

SOUTH JERSEY INTERGROUP STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING & IG REP MEETING UPDATES

Date: Steering- February 12, 2014 & IG Meeting Opening: Opened at 7:30 pm with "Serenity Prayer"

Steering Attendees: Tina, Joe, Joe M, Brian, Beverly, Jimmy, Andy, Lisa, Tom, Brett, Mike, Steve, Becky, Pat O, Gail, Jim, Edward

Intergroup Chair: Tina O

chairperson@aasj.org

I have submitted a report from South Jersey Intergroup to Area 45 for the Assembly to be held this Sunday, 2/16. Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend. Our vice-chair, Joe C., will be there to submit our report.

Intergroup Vice-Chair: Joe C

vchairperson@aasj.org

. I hope all is well with everyone. I am making plans to attend the Area 45 Assembly in Seaville, NJ this Sun. Feb. 16th . Aside from this I have no more to report

Treasurer: Joe M.

Asst. Treasurer:

treasurer@aasj.org

Report stands as submitted

COMMITTEE REPORT

Ans. Service Chair: Lisa S.

Co-Chair:

answeringservice@aasj.org

First, we have added Tom C. to the Co-Chair position. Tom is a member of the Chews Landing home group and we are very excited to have him on board. This addition can be further discussed at the Steering Committee meeting, but we are currently operating under the assumption that this will be the answering service committee moving forward. If everyone agrees at Steering, then we will need to have Tom added to the contact list for getting emails from the web site and Answercom, etc. With a little prompting, twenty-seven shifts reported their call totals for January, and that totaled 183 calls taken by volunteers. Additionally, several shifts were just filled in January and those new volunteers wouldn't have reports yet. So we feel this is a good representative of over 50% of the covered shifts. We request that all volunteers continue to send in their monthly totals! Answercom reported taking 70 calls. This number is still higher than we would like, however, again some more shifts were covered in January, so hopefully the February number will be even lower.

Currently all shifts are considered full. We are still taking volunteers for phone commitments (since historically turn over has been high) and/or to sign up to be available for a 12 Step call, so please have interested volunteers continue to contact us directly and/or through answeringservice@aasj.org. In addition to maintaining a full schedule, the committee has discussed updating the 12 step list as an initiative for 2014. 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 Answercom. If any phone service related issues are identified by the IG office personnel, we encourage you to bring it to our attention so we can resolve it as quickly as possible and with minimal service interruptions. Along that same note, phone volunteers that may be experiencing service related issues, should feel free to call us for assistance anytime.

Archives Chair: Brett R.

Co-Chair: Lauren C

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I too will be attending the Area 45 Assembly on Sunday February 16 in Seaville. For Archives, I would like to renew the effort to obtain Group Histories from as many SJAA Groups as possible. This means pushing for more support from all Intergroup Reps.

Bookers Chair: Mike M

Co-Chair: Carrie M

booker@aasj.org

We held our quarterly Booker's Exchange on Feb 6, 2014 @ The New Beginnings Clubhouse. It was a successful night. We had 43 groups in attendance filling 270 commitments. Thank you to all who came out. There has been an issue with groups not showing up for commitments they have taken. Please be aware of your groups commitments and if no one can fill them, please contact the group and let them know so they can make alternate arrangements.

We are still requesting that announcements be made to let groups know that even if your group doesn't take incoming commitments, they can still attend the Booker's Exchange to gain outgoing speaking commitments for their group. The support is needed and welcomed. Our next meeting will be May 1, 2014.

Budget & Finance Chair: Steve C

Co-Chair: Holly A

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No Report

H&I Chair: Becky P

Co-Chair: Pat O

handi@aasj.org

We had 15 groups in attendance, filling all but 13 of the 146 total commitments for the month of March. We would like to thank all of the other H & I contacts for filling the remaining 13 open commitments. We are currently in contact with Seabrook House to arrange more meetings to fall under the H & I umbrella. They have an immediate need for more mens meetings and we are hoping to have those dates added to the commitment schedule as soon as possible. We are still looking for individuals to fill hosting commitments at various locations. Commitments can be booked in 3 month, 6 month or yearly increments. Please contact us to get more information. Our next committee meeting will be held on Monday, February 24th at 7pm at the Intergroup Office. We will be booking commitments for the month of April. If you or your group would like to be involved in H & I, please contact us or come to our next meeting!

Literature Chair: Janet

Co-Chair: Kate

literature@aasj.org

January 2014 Literature Funds

Opening Balance:	\$8707.38
Credits/Deposits:	+ \$3390.70
Debits/Expenses:	- \$3657.70
Closing Balance:	\$8440.38

Just For Today & Prayer cards are now in stock. We are looking for volunteers to sell literature Wednesdays 6-8pm & Saturday 10am-Noon. If you're interested, please call or email us. 75th Anniv. Ed. BB's will be in stock in April. If you'd like to have the Roadshow come to your homegroup, please contact us a couple weeks before the event so we can make all the preparations.

Meeting list Chair: Tracy

Co-Chair: Jeff

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No Report

Newsletter Chair: Marty

Co-Chair: Marissa

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In response to popular demand, we are publishing a combined February-March issue. That way, the April issue can come out in March and (hopefully) thereafter, each issue will come out in advance of the month that it covers. That way, each issue's contents and announcements will be more "current." Mike L. continues to send in group announcements and we are grateful for this. We would like to step-up efforts to get more contributions from readers. Please help spread the word that contributions can be short—only two or three paragraphs; plus any other items or tidbits. Just send them! Would like to get some feedback on setting up an email distribution list for the Newsletter. That way, you can post your email on our website and automatically receive a copy each month. Waiting for feedback from Dave P. on the feasibility of this. Finally, don't know if it's a good idea but should open H and I commitments be published in the NL? Any thoughts?

P & I Chair: Gail

Co-Chair: Jim

publicinfo@aasj.org

Contacting IDRC and getting information

Social Events Chair: Edward S

Co-Chair:

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Plans for future events being made

Unity Chair:

Co-Chair:

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No report. Need Chair and Co-Chair

Website Chair: Dave P.

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The web site is up and running as normal again and all scripts appear to be working. I'd like to thank all who helped out or offered to help. I have started a somewhat scheduled backup of the database and website. I'm trying for bimonthly or at least monthly. All passwords have been changed to ensure no unauthorized access. I am also working on installing a web server on my machine for better troubleshooting purposes. Please remind groups that any website updates may take 7 to 10 days to complete but are usually done in a few days. I am also still looking for a co-chair or committee member to help with the site.

SPECIAL REPORTS

