Step 8
Made a list of all persons we had harmed and became willing to make amends to them all.

Tradition 8
A.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.

Concept 8
The trustees are the principal planners and administrators of overall policy and finance. They have custodial oversight of the separately incorporated and constantly active services, exercising this through their ability to elect all the directors of these entities.

The Principle of Step 8
Love

ANNOUNCEMENTS
• The next intergroup meeting we be held on Monday, August 9th via Zoom. Doors open at 7:45m. The Intergroup meeting starts at 8pm. The meeting ID is: 823 0552 8441 / Password: 414036
• Volunteers Needed to help answer the phones during office hours at the Intergroup Office. We have shifts available on Tuesday. Please call if you are interested in this service opportunity. (410)663-1922.
• Office update - The Intergroup office continues to be staffed Monday through Friday 9:30am – 5pm for literature and chip orders. According to CDC guidelines, it is recommended that you wear a mask if you have not been vaccinated. To ensure safety, we are allowing 2 customers in at a time and ask that you limit your time to 15 minutes. We can also have your literature order ready for you for hallway pick-up or shipment. Call 410-663-1922 or order online.
• As a reminder, please let us know about your meeting updates and changes so we can keep the meeting list and website up-to-date! For all VIRTUAL MEETINGS or meeting changes, please use this form. For all IN-PERSON MEETINGS or meeting changes, please use this form. Or email us at: intergroup@baltimoreaa.org

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES—WE NEED YOUR HELP!
• The Answering Service is always in need of volunteers to answer calls during the hours the office is closed. Please contact the Intergroup office if you want to be a part of this vital service.

INSTITUTION COMMITTEE
• The next Institution meetings will be held on Zoom on Friday, August 20th, at 7pm. Waiting room opens at 6:45pm. We welcome anyone who is interested in doing service work to come to the meeting. Meeting ID: 886 6629 3910/ Password: 229395
• Speakers needed! The Institution Committee is assigning homegroups for institution commitments to speak in-person or online. Your group can decide what it is most comfortable doing. Please fill out this form if you or your homegroup would like to carry the message. Intergroup will list the monthly commitments on the website under password protection (as we did before.) Reps can get information from our website or at the monthly Institution business meeting or by calling Intergroup.

“But the thought of a drink is not necessarily the same thing as the desire for one, and neither need plunge us into gloom or fear. Both can be viewed simply as warning bells to remind us of the perils of alcoholism.” Living Sober p. 43 Reprinted with permission by AAWS, Inc.
SPECIAL EVENTS

• How it Works presents a workshop series: The Traditions and Concepts. August 7th 12pm – August 28th 1pm. See attached flyer for workshop details or click here.

• The 11th Annual Friends of Bill W Golf Tournament is Monday, September 20th! See enclosed flyer for registration and sponsorship information. Click here to sign up on our website.

• Please call us at 410- 663-1922 or email us at intergroup@baltimoreaa.org to let us know about your special events or workshops. To learn about various celebrations, go to https://baltimoreaa.org/upcoming-events/. *Event Announcements in the Baltimore Intergroup monthly bulletin are limited to those sponsored by Baltimore Intergroup; committees, groups or other Intergroups in Area 29; also Maryland General Service Area 29; MGS districts; and G.S.O.

G.S.O. & MARYLAND GENERAL SERVICE - AREA 29 EVENTS

• Maryland General Service will be holding a Special Area Assembly on Monday, August 16, 2021 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. This Special Area Assembly will be hosted on Zoom, and all members of Alcoholics Anonymous in Area 29 are welcome to attend! The purpose of this Special Area Assembly is to consider possible agenda items for next year's General Service Conference, and to prepare members to fully participate as voters and candidates in the upcoming Election Assembly in October. Zoom Information for the Special Area Assembly is here: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3352329265?pwd=ZTIDcUX6aTUwWXIYXNndm1tbW5zZz09

• Monthly council & district meeting links and passwords can be found on our website: https://baltimoreaa.org/other-meetings-events/

IN MEMORIUM

• We send our prayers and condolences to Bill Petty and his family (Over the Rainbow), for the loss of his son in July.

• We offer our deepest sympathies to the friends and family of Steve D., member of Fallston Early Saturday Group, who passed away on May 25th with 44 years of sobriety.

• Our heartfelt condolences to family and friends of Butch V., former Chairperson of Intergroup who moved to Charlotte, NC several years ago. He passed away on July 24th with 33 years of sobriety.
Remembering Where We Came From – August

Some Notable August dates in A.A. history

Aug 1934 - Rowland H and Cebra persuade court to parole Ebby T. to them.

Aug 1939 - Dr. Bob wrote & may have signed article for Faith magazine.


Aug 1, 1943 - Washington Times-Herald (DC) reports on AA clubhouse, to protect anonymity withholds address.


Aug 8, 1879 - Dr. Bob born in St. Johnsbury, VT.

Aug 9, 1943 - LA groups announce 1000 members in 11 groups.

Aug 11, 1938 - Akron & NY members begin writing stories for Big Book.

Aug 15, 1890 - E M Jellinek is born, author of "The Disease Concept of Alcoholism" and the "Jellinek Curve".

Aug 16, 1939 - Dr Bob and Sister Ignatia admit 1st alcoholic to St Thomas Hospital, Akron, Ohio.


Aug 19, 1941 - 1st AA Meeting in Colorado is held in Denver.

Aug 25, 1943 - AA group donates Big Book to public library in Quincy, MA.

Aug 28, 1954 - "24 Hours a Day" is published by Richmond W.

We appreciate you sharing these announcements with your A.A. contacts. It is as important as ever that we stay connected!

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.
Marc M. (Chairperson) called the meeting to order and opened with the Serenity Prayer. This meeting took place on Zoom due to COVID-19 concerns.

New Group Representatives: There were three (3) new group representatives for the Council to welcome.

Minutes: Mike W. (Recording Secretary) presented the minutes from the June 14th, 2021 meeting. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the minutes.

Treasurer’s Report: Jack F. (Treasurer) reported that ordinary income in June was $12,581.54, which included $5,568.01 from AA groups and $6,956.99 from individual members. Ordinary expenses were $15,234.73, yielding net ordinary income of -$2,653.19. Literature revenue was $3,509.99, with literature expenses of $1,231.27, yielding net literature income of $2,278.72. Therefore, net income for April was -$374.47. Prudent reserve was $118,334.79. Total assets were $243,128.65. Jack thanked the groups and individual members for their continued support throughout the pandemic.

Administrator’s Report: Jen G. reported that during the past 19 working days, there were 3 new meetings, 64 re-opened meetings, 5 closed/cancelled meetings, and 102 meeting changes. There are now 684 total meetings: 283 virtual, 66 hybrid, and 335 in person. (In May there were 285 virtual, 55 hybrid, and 255 in person.) There were 493 calls for help during office hours, 3,101 emails, texts, and correspondence (including 5 shipped literature orders). There were 54 literature pick ups at the office.

Since the last Intergroup meeting, Jen attended meetings with the Institution Committee, Advisory and Personnel Committees, Activities Committee, the Spanish-speaking groups who are looking to start a Spanish-speaking Intergroup in Baltimore, the weekly office manager’s meeting, and a meeting with the AAWS Board Chair Jimmy D. and the new GM for GSO Bob W. to discuss literature fulfillment issues.

The Intergroup Office has re-opened to customers. The meeting list on the website has been updated to include a classic searchable view. Please call the Intergroup office with your meeting changes and openings or visit the website to fill out the form. The meetings listed on our website are still shy of the 810+ meetings that were listed pre-COVID.
Activities Committee Report: Rick W (Chairperson) reported that the committee met last Thursday and discussed the Bull Roast that will take place in November. Jen mentioned that Tall Cedars has increased its prices so we may be looking for a new venue. Dick M reported that there is a lot of interest in the Friends of Bill Golf Tournament scheduled for September 20th. Please go to the Intergroup website for registration and sponsorship.

Answering Service Committee Report: Melody B (Chairperson) reported that there were 508 regular calls and 16 12th step calls. The early morning (2am-6am) shifts on Monday and Friday are open and volunteers are needed to fill them. The committee also needs new volunteers for the waiting list to fill future openings.

Public Information, Cooperation with Professional Community, and Speakers Committees: No report

Literature Committee Report: No report.

Internet/Website Committee Report: Mike C (Chairperson) reported that there was no activity last month.

Institution Committee Report: Don B, reporting for Jamie H (Chairperson), reported that there are approximately 12 institution meetings, with the Helping Up Mission having the only in person meetings at this time. The committee has regular monthly meetings (via Zoom) on the 3rd Friday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Outreach Committee Report: Melissa B. (Chairperson) reported that there was no activity this month.

Nominations Committee Report: Lucy H. (Chairperson) continued the process of securing nominations of candidates for the trusted servant positions (officers and committee chairs) that will be filled in the elections at the September intergroup council meeting. Lucy reviewed each of the positions to be filled, the nominees from the June meeting, and accepted additional nominations for several positions. Please see the “Sample Ballot” that is being distributed with the bulletin for a complete list of the elective positions and the nominations made to date. Nominees must be present at one or more of the Intergroup meetings for June, July, or August.

Chairperson Report: No Report

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and passed. Meeting closed with the Lord’s Prayer. Respectfully submitted, Mike W., Recording Secretary
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| 4 Sources Contributed | $6,986.99|

Total Contributions for June $12,525.00
BALTIMORE INTERGROUP COUNCIL OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, INC.
Sample Ballot

Please read below to find out more about council positions, descriptions, qualifications and terms. Except where indicated, groups can vote for only 1 person per position from the field of nominees.

All nominees must be present at one or more Intergroup meetings during June, July or August. An *asterisk next to a nominee’s name indicates their presence at a June, July or September meeting.

OFFICERS

INTERGROUP CHAIR
Qualifications: 5 years continuous sobriety
Term: 1 year of service; can be re-elected 1 time only (can serve maximum of 2 consecutive 1-year terms)
Description: The Executive Director of the Intergroup Council presides over monthly Intergroup meetings; is an Ex-Officio member of all committees; and may create committees when needed.

Nominee Name: Marc M.* Group: Roland Park Steps & Traditions

INTERGROUP CO-CHAIR
Qualifications: 5 years continuous sobriety
Term: 1 year of service; can be re-elected 1 time only (can serve maximum of 2 consecutive 1-year terms)
Description: The Co-Chair shall serve to assist the Chairperson. He/she shall preside over the Intergroup Council meeting in the absence of the Chair. The Co-Chair shall assist the Chair by attending committee meetings in the absence of the Chair and shall report to the Chair.

Nominee Name: Dave L.* Group: Wrath of Grapes

TREASURER
Qualifications: 5 years continuous sobriety
Term: 2 years; can be re-elected
Description: Prepares monthly financial reports and files all federal and state financial papers and reports.

Nominee Name: Jack F.* Group: There Is A Solution

ASSISTANT TREASURER (2-year term; not up for re-election this year)
Qualifications: 5 years continuous sobriety
Term: 2 years; can be re-elected
Description: Assists the Treasurer and acts as the treasurer for the Activities Committee.

Nominee Name: Group:

RECORDING SECRETARY
Qualifications: 2 years continuous sobriety
Term: 1 year; can be re-elected
Description: Prepares monthly Council minutes.

Nominee Name: Mike W.* Group: Hopkins
COMMITTEES

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE (vote for 8)
Qualifications: 1 year of continuous sobriety
Term: 2 years; can be re-elected
Description: Organizes, conducts and promotes events sponsored by the Council including the Sobriety Show, Golf Tournament, Bull Roast, and other activities.

Nominee Name: Kathleen K.* Group: As Bill Sees It
Elijah N.* How It Works
Cheryl C.* People of Color

ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Qualifications: 2 years of continuous sobriety
Term: 1 year; can be re-elected
Description: Advises Chairman on all matters not specifically assigned to a standing committee. Advisory only, upon request of the Chairperson. All decisions to be voted on by Council.

Nominee Name: Rod B.* Group: Catonsville Beginners

ANSWERING SERVICE COMMITTEE
Qualifications: 2 years of continuous sobriety
Term: 1 year; can be re-elected
Description: Coordinates phone volunteers for the hotline during all hours when the office is closed.

Nominee Name: Melody B.* Group: Brooklyn Keep Coming Back

COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY COMMITTEE
Qualifications: 2 years of continuous sobriety
Term: 1 year; can be re-elected
Description: Explains to health and education professionals in the community what AA is and how we cooperate according to our traditions.

Nominee Name: Group:

LITERATURE COMMITTEE
Qualifications: 2 years of continuous sobriety
Term: 1 year can be re-elected.
Description: Coordinates and facilitates the sale of AA related literature to groups at monthly Council meetings and other Intergroup sponsored events.

Nominee Name: Danny F. Group: But For the Grace of God

NOMINATING COMMITTEE (vote for 2)
Qualifications: 2 years of continuous sobriety
Term: 1 year; can be re-elected
Description: Encourages members to run for office; receives all nominations, reviews qualifications and counts votes.

Nominee Name: Lucy H.* Group: Hopkins
Mike C.* 164

OUTREACH COMMITTEE
Qualifications: 2 years of continuous sobriety
Term: 1 year; can be re-elected
Description: Maintains a communication link between the Intergroup Council, the Intergroup Office, and all of its members and AA groups.

Nominee Name: Melissa B.* 
Group: Glen Burnie H.O.W.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
Qualifications: 2 years of continuous sobriety
Term: 1 year; can be re-elected
Description: Advises and adopts appropriate guidelines for personnel policy and procedures for the Intergroup Office.

Nominee Name: Stephen F.* 
Group: St. Anthony's Mid-day

PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE
Qualifications: 2 years of continuous sobriety
Term: 1 year; can be re-elected
Description: Provides AA information at health fairs and other events; handles all media requests for information on AA.

Nominee Name: 
Group: 

SPEAKERS COMMITTEE
Qualifications: 2 years of continuous sobriety
Term: 1 year; can be re-elected
Description: Provides speakers for groups outside of AA that request information about the AA program.

Nominee Name: 
Group: 

WEBSITE COMMITTEE (vote for 2)
Qualifications: 5 years of continuous sobriety/ 2 years of continuous sobriety
Term: 2 years; can be re-elected
Description: Manages the Intergroup Council website and its related functions.

Nominee Name: Mike C.* 
Group: 164
FROM REVISED BYLAWS 2012

C. Nominations - Nominations for candidates for the Board of Directors and elective positions on the Standing Committees may be made and recorded at the regular May, June and July meetings of the Intergroup Council. Any such nominations may be made from the floor or in writing and submitted to the Intergroup Administrator. The names of all such nominees shall thereafter be turned over to the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee shall select candidates for any positions for which nominations have not otherwise been made and shall make a determination relative to the qualifications and willingness of each nominee to serve in the position for which he or she has been nominated.

The Nominating Committee shall submit a report reflecting the names of all qualified persons whose names have been placed in nomination and its findings at the regular July meeting of the Intergroup Council. Additional nominations may be made from the floor or in writing until the close of business at the July meeting of the Council. A listing of all qualified nominees shall be published two weeks prior to the regular August meeting of the Council. In addition to the qualifications of any nominee as otherwise stated in these bi-laws, any given nominee must be present at no less than one meeting of the Intergroup Council within the three months immediately preceding the August meeting. In the event that he or she should fail to make such an appearance, his or her name shall be removed from nomination.

ELECTION GUIDELINES & POLICIES

The annual election of officers and elective members of the Standing Committees, unless otherwise provided herein, shall be held at the regular August meeting of the Intergroup Council. Election for all Directors and Chairperson of the Standing Committees shall be by closed ballot, except in instances where a candidate for any given position is unopposed, in which event the Secretary shall cast the ballot for that candidate by acclamation. Election to any position shall be achieved by that candidate receiving the greatest number of votes. No person may be on the ballot for more than one officer position during the same term. The following policies guide the election of officers and committee chairs of the Intergroup Council:

1. Each AA Group in the Baltimore Intergroup may have one representative at the Council monthly meetings.
2. No person can represent more than one group.
3. Each representative has one vote on election of officers.
4. Officers and Committee Chairpersons each have one vote.
5. When a member is nominated for an office or committee he/she must attend the May, June, or July Council Meeting to be eligible for election.
6. Please note jobs of Officers and Committees have various recommended lengths of sobriety.
7. Votes are cast at the August meeting by a closed ballot and are counted by the two elected and an appointed member of the Nominating committee.
8. Officers and Committee members are elected by simple majority vote.
9. At the August meeting Officers, Committee Chair and Intergroup Representatives sign in for an accurate count in the election.
SPONSORS NEEDED

These Institutions have requested AA meetings and currently need sponsors and/or co-sponsors:

- Patuxent Institute
  7555 Waterloo Rd., Jessup, MD 20794
- BCBIC (Central Booking, Women-only)
  E. Madison St., Baltimore, MD 21202
- CDF (Chesapeake Detention Center, Women-only)
  401 E. Madison St., Baltimore 21202

12TH STEP WORK IN INSTITUTIONS IS HOW IT ALL STARTED

There is no reason why an alcoholic sitting in a detox, rehab, or detention center should go without a meeting. There are thousands of AA members in the Baltimore area who could help. Please be one of them!

Sponsoring is easy and rewarding! Just meet the speakers assigned to the commitment, set up, and start the meeting!

PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD

IF INTERESTED, CALL INTERGROUP:
410-663-1922

Bring meetings to people who can't get out — just twice a month (every other week).
Friends of Bill W. 11th Annual Golf Tournament

Monday September 20, 2021

First Come First Serve
100 Player Max!

COST PER PLAYER: $125
HOLE SPONSORSHIP
$100 PER SIGN

Registration at 8 AM
Shotgun Start at 9 AM
Awards & Luncheon Follow
At 2 PM or end of play

Captain’s Choice Format
Single best ball on each shot)
No handicap required
Milligans and Raffle Tickets
sold at Registration
Prizes for Individual Play

Sparrows Point Country Club
919 Wise Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21222

Proper Golf Attire Required
No Denim Permitted

All proceeds benefit
Baltimore Intergroup
8635 Loch Raven Blvd., Suite 4
Baltimore, MD 21286

410-663-1922

REGISTER NOW!

MENU

Breakfast at 8-9 AM
Donuts, Pastries & Coffee

Lunch at 2 PM
Oysters on the Half Shell
Sliced Roast Beef
Italian Sausage
Grilled Chicken Breast
Caesar Salad
Assorted Salads
Cheese & Pickle Tray
Soda & Water
How it Works* – Catonsville, MD
Area 29, District 18

*Suspending Normal Meeting Format for August only to bring you:
Traditions & Concepts Workshops

Saturday 12 pm Noon EDT
Presents
August Workshop Series - 2021

TRADITIONS & CONCEPTS

HYBRID - In person and via Zoom
Zoom ID 627 530 3589
P/W 514472

• August 7, 2021 History of the Traditions Presentation by Jim W.
• August 14, 2021 Traditions Presentation by Jim W.
  * * *
• August 21, 2021 Concepts Presentation by John W.
• August 28, 2021 Bringing Traditions and Concepts to your Home Group and Business Meetings by John W.

For more info contact HowitWorks21228@gmail.com
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
HAPPY BIRTHDAY

MORE ABOUT ALCOHOLISM
WILL HOST OUR 3rd YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
JOIN US FOR A DAY OF FELLOWSHIP AND UNITY

FOOD    PASTRIES    COFFEE    WATER    CAKE

LIVE MUSIC
featuring--TANGLEWOOD

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2021
DOORS OPEN AT NOON
LIVE MUSIC STARTS AT 1 P.M.
SPEAKER MEETING WILL START AT 2 P.M.
MUSIC WILL RESUME AT 3 P.M. TIL 5 P.M.
COME ONE COME ALL LET'S CELEBRATE THE AA WAY

MATT'S HOUSE CHURCH
5421 EAST DRIVE 21227
any questions contact LISA at - js4305856@gmail.com
Celebrate your Anniversary and help carry the message! Please participate in the:

ANNIVERSARY & BIRTHDAY PLAN

Please complete this form -- call or email the office by the 15th of the preceding month for anniversaries to be printed in the bulletin. Or, mail them by the 10th to allow time for delivery.

Please list the name and phone # of the person to contact if the Intergroup office has any questions:

Name: ___________________ Group: ___________________________ Phone #: ___________________

For over the past 45 years, many anniversary celebrants have donated $1.00 per year of sobriety to the **Birthday Plan**. Your donations help us CARRY the MESSAGE to the still suffering alcoholic.

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** Individual members may contribute up to $5,000 in any year of sobriety; $5,000 posthumously. As always, this is only a suggestion and may vary as an individual desires. **

Please Keep In Mind

- List the date the individual will celebrate; NOT the actual anniversary date.
- List first names and last initial.
- List group name as it appears in the directory.
- Call the Intergroup Office or email to intergroup@baltimoreaa.org
- If mailing, please post before the 10th of the month, to allow time for delivery.
- Make checks payable to: Baltimore Intergroup
CONCEPT VIII

The Trustees of the General Service Board act in two primary capacities: (a) With respect to the larger matters of over-all policy and finance, they are the principal planners and administrators. They and their primary committees directly manage these affairs. (b) But with respect to our separately incorporated and constantly active services, the relation of the Trustees is mainly that of full stock ownership and of custodial oversight which they exercise through their ability to elect all directors of these entities.

Concept VIII—This Concept deals with the way the General Service Board "discharges its heavy obligations," and its relationship with its two subsidiary corporations: A.A. World Service, Inc. and the A.A. Grapevine, Inc.

Long experience has proven that the board "must devote itself almost exclusively to the larger questions of policy, finance, group relations and leadership.... In these matters, it must act with great care and skill to plan, manage and execute." Reprinted with permission from the Pamphlet "The Twelve Concepts of World Services Illustrated"

"Here, the board's attitude has to be that of custodial oversight.... The trustees are the guarantors of good management of A.A. World Services, Inc. and the A.A. Grapevine, Inc....by electing the directors of these service arms, a part of whom must always be trustees.... The executive direction of these functions is lodged in the ...service corporations themselves, rather than the General Service Board. Each corporate service entity should possess its own bylaws, its own working capital, its own executives, its own employees, its own offices and equipment."

Bill draws from earlier mistakes by the General Service Board in trying to run the service functions directly and warns repeatedly against "too much concentration of money and authority." Reprinted with permission from the Pamphlet "The Twelve Concepts of World Services Illustrated"

Concept Checklist

* Do we understand the relationship between the two corporate service entities (A.A. World Service, Inc. the A.A. Grapevine) and the General Service Board?
* Does my home group subscribe to G.S.O.'s bimonthly newsletter Box 4-5-9? The A.A.Grapevine? Do I?