

HAGERSTOWN AREA INTERGROUP

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October 2021 Newsletter

HAIG INFORMATION Monthly Meeting: 4th Sunday each month – 3:30 PM

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newsletter@hagerstownaa.org Deadline for submissions is the 4th Sunday of each month.

Step 10:

Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.

Tradition 10:

Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.

Concept X

(Short Form): Every Service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority, with the scope of such authority well defined.

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Groups have resumed inperson meetings. See the Where & When directory of meetings and the Meeting Guide app on

the HAIG website. www.hagerstownaa.org

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Service Workshop ~ Sunday, October 10, 1:00 to 3:00pm at Fellowship Hall. HAIG will partner with District 20 to provide an informational and informal opportunity to find out why we say "Service is the Secret". What can we do after "don't drink and go to meetings"? Bring your sponsor, sponsees, and lots of questions. There will be an informal discussion with an Ask It Basket so you can ask your questions anonymously.

HAIG Gratitude Breakfast ~ Saturday, November 6, 9:00am to Noon, Otterbein UMC, 108 E. Franklin Street, Hagerstown, MD. (Masks must be worn to enter, until you are seated.) Tickets are \$10 each. See your Intergroup Rep or other HAIG officer or committee chair to purchase. Speaker will be Dawn B. from Frederick, MD.

October Anniversaries

Date	Celebrant	Yrs	Group	Time
10/8	Jeanette M.	2	Courage to	6:00 pm
			Change	
10/8	Charlie D.	7	Fellowship Hall	6:00 pm
10/9	Amber D.	2	Hagerstown	8:00 pm
10/13	Dirk D.	32	Maple Avenue	7:30 pm
10/15	Butch L.	5	Fellowship Hall	6:00 pm
10/16	Carol B.	7	Maple Avenue	7:30 pm
10/18	Larry P.	27	Summit Avenue	7:00 pm
10/18	John B.	34	Summit Avenue	7:00 pm
10/20	Billy B.	1	Primary Purpose	7:00 pm
10/20	Lorraine B.	35	Maple Avenue	7:30 pm
10/20	Terri C.	43	Maple Avenue	7:30 pm
10/22	Cierra P.	3	Courage to	6:00 pm
			Change	

Intergroup Meeting Minutes September 26, 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: Gerald R., Andy M., Craig T.

Chairs present included: Amber D., Activities; John B. & Bob B. – Corrections; Steve W. – Outreach, Michael E., – Website; and Nancy B. Where & When.

7 Intergroup reps were present and 2 visitors.

<u>Chair Report:</u> Gerald R. asked if there were any new intergroup representative. Lori J. is the new IGR for On Awakening.

<u>Secretary Report</u>: Craig T. read the August meeting minutes. The report was approved unanimously.

<u>**Treasurer's Report</u>**: Andy M. submitted the following report which was read into the minutes and approved unanimously.</u>

Beginning Balance: 8/22/21	\$2,396.38
Contributions:	
Courage to Change	100.00
New Paths	150.00
Serenity Group	30.00
Total Contributions:	\$280.00
Total Funds Available:	\$2,676.38
Expenditures:	
None	\$00.00
Total Expenditures:	\$00.00
Ending Balance:	\$2,676.38
Prudent Reserve:	(\$900.00)
Total Funds Available: 9/26/21	\$1,776.38

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

Activities Committee: Amber D., reported she has been in contact with the bowling alley. They have switched to their winter hours. Activities is considering planning an event for after 1:00 on a Sunday. We could get 4 lanes with 6 members per game and the facility would work financially with us. Will continue to research for a winter event.

Amber stated that the Hub City Vineyard Church is willing to work with us if Otterbein UMC is not available for the Gratitude Breakfast. Following discussion, *Nancy B. made a motion that we host the Gratitude Breakfast at Otterbein United Methodist Church and charge \$10.00 per ticket. Motion seconded and was passed unanimously*. Amber will contact the church and try to secure a Saturday in November.

Answering Service: Gerald R. reported for Annamarie C. that the service appears to be working correctly. The phone number on aa.org has been corrected.

Corrections-Men: John B. reported there are no changes at WCDC. If you are interested in taking meetings into the jail, please contact him. Bob B. had no additional report for the prison. There are no changes.

Pink Can Report:

Beginning Balance as of: 9/26		\$194.23
As Bill Sees It	\$27.70	
Courage to Change	\$28.00	
Fellowship Hall	\$ 7.00	
Hagerstown Group	\$23.00	
New Paths	\$29.00	
On Awakening	\$44.77	
Williamsport Group	\$21.85	
New Balance		\$375.55

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

Public Information: Gerald R. reported for Erica G. that there was no report this month.

Website: Mike E. was present but had no report.

Where and When: Nancy B. reported there have been no changes to the Where & When since the last publication of August 1, 2021. Groups can still download and print the copies they need to give out or they can direct attendees to the HAIG website at <u>www.hagerstownaa.org</u> to view the online pdf. Also

remember that folks can access the Meeting Guide App from the HAIG website to find the next meeting near them even outside of Washington County. If there are any changes to your group's meetings, please call Nancy B. or write to <u>meetings@hagerstownaa.org</u> If anyone is interested in serving as Where & When Chair, please contact Nancy to find out what is involved. Right now, it is a simple, but important service opportunity.

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. Anniversaries are for women only, men may only attend if invited. She reported two anniversaries, turned in \$18.00 to the Pink Can, and a donation of \$100 to HAIG which was reflected in the Treasurer's report.

Fellowship Hall: Craig T., Alt IGR reported two anniversaries and \$20 donation to the Pink Can.

Gratitude: Nancy B. reported for Jeff F. that the Gratitude meeting continues virtually. Carol B. from the Maple Avenue Group will be chairing the meeting for October. He turned in \$18.00 donation to the Pink Can. Steve W. mentioned that all the in-person supplies for the Gratitude meeting have been donated to be used by the intergroup or other A.A. groups as need. They ae being stored at

Fellowship Hall. 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 to attend the Saturday night meetings. She reported 1 anniversary and \$32.88 donation to the Pink Can.

Maple Ave: Lorraine B. reported that members are required to wear a mask to attend the meeting. She reported 3 anniversaries.

On Awakening: Victor S. reported that he is rotating as IGR and Lori J. is the new IGR. Lori had no report.

Primary Purpose: Luke M. reported that they have averaged 35 members per night in the last 52 weeks. Inclement weather decision was made by the group conscience. They will not hold a meeting if the Snow Emergency Plan is in effect. Nancy will add the ⊕ icon to the Where & When.

Serenity: Gerald R. reported for Erica G. that the group is doing well and gaining new members.

Summit Avenue: Bridgette C. reported 2 anniversaries and a \$14.00 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. Plans to call all Committee Chair this week. 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.

The "Writing a 4th Step" workshop was very successful. Special thanks to presenter John E. from Frederick, MD and all who helped setup, attended, and cleaned up afterward. There were 52 members in attendance. Expenses were \$100.00 donation for the use of the church plus \$41.01 for supplies. Some of the supplies came from the items donated by the Gratitude meeting. It was suggested that we could consider a workshop on Spirituality.

New Business:

The 11th Annual Southern Maryland Roundup is being held March 18-20, 2022. Flyers are available. District 20 is hosting a "Service Workshop" on Sunday, October 10, 2021, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at Fellowship Hall. Flyer is posted on the website and will be emailed out to Intergroup Reps.

West Central Intergroup in Frederick is having a Roundup on Friday, October 8th and Saturday, October 9th. Flyers are available.

Nancy B. mentioned that the next event we should consider is if we wish to host a New Year's Eve Dance. Amber will investigate finding an event coordinator.

Meeting closed at 4:11 p.m. with the Responsibility Pledge.

The next HAIG Intergroup Meeting will be in-person on October 24, 2021, at 3:30 pm. All are welcome to attend!

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