



HAGERSTOWN AREA INTERGROUP

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April 2023 Newsletter

HAIG INFORMATION

Monthly Meeting:

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

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WCDC Men Steve B.

MCTC Bob B.

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Ad-hoc Workshop: Maggie R.
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Ad-hoc Nominations Steve W.,
Gerald R., Nancy B.

Submit anniversaries etc. to:
newsletter@hagerstownaa.org
Deadline for submissions is the 4th

Step 4: Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.

Tradition 4: Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or AA as a whole.

Concept IV: Throughout our Conference structure, we ought to maintain at all responsible levels a traditional "Right of Participation," taking care that each classification or group of our world servants shall be allowed a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge.

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29 Delegate at the annual General Service Conference at the end of April.

Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87305396886?pwd=STJzS2laYzhrc3JtYm80TXVoaGtQUt09>

Meeting ID: 873 0539 6886, Passcode: 077854

Mobile (301) 715-8592

April 16 – District 20 Meeting. Fellowship Hall 5:00 pm. All GSRs should attend. Interested A.A. members are welcome.

April 23 – HAIG Meeting. Fellowship Hall 3:30 pm. All Intergroup Reps and Committee Chairs should attend. All members are welcome.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

May 6 – HAIG Round Robin Spring Luncheon will be held Saturday, May 6, at Otterbein UMC from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. HAIG will provide chicken and beverages. Please bring a covered dish or dessert to share. There will be a speaker and a 50/50 drawing.

August 4-6, 2023 – 51st MGS Annual Maryland State Convention. Delta by Marriott-Hunt Valley, 245 Shawan Road, Hunt Valley, MD 21031.



Registration is now open!!

<http://www.marylandaa.org/state-convention>

Sessions by the Sea registrations (September 5-10, 2023) must be made on-line this year and paid by credit card. Registration will open on May 9, 2023, at www.sessionsbythesea.com and be available until July 31, 2023, or until sold out.

April Anniversary Celebrations

Date	Celebrant	Yrs	Group	Time
4/8	DaWayne W	1	On Awakening	6:45 am
4/10	Liz M.	5	Summit Avenue	7:00 pm
4/10	Faye L.	6	Summit Avenue	7:00 pm
4/14	Craig T.	32	Fellowship Hall	6:00 pm
4/14	Tom B.	26	Fellowship Hall	8:30 pm
4/15	Bob B.	36	Maple Avenue	7:30 pm
4/16	Lauran C.	13	New Paths	6:00 pm
4/17	John K.	8	Summit Avenue	7:00 pm
4/28	Lori M.	11	Courage to Change	6:00 pm
4/28	Elena S.	2	Courage to Change	6:00 pm
4/28	Christie S.	36	Williamsport	8:00 pm
4/29	Victor S.	8	On Awakening	6:45 am
4/29	Carol B.	22	Hagerstown Group	8:00 pm

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

April 1, 2023 - Prayer and Mediation Workshop hosted by HAIG. Light refreshments provided. Held at St. John's Episcopal Church, 101 S. Prospect St., Hagerstown ("Dry Bridge") from 1:00- 4:00 pm

April 3 - Area 29 Intergroup Liaison Committee Meeting. Join Zoom Meeting 4/3/23 @ 6:30 p.m. **Spanish Translation Provided.**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81005298663?pwd=cnNGNjg4TGvYVmptcVR4OGIZytUZz09>

Meeting ID: 810 0529 8663, Passcode: 473809

Dial in - 301 715 8592 US (Maryland)

April 15 - Area 29 Mini Conference. Severna Park United Methodist Church, 731 Benfield Road, Severna Park MD. All GSRs should attend in person or virtually. All A.A. members are encouraged to attend to find out what is going to be discussed and possibly voted on by the Area

HAIG Minutes of March 26, 2023

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., and Andy M., Chairs present included: Jeramiah F., Activities; Bob B., Men's Corrections; Margaret K., Women's Corrections; Steve W., Outreach; Denise K., Treatment, Nancy B., Where & When and Maggie R., Workshops.

10 Intergroup reps were present and 4 visitors.

Secretary Report: In Craig T's absence, Nancy B. read a synopsis of the February 26, 2023 minutes which were approved unanimously.

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

Beginning Balance: 2/26/23		\$3,884.91
Contributions:		
Firehouse Group	\$270.00	
Hagerstown Group	90.00	
Serenity	60.00	
Total Contributions:		420.00
Total Funds Available:		\$4,304.91
Expenditures:		
Answering Service - March	\$32.32	
HAIG Room Rent – 1 st Quarter	45.00	
Total Expenditures:		77.32
Ending Balance:		\$4,227.59
Prudent Reserve:		(\$900.00)
Total Funds Available: 3/26/23		\$3,327.59

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

Activities Committee: Jeramiah F. reported the Round Robin Spring Luncheon will be held Saturday, May 6, at Otterbein UMC from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. HAIG will provide chicken and beverages. Please bring a covered dish or dessert to share. There will be a speaker and a 50/50 drawing.

Answering Service: Thank you to Julie S. who has volunteered to serve. Gerald is working to transfer all passwords and information to her.

Corrections – Men: Steve B. reported through John B. that meetings are still not allowed in WCDC.

Bob B reported that all is going well at MCTC. It has been approved for more than 2 volunteers to go in at a time. The residents of the prison hold this Wednesday meeting each week. We are guests. There is a different topic each week with a speaker on the third Wednesday. If you are interested in taking meetings into correctional facilities, have 1yr of sobriety, and are not on probation, contact Steve or Bob at menscorrections@hagerstownaa.org

Corrections - Women: Margaret K. reported that her attempts to reach Sgt. Pryor at WCDC were not returned. She is planning to go to the jail in person to find out who the current contact is, in case a change has been made.

Books were requested and purchased for True Healing (formerly Awakenings), since treatment facilities do not typically provide literature for residents to keep,

Pink Can Report: Provided by Margaret K.

Beginning Balance as of 2/26/23		\$1,762.55
Courage to Change	\$14.03	
Fellowship Hall	57.00	
Firehouse Group	75.45	
Boonsboro ABSI	85.08	
Summit Avenue Group	10.80	
Total Deposit		242.36
Purchased books for True Healing	580.99	
Total Expenses		580.99
New Balance 3/26/23		\$1,423.92

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

Newsletter: The HAIG Secretary currently creates the newsletter from the minutes taken at the HAIG meetings.

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

Treatment: Denise K. thanked Margaret for the literature purchased for True Healing from the Pink Can funds. Denise is currently working on a recent issue at True Healing when volunteers were turned away from a scheduled meeting due to over-booking of speakers. Currently Wednesday meetings accept men and women, Friday meeting accepts men and Saturday meeting accepts women. Jeramiah mentioned that some transitional houses are now allowing meetings. See

Jeramiah F. if you are interested in volunteering to take a meeting to a transitional house.

Where & When: Nancy B. reported that the Where & When was revised as of March 15, 2023 and posted on the website. The virtual Tuesday meeting, "It Works, It Really Does", was discontinued. The Sunday New Paths meeting only requires masks if you are not vaccinated. Please let Nancy B. know of any changes to your group or meeting at meetings@hagerstownaa.org.

Workshop: Maggie R. reported the Three Legacies workshop hosted jointly with District 20 went well with about 30 in attendance. HAIG's portion of the workshop is \$163.46 which has been requested from Andy. The next HAIG workshop, "A.A. Health & Meditation", will be held Saturday, April 1 at St. John's Episcopal Church from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. Coffee and light refreshments will be offered.

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: Jeramiah F. reported \$12.57 donation to the Pink Can.

Courage to Change: Jeanette M. reported two anniversaries.

Fellowship Hall: Andy M. reported \$30 donation to Pink Can and two anniversaries.

Firehouse: Mary E. reported \$20 to the Pink Can.

Gratitude: Jeff F. reported via email that this virtual meeting enjoys the attendance of 20-25 each Thursday.

Hagerstown Group: Gerald reported for Michelle V. that there will be one anniversary in April.

It Works it Really Does: Gerald R reported that this virtual meeting has been discontinued. He offered to host another virtual meeting for any group that is interested on a night he is available.

Maple Avenue: Lorraine B. reported one anniversary.

New Paths: Cindy C. reported one anniversary.

On Awakening: Lori J. reported two anniversaries and \$42.61 to the Pink Can.

Primary Purpose: Jon G. reported \$6.00 to the Pink Can.

Serenity: Rashid reported \$30 to HAIG and \$23 to the Pink Can. He also asked questions about liability insurance for the group. This is not an uncommon request from churches. Groups are responsible to pay for their own insurance if it is required.

Summit Avenue: Bridgette C. reported \$7.00 to the Pink Can and three anniversaries. The group conscience discussed and suggests that D20 and HAIG workshops should be separate. Also, basket money is provided to support A.A.'s primary purpose, not just workshops. Other events should also be considered, like a bowling night.

Williamsport: Daniel B. reported one anniversary via text.

Old Business: None

New Business: 1). An ad hoc Nominations Committee was formed to seek candidates to stand for HAIG Chair, Secretary and Treasurer in June.

2). Charlie C. suggested hosting a 4th Step workshop.

Meeting closed at 4:05 p.m. with the Responsibility Pledge.

The next HAIG meeting will be held April 23, 2023, at 3:30 pm at Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to attend.

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