

SOUTH JERSEY INTERGROUP MEETING & IG REP MEETING UPDATES

Date: Intergroup- December 21, 2016

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

Trustee Reading: Beverly on Step 12

Anniversaries

Patti 13 years
Ian 10 years
Lauren 7 years
Tim 3 years

Group Announcements

- Area 45 53rd Annual General Service Convention, March 24th, 25th and 26th
- New Years Alcathon- Vineland, 8th & Wood- Alcathon New Years Day 8am-8pm
- New Years Alcathon- Burlington BB New Years Day 7am-5pm
- New Years Alcathon- Florence BB 5pm-12midnight
- New Years Eve- New Beginnings Club House 8pm, meeting and safe place to hang out
- Christmas Eve 400 Club, 12 midnight meeting
- Christmas Day Alcathon 449 Club 12noon- 8pm, meeting at 8pm
- Christmas Alcathon Kiss Club 12/24 6pm- 12/25 6pm
- Group Anniversary- Woodstown 62nd Anniversary 1/21, 7pm food, speaker 8pm

Intergroup Chair: Brett R

chairperson@asaj.org

Seasons Greetings! I attended the November 20 Area Assembly to report on the activities of SJIG. The SJIG Holiday Spirit Dinner/Dance is December 17, I hope to see you there. The 2017 budget will be voted on at the December 2016 Intergroup meeting. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

Intergroup Vice-Chair: Joe M

vchairperson@asaj.org

No Report

Treasurer: Andy E

Asst. Treasurer: Brian C

treasurer@asaj.org

We'd like to thank all of our Groups (and Meetings) for your continued, generous support this year. We are still in good fiscal shape in December !

It is truly an honor to be a part of an organization as screwy as ours, and watch as it works as well as it does!

*** Please ask your groups to make sure their group name is on any monies sent it so we may thank and give credit where it is due.**

Best wishes to all for a Safe, Sober, and Meaningful Holiday Season, and for continued "Progress, not Perfection" in the coming year.

Happy Holidays, Peace to All...

Tradition #12: Carl

next month **Tradition #1:** Ray

Concept #12: Eddie J

next month **Concept #1:** Melanie

Greeters for December: Tim, Brian

Greeters for January: Joe, Tim

Set-up/Cleaners for December: Johnny, Matt
Dylan & Patti

Set-up/Cleaners for January: Frank, Matt
Patti, Andy

COMMITTEE REPORT

Ans. Service Chair: Tim A

Co-Chair: Tracy C

answeringservice@asaj.org

10 shifts reported their call totals for November, that totaled 55 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 61 calls. This number is up from the 59 calls taken by Answercomm in October. I am still looking for the reason why there is an increase in the number of calls taken by Answercomm. We would like to have all the calls to be received by the members of AA, so the caller is speaking to an acolholic.

Currently we have shifts open on Tuesday 8-10 am and 2-4 pm and Saturday 6-8 pm, 8-10 pm and the overnight shift 10 pm to 8 am. 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.

Archives Chair: Lou **Co-Chair: Ian G** archives@aasj.org
No Report

Bookers Chair: Jennifer D **Co-Chair: Rick M** bookers@aasj.org
There is no Booker's report for this month. The next Booker's exchange will be held on Thursday February 2nd 2017 at 8:00 pm. (Groudhog's day!!!) Location is the New Beginnings Clubhouse at 101C Rose Street in Runnemede NJ.

Budget & Finance Chair: Laura R. **Co-Chair: Lauren C.** budget@aasj.org
The 2017 budget will be voted on at the December 2016 Intergroup meeting.
No further report at this time.

H&I Chair: Patti S **Co-Chair: Frank C** handi@aasj.org
Good day everyone,
We had 23 groups and individuals in attendance and have only 14 of 176 commitments left open for January 2017. Thanks to those who have already taken commitments for December and January. Here is a list of what's still available.

A couple points to note:
If anyone cannot make a commitment, please let us know right away so we can fill it. Please do your best to fill it first.
If you see there is very little literature or meeting lists, please let us know as well.
If there is a double booking, please make all attempts to share the commitment. We can take a look at the reason for it later. Lets remember principles before personalities.

January Openings

Wednesday
Delaware House - Westampton NJ 1-2pm January 4, 11, 25
21 Ikea Drive, Westampton NJ

Thursday
Ancora State Hospital - Hammonton NJ 7-8pm (arrive 30 min early) January 26
202 Spring Garden Rd, Hammonton NJ

Unity II - Hammonton NJ 2-3 pm January 5, 19
121 S. White Horse Pike, Hammonton

Daybreak - Atco NJ 10:30-12pm January 19
368 White Horse Pike, Atco NJ

Please let us know if you can fill the commitments. Please take these back to your home group and see if they can assist. If your home group does not have an H&I rep, please bring that up at your next business meeting. We appreciate all the support we can get. We get new requests all the time to take on more commitments and we will when it makes sense. The more we get these commitments filled early on, the easier it is to consider taking on more.

Literature Chair: Jimmy G. **Co-Chair: Melanie M** literature@aasj.org
Bank balance, 1 November \$8,973.77
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5 debits(3,999.85)
Balance, 30 November\$10,316.57

Intergroup will be open for literature sales during normal literature hours on December 24th & 26th and January 2nd. We brought the Road Show to the General Service Assembly, which met in Evesham on November Twentieth. This year we are selling the wall calendars and pocket planners that the Grapevine produces. I only ordered a few of

them. They are also available directly from the Grapevine, and in December you don't have to pay a shipping charge. Since Christmas Day is on Sunday this year, we hope to cover our all our usual shifts, right into January. Feel free to call ahead and check.

Meeting list Chair: Traci K Co-Chair: Laura K meetinglist@asaj.org

We only had 3-4 changes come in this past November. One request was to remove the listing for the Monday night Berlin meeting. We need to investigate further before we submit the change to the webmaster. It is believe that this meeting is still active.

We are also looking for a better way to send changes back and forth from meeting list committee to webmaster.

Newsletter Chair: April E Co-Chair: Shawn McK. newsletter@asaj.org

Work is underway on our January edition. We have the registration form for the convention thanks to Andy, and our trivia question and answer all ready, thanks to Karen. But we are still very much in need of other content. The help wanted section will be forthcoming, but we have no article submissions. If anyone knows of anyone who wants to contribute, please have it forwarded to us by Friday, December 16. Or, please consider contributing your own content! All submissions welcome :)

Public Info Chair: Jim S Co-Chair: Eileen T publicinfo@asaj.org

Public Information continues to support IDRC in Westmont and Mt. Holly. Eileen T continues to spearhead programs with local High Schools, Doctor's offices, and local police stations. PI also supported the recent Fall Drug Reality Form held in Monroe Township at their request. Eileen T took care of securing warm bodies and pamphlets for this program. Pamphlets have also been distributed at local Drs. offices and hospitals. Eileen T is still looking for volunteers. She can be contacted at publicinfo@asaj.org. Please consider volunteering for this important service opportunity.

***Need coverage for commitment at IDRC at Starting Point 4th Thursday of the month 12pm. Please contact if you are available**

Social Events Chair: Sal C Co-Chair: Dylan B socialevents@asaj.org

The HOLIDAY SPIRIT DINNER DANCE was amazing . Thank you to those of you who attended and helped in the planning and organization of the event. Happy and safe holidays to all.

Unity Chair: Cletus C Co-Chair: unity@asaj.org

Special thanks to Joe C and Debbie F, my Committee members, for manning the Unity Desk at last months IG meeting.

We signed up four new Reps

Website Chair: Ray Co-Chair: Courtney webmaster@asaj.org

Please submit meeting changes through form on website, not through direct email. Also, PLEASE SEND ANY ALCATHON INFO SO WE MAY POST ON WEBSITE.

Anyone with interest or experience with website programming, please contact us... we could use your help!

SPECIAL REPORTS

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

trustees@asaj.org.

No Report

Area 45 Alternate Delegate: alternatedelagate@snjaa.org

Next assembly meeting Feb 19, Section 4 Ocean Acres Community Center, Manahawkin

1/21/17 8:30am-12noon- "Grape Jam" Workshop @ Grace Church in Haddonfield. Participants will have 7 minutes to speak about their recovery and be recorded, then to be sent to Grapevine to become a part of the Grapevine Audio Project.

Office Manager: Karen M. 856-486-4446 sjintergroup@verizon.net or info@asaj.org

Thank you to everyone who has been in service with South Jersey Intergroup this year. Best wishes for a sober and spiritual holiday season.

We have been approached to participate in a meeting guide mobile app. We are currently gathering information including how it fits in with our traditions.

General Service is looking for non-trustee appointed committee members. The positions will be included in the help wanted section of the newsletter.

January Trivia: What is the difference between a Meeting and a Group?

December Trivia: How can someone find out about open service positions outside of the homegroup?

Intergroup recently added a Help Wanted section to our newsletter where we post open service opportunities.

Attending workshops, monthly Intergroup meetings, or quarterly Area 45 Assemblies is another great way to hear about opportunities to help.

Old Business:

2017 Budget Passed Unanimously

New Business:

None

Adjournment: 8:44 PM with the *"I Am Responsible" Pledge*

Respectfully Submitted-

Secretary: Chelsea C Assist. Secretary: Nichole B

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