

THE JOURNEY AT THE BEACH

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Tradition Ten • “Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.”

Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, page 176

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

“To thine own self be true”

NAME	YEARS	SOBRIETY DATE	CELEBRATING	WHERE	WHEN
Mike M	5	10/01/14	10/01/19	Happy Risers • Atlantic Club	7:30 am
Gail A	27	10/03/92	10/03/19	Happy Risers • Atlantic Club	7:30 am
Chip G	18	10/27/01	10/27/19	Happy Risers • Atlantic Club	9 am
Jeff C	26	11/01/93	11/01/19	Happy Risers • Atlantic Club	7:30 am

Please submit all anniversary information to Carla H at ocmdaa.news@gmail.com by the 28th of the preceding month of the anniversary. Include your name, sobriety date, celebration date, where and when. The newsletter is printed on the first Tuesday of every month, so if your sobriety date falls early in the month, we may put your announcement in the prior month's newsletter. Thanks!

Step Ten • “Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.”

Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, page 88

Tenth Step Prayer for Growth and Effectiveness • God, please help me Watch for Selfishness, Dishonesty, Resentment and Fear. When these crop up in me, help me to immediately ask you to remove them from me and help me discuss these feelings with someone. Father, help me to quickly make amends if I have harmed anyone and help me to resolutely turn my thoughts to someone I can Help. Help me to be Loving and Tolerant of everyone today.

Alcoholics Anonymous, page 84:2

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News and Events

District 32 and the Ocean City Area Fellowship Intergroup meet every first Tuesday of the month at the Atlantic Club, 11827 Ocean Gateway, Ocean City, MD 21843 (Route 50 Westbound).

Next meeting is Nov 5th

District Reps 5:30 pm

Intergroup Reps 6:00 pm

Participation in Service Work • There are many ways to participate in service work in your AA community. Answering services, Correctional Facilities visits, and volunteering at Workshops and Events are just a few. Please speak to your Intergroup Rep before or after a meeting to learn more. We are grateful for your participation in helping to carry the message of AA!

Would you consider Hosting a Workshop? • The Area 29 Workshop Committee's purpose is to assist local groups, districts, and inter groups who wish to present workshops on various topics related to AA. Contact workshop@marylandaa.org with questions.

AA Books • Literature is available for purchase online at www.aa.org and at the Atlantic Club. See someone at the front desk for assistance.

Website • Visit Ocean City Fellowship Intergroup of AA's website at www.ocaa.org.

Grapevine • Founded in 1944, the AA Grapevine® is the monthly, international journal of Alcoholics Anonymous in print, digital and audio. Often referred to as our "meeting in print," A.A. Grapevine communicates the experience, strength, and hope of its contributors and reflects a broad geographic spectrum of current A.A. experience with recovery, unity, and service. For more information, visit www.e-aa.org.

Get Involved!

Participate in Intergroup Representative's monthly meetings. The average attendance at our monthly meetings has been 7-10. There are 24 meeting groups in District 32. If you have volunteered to be an Intergroup Rep, please resolve to attend meetings in 2019 to help keep the traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous strong. Meetings are open and any member of the OCAA Fellowship can attend.

Bridging the Gap Committee Chair • We are seeking a committee chair to help people just being released from jail or coming out of treatment centers to get oriented to the recovery program in our community. If interested, please attend an Intergroup meeting for more information. You can read more about what the committee does here: https://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/p-49_BridgingTheGap.pdf

OCAA Phone Schedule 410-600-5219

Dawn is the chair of the OCAA phone committee.

October - Action Group November - Fresh Air December - Happy Hour January - Positive Attitude

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CPC/PI Committee Chair Vacancy

Ocean City Area Fellowship Intergroup is seeking a member to take the lead on a service committee called “Cooperation with the Professional Community and Public Information”. Last month a link was published to A.A. Guidelines for Cooperation with the Professional Community. You can access this document at https://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/mg-11_coopwithprofe.pdf.

If you feel called to this type of service commitment, please attend the next OC Area Intergroup Meeting at the Atlantic Club. It’s at 6 pm on the first Tuesday of the month. We would be glad to discuss it with you.

Below are some articles about Committees from the “Guidelines for Ocean City Area Fellowship Intergroup”, defining the scope of work for the committee. Thank you for your consideration.

What’s a Committee?

Purpose: Committees are established to conduct specific functions of Intergroup to achieve the goal of serving the still-suffering alcoholic.

Committee Establishment: The Intergroup Chairperson shall appoint only members of AA groups which belong to the Ocean City Area Fellowship Intergroup, as Standing and/or Ad Hoc committee Chairperson. Chairpersons are responsible for recruiting and leading their committee to achieve its purpose. Committee Chairpersons shall serve two (2) year terms to run concurrent with that of elected officers, with exception to the Archivist, which is a non-rotating position. All Committee Chairpersons serve at the discretion of the Intergroup Chairperson.

Suggested Sobriety: It is suggested that Committee Chairpersons have a minimum of one (1) year of sobriety and be in compliance with all relevant laws and regulations.

- 4.1 **Standing Committees:** Below is a listing of the Standing Committees that shall be maintained by Intergroup. A brief description of the Committee’s purpose and functions accompanies each description.

Cooperation with the Professional Community

4.4.3 **Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) Committee:** The (CPC) Committee will function to increase awareness and understanding of Alcoholics Anonymous’ purpose and services to professional groups, organizations, associations, institutions and individuals.

Specifically the CPC Committee shall:

- A. Seek and develop communication with the medical, legal, theological, and social work communities.
- B. Provide AA speakers, discussion groups, seminars, workshops or other educational activities for professional groups working with alcoholics.
- C. Purchase and distribute AA literature to such groups.
- D. Facilitate displays at local professional group gatherings.
- E. Coordinate activities with the Public Information Committee.

Public Information

4.4.9 **Public Information:** The Public Information Committee shall carry the AA message by providing AA literature and information about the fellowship to the public (for example: doctor’s offices, police departments, health departments, libraries, local schools, visitor’s centers, etc.).

Specifically, the PI Committee shall:

- A. Distribute information at local health fairs and alcohol awareness programs and at other Public Information distribution points.
- B. Provide media releases to foster public awareness of the local services and availability.
- C. Coordinate the purchase and distribution of Intergroup’s public information materials.
- D. Coordinate with the CPC Committee in providing competent speakers to present the AA recovery program.

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OCEAN CITY AREA FELLOWSHIP INTERGROUP

CHAIR - Tom M		ALT CHAIR - Dave H		SECRETARY - Allison K		TREASURER - Bradley S	
GROUP	INTERGROUP REP	LOCATION		ADDRESS		DAY & TIME	
Action Group	Bradley S	Holy Savior Catholic Church		17 th & Philadelphia Ocean City		Friday 8 PM	
Assateague Group - Living Sober	Kenny G	Bethany United Methodist Church		6848 RT 611 Berlin		Sunday 6 PM	
Beginner's Big Book	Joe P	Atlantic Club		11827 RT 50 West Ocean City		Monday 6:30 PM	
Berlin 101 Women's (CLOSED)	Patricia G	St. Paul's Episcopal Church		3 Church Street Berlin		Saturday 9 AM	
Berlin Friendship	VACANT	Friendship United Methodist Church		Friendship Road Berlin		Monday 8 PM	
Come As You Are	Jennie R.	Ocean Pines Chamber of Commerce		11031 Cathell Rd Berlin		Tuesday 6 PM	
Entirely Ready	Robin D	Atlantic Club		11827 RT 50 West Ocean City		Friday 6 PM	
Free To Be Women's	Barbie G	Atlantic Club		11827 RT 50 West Ocean City		Wednesday 8 PM	
Fresh Air	Allison K	Crossway Church		11811 RT 50 West Ocean City		Tuesday 8 PM	
Happy Hour	VACANT	Community Church at Ocean Pines		11227 Race Track RD Ocean Pines		Monday 6 PM	
Happy, Joyous & Free Women's Step Study	Stacy J/Carla H	Community Church at Ocean Pines		11227 Race Track RD Ocean Pines		Friday 10 AM	
Happy Risers	Paul B	Atlantic Club		11827 RT 50 West Ocean City		M thru F 7:30AM S & S 9 AM	
Joy of Living	Diane H	Atlantic Club		11827 RT 50 West Ocean City		M thru Sat Noon	
Men's 12&12 Step	Jeff S	Atlantic Club		11827 RT 50 West Ocean City		Wednesday 8 PM	
Not A Glum Lot	Jerome N	All Hallows Episcopal Church		109 West Market Street Snow Hill		M/W/F 7:30 PM	
One Step At A Time	Martha J	Atlantic Club		11827 RT 50 West Ocean City		Saturday 6 PM	
Positive Attitude	Rob A	Stevenson United Methodist Church		123 N Main Street Berlin		Saturday 7 PM	
Primary Purpose	VACANT	St Peter's Lutheran Church		10301 Coastal Hwy Ocean City		Thursday 7 PM	
Proud To Have Served	John M	Atlantic Club		11827 RT 50 West Ocean City		Wednesday 6 PM	
Seaside Group	Ellen O	St Peter's Lutheran Church		10301 Coastal Hwy Ocean City		Wednesday 6 PM	
Serenity Group	Ellen O	St Peter's Lutheran Church		10301 Coastal Hwy Ocean City		Wednesday Noon	
Serenity & Sand	Angie P	On the Beach		at 2nd St • Weather Permitting		Friday 10 PM Mem. Day - Sept. 6	

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