



## Yuma Intergroup Presents

# Yuma Jaywalker

(from the Big Book Pg 37)



### Welcome to Our First Newsletter

So many things have happened in the past 2 years. First of all, a genuine huge thank you to Irv who was the editor of the previous newsletter that was published by District 15.

Our intent is to include all pertinent information from both Intergroup and District 15. We sincerely hope that all groups within Yuma will not only read this Newsletter, but include any upcoming events with which your groups are interested.

The Primary Purpose of this Newsletter is to include any information that will be useful to AA Groups or individuals in the Yuma area.

In addition, we hope that, as time goes on, you will want us to include new items that are important to you.

The newsletter will be available through email. You can be part of the distribution by sending your email address to [newsletter@aayuma.com](mailto:newsletter@aayuma.com). Paper copies will be available at the Central Office, 449 Club and Foothills Alano Club.



### Sobriety Milestones—Happy Birthday!! (August & September)

Rick H—43 years  
Steve Y—10 years  
Marilyn A—31 years  
Babs J—39 years  
Johnny F—28 years

Bill B—September 25

See Page 7 to see how you can make sure you are celebrated!

*We give medallions (chips) for lengths of sobriety to show the newcomer that it can be done and to remind ourselves how far we have come.*

## Featured Home Group for August

### Expect A Miracle

#### Spotlight on Home Groups

The Newsletter Staff has decided to pick a different Home Group from our Yuma area to feature in every published Issue.

The Heart of A.A. and personal continued sobriety depends upon each individual Home Group.

If you would like to have your Group written up in the newsletter or you would like to provide us with a few paragraphs about your Group, please contact us at:

***Newsletter@aayuma.com***

Expect a Miracle Group has been meeting for several years. They have moved from the Foothills Alano Club to a Members Home during COVID-19. The present meeting location is at 11388 South Foothills Blvd. They meet every morning of the week at 8:00 am.

The Group is represented by a wide variety of individuals who always have a ready smile and/or hug for all who enter the doors as well as anyone new to the group or visiting from around the country. Their topics range from “Daily Reflections” and/or “As Bill Sees It”.

The meetings range in attendance from 15 to 30 people. The group has a GSR to represent monthly District meetings as well as an IGR that represents the group at monthly Intergroup meetings.

They continue to provide a wonderful variety of sobriety and positivity, so, please don’t hesitate to drop by on any day of the week and check out this meeting. They will be surely ready with a smile!

You can find directions on the A.A. Yuma Website or the Meeting Guide App.



## Grapevine Traditions Checklist For Individuals and Groups

Beginning in November of 1969 the AA Grapevine, in conjunction with a series of questions on the Twelve Traditions, the Traditions Checklist came into print.

Several A.A. groups have, from time to time, used these questions to take a group inventory. The Jaywalker team has decided to put forth a few of these questions in each newsletter to assist members to think about how well their groups are doing in these areas. The following are some of the questions regarding Tradition One:

“Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon AA unity.”

1. Am I in my group a healing, mending, integrating person, or am I divisive? What about gossip and taking other members' inventories?
2. Am I gentle with those who rub me the wrong way or am I abrasive?
3. Am I informed about AA as a whole? Do I support, in every way I can, AA as a whole or just the parts I understand and approve of?

There are several more in this particular Tradition, but I'm sure you get the idea. More to come in following newsletters.

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## On the Lighter Side

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## From Yuma District 15

Hello District 15! It great to welcome our new newsletter, The Jay Walker. I want to thank Irv for all the work he put in the previous newsletter. I also appreciate the Yuma Intergroup for stepping up to resurrect the service and service position.

The district is doing well. The last meeting totally packed the conference room. All service positions are filled except Archive Coordinator. Your trusted district committee members are doing an excellent job in supporting the groups and service positions.

Despite Covid, a lot has been accomplished. Sandy B. has taken on the remote community coordinator role and has attended statewide meetings. Sandi L. is the new Cooperation with the Professional Community coordinator. She attended a nationwide conference recently.

Several of us have attended assemblies and there is another the 13<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup> of August. One can register online and attend the virtual assembly at no cost. It is a great way to see AA in action and how group input gets to the Area. Additionally, I serve on the area Agenda Committee, the group that finalizes assembly agendas.

It has been great to participate face-to-face, as the district moves to establish a new “normal”. There are many upcoming activities. The Round Up Committee has begun planning the February 2022 conference. We look forward to working with the committee.

Intergroup and district are working together to provide Yuma AA with the Delegate’s Report on October 30<sup>th</sup>. Save the date, more information to come. Kevin F. Area 03’s delegate to General Conference has a lot to report and you will hear what the future of AA holds as we move into the technical age.

If you haven’t, I encourage each group to identify a General Service Representative (GSR). This is the person who reports on the group, brings your group conscience to district and brings back the district report to your group. The group meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm at Gila Mountain United Methodist, 12716 N Frontage Rd, Yuma.

In love and service,  
Paul B.  
District Committee Member Chair

## From Yuma Intergroup

Hi Yuma Area AA's!

The Yuma Intergroup is excited to work with District 15 on the newsletter as well as any other projects that allow us to provide service.

The intergroup is doing good. Our meetings are still online only, but we're anticipating changing that soon. With the IGR's, officers, and committee chairs (Office Manager, District Liaison, Hotline, Schedule, & Website) – our meetings are averaging 10 -15 attendees. The committees are providing service to our local groups, visitors, and newcomers with the Central Office, 24-hour hotline, 12 step calls, meeting schedules, and website. Our current agenda items include ways to invite more local group involvement, updating the intergroup by-laws, finding a new location for the central office, adding a social committee, increasing our inventory of AA approved books and pamphlets available to sell, improvements to our website, and ways we can help with the Yuma Roundup.

We publish several email addresses that maintain anonymity by forwarding from these addresses to our personal accounts. These new addresses include [info@aayuma.com](mailto:info@aayuma.com) (hotline chairperson), [district@aayuma.com](mailto:district@aayuma.com) (District 15 DCMC), [intergroup@aayuma.com](mailto:intergroup@aayuma.com) (IG chairperson), and [newsletter@aayuma.com](mailto:newsletter@aayuma.com) (newsletter committee). If anyone would like to be included on these emails or has a need for additional anonymous addresses, please let me know.

As of July to date, the Central Office has sold 33 books and 16 coins. The office has had 11 walk-ins and has taken 4 hotline calls. All are welcome, please come by and check us out whether to buy a book, ask a question or just to chat. If you would like to volunteer at the office and/or be trained as a back-up, please send an email to [newsletter@aayuma.com](mailto:newsletter@aayuma.com).

Like district, the intergroup would really welcome more groups so we can serve better and maybe add a little more unity between our groups.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service,  
Paul L (Intergroup Chairperson)  
[intergroup@aayuma.com](mailto:intergroup@aayuma.com)

(Currently, the Yuma Intergroup is only having Zoom meetings. They are held on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:00 p.m. ID#: 827 2585 5322 PW: sober.)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Yuma Roundup  
Circle of Friends,  
Triangle of Legacies  
February 4-6, 2022**

**Yuma Civic Center  
1440 W Desert Hills, Yuma**



### **2021 Virtual State Convention**

**Host Committee 08-820**

**Register at:  
[www.area03.org](http://www.area03.org)**

### ***Delegate Report and Pot Luck***

**Coming Soon! Be on the lookout for date and  
time to come.**

**Trinity United Methodist Church**

### ***13th Annual Seniors in Sobriety International***

**Hybrid Conference Alcoholics Anonymous with Al-Anon  
Participation**

**Bahia Hotel  
998 West Mission Bay Dr.  
San Diego, CA  
October 24-27, 2021**

**Email Contact: [info@seniorsinsobriety.com](mailto:info@seniorsinsobriety.com)**

**Conference Website: [2021 SIS Conference](https://2021sisconference.com)**

**Mail Contact: SIS2021 P. O. Box 70084 – San Diego, CA  
92167**





## Thank You Hotline Volunteers!

Beth F.              Lavina M.              Johnny  
Bruce L.              Tommy G.              Lisa & Paul L.  
Wanda C.

Available 7 Days a Week/24-Hours a Day: (928) 782-2605

If you are interested in service work and would like to volunteer to either answer hotline calls or train as a back-up, please contact [newsletter@aayuma.com](mailto:newsletter@aayuma.com)



## Thank You Office Volunteers!

Lisa and Paul L.              Jody M.              Lavena M.

Intergroup Central Office is located at:  
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1430 S 4th Ave, Yuma, AZ 85364

Hours:  
Monday and Friday—11:00 am to 1:00 pm  
Wednesdays—5:00 pm to 7:00 pm



## Sobriety Milestones -- Happy Birthday!!



Let us know when your AA Birthday is so we can include you in our newsletter. Send us your name and sobriety date and we will be sure to let all of Yuma celebrate you and your great accomplishment.

Send your information to [newsletter@aayuma.com](mailto:newsletter@aayuma.com)

The next newsletter will celebrate all who have October, November and December AA birthdays.

## Words from the Big Book...

- “We Alcoholics are Men and Women who have lost the ability to control our drinking. We know that no real Alcoholic *ever recovers control.*”
- “But life among Alcoholics Anonymous is more than attending gatherings and visiting hospitals. Cleaning up old scrapes, helping to settle family differences, explaining the disinherited son to his irate parents, lending money and securing jobs for each other, when justified - these are everyday occurrences. No one is too discredited or has sunk too low to be welcomed cordially - if he means business. Social distinctions, petty rivalries and jealousies - these are laughed out of countenance. Being wrecked in the same vessel, being restored and united under one God, with hearts and minds attuned to the welfare of others, the things which matter so much to some people no longer signify much to them. How could they?” - Pg. 161 - A Vision For You

## AA Quotes...

Time for Joy - Book - Quote

“Today I choose to forgive instead of holding on to resentments. Today I choose to let go of all feelings that block me from feeling love. Today I choose to see everyone through the eyes of love.”

Alkiespeak - Book - Quote

“Once you become an alcoholic there's no going back - a frog never goes back to being a tadpole (or a pickle a cucumber, etc.). Unknown origin.”

## Schedule Correction

Please make a note to the current schedule— The Puente de Vida meeting is now meeting 7 days a week, not 4 as the schedule shows. 7:00 pm at 1020 S. 4th Ave.

Safe Harbor—Last Friday meeting of each month is changing to a speaker meeting. 5:30 pm at Trinity United Methodist Church. In person and also zoom. Zoom information—ID: 410 278 781, Password: sober.

### Newsletter Team

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### Last but not Least

The newsletter team will start including a personal story with each edition. An abridged version of where you were at, what happened, and where you are now. If interested or for more information, please contact us at [Newsletter@aayuma.com](mailto:Newsletter@aayuma.com).