

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

February 13 & 20

Opening: Opened at 8:00pm with "Serenity Prayer"

**Steering Attendees:** Beverly M, Tina O, Catherine E, Terry D, Andy E, Dave P, Wayne P, Mike M, Steve C, Scott P, Becky P, Kelly B, Chris S, Mike L, Joe T, Ron S, Rose O, Marty C.

**Intergroup Chair:** Beverly M

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Hello, Last Jan. I relayed to everyone that my goal as Chair is to make sure every committee is a committee, not just chair/co-chair. Steering chairs reported status of their Committee; how many & if more volunteers are needed. Think about getting involved with SJIG @ higher level, Reps invited to attend comte/special mtgs & work shops; talk w/ Chrs./ co-chrs about their Committees. Talk with HG members, have them contact Committee they are interested in! IG Committees always need help, many service positions avail. Few Committees have time allotments.

**Intergroup Vice-Chair:** Tina O

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To improve communication between IG & Members, suggested to add space at end of minutes for IG reps to take notes and summarize minutes. May help w/reporting important info @ HGs w/members. Motion made-passed. Suggestion to have monthly minutes on Web w/out personal info. Cut costs, increase accessibility. Motion made-passed.

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

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Seeing more money flow from lit comte. Doing good over all. **Remember to include Town, GSO# & Grp name on all checks, contributions, hate mail & love letters to IG;** secret admirers not in vogue. Paid all 4<sup>th</sup> qtr 2012 tax obligations & submitted required paperwork. Submitted State & Fed W-3's (yrly employee tax info), & employee W-2s.

**Trustee Reading:** Step 2 from the Big Book. Bill's Story Pg 12

**New IG Reps:** Dustin- Collinswood Mon Nite, Joe- Thursday 'How It Works', Alison- Sun Nite BB, Laura- Mon Nite 'How it works', Max- Moorestown Barber Gp., Joe- Merchantville Spiritual.

**Anniversaries:** Andy- 16 yrs, Terry- 11 yrs, Ramul 5 yrs

**Group Announcements:** Audubon Fri Nite, 32 yr Anniv Feb 22 @ Calvin Hall, Food 7:00 pm & Spker 8:00 pm, Clementon Sunday BB Study Anniv- Feb 24 @1:00 PM @ 400 Club

**Tradition 2:** Joe C

next month **Tradition 3:** Lisa

**Concept 2:** Jimmy

next month **Concept 3:** Pat

**Greeters for March:** Lisa & Mike

**Set-up/Cleaners for March:** Brian & Brett

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

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**Current/Updated Phone Schedule: 2 vacant shifts; both overnite, Wed 10pm-thurs 8am & Thurs 10pm-Fri 8am.**

Could make a Great Group commitment. Pass it On! Thanks all for being of service. If we can be of any assistance to you, don't hesitate to call Marty or Lisa. Thanks to everyone for passing word & getting our sober brothers/sisters involved in Ans Svc Comm. Recieved a great response, w/ 15 vacancies taken & now have several vols waiting for shifts. **Anyone currently having difficulty fulfilling commitment on routine basis, Please let us know so we can pass commitment to other AAs, there are several looking for service commits on a steady shift.** With only 76 shifts reporting, monthly call totals: "WE" answered 45 calls; "WE" actually answered many more! **PLEASE report monthly totals after your last shift/before 1<sup>st</sup> wk of each.** Answercom Svc handled 116 calls. Ans Svc volume expected to decline due to filling 13 known vacant slots since Jan. Please notify Marty by email /phone if you cannot cover yr shift, so it's covered by "real AA" rather than paid Answercom. If experiencing svc related problems, call Marty for assist. People are responding to update for Step List info. Anyone can join our Comm, do phone commitment, sign up for 12 St call, or have us visit your Grp to explain how Comm works. Chr & co-Chr have phone shifts, Comm. consists of 56 phone Vols & 5 sub/pinch hitters; Anyone interested being of service, Please call! Kudos Lisa, Co-Chr.

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

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Home Group Highlight: Fort Dix Unity Gp. Founded Aug 2, 1972. It's a speaker mtg, meets Tues Nites @ 7:30PM. Started on base for military personnel & surrounding areas. Has an International Mtg List. Located: Range Rd, Range Headquartes, Bld # 9013. Comte has Chr & Co-Chr. **Welcome to anyone w/ some creativity to help better organize archives system. No 'time' qualify needed.** We have an abundance of interesting historical info on SJ area & AA; great to share with IG reps to take back to HGs. It will be extremely helpful to have some assistance w/ research & outreach to various groups to get accurate & updated info for archives. Many Hgs do not have history questionnaires on file, presently only 36 filed, & quite a few home group questionnaires are missing info (ex: month, founding date...). Have your

gp fill out the questionnaires, found at IG mtgs or copy from SJ website, in Archives.

**Bookers Chair:** Mike M      **Co-Chair:** Carrie M      [booker@asaj.org](mailto:booker@asaj.org)  
Booker's Exchange, held Feb 7, had 41 Grps attend & filled 284 commits. Due to new term in Jan, many more new reps were at mtg. Thanks Jen H for your help! **Next Exchange-Thurs, May 2, 2013, 8 PM @ New Begings Club- Runnemedede.**

**Budget & Finance Chair:** Steve C      **Co-Chair:** Jennifer S      [budget@asaj.org](mailto:budget@asaj.org)  
No Report

**H&I Chair:** Scott P      **Co-Chair:** Becky P      [handi@asaj.org](mailto:handi@asaj.org)  
We had 12 grps show this month filling 109 or 124 commitments; All Filled for March! Thanks H&I rep Chet A from St Barts for taking over 12 commitments for his HG for March! Thanks to 4 people who registered with H&I by email & filled Host/Speaker slots this month! Email sent regarding Sat BB format mtg at Maryville. Next Committee Mtg on 2/25/13 @ 7 PM, @ IG Office. Will talk on proposed mtg format. Want to encourage sponsorship, get info from lit out to people, & ask for further ideas. If you have ideas or concerns come to Comte mtg Feb 25<sup>th</sup>. Potential Comte grp conscience vote & implement start of this mtg possibly in March. Suggestions submitted to improve H&I section of website sent to Webmaster 2/12/13: new BLURB, updates on info to H&I locations, & a request- if locations can have address drop down & Map Link added. Currently done in Mtgs Today section of Main Page, if clicking over Grp (+/-) or could be Facility name (+/-). Awaiting response. Stamps for H&I materials arrived to show participation and to help stop materials from disappearing~" This volume of literature was donated by members of Alcoholics Anonymous by way of Hospitals & Institutions Committee of South Jersey Intergroup". All Hosts reminded to check in with us about mtg needs & concerns. Have 16 committee members; many involved via phone, e-mail, & reg take commits. Grps & individs encouraged to get into H&I service-Great way to keep what we have by Giving it Away!

**Literature Chair:** Joe C      **Co-Chair:** Marge K      [literature@asaj.org](mailto:literature@asaj.org)  
Statement from 1/01/13 to 1/31/13  
Opening Balance      \$9,433.89  
    Debits / Checks      - 4,683.73  
    Deposits / Credits      + 5,667.60  
Statement Balance as of 1/31/13      \$10,417.76

SJs Lit Comm's ability to "carry the message" and continue it's financial stability would not be possible were it not for many who have volunteered and still continue to do so. Now ALL shifts are covered & names of any Lit Vols placed on file. This is how it works! Co-chr assists in banking, shift schedule, inventory & covers any shifts needed. Thanks to Day & Eveng Volunteers @ office, Road Show Volunteers, & to office mgr; helps in sales & deliveries if needed. Literature can use more vols and comte members. A nice Grapevine story from Philly AA (Ralph B) in this months GV. Some may relate to rooms he visited on his journey. **Road Show commit Sat. Sanity Grp, at KISS Club on 2/23/13 @10am.**

**Meeting list Chair:** Dee B      **Co-Chair:** Kelly B      [meetinglist@asaj.org](mailto:meetinglist@asaj.org)  
Had 11 changes this month, & the process is running smoothly. Mtg list comte is presently chr & co-chr. Anyone interested being a member is welcome to proofread (who are computer literate), to help us be proactive w/ Unity Comte, & to visit mtgs w/out IG reps-making sure they are still active. There are 3,000 mtg lists left. Continuing to prepare for next list. **If anyone knows of a mtg that is not there & is still listed on mtg list, Call IG or e-mail Meeting List Committee.**

**Newsletter Chair:** Patty H      **Co-Chair:** Angie Y      [newsletter@asaj.org](mailto:newsletter@asaj.org)  
Nwsltr Comte has 2 permanent members, chair & co-chr. Anyone contributing to Nwsltr is part of Comte. We need more writers! Slowly but surely getting more. Feb Nwsltr has 4 new contributions from members. Thanks! Making efforts to get permanent staff writers. Placed ad in Nwsltr "Pay Low But Benefits to All are Awesome". March-share Your experience, strength & hope w/ others &/or write about Trad & Step 3. Support has been wonderful, Thank You. Reps- please take newsletter back to HGs and share w/ all members @ mtgs. Happy Valentine's Day!!! (This fellowship is all about love.)

**P & I Chair:** Chris      **Co-Chair:** Ron      [publicinfo@asaj.org](mailto:publicinfo@asaj.org)  
Current Commitment is IDRC & those wkly commitments are filled. Letters sent- schools & collages, awaiting response. Thanks to Joe T for all help! Will contact radio station for possible public svc announcement. Suggested update Mtg Lists @ area Hotel & Motels. P&I has \$ to pay for mtg lists. Working on putting together a Comte & finding spking & info distribution commitments. Want to get info to hospitals, police, libraries, RN programs, Mds, If you know of any contacts please let P & I know. Vols needed!

**Social Events Chair:** Mike L      **Co-Chair:** Brian C      [socialevents@asaj.org](mailto:socialevents@asaj.org)  
**Founder's Day in Akron-Take to grp & talk It Up!! Duke of Fluke Fishing Trip-** June 15, 1-5 PM. Limit 34 people. Interested? contact Social Evts- write check for \$25.00 to Mike Lore, include phone # on check. Will call w/ cancel/or changes. Suggestion-Snow Tubing for Mar-Who's interested? \$25.00 for 4hrs. Ask gp members; if interested, call **Looking for ideas for Social Events for 2013;** Bowling league, soft ball games, trips, dances, afternoon tea parties...

Contact Social Comte. Thank you.

**Unity Chair:** Joe T      **Co-Chair:** Ron S

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We have Chr & co-Chr & 6 comm. Mbers. Orientation pkges being reviewed. Recieved 2 grp requests for Unity Presentation, 2 pending. Unity will attend next bookers to speak to members. Held Service Workshop on Feb 18; informed 'What is Service' & function & responsibility of each committee. Negatives arose & addressed-Grps don't like to be told abt Traditions or Service; may feel they're being told what to do? Anyone having topics of interest for Svc Wkshps tell Joe or Ron. Next **Service Workshops**- Apr & June. **Memorial Day Alcathon** in Burl. County- Palmyra, 8 AM- 8 PM. Need 12 people to share. If want a special time, prior to sign-up in Mar, call Unity. SJ is big, covering a few counties, If your Gp has space & wants to host an alcathon contact Unity! **'Round-Up Start Up' Mtg- March 18 @ 7pm @ IG Ofce.** Plan & coordinate a Round-up, entry level service available-social events, planning... flyers available @ website. Unity has mission to get Commities to work together, suggest cross comte service; Suggests take active part in another comte: do phone shift, attend H&I/ Bookers, try P & I comte, write article for Nwsltr. gain experience to share w/ others about service. If people want to go to Akron, call Unity; will help w/ info and help you coordinate effort.

**Website Chair:** Janet I 856-904-9924

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**Please allow 7 days to process requests for website.** Janet currently works alone; will call experts in case of emergency or maintenance. Janet will step down at end of year, need to find new webmaster; w training & experience. A revamp of website is possible in the future. Ask around for people who have computer knowlege & interest in possible Website Chr position. contact Janet. When updating dated info. for website ensure to send notice to remove outdated info. & check new info is on web correct.

## SPECIAL REPORTS

**Trustees:** Anna D 856-981-7021, Jeff S 609-841-9796, Wayne P 856-534-0104, Andy E 609-980-3864, Dave P 609-864-6524. No report.

**Area 45/SJIG Liaison:** Rosemary O

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Rose to attend Winter Area 45 Assembly, 2-17-13, Somers Point, NJ. Convention March 22, 23, & 24. Janet – Delegate talked about visiting the various groups for anniversaries. Thanks Joe, Alt Delegate, for attending the southern area groups' anniversaries. **General Service Board weekend in NY was 1/31 – 2/4. Agenda items: there are 1500 prison groups & the GS secretary answering over 1,000 letters, Discussion regarding not reaching the Spanish population in correctional facilities, & Revisions were made to the "Living Sober Book, re: drugs, medication... Reported that Area 45 is strong and the archives workshop will be set up at the convention; and young people are participating as well.** Dave – Treasurer    \$16,959.54 Prudent Reserve    \$42,959.54 Total Balance

**Area 45 Alternate Delegate:** Joe McA

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**Area 45 Winter Assembly** was Feb 17, 2013 @ Somers Point Fire Co #1. **Convention-** Mar 22, 23 & 24. Please make plans to attend this year! Stay at the hotel, stay up late, howl weekend away w/mtgs, dinners, dances. Make new friends and greet the old! **Mini-Conference** will be held on Saturday April 13, @ St Charles Borromeo Church, 176 Stagecoach Road, Sicklerville, NJ 08081. All are welcome! Come & help inform the Delegate of the Area's group conscience on agenda items for the **63 General Service Conference.** Area 45 holds its Spring Assembly on May 19, 2013 at the Elmer Grange Hall, in Pilesgrove NJ. 08098. Directions will be on the Area web site (snjaa.org.) There is one agenda items on the agenda at the spring assembly, regarding a proposed change to the name of the 'Corrections and Treatment Facilities Committee', to the 'Corrections Committee', to better reflect the actual function of that committee. The **2013 Day of Sharing** will be hosted by CJIG on Saturday, October 19. **NERASSA**, held in Area 59 Lancaster, PA, Feb 22-24, 2013. Questions? Contact Joe.

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No Report~ Office Hours are M-W-F 1pm to 4pm.

**Old Business:** reported computer from Dell Outlet is approx. \$1,100.00. Voted- Approved, purchase computer for Business ofce. Need to update present PC before passing to Archives. Continue to research insurance for gps.

**New Business:** Get a SJIG table @ Convention. A way to 'Reach Out' & inform.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned @ 8:45 PM with "I am Responsible" Pledge.

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