

OCTOBER 2022

# ILLOWA

M E S S E N G E R

*Halloween Edition*

*One Day at a Time*

EXPERIENCE

STRENGTH

HOPE

# ILLOWA INTERGROUP CONTRIBUTIONS 2022

Group	Aug	Jan - Aug
8n8 AA	227.97	1,229.97
Bettendorf	0.00	3,823.48
Big Book Study	0.00	561.15
Camden Serenity	0.00	640.00
Central Discussion	0.00	1,080.00
Cleveland	0.00	50.00
Courage to Change	0.00	679.48
DeWitt	0.00	50.00
District 90	0.00	250.00
Geneseo	0.00	75.00
Henry County Group	1,100.00	1,200.00
House Group	0.00	50.00
La Nueva Vida	30.00	50.00
Ladies Night	0.00	773.64
Last Chance	0.00	896.00
Marquette	100.00	800.00
Primary Purpose	200.00	200.00
Rainbow Group	0.00	50.00
Sisters in Sobriety	25.00	95.00
The Three Legacies	0.00	500.00
West End	0.00	120.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,682.97</b>	<b>13,173.72</b>

## CALL COUNTS SEPTEMBER 2022

12 STEP



INFORMATION



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# OCTOBER *Birthdays*

1	Rick G.	79
2	Jo K.	88
3	Tracy B.	91
6	Kevin K.	04
8	Bill T.	89
8	Bob C.	99
8	Gary D.	13
10	Kevin K.	97
15	Dave	05
18	Jimmie S.	87
20	Tim G.	82
22	John C.	03
23	Michelle N.	09
25	Delmar H.	83
27	Jim E.	88
29	Randy C.	93

# OCTOBER EVENTS

30 Sep - 3 Oct	Freedom Group Picnic/campout
1 Oct	Camden Serenity Group Potluck & Speaker Meeting
3 Oct	Intergroup Business Meeting
6 Oct	Ladies Night Anniversary
22 Oct	Geneseo Anniversary
29 Oct	IAYPAA Halloween Event

## ATTENDANCE

OFFICERS		GROUPS
Chair	Mike C.	8n8 AA
Co-Chair	Al B.	Big Book Study
Secretary	Julie B.	Courage to Change
Treasurer	Tim M.	Geneseo
Office Manager	Lisa W.	Henry County
Co-Telephone	Jennifer G.	Knuckleheads
Newsletter	Krystyna D.	Last Chance
District 9 Liason	Erica B.	Marquette
District 90 Liason	Craig K.	New Beginnings
Webmaster	Randy C.	Three Legacies
		West End



Virtual Meeting called to order by Intergroup chair, Al . at 6:00 pm with Serenity Prayer.

## GUESTS & OTHER

Welcome to Ranae, visiting on behalf of IAYPAA!  
(If I missed anyone, please let me know!)

Motion was made and passed to accept the August minutes as published in the newsletter.

## OFFICERS REPORTS

### TREASURER

Balance Forward	\$ 8101.25
Total Income	\$6301.28
Total Expenses	\$5064.62
<b>Income minus expenses</b>	<b>\$1236.66</b>
Ending Balance	\$9337.91

A question was asked if treasurer could explain more about what general income as well as general expenses were. General expenses are located on a 2nd tab of the spreadsheet, copied below:

Payroll	\$ 1,010.72
Payroll taxes	\$ 78.25
Prudent Reserve	\$ 100.00
Mediacom	\$ 89.95
Office Supplies	\$ 58.48
Telephone	\$ 44.66
Event Expense	\$ 1,340.79
Rent	\$ 359.20
	<b>\$ 3,082.05</b>

The office manager stated again that the reports from QuickBooks are not giving accurate reports, so itemizing the income is not currently possible. If anyone knows QuickBooks and thinks they can help figure out how to make it work how we need it to, please reach out to Lisa. As a reminder, group contributions are listed in the newsletter.

Motion was made and passed to accept the treasurer's report.

Tim M

### OFFICE MANAGER

Things are going well at the office. I am happy to announce that I have all morning volunteer shifts filled. However, still check the website for hours as I have had to occasionally close the office due to various unexpected issues. I could use some volunteers to sign up to be subs.

Please remember that even though our business meeting was late this month due to the Labor Day holiday, the deadline to get minutes and flyers in the October newsletter is still Sept. 15. The secretary will need your reports ASAP to complete the minutes.

More books are now available from AA World services now, but they still have shortages and supply chain issues, so call and check to see if we have what you want.

Our next business meeting will be October 3 at 6 p.m. on Zoom.  
In love and service, Lisa W.

Discussion: Someone recently picked up some pamphlets and the Where Money and Spirituality Mix pamphlet was an old version/outdated. The limit on how much an individual can contribute per year is now \$5,000, but the pamphlet still read \$3,000. It was noted Lisa will order new pamphlets.

Lisa W

## TELEPHONE CHAIR

Thank you for allowing me to be of continued service in this position. Phone transfers have been going well on the weekends. Reminders have been getting sent via text on Mondays and Wednesdays. Nothing new to report.

In love and service, Jennifer G

## NEWSLETTER

Thank you to Lisa for supplying information in the new format, it has made task easier, and I really appreciate.

Is there a database of the newsletter to be sent electronically?  
Is using a Halloween theme for ok October Edition?

To try again further circulation and interest could I add in a fun page of sorts, or an article page from members in the area?

In Love and Service, Krystyna D.

**Discussion:** Currently there is no database for electronic delivery. Krystyna asked Randy/Webmaster how many download and view the newsletter. Per Randy, 29 people downloaded last month, total of 36 people viewed, 1500 visit website. Per Lisa, 14 subscribers get a hard copy. Another comment was that someone said they would prefer to get electronically vs hard copy, so more information will come out regarding this. And yes, all agree it's ok to use Halloween theme for October edition.

## EVENTS

Planning for the 2023 Annual Event/Fundraiser is under way. The date is planned for Saturday April 22, 2023. I have found a great location - Hickory Creek Event Center in Eldridge, IA. There is room for 400 people all together. They will be very accommodating and easy to work with.

They have buffet options for meals that are reasonably priced at \$17.50 or \$19.50 a plate. There is actually no cost for the space itself due to it being a fundraiser. Cost would be: \$500 damage deposit, \$190 linens, \$100 staffing fee, \$TBA food servers for buffet.

Further direction was needed on finding a speaker - going to attempt to find a speaker within driving distance with a budget set at \$500 for travel/lodging expenses. (NOTE: after discussion, a motion was made and passed to cap the cost of gas and hotel allowance for speaker to be \$500)

Below is the income and expense for the 2022 Golf Outing. Going to try harder to perfect golf outing structure for 2023 outing.

In love & service, Cassidy G

## WEBMASTER

Users onsite for more than 30 sec  
(average 1,400) 1,517

**Total Users** **3,006**

The most visited pages were as usual:

1. Meeting Guide
2. Events
3. Virtual Meetings

This is the way it was before COVID. We didn't really have any unexplainable spike this month. There was some higher usage on the first few days of the month but that is also when we had our business meeting. We still continue to have consistent daily usage.

Keep checking the Events Page for any of Group Announcements.

That's all I have until next month.

In Love and Service, Randy C.

## DISTRICT 9

Report given verbally, no written report submitted

## DISTRICT 90

Report given verbally, no written report submitted

Golf Event Expenses	
Prizes	\$81.79
Saukie Golf Course	\$1,184.00
	<b>\$1,265.79</b>
Income	
50/50	\$93.00
Raffle	\$108.00
Registrations at door	\$750.00
Advance Registrations	\$1,188.02
Total Income	<b>\$2,139.02</b>
Minus Expenses	<b>(\$1,184.00)</b>
	<b>\$955.02</b>

## GROUP REPORTS

### 8n8 AA

Online every 8am and 8pm. Attendance is rising once more. We have a new Beginners Meeting on Sunday night.

Next Speaker Meeting Saturday Sept. 24 at 8:00pm is Ted M from the Geneseo Group.

8n8AA Business Meeting Friday Sept. 16 at 6:00pm.

As our fellowship grows so do our meetings.

In Love and Service, Krystyna D.

### Big Book Study

We are doing good at the big book study group.

Our attendance is good; we have a few newcomers. We are reading out of the big book in Bill's story. We also changed our format: right before the Lord's prayer we added an explanation about sponsorship and asked our home group members to raise your hand if you are willing to sponsor.

Jerome J

### Courage to Change

Meetings are Tuesdays 6:30-7:30 at the First Baptist Church 1401 North Perry St Davenport IA.

Membership is down slightly from prior month.

Attendance is approximately 18-20 per meeting.

Elections for service positions will be held in October for 2023.

Love and Service, Carlee B

### New Beginnings

Hello Everyone,

The Meeting times are Monday at 6:30pm.

No speaker meetings yet.

Wednesday at 8pm and a Primary Purpose Big Book Study is Saturday at 2pm, we are in the middle of the 4th step section. If you are available, please stop in and share your experience, strength, and hope, they could really use the outside influence.

Randy C.

### Last Chance

We had elections at our last business meeting. New officials were elected.

Attendance is good, and we really love the new space.

We have a potluck/speaker meeting the 3rd Friday of every month, this month is tenderloins and Mike B from Oquawka New Group will speak. Speaker at 5:30. Food at 6:45.

We continue to pass an extra donation basket around on Sunday evenings for intergroup.

Our next business meeting will be Sunday Sept 25th at 12:20

In love and service, Tracey

### Geneseo

Geneseo Group has decided to move to a new location, our building we are in was sold and the rent increased. We will be moved into our new location by October 1st which will be located at 109 E Orange St, Geneseo, IL. We will have an official address for mail at a later date once we know what our suite # will be.

Our last speaker meeting in the blue shanty will be on Friday, September 23, Jon B. from Camden Serenity Group will be speaking. Doors open at 5:30 with potluck at 6 and speaker at 7.

Our 44th Anniversary celebration will be Saturday, October 22 at the Izaak Walton League located on Route 82 just a little north of town. Speakers at 1 and 4 with a campfire meeting at 7, Chili will be served all day and we will have a fire for hot dogs and smores, we ask that you bring a dish to pass. We will have games and Big Book trivia. Bring your families and have some fun.

We have received several large donations, once we are moved to our new spot and set our prudent reserve for the new location we will divide excess up to our districts and intergroup.

We will have elections in November for the 2023 new year.

Love and Service, Lynette W.

### Three Legacies

Three Legacies speaker, meeting at Asbury Methodist church on Thursdays at 6:00 P.M. is going well. Attendance has averaged 30 people and an average of 4 children for daycare.

The Three Legacies Big Book, Saturday, virtual meeting is 9:00 A.M. Information to get on both meetings can be found on our flyer at [aaquadcities.org/meetings](http://aaquadcities.org/meetings).

The next business meeting and elections are October 13th after the speaker meeting.

In Service and Love, Vickie S.

## SPECIAL REPORT IAYPPA

Iowa Quad Cities was awarded the BID for the 2023 conference. Tentatively the dates for the conference are July 14th-16th, 2023. We are awaiting confirmation from local venues and approval from the IAYPAA Advisory committee to secure the dates.

In the meantime, the host committee is meeting often to plan the event. Leading up to the event, we are planning monthly fund raisers to try and raise money for the event.

Our next event is this Saturday September 17th starting at 3pm. It is titled Fall into Sobriety. We have a number of events this day including AA Speaker panel, AA JEOPARDY, MEDITATION, BONFIRE, S'MORES \$1, WALKING TACOS \$5, CONCESSIONS, MERCH FOR SALE, BASKET RAFFLE, & GLOW IN THE DARK DANCE PARTY.

October's event is a Family Halloween Party. This event will take place at the Alano club in Davenport, October 29th, starting at 5PM. Scheduled events include, Speaker (Randy C. from New Beginnings), Trunk or Treat, Euchre Tournament, Sobriety Countdown, 50/50 raffle, Costume contest and more!

Ranae O

*No other reports were submitted*

## OLD BUSINESS

None

## NEW BUSINESS

None

7th Tradition - Checks can be mailed to the office or donations can be made online via PayPal to [illowaintergroup@yahoo.com](mailto:illowaintergroup@yahoo.com). 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 October 3, 2022 at 6 p.m. on Zoom.



# DISTRICT 90

## BUSINESS MEETING

SEPTEMBER 13, 2022



## WELCOME

### ATTENDANCE

DCM	Randy
Archives	Aaron
Bridging the Gap	Erica
Alt Secretary	Maddie
Grapevine	Maddie
GSR	Ted
Treatment	Brandon
Geneseo	Ken
Literature	Dave
Last Chance	Krista
Treasurer	Gene
Corrections	Craig

### OFFICE REPORTS

## TREASURER

Begining Balance	\$10610.25
Deposits	\$100.00
Debits	\$16.00
Set Aside Monies (Debit)	\$159.90
New Balance/Available Funds	\$948.35
Savings/Prudent Reserve	\$449.48
Gene V.	

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

## CORRECTIONS

Life Skills Re-entry is well attended. Michelle from Three Legacies will be speaking at Life Skills Re-Entry on September 24th.

East Moline Correctional Facility, Rock Island County Jail and Henry County Jail are now open for AA meetings.

Craig K

## TREATMENT

Have been in contact with Bridgeway and is beginning to make himself more familiar with local treatment centers. Bridgeway has a couple substance abuse meetings per week as well as a peer support group.

Branson S

## LITERATURE

Plans to reach out to groups within our district to ensure that they have all the literature that is needed.

Dave W

## GRAPEVINE

Desiree is the Area 20 Representative. The representatives for Grapevine voted to have a monthly newsletter as opposed to a zoom meeting.

Maddie P

## BTG

Reaching out to individuals to put together a BTG 12-Step Volunteer list.

Erica B





COMMITTEE REPORTS Cont.

## ARCHIVES

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Able to transfer cassette tapes into a digital format. Will be reaching out to groups to see if they have any cassettes with information on archives.

Aaron M

## INTERGROUP LIAISON

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The next Intergroup event will be on April 22, 2023.

Craig K

GSR REPORTS Cont.

## GENESEO

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Their meetings at their new location will begin on October 1st.

The last speaker meeting at their current location will be September 23rd. Their speaker will be John B. from Camden Serenity Group.

They will be having an anniversary Saturday October 22nd at Izaak Walton Park. There will be a speaker at 1, games until their next speaker at 4, potluck at 5 and a campfire meeting at 7.

Ken M

## LAST CHANCE

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They did their elections at their last business meeting.

Mike B. from Oquawka will be speaking on Sept 16th. Speaker begins at 5:30, potluck to follow.

Brandon S

## NEW BEGINNINGS

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Randy C.

## 8N8AA

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Their next speaker meeting is September 24th, Ted M. will be speaking.

Tuesday is their 12 Steps & 12 Traditions meeting.

Wednesday is their Primary Purpose Big Book Study.

Randy C.

# DISTRICT 90 BUSINESS MEETING SEPTEMBER 13, 2022



## OLD BUSINESS

OPEN POSITIONS: Alt. DCM, PI, Literature, Accessibilities, CPC.

The date for the District 90 Event for 2023 at Camden Park will be decided upon at the next business meeting.

Krista will bring up the possible date for a P.I workshop to take place at Last Chance at their next business meeting.

## NEW BUSINESS

NONE

Erica motions to adjourn. Gene seconds.

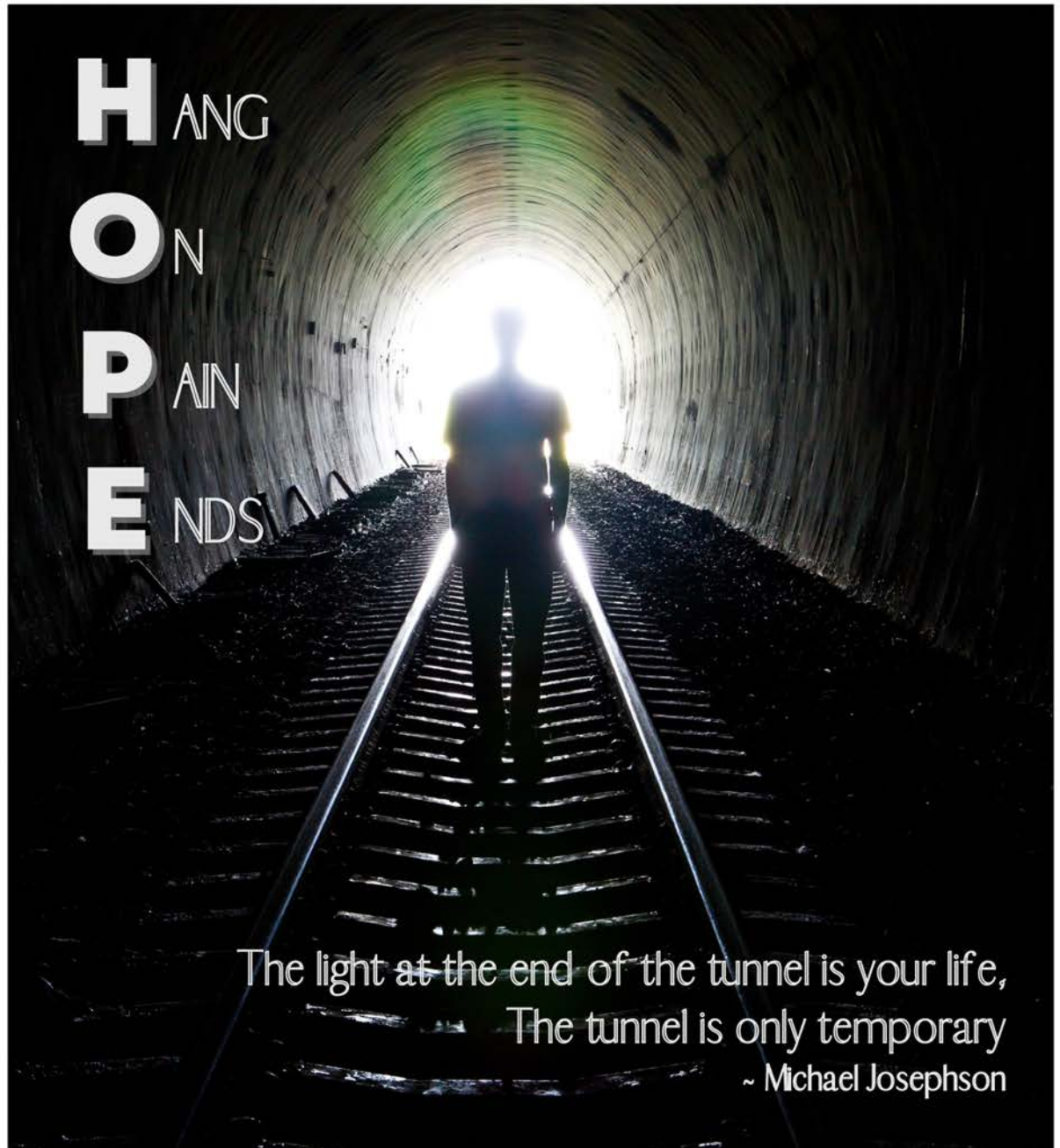
Next Meeting: October 4th at 6pm via Zoom.

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The light at the end of the tunnel is your life,  
The tunnel is only temporary  
~ Michael Josephson



# Price Increase

Due to rising costs of postage and supplies, the cost of a subscription to the Intergroup Newsletter, Illowa Messenger, will be going up to \$16 annually starting immediately. Current subscribers will not pay the increase until their renewal time. In addition, the cost of putting a flyer in the newsletter will increase to \$8 starting immediately. Thank you!!



GENESEO GROUP'S 44TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY  
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2022 AT THE CANAL (Isaac  
Walton League building, route 82.)

**FOOD! FUN!**  
**BIG BOOK TRIVIA!**

Speakers: 1 pm, Cherie L. 4 pm, Nadine K.

Please bring a dish to share. Chili will be provided.

Food served during entire event.

**Campfire meeting at 7 pm.**

**GAMES!**



**SMORES!**

IAYPAA EVENT

# HALLOWEEN

FAMILY HALLOWEEN PARTY  
& EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

Saturday Oct 29th, 2022 5-9 PM

Alano Club - 2603 Rockingham Rd, Davenport IA

\$5  
SUGGESTED  
DONTATION

- 5:00 Fellowship & Trunk or Treat
- 5:30 Speaker Randy C. from New Beginnings
- 6:30 Euchre Tournament \$5 per person or \$ 8 per team
- 8:00 Sobriety Countdown, 50/50 Raffle
- 8:30 Costume Contest

(Funniest, Scariest, Best Couple, Most Original, Overall Best Costume)  
Concessions for sale, Kids Halloween movie during Euchre  
Tournament.

IAYPAA is the Iowa Conference of Young People in AA- young being defined as anyone with room to grow. IAYPAA Halloween party is an open meeting, family friendly and open for all alcoholics.

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