



Hagerstown Intergroup Newsletter

September 2011

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| Mailing Address For 7th Tradition Contributions: P.O. Box 1153 HAGERSTOWN, MD 21741 | Monthly Meeting: 4th Sunday each month 4:00pm 223 N. Prospect St., Suite106 Hagerstown, MD. 21741 | Answering Service: 301-733-1109 Website: www.hagerstownaa.org This newsletter will be posted for printing about 1 week after the Intergroup meeting. |
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| Officers: Chairman: Mark F. Treasurer: Henry R. Secretary: Leigh D. Committee Chairs: Activities: Angel Z. Answering Service: Tom T. | Corrections: Men- John B. Women- Carol B District 20 DCM: Gene S. Newsletter: Wayne G. Public Information: Henry R. Website: Wayne G. Where & When: Carol W | A.A. Anniversaries | | | | |
| | | Tony | 1 yr. | 9/6 | 7:00 PM | Mountain Group |
| A new Public Information chairman is needed. In the spirit of rotation, Henry R. is stepping down. Please consider volunteering for this position. | | Deb D. | 2 yrs. | 9/7 | 7:30 PM | Maple Ave |
| | | Leigh D. | 3 yrs. | 9/11 | 7:00 PM | Leitersburg |
| Step 9. Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others. Tradition 9. A.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve. Concept IX. Good service leadership at all levels is indispensable for our future functioning and safety. Primary world service leadership, once exercised by the founders, must necessarily be assumed by the trustees. | | Charlene | 2 yrs. | 9/14 | 7:00 PM | West End Group |
| | | Beverly M. | 6 yrs. | 9/16 | 7:30 PM | Serenity |
| | | Cathy B. | 1 yr. | 9/16 | 8:00 PM | Williamsport |
| | | David F. | 2 yrs. | 9/18 | 7:00 PM | Leitersburg |
| | | Jim B. | 8 yrs. | 9/20 | 7:00 PM | Mountain Group |
| | | John D. | 1 yr. | 9/23 | 8:30 PM | Fellowship Hall |
| | | Dennis B. | 5 yrs. | 9/27 | 7:00 PM | Mountain Group |
| | | Kelly Z. | 16 yrs. | 9/28 | 7:00 PM | West End Group |
| | | Tina M. | 6 yrs. | 9/28 | 7:00 PM | West End Group |
| | | Terri L. | 2 yrs. | 10/7 | 6:00 PM | Fellowship Hall |

Meetings and Events

September 10th - 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.

September 18th - 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.

September 21st - Activities Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, 218 Potomac Street Hagerstown (rear) Please contact Angel Z. should you have any questions - 240-313-6455 or angelajo_21701@yahoo.com

September 25th - Intergroup meeting, New Fellowship Hall, 4:00 PM. Everyone is welcome to attend.

October 8th - 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.

October 16th - District 20 Elections, Fellowship Hall, 4:30 PM, Each position is 2 years of service. The following positions will be voted on: **DCM** - suggested 4 years sobriety, been past, **GSR**; **Alt DCM** suggested 4 years sobriety, been past GSR; **Treasurer** - have been home group treasurer (suggested)

October 22nd - Area 29 State of Maryland General Service Elections. Area Assembly hosted by District 40, Frederick Presbyterian Church, 116 W. 2nd Street, Frederick, Maryland. All positions are 2 year service. Any officers DCMs or GSRs can run for the positions of Delegate, Alternate Delegate, Treasurer, Secretary

August Intergroup Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 4:30pm
 Motion to suspend reading the previous months minutes approved. Tom T. requested that changes be made to the July minutes. Minutes will be amended to reflect changes.

Treasurer's Report: Henry R. submitted Treasurer's Report.

Committee Reports

Activities: Angel Z. The activities Committee met at 7 pm on Wednesday, August 24th at 218 N. Potomac St (rear). Six people attended (four others expressed interest but were unable to attend). The discussion focused mainly on the next event, HAIG Annual Gratitude Breakfast. A tentative date in November has been set; however, confirmation is needed from Drybridge if the hall is available. Once the date has been set, flyers and tickets will be printed. A nominal amount of seed money (<\$50.00) will be needed to cover expenses and will be requested at a later date. All other expenses will be offset by the sale of tickets (price to be determined). We also discussed the possibility of future events such as workshops and an alcahthon. More will be revealed. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 21st at 7:00 pm. ALL volunteers are welcome!!! Please contact Angel Z. should you have any questions - 240-313-6455 or angelajo_21701@yahoo.com

Answering Service: Tom T. A detailed report of the answering service plans and call history was submitted. After researching other areas, the Answering Committee has determined that Antietam Call Center is the best value. Several changes have been implemented with potential savings of \$50-\$60 per month. It was agreed on that changes be made to the Monday AA ad in the Herald Mail. The web address will be included and the information regarding how to contact someone through the answering service will be taken out. Tom requested that Intergroup Reps discuss with their homegroups the following items: 1) Should only messages be taken from obviously intoxicated callers between the hours of 11:00 pm and 7 am. 2) Spend an additional \$10-\$20 per month on a detailed report reflecting number of calls and the hours those calls are received.

Corrections: John B. (men's corrections) The Men's Corrections Committee currently hosts two meetings at the Washington County Detention Center; Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm and Sunday evenings at 8:00 pm. Although all meetings are currently covered by at least one male volunteer, we would like to have two men for each meeting in the event one cannot attend. Volunteers are needed for the 3rd, 4th and 5th Wednesdays, and all Sundays. Please contact John B. if you would like an application. Volunteer services at the MD Correctional Training Center (MCTC) will be Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm beginning September 6, 2011. Four AA members have submitted applications and have been approved to take meetings in. Please contact Bob B. or David L. if you are interested.

An order for \$751.60 of literature has been placed thanks to contributions from the group Pink Cans.

Thank you to all who contribute, and thank to all who volunteer to take meetings to the incarcerated men and women in Washington County.

Carol B. (women's corrections) Women needed to volunteer to carry the message into the Women's Detention Center. Requirements are one year sobriety and that you are not currently on parole or probation. If interested, please contact Carol B. at 301-730-2173 after 5:30 pm.



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| Treatment Facilities: Not present/no report | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| <p>District: Gene S. Area 29 State of Maryland General Service Elections are in October. All positions are 2 year service. Any officers DCMs or GSRs can run for the positions of Delegate, Alternate Delegate, Treasurer, Secretary, etc. The District 20 Elections for Officers will be the 3rd Sunday in October, October 16th at Fellowship Hall. The meeting is at 4:30 pm. Each position is 2 years of service. The following positions will be voted on: DCM - suggested 4 years sobriety, been past GSR; Alt DCM suggested 4 years sobriety, been past GSR; Treasurer - have been home group treasurer (suggested)</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Grapevine: Position vacant | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>Newsletter/Website: Wayne G. Google analytics has been added to the website to improve visit statistic reports. There will be a full month of statistics to report at the next intergroup meeting. The website hosting plan has been upgraded. The new hosting plan is \$1/mo. less than the old plan. The new plan is \$8.95/mo. The hosting has been paid 1 year in advance. A forum for the Area 29 webmasters has been setup at Hagerstown Intergroup's website. Six webmasters have signed up to participate so far. The forum is not anticipated to have more than a few members and will not incur any additional costs or use any significant resources. It will be discussed at a future meeting if there are any objections before hosting the forum there on a more permanent basis. Wayne also suggested that anniversaries be submitted in writing or email.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Public Information: Henry R. Next Meeting, September 21 st 6:30 PM | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>Where and When: Vicki F. reporting for Carol W. Information regarding handicap accessibility will be omitted from the next printing of Where and Whens. A vote was taken on the method of distribution for the next printing of Where and Whens. There were nine votes for equal distribution between groups and three votes for basing the distribution on the number of meetings each group holds. Where are Whens can also be printed from the HAIG website.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>By-Law Review Committee: Wayne B. The committee is currently identifying areas of the by-laws that need clarification including voting procedures, clearly defining "etc" and how to take action on certain items. Angel brought up concerns regarding the exclusiveness of the committee and if they are open to information from other Intergroup members. Mark noted the concern. John B. stated that the findings of the committee should be submitted to the Intergroup and then the groups can vote on said findings. Wayne B. agreed with this.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>Angels in Recovery: Lori M. Potomac St. Women's Group is now called Angels in Recovery. Boonsboro: Vicki F. The group voted to not pass the Pink Can unless the funds are short. Chewsville: Not present/ No report Fellowship Hall: Chuck B. The first Speakers meeting at Fellowship was a success. Firehouse: Not present/ No report Hagerstown: Lindsay F. Tickets are still available for the 65th group anniversary on October 8, 2011. Tickets for the dinner are \$10. Leitersburg: Mary B. The group voted that Intergroup should not be responsible for Pink Can funds, that these funds should be handled by the Public Information committee. Maple Avenue: Not present/No report Mountain Group: Dennis B. No report New Paths: Jackie C. No report New Vision: Kathy W. No report Oakridge: Not present/ No report Hancock: Richard M. No report Recycled: Not present/No report Serenity: Jeff W. No Report Summit Avenue: Carol B. Report Submitted. Summit Ave thinks that the collection and reporting of the Pink Can funds should be the responsibility of the Corrections Committee and the funds should be listed under the Corrections Report in the newsletter and not with the Treasurer's Report. Way Out: Dale No Report West End: Not present/ No report Williamsport: Toby D. No report</p> | <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">Treasurer's Report August 28 2011</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Beginning Balance</td> <td>\$508.70</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Donations</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Firehouse</td> <td>\$50.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Serenity Group</td> <td>\$20.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Round Robin Raffle</td> <td>\$73.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Round Robin Basket</td> <td>\$98.25</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Donations</td> <td>\$241.75</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Funds Available</td> <td>\$750.45</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Expenditures</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Antietam Call Center</td> <td>\$170.30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Verizon</td> <td>\$41.23</td> </tr> <tr> <td>St. John's</td> <td>\$100.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tom T.</td> <td>\$120.18</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Angel Z.</td> <td>\$50.70</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Expenditures</td> <td>\$482.41</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ending Balance (w/prudent reserve)</td> <td>\$268.04</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Pink Can</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Beginning Balance</td> <td>\$741.71</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Donations</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>As Bill Sees It</td> <td>\$22.55</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fellowship Hall</td> <td>\$5.34</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hagerstown Group</td> <td>\$37.54</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Oak Ridge Group</td> <td>\$27.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Summit Avenue Group</td> <td>\$4.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>West End Group</td> <td>\$40.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Williamsport Group</td> <td>\$76.54</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Donations</td> <td>\$212.97</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Funds Available</td> <td>\$954.68</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Expenditures</td> <td>\$751.60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ending Balance</td> <td>\$203.08</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Treasurer's Report August 28 2011 | | Beginning Balance | \$508.70 | Donations | | Firehouse | \$50.00 | Serenity Group | \$20.00 | Round Robin Raffle | \$73.50 | Round Robin Basket | \$98.25 | Total Donations | \$241.75 | Total Funds Available | \$750.45 | Expenditures | | Antietam Call Center | \$170.30 | Verizon | \$41.23 | St. John's | \$100.00 | Tom T. | \$120.18 | Angel Z. | \$50.70 | Total Expenditures | \$482.41 | Ending Balance (w/prudent reserve) | \$268.04 | Pink Can | | Beginning Balance | \$741.71 | Donations | | As Bill Sees It | \$22.55 | Fellowship Hall | \$5.34 | Hagerstown Group | \$37.54 | Oak Ridge Group | \$27.00 | Summit Avenue Group | \$4.00 | West End Group | \$40.00 | Williamsport Group | \$76.54 | Total Donations | \$212.97 | Total Funds Available | \$954.68 | Expenditures | \$751.60 | Ending Balance | \$203.08 |
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| Serenity Group | \$20.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Round Robin Raffle | \$73.50 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Round Robin Basket | \$98.25 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Antietam Call Center | \$170.30 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Verizon | \$41.23 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| St. John's | \$100.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tom T. | \$120.18 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Angel Z. | \$50.70 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Ending Balance (w/prudent reserve) | \$268.04 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| As Bill Sees It | \$22.55 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fellowship Hall | \$5.34 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hagerstown Group | \$37.54 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Oak Ridge Group | \$27.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Summit Avenue Group | \$4.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| West End Group | \$40.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Williamsport Group | \$76.54 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Donations | \$212.97 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Funds Available | \$954.68 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Ending Balance | \$203.08 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Where and When's will be printed and distributed equally among the groups. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| The Pink Can is being removed from the Treasurers report and handled by corrections- John B. & Carol B. They are to present a plan on how to handle the funds at the next meeting. Intergroup Reps were asked to talk to their home groups and be prepared to vote on the issue next month. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tom T. motioned that Intergroup start at 4 pm in the future so that there is enough time for the next meeting at Fellowship to set up. The motion was agreed upon. Intergroup will now start at 4 pm. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Meeting Adjourned at 5:45 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |