



# HAGERSTOWN AREA INTERGROUP

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## December 2022 Newsletter

### HAIG INFORMATION

#### Monthly Meeting:

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

**NOTE: December meetings this year will be held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday due to holidays.**

#### TRUSTED SERVANTS

##### Officers:

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WCDC Men Steve B.  
MCTC Bob B.

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**Ad-hoc Workshop:** Maggie R.  
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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.

Meeting ID: 873 0539 6886

Passcode: 077854

Mobile (301) 715-8592

**December 18 – HAIG Meeting. Please note date change due to Christmas Holiday.** Fellowship Hall 3:30 pm. All IGR and Committee Chairs should attend.

**December 18 – District 20 Meeting.** Fellowship Hall 5:00 pm. All GSRs should attend.

#### Mark Your Calendar

**August 4-6, 2023 – 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Maryland State Convention.** Delta by Marriott- Hunt Valley, 245 Shawan Road, Hunt Valley, MD 21031. See "Save the Date Flyer".

### December Anniversary Celebrations

Date	Celebrant	Yrs.	Group	Time
12/2	Will K.	8	Fellowship Hall	9:30 am
12/9	Dave S.	38	Williamsport	8:00 pm
12/10	Julie S	5	Hagerstown	8:00 pm
12/12	Mark E.	9	Summit Avenue	7:00 pm
12/16	Tom M.	41	Williamsport	8:00 pm
12/19	Marc K.	20	Summit Avenue	7:00 pm
12/24	Justin F.	1	On Awakening	6:45 am
12/30	Amanda M.	1	Fellowship Hall	9:30 am
12/30	Mellisa M.	1	Fellowship Hall	6:00 pm

#### HAIG Minutes of November 20, 2022

Gerald R. 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: Jeramiah F., Activities; Steve B. & Bob B., Men's Corrections; Margaret K, Women's Corrections; Erica G., Public Information, Denise K., Treatment; Michael E., Website; Nancy B., Where & When; and Maggie R., Workshop.  
7 Intergroup reps were present and 4 visitors.

**Secretary Report:** Craig T. read a synopsis of the November, 2022 minutes which were approved unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Andy M. submitted and read the following report. Following discussion, they were approved unanimously. Bridgette stated that Lyn S., the speaker for the Gratitude Breakfast, did not accept the offer for mileage reimbursement so she is returning the check for \$69.60.

<b>Beginning Balance: 10/23/22</b>		<b>\$3,929.88</b>
<b>Contributions:</b>		
Proceeds from Gratitude Breakfast		\$507.00
Serenity	Cash	\$40.00
<b>Total Contributions:</b>		<b>\$547.00</b>
<b>Total Funds Available:</b>		<b>\$4,476.88</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>		
U.S. Postal Service P.O Box renewal	1988	\$232.00
Answering Service - November	Auto	\$29.40
<b>Total Expenditures:</b>		<b>\$261.40</b>
<b>Ending Balance:</b>		<b>\$4215.48</b>
<b>Prudent Reserve:</b>		(900.00)
<b>Total Funds Available: 11/20/22</b>		<b>\$3,315.48</b>

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### UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

**December 5 - Area 29 Intergroup Liaison Committee Meeting.** Jeanine W., Area 29 Registrar will be the guest speaker. Join Zoom Meeting 11/7/22 @ 6:30 p.m. **Spanish Translation Provided**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81005298663?pwd=cnNGNjg4TGYYVmptcVR4OGIZZytUZz09>

Meeting ID: 810 0529 8663, Passcode: 473809

Dial in - 301 715 8592 US (Maryland)

**December 10 – Area 29 Assembly Meeting.** Evangelical Reformed United Church, 15 W Church St., Frederick MD. Meeting is hybrid. Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87305396886?pwd=STJzS2laYzhrc3JtYm80TXVoaGtQUT09>

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

**Activities Committee:**

Jeremiah F. reported that he has not received information if Hub City is available to be the venue for the New Year's Eve Recovery Event on December 31<sup>st</sup>. Looking at other venues and open to suggestions. The Activities Committee met. A possible agenda for the event if held at Hub City would be, start at 8:30 pm; speaker from 9 till 10:00 pm; possible sobriety count-down at 10:30 pm; and ice cream social a 11:00 pm. The Event would finish after midnight. The agenda could change at a different venue. Following discussion, **Lorraine B made a motion to provide \$350.00 seed money towards the New Year's Eve Recovery Event. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.**

**Answering Service:** This chair position is open. Please contact Gerald R. if you are interested. Being paid automatically by direct withdraw.

**Corrections –MCTC Men:** Bob B reported that meetings at MCTC have resumed every Wednesday. Bob is getting new applicants but could use more. He has application for volunteer going in on a weekly basis or for speakers for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month, who can only go in once in a 12 month period. These are separate applications.  
**WCDC Men:** Steve B. reported Bob B., Margret K., John B., and himself are planning to meet on December 18th to discuss hosting a Corrections Workshop to be held at Fellowship Hall on January 8, 2023. This workshop would be designed to explain the process to get involved, answer questions, and encourage members to submit application to be volunteers or speaker in the correctional facilities. If interested in taking meetings into the WCDC or MCTC, or if you need more information, please contact Bob B. or Steve B. for an application

**Corrections - Women:** Margaret K reported that there is no date for opening up meetings at WCDC. She will contact Sargent Pryor prior to the meeting in January for updates. If interested in taking meetings into women at WCDC, please contact Margaret K.

**Pink Can Report: Provided by Margaret K.**

<b>Beginning Balance as of 10/23/22</b>		<b>\$1,248.53</b>
As Bill Sees it		\$50.93
Courage to Change		\$8.44
Fellowship Hall		\$35.00
Firehouse		\$25.00
On Awakening		\$33.47
Serenity		\$4.00
<b>Total Deposit</b>		<b>\$156.84</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>New Balance 11/20/22</b>		<b>\$1,405.37</b>

**Finance:** This chair position is open. Please contact Gerald R. if you are interested. Currently, Gerald R., Andy M., Craig T., Nancy B., and Jeremiah F. are serving on this Committee with Gerald R as acting Chairperson

**Newsletter:** This chair position is open. Please contact Gerald R. if you are interested. If you have any suggestions for the Newsletter, please contact Craig T.

**Outreach:** Steve W. sent out a reminder of today's meeting. If you did not receive one, please contact him.

**Public Information:** Erica G. reported she found the proper contact with the Washington County Board of Education. She sent them books and 2 copies of a package that would be a good choice if they want to purchase some literature. Erica is considering going to the Chamber of Commerce to possibly get addresses to distribute the pamphlet "A.A in the Workplace".

**Treatment:** Denise K. reported that Friday meetings at Awakenings are covered by men, and women are covering the Saturday night meetings. Still waiting for response on coverage for Wednesday night's meetings. Requirement to conduct meetings is 6 months or more. Need to be there by 6:45pm, meetings start at 7:00 pm. Denise is also

working with 3 other facilities in the area and waiting for responses.

**Website:** Mike E. reported no updates to the website.

**Where & When:** Nancy B. reported no changes to the "Where & When" since last month Please let Nancy B. know of any changes to your group or meeting at [meetings@hagerstownaa.org](mailto:meetings@hagerstownaa.org).

**Workshop:** Maggie R reported the workshop on "Safety & Etiquette In A.A." that was hosted by both the HAIG and District 20 was well attended by 40+ people. HAIG paid \$156.00 to the District which was their share of the cost for the workshop. There are no future workshops planned at this time but Maggie welcomes any suggested topics.

**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 ASBI:** Jeremiah F. reported \$10.18 to the Pink Can and the meeting will be open Thanksgiving.

**Courage to Change:** Jeanette reported via text that there was nothing to report.

**Fellowship Hall:** Andy M., Alternate IGR reported 3 anniversaries and \$57.00 to the Pink Can.

**Gratitude Meeting:** Jeff F. reported via text that Michelle P from Colorado will chair the virtual meetings for December.

**Hagerstown Group:** Michelle V. reported 1 anniversary.

**It Works, It Really Does:** Gerald R. reported they will not be meeting virtually on November 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Maple Avenue:** Lorraine B. reported they will be closed on Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup> due to a church Christmas event. 1 anniversary.

**On Awakening:** Margaret K. reported 1 anniversary and \$21.19 to the Pick Can.

**Serenity:** Erica G. reported a \$30.00 donation to HAIG.

**Summit Avenue:** Bridgette C. reported 2 anniversaries and turned in \$26.00 to the Pink Can.

**Williamsport:** Gerald R., reported 2 anniversaries for Daniel B.

**Old Business:**

Cassandra B. the "Speaker Getter" for Fellowship Hall Saturday 8:30 pm Beginners Meeting is looking for members with long term sobriety to volunteer to be speakers. Please contact her if interested.

Craig discussed 2023 Proposed HAIG Budget. **A motion to approve the 2023 proposed HAIG Budget as presented was made by Margaret K. and seconded. The motion was approved unanimously**

**New Business:**

It was discussed that when making flyers for future events, we can use the beautiful, colorful version for electronic distribution, but we should also have a version that is easier to print in black and white.

Meeting closed at 4:09 p.m. with the Responsibility Pledge. The next HAIG Meeting will be in-person on December 18, 2022 at 3:30 pm. **Please note date change due to Thanksgiving Holiday.** All are welcome to attend.

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