



HAGERSTOWN AREA INTERGROUP

P.O. Box 1153 ♦ Hagerstown, MD 21741

www.hagerstownaa.org ♦ Answering Service: (301) 733-1109

October 2020 Newsletter

HAIG INFORMATION

Monthly Meeting:

4th Sunday each month – 3:30 p.m.
Virtual through 2020
6N. Mulberry Street, Hagerstown, MD

TRUSTED SERVANTS

Officers:

Chairperson: Craig T.
chair@hagerstownaa.org
Treasurer: Carol W.
treasurer@hagerstownaa.org
Secretary: Staci D.
secretary@hagerstownaa.org

Committee Chairs:

Activities: Whitney B.
activities@hagerstownaa.org
Answering Service: Annamarie C.
answering.service@hagerstownaa.org
District 20 DCM: Dave M.
district20.dcm@hagerstownaa.org
Finance: Tom T.
finance@hagerstownaa.org
Grapevine: Staci D.
grapevine@hagerstownaa.org
Outreach: Steve W.
outreach@hagerstownaa.org
Newsletter: Charlie D
newsletter@hagerstownaa.org
Public Information: Brian M.
public.information@hagerstownaa.org
Ad Hoc Technology: Gerald R.
technology@hagerstownaa.org
Treatment: Bryan R.
treatment@hagerstownaa.org
Website: Mike E.
website@hagerstownaa.org
Ad Hoc Workshop: Folo L.
workshop@hagerstownaa.org
Where & When: Nancy B.
meetings@hagerstownaa.org
Corrections:
corrections@hagerstownaa.org
WCDC Women Carol B.
WCDC Men John B.
MCTC Bob B.
Submit anniversaries etc. to:
newsletter@hagerstownaa.org
Deadline for submissions is the 4th
Sunday of each month.

Step 10:

Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.

Tradition 10:

Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the AA name ought never be drawn into public controversy.

Concept X:

Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority, with the scope of such authority well defined.

Reprinted with permission of A.A. World Services, Inc.

October Anniversaries

Date	Celebrant	Years	Group	Time
10/12	Larry P.	26	Summit Ave	Virtual 7pm
10/12	John B.	33	Summit Ave	Virtual 7pm
10/19	Erica G.	7	Hagerstown Group	
10/20	Kevin K.	23	Hagerstown Group	

Intergroup Meeting Minutes September 27, 2020

Craig T., Chairperson, opened the virtual meeting at 3:30 p.m. with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Officers in attendance included: Craig T. and Carol W.

Chairpersons present included: John B. and Bob B., Men's Corrections; Steve W., Outreach, Erica G., PI Co-Chair; Mike E., Website; Nancy B., Where & When.

6 Intergroup representatives and 3 visitors were present.

Chair Report: Craig T. stated the audio of this meeting will be recorded for the accuracy of the minutes. There was no Area 29 Intergroup Liaison Committee (IGLC) meeting in September due to Labor Day. The next IGLC meeting will be Monday October 5, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m. held virtually. The login information will be sent out closer to the event. Cynthia T. – Area 29, Panel 70 Delegate will be the guest speaker discuss the Final Finance Reports from the General Service Conference. Final General Service Conference reports are available. Contact Nancy B. or Craig T. to receive as many as you need for your groups.

Secretary Report: Craig T. read a synopsis of the Secretary's minutes from August. The minutes were accepted as read.

Treasurer's Report: Carol W. presented the August Treasurer's Report. No objections were noted

Beginning Balance:		\$2445.03
Contributions:	Check #	
Total Donations:		\$0.00
Total Funds Available:		\$2445.03
Expenditures:		
Jennifer-Line 2 Billing		\$49.57
Mike E. – Website Domain		\$35.80
Craig T. – PO Box Key		\$12.00
Total Expenditures:		\$97.37
Ending Balance:		\$2347.66
Prudent Reserve:		(900.00)
Total Funds Available:		\$1447.66
Pink Can Balance		\$670.96

Jennifer made a motion which was seconded, that business be suspended until after Area 29 Delegate, Cynthia T., gives the final financial report from the General Service Conference.

The GSO financial report will be sent to the fellowship following the meeting today. If anyone has questions, feel free to contact Cynthia whose information will be in the email.

HAGERSTOWN AREA MEETING INFORMATION

Some groups have resumed in-person meetings. Virtual and in-person meeting schedules are available on the HAIG website, www.hagerstownaa.org.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Area Intergroup Liaison Committee Meeting: 6:30 p.m. Monday October 5, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m. held virtually. The login information will be sent out closer to the event.

Area 29 Inventory Assembly: Saturday October 17 at 9:00 a.m. held virtually. The Area will be taking its inventory, focusing on what more can be done to carry the message during the pandemic. GSRs should attend. All are welcome, Watch for an agenda and the virtual sign on information soon.

District 20 Meeting: Sunday October 18 at 5:00 p.m. held in-person at Fellowship Hall.

We thank Cynthia for taking the time to come to HAIG to provide this information which is so important to the Fellowship.

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

Activities: (Whitney B.)

Answering Service: Annamarie C.)

Corrections

Men- (John B. and Bob B.) John B. reported that the Men's Corrections Committee received the following message from Sgt. Pryor at the WCDC:

The Detention Center is still on lock-down (quarantined) until further notice. There is no time frame and/or estimation when the lock-down will be lifted.

Once a decision is made to re-open the Detention Center to Programs and Religious Services, I will notify you accordingly.

Bob B. reported for Men's Corrections at MCTC that meetings are suspended until we are notified that they may continue. At that time volunteers will need to go through the orientation process again.

Women: (Carol B.) Absent, no report, but the above message from Sgt. Pryor would apply to women's meetings at the WCDC also.

Pink Can Report:

Beginning Balance as of: 8/23/20	\$670.96
Total Contributions	\$0
Expenses	0
New Balance 9/27/2020	\$670.96

Finance: (Tom T.) Craig T. reported for Tom T. that the budget report to date was sent to all HAIG members last week and asked if there were any questions. Nancy commented that there is no entry for 2019 Expenses in Item 12a.Grapevine. There should have been an expense of @\$124 for Grapevine subscriptions ordered for the WCDC and MCTC.

Grapevine: (Staci D.)

Newsletter: (Charlie D.)

Outreach: (Steve W.) Present, no report.

Public Information: (Erica G., Co-Chair) Present, no report.

Treatment: (Bryan R.)

Website - (Mike E.) Researched solution for a more effective and simpler provider and determined that Blue Host or Go Daddy would both be good choices and cost about \$5.00 more than we are currently paying. Either of these options would allow us to keep all of our information in one place. He also suggested that we consider a service like Office 365 or Google Suite to store documents. We will discuss both items again in October after he has met with Gerald (Technology). Jennifer then suggested that we consider a HAIG email option since Nancy sends and manages all emails sent to the fellowship. Nancy commented that the email list was begun as a personal list many years ago and has grown to over 300. Although she would not be willing to just turn over all of those addresses without the approval from each addressee, there are ways to begin to manage that per Mike. More research will be done.

Where and When – (Nancy B.) Since the August HAIG meeting we were advised of several changes to the status of meetings:

1. On Awakening opened for in-person meetings on September. 2. Masks are required and social distancing is enforced. Folks must bring their own books and books will be for sale. Thursday and Saturday are no longer newcomer meetings.
2. New Paths (at Brooklane) has opened for in-person meetings.. Masks are required and social distancing is enforced. Capacity is 19 people. Literature will not be passed out. Hand sanitizer, wipes and masks will be available. There will be a sing-up sheet for contact tracing.
3. Maple Avenue Saturday 7:30 pm returned to virtual only meetings. Wednesday meeting remains virtual only.

4. Boonsboro ABSI has opened for in-person meetings beginning September 17. Masks must be worn, bring your own book.

These changes have been made on the Where & When which will be posted on the HAIG website. The Answering Service has been notified and changes have been made to the virtual meeting schedule on the website.

Please let Nancy know of any changes to your group. She will contact the trusted servants responsible for updating the website, the Meeting Guide App, the virtual meeting list, and the answering service. The Where & When will not be published until it is safe to distribute paper copies.

Ad Hoc Technology: (Gerald R)

Ad Hoc Workshop: (Folo L.)

District 20 DCM: (Dave M.)

Intergroup Rep Reports:

12&12@12: Nancy B. reported the meeting is still suspended.

Chewsville- Jennifer L. reported the host church has given approval for in person meetings. The group needs to come up with a plan and date to reopen.

Fellowship Hall: Craig T. report for Jeff W. that there are still 3 in-person meetings a day. There have been a few times when the doors were closed due to being at the limited capacity allowed during the 6:00 meeting. The 9:30 a.m. or 8:30 p.m. meetings normally have lower attendance and can use support. Have Pink Can money to turn in.

Gratitude: Jeff F. reported the meeting is taking place virtually for the foreseeable future. The group enjoys participation by members from other states.

Hagerstown Group: Matt S. reported 2 anniversaries. Still meeting virtually.

Serenity: Erica G. reported the group would begin meeting in-person on Thanksgiving Day, November 26th. She will let Nancy B. know for sure so that the fellowship can be notified.

Summit: Liz M. reported there will be a group conscience tomorrow night to discuss if and when we will open for in-person meetings since the church has given the green light

Old Business

1. An additional PO Box key was purchased and Craig T. and Carol W. were added to PO list as contacts.
2. Gerald R. has set up HAIG virtual meetings to the end of the year.
3. Committee Chairs should submit their budget requests to Tom T. by the October meeting.

New Business:

1. Craig T. discovered that the Tax ID Number used by HAIG to open the bank account years ago belonged to MD General Service, Inc. He submitted an SS-4 to obtain ID in the name of HAIG. Once the number is received the bank will substitute it for the number currently on the account.
2. At the District 20 meeting last week it was suggested that a virtual Gratitude meeting be offered in November on the 1st or 2nd Sunday. The District would like HAIG to co-host. A speaker from outside the area will be sought. There were no objections.

Meeting closed at 5:20 pm with the Lord's Prayer. The next HAIG Intergroup Meeting will be October 25, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

Send 7th Tradition contributions to service entities at the following addresses:

Hagerstown Intergroup P.O. Box 1153 Hagerstown, MD 21741	Maryland General Service, Inc. P.O. Box 8043 Elkridge, MD 21075
General Service Board P.O. Box 459 Grand Central Station New York, NY 10163	District 20 Committee P.O. Box 1951 Hagerstown, MD 21742