

WCI Chatter
Sunday, February 26, 2023

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SERVICE IN
AA
WORKSHOP**



Saturday, March 4, 2023

**Doors Open at 10:00AM for Coffee and Donuts
Presentation starts 10:30AM**

What is Service in AA? Why is AA suffering a large decline in an essential part of the Recovery-Unity-Service triangle? What can we do to improve service? How does it affect me if we do not change this?

Peace in Christ Lutheran Church

8798 Adventure Ave, Walkersville, MD

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See you there!

General Service Representative

*What does a GSR do?
How can you help your home
group and the still suffering
Alcoholic?*

*Join us for a Zoom
GSR Discussion /
Q&A*

*2nd Saturday of each month, 10 am
Meeting ID: 818 6222 7157
No PW
+ *Special guests**

Hosted by Area 29

**Corrections and Treatment Commitments are
available!**

Hagerstown Prisons - MCTC and Roxbury are now taking applications for volunteers to bring AA meetings into prisons. Once the paperwork is submitted and processed, the person will be contacted to attend an orientation meeting. Please contact corrections.treatment@westcentralaa.org and mention Hagerstown Prisons and the application will be sent to you.

Frederick County Adult Detention Center is assessing the best possible way to begin meetings in the center. (Video/In-Person) All volunteers will need to go through background checks and orientation. If you are interested in a service commitment with FCADC please contact corrections.treatment@westcentralaa.org and mention FCADC and the application will be sent to you.

Mountain Manor - is in desperate need of people to take a once a month commitment into their facility (especially women). Please contact Kye directly at 240-357-4256

Lee F., WCI's new O&TC Chair is looking for people to volunteer an hour at a time to answer phone calls and sell literature at the Intergroup Office. Please email office@westcentralaa.org to touch base with Lee and to set up a short training appointment. Volunteering at the Office is a great way to give back and to stay in the middle of AA!! Office training is always available.

[Your Guide to Meetings in Print!](#)

The new Where & When's have been printed. The new ones have a **RED** cover on them. They will be available at the WCI Intergroup office free of charge. There will be a sign out sheet for people who take them. You can also send an email to whereandwhen@westcentralaa.org and we can make arrangements for them to be delivered.

The WCI Central Office

The Federated Charities Bldg. 22 S. Market St., Suite 7 Frederick MD, 21701

Email: office@westcentralaa.org

[West Central Intergroup Office Hours Link](#)

"The WCI Literature Committee (literature@westcentralaa.org) would like to remind you that literature and other items can be purchased at a 50% **through the end of February, 2023**. Please visit <http://westcentralaa.org/literature-select/> to place your order. Be advised that literature purchased in this way will not be shipped to you. Arrangements will be made between you and the Literature committee for the literature to be picked up at a designated time. Thank you for taking advantage of this feature on our website!!"

[The Orenda Center of Wellness](#) in Sabillasville, Maryland, is looking for women with at least 6 months of sobriety to bring meetings into their inpatient treatment facility. If you are interested in a once a month commitment on an evening at 7pm please contact dray@theorendacenter.com

Meeting Information and Changes

New Live Closed Meeting: "Men's Step Group"

Thursday, 7:00 pm

Sol Yoga Studio, 269 W Patrick St, Frederick, MD 21701

Meeting Time Change: "Drop the Rock Step Principles meeting"

Hybrid Meeting

Wednesday, 6:00 pm (New Time)

**Social Services Bldg , 1890 N Market St 21701- Around back, Suite
#301**

Or Zoom, ID: 6781209852 PW: 999921



**ANDY M
CELEBRATES
11 YEARS!**

SOBER FRIENDS
Monday March 6th
7:00PM

**DAMASCUS ROAD
COMMUNITY CHURCH
12826 OLD NATIONAL PIKE
MT. AIRY, MD 21771**



**THE SUNDAY MORNING SPECIAL GROUP
THE SECOND OLDEST MEETING IN FREDERICK COUNTY**

NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Sunday at 10:00AM

7th Day Adventist Church

**Directions: Mile Marker 32 on Rt. 15 between
Emmitsburg and Thurmont – Turn on Lohr Rd.
To 15601 Catoclin Mountain Highway**

COVID has had a devastating effect on our meeting attendance. We are doing our best to keep it going. Please seriously consider joining us at our weekly meeting.

We are a Closed, 12 Step Meeting. Lots of Long Term Sobriety remains in this group ready to welcome newcomers!

Come join us "in the Fellowship of the Spirit, and you will surely meet some of us as you trudge the Road of Happy Destiny. May God bless you and keep you – until then." ~ Big Book, pg.164, 1976

**The Original Frederick Group
invites you to
Come Help Us
Celebrate our 75th
Anniversary!**



The Original Frederick Group began in this members home, namely that of Sam R., at 228 West Patrick Street Frederick, Maryland

(Photo Above)

Tuesday March 28th
6:30-7:30pm Food & Fellowship
7:30-8:30pm Meeting

AA Speaker
Pete D
Sykesville

Trinity United Methodist Church
703 W Patrick Street
Frederick, Maryland 21701

This is an open meeting, please
bring a covered dish
chicken will be supplied

Grapevine Meeting held on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm



Did you know that The Area 29 Grapevine Committee can be a traveling literature store. The committee has a large variety of the AA grapevine books for sale. Please reach back out to me If your group, District, or intergroup is hosting an event or workshop and

Would like us to come and sell literature.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85217774704?pwd=TVhEdFpKdmxSRINvNnJHU1pYWdVaQT09>

Meeting ID: 852 1777 4704

Passcode: 019347

Hosted by: Brandi D., Area 29 Grapevine Committee Chair

For more info: grapevine@marylandaa.org

Group and District GVR's encouraged to attend 😊 ,

All are Welcome!

***Are you looking for a fun service position? Please join us and find out more! All are welcome to attend!**

**New Zealand Marathon Zoom Meeting - Eastern time +16 hours
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2923712604> Meeting ID 2923712604 This
24x7 meeting is still going strong ! (as of 7-10-2022)**

UPCOMING EVENTS

CARC 1

Conference Agenda Review Committee – Eastern Shore

ZOOM MEETING

February 28, 2023, 6:30 – 9:00 pm

Meeting ID: 869 9945 4981

Passcode: 740355

Districts 24 (Queen Anne's), 25 (Wicomico & Somerset), 32 (Worcester), 37 (Talbot), 38 (Dorchester & Caroline), and 46 (Kent County) are all a part of CARC 1's Eastern Shore area.

The purpose of the Area 29 Conference Agenda Review Committees (CARCs) is to help prepare our Maryland Delegate for the General Service Conference. The CARCs are asked to review, discuss, and present selected Conference Agenda Items which will be brought before the General Service Conference for consideration. The CARCs consist of GSR's, DCM's, past Delegates, Area Officers, and ALL interested AA members.

Developing and revising AA literature and discussing changes to the AA Preamble are just a few of the many proposed agenda items. Please join us in helping to shape the future of Alcoholics Anonymous.

All AA members are Welcome!

CARC III

Conference Agenda Review Committee

Districts: 3, 4, 10, 11, 14, 15

18, 19, 28, 30, 33, 34, 39



Do you want to be involved in new literature for AA, learn about proposed changes to the 12 Steps & 12 Traditions Book or helping A.A. become more inclusive?

CARCs give you a chance to hear the items to be considered at the 2023 General Service Conference in April 2023.

Then you can have your voice heard by our Area 29 Delegate, Kurt W. and help prepare him for the 2023 Conference

How can I get involved? I want to be heard!



Coffee and snacks provided

● **March 18, 2023, Saturday** ●
10:00am-2:00pm Hybrid

St. John's Lutheran Church
8808 Harford Road
Parkville, MD 21234

● **Zoom ID: 879 8410 6477** ●
Password: 164

What is happening with the plain language Big Book?



Contact Kathleen W. with any questions at secretary@marylandaa.org

1st ANNUAL DISTRICT 02 ACCESSIBILITIES INFO DAY MARCH 4, 2023, 1 pm-4 pm EST



This is a Virtual Event

Zoom Info: ID: 850 8209 5243

Password: 126521

Time	Subject	Presenter
1:00 – 1:05	Open with a moment of silence Followed by Serenity Prayer	Shane H Chair
1:05 – 1:20	Role of the Accessibilities Chair	Theresa L Area 83 Accessibilities Chair Panel 73
1:20 – 1:35	AA Online: How to get in Touch	Shane H District 02 Accessibilities Chair
1:35 – 1:50	Accessing Barriers: “a description of various barriers and the AA Tools we use to overcome them”	De R District 02 Alternate Accessibilities Chair
1:50 – 2:00	Fellowship Break	
2:00 – 2:15	Deaf, Deafened, Hard of Hearing Communities: understanding the difference	Norma A SWTA 68 Texas
2:15 – 2:45	Overcoming Barriers in Sobriety: a member shares what it’s like living with a Disability in Sobriety	Alene R Portland Deaf Access Committee
2:30 – 2:45	A Guide to Service Animals	Greg R GTA Accessibilities Chair
2:45 – 3:00	Is our Meeting Place Wheelchair Accessible and Mobile friendly?	Ray R District 02 Secretary/Registrar
3:00 – 3:30	Question and Answer Period	Shane H Chair
3:30	Close with Responsibility Declaration	

Spring 2023 CONTRA Study

March 2, 2023 through June 15, 2023

Thursdays from 9:00 PM to 10:00 PM Eastern Time

Moderated by Trusted Servants from Area 29 (Maryland)

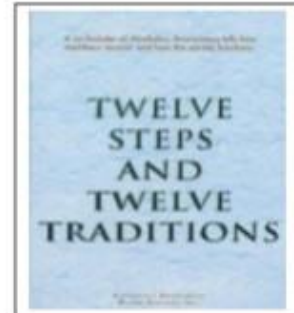


Zoom Meeting ID: 814 7038 7175

Passcode: 195173

Dial-in number for phone callers: +1 (301) 715-8592

We invite all A.A. members to this virtual study of the **CONcepts**, **TRAditions** & *The A.A. Service Manual*



Mar 2, 2023 – Registration & Orientation

Mar 9, 2023 – Traditions 1, 2 & 3

Mar 16, 2023 – Traditions 4, 5 & 6

Mar 23, 2023 – Traditions 7, 8 & 9

Mar 30, 2023 – Traditions 10, 11 & 12

Apr 6, 2023 – Service Manual, pp. I-VIII, 1-6, 85-104

Apr 13, 2023 – Svc Man Ch 1 2 3 & pp 105-14, 160-2

Apr 20, 2023 – Svc Man, Chapters 4 5 6 & pp 164-8

Apr 27, 2023 – Svc Man, Chapters 7 8 9 & pp 169-73

May 4, 2023 – Svc Man Ch 10 11 12 & pp 155-9, 163

May 11, 2023 – Service Manual, pp. 115-154

May 18, 2023 – Concepts pp I-VIII, C1-C2, Con 1 2 3

May 25, 2023 – Concepts 4, 5 & 6

Jun 1, 2023 – Concepts 7, 8 & 9

Jun 8, 2023 – Concepts 10 & 11

Jun 15, 2023 – Concept 12



CONTRA Study Materials (provided via email upon request):

Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, B-2 (free download at www.aa.org)

The A.A. Service Manual combined with *The Twelve Concepts for World Service*, BM-31, 2021-2023 edition

AA Grapevine Traditions Checklist, July 2018 revision

2023 CONTRA Study Service Manual Questions

A.A.W.S. Concepts Checklist, SMF-91, 08/18 edition

We will cover approximately three chapters of reading material per week, with associated questions. Only those who have read the assignment and have written answers to the weekly questions will be invited to read their answers to the group. All others are welcome to join the meeting and listen.

Presented by District 10, Area 29

For more information, contact:

2023contrastudy@gmail.com

AREA 29 MARYLAND

WITH GREETINGS AND UPDATES
FROM THE

BALTIMORE HISPANIC INTERGROUP

ID 841 2499 3206

PW 326186

Sunday

March 19, 2023

@ 3 P.M. EST



Alcohólicos
Anónimos Hispano

Accessibilities@MarylandAA.org

BE
mindful

AA Health & Meditation WORKSHOP

*Please join us for an afternoon of fellowship,
coffee & light refreshments!*

Sponsored by

HAGERSTOWN INTERGROUP

Saturday, April 1 • 1-4 PM

St. John's Episcopal Church (Dry Bridge)

101 S. Prospect St., Hagerstown, MD 21740

Questions - Please email workshop@hagerstownaa.org





AREA 29 MINI-CONFERENCE

**ALL AA MEMBERS ARE
ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND!**

SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 2023
9:00AM-3:30PM
8:30AM ORIENTATION

BE INVOLVED....Your views, opinions, and experience are essential to our Delegate, Kurt W.

BE INFORMED.....Our Area 29 trusted servants will share agenda items to be discussed at the General Service Conference.

BE INSPIRED.... It's up to us to ensure that the AA program is here anytime, anywhere when someone reaches out for help.

HYBRID MEETING:

Severna Park United Methodist Church
731 Benfield Road,
Severna Park, MD 21146

Zoom ID: 335 232 9265
Passcode: mini

BE OF SERVICE:

- Come discuss GSC agenda items and make recommendations to the Delegate, Kurt W.
- Bring your sponsor, sponsee or a newcomer

Coffee, snacks and FREE lunch provided!

For more information, contact Terry P. at altdelegate@marylandaa.org



OTHER NEWS

Looking for a Meeting?

The Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting Guide App Brought to you by Alcoholics Anonymous World Services, Inc., Meeting Guide is a free of charge meeting finder app for iOS and Android that provides meeting information from A.A. service entities in an easy-to-access format. **Link:**

Grapevine and La Viña Are Here to Help: To help members during this time, Grapevine is giving everyone free access to all of its 2020 Grapevine and La Viña issues. (The audio to Grapevine's stories will be available as well, so people can listen to the stories if they like.) Please share with your fellows. Also, here is a link to Grapevine's YouTube channel with some original audio stories as well as other important information. To enter, visit: www.aagrapevine.org/we-are-here-to-help.



If you have an Event/Announcement/Anniversary/Recent Meeting Change you'd like to appear in a future issue of Chatter, please send details to wcichatter1@gmail.com. Our Website is located at <http://westcentralaa.org/>. To unsubscribe from Chatter, please go to the website and click on the Chatter Tab at the top. Our List of Meetings (Including In-Person, Online, or Hybrid) is also posted on the website, click on "[Meetings](#)" at the top of the page. There is also a Printable Version of the meetings on the website. To Add, Remove or Change a Meeting, on the website, go to the "Meetings" Tab and choose "[Meeting Change](#)". Also, please direct your AA friends to the website to [subscribe](#) to Chatter if they are so inclined. Scan the QR Code below to visit the WCI Website.

