

ILLOWA MESSENGER SEPTEMBER 2019 NEWSLETTER

September Birthdays

CONGRATULATIONS!



1 Dilia	'93
2 Jane S.	'79
3 Bill S.	'82
3 Debbie J.	'06
4 Patti P.	'91
6 Mary K.	'00
7 Al D.	'00
8 Dan C.	'82
10 Barb K.	'83
12 Gail R.	'01
12 Gail S.	'03
14 Ben D.	'01
16 Dee A.	'97
18 Norma D.	'85
20 Ken H.	'78
21 Fred K.	'78
21 Leo Y.	'98
21 Tom R.	'69
22 Brenda C.	'78
23 Deb P.	'80
29 Jerry P.	'80
30 Jeanne S.	'80

September Events



Sept. 7th - Camden Serenity
Group Speaker Mtg.

Sept. 8th – Bettendorf Group Picnic

Sept. 8th – Blandine Group Picnic

Sept. Sept. 15th - Central
Discussion Anniversary

Sept. 15th – House Group Picnic

Sept. 15th - Milan Hillcrest Group
Picnic

Sept. 28th - Campfire Meeting

Sept. 28th – General Service
Workshop

LABOR DAY



**The Intergroup Office will be closed on
Labor Day –**

September 2, 2019

**The next business meeting will be held
at 6 pm in the office on
September 9, 2019**

<u>Group Contributions</u>	<u>July 2019</u>	<u>Jan. –July2019</u>
Aledo	0	60.00
Bettendorf	0	1,750.70
Big Book Study	0	675.74
Camden Serenity	0	125.00
Central Discussion	400.00	1,200.00
Clinton	75.00	525.00
Courage to Change	0	287.12
DeWitt	0	200.00
Diversity Group	30.00	30.00
Henry County Group	0	700.00
House Group	0	100.00
La Nueva Vida	10.00	80.00
Ladies Night	0	490.37
Last Chance	0	30.00
Marquette	0	150.00
Milan Hillcrest	50.00	270.00
Morrison	0	200.00
Port Byron Hilltop Group	75.00	125.00
Rainbow	0	40.00
The Three Legacies	<u>0</u>	<u>375.00</u>
Total	640.00	7,413.93

Call Counts for July 2019

12-step – 7 Information – 77

Visitors – 70 Alanon – 0

**Illowa Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes
August 5, 2019**

Meeting called to order at 6:03 pm by Monique

ATTENDANCE:

Groups Present: Present were Camden Serenity, Bettendorf, Big Book Study, Henry County, Milan Hilcrest, New Beginnings, Three Legacies, West End.

Officers and Chairs Present: Monique (co-chair), Julie B (as secretary), Randy C (District 90 Liaison) Randy C (Webmaster), Lisa W (Office Manager), Julie B (telephone chair)

Office Manager's Report: Things are going well at the Intergroup Office. It was a fairly busy month. Please stop by sometime and see us! Once again, I heard from someone who lives in another area (a large city) who came here to purchase literature as we have a lot more available here. Randy was nice enough to come over and teach me how to put fliers on the website this month. Katie came in and helped me with the quarterly tax reports.

Unemployed, retired, bored?? Contact me at the office at 309-764-1016 to sign up to be a backup/substitute volunteer! It is easy, rewarding work and helps you to give back what was so freely given to you.

Call counts for July were 7 12-step, 77 information, and 70 visitors. Please remember that all flyers, minutes, or anything to be posted in the newsletter are due in to the office no later than the 15th of the preceding month. Thanks!

The office will be closed on Monday, Sept. 2, for Labor Day, so the next business meeting will be the second Monday of the month (Sept. 9) here at 6 p.m. In love and service, Lisa W.

Treasurers Report: Lisa read treasurer's report:

Aug 3rd 2019

INCOME

Contributions	\$691.00
Sales	\$1,909.35
Sales - Other Vendor	\$0.00
Prudent Reserve Interest	\$1.38
Totals	<u><u>\$2,601.73</u></u>

EXPENSES

General	\$1,532.08
Literature	\$525.84
Totals	<u><u>\$2,057.92</u></u>

TOTAL INCOME MINUS EXPENSES	<u><u>\$543.81</u></u>
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ACCOUNTS

Checking	\$6,521.44
Savings (Prudent Reserve)	\$3,446.33
Totals	<u><u>\$9,967.77</u></u>

District 90 Liaison – Randy reported there are still positions open

Events: Lisa W reported the Golf outing is Aug-18 at Saukie Golf Course in Rock Island. We need more golfers! Please promote this at your groups!

Telephone Chair report: Mel and I got busy after last month's meeting. We made some updates to the 12-step list packet and either mailed a hard copy or emailed the packet to each of the volunteers who take the Intergroup phones every month.

1) We updated and reformatted the pages: Responsibilities for Answering the Intergroup Phones and the Phone Rotation List.

2) We added the new facility *Top of the World Ranch* and refreshed the formatting to the page: Other Helpful Numbers.

The Responsibilities page and Other Helpful Numbers page, along with the 12-step list and a copy of the Master Calendar were sent to each volunteer. I have extra copies with me if anyone here takes the phones and received an email but wishes to have a hard copy.

I'm not sure how long it has been since the 12-step list was updated. I'm hoping to reach out to each person on the list and verify they 1)still want to be on the list, 2)still live in the same city, 3)still have the same availability as noted, and of course remove any disconnected numbers. I have not shared this idea with Mel yet, so I hope she's not going to quit as co-chair anytime soon, as this will take a good chunk of time! Thank you! In love and service, Julie Bisland

Webmaster Report – Randy: no written report

GROUP REPORTS:

BB Study: nothing to report

Camden: Dana introduced Cindy J who will be new intergroup rep. Last business meeting they elected officers and chairs. Had their annual picnic, good speaker, good weather, good attendance, good food. Good attendance at meetings.

Henry County: Bob reported next Saturday is 12-Step workshop, 10am-3pm, having pizza for lunch, Skip S will present. The 3rd Saturday speaker is Ted K. Anniversary picnic is Sept-31, Francis Park East of Kewanee.

Milan Hilcrest: Tom reported meetings are good, Tuesday night is picking up, potluck on Aug-18 w/Caleb F is the speaker at 7pm. September 15 is the Picnic at Indian Bluff Golf Park behind the airport. Starts at noon. Potluck: meat and water furnished, bring a dish to share. Sobriety countdown, 50/50 raffle, speaker at 1:15.

New Beginnings: Randy reported attendance is good on Saturdays and Wednesdays, as always they are looking for speakers, sponsors and rides.

Three legacies: attendance is going well, good speakers, next business meeting is Aug-8

West End- Mel reported their picnic is Aug-17, noon speaker, fun, games. New group chairperson is Rob M.

OLD BUSINESS: Newsletter Chair still open.

New business: none

The next Intergroup meeting will be held on September 9, 2019 (the 2nd Monday instead of 1st Monday due to Labor Day)

District 9 August 11th 2019 Meeting

August 11th 2019- District 9 Monthly Meeting Minutes

ATTENDANCE

Chairs: DCM: Marybeth P. Alt DCM: Lee C. Archives: Ronna B. CPC: Park P.

Treasurer: Sheryl F. Secretary: Kiersten C.

Groups: Bettendorf: Tim T., Big Book: Adrienne W., Central Discussion: Tim G. Clinton Group: Doug A.,

DeWitt: Bill M., Marquette: Jim D., Three Legacies: Melissa G.

REPORTS

Treasurer's Report: Beginning Balance: 5,266.32; Total Income: 480.00; Total Expenses: 106.25; Balance: 5,640.07; Seed: 300.00; Prudent Reserve: 300.00; Operating Balance: 5,040.07

DCM: Thank you District 9 members for attending the June conference. Dan G. gave his report which he will be sharing with our District on October 6th at 12pm at the Central Discussion location. Please share this information with your groups as everyone is invited to attend and hear Dan's report. Food will be provided. GSRs make sure to take back to your groups the discussion regarding the saying of the Responsibility Statement instead of the Lord's Prayer at the end of Area meetings and conferences. The Groups input on this possible change is needed for the discussion that will happen at the conference in Carol IA. Area Donation envelopes were available at the District meeting to be taken back to the Groups. One item to note is if the donation s made by check to please include the Group name, District # and Group# o the check. Area Conference will be held this October in Carol IA. Pre-registration, which is extremely important to do, must be done by October 1st. Those attending the conference will need to secure their own hotel. There is a change to the workshop schedules for this conference. The Friday night workshops will be from 9:45pm til 10:45pm and include Grapevine, Literature, Newsletter, CPC, and Treatment. The Saturday night workshops are from 9pm til 10:30pm and include Archives, Corrections and PI. Updated Directories are available on the DropBox. The upcoming 2020 schedule was shared for Area Business meetings. Jan 11& 12, March 21 & 22 and August 9. In Love and Service Marybeth P.

ALT DCM: Greetings from district 9. Here are the hits for the website this month aaquadcities.org. Our webmaster has a lot of great information in his report so I am putting it all into the minutes. Randy's report - Hello Everyone, we had 2,615 users but 1,265 users that were on the site for more than 30 sec. which is down about 80 from last month but still a great number. I did some website work for District 13 using the cheaper hosting company that AAWS has found, ICDsoft. However, I thought ICDsoft would be about \$30 cheaper but it turns out it's only \$10 cheaper per year. I forgot about the \$20 fee for keeping our registration private. I don't think switching for a \$10 savings is really worth the effort but if GoDaddy raises their prices or we have trouble with them then we do have an alternative. Still working on getting the App corrected so our website meeting list is still the most accurate place to find a meeting. That's all I have until next month. In Love and Service Randy C.

I also attended the area business meeting on August 4th. Here are a few highlights. The area treasurer is asking that we provide the group name, district number, and the group number. These can be found in our area directory. You can get ahold of any of the chairs in district and they can help provide this information. You can also contact our innergroup office. I have had to do this and they were very helpful. We are asking all the district chairs to preregister for the fall conference on October 11th. Lance our area corrections chair sits in a conference call every week for corrections activities. Anyone can sit in on that call. If you are interested please get ahold of a district chair. The spring conference was 770\$ over in budget due to coffee service changes, low attendance. This is why preregistration is important. 2020 conference committee is asking if there is an extra charge for insurance because of minors attending. Are Grapevine announced new literature called "take me to your sponsor ". Area webmaster states that the area webpage is the most popular. Fall 2020 conference bid is still in action, need more information. Postponed until fall conference. Also area is asking our district chairs to bring back a motion. It was asked that we say the responsibility statement instead of the Lord's Prayer at area business meetings. Please ask your group the group conscious opinion. Also Dan our area delegate is speaking at our group October 6th about his experience in New York. Food will be provided. Come listen to dan share is experience and have some great food too. Love and service, Lee C

Archives: Hi all, Continuing to gather information from the groups within our district so we can find out where, information wise, we need to fill in the gaps. I will also continue to work on organizing and maintaining our archives

room. We have a long ways to go, but are making progress. Would also like to discuss further, after the October conference is over, inviting the district archives chair to come and give a workshop. Will continue to keep you all up to date. In love and service, Ronna

Corrections: Nothing new in corrections. Our July workshop has been secured for nov 9th at the Bettendorf community center. Workshop will be from 10-3, so save the date! Lance our area 24 correction chair will be here as well as other guest speakers! I appreciate all of the hard work and sacrifice our volunteers make to take meeting inside the walls! I will be attending the October service weekend. Jaclyn M

CPC: The committee met Saturday, 13JUL2019. We have contacted the Director of Nursing @ Trinity. We will be setting up a meeting with her. We have also contacted St. Ambrose and Scott Community College. We will be attending the September Intergroup meeting to discuss the addition of a link to GSO's "For Professionals" link. We will also be attending the next District 90 meeting to discuss the link. I have contacted the District 90 DCM, Richard S., to let him know we will be coming. We also discussed our, District 9, reaching out into their territory. Our next meeting is Saturday, 07SEP2019. In love and service, Park

Grapevine: I reached out to the following places to see if they currently have a Grapevine subscription and if not, if they would have any interest in receiving free magazines via donations: Scott County Jail, 605 Main and RCG. Jaclyn was kind enough to provide me with contact information for each of those institutions. The Scott County Jail confirmed they have two subscriptions. 605 Main and RCF haven't responded. I have also reached out to local educational institutions to see if they have an interest in Grapevine. Responses have been slow. Please let me know if you are aware of any local places that could benefit from free Grapevines. I'm looking to collect old Grapevine magazines from members and donate them to local places. Grapevine mentioned the "Carry the Message Project" in a recent magazine. This project provides an avenue for members to donate Grapevine subscriptions to those unable to afford a subscription. The donation can be made to a specific person (if you know of somebody) or an unknown person in need. A flyer will be passed out to GSRs so that they may bring the information back to their respective groups. In love and service, Jeremy W

Literature: I don't have much to report for July. I plan to touch base with Brian (Treatment) and Jaclyn (Corrections) this month to see what their literature needs are and how I can be of service. Love and Service, Kristin

GROUP REPORTS:

Central Discussion: 8/11/2019 Greetings to District 9 from Central Discussion Our group will be celebrating its 52st Anniversary September 15, 2019 at Nights of Columbus, 1111 W 35th St, Davenport, IA 52806 between 11am and 2pm. Social Hour 11am, Lunch 12-1pm, Speaker 1pm-2pm. Speakers Kris G. & Gary C. Central Discussion will provide Meat (Fried Chicken) and Table Settings. Please bring a dish to share. At the business meeting on Sunday July 21st the Group Conscience voted to discontinue the Friday night 7pm meeting. The last Friday night 7pm meeting will be August 16th 2019. The group Conscience also voted to change the current Saturday night 7 pm meeting to an open speaker meeting the last Saturday of the month. The first open speaker meeting for the Saturday night 7 pm meeting will begin on Saturday, August 31, 2019. Next Business Meeting: October 20th 2019 In love and service, Tim G
Clinton: August 21 Teresa W from Clinton will be speaking. Fellowship begins at seven 8 o'clock is the speaker sloppy Joe's Will be provided as well as water and coffee. September 21 is the fall funfest for the Clinton group at Eaglepoint Park in the pavilion by the playground, Burgers, and Brats Will be provided. and this event will be held rain or shine Doug A.

Dewitt: Hello from the DeWitt Group

Area business meeting was 8/10 and we discuss the workshop that we're hosting 10/11 & 10/12 - Big Book study that is going through the first 164 pages. Supper will be potluck. I have flyers if you take them back to the groups. Peggy did an awesome job at the Maquoketa speaker meeting she was great and we went to the Clinton speaker meeting also good time. We're looking forward to the Intergroup Golf outing, we made a donation to Intergroup. The all Inclusive Serenity group needs support they meet on Thursdays at 630 pm across from the fair ground on Locust Street in Davenport. Also we have a number of Grapevines that I'll bring in so that people can use them. Love and Service Bill

Marquette: Treasurer's Report – not available because Linda was in the hospital. So, those in attendance decided to carry the report forward to the next meeting. Plus, there are no concerns about financial condition. As of 6/24/2019 the balance was \$2103.60. Since then \$961.64 has been collected. Estimated about \$822.41 paid out. More money collected than paid out. Should Marquette donate \$50 to Intergroup and District 9 every month? Is Marquette group

financially sound enough? Jim thinks yes. Those in attendance decided to check with Linda first so decision deferred. Sept 14 picnic at Garfield Park – Stephanie will line up a Jumpin’ Joey, Scott to provide music. Marquette to provide hot dogs, burgers, toppings, and charcoal grill. Pat, Dennis, and Sam talked about taking care of all arrangements. Duck and Sam are cooking. Picnic area reserved already. Noon meeting then lunch afterward. Tear down committee needed. Firing officers if absent too many times. Denny suggested that all officers and trustees should attend at least 2 meetings per week and all business meetings, or resign. Tradition was if there were 3 unexcused absences, then the officer or trustee was fired. A lengthy discussion ensued about this with many disagreements. The issue was tabled. Love and service Jim D.

Three legacies: Attendance has decreased slightly, which is expected due to the summer months. Child care is still being offered at a \$5 donation per child. Next business meeting is August 15th directly after the open speaker meeting. In Love and Service Melissa G.
Next District 9 Business meeting
Sunday September 8th at 3:30PM CST

District 90 Minutes Aug. 6, 2019

Meeting held at First Southern Baptist Church in Colona, opened at 6:00 p.m.

In attendance: Richard S., Craig K., Randall C., Rick F., Randy C., Gene V., Kelsey C., Cindy H., Pete B., Joyce E., & Justin V.

Birthdays- Rick F. – 4 years Minutes- July Minutes Approved

DCM- Richard S. I attended the Summer Committee Meeting held at the Lord of Life Church at La Fox Township on Saturday, August 3rd, 2019.

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

1. Current Financial statement for Area 20.

... Contributions received - \$37,938.58

... Current Expenditures - \$39,723.91

... Current balance is (\$1,785.33) resulting in the use of Prudent Reserve funds. At this time, local Groups might want to consider assisting with donations.

2. The committee assigned to convene this year's State Convention reminded everyone that the event will take place this week-end in Lisle, Illinois. They are anticipating a large gathering.

3. Fall Assembly will take place at the Libertyville United Methodist Church in September. This event will be highlighted by the election of new Area 20 officers. General Service Representatives are encouraged to attend and vote.

4. The flyers announcing our upcoming workshops were on display. I have acquired copies for distribution at Groups throughout our district. Marilyn Finn has asked Weezie and I, to assist her, with our own pre-determined presentations. Again, this event will occur at the Henry County in Kewanee, Illinois on the final Saturday of September.

Respectfully Submitted: Richard S.

Alt DCM- Open

Treasurer- Gene V. We have money to spend.

Secretary- Jesse R. - Absent

Committee Reports:

Corrections- Craig K. The Woman's Meeting at the Rock Island County Jail is doing Great. We have started a morning meeting on Tuesdays, we have 1 Volunteer so far and could use a few more. We now have a new Volunteer Application should speed up approval time. The Men's meeting at Rock Island County Jail is looking to change days from Fridays to a different night, is there anyone out there interested Volunteering? Henry County Jail meetings both men and women are doing well. We are always there every Saturday 9 am. The Kewanee Life Skills Re-entry Center Meetings are going great. We are doing The Primary Purpose Big Book study on Thursdays, it is outstanding. Our Speaker Meeting is on the 2nd Saturday of each month going forward. This month will be Jerome J. Also looking for speakers who have served time in a correctional facility willing to come and speak. The East Moline Correctional Facility – Really in Need of volunteers to go into and to sponsor inmates. Always looking for more volunteers A member in good standing (my opinion only) Craig K.

PI- Pete B. No Report

Treatment- Rose E. – Absent Grapevine- Open CPC- Open Accessibilities- Mary – Absent

Literature- Ted M. – Absent

Intergroup Liaison- Randall C. Still an open position for the Newsletter Chair. The Newsletter will be maintained by the Current until a replacement is found. All positions on the phone rotation have been filled but could use some alternates if anyone is interested please contact Intergroup. The Golf Outing is Aug. 18th and a flyer/entry form is available. The Website had 2,378 users, 1,128 users for more than 30 sec. This number is down about 120 from last month but still a great number. The number of Actual Users has been decreasing, our average was about 1400 but anything over 1000 is great. I get 1000 by assuming we have 20 members for each of the 45 groups which would give us 900 possible users. The 900 is just a “Best Guess” on my part but I think it should be close. I did get to show Lisa how to do the flyers, however, due to a WordPress upgrade we are having problems with the minutes and newsletter. Hopefully this month I can get her trained on the Meeting List and maybe figure out what to do about the newsletter and minutes problem. That’s all I have until next month. In Love and Service Randy C.

GSR Reports:

Aledo- Randy C. (GSR) Steady.

Geneseo- Kelsey C. (GSR) Wed. BB doing well. Speaker 4th Friday. Introduced Cindy H. as Atl. GSR

Henry County- Rick F. (GSR) Finished BB, and starting over. Workshops.

House- Joyce E. (GSR) Terry M. Memorial Fund to be donated Group. New Ceiling. Archive Workshop Oct. 5.

Last Chance- Justin V. (GSR) M-F 40 in attendance, Potluck close to 100, Mornings not so well.

Milan Hillcrest- Pete B. Doing Good, 8/18 Potluck with Dana from Camden. 9/15 Picnic-Robert S. from Elgin.

New Beginnings- Randall C. (GSR) Hello Everyone, attendance has been pretty good lately for the Primary Purpose Big Book Study Meeting on Saturday’s at 2pm, as well as the Wednesday Night Meeting. The Monday Night Speaker Meeting has had low attendance due to an IOP (intensive Outpatient) class the residents of RICCA are required to take, so, once that cycles trough the attendance should pick up. All Meetings have had some non-RICCA attendees and we are very grateful for that. Finally, as always, we are looking for Speakers, Sponsors and rides That’s all I have until next month. In Love and Service Randall C.

Old Business: None

New Business: Justin V. wanting for books for treatment, after some discussion, Joyce nominated Justin for Treatment Chair, He accepted, all approved and Justin V. became the Dist. 90 Interim Treatment Chair. Randall C. motioned for Justin to be able to spend what he needed to get started as Treatment Chair, Richard seconded and Motion Passed. Joyce asked Intergroup Liaison to bring flyers from self to District Meetings.

Next meeting is at First Southern Baptist Church in Colona on Sept. 10th, 2019 at 6:00pm.

Saturday,
September 7th

Camden Serenity Group

SPEAKER MEETING

***We Welcome
Christine P.***

***from the Marquette Group,
Davenport***

*****Fellowship at 5:30***

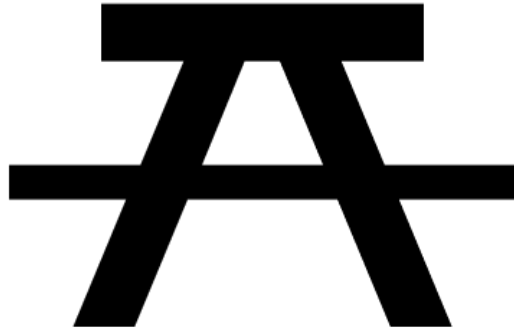
*****Potluck at 6:00***

*****Please bring a dish to share***

*****Raffles at 6:45***

*****Christine will speak at 7:00***

BETTENDORF ANNUAL PICNIC



Sunday, September 8th

11 am to 2 pm

Fellowship at 11

Lunch at 12

**At the Bettendorf Bandshell in Veterans
Memorial Park**

Food, fellowship, and fun!

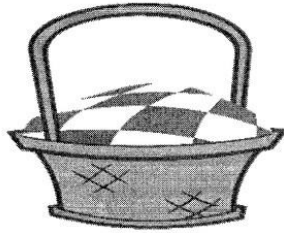
Activities for kids!

Meat, coffee, pop, and water will be provided.

Please bring a dish to share!

See you there!

Blandine Annual Picnic – September 8, 2019



10:30 A.M. Fellowship

**11:00 A.M. – Speaker Meeting
Jodi F. from Last Chance Group**

12:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M. – Picnic

**Hot Dogs, Hamburgers and Brats provided
Please bring a dish to share.
Water \$0.50 donation**

**Bring your fishing poles and/or bikes.
Lots of fun for the whole family.**

**Directions: Drive East on River Drive into Bettendorf. Turn left
onto 18th Street. Drive upto you see Parkway Drive and turn right.
Follow the curve around housing additon to you reach the shelter.**

Hope to see you there!



**Sunday September 15
Indian Bluff Park
Milan HillCrest Group**

Picnic Potluck & Speaker Meeting

Please join us for our annual group picnic.
There will be fun, food and fellowship. We
will host

Robert S.

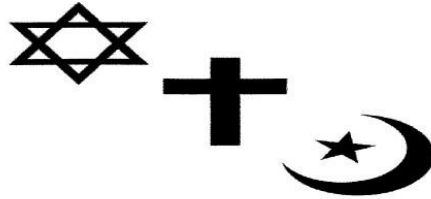
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**12, 12, 12 and More Group in
Elgin, Il.**

**Lunch served at noon. Mulkeys chicken
will be provided by the group. Please bring a
dish to pass. 50/50 raffle will be held.
Robert will speak after the readings for the
1 P.M. Meeting.**

Directional Signs will be placed at the entrance to Indian Bluff

Inclusive Serenity

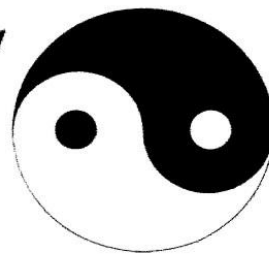
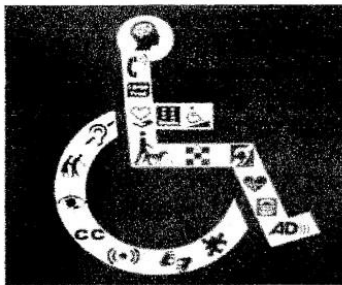


NEW AA Steps & Traditions Open Meeting
Open to Newcomers



Thursdays 6:30 PM
At MCCQC

(Across from Mississippi Valley Fairgrounds)



FOOD, FUN, AND FELLOWSHIP

AA Open Campfire Meeting

SCHEDULE

BLACK HAWK STATE PARK ROCK ISLAND, IL

Dates Weather Permitting , See Facebook Page For Updates Page Is

"Campfire Meeting At Black Hawk Park"

2019

April 27th SEE BELOW

WEATHER PERMITTING ABOVE 60 DEGREES AND NO PRECIPITATION.

May 25th

June 29th

July 27th

August 31th

September 28th

October 26th

Food @ 5:00 Pm / Meeting @ 6:30 Pm

Hot Dogs Are Provided

Please Bring A Dish To Pass

Pop And Water \$.50

Contact Info Marty (309)236-8041

Food, Fun, and Fellowship

House Group Picnic

Fun and Fellowship

**September 15, 2019 Noon to 4
p.m.**

Empire Park

**751 N 20th Street
Hampton, Il. 61256**

Large wooden Jungle Gym to amuse children next to Pavilion.

Empire Park is on the banks of the Mississippi River.

Access to the Great River Bike Path.

Provided:

Fried and Broiled Chicken

Water and Soft Drinks Lawn Games

Bring:

A Dish to share.

Your favorite Game for more fun

I know we have some great writers out there!!



Note from the Newsletter Chair; I'm look for individuals that would like to write an article for our newspaper. Some examples of things you could write about are: To start with you could tell us your story. Something along the lines of the stories in the grapevine. After being in AA for a period of time I've seen so many people's lives change thru this program. We read it all the time in the Grapevine about Alcoholics whose lives have gotten better thru the simple AA program. Most of those stories in the Grapevine come from places I've never even heard of. It would be a blessing if we could hear some of these stories from right here in our own area. Another idea would be an experience you had at a conference. One here local, far away or maybe one of the international conferences. You could tell us about the history of your home group. All of us here in the quad cities area would enjoy hearing how your home group got started and some of the traditions it carries on with today. Anything AA related would be great. You can contact me at burgeral007@gmail.com or simply call the Intergroup office at: 309-764-1016.

Love and service Al B. Newsletter Chairperson



POSITION OPEN AT INTERGROUP

NEWSLETTER CHAIR:

Responsible for creating, printing, collating, and mailing monthly newsletter. Office manager provides assistance with information available only at the office (call counts, group contributions, etc.) and other ways if possible. Newsletter chair is responsible for getting and compiling minutes from Intergroup and District meetings, flyers from groups, and any other information he/she deems pertinent, and presenting it in a manner consistent with AA's 12 Traditions and Intergroup's bylaws, as well as GSO guidelines.

Sobriety requirement—1 year

In the spirit of rotation, we need this position filled as the current chairs' term is up. Please step up and reap the benefits of doing service work. Contact Lisa at Intergroup, 309-764-1016, if you are interested or have any questions.

The Big Book Comes Alive

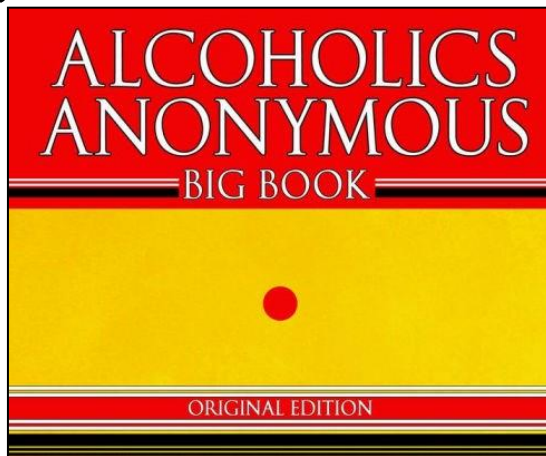
Presented by Larry Scott & Bill Brown

Join us for an in depth guided study of the first 164 pages of

the Big Book, in the tradition of “Joe & Charlie”

**Scholarships
Available!**

**Register now,
Seating is limited**



buy tickets on

Eventbrite

October 11th and 12th

DeWitt United Methodist Church

222 12th St, DeWitt, IA 52742

FRIDAY: Big Book Study 6-9pm **SATURDAY:** Big Book Study 9am-6pm
SATURDAY NIGHT: Potluck 6:30pm (bring a dish to share) Speaker Meeting 8pm

Registration

Registration is required to secure your space & printed materials for the study.

Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$30 at the door.

Simply pre-register on the provided Eventbrite link below or fill out and mail the form below.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-big-book-comes-alive-dewitt-ia-tickets-67659081133>

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
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Bring your Big Book, pen and highlighter... and be prepared to be

“Rocketed into a fourth dimension of existence of which we had not even dreamed.

DISTRICT 90 CORRECTIONS

No one is too discredited or has sunk too low to be welcomed cordially - if he means business. Social distinctions, petty rivalries and jealousies - these are laughed out of countenance. Being wrecked in the same vessel, being restored and united under one God, *with hearts and minds attuned to the welfare of others*, the things which matter so much to some people no longer signify much to them. How could they?

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We need your help!!

We have a Women's Meeting at the RI County Jail - Wed. night.

We have a Men's Meeting at the RI County Jail - Fri. night.

We are in need of volunteers.

Kewanee Prison has officially changed to a Men's Adult Facility called Kewanee Life Skills and Re-entry Center with meetings at 6 p.m. on Thursdays. It is going to be a Pilot Program with the focus on REAL REHABILITATION.

East Moline Correctional Center still needs volunteers and those willing to sponsor inmates.

Please contact me if you are interested in service to those who truly need our help.

Craig K.

District 90 Chair

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