enjoy our sobriety.

**Does your Home Group have an Intergroup representative?**

**COME JOIN US: 6pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at the Alano Club in the back room.**

## **Current Intergroup openings (please announce):**

**Central Office Volunteer Coordinator** – recruits and coordinates office volunteers, provides training and direction, ensures the volunteers have what they need to succeed. Works with Literature Coordinator.

**Unity Chair** – travels to Groups in the area to communicate how Intergroup supports each Group.

**Special Events Coordinator** – plans and facilitates the annual Gratitude Banquet and Founders Day events, plus one or two others each year.

**SAFETY AND A.A.: OUR COMMON WELFARE** Safety is an important issue within A.A. — one that all groups and members can address to develop workable solutions and help keep our meetings safe based on the fundamental principles of the Fellowship. A.A. groups are spiritual entities made up of alcoholics who gather for the sole purpose of staying sober and helping other alcoholics to achieve sobriety. Yet, we are not immune to the difficulties that affect the rest of humanity. Alcoholics Anonymous is a microcosm of the larger society within which we exist. Problems found in the outside world can also make their way into the rooms of A.A. As we strive to share in a spirit of trust, both at meetings and individually with sponsors and friends, it is reasonable for each member to expect a meaningful level of safety. Those attending A.A. meetings derive a benefit by providing a safe environment in which alcoholics can focus on gaining and maintaining sobriety. The group can then fulfill its primary purpose — to carry the A.A. message to the alcoholic who still suffers. For this reason, groups and members discuss the topic of safety. *Service Material from the General Service Office- the rest can be found at [https://www.aa.org/assets/en\\_US/smf-209\\_en.pdf](https://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/smf-209_en.pdf)*

**Responsibility Declaration: I am responsible. When anyone anywhere reaches out for help I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that: I am responsible.**

Stop by your Central Office to get literature and meetings lists and chips, or to volunteer. The Office is located at 2102 E. Third Avenue in Flagstaff. Office phone (928) 774-3013  
**Hotline number: (928) 779-3569      [www.flagstaffaa.org](http://www.flagstaffaa.org)**

**Upcoming Events – Please announce**

**Tri-State Roundup**      May 16-19      Riverside Resort      Laughlin, NV  
 www.tristate-roundup.com

**Flagstaff Roundup**      May 31-June 2      Fort Tuthill Campground  
 www.flagstaffroundup.com

**4<sup>th</sup> Annual Arizona AA Women’s Conference**      July 12-14      Tubac Golf Resort

**Prescott Shoestring Roundup**      Aug 30-Sept 1      Prescott Resort

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**Tradition 5: Each group has but one primary purpose-to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.**

- Am I willing to explain firmly to a newcomer the limitations of AA help, even if he gets mad at me for not giving him a loan?
- Have I today imposed on any AA member for a special favor or consideration simply because I am a fellow alcoholic?
- Am I willing to twelfth-step the next newcomer without regard to who or what is in it for me?
- Do I help my Group in every way I can to fulfill our primary purpose?
- Do I remember that AA old-timers, too, can be alcoholics who still suffer?

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**Concept 5: Throughout our structure, a traditional “Right of Appeal” ought to prevail, so that minority opinion will be heard and personal grievances receive careful consideration.**

- What does our group accept as “substantial unanimity”?
- Has our group experienced the “tyranny of the majority” or the “tyranny of the minority”?
- Does our group understand the importance of all points of view being heard before a vote is taken?

<b>Income</b>	
Munds Park Group	\$166.25
Grand Canyon Group	55.40
Happy Hour Group	<u>200.00</u>
Total	\$422.65
<b>Expenses</b>	
Hotline Phone	\$74.02
Central Office phone	108.25
Central Office Rent	325.00
Answering Service	99.10
Gratitude Banquet	<u>200.00</u>
Total	\$806.37
Beginning Balance	\$4132.09
Ending Balance	\$3748.37

**Treasurer’s Report**

***Humor from the Grapevine (by permission)***

One Night a newcomer took his daughter to dinner at a downtown restaurant. As they walked in the door, the first thing they saw was an enormous sign advertising what used to be his favorite beer. The man’s eyes immediately widened and he began remembering just how good the old brew tasted. Then his daughter interrupted. “Oh look, Daddy,” she said, pointing to the sign. “they have Your-Life’s-in-the-Toilet on Tap!”

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