



# Hagerstown Intergroup Newsletter

## October 2011

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: <a href="http://www.hagerstownaa.org">www.hagerstownaa.org</a> <b>This newsletter will be posted for printing about 1 week after the Intergroup meeting.</b>
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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: Jeff B. District 20 DCM: Gene S.	Corrections: Men- John B. Women- Carol B Grapevine: Mark E. Newsletter: Wayne G. Public Information: Henry R. Website: Wayne G. Where & When: Carol W	A.A. Anniversaries				
		Craig B.	9 yrs.	10/1	8:00 PM	Hagerstown Group

<b>Step 10.</b> Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.  <b>Tradition 10.</b> Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues, hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.  <b>Concept X.</b> Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority, with the scope of such authority well defined.	Terri L.	2 yrs.	10/7	6:00 PM	Fellowship Hall
	Lorraine H.	25 yrs.	10/12	7:30 PM	Maple Ave.

<b>7<sup>th</sup> Tradition donations to intergroup are badly needed.</b>	<b>Volunteers for the New Year's Eve dance are needed</b>
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**A new Public Information chairman is needed. In the spirit of rotation, Henry R. is stepping down. Please consider volunteering for this position.**

### Meetings and Events

**October 8<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.

**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.**

**October 15<sup>th</sup>** – West End Group Picnic, Pangborn Park Hagerstown, 10 AM til dark.  
 West End Group is supplying the hamburgers, hotdogs, and drinks.  
 Please bring a covered dish.

**October 16<sup>th</sup>** - District 20 Meeting New Fellowship Hall, 4:30 PM.  
 Elections will take place at this meeting.  
 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)

This meeting of GSRs takes place every 3rd Sunday of the month. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**October 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Area 29 State of Maryland General Service Elections. Area Assembly hosted by District 40, All Saint's Episcopal Church, 106 W. Church St., Frederick, MD. All positions are 2 year service. Any officers DCMs or GSRs can run for the positions of Delegate, Alternate Delegate, Treasurer, Secretary

**October 23<sup>th</sup>** - Intergroup meeting, New Fellowship Hall, 4:00 PM. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**October 27<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>** 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Area 29, Fall Conference. Clarion Hotel and Hager Hall Conference Center, Hagerstown, Md  
 Activities include: AA and AI-Anon Workshops , Alcathons, 12 x 12 Skit , Ice Cream Socials, Game Night , Halloween Parade, Costume Party , Dancing and more...

### September Intergroup Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 4:00pm  
 Motion to suspend reading the previous months minutes approved.

<b>Treasurer's Report: Henry R. submitted September 25<sup>th</sup> 2011</b>		<b>Answering Service: Tom T.</b> After reviewing several months' invoices from Antietam Call Center, there were numerous calls being logged from marketing firms. These calls were potentially costing HAIG \$20/month. A motion was approved to pay \$10/month, for the next 6 months, for a detailed report from ACC so that these firms could be contacted to be removed from their call list. Tom also registered the AA hotline phone number with the "Do Not Call Registry." There are currently 12 men and 7 women on the Answering Service Committee. This is an open committee and anyone is welcome to serve. Effective this month, Tom will be resigning as chairman of the Answering Service Committee due to other AA commitments. Jeff B. will be filling the position of Chair of the Answering Service
Beginning Balance	\$268.04	
Donations		
Leitersburg	\$150.00	
New Visions Group	\$70.00	
Serenity Group	\$20.00	
Total Donations	\$240.00	
Total Funds Available	\$508.04	
Expenditures		
Antietam Call Center	\$161.40	
Verizon	\$37.41	
Where & Whens	\$58.30	
Total Expenditures	\$257.11	
Ending Balance	\$250.93	



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**Activities: Angel Z.** The activities Committee met at 7 pm on Wednesday, September 21<sup>th</sup> at 218 N. Potomac St (rear). Plans for the Gratitude Breakfast were finalized as follows: the Gratitude Breakfast will be held on Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to Noon at St. John's Episcopal Church (Drybridge), 101 S. Prospect Street, Hagerstown. Tickets are \$8.00 per person (no tickets will be held or sold at the door). Flyers and tickets were distributed to the Intergroup Representatives at the meeting. Note: there are a limited amount of tickets available and may be purchased from either an Intergroup Representative or a member of the Activities Committee. All groups are asked to kindly donate a book to be raffled off after the meeting. A nominal amount of seed money (<\$50.00) will be needed to cover expenses and will be requested at the Haig October meeting. All other expenses will be offset by the sale of tickets.

The Activity Committee also discussed the next event, typically held during the holidays, a New Year's Eve dance and/or an Alcolthon.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 19th at 7:00 pm. **ALL volunteers are welcome!!!** Please contact Angel Z. should you have any questions – activities@hagerstownaa.org

**Corrections: John B.** (men's corrections) Tom received the literature from GSO for \$751.00. He gave the literature for the women to Carol B. Some was given to the volunteers for the Wednesday and Sunday night men's meetings. Meetings started September 6, 2011 at MCTC if anyone would like to help out contact Bob B. or David L. Wanda Sims, Activities Chair for MCI, contacted the AA Answering Service to ask if a meeting could be taken to MCI prison for men. Tom is working on this. We'd like to welcome Anthony B. for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday and to thank all for their service.

**Carol B.** (women's corrections) Literature from the last order has arrived and will be taken to the Women's Detention Center. Pamphlets, little Big Books and Came to Believe will be divided between the library and inmates. Thanks for your contributions to the Pink can which made this possible.

Pink Can Fund Balance: \$362.21

**Treatment Facilities:** Not present/no report

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in October, October 16<sup>th</sup> 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 minimum 4 years sobriety, been past GSR; Alt DCM - suggested minimum 4 years sobriety, been past GSR; Treasurer - have been home group treasurer (suggested)

District 20 is in great shape with many GSR's attending monthly meetings.

**Grapevine:** Mark E.

**Newsletter/Website: Wayne G.** Newsletters were printed, delivered and posted on the website.

**Public Information: Henry R.** No Report

**Where and When: Vicki F.** 600 copies of the Where and When's have been printed. The current Where and When can be printed from the Website.

**By-Law Review Committee: Wayne B.** No report

**Group Reports:**

**Angels in Recovery: Lori M.** Potomac St. Women's Group is now called Angels in Recovery.

**Boonsboro: Carol W.** No Report

**Chewsville:** Not present

**Fellowship Hall: Chuck B.** The next Speakers Meeting will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in October.

**Firehouse:** Not present

**Hagerstown: Michelle B.** Tickets are still available for the 65<sup>th</sup> group anniversary on October 8, 2011. Tickets for the dinner are \$10. The meeting is free. There will be no meeting at Dry Bridge on this date.

**Leitersburg:** Not present

**Maple Avenue: Ed Z.** No report

**Mountain Group:** Dennis B. No report

**New Paths:** Not present

**New Vision: Rhonda M.** No report

**Oakridge:** Not present

**Hancock:** Not present

**Recycled:** Not present

**Serenity: Jeff W.** No Report

**Summit Avenue: Carol B.** Report Submitted. A Group Conscience was held September 19<sup>th</sup>. The group voted to increase its contribution to Intergroup by 10% this quarter. It was also voted that the Pink Can be passed once a month.

**Way Out:** Not present

**West End:** Not present

**Williamsport:** Not present

**Old Business**

A motion was requested by John B. that the Pink Can money be listed in the Corrections Report area of the newsletter, instead of the Treasure's Report. This motion was passed. He also requested a motion that was passed to keep the Pink Can money in the Intergroup account but that the donations, amounts and expenses will be accounted for by him and Carol B.

**New Business**

The Pink Can is being removed from the Treasurers report and handled by corrections- John B. & Carol B.

Angel Z. requested a vote be taken by the Intergroup representatives whether to proceed with the planning of an event during the holiday season due to Intergroup's limited funds. A volunteer would be needed to chair/coordinate this event since Angel Z. will be out of town. This will be further discussed next month.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30pm