

SOUTH JERSEY INTERGROUP MEETING & IG REP MEETING UPDATES

Date: Wed. September 21, 2022

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

New Members: Theresa P- Saturday Soul Sisters

Trustee Reading: Rick (Step 9)

Group Anniversaries: Hemingway’s Group Anniversary on 11-09-2022
from 6-8 pm; address is 535 E. Main St. Marlton, Gibson House.

Group Announcements: Lifeline 40th anniversary Halloween night food 7pm speaker
8pm; New Tradition Meeting in Pemberton 449 Club Tuesday night at 5:30pm.

Tradition 09: Rick
Concept 09: Peter

next month Tradition 10: Bryan
next month Concept 10: Bill T.

Chair: Frank C.

chairperson@aasj.org

No Report.

Vice-Chair: Christian B

vchairperson@aasj.org

Continue to make myself available to committees as they need and continue to serve SJIG.

- Christian B

Treasurer: Jay D

Asst. Treasurer: Vacant

treasurer@aasj.org

Friendly reminder for the groups to include Group number and Group name on your donations.

For the month of August, once again, Group contributions helped the SJ Intergroup have a positive month. Net proceeds were \$1,499. The South Jersey Intergroup is very grateful for your never-ending support!

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ans. Service Chair: Pete R

Co-Chair: Theresa B

answeringservice@aasj.org

67 calls for month of August
93% of all calls serviced
Cumberland, Salem, and Gloucester Counties are in desperate need of
volunteers for 12 step call list
Overnight time slots need filling

Archives Chair: Damon M

Co-Chair: Rob P

archives@aasj.org

No Report.

Bookers Chair: Traci K.

Co-Chair: Beverly M.

bookers@aasj.org

No Report.

Budget & Finance Chair: Ryan K

Co-Chair: Jennifer H.

budget@aasj.org

Proposed budget for next year will be presented in December.
Some expenses went up due to inflation.

H&I Chair: John S

Co-Chair: Brian L.

southjerseyhandi@gmail.com

No Report.

Literature Chair: Carl S.

Co-Chair: Joe C

literature@aasj.org

Opening Balance	\$ 9,374.05
Deposits	\$ 713.71
Debits	\$ 590.00
Closing Balance	\$ 9,497.76

Hard-back Big Books and step books are in print and in transit. The long form of each tradition is included. Unfortunately, several other books are not in stock. If you're making a trip to the intergroup office for literature we suggest you call first to find out if the item you want is in stock. Consider becoming a volunteer for the Literature Road Show.

Meeting List Chair: Kevin L.

Co-Chair: Vacant

meetinglist@asj.org

The Tech Committee is assisting and re-acclimating the Meeting List Committee in taking and updating referrals on the website, as this was responsibility that prior to the pandemic and had been handled solely by the Meeting List Committee. However, due to the increase and volume in daily changes to meetings, the Tech Committee thankfully handled this responsibility. The Meeting List Committee is internally grateful for their assistance during this period and is slowly taking back this responsibility. Thank you.

Newsletter Chair: Cletus C

Co-Chair: Bill T

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No Report.

Public Info Chair:Bryan C

Co-Chair: Vacant

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Public Information continues to support IDRC;thank you Trish for helping with this commitment. Bryan C is now Chair of Public Info and he is getting busy with organizing school programs for PI. Please contact Public Information to help with commitments. Eileen will be phasing out of PI as Bryan takes over. He is looking for a Co Chair. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Social Events Chair:Joanne M

Co-Chair:Sherrill B.

socialevents@asj.org

****There will be NO ticket sales at the door ******

The Social Events Committee is ready for the launch of the Gratitude Dance ticket sales. Tickets have been printed with a Venmo QR code on the back and the flyer has been updated & posted on the website (thanks again everyone). Flyers will be available at the Steering Committee meeting (thanks again Karen) and the Intergroup meeting.

There was a question regarding the venue capacity. It will accommodate up to 275 using smaller tables and a smaller dance floor. Sherrill and I have both been to the venue when it was set up for different events and agree that a 150 max is ideal fit for us. If it turns out we need more space, we'll look for a larger venue for next year.

\$35 dollars per ticket which is \$17 cheaper than other venues that were looked at. *****THERE WILL BE NO TICKET SALES AT THE DOOR *******

Technology Chair: Richie M.

Co-Chair: Josh V.

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No problems with the website for the month of August 2022. Updated website, plugins, security as needed – controlled spam as was received. Updated DNS records to make aasj.org emails stricter to alleviate spam flagging. The Tech Committee continues to support the Meeting List Committee post COVID, updating meetings as updates are received. Please make sure your meetings are current on our website <https://aasj.org/meetings> and the A.A. Meeting Guide App. If you change your format (indoor, outdoor, online, or hybrid), please find your meeting at <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 as we have it. 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: 487

of Suspended Meetings: 83

of Online* Meetings: 89

of Indoor* Meetings: 355

of Outdoor* Meetings: 6

*may be combined in a hybrid meeting style.

Unity Chair: Eileen T.

Co-Chair: Steve K.

unity@aasj.org

SPECIAL REPORTS

Trustees: Patti S Rick M Andy E Joey H Joe M

trustees@aasj.org

Good morning
Trustees have no report.
Thank you.
Have a wonderful day.
Patti SJIG TRUSTEE

Area 45 Alternate Delegate: Wendy M

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Day of Sharing- Oct 8th

Area Inventory updated on Area 45's website

Final Report from conference last year will be given to GSR reps shortly.

Sept 15th all agenda items for upcoming conference submitted (188 items).

Office Manager: Karen B

sjintergroup@verizon.net

Hear Ye, Hear Ye

New Area 45 Website

Area 45 has invested in a new website which is responsive, easy to update cell phone friendly and lower cost. It was enhanced to include features which include submitting Events directly on the website to be reviewed and posted. The new website is now found at <https://area45snjaa.org/>, however, using the original site name will automatically redirect you to the new site.

On-Line or Digital Contributions

On-line Group and individual *contributions* to Area 45 and LIPS (Literature in Prisons Service) are available on the new website!

Go to the new website; select the 'Contributions' tab to get started.

Your generous contributions help us reach sick and suffering alcoholics.

**** A Church, (Grant AME), in Chesilhurst NJ has hall space for AA meetings, if anyone is interested. I have her name and telephone#.**

Old Business:

1. Discussion about how to give people access to digitized speeches/personal stories from archives. Frank suggests something on website that says these are available and if you are interested you need to contact IG for a link to the digitized audio. Frank says they will not lend out the tapes at all. We can send the link to a person who asks for it. No decision made, will talk about it again next month.
2. Discussion about committee members who never attend either Steering or the IG meeting. Chairperson said he will reach out to those members.
3. Jay D.—had an inquiry from someone who wanted to serve on treasurer committee. How does he pursue this? Discussion, with Chairperson saying this person needs to show up at Steering if they're interested. Jay will pursue.

4. Treasurer – other new business: Made a motion to increase prudent reserve by \$10,000, taking the money from the operating account. \$26,000 is current prudent reserve. He says if something happens, we wouldn't have enough to cover our expenses. Discussion: a Trustee says current prudent reserve would cover 6 months of expenses. \$36,000 would cover ten months. GSO has advised that groups revise their prudent reserve budgets to cover one year. Decision was made that instead Budget & Finance Chairperson will include the extra money for prudent reserve in the proposed 2023 budget.
5. Two items from H & I Chairperson: Ancora doesn't have a physical space to hold meetings—they asked if we could provide facility where they could be on Zoom —discussion followed, with suggestions from other steering members. Also, Chairperson says Cooper Hospital ready to open up—however, IG has some past legal agreement with hospital about bringing in speakers. A trustee is not aware of any agreement. After some discussion, it was decided to search for old agreement first, and Chairperson will talk to Cooper Hospital about what IG is willing to do for them.
6. Treasurer: At IG meeting last month there were flyers from another AA club on the IG table. The 482 club would like to put their bookmarks showing meeting days and times on the same table; is this okay? Discussion with Treasurer and Vice Chairperson ensued with final answer from steering members being yes, it is okay.

Vice Chairperson shared that in his opinion, any recovery offered in any available manner is fine because of the increased rates of alcoholism and addiction in our country right now.

7. Rick was voted in unanimously as a Trustee to serve until the end of 2023, finishing out Jen G's term.

New Business: None.

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

Secretary: Alex L

Assist. Secretary:Patti H

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