



# HAGERSTOWN AREA INTERGROUP

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## May 2023 Newsletter

### HAIG INFORMATION

#### Monthly Meeting:

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday each month – 3:30 PM  
6 N. Mulberry St., Hagerstown, MD  
**May meeting will be held 5/21/23.**

### TRUSTED SERVANTS

#### Officers:

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

#### Step 5:

Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.

#### Tradition 5:

Each group has but one primary purpose—to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

#### Concept V:

Throughout our world services structure, a traditional “Right of Appeal” ought to prevail, thus assuring us that minority opinion will be heard and that petitions for the redress of personal grievances will be carefully considered.

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#### May 6 - Carrying the Message into Treatment

**Facilities- Workshop.** South Shore Recovery Club 1199 Generals Hwy., Crownsville, MD 21032 from 11:00 to 2:00 pm. Hosted by Area 29 and District 42. Lunch will be provided.

**May 13 Mountain Breakfast:** Old Germantown Church of God, 16924 Raven Rock Road, Cascade, MD. Doors open at 9:00 am, breakfast at 10:00 am, speaker at 11:00. An awesome buffet breakfast is served for a \$10.00 donation.

#### May 20 Area 29 Assembly: Delegate Report Back.

Severna Park United Melodist Church, 731 Benfield Road, Severna Park MD. All GSRs should attend in person or virtually. Zoom Meeting information: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87305396886?pwd=STJzS2laYzhrc3JtYm80TXVoaGtQUT09>  
Meeting ID: 873 0539 6886, Passcode: 077854  
Mobile (301) 715-8592

#### May 21 – HAIG Meeting - Please note: This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month due to Memorial Day weekend.

Fellowship Hall 3:30 pm. All Intergroup Reps and Committee Chairs should attend. Interested A.A. members are welcome.

**May 21 – District 20 Meeting.** Fellowship Hall 5:00 pm. All GSRs should attend. Interested A.A. members are welcome.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR



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

Registration is open!!

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

### May Anniversary Celebrations

Date	Celebrant	Yrs.	Group	Time
5/2	Beth M.	32	Marlowe	7:30 pm
5/4	John C.	22	Boonsboro ABSI	7:00 pm
5/5	Angela C.	13	Fellowship Hall	9:30 am
5/5	Todd V.	1	Williamsport	8:00 pm
5/7	Terry J.	19	New Paths	6:00 pm
5/10	Dara P	4	Primary Purpose	7:00 pm
5/29	Parker C.	9	Summit Avenue	7:00 pm
5/29	Mary Jo C.	19	Summit Avenue	7:00 pm

### HAIG Minutes of April 23, 2023

In Gerald R's absence, Craig T. opened the meeting at 3:30 pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Officers in attendance were Andy M., and Craig T. Chairs present included: Jeramiah F., Activities; Steve B., Men's Corrections; Margaret K., Women's Corrections; Nancy B., Where & When

10 Intergroup reps were present and 2 visitors. Hailee M. is the new Alternate Intergroup Representative for the Firehouse Group and was welcomed to the HAIG meeting.

**Secretary Report:** Craig T. read a synopsis of the March 26, 2023 minutes which were approved unanimously.

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

### UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

#### May 1 - Area 29 Intergroup Liaison Committee Meeting. Join Zoom Meeting 5/1/23 @ 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)

**May 6 – HAIG Annual “Round Robin” Potluck Spring Luncheon** 11:00 am to 2:00 pm at Otterbein UMC, 108 East Franklin St., Hagerstown, MD. The speaker is Dean B., from Parkville, MD. Chicken and beverages provided. Bring your favorite dish or dessert to share.

<b>Beginning Balance: 3/16/23</b>		<b>4,227.59</b>
<b>Contributions:</b>		
Maple Avenue	514	\$150.00
As Bill Sees It	189	\$30.00
Serenity	Cash	\$30.00
<b>Total Contributions:</b>		<b>\$210.00</b>
<b>Total Funds Available:</b>		<b>\$4,437.59</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>		
Answering Service - April	Auto	\$32.22
District 20 - Half March Workshop	1997	\$163.46
St John's Church –Workshop Use	1998	\$10.00
<b>Total Expenditures:</b>		<b>\$295.68</b>
<b>Ending Balance:</b>		<b>\$4,141.91</b>
<b>Prudent Reserve:</b>		<b>(\$900.00)</b>
<b>Total Funds Available: 4/23/23</b>		<b>\$3,241.91</b>

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

**Activities Committee:** Jeramiah F reported the flyers are out for the Round Robin which is a free event being held on May 6th from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm at Otterbein United Methodist Church. The Speaker is Dean B. from Parkville, MD. If interested in helping, please contact Jeramiah. Groups are asked to bring a book to be raffled off. Jeramiah made a **Motion: To receive \$300.00 to be used towards expenses for the Round Robin. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.**

**Corrections – Men:** Steve B. reported the Washington County Detention Center is in the process of reopening for men's A.A meetings. He is checking into the application process to see if previously approved volunteers will need to resubmit an application since they have been closed since COVID start in February 2020. John B. reported for Bob B., everything is going good with meetings at MCTC.

**Corrections - Women:** Margaret K. reported Washington County Detention Center is in the process of reopening for women's A.A. meetings. She stated that volunteers who filled out an application prior to COVID were required to complete a summary application and not a full application like a new volunteer.

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

<b>Beginning Balance as of 3/26/23</b>		<b>\$1,423.92</b>
Primary Purpose		\$6.00
Fellowship Hall		\$30.00
Firehouse		\$20.00
As Bill Sees It		\$12.57
On Awakening		\$42.61
Serenity		\$23.00
Summit Avenue		\$7.00
<b>Total Deposit</b>		<b>\$141.18</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>New Balance 4/23/23</b>		<b>\$1,565.10</b>

If interested in getting involved with meetings in correctional facilities, please contact Steve B. or Bob B. at [menscorrections@hagerstownaa.org](mailto:menscorrections@hagerstownaa.org) or Margret K. at [womenscorrections@hagerstownaa.org](mailto:womenscorrections@hagerstownaa.org)

**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:** This chair position is open. Please contact Gerald R. if you are interested. Craig T. is the acting Chairperson.

**Outreach:** Steve W. was not present but sent out a reminder of today's meeting. If you did not receive one, please contact Steve at [outreach@hagerstownaa.org](mailto:outreach@hagerstownaa.org)

**Where & When:** Nancy B. reported the last update was on March 15<sup>th</sup> when she removed the virtual meeting, It Works, It Really Does and added "Optional" next to the mask icon for New Paths. Nancy asked if Oakridge Group was considering adding the hybrid option to their meeting. Charlie C. stated that they had considered the option but there was no change at this time. Please let Nancy B. know

of any changes to your group or meeting at [meetings@hagerstownaa.org](mailto:meetings@hagerstownaa.org).

**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 1 anniversary and a Pink Can donation of \$27.18.

**Courage to Change:** Jeanette M. reported a Pink Can donation of \$33.94.

**Fellowship Hall:** Butch L. reported 1 anniversary and a Pink Can donation of \$28.00.

**Firehouse:** Hailee M., Alternate Intergroup Rep reported a Pink Can donation of \$55.00

**Hagerstown:** Craig T. reported for Michelle V. there were no anniversaries to report.

**Maple Avenue:** Charlie C. reported for Lorraine B., meetings are going well. Reported one anniversary, Beth M., 32 years, at the Marlowe, WV group on May 2nd.

**New Paths:** Cindy C. reported 1 anniversary and a Pink Can donation of \$15.00.

**Oak Ridge:** Charlie C. reported attendance at meeting is up. The meeting format is "Daily Reflections". They are working to get more home group members to help with group service positions.

**On Awakening:** Lori J. reported 1 anniversary, Angela C., 13 years on 5/27 at 6:45 am

**Primary Purpose:** Jon G. reported 1 anniversary.

**Summit Avenue:** Bridgette C. reported 2 anniversaries and a Pink Can donation of \$5.00.

**Williamsport:** Daniel B. reported 1 anniversary.

**Old Business:**

- 1). An ad hoc Nominations Committee consisting of Gerald R., Steve W., and Nancy B. was formed to seek candidates to stand for HAIG Chair, Secretary and Treasurer in June. Currently, the following members have agreed to stand. Kevin N. for Chair, Jeanette M. for Secretary, and Craig T. for Treasurer. Nominations are still open. If interested in standing, please contact one of the ad hoc Nomination Committee members or be present at the June HAIG meeting. For information on the responsibilities and duties of the officer service positions, please refer to the HAIG By-laws on the HAIG webpage.
- 2). Charlie C. suggested hosting a 4th Step workshop. No action has been taken.

**New Business:**

- 1). Jeramiah F. asked how to start a new "11th Step" meeting. Discussion followed and Jeramiah will consider the options presented.
- 2). Cindy C. asked if the HAIG was planning to host the annual picnic this year. Jeramiah F., Activities Chair, stated he will be working on the details for the Annual picnic as soon as the Round Robin is over. Will need to set a date and reserve a county pavilion.

Meeting closed at 4:13 p.m. with the Responsibility Pledge.

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