



HAGERSTOWN AREA INTERGROUP

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March 2021 Newsletter

HAIG INFORMATION

Monthly Meeting:

4th Sunday each month – 3:30 PM
Virtual Meeting

TRUSTED SERVANTS

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Submit anniversaries etc. to:
newsletter@hagerstownaa.org
Deadline for submissions is the 4th
Sunday of each month.

Step 3: Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood him.

Tradition 2:

The only requirement for A.A. membership is a desire to stop drinking.

Concept II:

As a traditional means of creating and maintaining a clearly defined working relation between the groups, the Conference, the A.A. General Service Board and its several service corporations, staffs, committees and executives, and of thus, ensuring their effective leadership, it is here suggested that we endow each of these elements of world service with a traditional "Right of Decision." Reprinted with permission of A.A. World Services, Inc.

March Anniversaries

Date	Celebrant	Years	Group	Time
3/7	Lucas P.	1	New Paths	6:00 pm
3/14	Dave G.	4	New Paths	6:00 pm
3/15	Jeff F.	45	Summit Avenue	virtual
3/15	Laura P.	16	Summit Avenue	virtual
3/29	Liz M.	3	Summit Avenue	virtual
4/3	Victor S.	6	On Awakening	6:45 am
4/7	Lauran C.	11	Brooke's House	---
4/10	Craig T.	30	Fellowship Hall	---
4/11	Amanda M.	2	New Paths	virtual

Intergroup Meeting Minutes February 28, 2021

Craig T., Chairperson, opened the meeting at 3:30 pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Officers in attendance included: Craig T., Chair and Carol W., Treasurer.

Chairpersons present included: Annamarie C., Answering Service, John B., Men's Corrections, Bob B., Men's Corrections, Steve W., Outreach, Nancy B., Where & When, Gerald R., ad hoc Technology.

8 Intergroup reps were present and 0 visitor(s).

Secretary Report: In Staci's absence, Nancy B. read the old and new business from the February newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: Carol W. submitted the following: (Fill in from her report provided separately)

Beginning Balance:		\$1,935.55
Contributions:		
Total Donations:		\$0.00
Total Funds Available:		\$1,935.55
Expenditures:		
Mike E. Monthly Web Hosting	\$44.75	
Line 2 Billing	\$50.74	
Total Expenditures:		\$95.49
Ending Balance:		\$1,840.08
Prudent Reserve:		(900.00)
Total Funds Available:		\$940.06

Committee Reports: If a committee report is missing, the chair was not present.

Ad Hoc Technology: (Gerald R.) had no report.

Answering Service: (Annamarie C.) reported that she has been in touch with Bob, West Central Intergroup Answering Service chair, to discuss "Go Live" which is the service they use. She will make a motion in Old Business to switch from Line 2 to Go Live since she feels from her research that the service will be a better fit for us.

HAGERSTOWN AREA MEETING INFORMATION

Some groups have resumed in-person meetings. Virtual and in-person meeting schedules are available on the HAIG website, www.hagerstownaa.org.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Area Intergroup Liaison Committee Meeting: The next IGLC meeting will be Monday April 5, 2021 @ 6:30 p.m. held virtually.

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81005298663?pwd=cnNGNjg4TGvYVmpcVR4OGlZZytUZZ09>
Meeting ID: 810 0529 8663
Passcode: 473809
Dial in - 301 715 8592 US (Maryland)

Corrections: Men: John B. reported that all corrections facilities are still on hold. He is still planning to place a literature order. Bob B. reported that MCTC will notify us when they will again allow in-person meetings. We have let the Grapevine subscriptions to the WCDC and MCTC lapse since they were not being sent directly to the facilities. We will have each gift subscription sent directly to each facility instead of to HAIG to be delivered.

Pink Can Report:

Beginning Balance as of: 1/24/21		\$813.38
Fellowship Hall	\$10.00	
New Balance 2/28/21		\$823.38

Finance: (Tom T.) Tom is out of town but sent his monthly Budget report to Craig for distribution to the IGRs.

Outreach: (Steve W.) Reported that he sent a reminder to all HAIG members.

Where and When: (Nancy B.) reported that since the January HAIG meeting, we were advised of the following changes to the status of meetings:

1. Feb 4 – Fellowship Hall suspended all 8:30 pm meetings due to lack of attendance.
2. Feb 6 – Night Owls 10pm Saturday meeting discontinued.
3. Feb 13 – asked that the Hagerstown Group in-person meeting be shown as suspended on the website, Meeting Guide App and Line 2. They suspended in-person meetings in November 2020.
4. Feb 18 – 12&12@12 group was deactivated with the Area 29 registrar.
5. Feb 20 – received notification from Amanda that there will be a new women-only meeting named Courage to Change beginning Friday, March 12 at 6:00 pm.

All of these changes were communicated to the website, Line 2 and the Virtual Meeting List. A new Where & When effective March 12 will be provided to the website and the Fellowship.

As of today, the following groups/meetings are open for in-person meetings: On Awakening (7 days), Fellowship Hall (7 days), New Paths (Sunday), Leitersburg Group (Sunday), Leitersburg Big Book (Monday), Mountain Group (Tuesday), Oak Ridge Group (Tuesday), Primary Purpose Meeting (Wednesday) and beginning March 12, Courage to Change - women's meeting (Friday). Please let Nancy know if your group is making any changes. As soon as she is notified, she will contact the trusted servants responsible for updating the website, the Meeting Guide App, the virtual meeting list, and the answering service.

Intergroup Rep Reports:

12&12@12: (Nancy B.) Reported that the 12&12@12 which has met on Tuesdays at noon since February of 2017 has been deactivated since they have not met since March of 2020 and there is not an active group to continue it. A contribution of \$112.00 was sent to GSO in February 2020. The balance of the groups' funds, including prudent reserve, in the amount of \$40.43, was sent to GSO on February 18th. The Area 29 registrar has deactivated the group registration number. The HAIG website and answering service have been notified.

Boonsboro ABSI: (Carol W.) Reported that the group continues to meet virtually and could use some support.

Chewsville: (Jennifer L) Reported that the group remains suspended until the church re-opens.

Courage to Change: (Amanda M.) Reported the creation of this new women-only group which will start March 12 and meet at Otterbein Church every Friday at 6:00 pm. Masks must be worn and all safety precautions will be taken. The format is 1st Friday-Topic, 2nd Friday-Steps, 3rd Friday-Big Book, 4th Friday-Daily Reflections.

Gratitude: (Jeff F.) reported that the meeting continues to take place virtually on Thursdays at 7:00 pm.

Hagerstown Group: (Gerald R.) Reported that the Hagerstown Group's group conscience would take place virtually the 3rd Monday of March after the 7pm meeting. He mentioned that the website still shows the group as "in-person" although it has not met since November.

Maple Ave: (Lorraine B.) New IGR Lorraine B. reported that the group continues to meet virtually and will be contributing to services shortly. She asked if HAIG was in need of funds. Nancy provided the information that the A.A. fellowship has stepped up to support GSO in this unprecedented time when literature sales are way down. In 2020 63% of contributions came from the groups and 37% from literature sales. The fellowship is answering the call to contribute to the services provided by GSO.

New Paths: (Cindy C). Reported that they continue to meet in-person AND virtually, but not as a hybrid meeting. She submitted several anniversaries – Lucas P., 1 year on March 7th in person; Dave G., 4 years on March 14th in person; Amanda M. 2 years on April 11 virtually and Lauran C. 11 years on April 7 at Brooke's House.

On Awakening: (Margaret K.) Sent one anniversary – Victor S. will celebrate 6 years on April 3rd in person.

Summit Avenue: (Liz M.) Reported that the group will discuss on March 22 the possibly of re-opening as a hybrid meeting in April. There are 3 anniversaries in March.

Old Business:

1. **Annamarie C. made a motion that HAIG approve an expense not to exceed \$50.00 per month to change answering service providers from Line 2 to Go Live. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the IGRs.**
2. Craig asked if anyone had ideas for activities or workshops that the HAIG could host. There were no suggestions.

New Business:

1. **Jennifer L. made a motion that HAIG continue to pay rent of \$45.00 per quarter to Fellowship Hall for the use of the facility. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the IGRs.**
2. Craig asked for volunteers to serve on the HAIG Nominating Committee to find members who are willing to stand for the positions of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary in June 2021. No one volunteered. He will reach out to folks individually.

Meeting closed at 4:30 pm with the Responsibility Pledge. The next HAIG Intergroup Meeting will be March 28, 2021 at 3:30 pm. All are welcome to attend!

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