



# Hagerstown Intergroup Newsletter

## August 2011

Mailing Address For 7th Tradition Contributions: P.O. Box 1153 HAGERSTOWN, MD 21741	Monthly Meeting: 4th Sunday each month 4:30pm 223 N. Prospect St., Suite106 Hagerstown, MD. 21741	Answering Service: 301-733-1109  Website: <a href="http://www.hagerstownaa.org">www.hagerstownaa.org</a>
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<b>Officers:</b> Chairman: Mark F. Treasurer: Henry R. Secretary: Leigh D. <b>Committee Chairs:</b> Activities: Angel Z. Answering Service: Tom T.	Corrections: Men- John B. Women- Carol B District 20 DCM: Gene S. Newsletter: Wayne G. Public Information: Vacant Website: Wayne G. Where & When: Carol W	A.A. Anniversaries				
		Russell	3 Yrs	8/9	7:00 PM	Mountain Group
<p><b>Step 8.</b> Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.</p> <p><b>Tradition 8.</b> Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever non-professional, but our service centers may employ special workers.</p> <p><b>Concept VIII.</b> The trustees are the principal planners and administrators of overall policy and finance. They have custodial oversight of the separately incorporated and constantly active services, exercising this through their ability to elect all the directors of these entities.</p>		Mark	3 Yrs.	8/9	7:00 PM	Mountain Group
		Gus B.	26 Yrs.	8/12	9:30 AM	Fellowship Hall
		John H.	3 Yrs.	8/12	6:00 PM	Fellowship Hall
		Jeff W.	8 Yrs.	8/12	7:30 PM	Serenity Group
		John W.	6 Yrs.	8/12	8:30 PM	Fellowship Hall
		Nelson D.	25 Yrs.	8/14	7:00 PM	Leitersburg
		Joe W.	1 Yr.	8/16	7:00 PM	Mountain Group
		Breta	2 Yrs.	8/16	7:00 PM	Mountain Group
		Kandy C.	3 Yrs.	8/16	6:00 PM	Fellowship Hall
		Tina C.	1 Yr.	8/18	7:00 PM	New Visions
		Mary B.	13 Yrs.	8/21	7:00 PM	Leitersburg
		Jay M.	3 Yrs.	8/22	7:00 PM	Mountain Group
		Charlie B.	11 Yrs.	8/26	8:00 PM	Williamsport
		Heather H.	2 Yrs.	8/31	7:00 PM	West End
		Kristin E.	1 Yr.	8/31	7:00 PM	West End

### Meetings and Events

**August 13<sup>th</sup>** - Mountain Group Breakfast Germantown Church of God, MD Route 491 near Fort Ritchie. Fellowship-9:00am, Breakfast-10:00am, and Speaker 11:00am. Come join us for food, fun and fellowship. Show up early if you can help out Carole H, Mark F, and Beth N in the kitchen.

**August 21<sup>st</sup>** - District 20 Meeting, New Fellowship Hall, 4:30 PM. This meeting of GSRs takes place every 3rd Sunday of the month. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**August 28<sup>th</sup>** - Intergroup meeting, New Fellowship Hall, 4:30 PM. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**August 29<sup>th</sup>** - The Hancock Open Door Group is holding it's annual picnic and meeting at the town pool in Hancock's Widmeyer Park starting at 6:00 p.m. Swimming is from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. weather permitting. The Group will be furnishing hot dogs/hamburgers/rolls/condiments/silverware/ plates/napkins and beverages. We ask that everyone bring a covered dish to share. A meeting will follow at the nearby pavilion from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m. It should be a great time and all are welcome.

**October 8<sup>th</sup>** - Hagerstown Group 65th anniversary. Bethel United Methodist Church  
 Special Guest Speaker: Arnold R. (Baltimore, MD)  
 Meeting is free, Coffee is free, Dinner Buffet is \$10.00, Espresso/Lattes \$\$\$  
 5:30-6:00pm | Fellowship, 6:00-6:45pm | Dinner, 6:45-7:00pm | Marty S., 7:00-8:00pm | Arnold R.

### July Intergroup Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 4:30pm

Motion to suspend reading the previous months minutes approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Henry R. submitted Treasurer's Report. Mark stated that the June and July Treasurer's Reports have different amounts. Adjustments were made to coincide with the actual bank balance. We are confident that the treasurer's report is accurate and reflects the current bank balance. Henry reported that he and Bob C. made corrections in regards to the Pink Can contributions and additional Intergroup contributions.

#### Committee Reports

**Activities:** Angel Z. The Round Robin was a great success with 75 people in attendance along with the help of 10-12 volunteers. A detailed financial report was provided. Hagerstown Intergroup is forming an Activities Committee which will be responsible for planning and participating in future events. The first meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 17th at 7:00 pm at 218 N. Potomac Street in the rear of the building. We welcome ALL members to share their ideas and talents. The committee will continue to meet on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm. If you have any questions or need directions, please contact Angel at 240-313-6455. The next activity will be the Gratitude Breakfast in November.

**Answering Service:** Tom T. In the spirit of rotation, Tom would like to step down as Chair of the Answering Service committee. He suggested that a committee of 1-2 individuals be put together to see how costs of the answering service could be brought down. Charlie B. volunteered and Tom agreed to stay on as Answering Service chair until the financial issue is resolved.

**Corrections:** Nancy B reporting for John B. Report Submitted. The Sunday and Wednesday night men's meetings at the Washington County Detention Center need two additional volunteers for each meeting as back-up. The incarcerated AA members at MCTC have asked outside members to attend their Tuesday night meetings at 6pm and 8:30pm. Anyone who wants an application to submit to MCTC can see Bob B., David L., or John B. Carol B. has volunteered to be the Corrections Chair for the women's side.

**District:** Not in attendance/no report

**Grapevine:** Open



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**Newsletter/Website:** Wayne attended a workshop on July 23rd, "Working with A.A. Websites" sponsored by the Area 29 Intergroup liaison committee and website committee. Most of the web masters of A.A. Websites in Maryland were in attendance.

There was a discussion about building websites, guidelines for following the traditions, and many other web related topics. The attendees plan to communicate with one another and have further discussions.

**Public Information:** Henry R. Henry stated that he might stay on as chair of Public Information until the position is filled.

**Where and When:** Vicki F reporting for Carol W. Mark F. requested that information be gathered in regards to how many Where and Whens will be printed, what the cost is and how they are distributed. More information is to be gathered on which meetings are handicap accessible.

### Group Reports

**Boonsboro:** Vicki F. No report.  
**Chewsville:** Charlie B. No report.  
**Fellowship Hall:** Chuck B. No report.  
**Firehouse:** Joe B. \$50 donation to Intergroup.  
**Hagerstown:** Lindsay F. Pink Can donation given. The 65<sup>th</sup> group anniversary is October 8, 2011. Tickets for the dinner are \$10.  
**Leitersburg:** Wayne B for Mary B. No report.  
**Maple Avenue:** Not present/No report.  
**Mountain Group:** Dennis B. No report.  
**New Paths:** Jackie C. No report.  
**New Vision:** Rhonda. No report.  
**Oakridge:** Sandy C. No report.  
**Hancock:** Not present/No report.  
**(Potomac St. Women's Group has registered with A.A. World Services and is the process of putting together their group representatives)**  
**Recycled:** Not present/No report.  
**Serenity:** Jeff W. \$20 given for Intergroup. Serenity is in need of chips and literature. It was stated that these will not be provided by Intergroup.  
**Summit Avenue:** Carol B new Intergroup Rep. Carol B. volunteered to chair women's Corrections Committee  
**West End:** Lamont is new Intergroup Representative. \$40 donation given.  
**Williamsport:** Not present/No report.

### Treasurer's Report July 24, 2011

Beginning Balance	\$277.82
Donations	
Firehouse Group	\$100.00
Hagerstown Group	\$60.00
Maple Avenue Group	\$113.00
Summit Avenue Group	\$150.00
Williamsport Group	\$47.00
Bank Error Adjustment	\$30.00
Total Donations	\$500.00
Total Funds Available	\$777.82
Expenditures	
Antietam Call Center	\$219.80
Verizon	-
Treasurers Expenses	\$49.32
Total Expenditures	\$269.12
Ending Balance	\$508.70
<b>Pink Can</b>	
Beginning Balance	\$291.67
Donations	
As Bill Sees It	\$33.00
Fellowship Hall	\$35.85
Hagerstown Group	\$128.32
Mountain Group	\$57.00
Oak Ridge Group	\$110.69
Summit Avenue Group	\$22.20
West End Group	\$62.98
Total Donations	\$450.04
Total Funds Available	\$741.71
Expenditures	
Ending Balance	\$741.71

### Old Business None

### New Business

Mark F. passed out copies of the Hagerstown Area Intergroup By-laws and "Robert's Rules of Order." He stated that there are many inconsistencies in how Intergroup was conducted because the By-Laws didn't state, i.e., the recent election. Mark has appointed a 3 person Ad-hoc committee, Charlie B., Nelson D. and Wayne B., to look into Possible amendments or clarifications to the by-laws.

Questions arose as to how and when the Pink Can is being passed and if Intergroup should be in charge of these funds for corrections. Intergroup Reps were asked to discuss this with their home groups and report back to Intergroup.

It was suggested that the \$300 Prudent Reserve amount be detailed in the Treasure's Report.

Volunteers for chair of the Grapevine and Public Information committees are needed.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:45

<b>Attendance:</b>	Nancy B.	Henry R	Wayne B	Jeff W	Mark F
Mark F.	Angel Z.	Chuck B.	Dennis B	Carol B.	Joe B
Henry R.	Tom T.	Charlie B	Jackie C	Angel Z	Nelson D
Leigh D.	Wayne G	Lindsay F	Rhonda M	Lamont	Sandy C.