

SOUTH JERSEY INTERGROUP MEETING & IG REP MEETING UPDATE

Date: Wed. October 20, 2021

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

Steering Attendees: Maureen M., Bob B., Beverly M., Patti S., Nancy L., Sammy P., Jay D., Brian C., Patricia H., Susan M., Cheryl H., Andy P., Melissa, John S., Mary S., Frank Z., Rick T., Alexandria L., Damon M., Kevin L., Ken T., Ryan K., Cletus, Andy E., Craig M., Denise D., Kyle C., Brendan, John K., Ruthie S., Terry, Dominick, Mike C., Frank C., Marie G., Jen G., Rick M., Carl S and Karen B.

Trustee Reading: Patti S.

Anniversaries: Cheryl H. - 39 years

Group Announcements: Maple Shade Tuesday Night Group 11/9 has its 59th anniversary meeting. Food @ 6pm and meeting @ 7pm with mystery speaker!

Tradition 10: Sam P
Concept 10: Mike C

next month Tradition 11: Pete R
next month Concept 11: Frank C

Chair: Brian C.

chairperson@aasj.org

No Report.

Vice-Chair: Frank C.

ychairperson@aasj.org

No Report.

Treasurer: Bill T.

Asst. Treasurer: Andy E.

treasurer@aasj.org

Hi all...

Thank you again for your strong support!

This month's report includes the Quarterly recap.

We're now on track to finish out the year ahead of our predictions.

Please review our 2022 Proposed Budget and bring any questions to the IG Meeting. If you've been looking for the "Digital Contributions" links on our website, they are now located in the top "About" tab, under "Group Contributions". Good to see our Groups returning to some sense of "situation normal"...

In Service,
Bill T. & Andy E.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ans. Service Chair: Steve M.

Co-Chair: Pete R

answeringservice@aasj.org

Answering Service serviced 95% incoming calls. We had 110 total calls... 104 calls answered by our volunteers and 6 by Answercom.

Several time slots opened, and we are looking for volunteers.

Wednesday: 6-8 am and 10-12 noon

Thursday: 6-8 am

Sunday: 6-8am

As meetings begin to open and people willing to meet others one-on-one; please continue to remind everyone that more volunteers are need for the 12-step list. Areas we need most help: Berlin, Camden, Hammonton, and Salem. 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@aasj.org or invite us to speak at your home group.

Steve M

Archives Chair: Rick M.

Co-Chair: Jennifer D.

archives@aasj.org

No Report.

Bookers Chair: Traci K.

Co-Chair: Beverly M.

bookers@asj.org

BOOKERS REPORT - OCT 2021

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 4th on Zoom at 8pm. Please sign on by 7:45pm. Zoom Link can be found on asj.org, home page, bottom right under upcoming events.

Budget & Finance Chair: Jay D

Co-Chair: Ryan K

budget@asj.org.

For the Oct. Budget and Finance Intergroup report:

The 2022 Operating Budget was sent to our Intergroup Reps.; the Intergroup reps. were asked to submit any questions to Budget@asj.org or bring them to the Oct. 20 meeting. The Budget Committee will address all questions at the Nov 17th meeting. The goal is to have the final 2022 operating budget released at the Dec 15th Intergroup Meeting.

Because of my H&I commitment on Oct 13th, I will not be attending the Steering Committee meeting.

If there are any questions, please let Ryan know. Thank you

H&I Chair: John

Co-Chair: Damon M

handi@asj.org

Hey Everyone,

First I would like to thank all of the H&I reps that came out to last month's H&I meeting! As everyone knows it was the first time H&I had met in quite some time and I'm glad to report it was a success. We had attendance from 10 different home groups. We booked commitments for the months of October and November. Some commitments remain open and the packet containing that information can be found at the following links:

October 2021

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1cpTId-PFgl3LPtGCXOfh5WhMV8aIMwbWdbbA8ctTx7w/edit?usp=sharing>

November 2021

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/13xUXEmPXZ5BPPG8B0rK1NIHByfH9Vkp3_2r8GRFo69w/edit?usp=sharing

Our next H&I meeting will be held on the last Monday of the month, October 25th, where we will be taking commitments for the month of December 2021. If Intergroup Reps could help spread the word that H&I is back and functioning it would be much appreciated! We look forward to seeing everyone there!

John S
Intergroup H&I Chair

10/25 next H&I meeting via zoom for December commitments - email will be sent out with meeting ID. Openings are still available for October and November. If any information material is needed for any standing commitments please contact John.

Literature Chair: Carl S.

Co-Chair: Vacant

literature@aasj.org

Literature Report for October, 2021

Opening Balance	\$ 5,614.99
Deposits	\$ 94.50
Transfer to SJIG for Rent	\$ 200.00
AA World Services Purchase	\$ 1,663.00
Debit	\$ 18.62
Closing Balance	\$ 3,827.87

If anyone needs price list's or beginners' guides please contact Carl.

Meeting List Chair: Kevin L.

Co-Chair: Tim A.

meetinglist@aasj.org

The Meeting List Committee has conversed with the Tech Committee and has agreed to continue to have the Tech Committee monitor the addition and subtraction of meetings. This is a change from the previous month, as it was anticipated the Meeting List Committee would begin the process of being the primary point for meeting changes. However, as the changes in meetings have decreased, it continues to happen at a rapid pace, to which the Tech Committee is better to address said needs at this time. The Meeting List Committee remains grateful for the assistance, direction, and ability to continue this process.

Kevin L

Newsletter Chair: Nancy L.

Co-Chair: Skye S.

newsletter@ajas.org

Thanks for your submissions. Please keep announcing our need for articles at your homegroups.

Nancy and Skye.

Public Info Chair: Eileen T.

Co-Chair: Vacant

publicinfo@ajas.org

Looking for younger AA's to speak at local high schools. Please contact Eileen for further information.

Social Events Chair: Sherrill B.

Co-Chair: Chuck M.

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No Report

Sherrill B
Social Committee

Technology Chair: Richie M.

Co-Chair: Josh V.

tech@ajas.org

No problems with the website or email for the month of September. Tech Committee continues to support the Meeting List Committee post COVID state mandated social distancing and gathering limits. Updating meetings as updates are received.

During the month of September our website saw 5,600 visitors in 15,000 sessions. Our home page has links to Local Online Meetings, Indoor Meetings, and Outdoor Meetings. AAs in our site clicked the Indoor Meetings button 3,502 times compared to 3,020 times for online or 14% more looking for an Indoor Meeting. Obviously the clear majority of our visitors are in New Jersey (61%), next up are Pennsylvania (18%), California (3.6%), and District of Columbia (3.5%).

As more meetings return to Indoor, please continue to keep SJIG informed so that we can in turn keep local AAs informed of meeting options in our area. If you change your format (indoor, outdoor, or hybrid), please find your meeting on at ajas.org/meetings and click the "Hosts: click here to update" link to update your meeting so that AAs can find you easier.

Following is the SJIG meeting setting breakdown. Thank you everyone for helping us get the word out on your meeting status, so that our local AAs can find a meeting setting they are comfortable with during this time.

Please note that once your meeting is updated, it may take up to 12 hours for the AA Meeting Guide mobile app to update as it crawls AA websites around the world, hitting each AA website every 12 hours.

of Meetings: 488

of Suspended Meetings: 93

of Online* Meetings: 114

of Indoor* Meetings: 330

of Outdoor* Meetings: 13

*may be combined in a hybrid meeting style.

Unity Chair: Anna D.

Co-Chair: Laura K.

unity@ajas.org

No Report - Unity Committee.

SPECIAL REPORTS

Trustees: Brett R Patti S Cletus C Frank Z Jen Ga.

trustees@ajas.org

No Report.

Area 45 Alternate Delegate: Ken T.

alternatedelegate@snjaa.org

No Report. Visit snjaa.org for all upcoming events.

ICOAA Meeting (09-03-2021)

Managers discussed the disconnect between their IG and Area. Area reps. are supposed to bring issues from the IG to GSO but often it's ineffective because Area's focus is different than IG's.; so several of the managers are working on a proposal to ask GSO to make ICOAA a committee.

Someone mentioned the pamphlet "3 Legacies."

Some of the Daily Reflections and Big Books' pages are messed up. Managers said there groups are still resisting mask mandates and asked how to help diffuse the issue so as not to effect AA as a whole. One manager suggested posting a sign on the door.

Some Intergroups are sending tech people to meetings to assist w/any issues for ex. how to share screen showing readings, 7th tradition on-line, etc.

ICOAA Meeting (09-10-2021)

There was lengthy discussion about Covid mandates, vaccination passports, etc. Since many states are represented here, there was vast differences going from no mandates or vaccine requirements whatsoever at the local, city or state level in Kansas to New York where there are strict mask and vaccination requirements. In Las Vegas, when groups didn't abide by the landlord's terms (mask mandate), then church told them they are no longer welcome.

A manger from Baltimore was seeking suggestions/ideas for on-line activities at their Gratitude in November Event. An example given was Karaoke and Talent Night.

One manager was trying to figure out how to not get taxed on literature purchases from GSO. We are supposed to be Tax Exempt.

ICOAA meeting 09-24-2021

There were a lot of issues concerning Grapevine. Many managers are waiting for their orders of the new meditation books. There have been many changes at Grapevine.

One manager spoke of high shipping costs for ex. \$16.00 to get 51 (over 50 is cheaper) Preambles. She called to verify and was told yes that is correct. One manager spoke of needing tech support for/from Zoom and not getting it so will look for other company. A manager was asked by her board to find out what office managers are being paid and any benefits. A manager spoke about needing a voice and a vote at AWS & GSO, esp. when it concerns their IG office. She and other members are working on this. A manager wanted feedback on why Intergroup is valuable because a caller asked her. Managers listed many of the same services we do. One manager suggested to tell the caller to come and do service at IG to find out for themselves. (Not in a mean way, just thinks this is the best way).

Old Business:

Archives are in the process of digitizing materials. Public Information Committee is looking for a Co-Chair. P.I.Chair is hoping to get back into schools to spread the AA word now that they are opening up. If you are interested in speaking, you can go to aasj.org , [Contact](#), find the Public Information Committee, fill out email and send. Upcoming Elections for **ALL Positions** in Intergroup. The Committee positions' descriptions will be available at Intergroup next week, on back table. Please pick up and consider doing service. Maple Shade Meeting Thursday Night 8-9 p.m. needs support. Members needed for 12 step list in the towns of Pennsville and Salem area. Also the committee is updating their 12 step list so if you have any updates/changes, please let the answering service committee know. Thanks!

New Business: Everyone needs to **please spread the word** that all service positions in Intergroup need filling starting the new term from Jan.2022- Dec 2023. Descriptions for each position along with time requirements can be found on the aasj.org website.

Question was posed asking about if the jump in payroll was due to employees going back to their normal full time schedules? Jay D confirmed that they are expected to go back to full time positions. Jay D is available via email for any further budget questions.

There is a Solution requested \$200 dollars for a 12 step workshop. Tom proposed motion for \$200 - motion was passed unanimously. Suggestion was made to contact district for any future requests.

If you interested in any committee please contact the committee chair for more information.

Adjournment at: 8:42 pm: with the “*I am Responsible Pledge*”

Secretary: Vacant

Assist. Secretary: Marie G.

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