AAIG BULLETIN 2023

Monthly Publication of the Annapolis Area Intergroup

Seeking help for a drinking problem? Call our 24-hour hotline: 410-268-5441.



Declaration of Unity This we owe to A.A.'s future; to place our common welfare first; to keep our Fellowship united. For on A.A. unity depend our lives, and the lives of those to come.

Responsibility Statement I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that, I am Responsible.

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STEP 12 - Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics and to practice these principles in all our affairs.

TRADITION 12 - Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.

CONCEPT 12 - General Warranties of the Conference: in all its proceedings, the General Service Conference shall observe the spirit of the A.A. Tradition, taking great care that the conference never becomes the seat of perilous wealth or power; that sufficient operating funds plus an ample reserve , be its prudent financial principle; that none of the Conference members shall ever be placed in a position of unqualified authority over any of the others; that all important decisions be reached by discussion vote and whenever possible, by substantial unanimity; that no Conference action ever be personally punitive or an incitement to public controversy; that though the Conference may act for the service of Alcoholics Anonymous, it shall never perform any acts of government; and that, like the Society of Alcoholics Anonymous which it serves, the Conference itself will always remain democratic in thought and action.

For Long Forms go to:

Traditions - https://www.aa.org/twelve-traditions-alcoholics-anonymous-long-form

Concepts - https://www.aa.org/the-twelve-concepts#long



2023 AA Anniversaries							
CELEBRATING ON	NAME	YEARS	LOCATION CELEBRATING AT				
Dec 1	Linda J.	23	Twilight Zone/Living Sober				
Dec 5	Valerie B.	41	Severna Park Tues. Afternoon,12:30PM				
Dec 10	Mike K.	41	Happy Sunday				
Dec 14	Liz N.	39	As Bill Sees It, Severna Park				
Dec 14	Scott H.	16	TBD				
Dec 16	Meryl T.	17	Saturday Morning Big Book, Bowie/Crofton				
Dec 17	Mo Simms	16	Coffee and Donuts				
Dec 18	Bill P.	50	Roads End Group				
Dec 20	Milton Q.	23	Pasadena Wed. Noon Group				
Jan 9	Karen A.	34	Crofton Step				



Help AAIG Deliver Local Services! PLEASE CONTRIBUTE AT:

https://www.annapolisareaintergroup.org

Services Include:
Corrections and Treatment,
24 hour hotline, and
Online Informational Website

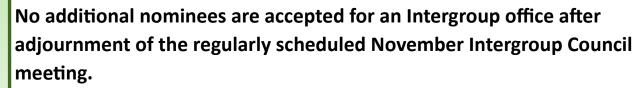


NOTICES



AAIG Council Office Elections Are Here!

Per the AAIG Bylaws Article 12: The election will be held at the December Intergroup Council meeting by confidential ballot. Nominations from the floor were received during the October and November regularly scheduled Intergroup Council meetings. All nominees had to attend at least one of those two meetings to verify their eligibility and willingness to serve.



To be eligible to vote in Intergroup Council Elections, an Intergroup Representative or alternate must be from a group that had a Representative in attendance at a meeting and recorded with the Secretary during the calendar year of the election.

The Zoom address is posted on the AAIG website at https://annapolisareaintergroup.org.

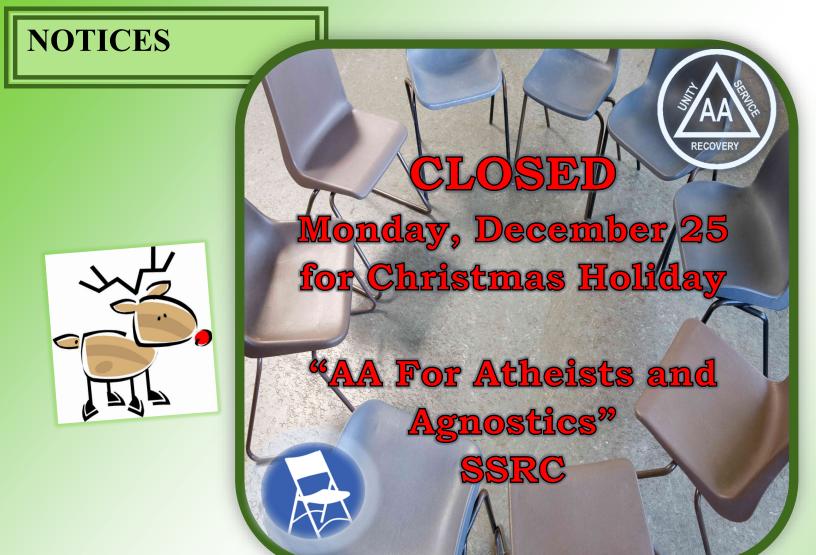




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Or find online at:

https://www.annapolisareaintergroup.org/find-a-meeting



WIN!

1-Year Subscription to the Grapevine! See Page 11-12 for Details





Please send *in-memoriam* to:

bulletin@annapolisareaintergroup.org

What to send? First name, Last initial, Home group, Date deceased, AA Anniversary date and years, and if celebration of life is open to public. Thank you, AAIG Bulletin,

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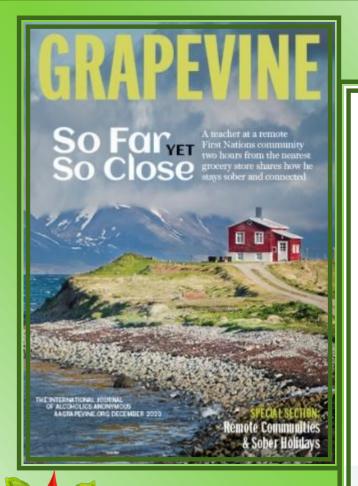
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For More Info:

(659) The Grapevine and La Viña apps are here. - YouTube

NOTICES



DECEMBER 2023

Remote Communities and sober holidays

This month's feature section is "Remote Communities and Sober Holiday Stories."

Members share hopeful stories about alcoholics having trouble reaching AA and the people who do Remote Community service. Plus some wonderful sober holiday stories!



COMMITTEE INFORMATION



LITERATURE FOR SALE!

Select literature published by AA World Services, Inc. at half price!

Dr. Bob and the Good Oldtimers: *now* \$6 Twelve and Twelve pocket edition: *now* \$4

Questions, contact the Literature Committee at: literature@annapolisareaintergroup.org

Note: These are the Only titles offered at a discount!

To order and purchase AA Literature, contact the Literature Committee at literature@annapolisareaintergroup.org.

The FIRST EVER AAIG HANDBOOK is complete! Find it posted on the AAIG Website at:

www.annapolisareaintergroup.org





Events & Anniversary Submissions

Submit to: bulletin@annapolisareaintergroup.org

Submission Deadline

The 18th of the month prior to the event or anniversary.

Subscribe at:

techcomm@annapolisareaintergroup.org OR OR code



The AAIG website at https://www.annapolisareaintergroup.org was upgraded to the Wix platform to allow for easier support and maintenance. Please report any issues you find to the Tech Committee at:

techcom@annapolisareaintergroup.org



Committee Information

Now Available through AAIG Outreach outreach@annapolisareaintergroup.org

Select Titles



Steps!

Traditions!

Concepts!



Spirit of Rotation!

Group Conscious!

AA Structure!





Committee Information

AAIG Executive Meeting

Tuesday, December 5, 2023, 7 pm Zoom Meeting

Intergroup Council Meeting

Tuesday, December 19, 2023, 7 pm

Zoom Meeting Information is available on the AAIG Website



AAIG 2023 Executive Officer Contacts

Chairperson: Aaron W.

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treasurer@annapolisareaintergroup.org

Secretary: Suzanne W.

secretary@annapolisareaintergroup.org

Committee Information—Treasury

2023 AAIG State	me	nt of Ir	C	ome								
	_	pproved dget 2023		Jun-2023		Jul-2023		Aug-2023		Sep-2023		Oct-2023
Cash on hand	-21	Acres and						100000000000000000000000000000000000000				
Operating Cash	\$	13,754.72	\$	21,985.32	\$	23,359.76	\$	19,853.13	\$	16,767.80	\$	20,135.02
Prudent Reserve	\$	16,250.00	\$	15,007.50	\$	15,007.50	\$	15,007.50	\$	15,007.50	\$	15,007.50
Total Cash	\$	30,004.72	\$	36,992.82	\$	38,367.26	\$	34,860.63	\$	31,775.30	\$	35,142.52
Income												
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Contributions (+)	\$	25,000.00	\$	5,134.04	\$	2,705.07	\$	3,061.69	\$	2,373.40	\$	7,209.05
Literature sold(+)	\$	22 500 00	\$	66.00 5.200.04	\$	490.00	\$	232.00	\$	291.00 2,664.40	\$	522.00
Total Income	Þ	32,500.00	9	5,200.04	\$	3,195.07	\$	3,293.69	\$	2,004.40	\$	7,731.05
Expenses												
Operating:												
Literature Bought (-)	\$		\$	11.00	\$		\$	2,451.15	\$	1,389.24	\$	-
"Rent"	\$	10,200.00	S	850.00	\$	850.00	S	850.00	\$	850.00	S	899.98
Insurance	\$	550.00	S		\$		S	550.00	\$		S	-
Cleaning/Supplies	\$	3,700.00	S	279.20	\$	177.23	S	532.12	\$	1,207.85	S	71.81
Accountant	\$	1,050.00	S	275.00	S		S		\$		S	
Phone/Internet	\$	3,000.00	S	220.10	\$	220.10	S	220.18	\$	220.18	S	190.26
PO Box	\$	300.00	S		\$		S		\$		S	
Bank Fees	\$	170.00	S	4.00	\$	4.00	S	4.00	\$	4.00	S	4.00
Corporate Fees	\$	49.00	S	-	S		S	4.00	S	4.00	Š	4.00
Committees:	4	40.00	•				•				•	
Officers	\$	100.00	S	720	\$		S	125	\$		S	21
Activities	\$	3,500.00	\$	-	\$	535.66	S	102.03	\$	626.56	S	3.771.87
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Finance	\$	2225	5	-	\$		\$		\$		\$	-
Outreach	\$	500.00	\$		\$		\$		\$	-	\$	
Public Info	\$	-	\$		\$		\$	-	\$		\$	-
Red House Desk	\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	
Rollover	\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	
Technology	\$	1,000.00	\$	461.40	\$		\$	-	\$		\$	
Where&When	\$	1,800.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$		\$	572.93	\$	
Ad Hoc:												
By-Laws	\$	300.00	\$	543	\$		\$	- 2	\$	-	\$	
Safety	\$	-	\$	29 4 0	\$	4	\$		\$	-	\$	
Total Expense	\$	32,219.00	\$	2,089.70	\$	1,820.63	\$	6,800.32	\$	4,902.91	\$	5,003.88
Operating Net	\$	281.00	\$	3,110.34	\$	1,374.44	\$	(3,506.63)	\$	(2,238.51)	\$	2,727.17

Committee Information—Treasury

2023 AAIG Statement of Income

	-	Approved udget 2023		Jan-2023		Feb-2023		Mar-2023		Apr-2023		May-2023
h on hand	_									. 4. 2020		, 2020
Operating Cash	\$	13,754.72	\$		\$	18,133.96	\$	19,900.10	\$	16,828.61	\$	19,724.9
Prudent Reserve	\$	16,250.00	\$		\$	15,007.50	\$	15,007.50	\$	15,007.50	\$	15,007.
Total Cash	\$	30,004.72	\$		\$	33,141.46	\$		\$	31,836.11	\$	34,732.
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Allocation from Op. Cash	\$	7,500.00	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	
Contributions (+)	\$	25,000.00	\$	4,135.22	\$	5,258.42	\$	3,210.50	\$	1,199.53	S	2,413.
Literature sold(+)	\$		\$.,	\$	•	Š	•	Š	-	Š	1,280.
Total Income	\$	32,500.00	\$	4,135.22	\$	5,258.42	\$	3,210.50	\$	1,199.53	\$	3,693.
oenses												
Operating:												
Literature Bought (-)	\$		\$	1,736.72	\$		\$	865.39	\$	1,529.80	\$	
"Rent"	\$	10,200.00	\$	850.00	\$	850.00	\$	850.00	\$	850.00	\$	850.
Insurance	\$	550.00	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	
Cleaning/Supplies	\$	3,700.00	\$	179.66	\$	604.24	\$	354.28	\$		\$	
Accountant	\$	1,050.00	\$		\$	775.00	\$		\$		\$	
Phone/Internet	\$	3,000.00	\$	220.14	\$	220.69	\$	220.69	\$	220.69	\$	220.
PO Box	\$	300.00	\$	-	\$		\$		\$	-	\$	
Bank Fees	\$	170.00	\$	4.00	\$	23.18	\$	4.00	\$	22.70	\$	4.
Corporate Fees	\$	49.00	\$	49.00	\$		\$		\$		\$	
Committees:												
Officers	\$	100.00	\$	-	\$		\$		\$	-	\$	
Activities	\$	3,500.00	\$	-	\$		\$		\$	-	\$	
Bulletin	\$		\$	-	\$		\$		\$	-	\$	
CPC	\$		\$	-	\$		\$		\$	-	\$	
Corrections	\$	3,000.00	\$	-	\$		\$		\$	-	\$	
Treatment	\$	3,000.00	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	
Finance	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	
Outreach	\$	500.00	\$	58.96	\$		\$		\$		\$	
Public Info	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	
Red House Desk	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	
Rollover	\$	4 000 00	\$	440.00	\$		\$		\$		\$	
Technology	\$	1,000.00	\$	119.88	\$	F70.00	\$		\$		\$	670
Where&When	\$	1,800.00	\$		Þ	572.93	\$		\$		\$	572.
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By-Laws	\$	300.00	\$ \$	•	\$	•	\$ \$	•	\$		\$	
Safety Total Expense	\$	32,219.00	\$	3,218.36	\$	3,046.04	\$	2,294.36	\$	2,623.19	\$	1,647.
Total Expense	Ģ	32,219.00	÷	3,210.30		3,040.04	4	2,234.30	4	2,023.19	φ	1,047.
erating Net	\$	281.00	\$	916.86	¢	2,212.38	\$	916.14	¢	(1,423.66)	¢	2,046.

Committee Information—Treasury (3rd Quarter)

AAIG Group Contributions

Date	Group	Amount
7/2/2023	Coffee & Donuts Group	\$156.33
7/11/2023	Early Birds	\$604.50
7/12/2023	Serenity at Seven	\$48.51
7/17/2023	Back to Basics	\$72.00
7/18/2023	Twilight Zone Group	\$69.49
7/20/2023	Men's Stag Meeting	\$293.34
7/20/2023	Wake Up East	\$1,189.55
7/27/2023	As Bill Sees it Group	\$50.00
8/1/2023	Severna Park Tuesday Afternoon	\$111.08
8/4/2023	Saturday Morning Fun Bunch	\$354.95
8/10/2023	Annapolis Morning Meeting	\$864.96
8/17/2023	Thursday Night Big Book Group	\$250.00
8/21/2023	Serentity at Seven	\$97.52
8/26/2023	As Bill Sees it Group	\$401.35
8/29/2023	As Bill Sees it Group	\$50.00
9/5/2023	Live and Let Live	\$50.00
9/5/2023	Tuesday Night Pasadena Group	\$100.00
9/9/2023	Bowie Friday Night Speakers	\$300.00
9/12/2023	Big Book Text Study	\$168.00
9/13/2023	The Pasadena Group	\$100.00
9/15/2023	Eye Opener Group	\$325.00
9/24/2023	Easy Does it Group	\$150.00
9/25/2023	Serenity at Seven	\$48.51
9/27/2023	One Page at a Time	\$157.15



WINNER OF THE AA GRAPEVINE/ LA VIÑA CONTEST IS...



KARA F., THE "YOUNG PEOPLE" GROUP SUNDAY NIGHT, UNITY PLACE, BOWIE

CONGRATULATIONS KARA F!!

HAT DRAWING PERFORMED BY MIKE B. HOME GROUP, SEVERNA PARK AFTERNOON GROUP







AAIG MONTHLY BULLETIN CONTEST

In Support of Grapevine's "2023 Carry The Message Project"

WIN A ONE-YEAR SUBSCRIPTION TO THE AA GRAPEVINE/LA VIÑA In-Print OR the new app!

1. FIND the hidden "Grape Cluster", looks like this



2. Email the correct page/location of the cluster to:

bulletin@annapolisareaintergroup.org

3. Correct answers will be placed inside a hat.



- 4. Random Area AA Groups will select one name from the hat.
- 5. Chosen name will win one 1-year subscription to

GRAPEVINE or LA VIÑA!

6. Limited to "One" 1-Year Subscription Per Year!



Stay Tuned!

Holiday Events



To Be Posted at:

Annapolis Area Intergroup Website https://www.annapolisareaintergroup.org/



Fall 2023 CONTRA Study

Moderated by Trusted Servants from Area 29 (MD) & Area 13 (DC)



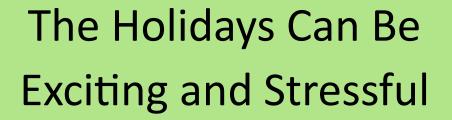
All A.A. members invited to this virtual study of the CONcepts, TRAditions & A.A. Service Manual

Thursdays from 9:00 PM to 10:00 PM EST Weekly Meetings, Sept. 14 through Dec. 28, 2023

Zoom ID: 814 7038 7175, Passcode: 195173 Dial-in number for phone callers: +1 (301) 715-8592

Sept 14 - Orientation (Free course materials were sent out after orientation)

- Weekly reading assignments and questions.
- Do your homework and you may share your answers.
- Don't want to do homework? You are welcome to listen.





Look for AA Alcathons at the Local Club Houses or Online Meetings

AAIG Meeting Finder

https://www.annapolisareaintergroup.org/meeting-finder

Club 164

2016 Industrial Drive Annapolis, MD 21401 https://www.club164.org/meetings

The Red House

169 Duke of Gloucester St Annapolis, MD 21401 https://www.annapolisareaintergroup.org/

South Shore Recovery Club

1199 Generals Highway
Crownsville, MD 21032
https://southshorerecoveryclub.com/

EVENTS

Southern Maryland's 13th Annual Roundup

with Al-Anon participation

Page 14 Hours a Day

DoubleTree by Hilton Annapolis, Maryland

March 15-17, 2024



Pam H. Amherst, OH Robert M. Stuart, FL Lisa L. Boyton Beach, FL Harold L. St. Louis, MO **SPEAKERS**

Carole C. Columbus, OH Kelly C. Columbus, OH John E. Nashville, TN

Al Anon: Teresa S. Clinton, MD

"FAITH HAS TO WORK TWENTY-FOUR HOURS A DAY IN AND THROUGH US, OR WE PERISH." -BB, PG. 16

-Pricing-

Early registration fee of \$40 per person includes all Workshops, Speakers, and Fellowship for the three day program.



www.SouthernMarylandRoundup.org

Register by mail by March 1st. Make check or money order payable to: Southern Maryland Roundup
P.O. Box 3714, Crofton, Md 21114

After March 1st, check the website for registration availability. All registrations FINAL. No refunds - pass it on to a friend of Bill's

Saturday Night Dinner is \$35, which includes premier seating for our Saturday Night Keynote Speaker and your choice of: Seared Flank Steak, Chicken Picatta, or Mediterranean Grilled Vegetables w/Ricotta

Rooms available at a discounted rate of \$109 until 2/15 at: www.SouthernMarylandRoundup.org or by calling (410) 224-3150 and mentioning Southern Maryland Roundup after. After Feb 15th rooms can b booked directly w/ the hotel at regular price, if rooms are still available.



For conference and lodging information, please visit www.SouthernMarylandRoundup.org or email: lnfo@SoMdRoundup.com



Southern Maryland's 13th Annual Roundup

	Name:
	Address:
	City:
	State: Zip Code:
	Email:
	Phone:
	Special Needs: Yes No
	Describe:
	Registration: \$
	Dinner (choose option): \$Flank SteakChicken PicattaVegetables
,	Hospitality Donation: \$
	Lend a hand to those unable to pay the Registration Fee: \$

TOTAL: \$ 17



Footprints in the Winter Sand

ASHORE Resort & Beach Ch 10100 Coastal Highway Ocean City, MD 218

Friday, February 2nd - Sunday (2) 1, 2024

Schedule

Friday, February 2nd 3:00 p C + A yeaker

pl Sp. n Al-Anon Speaker Meeting

8. 7 pm – Open A.A. joes er Meeti A. 10

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Harold L. St. Louis, MO

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10:00 a Special Al-Anon

pen A.A. Speaker Meeting

Meeting

Lori G. Oklahoma City, OK

Tommy T. Staten Island, NY

Lillie H. South Portland, ME

10:00 am – Open A.A. Speaker Meeting Linda B. Waldorf, MD



the page will be updated with registration information.

Taking place once every five years, the A.A. International Convention marks the anniversary of Bill W.'s first meeting with Dr. Bob and the birth of Alcoholics Anonymous in 1935. At the Convention, members and their families and friends from around the world attend meetings, workshops, dances, and events. A highlight is the traditional flag ceremony to celebrate sobriety worldwide.

Let's celebrate sobriety together in Vancouver in 2025!

SPEAKING OF SOBRIETY (SOS)

Draw, tell jokes, AA questions, or just like to write? Send to bulletin@annapolisareaintergroup.org. (See below).

Yoga Master



Jägermeister

Police Officer: Why do you have a bottle of vodka under the hood of your car?

Me: My wife doesn't know how to pop the hood.





Speaker: My alcoholism got so bad!

Audience: How bad was it?

Speaker: I filled my windshield wiper fluid with vodka and weaved the hose through the driver side window!

*AAIG reserves the right to review all submissions for approval and possible editing prior to publication and will preserve the anonymity of each contributor.

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Twelve Tips on Keeping Your Holiday Season Sober and Joyous

Holiday parties without liquid spirits may still seem a dreary prospect to new A.A.s. But many of us have enjoyed the happiest holidays of our lives sober—an idea we would never have dreamed of, wanted, or believed possible when drinking. Here are some tips for having an all-round ball without a drop of alcohol.



Line up extra A.A. activities for the holiday season. Arrange to take newcomers to meetings, answer the phones at a clubhouse or central office, speak, help with dishes, or visit the alcoholic ward at a hospital.



Be host to A.A. friends, especially newcomers. If you don't have a place where you can throw a formal party, take one person to a diner and spring for the coffee.



Keep your A.A. telephone list with you all the time. If a drinking urge or panic comes—postpone everything else until you've called an A.A.



Find out about the special holiday parties, meetings, or other celebrations given by groups in your area, and go. If you're timid, take someone newer than you are.



Skip any drinking occasion you are nervous about. Remember how clever you were at excuses when drinking? Now put the talent to good use. No office party is as important as saving your life.



If you have to go to a drinking party and can't take an A.A. with you, keep some candy handy.



Don't think you have to stay late. Plan in advance an "important date" you have to keep.



Worship in your own way.



Don't sit around brooding. Catch up on those books, museums, walks, and letters.



Don't start now getting worked up about all those holiday temptations. Remember— "one day at a time."



Enjoy the true beauty of holiday love and joy. Maybe you cannot give material gifts—but this year, you can give love.



"Having had a . . ." No need to spell out the Twelfth Step here, since you already know it.

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Happy Holidays



AAIG Standing Committees and Open Service Commitments!

See Email Contacts Below

Activities Committee, activities@annapolisareaintergroup.org

Bulletin Committee, bulletin@annapolisareaintergroup.org

 $Corrections\ Committee,\ corrections\ @annapolisarea intergroup.org$

Literature Committee, literature@annapolisareaintergroup.org

Outreach Committee, outreach@annapolisareaintergroup.org

Desk Committee (phone), desk@annapolisareaintergroup.org

Treatment Committee, treatment@annapolisareaintergroup.org

Website Committee, techcomm@annapolisareaintergroup.org

OPEN POSITIONS!

Cooperation with the Professional Community and Public Information

For more information, PLEASE contact: chair@annapolisareaintergroup.org

