

## **SOUTH JERSEY INTERGROUP MEETING & IG REP MEETING UPDATES**

**Date: Wed. December 15, 2021**

**Opening: Opened at 8:00 pm with “Serenity Prayer”**

**Intergroup Attendees:** Brian C, Bill T, Andy E, Patti S, Cletus C, Frank Z, Jen Ga, Steve M, Pete R, Rick M, Jay D, John S, Ryan K, John, Damon M, Carl S, Kevin L, Eileen T, Karen B, Theresa, Joe C, Samantha P and Susan W.

**Trustee Reading:** Cletus-Step 12, Bill T-Tradition12 and Andy E-Concept 12.

**Anniversaries:** Patti S. celebrates 18 years on Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> and Pete R. celebrates 20 years this month.

**Group Announcements:** Monday Night’s Audubon’s Last Mile Step and Tradition 7:30 meeting is in person again. Church is asking that masks be worn. No food or drink allowed. 482 Social Hall GOYA meeting is hosting an Alcathon on New Year’s Eve from 7 p.m. – 2 a.m. Maple Shade’s Thursday Night 8-9 p.m. needs support; please use side entrance, wheelchair ramp. The Saturday 9 a.m. “Daily Reprieve” Haddon Heights meeting WILL meet on Christmas Day as normal meeting.

**Tradition 12:** Bill T.  
**Concept 12:** Andy E.

**next month Tradition 01:** Joe C  
**next month Concept 01:** Joey H

**Chair:** Brian C.

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The year has ended, and elections coming up.

Want to personally thank all the Chairs and Co-Chairs for all there help these past years.

COVID or no Covid, AA moves on.

It’s a privilege to serve SJIG.

Hope everybody has a safe and happy holiday.

Brian C  
SJIG Chair

**Vice-Chair: Frank C.**

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Thank you for another wonderful year at intergroup. It's been my pleasure to serve as South Jersey Intergroup's Vice Chair for the last two years. The amazing elected officials and committee chairs and co-chairs made it possible for Intergroup to quickly and effectively handle the challenges thrown our way since the pandemic started. Without the help of all of our elected and appointed leaders and the ongoing support of the groups it would not have been possible.

As a result, there's been little to no pause in all of the services we provide to the groups, our members, and the still sick and suffering alcoholic. While the last two years didn't look like anything we had seen before we made it through together. Here's hoping the next panel has it a little easier!

My sincere thanks again to all who made being on this last panel an amazing experience. Have a wonderful holiday!

It would be my honor and privilege to serve as Chair for SJIG for the 2022-2023. If elected I hope I can continue to give back to Intergroup and its members by continuing to facilitate the growth of the committees services, foster communication between intergroup and its constituents and help to plan some fun social gatherings, once that's safe again.

Thank you for your consideration.

Frank C

SJIG Vice-Chair

**Treasurer: Bill T.**

**Asst. Treasurer: Andy E.**

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Let us begin by thanking all of our Groups for your continued support of SJIG.

We are on track to finish out 2021 ahead of our budgeted income, and slightly under budget for expenses. Let's continue to keep our meetings safe and healthy.

Both Bill and I would like to thank you for the opportunity of being of Service to SJIG, and encourage you to get involved with the invaluable work that SJIG does to help our Groups keep carrying the message to the newcomer.

Happy, Sober Holidays to All!

Peace... Bill T. & Andy E. ☺

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Ans. Service Chair: Steve M.**

**Co-Chair: Pete R**

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Answering Service serviced 92% incoming calls. We had 84 total calls... 78 calls answered by our volunteers and 6 by Answercom.

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

Sunday 8-10am and 12-2pm

Monday 4-6pm

Tuesday 4-6pm

Wednesday: 6-8 am and 10-12 noon

Saturday 8-10pm

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](mailto:answeringservice@aasj.org) or invite us to speak at your home group.

Steve M

**Archives Chair: Rick M.**

**Co-Chair: Jennifer D.**

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No Report.

**Bookers Chair: Traci K**

**Co-Chair: Beverly M**

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The report for the bookers is that we still need somebody to replace me and Beverly and the next bookers meeting will be February 3. Not sure if it will be on zoom or in person – it will most likely be Zoom because I don't think St Bart's will lift the mask mandate by that time and it's impossible to do bookers with masks on.

**Budget Finance Chair: Jay D**

**Co-Chair: Ryan K**

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The 2022 South Jersey Intergroup operating budget will be submitted for intergroup approval during the Dec meeting.

Thanks for your support.

Jay D.

**H&I Chair: John**

**Co-Chair: Damon M**

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Firstly, thank you to the returning & new H&I reps that help us to continue to grow SJ Intergroup H&I! I am glad to report that a vast majority of available commitments are being consistently taken as well as new commitments being added. Links to the packets for December and January are attached.

December Packet: <https://asaj.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=53aff1aa52ee136c615671262&id=77545c8c01&e=ca04f5417a>

January Packet: <https://asaj.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=53aff1aa52ee136c615671262&id=e1eb0b4d19&e=ca04f5417a>

At our last H&I meeting we had 14 home groups represented with an additional 2 that couldn't attend but reached out afterwards to take remaining commitments! Hopefully we can keep the momentum and forward progress & have an even greater attendance at next month's meeting on December 27th! We will be booking for February's commitments.

We encourage everyone to continue to spread the word that H&I is back and operational so that home groups who are unaware can again become involved. As always too if speakers go to a facility they are encouraged to find out if any H&I materials are needed (big books/binders/pamphlets/etc). So far we have been able to supply Maryville Williamstown Men & Women's unit with much needed material. Thank you all again for your help in spreading hope, experience, and knowledge to those who need it most!

Happy Holidays!  
John S. H&I Chair  
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**Literature Chair: Carl S.**

**Co-Chair: Vacant**

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Literature Report for December, 2021

Happy Holidays to All! Please let it be known at any meetings you attend that Old issues of the Grapevine Magazine are currently available for \$1.00. They are great gifts for someone without a subscription or to give away to the newcomer; perhaps have your Home Group purchase some to give away to newcomers.

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| Opening Balance                   | \$ 4,157.80 |
| Deposits                          | \$ 651.48   |
| Transfer to SJIG for Rent         | \$ 200.00   |
| Grapevine 2 yr. Subscription Pur. | \$ 1,350.00 |
| Grapevine Online Subscription     | \$ 19.99    |
| Debit                             | \$ 90.73    |
| Closing Balance                   | \$ 3,148.56 |

**Meeting List Chair: Kevin L.**

**Co-Chair: Tim A.**

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The Meeting List Committee has no report at this time. Thank you. Kevin L.

**Newsletter Chair:** Nancy L.

**Co-Chair:** Skye S.

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Attached is the December 21 Edition of Anonymous South Jersey. Skye and I would like to thank you for allowing us to serve South Jersey Intergroup. Two years flew by.

**Public Info Chair:** Eileen T.

**Co-Chair:** Vacant

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Public Information continues to support IDRC. We have had several programs at high schools, both virtually and in person that went very well. We will continue to have sober AA members discuss Public Information in the schools to bring awareness.

Trish L would like to be chair of Public Information and I will continue in this role as co- chair. We also have several other people who will be assisting. Trish has already done a lot of service for PI, by being a speaker in the schools as well as last year she took on organizing the schedule for IDRC. This will be a great fit for this commitment. We are always looking for assistance with literature distribution if anyone would like to do service.

Thank you  
Eileen T -- AA Public Information

**Social Events Chair:** Sherrill B.

**Co-Chair:** Chuck M.

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No Report  
Sherrill B

**Technology Chair:** Richie M.

**Co-Chair:** Josh V.

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No problems with the website or email for the month of November. Updated website and plugins as needed; controlled spam as was received. Tech Committee continues to support the Meeting List Committee post COVID state mandated social distancing and gathering limits. Updating meetings as updates are received.

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 at [aasj.org/meetings](https://aasj.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: 490

# of Suspended Meetings: 89

# of Online\* Meetings: 108

# of Indoor\* Meetings: 345

# of Outdoor\* Meetings: 9

\*may be combined in a hybrid meeting style.

**Unity Chair: Anna D.**

**Co-Chair: Laura K.**

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No Report.

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| <b>SPECIAL REPORTS</b> |
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**Trustees: Brett R Patti S Cletus C Frank Z Jen Ga.**

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Trustees Report

We had an on-line meeting Wednesday November 24 to discuss the changes for the upcoming election of Trustees. We have a total of 5 Trustees, 3 are rotating out of service, namely Brett, Cletus and Frank. Patti S and Jen G will continue on.

We reached out to several members of the Fellowship to see if there was any interest in becoming a Trustee. We have nominees who are interested and we also encourage anyone from the floor who is interested to please come forward.

The Trustees will be attending the in-person intergroup business meeting to assist with the elections.

We discussed ideas to improve the audio component of our Intergroup Business meeting for the on-line attendees.

We want to wish everyone a very Happy Holiday and a prosperous New Year.

Yours in service,  
SJIG Trustees

**Area 45 Alternate Delegate: Ken T.**

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No Report.

**Office Manager: Karen B.**

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## **Happy Holidays Everybody**

GSO has changed their ADDRESS for 7<sup>th</sup> tradition contributions!!!!

**A separate post office box has been established for Seventh Tradition contributions:**

Effective immediately, please send contribution checks to:

Post Office Box 2407

James A Farley Station

New York, NY 10116-2407

### **12-03-2021 ICOAA Meeting:**

There was discussion about 501C Status, tax exemption. An office manager asked for assistance to fill out paperwork. It was shared that depending on which state you live in, non-profit exemption can be used everywhere for ex. home depot, other stores and for end of year taxes. While in other states, exemption only applies to end of year taxes.

There was discussion about how different intergroups list their meetings. Some list on-line meetings separately from in-person or hybrid, like our intergroup does. Others don't. Also there was a question about whether to list out of area meetings. Some intergroups will, but more Do Not (at least from the participants (about 15) at this meeting.

There was discussion about the Zoom App and Zoom Phones. A manager shared that unless the literature volunteer is a bit tech savvy, there is too much training involved so reversed using the app. plus they were being charged for both the zoom app and zoom phones and only getting phone service anyway.

There was discussion about which hotline answering service companies the intergroups use. One manager said they use Grasshoppers about \$50.00/month. I shared that SJIG uses AnserComm.

A manager encouraged us to use tiaa-forum.org to share and read about technology issues.

### **Old Business:**

Grapevines are on Sale at the intergroup office for \$1.00 a booklet.

### **New Business:**

Rick thanks everyone for allowing him the opportunity to serve (Jen does too). After four years of service, they are stepping down. He strongly encourages members to consider taken on this service because it is very interesting with tons of material at the inter-group office. He would be willing to train anyone interested in the position(s). It was unanimous in both the zoom meeting and in person meeting to APPROVE the 2022 Budget.

**Elections took place last night at inter-group (St. Bart's) for the 2022-2023 terms.**  
**Results as follows:**

**PANEL**

Chair-----Frank C

Vice-Chair-----Vacant

Treasurer-----Jay D

Assistant Treasurer----Vacant

Secretary-----Alex L

Assistant Secretary----Patti H. (nominated by Joe C.)

**TRUSTEES:** Patti S, Jen Ga, Andy E and Joey H.

**COMMITTEES**

Answering Service: Chair: Pete R. Co-Chair: Theresa

Newsletter Chair: Cletus Co-Chair: Bill T

Archives Chair: Damon Co-Chair: Vacant

Public Info. Chair: Trish Co-Chair: Eileen T

Bookers Chair: Vacant Co-Chair: Vacant

Social Events Chair: Vacant Co-Chair: Vacant

Budget & Finance: Chair: Ryan K Co-Chair: Vacant

Tech. Chair: Richie M Co-Chair: Josh V

Hospitals & Inst Chair: John S Co-Chair: Vacant

Unity Chair: Vacant Co-Chair: Vacant

Literature: Chair: Carl S Co-Chair: Joe C Volunteer: Sue

Meeting List Chair: Kevin L Co-Chair: Vacant

**Adjournment at: 9:00pm:** with the *“Declaration of Unity”*

**Secretary:** Vacant

**Assist. Secretary:** Marie G.

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