

## SOUTH JERSEY INTERGROUP STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING & IG REP MEETING UPDATES

**Date: Steering October 9<sup>th</sup> & 16th**

**Opening:** Opened at 7:30pm with "Serenity Prayer"

**Steering Attendees:** Beverly M, Joe C, Dave P, Tina O, Wayne P, Scott P, Becky P, Mike L, Brian C, Lisa S, Steve C, Catharine E

**Intergroup Chair:** Beverly M

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**Intergroup Vice-Chair:** Tina O

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Letter to Area 45 Corr. Facilities Comm. regarding LIPS contributions received by SJIG, & related items between SJIG's & H&I Comm. & Area 45's Corr. Comm. being composed & being sent to Area 45's Corr. Fac. Comm. Chair along with check from SJIG for \$1,067.35, representing year-to-date LIPS contributions properly belonging to Area 45's Corr. Fac. Comm. All nominations/submissions for Elected Panel & Trustee positions for upcoming term, to be submitted to SJIG Chr, V-Chr or a trustee, by Nov. IG mtg; Please continue to announce at all mtgs. & remember to return to IG all sign-up sheets, which were given out in Sept. Tina will be attending Day of Sharing, 10/19/13.

**Treasurer:** Harry L **Asst. Treas:**

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All quarterly taxes have been filed & paid; Per the minutes, \$3000. Has been transferred from Lit. to the Operating account; Donations have also picked up, Thank You; The proposed budget Has been amended to reflect no LIPPS donations; Please remember to include Group name, town, day of week & GSO# if know, on all correspondence, donations and burnt offerings.

Thank You Greeters & Clean up- Bruce, Matt, Mike, & Dee

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Ans. Service Chair:** Marty C **Co-Chair:** Lisa S.

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We are regrouping on schedule & trying to fill vacant shifts with eager folks looking for commitments, so we should be covered within month of Oct. If anyone has issues fulfilling commitment on routine basis, please let one/us know so we can pass commitment to another AA looking for service. With very few shifts reporting call numbers we do not think it is representative to include call counts at this time. Please report monthly total calls to us during 1<sup>st</sup> wk. each month, & please notify Marty via phone/email if you cannot cover your shift so we can try & have covered by "realAA" rather than paid answering svc (Ansercom). Phone vols. who experience svc. related problems, feel free to call Marty 609-560-0455/Lisa 856-906-0176 for assistance anytime. We'll do best we are able to help; Anyone wishing to join our Comm., take phone commitment, sign up for 12-St. call availability, or would like us to visit your gp. to explain how Comm. works, contact us, [SafetyCoachMartyC@comcast.net](mailto:SafetyCoachMartyC@comcast.net)/ [LRS1571@comcast.net](mailto:LRS1571@comcast.net); Comm. currently consists of 51 phone vols. & subs/pinch hitters; Anyone interest in being of additional svc. beyond their shift, call us.

**Archives Chair:** Jenn **Co-Chair:** Lauren C

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The Blackwood Tues. Night Women's Living Sober HG was founded Oct. 7, 2003; This is closed, women's step/libing sober mtg. held Tues. evenings, 7pm, Lakeland Complex, Ann Mullen Bldg. Woodbury-Turnersville Rd, Blackwood; this women's gp. Originally held mtgs at home of a gp. Founder. Fun facts for Oct.: **Oct. 13, 1947:** "The Melbourne Group" held 1<sup>st</sup> mtg. in Australia; **Oct. 10, 1970:** Lois reads "Bill's last message" at annual dinner in NY; **Oct. 24, 1973:** Trustees Archives Comm. of AA held 1<sup>st</sup> mtg.

**Bookers Chair:** Mike M **Co-Chair:** Carrie M

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Next Bookers Exchange is Nov. 7 @ 8pm @ New Beginnings CH, Runnemede, NJ. Address is 101C Rose Ave, Runnemede, NJ. However, if you are using a GPS, please use the address 1001 Rose Ave, Runnemede, NJ. Please come out if you want speakers to come to your gp or if your gp wants to take speaking commitments.

**Budget & Finance Chair:** Steve C **Co-Chair:** Jennifer S

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Proposed budget for 2014 is available & ready for Reps to take back to their HGs.

**H&I Chair:** Scott P **Co-Chair:** Becky P

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We had 21 gps in attendance leaving 6 open commitments out of 139. Currently all openings are filled for Nov. Thanks to all the elder H&I Reps who have served on Comm. & have passed the torch to All of newer members; We welcome all new H&I Reps & are excited at chance to share in H&I service with you & your Grps. All SJIG H&I Vols. join us, Sat. Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>, 8:30a for registration at Carslake Community Center, Bordentown NJ from 9a-1p for 3 Intergroups' "Day Of Sharing" Lets mix it up with Central Jersey & Cape-Atlantic on how to improve what we do in Service. H&I Comm. asking for help to get word out about where your HG LIPS Contributions now being accepted; Area 45 Corr. Comm. LIPS donations to be sent directly to Area 45; Please send checks/donations to PO Box 3724, Cherry Hill 08034, payable to Area 45 Corr. Comm-LIPS; Please include your Grp. info on check; these donations are specifically intended to aid inmates obtain Lit.

in prisons/jails; Reminder to All hosts, vols. & Comm. helpers: NO literature will be given out "on account" through H&I without approval of Chr/Co-Chr; Please email/phone us prior to visiting the Office; This ensures speedy, safe & consistent process already established with Lit. Comm.; Comm. discussions continue on topics for H&I Svc. Wkshp; Send your ideas or volunteer to help Comm. at [handi@aaaj.org](mailto:handi@aaaj.org). bring ideas to discuss next Bus. mtg.; Next Comm. mtg., Mon. Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> 7pm, IG office; we are booking for Dec. so Please bring friend & let's introduce them to H&I svc.

H&I Location Mtg. Time Change:

**Inspira Hospital Psych Unit**

333 Irving Avenue  
Bridgeton, NJ 08302  
Now: Sat. 5:30-6:30pm

**Seabrook House Rehab**

Men's & Women's Units  
133 Polk Lane  
Bridgeton, NJ 08302  
Now: Evening Mtgs. 7:30-8:30pm

**Literature Chair:** Joe C

**Co-Chair:**

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LITERATURE REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING 09/30/2013

Balance as of 09/01/13	\$10,996.35
Deposits/Credits	+ \$ 1,850.75
Checks/Debits	- \$ 5,118.45
Balance as of 09/30/13	\$ 7,728.65

Please note: AA World Svcs. Printing 75<sup>th</sup> Anniv. of BB, in large print; to be ready in April 2014.

Inform your Hosts, Volunteers, & Comm helpers that No Literature will be given to them w/out Your (the reps) approval through the Literature Chr/Co-Chr. Please email or Phone me. Literature still be in need of Chr/Co-Chr @ the end of 2013; Newcomer will be assisted in transition.

**Meeting list Chair:** Dee B

**Co-Chair:** Kelly B

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We had several changes this month, all updated by Janet; Looks like new print to be Nov, so asking all gps. to check their listing & ensure it is accurate; If change already submitted online, we have record & will change in new printed list; if no change submitted, please send by Nov. IG mtg.

**Newsletter Chair:** Patty H

**Co-Chair:** Angie Y

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Nwltr available at IG mtg; Chr. Contacted 2 people, who may be interested in serving on NL Comm, but awaiting response; Comm. will be need of Chr & Co-Chr in Jan. Chair will train someone to take over. Also need at least one newsletter member who is good w/ technical aspects of desktop publishing (graphics, templates, etc.). **Topics and deadlines for Nov. are in Newsletter. Also, "What do you have to share on the 11<sup>th</sup> Step &/or 11<sup>th</sup> Tradition.**

**P & I Chair:** Chris

**Co-Chair:** Ron

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In Sept. we filled current IDRC commitments in all 5 counties; recently Ron R took on Camden commitment & Joe T has taken Salem commitment; Were contacted by Dr. M Shore of Temple Emanuel, an Addictions Medicine Specialist, who will hold form entitled A Life or Death Issue, Oct. 16, 2013, 7-9pm; he requested we attend (3 people) & bring literature; Comm. to attend & all welcome; Were also contacted by Heather Ogden-Busch, Lead Admin. for Center for Family Svc. Living Proof Recovery Ctr, having free barbecue, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> for recovering community; she asked we supply lit. for event; we delivered lit. on morning of event & received thank you after event; Joe T presented by invitation by instructor at Atl. Comm. College, Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> to group of 20; he is looking into doing Public Info. presentation at his local library under adult info. Classes. I love it when things happen!

**Social Events Chair:** Mike L

**Co-Chair:** Brian C

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The camping trip to Rickett's Glen went well w/ Brian C. at the helm. **Tickets on sale for the Gratitude Dinner/Dance on November 16<sup>th</sup>** - \$20.00 p/p. to be held at Nicolosi's, 1 Hessian Ave, West Deptford, NJ. Seating is now limited, tickets are being sold!!! So buy your tickets now; contact Mike or Brian. DJ was informed to play a good mix of music.

**Unity Chair:** Joe T

**Co-Chair:** Ron S

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We still have 5 Gp. commitments which we need to schedule before end of year; We are meeting at IG office, Tues. 10-22, 7pm to welcome & train new Comm. members; Anyone interested please attend; we will be scheduling presentations with Berlin, Ashland (Morn. Glory), Masonville & Pemberton by end of month; We are looking for AA Gp. members who are comfortable speaking before others; If you would like to learn more, please attend on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Website Chair:** Janet I

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**SPECIAL REPORTS**

**Trustees:** Anna D, Jeff S, Wayne P, Andy E, Dave P.  
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**Area 45/SJIG Liaison:** Rosemary O

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Day of Sharing to be Sat. Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> 8:30am, in Bordentown; Area 45 Assembly to be Sun. Nov., 17<sup>th</sup> at Senior Center, Collingswood; elections to take place.

**Area 45 Alternate Delegate:** Joe McA

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**Old Business:** 1) Motion to move \$3000. From Lit. Comm. into IG Gen. Funds-Voted-Passed. 2) H&I Comm. recommends all Gps. within our 5 counties of SJ **send all future LIPS donations directly to Area 45 Corr. Copmm. Donations are specifically intended to aid inmates obtain Lit. in prisons & jails; Please send checks/donations to P.O. Box 3724, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034 payable to Area 45 Corr. Comm.-LIPS; Please include your gps info on check;** will place info where future LIPS contributions are to be sent in Nwltr, place link on SJIG website & continue to announce; Motion that all LIPS donation money & list of where donations came from be sent to Area 45 Corr. Comm by Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>, to complete receipt of LIPS in SJIG-Voted-Passed. 3) Motion to update website to remove Prisons & Jails from SJ web & provide link to area 45 Corr. Comm.-Voted-Passed. 4) H&I has \$1087.00 in LIPS & how do we forward to Area 45 Corr. Comm.; Motion to immediately forward entire LIPS amount, to date, to Area 45 Corr. Comm. passed. All lit. contributed year-to-date by SJIG to Area 45 Corr. Comm. or corrections facilities being considered donation from SJIG to Area 45 Corr. Comm. 5) H&I interested in having svc. Wkshp. For H&I commitments; Net H&I mtg. will address questions, ie: Do we raise limit of sobriety time. 6) **Time to start thinking Alcathon!** Thanksgiving around the corner! **Ask your gp. If interested in hosting Holiday Alcathons, please contact IG office, Chr or V-Chr.** 7) SJIG looked into purchasing Group Umbrella Insurance to blanket all groups in our 5 counties; however it may be cost prohibitive just from one quote taken, and needs more investigation before presenting to IG as whole; Tina proposed tabling this proposal until further investigation & documentation can be provided-Motion-Voted-Passed. 8) Joe C proposed motion for SJIG to purchase 'new edition' BB when released.-Voted-Passed.

**New Business:**

**Adjournment:** *"I Am Responsible" Pledge*

**Respectfully Submitted- Recording Secretary:** Catharine E    **Reporting Secretary:** Terry D    [secretary@aasj.org](mailto:secretary@aasj.org)