

HAGERSTOWN AREA INTERGROUP

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September 2021 Newsletter

HAIG INFORMATION Monthly Meeting:

4th Sunday each month - 3:30 PM

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

Good service leaders, together with sound and appropriate methods of choosing them, are at all levels indispensable for our future functioning and safety. The primary world service leadership once exercised by the founders of A.A. must necessarily be assumed by the Trustees of the General Service Board of **Alcoholics** Anonymous.

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HAGERSTOWN AREA MEETING INFORMATION

Most groups have resumed in-person meetings. See the Where & When directory of meetings and the Meeting Guide app on the HAIG website. www.hagerstownaa.org

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

The last Area Intergroup Liaison Committee Meeting was held virtually on August 2, 2021, at 6:30 pm.

There will be no meeting in September due to the Labor Day holiday. The August meeting minutes are available. Watch your email or contact Craig T. for a copy.

HAIG will host a workshop, "Writing a 4th Step Inventory" on September 25, 2021 at Otterbein UMC from 9:00 to 11:30 am. John E. from Frederick will be the presenter. Watch for flyers for this event.

September Anniversaries

Date	Celebrant	Years	Group	Time
9/4	Kris M.	14	Maple Avenue	7:30 pm
9/7	Jason S.	7	Primary Purpose	7:00 pm
9/10	Mimi D.	4	Courage to Change	6:00 pm
9/13	Tom T.	15	Summit Avenue	7:00 pm
9/15	Luke M.	1	Primary Purpose	7:00 pm
9/17	Sierra P.	3	Courage to Change	6:00 pm
9/21	Steve B.	1	Fellowship Hall	6:00 pm
9/25	Steve M.	18	Hagerstown Group	8:00 pm
8/27	Lori J.	3	Courage to Change	6:00 pm
9/29	Lauren W.	3	Maple Avenue	7:30 pm
10/1	Charlie D.	7	Fellowship Hall	6:00 pm

Intergroup Meeting Minutes August 22, 2021

Gerald R. (Chair) opened the meeting at 3:00 pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Officers in attendance included: Andy M., Craig T.

Chairs present included: John B. & Bob B. – Corrections, Annamarie C. – Answering Service, Steve W. – Outreach, Erica G., PI, Michael E. – Website, and Nancy B. Where & When.

7 Intergroup reps were present and 1 visitor.

<u>Chair Report:</u> (Gerald R.) asked if there were any new intergroup representative. Bridgette C. from Summit Avenue.

<u>Secretary Report</u>: (Craig T.) read the July meeting minutes. There were no objections.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: (Andy M.) submitted the following report which was approved unanimously.

Beginning Balance: 7/25/21	\$2,392.96
Contributions:	
Primary Purpose	100.00
Picnic Seed Money Returned	52.50
Total Contributions:	\$152.50
Total Funds Available:	\$2545.46
Expenditures:	
Answering Service – 2 months	\$59.08
Fellowship room use – 2	\$90.00
quarters	
Total Expenditures:	\$149.08
Ending Balance:	\$2396.38
Prudent Reserve:	(\$900.00)
Total Funds Available: 8/22/21	\$1496.38

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

Activities Committee: (Gerald R.) reported that Amber D., Activities Chair has been contacting bowling alleys and plans to have information for the September HAIG meeting.

Corrections-Men: (John B.) reported there are no changes at WCDC. You will be required to submit a new application, have 1 year of sobriety and not be on probation to be able to chair meetings at WCDC. John has the applications, and you can call or text John with questions. Bob B. reported that MCTC is not having meetings. They sent out a feeler to see who would be willing to come back but that was before the current surge in COVID cases. It may be a while till they open up. If interested in chairing meetings when open, Bob B. has applications. The requirements are the same, must have 1 year of sobriety and not be on probation.

Pink Can Report:

Beginning Balance as of:		\$ 105.23
As Bill Sees It	\$45.00	
Fellowship Hall	\$12.00	
Summit Avenue	\$32.00	
New Balance		\$194.23

Outreach: (Steve W.) reported that he sent out a reminder message for today's meeting.

Website: (Mike E.) reported that he is working with getting the HAIG information on the AA.org website updated as mentioned by Annamarie. Feels that the HAIG website is up to date concerning meeting information and not aware of any issues with the website. Nancy B. mentioned that New Visions Group is no longer active. Mike will remove them from the website.

Where and When: (Nancy B.) reported a revised Where & When dated August 1, 2021 was sent to the website and Answering Service earlier this month. The most recent revisions since July 15, 2021 aside from mask mandates which do not appear on the Where & When were:

- 1. The Saturday 9:00 am Chewsville meeting reopened on Saturday, August 7th.
- 2. Wednesday Chewsville meeting was removed since they are not reopening unless one of the former attendees is willing to take the key to reopen it. The church is available.
- 3. On Awakening Tuesday meeting now studies the Big Book.
- 4. On Awakening Friday meeting now focuses on Big Book Stories.

Nancy also had a text from Brian M. who is working with the church to reopen ARG. If that happens, she will revise the Where & When for September 1 and send it to the website. Groups can download and print the copies they need to distribute, or they can direct attendees to www.hagerstownaa.org to view the Where & When online.

If there are any changes to your group's meetings, please call Nancy B. or write to meetings@hagerstownaa.org

Intergroup Rep Reports:

Chewsville: Steve W. reported for Jennifer L. The Chewsville meeting is open on Saturday mornings at 9:00 a.m. and could use some support. This is a Daily Reflection meeting.

Courage to Change: Barb C. reported that their group conscience voted that members are required to wear a mask to attend the meeting. She reported 3 anniversaries. The anniversaries are open to anyone.

Fellowship Hall: Butch L. reported 1 anniversary and a \$7.00 donation to the Pink Can.

Gratitude: Gerald R. reported for Jeff F. Jeff F. would like the Gratitude meeting login information published. This login information for this meeting can be located on the Where & When located on the HAIG website. The meeting is held virtually on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. Zoom ID: 824 696 130 Password: 121134

Hagerstown Group: Michelle V. reported that St. John's Episcopal Church is requiring members to wear masks

too attend the Saturday night meetings. She reported 2 anniversaries and \$23.00 donation to the Pink Can.

Maple Ave: Bob B. reported for Lorraine B. members are required to wear a mask to attend the meeting. Reported 2 anniversaries.

New Paths: Dave G. reported that there are no anniversaries. Member are required to wear a mask to attend the meeting if they are not vaccinated. \$29.00 donation to the Pink Can.

Serenity: Erica G. reported that the Serenity Group needs support for their Thursday, Friday and Saturday meetings which are held at 2:00 p.m. No mask required.

Summit Avenue: Bridgette C. reported that Summit Avenue meeting does not require mask. She reported 1 anniversary and a \$32.00 donation to the Pink Can.

Old Business:

Gerald R. will continue to work on contacting current Committee Chairs to see if they wish to continue serving in their current position. Once finished, he will report back to the HAIG and let the fellowship know of the open positions. He asked that all Intergroup Reps. discuss at their group conscience that the HAIG is looking for Committee Chairs and members to serve on those Committees.

Nancy B. asked if we have members signed up to volunteer to work at the upcoming Workshop on September 25, 2021. Craig T. reported that the flyer is out, and HAIG approved to donate \$100.00 to the church and that we provide coffee, water and snacks as approved by the church at the time of the meeting to meet their COVID guideline. Craig said he is working with the church and will pick up the appropriate refreshments. Gerald reported that Amber D. was planning to oversee handing out the refreshments. The Church is setting up for 30 -40 people with the proper social distancing. We would need volunteers to stay after the meeting to wipe everything down. At this time, no mask is required for the workshop. [NOTE: This has changed since 8/22. MASKS ARE NOW REQUIRED!] If interested in helping, please contact Gerald R. It was recommended that we have masks on hand to be prepared if they are required the day of the event.

New Business:

Nancy B. stated that we should mention to Amber D., Activities Chair that if she is planning to host a Gratitude Breakfast in November, we will need to secure a location and speaker.

Meeting closed at 4.02 p.m. with the Responsibility Pledge.

The next HAIG Intergroup Meeting will be in-person on September 26, 2021, at 3:30 pm. All are welcome to attend!

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