ILLOWA MESSENGER FEBRUARY 2022 NEWSLETTER

February Birthdays



2	Mary M.	'04
3	Tommy H.	'89
4	Judy C.	'07
6	Susan C.	'01
7	Randy B.	'69
13	Bob C.	'74
16	Kurt H.	'03
21	Roger A.	'83
23	Edwin M.	'92
25	Maggie A.	'88
25	Muff	'81
25	Sandy C.	'90
27	Joann N.	'00

Please help make this list as complete as possible. Call Intergroup at 309-764-1016 with any additions, corrections, or deletions. Remember that all flyers and other items for the newsletter are due in no later than the 15th of the month preceding the month of the newsletter. Flyers are \$7. Thank you!!



February Events



2nd – Camden Serenity Group Potluck and Speaker Meeting

7th – Intergroup Business Meeting on Zoom

7th – Intergroup Anniversary Event Tickets go on sale

22nd - Big Book Study Anniversary In person and Zoom (Hybrid)



The Intergroup Office will be open only on Mondays from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. until further notice due to Covid-19. Call 309-764-1016 for assistance 24 hours a day.

<u>Illowa Intergroup Group Contributions</u>

December 2021

Dec. 2021	<u>Jan - Dec. 2021</u>
180.00	1,969,00
0.00	4,150.00
0.00	1,799.25
0.00	100.00
67.50	317.50
500.00	800.00
0.00	41.00
0.00	575.00
25.00	25.00
0.00	101.00
100.00	200.00
0.00	275.00
0.00	60.00
500.00	1,600.00
0.00	132.00
30.00	90.00
140.00	612.00
0.00	1,200.00
100.00	100.00
0.00	100.00
0.00	40.00
50.00	245.00
0.00	400.00
<u>15.00</u>	<u>30.00</u>
1,207.50	15,161.75
	180.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 67.50 500.00 0.00 0.00 25.00 0.00 100.00 0.00 500.00 0.00 30.00 140.00 0.00 100.00 0.00 0.00 50.00 0.00 100.00 0.00

Call Counts for December 2021

12-Step – 2 Information - 47

Visitors - 29 Al-anon - 0

Illowa Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes / January 10, 2022

Virtual Meeting called to order by Mike C. at 6:01pm with Serenity Prayer.

Attendance:

Officers present: Chair/Mike C.; Secretary/Julie B.; Treasurer/Al B.; Events/Cassidy G., Office Manager/Lisa W.; Telephone/Jennifer G., District 9 Liaison/Erica B.; District 90 Liaison/Craig K., Webmaster/Randy C.

Groups present: Bettendorf, Big Book Study, Blandine, DeWitt, Geneseo, Henry County, House Group, Last Chance, Marquette, New Beginnings, Three Legacies, West End. (If I missed anyone, please let me know!)

Motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the December minutes as published in the newsletter.

Officers' report:

Treasurer's report given by Al B.:

Income: \$3,233.16 Expenses: \$3,981.13

Income minus expenses: (-\$747.97)

Office Manager's Report: Hello everyone,

Happy New Year from the Intergroup Office!! Please continue to check the website for operating hours before heading over to the office, as I have had to work from home a couple of days due to weather-related issues. Thanks. Call counts for December were 2 12-step, 47 information, and 29 visitors. The average monthly call counts for 2021 were 1 12-step, 58 information, 30 visitors, and .5 Al-Anon. We appreciate all the donations we have received for our Jingle Jam Event. However, for future reference, all donations should go through the office and not the events chair, for accurate bookkeeping and QuickBooks reports. Thank you. I will be writing thank-you letters to groups for their 2021 donations and printing event tickets to be ready for Intergroup reps to pick up at the office in February. Due to the high numbers of COVID-19 right now in both Rock Island and Scott County, I will be working from home most days. The office will be open all day on Mondays only starting next week until further notice.

Our next business meeting will be February 7 at 6 p.m. on Zoom. In love and service, Lisa W.

Telephone Chair – Thank you for allowing me to be of service. Phone transfers have been going well on the weekends. Although I have found that some volunteers do not answer their phones. Reminders have been getting sent via text on Mondays by myself and Desiree K has been helpful to fill in the gaps when able. I would also like to thank Lisa W for her continued service and being ever so helpful with anything I need. Thank you – Jennifer G

Events – Our winter fundraising event is this Saturday January 15th beginning at 2PM & going all night. We will be decorating at the West End Alano Club **Friday at 7PM** please come help decorate if you're available. We need volunteers all day on the day of the event beginning at 12:45/1:00 until the event is over. Because of our members generous donations, we were able to supply a meat dish for the potluck. As mentioned in previous emails we have ordered **25lbs of pulled pork to serve at the potluck**.

A sincere thank you goes out to all the groups and individuals who donated money, supplies, equipment, and raffle baskets. Your generosity and support are appreciated beyond words.

A huge thank you to **Angle M.** from West End for all of the hard work & dedication she's put into helping plan and organize all of the different raffles for this event as well as taking over on coordinating decorations.

Per the timeline for the annual event, the month of January requires a committee be formed for the Annual Event which will consist of a greeter chair, decorations chair, desserts chair, raffle chair, and speaker host. We have started forming this committee and have filled all but one position and hope to be meeting in some form in the near future to discuss plans for the event in April.

Ticket sales for the Annual Event will begin in February as normal. I have discussed with Lisa the ability to pay for & order tickets online since all of the intergroup reps may not be able to make it to the intergroup office to pick up paper tickets to distribute. This will make purchasing more convenient & simpler for those wishing to pay virtually. We will still have physical tickets available for distribution and sale as normal. The flyers made for this event will include instructions on how to pay for tickets online, details of these instructions still need to be hammered out between Lisa, Randy, and myself.

Newsletter - not in attendance/no report given

District 9 liaison – Greetings & Happy New Year! Treasurer report balance forwarded \$4925.69 monthly income \$915 total income \$5840.69 monthly expenses (refund from a previous expense) +6.15 ending balance \$5846.84 minus \$600 prudent reserve Leaves operating balance \$5246.84. February 20th there's a group inventory at 1030 at the central discussion hall. Rosecrance OP treatment is still looking for people to share their experience strength and hope. Please contact Jaclyn M. Jaclyn.mayse@gmail.com. Next district 9 business meeting will be February 6th at 1030 and will still be hybrid. In love and service, Erica B, District 9 liaison

District 90 liaison - no report given

Web report – Hello Everyone, we had 2,785 users total but 1,538 actual users that were on the site for more than 30 sec., which is almost 100 more than last month. The most visited pages were as usual, the Meeting Guide, the Virtual Meetings Page, and then the Events Page. We did have a noticeable spike this month on the 1st, and another on the 14th. Still very consistent daily usage. Due to a Meeting Guide update on Dec. 26th, the Guide was unavailable for about 18 hours, and early in the morning the entire website was down intermittently, as I tried to fix it, ending up with complete removal. Keep checking the Events Page for any type of Group Announcements. That's all I have until next month. In Love and Service Randy C.

Group reports:

8n8: Hello Everyone, We meet online ever day at 8am and 8pm. The Last Saturday of the Month, the 8pm Meeting is a Speaker Meeting and Jeremy S. from the 8n8AA Group will be the Speaker. The Wednesday 8pm is a Primary Purpose Big Book Study, which is a unique way of studying the Big Book, there is a virtually question for every sentence. Attendance is good and we are self-supporting. Randy C.

Bettendorf: nothing to report. In love and service, Teri V.

Big Book Study: The Big Book Study Group is still hybrid every Tuesday at 6:30pm, join us in person or on zoom! We are back to the beginning of the book, currently reading in The Doctor's Opinion. Recently we had someone attend in-person and were concerned about being on camera. We realized we never considered this being a concern. We found some experience shared in newsletters and on Intergroup websites and decided to add a table that cannot be seen on camera, we call it the blackout area, and make sure everyone knows it's there if they do not want to be on camera. In love and service, Julie B.

Geneseo Group: Geneseo Group shows a slight decline in attendance but nothing uncommon for this time of year, income is steady. We have a couple of our newer members requesting service work so we are excited about that. We had a group conscious and voted to donate a large container of both regular and decaf coffee for Intergroup fundraiser, we will also be donating a raffle basket. We continue to remain

open 6 days a week with Woman's meeting on Mondays at 5:30 pm, step meeting on Tuesdays at 7PM and Big Book study, Wednesdays @ 6:30 pm. We will be having an open speaker meeting on Friday, January, 28 @ 7pm. Dan V from Last Chance will be our speaker. Love and service, Lynette W

House Group: We have a speaker meeting/potluck this Saturday, speaker Troy V. We have also decided to have a Tuesday 6 pm meeting added. that is all. thank you, Jay-R

Last Chance: nothing to report

New Beginnings: Hello Everyone, unfortunately due to a COVID outbreak the meetings are closed to the public. Please keep them in your prayers Randy C.

Three Legacies: 3 Legacies open speaker meeting is on Tuesday's at 7:00 PM at Central Discussion in Davenport. The meeting is hybrid and the information to get on Zoom is on our flier on aaquadcities.org/meetings. 3 Legacies has a Closed big book Zoom meeting on Saturday mornings at 9:00. The information to get on is our flier on aaquadcities.org/meetings.

Due to the current Covid environment we have paused our search for a location that could have us on our old day and time {Thursday's at 6:30}. 3 Legacies next business meeting is Tuesday January 18, 2022 after our Speaker meeting. In Love and Service, Vickie S

No other written reports were submitted

Old Business - none

New Business – The Intergroup co-chair position is open since current co-chair, Mike C has been moved to the chair position since Monique has moved out of the area and had to resign as chair. Randy C has let the group know he could fill in whenever Mike could not attend. Randy made a motion to leave the position open for now since elections will take place in March and he could step in when needed. Lisa seconded. Motion passed.

GSO is encouraging we purchase BBs through our Intergroups as they are out of them right now.

7th Tradition – Checks can be mailed to the office or donations can be made online via PayPal to <u>illowaintergroup@yahoo.com</u>. All reports need to be e-mailed to the secretary as soon as possible if they are to be included in the Intergroup minutes.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

The next business meeting will be held on February 7, 2022 at 6pm on Zoom.

<u>District 9 Monthly Meeting</u> <u>January 2nd, 2022</u>

Attendance:

Chairs: DCM; Alt. DCM; Treasurer; Archives; Corrections; Grapevine; Intergroup Liaison; Secretary; Treatment

Groups: Bettendorf; Big Book Study; Blandine; Central Discussion; Courage to Change; The Three Legacies; West End

Chair Reports:

Treasurer: Beginning Balance \$4925.69; Income \$915; Expenses \$6.15; Ending Balance \$5846.84; Operating Balance \$5246.84; Seed Money \$300; Prudent Reserve \$300. Motion made to accept treasurers report by Rachel B. and 2nd by Vicki F.

DCM: Greeting's District 9, Hope everyone had a windy and blessed holiday. District is having a group inventory hosted by our area 24 delegate Mary Ann. I am currently studying Robert's rules of order and will chat briefly at our next meeting why it is important to make motions to start a discussion. I have learned so much in the past several months and I'm so thankful for everyone's hard work and service. I will be attending Marshalltown town. Yours in service, Lee C.

Alt. DCM: There were 2,785 users total with 1,538 actual users that were on the site for more than 30 seconds, which is almost 100 more than last month. The most visited pages were the Meeting Guide, the Virtual Meetings Page, and then the Events Page. We did have a noticeable spike this month on the 1st, and another on the 14th. Still very consistent daily usage. Due to a Meeting Guide update on Dec. 26th, the Guide was unavailable for about 18 hours, and early in the morning the entire website was down intermittently as it was being repaired. I will not be attending the Area 24 Service Weekend in Marshalltown. In love and service, Park

Archives: Greetings from Archives, and Happy New Years! Trivia Question: Who was G.S.O.'S first Archivist? Nell Wing-(nonalcoholic) Our committee will resume the organization of our archives this month on Jan 30th. Will be meeting here at 10:30. If you would like to help, we would love to have you. I am still looking for groups to submit something about moving from in person meetings to online meetings. If your group would like to submit something for our Archives, please let me know. Did you Know? In 1955, a second International Convention in St. Louis celebrated the Fellowship's 20th anniversary. The General Service Conference had by then completely proved its worth. Here, on behalf of A.A.'s old-timers, Bill turned the future care and custody of A.A. over to the Conference and its trustees. At this moment, the Fellowship went on its own - A.A. had come of age. On January 24, 1971, Bill died of pneumonia in Miami Beach, Florida. Seven months earlier, in the same place, he had delivered his last public words at the 35th Anniversary International Convention. His last words to his fellow A.A.s were: "God bless you and Alcoholics Anonymous forever." Jack Alexander passed away in 1975. In his West Texas Register obituary, he was credited as the newspaperman who made "Alcoholics Anonymous a major organization by the articles he wrote about its work." Updates from G.S.O.: Effective October 1, 2021, employees have returned to the General Service Office of Alcoholics Anonymous World Services, Inc. located at 475 Riverside Drive, New York, NY. As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to impact individuals and businesses around the world, they have taken steps to ensure that their office environment is safe for return. They will re-evaluate this in 2022. In the meantime, you can visit the online Archives. In Love and Service, Sheryl F.

Corrections: Greetings from Corrections, Nothing new to report. I will be getting an update from Jennifer on Monday. Meetings are hopefully to be started back up the second week in January. I will be sending out a communication when I get a definite answer. I contacted 605 Main, and we have played phone tag regarding the issue discussed at last District meeting with employees calling to verify client attendance. More to follow. In service, Vicki F.

CPC: Happy new year! I will say I had to go back and correct the date because it's a new year lol. I am at work this weekend and am not able to attend. There still has not been much at this time in regard to CPC. I never heard back from the VA after 3 attempts, so I am going to assume it is not an option at this time for us to get in there. The nursing students are on break, and there was not a need for us in the fall. I am still waiting for response I sent out mid-December for upcoming opportunities. The CPC committee is a small group if only 4 of us and we do what schedules allow. I will be setting up a zoom meeting to brainstorm more options. I can be reached at 563-570-5301 if anybody would like to join us. Love and service, Shawna

Grapevine: greetings all! happy holidays and happy new year! nothing new to report in grapevine world, please check out this month's issue, the cover article is for beginners in AA and how many have survived this pandemic we are in. please also check out the podcast and inspiration on Instagram. i will also be attending the upcoming service weekend in Marshalltown.

Literature: open position

PI: open position

Treatment: Hello and Happy New Year! Here is the latest updates for treatment. I met with Country Oaks and we will now be bringing in an educational meeting at the end of each month for their 2 outpatient programs. We are taking in schedules and pamphlets and sharing our story on how we got to AA. This is a discussion meeting or speaker meeting but more of what AA is and isn't. We will re-evaluate how this is working out after the first quarter and make adjustments if necessary. As for Rosecrance, I am awaiting an email with their outpatient schedule and then I will be setting up volunteers to take in meetings there. They are very similar to country oaks with a 12-step meeting on Friday then an additional speaker story meeting. We have been invited as guests to share on AA and what AA is all about for these two organizations and what a privilege it is! I have reached out to the Abbey and as for now, they are still content on literature and keeping their meetings small and we have a few volunteers going in there. Per the Abbey's request, they are not allowing any new volunteers. They have a few people they are comfortable with and that is great! As for the Genesis 2N meeting, that has been put on hold until January. I will be reaching out to Angie to see how we can move forward with bring in meetings and their process. I am still in need of people to share their story at Rosecrance periodically. I will be attending the service weekend on Saturday at Marshalltown on Jan 15th. In love and service, Jaclyn M. Discussion: Since there is no literature chair, how are treatment centers getting literature? Treatment and Corrections chairs are making sure facilities have literature. Can we use old Grapevines? Some facilities don't allow staples, so older Grapevines might not work, however newer ones could be used.

Group Reports:

Bettendorf Group: Bettendorf Meeting 12/15/2021 OLD BUSINESS: We're waiting for PI/CPC decision from District to see how we proceed with election for that/those position(s) The Bettendorf Group will

uphold the past action of selling only Conference Approved literate and the 24-hour book. All other literature such as the Acceptance Pamphlet and The Partnership Pamphlet will not be available for

purchase at the group. Bettendorf Group was open for all holidays, with meetings being held at the same times as usual, except they are all open instead of closed. In love and service, Toni, Bettendorf GSR

Blandine: Next Blandine Business 1/30/22 at Noon. Elections to be held. New Business for Feb will be discussion on continuing or discontinuing attendance slips. Vickie Corrections Chair has agreed to attend and share her knowledge. In service, Christy P.

Central Discussion: Central Discussion status quo. Jan business meeting. We have quarterly meetings.

Marquette: Business Meeting Minutes December 27th, 2021 @ 5:30pm. Officers in Attendance: Donnie – Chairperson; Open-Secretary; Open-GSR; Linda – Treasurer; Rodney– Program Chair; Open-Intergroup Rep. Jeff– Purchaser; Trustees in Attendance: Debbie, Joe, Chuck 1st Item of Business: Treasury Report, as of Dec. 27th, 2021; Checking Beginning Bal. 12/27/21 \$6,801.20; Income for Dec. 2021: \$846.70; Expense for Dec. 2021 \$387.57; Checking Ending Bal. 12/27/2021 \$7,260.33; Prudent reserve ending 12/27/21 2021 \$5,013.31. 2nd Item of Business: Officers Reports; Jeff reported all the supplies are in order, later we can talk about supplies. Jim- Gave GSR report. Rodney: reported he is on top of January's schedule. 3rd Item of Business: January 8th Potluck; Group agreed to feed 100 Sloppy Joes we would need 100 buns 25lbs. Hamburger Debbie will cook. 1-3pk Ketchup, 1-3pk Mustard, pickles, plates. Schedule; 5:00 fellowship, 5:30 Meal, & 7:00 Meeting. 4th Item of Business Meeting Schedule: Elections of vacant positions were discussed. Joe shared he didn't think the GSR position because it prevents people with little sobriety from getting involved. Group agreed we need to revisit the SOP's before February Meeting at 5PM.5th Item of Business: Then nomination were made for the three open temporary positions; Nominated and elected; Secretary= Julie, GSR=Darla, Intergroup=Jennifer, these positions are being filled until June 2022 Adjourn; 6:20 Next Meeting Jan, 31st, 2022 Love and Service Jim D. – GSR/asst. Sec.

The Three Legacies: Good Morning All, Happy Holidays and New Year!! I am very excited to welcome the Three Legacies Group's newly elected Alt G.S.R. Christina G. to her first District Business meeting of the year. I am looking forward to this year's journey in service with her!! I will be attending the "Area 24 Service Weekend" January 15th and bring back the information gained to my home group! The Three Legacies Group meets quarterly throughout the year. Our first business meeting of 2022 will be held Tuesday January 18th. Minutes for the meeting will be recorded & brought back to the next District meeting that follows, in February. Three Legacies meetings are still being held twice a week: Tuesday Evening @ 7:00 pm (Hybrid – Open Speaker) and Saturday Morning @ 9:00 am (Online Only – Closed Big Book Discussion). Yours In Love & Service, Rachel Becker Three Legacies GSR.

New Business:

- Motion made by Sheryl to combine CPC & PI position into one, until the end of 2022, seconded by Kristen G. Discussion: Will it be too much to combine the position. Should we vote since the chair is not here?
 - Motion to re-vote for the motion, 2nd by Toni F., Motion caries
 - Minority Voice
 - Vote: For 8; Opposed 6
- Motion made by Sheryl to combine Grapevine & Literature into one, until the end of 2022, seconded by Toni F., voted and motion carries.

•		n made by Sheryl to combine Zoom Coordinator with ALT. DCM position until the end of 2022, added by Ronna B. – Motion withdraw since Zoom Coordinator is not an elected position.
	0	Who will do zoom coordinator responsibilities then? Alt. DCM



- Area 24 Service Weekend- January 15, 2022 @ 9:00 am January 16, 2022 @ 5:00 pm
- Conferences for 2022 June 3-5 Creston IA, October 7-9 Storm Lake?

Motion to Adjourn: Rachel makes motion to adjourn.

DISTRICT 90 Meeting Jan. 11, 2022

Welcome – Serenity Prayer

Attendance -Dcm- Randy, Gene - Treasurer, Kelsey- Secretary, Craig-Corrections, Maddie - Secretary Alternate, , Brandon- treatment/gsr, Desiree- Grapevine, Ted Gsr- Dave, Aaron- archives,

AA Birthdays -Aaron- 3 years

Minutes Approval - Desiree motioned, ted second- approved

Officers' Reports:

DCM: Randy C. Big books are in shortage. Intergroup has a limited supply. There is going to be a back order when ordered online.

Alt. DCM: OPEN

Treasurer: Gene V. Beginning Balance: \$718.14, Deposits: \$50.00,

Debits: \$146.08, Set Aside Monies (debit) \$200.00, New Balance/Available Funds: \$422.06,

Savings/Prudent Reserve: \$449.48.

Gene motions sending \$250.00 to intergroup, Craig seconds everyone approves.

Secretary: Kelsey- has a Alternate now, Maddie from Geneseo Group

Committee Reports:

Corrections: Craig K.- Rock Island County jail is still shut down. Talked to Pastor Weber and moline and they are also shut down to visitors. Galesburg is also shut down. Life Skills Re-Entering is the only one open. Trying to get back in to do the Saturday meeting there as well as the Thursday meeting.

Treatment: Brandon S.- Haven't heard a lot from treatment

P.I.: OPEN

Literature: OPEN

Accessibilities: OPEN

Grapevine: Desiree K. - prices went up \$10. The new book Free on the Inside is now for sale. It is 50 different stories on inmates' experiences in AA. The Big Tent is now for sale. The new cartoon book, "Take me to Your Sponsor" is now for sale. All new books are \$11.95. Subscription gift certificates for Grapevine are now available. Ted asked about the wording of men and women changing to people. The preamble was changed in the Grapevine last summer as it was voted on.

C.P.C.: OPEN

Archives: Aaron M. nothing new to report.

Intergroup Liaison: Craig K. - telephone chair is still open for volunteers. Looking for basket donations still for Jingle Jam, you can bring even to the event on Saturday.

GSR Reports:

Geneseo: Ted- Everything is going well. Dan V is this months speaker January 28th. Attendance has been steady.

Last Chance:

House Group:

Henry County: Brandon- The color of the hall is still the same hasn't been painted like he said it would be. This coming Saturday speaker is Ryan from Galesburg at 7pm. Potluck before hand starting at 5:30

Milan Hillcrest:

Camden:

New Beginnings: Randy- Due to Covid they are closed to outsiders for meetings. Are allowed to have meetings internally only. Keep them in your prayers.

8n8AA:

Old Business: OPEN POSITIONS:

• Alt. DCM • PI • Literature • Accessibilities • C.P.C.

Grapevine chair is officially open because Desiree is now with Area.

Gene V. Four groups made all the contributions for the year, Rainbow Group, Henry County Group, Ladies Night, Last Chance. Big thank you.

New Business- Craig- Bridging the Gap representation is lacking. We might want to promote and push through area. Had a big presence in the district and that stopped about a year ago.

Randy- It hasn't been a position? We probably want to make that a position as a district chair.

Craig- also was going to bring it up at intergroup. We have the bid to do a Bridging the Gap nationally.

Randy- We'll table this and get some more information on what the responsibilities would be. Then we can make a vote to make it a chair position.

Randy notes that the service position responsibilities are listed on the intergroup website for those who are considering standing for a position.

Craig motions for meeting adjourned and gene seconds it.

NEXT MEETING Feb. 8, 2022, via ZOOM



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Big Book Study Group is Turning 21!

When: Tuesday, February 22nd 2022



Where: This is a Hybrid Meeting so you can join us via Zoom or come to the church!

DINNER WILL BE AT 5:30 PM

SPEAKER AT 6:30 PM John J. from Albuquerque, New Mexico

BB STUDY GROUP WILL PROVIDE:

Meat Table service Coffee

Water

Cake

Fun & fellowship!

PLEASE BRING: A dish to pass

Asbury Methodist Church 1809 Mississippi Blvd., Bettendorf IA. Please enter the church through the 18th Street side entrance.

OR

Zoom meeting ID: 752 320 859 Password: 561074

https://zoom.us/j/752320859?pwd=cjBRejlSVnBMSjA5Z1lKNkxmYWN6Zz09

I know we have some great writers out there!!



I'm looking for individuals that would like to write an article for our newsletter!

Some examples of things you could write about are:

- Tell us your story! We've seen so many people's lives change with this
 program. We read and hear it all the time in the Grapevine about
 alcoholics whose lives have gotten better with the simple AA program.
 Most of those stories in the Grapevine come from places we'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.
- An experience you had at a conference. One here local, far away or maybe one of the international conferences.
- 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 wonderful.

You can contact me at bethmelliott07@gmail.com or simply call the Intergroup office at 309-764-1016!

Love, Peace & Coffee, Beth E. - Newsletter Chairperson

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