

SOUTH JERSEY INTERGROUP MEETING & IG REP MEETING UPDATES

Date: Steering- Weds 9/11/19

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

Steering Attendees: Patti S, Brian C, Brielle B, Bruce, Cletus C, Tracey C, Beverly M, Phil K, Denise R, Jen G, Richie M, Rich, Frank C, Debbie F, Michael R

Trustee Reading:

Anniversaries:

Richie M- September 5th 4 years

Debbie F- September 1st 5 years

Rich-September 26th 16 years

Group Announcements

Pemberton Happy hour- hanoner street closed, take detour

Columbus, "How it Works" group 11th Anniversary. Sept 20th, BBQ at 6, Meeting at 8

Palmyra Triboro 45th Anniversary. 9/29, Food at 7, Speaker at 8

Living Room meeting 12 year Anniversary, Haddon Heights, 9/24, Food at 6, Meeting at 7

Blackwood Women's Step, 30th Anniversary 9/6 starts at 7pm

Women's Pen to Paper Anniversary 9/9, Food at 6, Speaker at 7

Hainsport Serenity Anniversary, 9/9, Meeting at 8, desserts

Ashland Men 30 year Anniversary on October 14th

Sisters in Sobriety 33 year Anniversary October 30th food and fellowship 6pm (men welcome)

Tradition # 9 : Tommy C

Concept #9 : Jarrid

Committee Spotlight September: Meeting list

Greeters for September : Deb, Nancy

**Set-up/Cleaners for September: : Mihil, Ruth, Cletus
Derek**

next month Tradition #10 :Steve

next month Concept #10 : Tim

Committee Spotlight: Public Info

Greeters for October : Tonette, Tracey, Anna

Set-up/Cleaners for October: Joe, Matt, Brett, Frank, Tim

Chair: Patti S

chairperson@aasj.org

Hello Everyone!

Looks like fall is hitting us early this year. I hope you are all enjoying the cooler weather.

We have offered the Office Manager position to one of the candidates, we are waiting for her to accept.

We still have the opening for the Newsletter Chair. Please pass this along to anyone you know and to your Homegroups. Some one may need to do some service!

There are quite a few Anniversary Celebrations this month and next. Please do your best to attend. WE all need to support the groups, its part of the primary service!

Thank you all for attending this meeting each month! Your support really means a lot to all of us! Thank you for being in service!

In love and peace,

Patti
SJIG Chair

Vice-Chair: Brian

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No report

Treasurer: Michael R

Asst. Treasurer: Jen B

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Thank you for your contributions.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Ans. Service Chair: Tracey C Co-Chair:

answeringservice@aaaj.org

25 shifts reported their call totals for August with volunteers reporting taking a total of 75 calls for the month. Answercomm took a total of 50 calls.

In an effort to get more hours on the phone lines covered by volunteers we are creating a new two hour shift for you early birds. The new shift is from 6AM-8AM each day. These hours were originally part of the overnight shift; by separating them we are hopeful that we will be able to provide much needed coverage on the hot lines by AA members at a time that is often uncovered. The overnight shift will now run from 10PM-6AM instead of 10PM-8AM. I already have TWO of the new "early bird" slots filled!

We currently have the following open shifts: Sunday 6AM-8AM & 2PM-4PM, Monday 6AM-8AM & 12PM-2PM, Tuesday 6AM-8AM & O/N from 10PM-6AM, Thursday 6AM-8AM, 8AM-10AM & O/N from 10PM-6AM, Saturday 6AM-8AM & 6-8PM

Please continue to remind everyone that more volunteers are need for the 12-step list. We have signup sheets available for anyone wishing to take a copy to their home groups. If you know anyone who would like to be of service, please have them contact us at answeringservice@aaaj.org.

Archives Chair: Jennifer D Co-Chair: Rick M

archives@aaaj.org

Hi everyone!

Archives had the opportunity to attend the NAAAW (National AA Archives Workshop) in Detroit Michigan with 175 Archivists in attendance. A lot was learned with 3 things being paramount... We need help, support, and commitment!!!! An Archives committee meeting will be held once a month (Rick and I are working on a day and time which I will have confirmed by steering meeting) This is OUR history and it is imperative we collect and preserve our past, present and future for those to come!!!!

"Whenever a society or civilization perishes there is always one condition present; they forgot where they came from." Carl Sandburg

Archive committee meeting will be the 1st Thursday of each month at 7 pm at the Intergroup office.

Also please add that Archives attended the summer assembly on August 18th as well as the Hainesport Serenity group anniversary

We are continuing to digitize archives currently housed in the Intergroup office

Please note; The International Convention will also be in Detroit Michigan July 2-5 with Online registration at AA.ORG. Detroit is a beautiful city and it's residents are such gracious hosts!

In grateful service,

Jen and Rick

Bookers Chair: Beverly M Co-Chair: Traci K

bookers@aaaj.org

The Bookers meeting was held on Thursday, August 9, 2019 at our new permanent location of St. Bart's in Cherry Hill, NJ. The meeting was attended by 39 groups and 259 speaking commitments were filled. There were no new groups and eight groups that took outgoing commitments only. Thank you to everyone who attended and for helping to fill every commitment needed.

The next Bookers Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 14, 2019, at 8 PM at St. Bart's, 1989 Route 70, Cherry Hill, NJ. Bookers commitments are only filled at the Bookers meeting. If you cannot attend, and want to book speakers, please send someone in your place.

Budget & Finance Chair: Phil K Co-Chair: Andy P

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The draft budget for 2020 has been distributed to the steering committee and will be available at the October intergroup meeting.

H&I Chair: Frank C Co-Chair: Debbie F

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Thanks to all who attended our last H&I meeting. We appreciate your continued support!

It has come to our attention that due to an error on our end our H&I packet which we use to book commitments contains several errors which we are addressing at the present time. As a result of these errors open, filled and ongoing commitments have been mixed up and double bookings have taken place. We apologize to all reps and AA members who have been inconvenienced or confused by this error. It will be corrected prior to the next H&I meeting on September 30, 2019.

Thank you.

Frank C. - Chair

Literature Chair: Andy E Co-Chair: Carl S

literature@asaj.org

August just zipped on by... Hope everyone had a gratifying summer. Thanks to our Literature volunteers for keeping the office open as much as possible. Thanks to Haddonfield 12 & 12 for letting us participate in their 49th anniversary celebration.

Here are the numbers for August.

Opening Balance:	\$ 9,291.13
Income from Sales:	\$ 2,325.23
Purchases AAWs:	\$ 1,770.00
Purchases Grapevine:	\$ 567.75
SJIG Meeting Lists:	\$ 83.60
SJIG Rent:	\$ 200.00
Social Events Tickets:	\$ 63.83
Closing Balance:	\$ 8,931.18

Thanks for keeping us busy serving your literature needs.
Peace... Andy & Carl... ;-)

Meeting list Chair: Anna D Co-Chair: Laura K

meetinglist@asaj.org

Hello all,

Six groups submitted meeting changes over the past month. We would like to thank all of them for completing the Online Meeting Change Form.

As always, if anyone has questions or concerns please contact us at meetinglist@asaj.org. Thank you.

-Meeting List Committee

Newsletter Chair: Nancy L Co-Chair: Bryan W

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No report

Public Info Chair: Eileen T Co-Chair: Rich M

publicinfo@asaj.org

Public Information continues to support IDRC (intoxicated Drivers Resource Center) We will continue to bring awareness to the local high schools and community about AA through various programs. If anyone is looking to be of service please contact Public Information.

Thank you

Social Events Chair: Dylan B Co-Chair: Denise R, Rick D socialevents@aasj.org

Hi Everyone!

We continue to finalize details for our annual Gratitude Dinner & Dance which will be held Saturday, November 9th at Nicolosi Catering, 1 Hessian Ave in West Deptford 08096.

Tickets are now on sale for \$20 per person and will be for sale for \$30.00 at the door, or you may see any ticket carrying member of the Steering Committee to buy in advance. Please join us for some food, fun and fellowship!

Let's show the new comer that WE DO HAVE FUN!

Social Events

Technology Chair: Josh V Co-Chair: Richie M tech@aasj.org

No issues relating to website or email. Continue to monitor and report random website abuse attacks (nothing to worry about). Beginning work with H&I to introduce MailChimp for their mailings. Setup vchairperson WordPress user account. Otherwise quiet month. On-goings continue to be on-going (archives group history web forms, Andy logo, online event attachments for flyers). Random aasj.org stats for August 2019: Total bandwidth used: 21.79 GB; search engine entry (top 3): Google (96.2%), Bing (1.9), Yahoo (.8), DuckDuckGo (.1%).

Unity Chair: Jen G Co-Chair: Wendy W unity@aasj.org

Huge turnout last month with 12 brand new reps! Looking forward to even more signups in September!!!

SPECIAL REPORTS

Trustees: Brett R, Bruce B, Cletus C, Frank Z, Tina O trustees@aasj.org

Area 45 Alternate Delegate: Rich

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Area 45's Report to South Jersey Intergroup -- 09/18/2019

Aea 45's Summer Assembly was held on August 18, 2019 at the Hibernian Hall and was a huge success.

The big news is Area's Annual Day of Sharing, this year being hosted by Central Jersey Intergroup on October 19, 2019 from 8:30 to 12:00 at the Carslake Community Center, 207 Crosswicks Street, Bordentown NJ.

This event brings together people in service from all three intergroups and the Area for a lively discussion of common issues and solutions that arise in carrying the message. All AAs are welcome.

If you are an intergroup committee chair please plan on attending. If you know you can't attend, maybe consider getting someone knowledgeable to stand in for you so that your committee will be represented.

In addition. Area 45 is hosting a Grapefest (a celebration of the Grapevine Magazine) on October 5 in Manahawkin and will also participate in the Jalcon convention in North Jersey on October 26. Information about these events is on the Area's website SNJAA.ORG.

Finally, don't forget Area 45 Elections will be held on 11/17/2019 at Gibson House. You must be there to participate.

Thank you for allowing me to serve,

Rich H.

Alternate Delegate, Area 45 Panel 68

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Old Business:

Motion: We should not display any separate lists of any organization, not part of AA, on our meeting list.

- Motion was 2nd, Next month will be presentation of "remove" and "keep"
- Presentations were heard from both sides, please take info back to groups to bring back for questions/discussions next month

Questions :

- Is the disclaimer regarding clubhouses at the top of the meeting list sufficient?
 - o This is for the intergroup body/ the groups to decide.
- If the disclaimer was not there, would the list be in violation of Tradition 6?
 - o Up to the group conscience. **NOTE:** The disclaimer is not up for discussion, it is just the question of whether or not to keep the clubhouses listed on the meeting list.
- Would removing the clubhouses hurt the meetings being held at the clubhouses?
 - o The meetings themselves are still listed in the meeting list
- Does the disclaimer remove legal liability from Intergroup?
 - o No answer. But again, the disclaimer is not the focus here
- Does having the clubhouses listed infer affiliation with AA?
 - o This is what is up for vote by the groups
- Does presentation of clubs on meeting list preserve AA unity?
 - o This is what is up for vote
- Has this been voted on before?
 - o Yes
- How do other Intergroups handle the issue of clubhouses being listed on the meeting list?
 - o From what we have heard and researched; it varies. Each Intergroup has its own way of handling this, and their own group conscience.
- Did you take in to account the statement “ These adventures implanted a deep rooted conviction that under no circumstances could we endorse any related enterprise, no matter how good?”
- When we list club phone numbers separately aren't we providing a list of phone numbers to a Social Club, not AA as we are supposed to do?
 - o Not just a social club, it is a place where AA meetings are held.
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New Business:

- We are looking for a new answering service co chair
- Amended motion “ The subject of clubhouses staying on the meeting list cannot be changed for 24 months unless there are mitigating circumstances
- Nancy L is new newsletter chair
- Motion: We should not display any separate lists of any organization, not part of AA, on our meeting list. This was voted on by 54 groups voting 47 to keep and 7 groups voting to remove

Adjournment at: 8:50pm with the “*I am Responsible*”

Respectfully Submitted- **Secretary: Brielle B Assist. Secretary: Jen Ge**

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