WCI Chatter
Sunday, August 25, 2024

ANNOUNCEMENTS

it's back . . .

West Central Intergroup newsletter

The Winner's Circle

This quarterly newsletter will be filled with news and events. We need YOUR submissions and ideas to make *The Winner's Circle* a fun and informative publication.

- YOUR Anniversary
- Group Anniversary or special meetings
- PETS OF THE PROGRAM! Send a photo of your favorite furry best friend!
- Where did YOU get sober?
- What Step has helped you the most?
- What was your favorite out of state or country meeting and why?
- We are Not a Glum Lot - Send us your favorite sobriety memes and jokes!

Please send story ideas, meeting information and special events information to newsletter@westcentralaa.org

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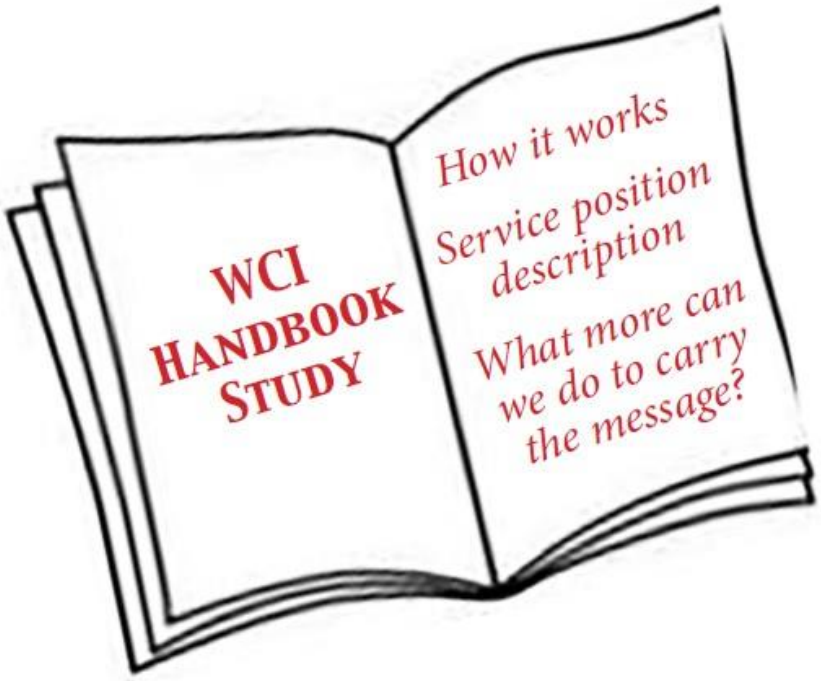
Want to learn more about West Central Intergroup?

Find out what WCI does



Prior to the WCI Council meeting at 6pm beginning June 20th and each 3rd Thursday.

Trinity United Methodist Church
703 W Patrick St,
Frederick, MD 21701

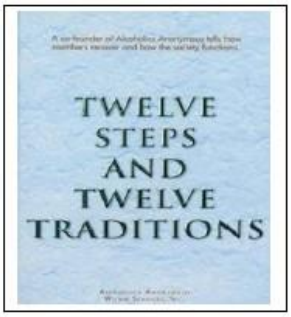
Fall 2024 CONTRA Study

September 10, 2024 through December 17, 2024
Tuesdays from 9:00 PM to 10:00 PM Eastern Time (US/Canada)
Moderated by Trusted Servants from Areas 13 (DC), 29 (Maryland) & 45 (Southern New Jersey)

Zoom Meeting ID: 847 4641 4040
Passcode: 330331
Dial-in number for phone callers: +1 (301) 715-8592

We invite all A.A. members to this virtual study of the
***CON**cepts, **TRA**ditions & The A.A. Service Manual*

Sep 10, 2024 – Registration & Orientation
Sep 17, 2024 – Traditions 1, 2 & 3
Sep 24, 2024 – Traditions 4, 5 & 6
Oct 1, 2024 – Traditions 7, 8 & 9
Oct 8, 2024 – Traditions 10, 11 & 12
Oct 15, 2024 – Service Manual, pp. I-VIII, 1-6, 85-104
Oct 22, 2024 – Svc Man Ch 1 2 3 & pp 105-14, 160-2
Oct 29, 2024 – Svc Man, Chapters 4 5 6 & pp 164-8
Nov 5, 2024 – Svc Man, Chapters 7 8 9 & pp 169-73
Nov 12, 2024 – Svc Man Ch 10 11 12 & pp 155-9, 163
Nov 19, 2024 – Service Manual, pp. 115-154
Nov 26, 2024 – Concepts pp I-VIII, C1-C2, Con 1 2 3
Dec 3, 2024 – Concepts 4, 5 & 6
Dec 10, 2024 – Concepts 7, 8 & 9
Dec 17, 2024 – Concepts 10,11 & 12



CONTRA Study Materials
(provided via email following registration):
Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, B-2 (free participant download at www.aa.org)
The A.A. Service Manual combined with The Twelve Concepts for World Service, BM-31, 2021-2023 edition
AA Grapevine Traditions Checklist, July 2018 revision
Fall 2024 Contra Study Service Manual Questions
A.A.W.S. Concepts Checklist, SMF-91, 08/18 edition

We will cover approximately three chapters of reading material per week, with associated questions. Only those who have read the assignment and have written answers to the weekly questions will be invited to read their answers to the group. All others are welcome to join the meeting and listen.

Presented by Trusted Servants from
Areas 13 (DC), 29 (Maryland) & 45 (Southern New Jersey)
For more information, contact:
2024contrastudy@gmail.com

West Central Intergroup

Hot Line: 301-662-0544

Supporting Frederick, Carroll, and Upper Montgomery Counties

All AA Members Are Welcome!

West Central Intergroup (WCI) Council meetings are open to all members of Alcoholics Anonymous. Meetings are held the third Thursday of each month, and all AA members are encouraged to attend to stay informed and participate in discussions about the happenings in the program of AA!

Does Your Home Group Have A WCI Representative?

Your WCI Rep is your home group's trusted voice and communication link between the WCI Intergroup Council and your home group. They will attend WCI meetings, participate in discussions, and make and vote on motions! If your home group does not have a WCI Representative yet, then elect one at your next home group meeting!

WCI Council Meetings

When: Third Thursday of the Month
Handbook Meeting for All New WCI Reps begins at 6pm
WCI Council Meetings begin at 7pm

Where: Trinity United Methodist Church
705 W. Patrick Street, Frederick, MD

For More Info Contact Carly H., Outreach Committee Chair at
wcioutreach24@gmail.com

Your Guide to Meetings in Print!

The new Where & When Meeting Directories have been printed (Yellow cover). Email whereandwhen@westcentralaa.org for more information.

Literature can be purchased at the WCI Intergroup office. For more information email literature@westcentralaa.org

The WCI Central Intergroup Office

The Federated Charities Bldg. 22 S. Market St., Suite 7 Frederick MD, 21701

Email: office@westcentralaa.org

West Central Intergroup Office Hours Link

Volunteer Sign Up

For West Central Intergroup Central Office In Downtown Frederick

We are recruiting for in-person support at central office.
Your service contribution increases the ability of the WCI office to continue carrying the message to the local community and serve as a resource for the area's AA groups.

Current needs are 2 hr. shifts Monday – Friday and on Saturday as needed.
Training sessions are always are available which usually take less than an hour.

Become A Volunteer

Responsibilities include :
Answer phones – check messages
Sell Literature and Chips
Provide service to Walk-Ins

Please contact Sharon F., office@westcentralaa.org
Location: 22 S. Market Street, 3rd floor, 301-662-0544

"I am responsible. When anyone anywhere reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA to be there. And for that, I am responsible."

WE ♥ VOLUNTEERS

Corrections and Treatment Commitments are available!

If interested, Please send your name, phone number and email address to

corrections.treatment@westcentralaa.org

Meeting Information and Changes

New Open Meeting

VETERANS & ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS

THURSDAY @ 1700 HOURS

The Platoon 22 facility
1750 Monocacy Blvd., Suite A
Frederick, MD 21701

All are welcome at this meeting focusing on Active Duty and Veteran Service Members needs!

Platoon 22 is located in the Goodwill building on Monocacy Blvd., near Rutters gas station, between Liberry Road and Gas House Pike.

Designated Drivers 2.0

NEW LOCATION STARTING
FRIDAY AUG 23RD
UNITARIAN UNIVERALIST OF
FREDERICK
4880 ELMER DERR RD

FRIDAYS 7 PM

EATING MEETING
STARTING AT 6PM TO
CELEBRATE NEW
LOCATION ON AUG 23RD

EATING MEETING

PIZZA

Alcoholics Anonymous
Open Meeting

Monday, September 23rd
6 pm

Brunswick, MD

Newcomers Welcome
All are encouraged to attend

New Hope United
Methodist Church
7 S Maryland Ave.
Brunswick, MD 21716

Pizza,, Soda, Recovery, Fellowship

All are Welcome

NEW HOPE AA MEETING - EVERY MONDAY AT 6 PM - OPEN MEETING

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A Way of Life

Women's Big Book Meeting

Tuesday Nights @ 7pm

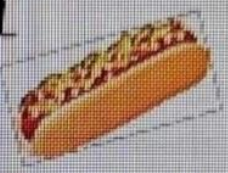
Ijamsville United Methodist Church
4732 Mussetter Rd
Ijamsville, MD 21754

In this meeting, we read the first 164 pages of the Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous, as well as Dr. Bob's story. On the last Tuesday of the month, we have a speaker share her experience, strength, and hope as it relates to her program of recovery.

MASON DIXON GROUP

GRILL ~N~ CHILL

2024



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2nd Fridays: May 10, ~~June Date Cancelled~~, July 12, August 9, and September 13

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THESE SEVERAL FRIDAY EVENINGS FILLED WITH FUN, GRUB, & SOCIALIZING

LOCATION: PARK BEHIND EMMITSBURG POST OFFICE

GRUBS UP AT 6:30PM

MEETING AT 8PM

HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS, COFFEE, TEA, & WATER WILL BE SUPPLIED BY THE MASON DIXON GROUP

PLEASE BRING A DISH OR SOMETHING TO SHARE

Mountain Breakfast

The second Saturday of each month
Fellowship at 9 am, Breakfast at 10 am, Speaker at 11am

A mountain breakfast prepared on site by AAs for AAs and friends of AA.
We start at 7am (you can come then if you are going to help) to cook like fools and
serve a Hot Breakfast with fellowship and a warm setting of love and service to all.
Only a $10.00 donation gets you in.
Coffee, Juice, Eggs, Pancakes, Home Fries, Biscuits, Sausage Gravy, Fruit, Sausage, Bacon, French Toast and a beautiful drive to get here.
BRING SOMEONE WITH YOU!

Old Germantown Church of God
16924 Raven Rock Road
Cascade, Maryland 21719

There is a new AA Grapevine Audio Book available "Prayer and Meditation"
Follow this link to Order:
https://www.aagrapevine.org/store/prayer-meditation-mp3

There is a new AA Grapevine Book available "Our Twelve Steps"
Follow this link to Order:
https://www.aagrapevine.org/store/our-twelve-steps?trackingcode=M44EXG3

New Zealand Marathon Zoom Meeting - Easten time +16 hours https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2923712604 Meeting ID 2923712604 This 24x7 meeting is still going strong ! (as of 08-25-2024)

UPCOMING EVENTS

AREA 29
CORRECTIONS CONFERENCE
DAY OF SHARING
LET IT BEGIN WITH ME
LUNCH~DOOR PRIZES~FELLOWSHIP THIS IS A FREE EVENT!
Saturday, October 12
United Methodist Church
731 Benfield Road
Severna Park, MD
8:00 - 9:00 AM Registration, Coffee, Doughnuts, Fellowship
9:00 - 11:45 AM Panel Discussions
11:45 - 1:00 PM Lunch & Fellowship (lunch is provided)
3:45 - 5:00 PM Former Persons in Custody Panel
Questions? Contact Scott B. corrections@marylandaa.org

CAMPING !!!

2024 MONTHLY

April 12-14 (MD)
Milburn Landing SP

May 10-12 (PA)
Caledonia SP

June 21-23 (VA)
Westmoreland SP

July 26-28. (MD)
Susquehanna SP

August 16-18. (MD)
Tuckahoe SP

September 20-22 (MD)
Greenbriar SP

October 18-20 (MD)
Shad Landing SP

Wm. G. 717.504.5833
Elkton, MD

Tom E. 301.602.8680
Georgerown, MD

Jim W. 717.858.5617
Fredrick, MD

Each campground has Modern Bathrooms and Electric Sites
This group was origionally started in 1970's - many many good memories!!
We encourage all new and experienced travelers to join us
Bring the kids, fishing poles, bug spray, tp,, tent,, RV, (homemade bread?)

"We Absolutely Insist on Having Fun"

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DISTRICT 40 & 41
9TH ANNUAL PICNIC

WHERE - OLD NATIONAL PIKE PARK
12406 OLD NATIONAL PIKE
(RT 144) MT AIRY, MD. 21771
(First Large Pavilion on the Right)

WHEN - SAT. Sept 28th 2PM - 5PM
SPEAKER MEETING 3PM
Al-Anon - Dennis M. - Columbia, MD
AA - Lem S. - Columbia, MD

WHY - FOOD, FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS WELCOME

BURGERS, DOGS, BEVERAGES PROVIDED
BRING A COVERED DISH IF YOU LIKE OR
JUST BRING A SMILE AND JOIN US FOR
A GREAT DAY OF FELLOWSHIP

50/50 RAFFLE

PLAYGROUND

NATURE WALK TRAIL

26TH ANNUAL WOMEN'S WEEKEND

October 18-20, 2024

Camp Wabanna- 101 Likes Road, Edgewater, MD 21037

Women+ share a weekend of fellowship, 12 step study with speaker Sandy B, and a sense of belonging.

The cost for the weekend is:
$190 for Lodge accommodations
$170 for the Farmhouse
$150 for Dorm accommodations

Please keep in mind that the facility is not handicap accessible and the Farmhouse and Dorms have bunkbeds.

Deposit of $50 due at time of registration to reserve your spot. Lodge spaces are first come first serve.

All meals, excluding Friday, are included in the cost for the weekend (vegetarian options available).

Balances are due in full by September 15th.
Register by scanning the Registration QR code below.
T-shirts are available for purchase and will be handed out upon check-in at Camp Wabanna.
You can purchase t-shirts with the T-Shirt Order QR code below.

Scholarships are available. Please contact Sarah K. or Chrissy M. for information.

Venmo, Cash and Checks are accepted. Please make checks payable to Women's Weekend.

Maryland Deaf Access Committee (MDAC) Alcoholics Anonymous

Visit our Website!
http://mdacAA.org

We organize the funding and scheduling of in-person / hybrid AA meetings interpreted in American Sign Language (ASL)

PayPal QR code ›››

- We follow all of AA's 12 Traditions
- We rely on contributions from only AA members & AA entities
- We provide language Access via ASL interpretation
- Our focus is to make AA accessible to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Contributions accepted via PayPal@
MarylandDeafAccess@gmail.com

JOINT MONTHLY MEETINGS

PI & CPC Area 29 Maryland

Teaming up to Provide Comprehensive Service to A.A.

Cooperation with the Professional Community

MEMBERS OF C.P.C. COMMITTEES INFORM PROFESSIONALS AND FUTURE PROFESSIONALS ABOUT A.A.

JESSICA W., CPC CHAIR
CPC@MARYLANDAA.ORG

- Establishing better communication with professionals working with alcoholics
- Finding simple, effective ways of cooperating without affiliating
- Explaining clearly what A.A. does and doesn't do

Public Information

Members of Public Information Committees convey A.A. information to the general public.

KATHI K., PI CHAIR
PI@MARYLANDAA.ORG

- GIVING PRESENTATIONS ABOUT A.A TO SCHOOLS AND ORGANIZATIONS.
- PROVIDING INFORMATION ABOUT A.A. THROUGH DIGITAL AND PRINT MATERIALS.
- ENSURING LOCAL MEDIA HAVE ACCURATE INFORMATION ABOUT A.A. THROUGH PSAS, ANONYMITY-PROTECTED INTERVIEWS AND PRESS KITS.

Join us at 3 p.m. on the 3rd Sunday of the month beginning Jan 21, 2024

Temp ID
ID: 627 530 3589
Pw: 514472

District Chairs and Interested AA members are invited!

FOR QUESTIONS OR TO BE ADDED TO OUR DISTRIBUTION LIST:
CONTACT: A29CPCPI@GMAIL.COM

Save the Date!
AA.org/International-Convention
2025 A.A. International Convention
July 3-6, 2025
Scan here!
VANCOUVER 2025
Language of the Heart
Lenguaje del corazón
Le langage du cœur

61st INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

San Diego, California

January 30-February 2, 2025

[2025 Register Now (internationalwomensconference.org)]

OTHER NEWS

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Looking for a Meeting?

The Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting Guide App Brought to you by Alcoholics Anonymous World Services, Inc., Meeting Guide is a free of charge meeting finder app for iOS and Android that provides meeting information from A.A. service entities in an easy-to-access format. **Link:**

Alcoholics Anonymous : Meeting Guide (aa.org)

If you have an Event/Announcement/Anniversary/Recent Meeting Change you'd like to appear in a future issue of Chatter, please send details to wcichatter1@gmail.com. Our Website is located at http://westcentralaa.org/. To unsubscribe from Chatter, please go to the website and click on the Chatter Tab at the top. Our List of Meetings (Including In-Person, Online, or Hybrid) is also posted on the website, click on "Meetings" at the top of the page. There is also a Printable Version of the meetings on the website. To Add, Remove or Change a Meeting, on the website, go to the "Meetings" Tab and choose "Meeting Change". Also, please direct your AA friends to the website to subscribe to Chatter if they are so inclined. Scan the QR Code below to visit the WCI Website.