



HAGERSTOWN AREA INTERGROUP

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January 2020 Newsletter

HAIG INFORMATION

Monthly Meeting:

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

TRUSTED SERVANTS

Officers:

Chairperson: Craig T.

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WCDC Men John B.

MCTC Bob B.

Submit anniversaries, articles, etc:

newsletter@hagerstownaa.org

Deadline for submissions is the

4th Sunday of each month.

Step 1: We admitted we were powerless over alcohol—that our lives had become unmanageable.

Tradition 1: Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. Unity.

Concept 1: Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship.

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January Anniversaries

Date	Celebrant	Yrs	Group	Time
1/1	Bridgette D.	4	Maple Ave.	7:30 PM
1/3	Margaret Y.	13	Williamsport	8:00 PM
1/10	Rich P.	4	Fellowship Hall	6:00 PM
1/11	Jason M.	1	Hagerstown	8:00 PM
1/13	Lou A.	14	Leitersburg	7:00 PM
1/17	John C.	3	Fellowship Hall	6:00 PM
1/17	Daniel B.	3	Williamsport	8:00 PM
1/17	John C.	3	Fellowship Hall	6:00 PM
1/17	Jocelyn H.	3	Fellowship Hall	6:00 PM
1/19	David S.	14	Leitersburg	7:00 PM
1/19	Terrie A.	25	New Paths	6:00 PM
1/20	Mary E.	9	Firehouse	9:00 AM
1/23	Carol W.	28	As Bill Sees It	7:00 PM
1/24	Tommy D.	1	Fellowship Hall	6:00 PM
1/24	Eric S.	18	Williamsport	8:00 PM
2/15	Jim R.	35	Hagerstown	8:00 PM

Intergroup Meeting Minutes

Date: 12/15/2019

Craig T., Chairperson, opened the meeting at 3:30 pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Officers in attendance included: Staci D., Jennifer L.

Chairpersons present included: John B.-Men's Corrections; Bob B. -Men's Corrections; Nancy B.-Where & When; Bob C.-Finance; Steve W.-Outreach; Tom T.- District 20 Committee; Bryan R.-Treatment; Website – Mike E.

12 Intergroup reps were present and 3 visitor(s).

Chair Report: The January 2020 Intergroup Liaison Conference Call presenter has not been finalized due to the transition of the new Panel 70 Committee Chair. Information on the call will be forward by email when I receive it. We are looking for HAIG Standing Committee Chairs for Public information and Grapevine. If you are interested in serving in this capacity, please contact any Intergroup Officers.

Secretary Report: The 11/24/19 New and Old business were read by Staci D. Approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning Balance:		\$3292.84
Contributions:		
Hagerstown Group	\$ 198.40	
Maple Ave.	\$ 75.00	
Total Contributions:		\$ 373.40
Total Funds Available:		\$ 3566.24
Expenditures:		
Jennifer L - Line 2 Billing	\$ 49.39	
Bob B – Corrections Conference	\$ 500.00	
Total Expenditures:		\$ 549.39
Ending Balance:		\$ 3116.85
Prudent Reserve:		\$ (900.00)
Total Funds Available:		\$ 2216.85

HAGERSTOWN AREA MEETING INFORMATION

Fellowship Hall noon meetings could use support.

ARG meetings at 7:30 am could use support.

The Mountain Breakfast committee has decided that there will be NO BREAKFAST IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2020 due to the uncertainty of the weather. The breakfast will resume on the second Saturday of March.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

January 18 – Maple Avenue is having their 35th Group Anniversary. Dinner is at 6:00; speaker at 7:30. Please bring a covered dish or dessert to share.

January 19 – District 20 Meeting at 3:30 at Fellowship Hall. All GSRs should attend.

January 20 – Summit Avenue is having their 36th Group Anniversary. Dinner 5:30; Speaker at 7:00. Bring a covered dish or dessert to share. There will be no Beginner's meeting that night.

January 26th – Hagerstown Area Intergroup Meeting at 3:30 at Fellowship Hall. All Intergroup Reps please attend.

Committee Reports:

Corrections-Men: John B. reported that they are in need of volunteers. Applications are available. Please contact Bob B. or John B. if interested. He reported that literature was taken into the WCDC this week.

Pink Can Report:

Beginning Balance 11/24/19		\$ 181.47
Hagerstown Group	\$ 15.00	
Summit Ave.	\$ 35.77	
Fellowship	\$ 1.20	
Total Contributions		\$51.97
New Balance 12/15/19		\$233.44

Finance- Bob C. Submitted the HAIG 2019 Budget Report and the HAIG 2020 Budget Proposal for review.

Outreach – Steve W. reported that he continues to attend meetings in the district to encourage participation at the HAIG and sends out a reminder email for groups to have a representative to attend the meeting.

Newsletter – Submitted after the 12/15/19 meeting: After 3 years of service, Bridgette is now stepping down. This position is now open.

Treatment- Bryan R. reported that there are discussions ongoing with Bridging the Gap between release from treatment and/or prison facilities to community support. More information to follow.

Website – Mike E. reported that everything is working well and he has posted the new Where & When on the website.

Where and When - Nancy B. reported the first quarter, January 2020, edition of the Where & When is available today, printed in gray to distinguish it from last quarter. The Where & When has been sent to the Answering Service committee and the HAIG webmaster for posting on our website.

The only change to this edition is the addition of a QR code which allows anyone with a QR Code reader on their phone to access the HAIG website. On the website they will find a printable pdf version of the Where & When and also a list of the next meetings coming up on that day from the Meeting Guide app. There is wording above the QR code which explains to the user how it works. If anyone has questions or suggestions regarding this addition to the Where & When, please contact Nancy B. at meetings@hagerstownaa.org.

Please also let Nancy know of any changes to your meeting/group as soon as possible so they can be provided to the webmaster and Answering Service and published in the next edition of the Where & When which will be April 2020.

District 20- Tom T. reported that the Alternate DCM position is still available. Eligibility includes previous experience as a GSR or Alternate GSR. The balance in the District 20 Committee bank account is \$1884.38. We are planning for several workshops in 2020. Details will be announced soon. The next meeting will be held at Fellowship Hall on Sunday, January 19 at 3:30 pm.

Intergroup Rep reports:

Chewsville: Jennifer L. reported that things are going well.

12&12@12: Nancy B. reported that this is a small, Open Step & Tradition meeting which meets Tuesdays at noon in the back room of 28 South Restaurant, 28 South Potomac Street, Hagerstown. Attendees are able to order from the restaurant menu if they choose. The meeting will be open on December 24th as well as December 31st.

Fellowship Hall: Jeff W. reported anniversaries for the group. The speaker for Saturday January 18th will be Tracy Jo from WV.

Firehouse: Terri G. reported anniversaries for the group.

Leitersburg: Jeff B. reported anniversaries for the group.

Hagerstown Group: Matt S. reported anniversaries for the group.

Maple Ave: Steve W., Alternate IG Rep., reported the group will be hosting a 35 year Anniversary Dinner for the group on Saturday, January 18th from 6-730pm at the Maple Ave. location.

New Paths: Cindy C. reported anniversaries for the group.

On Awakening: Victor S. reported pink can donations and anniversaries for the group.

Serenity: Rashid W., Alternate IG Rep, reported everything is going well. Please note a correction to the December HAIG Newsletter. Rashid W. celebrated 28 years on December 21st at Serenity, not 2 years.

Thursday BB Meeting: Wayne B. things are going well. The group has started its 62nd reading of the Big Book.

Summit Avenue: Folo L. reported the Summit Avenue Group 36th Anniversary Dinner will be held Monday, January 20, 2020. See front page for details.

Old Business:

Craig T presented the 2020 Proposed Budget that was drafted and previously submitted by the Finance Committee. Following discussion, a motion that: **The 2020 budget be approved**, was made and approved unanimously

After an open discussion, followed by a vote of the Intergroup Reps, the Motion from September 22, 2019 that: **HAIG create a Co-Chair position and if approved, revise the HAIG Bylaws to include the position with a job description and responsibilities**, was not approved. There were 12 voting Intergroup Representatives present. The vote was held by ballot. A 2/3 majority vote, required to change the Bylaws, was not reached; 7 in favor, 5 not in favor. A vote of 8 in favor was needed for approval.

After an open discussion, followed by a vote of the Intergroup Reps, the Motion from September 22, 2019 that: **according to Concept IV, Committee Chairs should have a right to vote at HAIG**, was not approved. There were 12 voting Intergroup Representatives present. The vote was held by ballot. A 2/3 majority vote, required to change the Bylaws, was not reached; 4 in favor, 1 Abstain, 7 not in favor. A vote of 8 in favor was needed for approval.

New Business:

Tom T. stated his interest in taking over the Finance Committee Chair position from Bob. C. who is stepping down. After approval by the majority of the Executive Committee, the endorsement of the Intergroup was requested. We welcome Tom T, as the new Finance Committee Chair.

Meeting closed at 4:45 pm with the Responsibility Pledge.

The next HAIG Intergroup Meeting will be January 26th, at 3:30 pm. All are welcome to attend!

Send Group 7th Tradition Contributions to:	
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