

HAGERSTOWN AREA INTERGROUP

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March 2022 Newsletter

HAIG INFORMATION **Monthly Meeting:**

4th Sunday each month – 3:30 PM 6 N. Mulberry St., Hagerstown, MD

TRUSTED SERVANTS

Officers:

Chairperson: Gerald R.

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WCDC Men John B.

MCTC Bob B

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

Concept III: 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.

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Convention. Craig T. will provide a summary from the Intergroup Roundtable from NERAASA.

Intergroup Liaison Committee Meeting

Spanish Translation Provided

Meeting ID: 810 0529 8663

Passcode: 473809

Dial in - 301 715 8592 US (Maryland)

April's guest speaker will be Brandi T., Area 29 Grapevine Committee Chairperson.



March 5 - CARC IV Meeting. Districts 7, 9, 17, 20, 40, & 41. Virtual from 1 pm - 3 pm. ALL members welcome. This is your opportunity to discuss with other members the items that will be on the agenda of the Annual General Service Conference of A.A. which takes place in April

Meeting ID: 818 4738 1670

Passcode: 182520

March 19 - Area Assembly Meeting/Annual BOD Meeting. Severna Park United Methodist Church, 731 Benfield Road, Severna Park, MD. 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

March 20 - District 20 Meeting. Fellowship Hall 5:00 pm. All GSRs should attend. Interested members are welcome

March 27 - HAIG Meeting. Fellowship Hall 3:30 pm

MARK YOUR CALENDAR - FUTURE EVENTS

April 9, 2022 - Area 29 Mini Conference to hear presentations from the four CARCs discussing the items that will be on the agenda of the annual General Service Conference of A.A. These are items that, if approved, will affect A.A. as a whole. All are welcome to attend and participate.

May 1, 2022 - Register online for Sessions by the Sea which begins the Tuesday after Labor Day.

May 21, 2022 - Area Assembly, Severna Park, MD all GSRs should attend. All are welcome.

June 24-26 - 50th Annual MD State Convention, Clarion Inn Frederick Event Center, 5400 Holiday Drive, Frederick MD. You can register online at: http://www.marylandaa.org/state-convention

HAGERSTOWN AREA MEETING INFORMATION

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. www.hagerstownaa.org

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Area 29 Intergroup Liaison Meeting: The next IGLC meeting will be Monday March 7, 2022 @ 6:30 p.m. held virtually. Birk S. and Victor K., Area 29 MD State Convention Chair and Co-Chair will be the guest speakers on the upcoming 50th Annual MD State



March Anniversaries

Date	Celebrate	Yrs.	Group	Time
3/2	Justin M.	1	1 On Awakening	
3/2	Victor S.	S. 7 On Awakening		6:45 am
3/4	Jeff B.	21	Williamsport	8:00 pm
3/11	Ken L.	43	Williamsport	8:00 pm
3/13	Dave G.	5	New Paths	6:00 pm
3/14	Mary E.	3 Summit Avenue		7:00 pm
3/14	Karen S.	3	Summit Avenue	7:00 pm
3/16	Charlie C.	1	Maple Avenue	7:30 pm
3/21	Jeff F.	46	Summit Avenue	7:00 pm
3/21	Martin H.	3	Summit Avenue	7:00 pm
3/27	Daniel S.	1 New Paths		6:00 pm

Intergroup Meeting Minutes February 27, 2022

Gerald R. (Chair) 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., and Craig T.

Chairs present included: Amber D., Activities; John B., Corrections; Nick N., Grapevine; Steve W., Outreach; Erica G., PI; Nancy B., Where & When and Brian J., DCM.

5 Intergroup reps were present and 1 visitor.

<u>Chairperson Report:</u> Gerald R. introduced Nick N. as the new HAIG Grapevine Chairperson. Thank you, Nick, for your wiliness to serve.

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

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

Beginning Balance: 1/23/22		\$3,690.49
Contributions:		
NYE Dance Seed Money Returned	cash	\$46.00
NYE Dance Proceeds	cash	\$126.00
On Awakening	146	\$100.00
Serenity	386	\$30.00
Total Contributions:		\$302.00
Total Funds Available:		
Expenditures		\$3,992.49
Answering Service January 2022		\$29.31
Total Expenditures:		\$29.31
Ending Balance:		\$3,963.18
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<u>Committee Reports</u>: If a committee report is missing, the chair was not present.

Activities Committee: Amber D., reported she decided not to pursue an A.A. Bowling night. The Activities Committee will begin working on the Annual Spring Luncheon (Round Robin) that will be in May. There will be a guest speaker and the Intergroup will provide chicken and beverages. Members are asked to please bring covered dishes. Possible venues for the event are the Otterbein Church or the Primary Purpose location. More information will be announced

Corrections-Men: John B. reported the everything is the same at WCDC an MCTC. If interested in taking meetings into the men's correction center, please contact Bob B. or John B. for applications. Literature on hand is currently being boxed to take to MCTC. John met with Sgt. Pryor at WCDC who said they are considering admitting religious organizations and will let him know when meetings can

be brought in. He asked if volunteers would be willing to come in to talk one-on-one if requested. This can, of course be done.

Pink Can Report:

Beginning Balance as of 1/23/22		879.53
Fellowship Hall Group	12.00	
As Bill Sees It Group	39.97	
Primary Purpose Group	15.00	
On Awakening Group	83.11	
Summit Ave. Group	17.00	
Deposit 2/22/22		166.48
New Balance 2/27/22	1046.01	

Finance: This chair position is open. The responsibilities of this committee are: (1) prepares the Intergroup annual operating budget with input from the Treasurer and Standing Committee Chairpersons for review at an Executive Committee meeting in November, (2) forwards said budget to the Intergroup for approval at its December meeting; (3) reviews financial statements at least quarterly, and (4) prepares recommended finance related policies and procedures. Please contact Gerald R. if you are interested.

Grapevine: Nick N., New Grapevine Chair reported that he is grateful to serve and will appreciate guidance since he is new.

Newsletter: This chair position is open. The responsibilities of this committee are: (1) obtain minutes of monthly Intergroup meeting from HAIG Secretary and format them for inclusion in the newsletter, (2) obtain additional newsletter content from A.A. members and other approved sources, (3) obtain content approval from Intergroup Chairperson, (4) proofread and make final changes prior to publication, (5) arrange for printing and distribution of newsletter to Washington County meetings, and (6) forward newsletter for posting on HAIG website. Please contact Gerald R. if you are interested.

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

Public Information: Erica G. reported that she mailed a "Big Book" to Handcock and Keedysville High Libraries. Brian M. still has the PI literature and Erica would like to have it returned. She would like to get involved with the Washington County Public Schools. Plans to contact the Board of Education to determine the proper way to proceed. Would like to add members to the PI Committee. If interested, please contact Erica G. Gerald R can provide Erica with the name for public information at the BOE and Amber D. is willing to help to provide information at Health events in the county. Will K. volunteered to help serve on the PI committee.

Treatment: Gerald R. reported that Awakenings Recovery Center has started to allow speakers back in on Fridays.

Website: Gerald R. report for Mike E. that no changes have been made to the website.

Where and When: Nancy B. reported that nothing has changed with the Where & When since December 1st. There are 4 meeting locations that have mask mandates. They are On Awakening and Courage to Change at Otterbein Church, Maple Avenue, New Paths and Hagerstown Group. Plan to reach out to these groups to see if masks are still required prior to updating the Where & When.

Ad-hoc Workshop: Gerald R. reported that Maggie R. held a workshop meeting, but it was poorly attended. She is planning to set up another meeting time to discuss possible workshops.

RECOVERY

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District 20 DCM: Brian J. provided information from the Area 29 Delegate Report from February 19th Area 29 Committee meeting which included information on the GSO updated website, A.A. finances, & literature sales. For more information on these items and events around the Area, visit the marylandaa.org website. Brian also discussed the Conference Agenda Review Committee (CARC) process and encouraged members to get involved.

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

Boonsboro ABSI: John B. reported that they donated to the Pink Can.

Chewsville: Steve W. reported they could use support at this Saturday morning meeting.

Fellowship Hall: Craig T. Alternate IGR reported no anniversaries and donation of \$19.00 to the Pink Can. Fellowship Hall remains closed on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesdays at the 8:30 pm meetings. This will be reviewed at the next business meeting on March 2, 2022. The 8:30 meeting the rest of the week could use support.

Gratitude: Gerald R. reported for Jeff F. that they remain virtual and have 30+ members in attendance each Thursday. Lisa from New Zealand is the March chair and providing speakers.

Hagerstown Group: Michelle V. reported that there are no anniversaries and a donation of \$7.00 to the Pink Can.

Maple Avenue: Nancy B. reported for Lorraine B.: 1 anniversary. Maple Avenue's attendance is low and needs support for the Saturday meeting at 7:30 pm. Masks are now optional but encouraged during meetings

New Paths: Cindy C. reported 2 anniversaries and a donation \$15:00 to the Pink Can. They gave snow emergency information to the W&W. Will check on Mask Mandate.

On Awakening: Lori J. reported 2 anniversaries and a donation to HAIG

Primary Purpose: Amber D reported that Dave M. is the new IGR for Primary Purpose. No anniversaries.

Serenity: Erica G. reported \$23.00 to the Pink Can and \$30.00 to HAIG. Attendance has been picking up.

Summit Avenue: Mary M., Alternate IGR reported 4 anniversaries and a donation of \$33.00 to the Pink Can.

Williamsport: Nancy B. report 2 anniversaries.

Old Business:

The Activities Committee decide not to pursue a Fellowship Bowling Night.

The Question was asked if the HAIG still needs a Newsletter Committee. Following discussion, some groups would like to keep this service kept intact. The position of the Newsletter Chair is open. Please see Gerald R. if interested in serving in this capacity. Until this position is filled, it was agreed that the Intergroup

Secretary will produce the HAIG Newsletter and distribute virtually and have posted on the HAIG website. Since the newsletter is curtly not being printed, addition information will be included in future publications.

New Business:

Gerald R mentioned that Andy M. received a request from AAIG that they would like to discontinue mailing hard copies of their newsletter to the HAIG P.O. Box. There was no objection to having it sent electronically to the Chairperson.

Craig T., Secretary, stated since the HAIG Newsletter is currently not being printed, the format of the newsletter could be changed and additional A.A. information could be added. The newsletter would be sent out electronically and posted to the HAIG Website. Following discussion, it was decided to implement these changes in future publication and welcome feedback from the intergroup representatives and membership. If you have A.A. information you would like in the newsletter, please send to secretary@hagerstownaa.org

Craig T. provided a report on the purpose of the Area 29 Intergroup Liaison Committee (IGLC) which meets virtually on the 1st Monday of each month. IGLC serves as a resource conduit between the Area 29 general service structure, the General Service Office, and the Intergroups in Area 29; encourage communication among the Intergroups in Area 29; and assist individual groups in Area 29 in carrying A.A.'s message of recovery. Craig encouraged the HAIG Committee Chairs and members to attend this monthly meeting to stay informed.

Nancy B. stated any member that is not receiving emails concerning the IGLC meeting or other information from the HAIG can provide her with their email and she will include them on the email distribution list.

Meeting closed at 4:12 p.m. with the Responsibility Pledge.



The next HAIG Intergroup Meeting will be in-person on March 27, 2022, at 3:30 pm. All are welcome to attend!

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		District 20 Committee P.O. Box 1951 Hagerstown, MD 21742		



50th Annual Area 29 Maryland State Convention

June 24th – 26th, 2022 With Al-Anon Participation – Hosted by Maryland General Service, Inc.

Clarion Inn Frederick Event Center 5400 Holiday Drive, Frederick, MD 21703

AA Speakers

Deshu G. – Clarksburg, MD

Marie E. – Murrells Inlet, SC

Lukas M. - Towson, MD

Melissa Z. - Chester, VA

Gary K. – Sulphur Springs, TX

Joe G. - Wylie, TX

Al-Anon Speaker

Beverly B. – Lewisville, TX

Open AA and Al-Anon Meetings

at intervals each day

Evening Activities

Ice Cream Socials (\$5 each night)
Recovery Puppet Show

Friday, June 24th

8:00 am Registration Opens

8:15 am Prayer and Meditation

10:30 am AA Workshop

12:00 pm Lunch

1:00 pm AA Speaker Meeting

2:30 pm AA Workshop

4:00 pm AA Speaker Meeting

6:30 pm Dinner

8:00 pm AA Speaker Meeting

10:00 pm AA History Presentation

Pre-Registration Gift! Limit 450 See back!

Saturday, June 25th

8:00 am Registration Opens8:15 am Prayer and Meditation9:00 am AA Speaker Meeting10:30 am Al-Anon Speaker Meeting

12:00 pm Lunch

1:00 pm Old Timers Panel 2:30 pm AA Workshop

4:00 pm AA & Al-Anon Workshop

6:00 pm Banquet

7:30 pm Delegate Report and

Sobriety Countdown

8:00 pm AA Speaker Meeting

9:30 pm Ice Cream Social 10:00 pm Recovery Show

Sunday June 26th

9:15 am Prayer and Meditation10:00 am AA Speaker Meeting

Convention Room Rate: \$109/night + Tax.

Mention "MD State Convention" for this reduced rate and a FREE breakfast.

For hotel reservations, call 301-694-7500, or reserve online at: www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/ZM83G3

Hotel reservations must be made by June 10, 2022

Note: The hotel does NOT have an elevator. If you require ground floor accommodations, notify the hotel when making reservations.

Pre-Registration Gift ● 50th MGS Convention Mug ● First 450 pre-registrations!

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Registration and Meal Selection

Register online at http://www.marylandaa.org/state-convention
Online registration payment by credit card is \$32, including a \$2 convenience fee.
Registration payment by check is \$30. Make check payable to MGS State Convention.
Mail with this form to: MGS State Convention, P.O. Box 1710, Frederick, MD 21702

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Please contact me re	egarding Service Opportunities	at the Convention: Yes Pho	one #:		
Accessibility accomi	modations? Please list:				
GTY YEAR	Registration Options:		# of Registrar	its Subtotal	
C C OWN SELF OR 12	AA Registrants	\$30/person	X	= \$	
	Al-Anon Registrants	\$30/person	X	= \$	
RECOVERY	Registrations and All Meals	\$159/person	X	= \$	
Day at a Th	Must Specify Banquet O	ption Below			
<u>Meal Options</u> – If your	registration includes ALL meals, s	select from Banquet Options 1-4 be	elow (no additiona	l fee)	
Friday Lunch – Deli Bufj		\$26	X	= \$	
Salami, Ham, Smoked	Two Dressings, Potato Salad, Past Turkey, American, Swiss, and Pi met Cookies and Brownies.				
<u> Friday Dinner – Italian .</u>	Extravaganza Buffet	\$35	X	= \$	
Caesar salad, garlic bre	ead sticks, tomato mozzarella wit Alfredo or Bolognese sauces,	th pesto, vegetable salad. Penne			
Saturdav Lunch – Amer	ican Buffet	\$28	X	= \$	
Old Fashioned Grilled Assorted Cheeses, Fix	Hamburgers and Hot Dogs, Gril kings and Condiments, Baked B Brownies.	led Chicken Breast, Texas Chili, Jeans, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw,			
Saturday Banquet – Sea	nting limited to 200 – order early	\$40			
Plated meals served wis sauce and berry coulis.	ith warm rolls & butter, garden sa	alad. Cheesecake with chocolate			
Option 1: Grilled chic vegetables.	ken breast with lemon caper sau	uce, whipped potatoes, seasonal	X	= \$	
Option 2: Jerk salmon	-			= \$	
	card roasted pork loin medallior catoes, seasonal vegetables.	n with mushroom cream sauce,	X	= \$	
Option 4: Vegan, glute	en-free quinoa pilaf stuffed peppe	r, saffron rice, grilled vegetables.	X	= \$	
		TOTAL AMOUNT	DHE	= \$	

CARCIV

Conference Agenda Review Committee Districts 7, 9 17, 20, 40 and 41

> Saturday, March 5, 2022 1pm-3pm Zoom Zoom ID: 818 4738 1670 Password: 182520

All AA members are Welcome!





Do you want to be involved in new literature for AA, changes to the 12 Steps & 12 Traditions Books or helping AA become more inclusive?

CARCs give you the opportunity to hear the items to be considered at the 2022 General Service Conference in April 2022.

Then you can have your voice heard by our Area 29 Delegate, Kurt W. and help prepare him for the 2022 Conference.

Contact Debbie P. with any questions: debbie@ddfsllc.com