

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 10 - Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.

TRADITION 10 - Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.

CONCEPT 10 - Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority— the scope of such authority to be always well defined whether by tradition, by resolution, by specific job description or by appropriate charters and bylaws.

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
Sept 25	Debby T.	17	TBD
Sept 25	Jennifer W.	5	Zoom - Women's Lit Up, 7 PM
Sept 30	Chris B.	21	All Inclusive, SSRC, Sat., 4 PM
Sept 30	Kevin S.	4	All Inclusive, SSRC, Sat., 4 PM
Oct 2	Nicole H.	1	One Page At A Time (OPAAT)
Oct 3	Pat G.	4	Severna Park Tuesday Afternoon, 12:30PM
Oct 3	Desiree C.	2	Turkey Point, Big Book Meeting, 5:30 PM
Oct 4	Mike T.	2	Herald Harbor Step Meeting
Oct 5	Joe H.	25	As Bill Sees It, Severna Park
Oct 7	Bruce H.	42	All Inclusive, SSRC, Sat., 4 PM
Oct 10	Max E.	10	Herald Harbor Step
Oct 15	Billy Bob	22	Agape
Oct 16	Lorien W.	1	Unity
Oct 18	Wendy D.	25	Herald Harbor Step
Oct 29	Lexi W.	14	Sharing Beginner's
Nov 1	Steve T.	36	The Hatchery Group
Nov 14	Nancy B.	38	Severna Park Tuesday Afternoon, 12:30PM
Nov 17	Larry McG.	39	TBD



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!

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

No additional nominees shall be accepted for an Intergroup office after adjournment of the regularly scheduled November Intergroup Council meeting.

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

The Zoom address will be posted on the AAIG website at <https://annapolisareaintergroup.org>.



Call for Stories AA for the *Native North American Alcoholic Pamphlet*

The (AAWS) trustees' Literature Committee is seeking stories of recovery from all Indigenous communities in the AA structure in the U.S. and Canada.

Stories may include but are not limited to: experience, strength and hope; ethnic, cultural, gender and LGBTQ diversity; military; safety; mental health; sponsorship; service and more.

The suggested length is 500-1,000 words, typed double spaced, in 12-point font. Please include your complete name, address, and email/phone information on the first page of your manuscript.

Submit stories to: pamphletstories@aa.org with the subject line: "AA for the Native North American Alcoholic." **Deadline is: October 31, 2023**



A.A. for the
Native North
American

NOTICES

**AAIG Where & When's
Available at Red House!
1 FREE per person
5 FREE per Group/Meeting
\$0.50 per copy for quantities in excess of 5**

Or find online at:

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

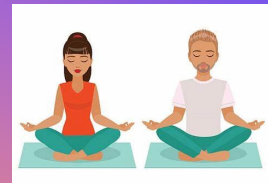


**Keep
Calm
and
Meditate**

11TH STEP CANDLE LIT MEDITATION MEETING



Monday evenings 8:00 – 9:00pm
Club 164
Industrial Blvd, Annapolis



Contribute to the AA Birthday Plan

The Birthday Plan is for AA groups or members who wish to contribute to the General Service Office on their A.A. birthday (G.S.O. New York). \$1 per year is suggested, members may contribute as much as they wish up to \$5,000.

Groups may order at: [Birthday Contribution Envelope \(aa.org\)](#)



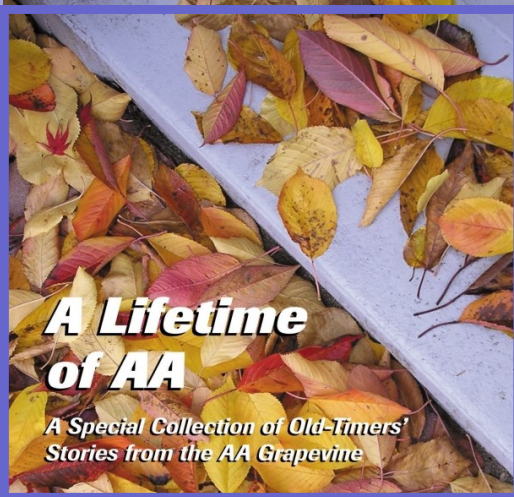
Please send *in-memoriam* to AAIG Bulletin for communication to Annapolis Area AA fellowship.

Please send: first name, last initial, home group, date deceased, AA anniversary date and years, and whether celebration of life is open to public. Thank you, AAIG Bulletin,

bulletin@annapolisareaintergroup.org



NOTICES



Get your Audiobooks & CDs On!
Click: [Audiobooks & CDs | AA Grapevine](#)

This month's feature...

"A Lifetime of AA" SKU: DL14

Inspiring stories from AA members sober as far back as 1945. Stories about sponsorship, service, home groups and the Twelve Traditions. Includes topics such as how members stayed sober through loss, changes in AA, and growing old. Great for both old-timers and newcomers.



FREE!

WIN a 1-Year Subscription to the Grapevine!

See Page 13 for Details

To Learn More Click this Link:

["Carry The Message" | AA Grapevine](#)



NOTICES

Alcoholics Anonymous, an Area 29 Accessibilities Subcommittee



Maryland Deaf Access Committee (MDAC)

Created to organize the foundation of funding and scheduling in-person AA meetings interpreted in American Sign Language (ASL) in Area 29

Who We Are

The Maryland Deaf Access Committee (MDAC) is a group of AA members who work in cooperation with our local area districts and home groups to help ensure we can carry the message to ALL those seeking recovery.

Focus

Our main focus is providing ASL (American Sign Language) interpreters at in-person AA meetings in Area 29 to make the fellowship more accessible to the Deaf and hard of hearing community

AA Traditions

We follow AA's 12 Traditions and are not affiliated with any outside organization. More information will be provided on our website soon. Also see our FAQs.

Contributions

We rely on contributions from AA members and groups to pay for ASL interpreters. We encourage people to remember that when we're discussing having ASL interpreters at meetings, we're discussing providing language access to A.A.

Contributions can be made to:
PayPal/MarylandDeafAccess@gmail.com
and Venmo@District18-21228 (notate ASL)

MarylandDeafAccess@gmail.com
or **Accessibilities@Marylandaa.org**

NOTICES



Announcement!!!

***Grapevine and La Viña
APPs are Here!***

With a Digital subscription, you'll be able to read the new magazine each month, explore the Grapevine or La Viña archive, send stories to friends, listen to the audio of each article in the magazine, listen to the podcast, enter your own sobriety date for a daily calculation, build your own spiritual maintenance daily checklist, and much more. To purchase go to and look for digital subscriptions: [US Subscriptions | AA Grapevine](#).

For information: [\(659\) The Grapevine and La Viña apps are here. - YouTube](#).

Subscribe to the digital magazine and archive for \$2.99 per month, or \$29.99 per year.



New Design for "Young People in AA"! The pamphlet has been redesigned and now contains seven new stories by young AA members. Input and feedback from young A.A. members was received from recent YPAAs. Beautifully redesigned it includes colorful illustrations crafted by one of our most beloved Grapevine illustrators with a contemporized presentation of A.A.'s message of hope. General Service Conference-approved

Order at: literature@annapolisareaintergroup.org



Committee Information

Literature On Sale Now!

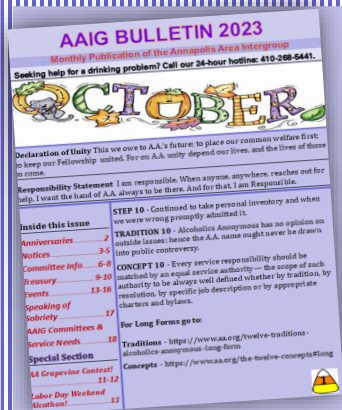
The AAIG is offering *select* literature published by AA World Services, Inc., at *half price!*

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

For any questions, please contact the Literature Committee at: literature@annapolisareaintergroup.org



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

QR 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

AAIG Executive Meeting

Tuesday, October 3, 2023, 7 pm
Zoom Meeting

Intergroup Council Meeting

Tuesday, October 17, 2023, 7 pm
Zoom Meeting Information is
available on the AAIG Website



AAIG 2023 Executive Officer Contacts

Chairperson: Aaron W.

chair@annapolisareaintergroup.org

Vice Chairperson: Cybele D.

vicechair@annapolisareaintergroup.org

Treasurer: Scott C.

treasurer@annapolisareaintergroup.org

Secretary: Suzanne L.

secretary@annapolisareaintergroup.org



Committee Information—Treasury

2023 AAIG Statement of Income

	<u>Approved</u> <u>Budget 2023</u>	May-2023	Jun-2023	Jul-2023	Aug-2023
Cash on hand					
Operating Cash	\$ 13,754.72	\$ 19,724.98	\$ 21,985.32	\$ 23,359.76	\$ 19,853.13
Prudent Reserve	\$ 16,250.00	\$ 15,007.50	\$ 15,007.50	\$ 15,007.50	\$ 15,007.50
Total Cash	\$ 30,004.72	\$ 34,732.48	\$ 36,992.82	\$ 38,367.26	\$ 34,860.63
Income					
Allocation from Op. Cash	\$ 7,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Contributions (+)	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 2,413.40	\$ 5,134.04	\$ 2,705.07	\$ 3,061.69
Literature sold(+)	\$ -	\$ 1,280.00	\$ 66.00	\$ 490.00	\$ 232.00
Total Income	\$ 32,500.00	\$ 3,693.40	\$ 5,200.04	\$ 3,195.07	\$ 3,293.69
Expenses					
Operating:					
Literature Bought (-)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,502.47
"Rent"	\$ 10,200.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 850.00
Insurance	\$ 550.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 550.00
Cleaning/Supplies	\$ 3,700.00	\$ -	\$ 279.20	\$ 177.23	\$ 532.12
Accountant	\$ 1,050.00	\$ -	\$ 275.00	\$ -	\$ -
Phone/Internet	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 220.10	\$ 220.10	\$ 220.10	\$ 220.18
PO Box	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Bank Fees	\$ 170.00	\$ 4.00	\$ 4.00	\$ 4.00	\$ 4.00
Corporate Fees	\$ 49.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Committees:					
Officers	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Activities	\$ 3,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 535.66	\$ 102.03
Bulletin	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 33.64	\$ 39.52
CPC	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Corrections	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Treatment	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Finance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Safety	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Expense	\$ 32,219.00	\$ 1,647.03	\$ 2,089.70	\$ 1,820.63	\$ 6,800.32
Operating Net	\$ 281.00	\$ 2,046.37	\$ 3,110.34	\$ 1,374.44	\$ (3,506.63)

Committee Information—Treasury

2023 AAIG Statement of Income

	<u>Approved</u> Budget 2023	Jan-2023	Feb-2023	Mar-2023	Apr-2023
Cash on hand					
Operating Cash	\$ 13,754.72	\$ -	\$ 18,133.96	\$ 19,900.10	\$ 16,828.61
Prudent Reserve	\$ 16,250.00	\$ -	\$ 15,007.50	\$ 15,007.50	\$ 15,007.50
Total Cash	\$ 30,004.72	\$ -	\$ 33,141.46	\$ 34,907.60	\$ 31,836.11
Income					
Allocation from Op. Cash	\$ 7,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Contributions (+)	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 4,135.22	\$ 5,258.42	\$ 3,210.50	\$ 1,199.53
Literature sold(+)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Income	\$ 32,500.00	\$ 4,135.22	\$ 5,258.42	\$ 3,210.50	\$ 1,199.53
Expenses					
Operating:					
Literature Bought (-)	\$ -	\$ 1,736.72	\$ -	\$ 865.39	\$ 1,529.80
"Rent"	\$ 10,200.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 850.00
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
PO Box	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Bank Fees	\$ 170.00	\$ 4.00	\$ 23.18	\$ 4.00	\$ 22.70
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	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Technology	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 119.88	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Where&When	\$ 1,800.00	\$ -	\$ 572.93	\$ -	\$ -
Ad Hoc:					
By-Laws	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Safety	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Expense	\$ 32,219.00	\$ 3,218.36	\$ 3,046.04	\$ 2,294.36	\$ 2,623.19
Operating Net	\$ 281.00	\$ 916.86	\$ 2,212.38	\$ 916.14	\$ (1,423.66)

Committee Information—Treasury (need 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



**CONGRATULATIONS!!
WINNER OF THE
SEPTEMBER 2023 ISSUE
OF THE AA GRAPEVINE/
LA VIÑA CONTEST IS...**



DON B., STRANGELY INSANE GROUP

***virtual HAT DRAWING PERFORMED BY HILDA L.
AT AGING IN SOBRIETY (ZOOM)
HOME GROUP, MIDNITE GROUP (ZOOM)***





***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**



- 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 their choice of GRAPEVINE/LA VIÑA!
- 6) Limited to "One" 1-Year Subscription Per Year!



EVENTS

NEW!



Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

“The Only Requirement”

Type: Secular

Begins October 7th

Saturdays at 2:00 pm



Club 164



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 will be
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.



EVENTS



Crofton Open is Celebrating its 49th Anniversary with Al-Anon Participation

Friday, October 20, 2023

**Potluck Supper
begins at 6:30 pm
Please bring Dish or Dessert**

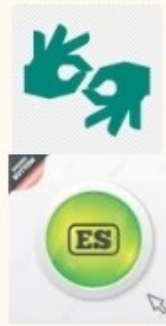


**AA and Al-Anon Speakers
Meeting
begins at 8:00 pm
Prince of Peace
(Presbyterian Church)
1657 Crofton Pkwy
Crofton, MD**





AREA 29 MULTI DISTRICT
ELECTION YEAR TRAINING EVENT



General Service

BRING THE HEAT AND A HEART FOR SERVICE

CHILI

COOK-OFF

Sunday 11/5/2023

2:30-5:00 PM

Hot Prizes for the best chili!

REPRESENT YOUR GROUP,
DISTRICT, OR INTERGROUP

St Stephens Church, 901 Courtney
Road, Halethorpe, MD

GSR & DCM TRAINING

All are welcome!



ENTRY DEADLINE 11/2/23

CONTACT 410-949-6456 TO ENTER

CO-HOSTED BY ACCESSIBILITIES & DISTRICT18@MARYLANDAA.ORG

IN-PERSON SPANISH AND ASL INTERPRETATION PROVIDED



SPEAKING OF SOBRIETY (SOS)

Do you draw, tell jokes, have AA questions, or just like to write? Send to bulletin@annapolisareaintergroup.org - we'll publish. (See below).

Me: Oh my, I love this! Darling, this is such a beautiful location. How much is the rent for this gorgeous apartment?

Owner: "Ma'am, you're in a liquor store."

What do you say to an alcoholic in a business suit?

Will the defendant please rise!?

Heard at a meeting...

"My sponsor gave me a reality check-but it bounced."

Richard M., Golden, CO

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Date _____

91-548/1221

_____ needs a _____ **REALITY CHECK**
(tiny, medium-sized, serious)

I think you know why, but I'll still write it out for you:

trying to knock some ☪ into you

☪ 22 105 278 ☪ 6 7 24 30 1068 ☪ 2400 ☪

SIGNED: _____

Bottom line: What's most needed here is some perspective humility gratitude

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





AAIG Standing Committees and Open Service Commitments!

See Email Contacts Below

Activities Committee, activities@annapolisareaintergroup.org

Bulletin Committee, bulletin@annapolisareaintergroup.org

Corrections Committee, corrections@annapolisareaintergroup.org

Literature Committee, literature@annapolisareaintergroup.org

Outreach Committee, outreach@annapolisareaintergroup.org

(Phone) Desk Committee, 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**

