



HAGERSTOWN AREA INTERGROUP

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August 2023 Newsletter

HAIG INFORMATION

Monthly Meeting:

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

TRUSTED SERVANTS

Officers:

Chairperson: Cindy C.

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Treasurer: Craig T.

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Secretary: Jeanette M.

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Newsletter: Vacant

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Public Information: Erica G.

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Treatment: Denise K.

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Website: Mike E.

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Where & When: Nancy B.

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Corrections:

womenscorrections@hagerstownaa.org

WCDC Women Margaret K.

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WCDC Men Steve B.

MCTC Bob B.

ad-hoc Technology: Vacant

technology@hagerstownaa.org

ad-hoc Workshop: Maggie R.

workshop@hagerstownaa.org

Submit anniversaries etc. to:

newsletter@hagerstownaa.org

Deadline for submissions is the 4th

Sunday of each month.

Step 8: Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.

Tradition 8:

Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever non-professional, but our service centers may employ special workers.

Concept VIII: The trustees are the principal planners and administrators of over-all policy and finance. They have custodial oversight of the separately incorporated and constantly active services, exercising this through their ability to elect all the directors of these entities.

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All GSRs should attend. Interested A.A. members are welcome.

August 27 – HAIG Meeting. Fellowship Hall 3:30 pm. All Intergroup Reps and Committee Chairs should attend.

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



On-Site Registration opens at 7:00 am on August 4th at the hotel lower level lobby.

Sessions By the Sea September 5-10, 2023 Convention Hall, Ocean City, MD. **Registration is open!!**

<https://www.sessionsbythesea.com>

August Anniversary Celebrations

Date	Celebrant	Yrs.	Group	Time
8/2	Roman S.	5	Primary Purpose	7:00 pm
8/3	Mike E.	14	Boonsboro ABSI	7:00 pm
8/4	Jeff W.	20	Fellowship Hall	6:00 pm
8/17	Tim M.	3	Boonsboro ABSI	7:00 pm
8/20	Mary B.	25	Leitersburg	7:00 pm
8/21	Craig M.	6	Summit Avenue	7:00 pm
8/21	Mark B.	2	Summit Avenue	7:00 pm
8/24	Jeramiah F.	2	Boonsboro ABSI	7:00 pm
8/24	Chris E.	2	Boonsboro ABSI	7:00 pm

HAIG Minutes of July 23, 2023

Cindy C. opened the meeting at 3:30 pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Officers in attendance included: Cindy C., Craig T., and Jeanette M. Chairs present included: Jeramiah F., Activities; Margaret K., Women's Corrections; Denise K., Treatment, Michael E., Website, and Nancy B., Where & When and ad hoc HAIG Bylaws.

9 Intergroup reps were present and 2 visitors.

Secretary Report: Jeanette M. read a synopsis of the June 25, 2023 minutes which were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Craig T. shared that he passed the key and combination for Fellowship Hall to Cindy C. as the new chair. He then submitted and read the following report which was approved unanimously.

Beginning Balance: 6/25/23		\$3,774.43
Contributions:		
Maple Avenue	518	\$120.00
Total Contributions:		\$120.00
Total Funds Available:		\$3,894.43
Expenditures:		
Answering Service - July	Auto	\$32.22
Total Expenditures:		\$32.22
Ending Balance:		\$3,862.21
Prudent Reserve:		(\$900.00)
Total Funds Available: 7/23/2023		\$2,962.21

Chair's Report: Cindy C. attended the ad hoc Bylaws Committee meeting and also the Area IGLC zoom meeting. She indicated that Gerald shared an outstanding review of his past two years as chair of HAIG.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

August 7 - Area 29 Intergroup Liaison Committee

Meeting. Join Zoom Meeting 8/7/23 @ 6:30

pm. **Spanish Translation Provided.**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81005298663?pwd=cnNGNjg4TGvYVmptcVR4OGlZZytUz09>

Meeting ID: 810 0529 8663, Passcode: 473809

Dial in - 301 715 8592 US (Maryland)

August 12 - 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.

August 20 – District 20 Meeting. Please note: This is the 3rd Sunday of the month. Fellowship Hall 5:00 pm.

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

Activities Committee:

Jeremiah F. shared information regarding food pricing for the upcoming picnic, and plans for there to be a mix of baked chicken and fried chicken. The picnic will likely start at 11 with food at 12. Speaker to be determined. He indicated that he will check on the paper products to see if more is needed. Jeremiah made a motion for \$350 seed money for the picnic, which was approved unanimously.

Corrections – Men: Craig T. reported for Steve and Bob. WDCDC opening could be months from now. If interested in getting involved with meetings in correctional facilities, please contact Steve or Bob at menscorrections@hagerstownaa.org

Corrections - Women: Margaret K. had nothing new to report.

Pink Can Report: Provided by Margaret K.

Beginning Balance as of 6/25/23		\$1,498.88
Fellowship Hall		\$18.00
Primary Purpose		\$100.00
On Awakening		\$36.36
ABSI (aka Boonsboro)		\$38.15
Williamsport		\$20.00
Serenity		\$20.00
Total Deposit		\$232.51
Total Expenses		0
New Balance 7/10/23		\$1,731.39

Finance: This chair position is open. Please contact Cindy C. if you are interested.

Newsletter: Jeanette M. had no report. This chair position is open. Please contact Cindy C. if you are interested.

Public Information: Rashid W. reported for Erica G. He obtained PI workbooks to study. He will be working with her, but not replacing her as she has been sick.

Treatment: Denise K had nothing new to report.

Website: Mike E. confirmed that the emails for Intergroup are set up to route to the new executive committee members. He and Nancy met earlier in July to setup Mailchimp. This email platform will allow email lists to be easily updated (people can subscribe or unsubscribe without emailing Nancy). It will also make transitioning duties easier as emails will not be sent from an individual's personal email.

Where & When: Nancy B. indicated that there are two new meetings in Hagerstown.

Live and Let Live is on Wednesday at 7:00 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church, 15 Randolph Avenue, Hagerstown (use the back entrance). This meeting is "gay identified" and is open to all. She became aware of this meeting from a flyer. No representative has reached out to Intergroup to be added to the Where & When.

Maryland Avenue Women's Meeting is on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm at Brooke's House Counseling Center, 1019 Maryland Avenue, Hagerstown. The previous meeting held at Brooke's House Coffee Shop, which was not an A.A. meeting, was closed. The volunteers opening this meeting have been counseled on A.A. Traditions and understand that this new meeting, in a new location, with a new name, is an A.A. meeting with a primary purpose.

Nancy proposed that we announce these two meetings in an email to the fellowship to encourage attendance, and then revise the Where & When on August 1 to add Live and Let Live and again on September 1 to add Maryland Avenue Women's Meeting if they reach out to be included.

Please let Nancy B. know of any changes to your group or meeting at meetings@hagerstownaa.org.

Workshop: Nancy B. reported for Maggie R. The first committee meeting for the October workshop on the Fourth Step will be July 30 at 4:30 pm at Fellowship Hall. There has been some interest in a fourth step workshop.

Bylaws (ad hoc): The first ad hoc HAIG Bylaws Committee meeting was held on July 18 at 7:00 pm. Members of the committee are Nancy B., Cindy C., Jeanette M., Craig T., John B., Gerald R., & Margaret K.

The committee agreed that it has been tasked to remove Article VIII – Descriptions and Duties of Standing Committees from the December 20, 2015, HAIG Bylaws and then review and revise bylaws document to recommend any changes that will benefit the functioning of the intergroup. Any suggested revisions requiring a change to policy will be brought to the intergroup for discussion and vote during the continued review of the bylaws and before a final draft is presented for approval.

The first change was to remove the word "Standing" wherever a committee is mentioned, as this terminology is outdated. Committees at GSO and Area level stopped using this term years ago.

After review of the bylaws, the committee will consider what type of document should be created to maintain the Descriptions and Duties of Committees for the Intergroup's use. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 15 at 7:00 pm.

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: Jeremiah F. reported 3 anniversaries and a \$46.50 Pink Can donation.

Courage to Change: We welcome Rena C. as the new intergroup rep. Rena C. reported a \$7.58 Pink Can donation.

Mountain Group: Mose S. reported the Mountain Breakfast will be held on August 12 (see page 1).

New Paths: Daniel S. had nothing to report.

Oakridge: Mary N. had nothing to report.

On Awakening: Vicky C. reported a \$22.39 Pink Can donation and \$50.00 to the general fund.

Primary Purpose: Jon G. reported a \$17.00 Pink Can donation and 1 anniversary.

Serenity: Rashid W. reported a \$30.00 donation to HAIG.

Summit Avenue: Bridgette C. reported 2 anniversaries.

Old Business:

No old business aside from the creation of the ad hoc Bylaws committee which was already discussed in the committee section.

New Business:

No new business.

Meeting closed at 4:09 pm with the Responsibility Pledge.

The next HAIG Meeting will be on August 27, 2023, at 3:30 pm. All are welcome to attend.

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