



# HAGERSTOWN AREA INTERGROUP

P.O. Box 1153 ♦ Hagerstown, MD 21741

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## December 2021 Newsletter

### HAIG INFORMATION

#### Monthly Meeting:

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday each month – 3:30 pm  
6 N. Mulberry St., Hagerstown, MD

### TRUSTED SERVANTS

#### Officers:

**Chairperson:** Gerald R.  
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**Treasurer:** Andy M.  
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**Secretary:** Craig T.  
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**Website:** Mike E.  
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**Where & When:** Nancy B.  
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WCDC Women Carol B.

WCDC Men John B.

MCTC Bob B.

**Ad-hoc Technology:** Vacant  
technology@hagerstownaa.org

**Ad-hoc Workshop:** Vacant  
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Submit anniversaries etc. to:  
newsletter@hagerstownaa.org  
Deadline for submissions is the 4th  
Sunday of each month.

Step 12: Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all our affairs.

Tradition 12: Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.

Concept XII: General Warranties of the Conference: in all its proceedings, the General Service Conference shall observe the spirit of the A.A. Tradition, taking great care that the conference never becomes the seat of perilous wealth or power; that sufficient operating funds, plus an ample reserve, be its prudent financial principle; that none of the Conference Members shall ever be placed in a position of unqualified authority over any of the others; that all important

decisions be reached by discussion vote and whenever possible, by substantial unanimity; that no Conference action ever be personally punitive or an incitement to public controversy; that though the Conference may act for the service of Alcoholics Anonymous, it shall never perform any acts of government; and that, like the Society of Alcoholics Anonymous which it serves, the Conference itself will always remain democratic in thought and action.

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### HAGERSTOWN AREA MEETING INFORMATION

**Fellowship Hall** has temporarily closed the Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday 8:30 p.m. meetings due to poor attendance. The Thursday, Friday, Saturday, & Sunday 8:30 p.m. meeting could use some support.

Groups have resumed in-person meetings. See the Where & When directory of meetings and the Meeting Guide app on the HAIG website for a complete list.

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### UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

**December 11 – Area 29 Assembly Meeting** – Held virtually beginning at 9:00 a.m. Meeting ID: 335 232 9265, Passcode: 164, Dial-in: (301) 715-8592

**December 19 – 3:30 pm. Hagerstown Area Intergroup** monthly meeting. Date moved due to Christmas holiday.

**December 19 – 5:00 pm, District 20** meets at Fellowship Hall. All GSRs should attend.

**December 31 – New Years Eve Dance** Hub City Church, 17805 Oak Ridge Dive, Hagerstown, MD There will be dancing to a D.J. and more beginning at 9pm! Watch for flyers.

**January 22 – Area 29 Planning Meeting.** Location to be announced.

**February 25-27 – NERAASA 2022** (Northeast Regional A.A. Service Assembly) held in Pittsburgh, PA. Register at <https://www.neraasa.org/register/> NERAASA is your best opportunity to learn "everything you ever wanted to know" about A.A. service.

### December Anniversaries

Date	Celebrant	Yrs.	Group	Time
12/1	Julie S.	4	Primary Purpose	7:00 PM
12/10	Tom M.	40	Williamsport	8:00 PM
12/11	Seth G	1	Hagerstown	8:00 PM
12/17	Dave S.	37	Williamsport	8:00 PM
12/18	Michelle V.	6	Hagerstown	8:00 PM
12/20	Mark E.	8	Summit Avenue	7:00 PM
1/2/22	Henry R	18	New Paths	6:00 PM

### Intergroup Meeting Minutes

Date: 11/28/21

Gerald R., Chairperson, opened the meeting at 3:30 pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Officers in attendance included: Gerald R., Andy M., & Craig T.

Chairpersons present included: John B. - Men's Corrections; Bob B. - Men's Corrections; Steve W. - Outreach; Erica G. - Public Information; Bryan R. – Treatment; Michael E. – Website; Nancy B. - Where & When.

7 Intergroup reps were present and 1 visitor(s).

**Secretary Report:** Craig T. read the October meeting minutes. The report was approved unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Andy M. submitted and read the following report, which was approved unanimously.

<b>Beginning Balance:</b>		<b>\$ 2,855.83</b>
<b>Contributions:</b>		
As Bill Sees It	\$ 46.57	
On Awakening	\$ 100.00	
Serenity	\$ 30.00	
<b>Total Contributions:</b>		<b>\$ 176.57</b>
<b>Total Funds Available:</b>		<b>\$ 3032.40</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>		
Annamarie- Answering Service	\$ 29.54	
Amber D. – Gratitude Breakfast Church Use/ Seed Money	\$ 250.00	
P.O. BOX Renewal	\$ 204.00	
Fellowship Hall Room Use	\$ 45.00	
<b>Total Expenditures:</b>		<b>\$ 528.54</b>
<b>Ending Balance:</b>		<b>\$ 2,503.86</b>
Prudent Reserve:		\$ (900.00)
<b>Total Funds Available:</b>		<b>\$ 1,603.86</b>

**Committee Reports:** If the committee report is missing, the chair or committee representative was not present.

**Activities committee:** Gerald R. reported for Amber D. that the Gratitude Breakfast was a success. \$496.12 was returned to Andy M., Treasurer after expenses. Amber has booked the Hub City Church for the New Years Eve Dance. The church does not charge so we will consider a \$100.00 donation. Intergroup to provide. Dave M. offered his DJ serves for \$350.00. Cindy C. made a motion that **Dave M. provides the DJ service for the New Year's Eve Dance for a fee of \$350.00. Motion seconded and approved** unanimously. The type of refreshments was discussed and decided to offer finger food not a meal. Bridgette C. made a motion **to approve \$150.00 seed money to the Activities Committee for paper products, snacks, and drinks. The Motion was seconded and approved unanimously.** Members will be asked to bring finger food/snacks to share. Details to follow on the New Year's Eve Dance. If anyone is interested in helping, please see Amber D.

**Corrections-Men:** John B. reported that there are no changes with meetings at the WCDC. If interested in taking meeting into men's corrections, please contact Bob B. or John B. for an application. Bob B reported that MCTC is not allowing meetings but are in the talking stage of starting and all interested members would need to attend and orientation.

**Pink Can Report:**

<b>Beginning Balance 10/24/21</b>		<b>\$ 524.70</b>
As Bill Sees it	\$ 49.00	
Fellowship Hall	\$ 13.00	
On Awakening	\$ 77.26	
Primary Purpose	\$ 30.00	
Williamsport	\$14.00	
<b>Total Contributions</b>		<b>\$183.26</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Literature		
<b>New Balance 11/24/19</b>		<b>\$707.96</b>

**Finance-** Craig T. reported for Luke M, Finance Chair. He submitted and reviewed the 2022 Proposed Budget. Groups can review and provide any suggested corrections or adjustments to Luke M. at [finance@hagerstownaa.org](mailto:finance@hagerstownaa.org) by December 10<sup>th</sup>. The 2022 Proposed Budget will be voted on at the December 19<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

**Outreach:** Steve W. sent out a reminder message to today's meeting.

**Public Information-** Erica G. had no report. She is still trying to get in contact with Brian M. to get the Public Information material. She is looking for members to help on the committee.

**Treatment-** Bryan R. reported that meetings have resumed at Awakenings on Friday at 7:00 p.m. Please let Bryan know if you are interested in volunteering to be a speaker. Meritus Hospital is not allowing meetings to be brought in at this time due to COVID-19 regulations. Bryan will stay in contact with the Hospital and report any changes.

**Website:** Mike E. had no report but would like to post the New Year's Eve Flyer as soon as possible.

**Where and When:** Nancy B. reported she is revising the Where & When for December 1, 2021 with the following changes so far:

- Fellowship Hall has temporarily closed the 8:30 pm meetings on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday due to poor attendance.
- The Wheelchair Accessible icon has been changed to a wheelchair
- A Masks Required icon has been added

Groups can download and print the copies they need to distribute at meetings, or they can direct attendees to [www.hagerstownaa.org](http://www.hagerstownaa.org) to view the Where & When online.

If there are any changes to your group's meetings going forward, please call Nancy B. or write to [meetings@hagerstownaa.org](mailto:meetings@hagerstownaa.org)

**Intergroup Rep reports:** If you do not see your group on the list, the IGR was not present, or your group does not have an IGR.

**Fellowship Hall:** Butch L. reported no anniversaries and a \$12.00 donation to the Pink Can.

**Gratitude:** Nancy B. reported for Jeff F that she will be chairing the virtual meeting during the month of December and there is an excellent slate of speakers on Thursdays at 7pm.

**Hagerstown Group:** Michelle V. reported that masks are required at the Dry Bridge meeting but not the Cleveland Avenue meeting. Turned in two anniversaries and a donation of \$480.00 to the HAIG.

**Maple Ave:** Lorraine B. reported Maple Avenue will not have a meeting on December 25<sup>th</sup>, Christmas day.

**New Paths:** Cindy C. reported that masks are required, and the meeting area is to be wiped down with disinfectant. Turned in one anniversary.

**On Awakening:** Lori J. reported that masks are required, and the meeting area is to be wiped down with disinfectant.

**Serenity:** Erica G. reported that Rashid W. will be celebrating 30 years in January 2022. Donated \$30.00 to the HAIG

**Summit Avenue:** Bridgette C. reported one anniversary and a \$21.00 donation to the Pink Can.

**Williamsport:** Nancy B. for Tom M., reported two anniversaries and a \$26.00 donation to the Pink Can.

**Old Business:**

Butch L., IGR Fellowship Hall asked at the October meeting if meetings were being taken into the hospital. Bryan R., Treatment Chair, stated that they are not allowed at this time due to COVID-19 regulations.

**New Business:**

Nancy B. asked the question, "do we still need a Newsletter Committee". The Secretary could document the minutes in the newsletter template and then send out for proofreading. This would allow us to get the newsletter to the fellowship quicker. The Secretary creating minutes and emailing them to the Newsletter Chair to be copied and pasted into the newsletter template simply adds another step and additional time to the process. This change is possible since we are not printing and distributing paper copies. The newsletter is sent out electronically and posted on the website. IGRs should take this question back to the groups for discussion.

Craig T. asked if we should consider changing the December HAIG meeting date because of the Holidays. Lorraine B. made a motion **to move the December HAIG meeting from December 26<sup>th</sup> to December 19 at 3:30 p.m. due to the Holidays. The Motion was seconded and approved unanimously.**

*Meeting closed at 4:10 pm with the Responsibility Pledge.*

The next HAIG Intergroup Meeting will be December 19<sup>th</sup>, at 3:30 pm. **NOTE: This is a change due to the holidays!** All are welcome to attend!

<b>Send Group 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Contributions to:</b>	
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