

HAGERSTOWN AREA INTERGROUP

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March 2024 Newsletter

HAIG INFORMATION Monthly Meeting:

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

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Send anniversaries, etc. to: secretary@hagerstownaa.org Deadline for submissions is the 4th Sunday of each month.

Step 3: Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him.

Tradition 3: The only requirement for A.A. membership is a desire to stop drinking.

Concept III: To insure effective leadership, we should endow each element of A.A.—the Conference, the General Service Board and its service corporations, staffs. committees, and executives-with a traditional "Right of Decision."

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March 23 – Stepping into Service – workshop hosted by HAIG from 3-5pm at St. John's Episcopal Church, 101 S. Prospect Street, Hagerstown, MD. Presenters include the PI and CPC Chairs from Area 29. Light refreshments and coffee provided.

March 24 – HAIG Meeting. Fellowship Hall 3:30pm. All Intergroup Reps and Committee Chairs should attend.

March Anniversary Celebrations

Date	Celebrant	Yrs.	Group	Time
3/6	Terry M.	1	Primary Purpose	7:00pm
3/6	Vic C.	1	Hancock Open Door	7:30pm
3/8	John T.	1	Boonsboro Firehouse	7:00pm
3/8	Dana U.	3	Fellowship Hall	6:00pm
3/9	Jamal	2	On Awakening	6:45am
3/11	Mary E.	5	Summit Avenue	7:00pm
3/11	Laura P.	19	Summit Avenue	7:00pm
3/12	Pat M.	35	Mountain Group	7:00pm
3/13	Jon G.	2	Primary Purpose	7:00pm
3/14	Caleb G.	1	Boonsboro ABSI	7:00pm
3/16	Kendal McL.	2	On Awakening	6:45am
3/16	Bob B.	37	Maple Avenue	7:30pm
3/16	Charlie C.	3	Maple Avenue	7:30pm
3/17	Dave G.	7	New Paths	6:00pm
3/18	Martin H.	5	Summit Avenue	7:00pm
3/18	Jeff F.	48	Summit Avenue	7:00pm
3/19	Terry B.	14	Mountain Group	7:00pm
3/20	Julie T.	6	Primary Purpose	7:00pm
3/29	Ken L.	45	Williamsport	8:00pm
3/29	Ed L.	41	Williamsport	8:00pm
3/29	Amanda M.	5	Courage to Change	6:00pm
3/29	Missy S.	4	Courage to Change	6:00pm
3/30	Dave M.	18	On Awakening	6:45am
3/30	Victor S.	9	On Awakening	6:45am

HAIG Minutes of February 25, 2024

Cindy C. opened the meeting at 3:30pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Officers in attendance included: Cindy C., Craig T., and Jeanette M. Chairs present included: Charlie C., Activities; Margaret K., Women's Corrections & Pink Can; Bob B. and Steve B., Men's Corrections; Julie S., Answering Service; Mary E., Treatment; Michael E., Website; Nancy B, Where & When and ad hoc Handbook; and Maggie R., Workshops.

13 Intergroup reps were present and 3 visitors.

<u>Chair's Report</u>: Cindy C. attended the Intergroup Liaison Committee meeting. She shared that Area 29 last had a newsletter in 2018. A member is looking to restart the newsletter under a different name. If interested in getting involved in the newsletter or the renaming contest, please reach Cindy C. for contact information.

<u>Secretary's Report</u>: Jeanette M. read a synopsis of the January 28, 2024, minutes, which were approved unanimously.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Craig T. submitted and read the following report, which was approved unanimously:

	Beginning Balance: 1/18/24		\$2,649.39
Ī	Contributions:		
	NYE See Money Returned	Cash	\$36.56
f	As Bill Sees It	198	\$167.00
Ī	Serenity	Cash	\$30.00
Ī	Williamsport	1311	\$98.00
	Total Contributions:		\$331.56
	Total Funds Available:		\$2,980.95
•	Expenditures:		
	Answering Service – February	Auto	\$32.37

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

March 4 - Area 29 Intergroup Liaison Committee Meeting. Join Zoom Meeting @ 6:30pm Spanish Translation provided.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86918053341?pwd=eUg2Z VRBbk5vNzZZbkZGWTBYUHdBZz09

Meeting ID: 869 1805 3341, Passcode: 352346

Dial in - 301 715 8592 US (Maryland)

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

March 17 – District 20 Meeting. This is the 3rd Sunday of each month. Fellowship Hall 5:00pm. All GSRs should attend. A.A. members are welcome.

Total Expenditures:	\$32.37
Ending Balance:	\$2,980.95
Prudent Reserve:	(\$900.00)
Total Funds Available: 2/25/24	\$2,048.58

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

Activities: Charlie C. shared the Round Robin/Spring Luncheon will likely be the last weekend of April. He also mentioned the second week of May, but as this might conflict with the Mountain Breakfast, he believes the last week of April is more likely. He needs volunteers to help plan and run it. Those interested should contact Charlie C. at activities@hagerstownaa.org.

Answering Service: Julie S. had nothing to report.

Corrections (Men):

Steve B. reported have a few new people to apply. He spoke with Sgt. Pryor about getting a second meeting. Bob B. had nothing new to report.

If interested in getting involved with meetings in correctional facilities, please contact Steve B. or Bob B. at menscorrections@hagerstownaa.org.

Corrections (Women): Margaret K. shared that she has had a few new applicants in the process of being approved. She dropped a medium sized box of books off at the detention center to be added to the library.

Pink Can Report: Provided by Margaret K.

Beginning Balance as of 1/28/24	\$1,630.05
Courage to Change	\$13.00
Fellowship Hall	\$40.00
Firehouse	\$58.30
Mountain	\$21.00
On Awakening	\$90.50
Serenity	\$20.00
Anonymous donor	\$40.00
Total Deposits	\$282.80
Total Expenses (books/supplies)	(\$964.80)
New Balance 2/25/24	\$948.05

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

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

Treatment: Mary E. had nothing new to report. Cindy C. reported that she reached out to Meritus twice and has not heard anything back.

Website: Mike E. had nothing new to report.

Where & When: Nancy B. shared the following changes made to the W&W since December 15: A Vision for You was added with additional location information, Maple Avenue and Courage to Change have snowflake icons, Fellowship Hall added a noon men's only meeting, discontinued a noon Monday meeting and added a Friday at 10pm candlelight meeting. Nancy also announced that she plans to rotate out of this service position to give someone else the opportunity for service. Contact Cindy C. if interested in serving. Please let Nancy B. know of any changes to your group or meeting at meetings@hagerstownaa.org.

Workshops: Maggie R. provided flyers for the upcoming "Stepping into Service" workshop on March 23 from 3-5pm at St. John's Episcopal Church. Light refreshments will be provided. She is looking for volunteers to help move chairs and set up before the event. She is also looking for ideas for the next workshop.

Handbook (ad hoc): Nancy B. shared that the committee met on February 6 and will continue to meet the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00pm. They reviewed the job descriptions and determined that the Newsletter Committee is no longer needed as the secretary now prepares the newsletter. Each member has taken on one or two committee job descriptions

to revise and will meet with current and past committee chairs. The committee is also reviewing handbooks from other intergroups for additional ideas.

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: Hailee M. reported at \$66.83 Pink Can donation and 1 anniversary.

Clear Spring: Vince C. shared a couple new people out of rehab attending.

Courage to Change: Amanda M. reported 2 anniversaries (open to men), a \$14.40 Pink Can donation, and an upcoming group anniversary (3 years) on March 15 (open only to women). Food and fellowship at 6pm and Lorraine B. will be speaking at 7.

Fire House: Mary E. reported a \$60.31 Pink Can donation and 1 anniversary.

Hagerstown Group: Brad B. reported that their intergroup donation was mailed in. Alicia C. from Marlowe is the speaker at Drybridge on 3/23 at 8pm.

Hancock Open Door: Vince C. reported 1 anniversary.

Maple Avenue: Charlie C. reported 2 anniversaries.

Mountain Group: Mose reported 2 anniversaries, a \$10.00 Intergroup donation, and a \$25.00 Pink Can donation. In March, the Mountain Breakfast will restart. They are trying to get a new meeting started on Monday called the Blue Ridge Group, but he was unsure as to whether the meeting was in Maryland or Pennsylvania.

New Paths: Cindy C. reported 1 anniversary.

On Awakening: Margaret K. reported 4 anniversaries and a \$180.65 Pink Can donation.

Primary Purpose: Jon G. reported 3 anniversaries.

Summit Avenue: Mary E. reported a \$16.00 Pink Can donation and 4 anniversaries.

A Vision for You: Amanda M. reported the meeting is going well.

Williamsport Group: Cathy B. reported 2 anniversaries and an \$18.00 Pink Can donation.

Old Business:

Maggie R. shared that she has a tour scheduled at St. Mark's Episcopal Church and is in discussions with starting a meeting there.

New Business:

Mike E. shared that using the free version of Mail Chimp only allows for one administrator, which does not help with the transition of duties. He made a motion that *Hagerstown Area Intergroup approve a monthly payment of \$28.00 for the Mail Chimp communication service*, and the motion passed.

Cindy C. indicated the Handbook committee will be discussing a new committee for Communications.

Craig T. announced that the 2025 Northeast Regional AA Service Assembly (NERAASA) will be virtual. 2026 will be in Portland, Maine.

Meeting closed at 4:14pm with the Responsibility Pledge.

The next HAIG Meeting will be on March 24, 2024, at 3:30pm. All are welcome to attend.

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