

WCI Chatter
Sunday, September 24, 2023

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2023 FREDERICK ROUNDUP



Speakers:

Earl H. - Vista, CA

&

Sheldon F. - Las Vegas, NV

Location:

Frederick Elks Lodge

289 Willowdale Dr, Frederick, MD 21702

When:

October 6 - October 7

Tickets are \$20 and available on

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2023-frederick-roundup-tickets-636579244657>

Or your local activities committee representative has paper tickets!

Can't wait to see you!

Times:

October 6th – 6 pm until 9 pm

October 7th – 8:30 am until Noon

[Get Roundup Tickets Here:](#)

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2023-frederick-roundup-tickets-636579244657?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

"The West Central Intergroup (WCI) is pleased to announce that we have returned to meeting in-person at the Trinity United Methodist Church, 703 W Patrick St, Frederick

The monthly WCI Council meetings occur on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7 pm. Your Home-Group Intergroup Representatives are encouraged to attend and all are welcome."

SPONSORSHIP WORKSHOP

Sponsors, bring your sponsees so they can learn

Chapter 7

WORKING WITH OTHERS

PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE shows that nothing will so much insure immunity from drinking as intensive work with other alcoholics. It works when other activities fail. This is our *twelfth* suggestion: Carry this message to other alcoholics.

Saturday, October 21, 2023

Doors Open at 10:00AM for Coffee and Donuts

Workshop starts 10:30AM

How can I sponsor? How willing is my sponsee? How should I talk to sponsees? How tough is too tough? Is "read the black ink on the white pages" still true? What's the difference between guiding and enabling? How do I get them to participate in service, and is service necessary?

Peace in Christ Lutheran Church

8798 Adventure Ave, Walkersville, MD
SPONSORED BY WEST CENTRAL INTERGROUP

See you there!



Does your Home Group have a GSR?

(General Service Representative)

Does it have an alternate GSR?

Have your GSR & Alternate GSR contact

Debbie P. (301)-825-2740

Your group's voice needs to be heard.

You could be the link between your Home Group and the General Service Organization

2 year service commitment. Make a commitment to your group and your sobriety.

Anyone is eligible.

When?

6:30PM on the 3rd Monday of every month

Where?

Presbyterian Church

115 W. 2nd St.

Frederick, MD

Or on zoom

(Meeting ID:81101121309 Passcode:District)



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 now allowing in person AA meetings. All volunteers will need to go through a background check and orientation. If you are interested in a service commitment with FCADC please contact corrections.treatment@westcentralaa.org and mention FCADC to have an application emailed to you. This application needs to be notarized. Women volunteers are especially needed.

The Orenda Center of Wellness is always looking for Men and Women to take meetings into their inpatient and PHP facilities. If you are interested in a monthly commitment, please contact corrections.treatment@westcentralaa.org and comment Orenda Men or Women and we will direct your interest to the correct person

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

Mountain Manor Marcie's Choice has the following days open for service commitments. If you are interested in bringing a meeting into the inpatient facility, please contact Kye at 240-357-4256

5th Monday

5th Wednesday

5th Friday

5th Saturday

5th Sunday

**Thank you for your willingness to Serve and Carry the
Message.**

Your Guide to Meetings in Print!

The new Where & When's have been printed. The latest guide has a **Yellow** cover. They will be available at the WCI Intergroup office free of charge (for a limited quantity). Please send an email to whereandwhen@westcentralaa.org for more information.

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](#)

Meeting Information and Changes

Effective Immediately, “The Commuter Group”, has added an additional night for their meeting --> Thursday, @5:15 pm.

**Frederick Presbyterian Church, 115 W 2nd St 21701-
Basement entrance, rear right side of church sidewalk/alley**

Effective Immediately, “Living The Dream”, Monday at 7:30 pm meeting is being held at a new location ::

Grace United Church of Christ

25 East 2nd Street

Frederick, MD 21701

Effective Immediately, The Monday Night Point of Rocks, Blue Light Special 7:30 pm meeting is being held at a new location ::

Saint Pauls Episcopal Parish Church :

1914 Ballenger Creek Pike point of rocks MD 21777

The Live Brunswick Monday Night Group has changed their name to “New Hope Meeting”

Same Time, Same Place

Monday, 6:00 pm

New Hope United Methodist Church, 7 S Maryland Ave

Brunswick MD 21716

Beginning September 8, 2023 The “Friday Fellowship” Meeting will be reading from The 12 Steps and 12 Traditions

Same Time, Same Place

Friday, 7:00 pm

Illiano Bldg, Mt. Airy Recovery Ctr, 407 South Main St Mt. Airy MD 21771- Upstairs; Enter on side.

The Coffee is always hot!

Effective Immediately, the Brunswick Zoom meetings on Monday and Thursday have been discontinued

**THE REVELATIONS GROUP - HYBRID MEETING
SATURDAY AT 11:00 AM
THE FREDERICK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
(AROUND BACK, IN THE BASEMENT)
115 WEST SECOND ST, FREDERICK MD**

**THIS IS AN OPEN, SPEAKER/TOPIC DISCUSSION
MEETING.**



THERE WILL BE COFFEE, AND DONUTS

(DOORS OPEN AT 10:30 A.M.)

**MEETING ID: 950 848 616, PASSWORD: 608633
ALL ARE WELCOME, ESPECIALLY NEWCOMERS!**

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 04-16-2023)**

UPCOMING EVENTS



Area 29
Maryland General Service, Inc.
Marylandaa.org

Hello and here's hoping you are enjoying the approach of cooler weather!

Because we aren't meeting formally this month, here are a few reminders and updates:

1. We have lots of great activities coming up around Area 29 and I look forward to seeing you at many of them! Be sure and check out our Events page on marylandaa.org/events for details!

2. The location of our Nov. 18 Area 29 Committee meeting has changed.

The new location is the Bethel United Methodist Church, 21006 Twin Springs Drive, Smithsburg, MD 21783.

Bring Your Lunch! There are no restaurants nearby!

3. An updated Area 29 Calendar is [Linked Here](#) for your convenience.

4. Finally, I look forward to seeing all of you next month at our upcoming Area 29 Elections, on Saturday, Oct. 21st, beginning at 9 a.m. (coffee, breakfast and fellowship at 8) at the Severna Park United Methodist Church, 731 Benfield Road, Severna Park, MD 21146. We will be selecting Panel 74 officers at that time.

The following trusted servants are eligible to vote at the election: Area Officers (Delegate, Alternate Delegate, Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer); GSRs or their alternates; DCMs or their alternates; Area Committee Chairs or their Co-Chairs.

Thank you for your continued service to Area 29 and Alcoholics Anonymous!

In gratitude,

Brigitte

Area 29 Chairperson, Panel 72

Hagerstown Area Intergroup & District 20



FALL WORKSHOP

All About Inventories

Join us for an informative presentation and discussion featuring guest speakers, light refreshments, coffee and drinks, information table, and fellowship.

- Fourth Step Inventory
- Tenth Step Inventory
- Group Inventory



HAIG & District
20 Committee

Guest Speakers

Sue H.,
Baltimore

Donna S.,
Baltimore

Tom T.,
Hagerstown

OTTERBEIN CHURCH

108 E. Franklin St.
Hagerstown MD 21740
1-3 pm

October 28th, 2023

Alcoholics Anonymous, an
Area 29 Accessibilities Subcommittee



**Maryland Deaf Access
Committee (MDAC)**

Created to organize the foundation of
funding and scheduling in-person AA
meetings interpreted in American Sign
Language (ASL) in Area 29

Who We Are x

The Maryland Deaf Access Committee (MDAC) is a group of AA members who work in cooperation with our local area districts and home groups to help ensure we can carry the message to ALL those seeking recovery.

Focus x

Our main focus is providing ASL (American Sign Language) interpreters at in-person AA meetings in Area 29 to make the fellowship more accessible to the Deaf and hard of hearing community

AA Traditions x

We follow AA's 12 Traditions and are not affiliated with any outside organization. More information will be provided on our website soon. Also see our FAQs.

Contributions x

We rely on contributions from AA members and groups to pay for ASL interpreters. We encourage people to remember that when we're discussing having ASL interpreters at meetings, we're discussing providing language access to A.A.

This young committee meets virtually on the 2nd Sunday of the Month at 4:30 p.m. Please contact us with any ideas, questions, or if you hear from Deaf AA members who need AA fellowship and support.

MarylandDeafAccess@gmail.com
or Accessibilities@Marylandaa.org



Distict 10 and MGS Area 29
present

District 10 Unity Picnic

Burgers, Hot Dogs and Buns provided.

Bring a drink, bring a chair, bring a dish to
share.

Speaker Meeting at 2pm

10.15.23
SUNDAY
12-5 PM

Double Rock Park-
Rich Pavillion

8211 Glen Road, Parkville, MD 21234

Fall 2023 CONTRA Study

September 14, 2023 through December 28, 2023
Thursdays from 9:00 PM to 10:00 PM Eastern Time (US/Canada)

Moderated by Trusted Servants from Area 29 (Maryland) & Area 13 (DC)



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, **TR**Aditions & *The A.A. Service Manual*

Sep 14, 2023 – Registration & Orientation

Sep 21, 2023 – Traditions 1, 2 & 3

Sep 28, 2023 – Traditions 4, 5 & 6

Oct 5, 2023 – Traditions 7, 8 & 9

Oct 12, 2023 – Traditions 10, 11 & 12

Oct 19, 2023 – Service Manual, pp. I-VIII, 1-6, 85-104

Oct 26, 2023 – Svc Man Ch 1 2 3 & pp 105-14, 160-2

Nov 2, 2023 – Svc Man, Chapters 4 5 6 & pp 164-8

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

Nov 16, 2023 – Svc Man Ch 10 11 12 & pp 155-9, 163

Nov 23, 2023 – Service Manual, pp. 115-154

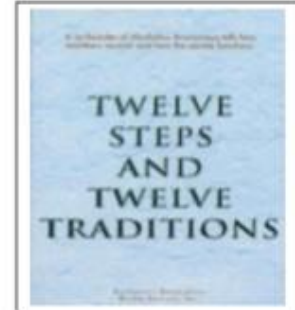
Nov 30, 2023 – Concepts pp I-VIII, C1-C2, Con 1 2 3

Dec 7, 2023 – Concepts 4, 5 & 6

Dec 14, 2023 – Concepts 7, 8 & 9

Dec 21, 2023 – Concepts 10 & 11

Dec 28, 2023 – Concept 12



CONTRA Study Materials (provided via email following registration):

Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, B-2 (free participant 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

Fall 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 Districts 10 & 17, Area 29 (MD)

and District 2, Area 13 (DC)

For more information, contact:

2023contrastudy@gmail.com



Mountain Breakfast

**The second Saturday of each month
Fellowship at 9 am, Breakfast at 10 am, Speaker at 11am**

**A mountain breakfast prepared on site by AAs for AAs
and friends of AA.**

**We start at 7am (you can come then if you are going to
help) to cook like fools and
serve a Hot Breakfast with fellowship and a warm setting
of love and service to all.**

Only a \$10.00 donation gets you in.

**Coffee, Juice, Eggs, Pancakes, Home Fries, Biscuits,
Sausage Gravy, Fruit, Sausage,
Bacon, French Toast and a beautiful drive to get here.
BRING SOMEONE WITH YOU!**

**Old Germantown Church of God
16924 Raven Rock Road
Cascade, Maryland 21719**



DISTRICT 40 & 41 8TH ANNUAL PICNIC

WHERE - OLD NATIONAL PIKE PARK
12406 OLD NATIONAL PIKE
(RT 144) MT AIRY, MD. 21771

WHEN - SAT. Sept 30th 2PM - 6PM
SPEAKER MEETING 3PM
Al-Anon - Sue N. - Mount Airy
AA - Mike M. - Brunswick

WHY - FOOD, FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS WELCOME

BURGERS, DOGS, BEVERAGES PROVIDED
BRING A COVERED DISH IF YOU LIKE OR
JUST BRING A SMILE AND JOIN US FOR
A GREAT DAY OF FELLOWSHIP

50/50 RAFFLE

PLAYGROUND

NATURE WALK TRAIL



Presented by
District 40 & District 41

Handling Grief in Sobriety Workshop



Saturday, October 14, 2023

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Grace Trinity United Church of Christ
9501 Baltimore Road
Frederick, MD 21704**

Losses that can trigger grief:

- Divorce or changes in a relationship or a friendship
- Death of a loved one including pets
- Losing job or changes in financial security
- Changes in your health or that of a loved one

Presenter Ella J., Middle River, Maryland

Question and answer period and guided meditation



Coffee – Water – Light Snacks will be provided

**Southern Maryland's
13th Annual Roundup**
with Al-Anon participation

24 Hours a Day

**DoubleTree by Hilton
Annapolis, Maryland**



March 15 - 17, 2024
Register today: SouthernMarylandRoundup.org

Join us in Annapolis for the
same great Roundup Experience!




SPEAKERS

<p>Pam H. Lake Amherst, OH Robert M. Fort Pierce, FL Lisa L. Boyton Beach, FL Harold L. St. Louis, MO</p>	<p>Carole C. Columbus, OH Kelly C. Columbus, OH John E. Nashville, TN Al Anon: Teresa S. Clinton, MD</p>
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"FAITH HAS TO WORK TWENTY-FOUR HOURS A DAY IN AND THROUGH US, OR WE PERISH." -BB, PG. 16

OTHER NEWS

Sponsors, why not tell your sponcees to subscribe to Chatter?! <http://westcentralaa.org/chatter-subscribe/>

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:**

[Alcoholics Anonymous : Meeting Guide \(aa.org\)](#)



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.

