

SOUTH JERSEY INTERGROUP MEETING & IG REP MEETING UPDATES

Date: Intergroup- February 15, 2017

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

Group Announcements

- Feb 27th, Bridging the Steps Group 32nd Anniversary, food at 7:00 p.m., speaker at 8:00 p.m.
- Feb 24th Calvin Hall, Audubon- Anniversary. Food 7, Meeting 8
- Feb 25th, Vineland Group, 12:00 noon
- March 1, Kennedy Hospital Meeting 9th Anniversary. Food 7, Speaker 7:30
- March 24- 25, 26- 53rd Annual General Service Convention
- March 28, Tuesday Night Big Book 22nd Anniversary, Food 7, Speaker 7:30. Ashland Church
- March 31, Sunlight of the Spirit 3rd Anniversary. Food at 7:30, Speaker 9pm. Hope Church Rec Room, Voorhees
- April 4, Unshakeable Foundation 3rd Anniversary. 6:30 Cake & Fellowship, Speaker 7:30
- April 4, Living Room Group in Mt Ephraim- NEW TIME! 7pm-8pm
- Saturday April 29, District 14 Unity Event. Trinity Episcopal Church, Vineland NJ. Dinner 5, Meeting 6:30, Music 8. Doors open at 4, suggested donation \$10
- Saturday March 4, Forgiveness Workshop. Registration 10:30AM, starts at 11AM. First Presbyterian Church, Millville NJ
- Saturday March 4, 9AM Sober Saturday. 8th Anniversary, Brunch and speaker meeting. First Presbyterian Church Millville NJ

Trustee Reading- Step 2- Beverly

Tradition #2: Frank

Concept #2: Lou

Greeters for Feb: Matt, Tim

Set-up/Cleaners for Feb: John, Tom

Dennis, Frank

next month Tradition #3: Patti

next month Concept #3: Fred

Greeters for March: Jake, Carolyn

Set-up/Cleaners for March: Dylan, Matt

Patti, Frank

Chair: Brett R

chairperson@asaj.org

Ah, February, month of snow and valentines. Here's to hoping we don't get too much snow this month. On February 19, 2017, I plan on attending the next Area 45 Assembly to report on activities of SJIG. NERAASA is coming up the weekend after that, although I do not know if I will be able to attend. Reminder, the Area convention is coming up in March and the three intergroups will be presenting a panel workshop called "12 Steps away from a drink." Hope to see you all there.

Vice-Chair: Joe M

vchairperson@asaj.org

No Report

Treasurer: Andy E Asst. Treasurer: Brian C

treasurer@asaj.org

Happy New Year to all!

New Intergroup Reps, Thank You for your Service.

Please remember to put your Group's Name, Town, or GSO #

on all correspondence. We've paid our annual rent for the Intergroup

Meeting and Bookers for the entire year, so we're a little behind this month.

Not to worry... Fast at work on our Tax Filings and should be ready next month.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Ans. Service Chair: Tim A Co-Chair: Tracey C

answeringservice@asaj.org

14 shifts reported their call totals for January, that totaled 62 calls taken by committee members. We request that everyone continue to send in their monthly totals! As usual, volunteers that cannot cover their shift should notify us, so we can try and have it covered by a "real AA" rather than by Answercomm.

Answercomm reported taking 43 calls. This number is down from the 55 calls taken by Answercomm in January. I

would like to hear back from more of the shifts to get a better idea of how many total calls we do receive in a month. We would like to have all the calls to be received by the members of AA, so the caller is speaking to an alcoholic.

Currently we have shifts open on Friday 8 to 10am, Saturday 6 to 8pm and 8 to 10 pm . We also continue to take name for our waiting list, and are still taking AA members to sign up to be available for a 12 Step call, so please have interested people continue to contact us via answeringservice@aasj.org.

If any phone service related issues are identified feel free to call us for assistance anytime.
Give Thanks for your sobriety with a new service commitment!

Archives Chair: Lou S Co-Chair: Ian G archives@aasj.org

We continue to collect group history forms and appreciate all of your help. This next month I will work on compiling a list of the group histories we do have and will post it on the website as well as in my report for next month so you can bring it back to your groups.

Bookers Chair: Jennifer D Co-Chair: Rick M bookers@aasj.org

The bookers exchange was held on Feb 2nd and with great success! There were a total of 33 groups in attendance and a total of 244 speaking commitments filled!

The next exchange will be held on Thursday May 4th at 8pm. The location is the New Beginnings Clubhouse at 101 C Rose Avenue in Runnemede NJ. (GPS address is 1001 Rose Avenue). Booking prior to the meeting is strongly discouraged!!!

Please remind your groups if a commitment is taken and is unable to be filled to call the contact to let them know ahead of time.

Budget & Finance Chair: Laura R. Co-Chair: Lauren C budget@aasj.org

Happy February everyone!

The budget and finance committee is continuing to review the budget now that the final numbers from 2016 are in. Thank you Karen for meeting with us regarding the year ahead.

We will also be bringing a suggestion box to this month's steering committee meeting in the hopes that we can use the box to obtain suggestions from you and all group representatives regarding how we can better serve our area and the AA member as a whole. We will discuss this further at the February steering meeting.

H&I Chair: Patti S Co-Chair: Frank C handi@aasj.org

Hello everyone,

Here is the monthly report. We had a great turn out this month!! We had 195 commitments, 23 groups in attendance, and 22 commitments left open.

Our next meeting is February 27, 2017 at 7pm.

We have taken on two new commitments. Sunrise Detox in Cherry Hill added another day and Legacy Treatment Center in Pemberton NJ.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Cooper Psych Unit in Camden on Saturday mornings is now 10:30am to 11:30am. Parking tickets are available.

- Please call ahead to the Vineland Victory Academy if you have this commitment. If there is an issue when you arrive, please call James Flores @ [609-775-3993](tel:609-775-3993). We only cover 2 weeks a month now, a new host covers the other weeks.

- If your group cannot fill the commitment please let us know as soon as you can.

We have the following open commitments for February and March:

February Openings

Wednesday

Delaware House - Westampton NJ 1-2pm February 8, 22
21 Ikea Drive, Westampton NJ

Solstice Counseling - Lumberton NJ 11am-12pm February 22
1561 Rt 38 W, Lumberton NJ

Thursday

Unity II - Hammonton NJ 2-3 pm February 16
121 S. White Horse Pike, Hammonton

Daybreak - Atco NJ 10:30-12pm February 16, 23
368 White Horse Pike, Atco NJ

Friday

Vineland Victory Group - Vineland NJ 7-8pm (call ahead) February 24
2000 Maple Avenue, Vineland NJ

Saturday

Virtua Memorial Hospital – Psych Unit – Mount Holly 8:30-9:30pm February 25
175 Madison Ave, Mount Holly NJ

March Openings

Wednesday

Unity Place I - Cherry Hill NJ 12:40-1:30pm March 15, 22, 29
1 Keystone Ave, Cherry Hill NJ

Delaware House - Westampton NJ 1-2pm March 8, 22, 29
21 Ikea Drive, Westampton NJ

Solstice Counseling - Lumberton NJ 11am-12pm March 29
1561 Rt 38 W, Lumberton NJ

Thursday

Ancora State Hospital - Hammonton NJ 7-8pm (arrive 30 min early) March 2, 16, 23, 30
202 Spring Garden Rd, Hammonton NJ

Daybreak - Atco NJ 10:30-12pm March 9, 16, 23, 30
368 White Horse Pike, Atco NJ

Friday

Vineland Victory Group - Vineland NJ 7-8pm (call ahead) March 10
2000 Maple Avenue, Vineland NJ

Saturday

Virtua Memorial Hospital – Psych Unit – Mount Holly 8:30-9:30pm March 4, 11
175 Madison Ave, Mount Holly NJ

Please let us know if you can fill any of these commitments.

Literature Chair: Jimmy G Co-Chair: Melanie M

literature@aaaj.org

Bank balance, January 1.....\$10,846.18
four credits3,180.90
five debits4,221.65
balance, January 319,805.43.

The debits were all purchases from AA World Services, except for the \$200. monthly transfer to Intergroup's general fund. The credits include \$448.05 in sales to Intergroup committees.

We are all out of the standard edition of Living Sober, and so is the General Service Office. They tell me they will be able to ship them again in a few weeks, so we will have them in March. The large print edition is only a quarter more, at \$5.25. We won't run out of them I hope.

We are very sorry we were not there to sell literature at the January Intergroup meeting because of a sudden family emergency. Count on us to be there every month in the future.

Meeting list Chair: Traci K Co-Chair: Laura K

meetinglist@asj.org

We are still getting about 4-5 changes per month.

We are trying to form a committee for assembly of meeting lists. If anyone knows of anyone who would like to run that, please let me know. If you would like to volunteer your time to help with the stapling and folding of the meeting lists, a small group meets ~~Tuesdays~~ Wednesdays at 5:30pm at the Intergroup office, for more information e-mail officemanager@asj.org.

Newsletter Chair: April E Co-Chair: Shawn McK

newsletter@asj.org

We are working on the March edition now. We have an article from Frank Z. called "A United Message of Recovery." We will also have our regular features like the help wanted section, announcements and things to do, the convention flyer and registration, and the trivia questions. We could use a few more articles if anyone is interested. The deadline to submit is this Friday, 2/10.

Public Info Chair: Jim S Co-Chair: Eileen T

publicinfo@asj.org

Public Information continues to support IDRC in Westmont and Mt. Holly. After several 7 yrs of carrying the message to IDRC in Westmont, Gail V. Has decided to step down. We would like to thank Gail for all of her yrs of service and appreciate the time she gave. Thank you Gail!!! Gail's place on the schedule will be taken by Derrick L and Sam D, both from the Masonville group. Thank you both for stepping up!!! Eileen T continues to spearhead programs with local High Schools, Doctor's offices, and local police departments. Eileen is also attending the quarterly SAC meeting of area high schools on January 20th. Substance Abuse Counselors from South Jersey will be in attendance. Eileen is still looking for volunteers. She can be contacted at publicinfo@asj.org. Please consider volunteering for this important service opportunity.

Social Events Chair: Sal C Co-Chair: Dylan B

socialevents@asj.org

Upcoming events: Sunday April 2nd 2017

Trip to the Philadelphia Art Museum

Entry upon ANY donation!

Explore incredible works by Marcel Duchamp, Salvador Dalí, and many more.

Museum will be open from 10 am--5 pm

For those who would like to travel as a group, we will be meeting at the Intergroup Office parking lot at 11 am.

5090 Central Hwy, Pennsauken, NJ 08109

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For more information contact: Sal C.or Dylan B.

Unity Chair: Cletus C Co-Chair: Debbie F

unity@asj.org

I would like to welcome my new Co-Chair, Debbie F. Thanks, Debbie, for volunteering.

I also have Joe C on the Committee as well as Jennifer T.

We welcomed 9 new Reps at the January meeting

Website Chair: Ray Co-Chair: Courtney K

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Please see the flyer on how to post an event to the website!!!

SPECIAL REPORTS

Trustees: Beverly M. Kelli S. Tina O Bruce B. Edward J.

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No Report

Area 45 Alternate Delegate: Rose S

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Area 45 Winter Assembly February 19, 2017

Section IV

Ocean Acres Community Center

489 Nautilus Dr

Manahawkin, NJ 08050

Registration begins 8:30am
DCM/GSR Orientation 9:00am
Election Assembly 10:00am
Lunch 12:30pm
Committee Meeting 1:30pm

Office Manager: Karen M

officemanager@aaSj.org

If you change a name on the sign in sheet, please stop at the Unity table to complete a new Intergroup Rep form so that we can have complete information for your group.

The 7th Day Adventist Church at 946 N Main Street in Williamstown is interested in having a meeting at their location. If you are interested in starting a group in that area, please contact Nancy at hankennan@yahoo.com

February Trivia Question: What is the best way to report a meeting change to Intergroup?

The best way to report a meeting change (or new meeting) is to submit it online at

<http://www.aasj.org/pages/pop/meetingChng1b.html>. The paper change forms are good for gathering all the information you need. These can also be submitted by mail if you do not have access to the internet.

Please see the newsletter for the March trivia question.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

Adjournment at 8:42 p.m.: with the *"I Am Responsible" Pledge*

Respectfully Submitted- **Secretary: Chelsea C Assist. Secretary: Nichole B**

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