

ILLOWA MESSENGER

February 2024

February Birthdays



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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 \$8. Thank you!!



February Events



5th – Intergroup Business Meeting on Zoom

10th – ARM Game Night and Chili Cookoff

18th– Camden Serenity Group Sunday morning Breakfast

23rd Big Book Study Anniversary In person and Zoom (Hybrid)
February 27th 2024



Tickets will be on sale at the Intergroup Office after Feb. 1 or from your Intergroup rep for the 50th Intergroup Anniversary Event to be held on April 13, 2023. Cost is \$25 before March 9 (\$25.75 online and \$30 (\$30.90 online) March 9 through March 16. Deadline for sales is March 16. No tickets will be sold at the door!!

Happy
Valentine's
Day

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS

	December	Jan. -Dec. 2023
8n8 AA	140.66	1212.61
Aledo	0.00	100.00
Bettendorf	0.00	5474.39
Big Book Study	0.00	934.77
Camden Serenity	0.00	1100.00
Central Discussion	0.00	600.00
Cleveland	0.00	200.00
Clinton	10.00	80.00
Coal Valley	0.00	250.00
Courage to Change	0.00	758.65
DeWitt	250.00	425.00
District 90	0.00	75.00
Geneseo	38.00	905.00
Henry County Group	1500.00	4311.40
House Group	0.00	95.00
IAYPAA	0.00	25.00
La Nueva Vida	10.00	120.00
Ladies Night	0.00	322.38
Last Chance	1262.00	1714.00
Marquette	200.00	1150.00
Milan Hillcrest	0.00	110.00
Morrison	100.00	100.00
New Boston New Hope	5.00	65.00
North Scott	0.00	500.00
Rainbow Group	0.00	50.00
Sisters in Sobriety	0.00	100.00
Three Legacies	0.00	500.00
West End	0.00	135.00
Winola Group	0.00	100.00
TOTAL	3515.66	21513.20

December call Count

12-step	4
Information	44
Visitors	34
Al-Anon	1

Illowa Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes / January 8, 2024

Virtual Meeting called to order by Intergroup Chair, Cassidy G. at 6:01 pm with the Serenity Prayer.

Attendance:

Officers/Chairs/Liaisons present: Chair/Cassidy G.; Co- Chair/Al B.; Secretary/Jennifer B.; Treasurer/Tim M.; Office Manager/Katie R.; Telephone/Desiree K.; Newsletter/Julie B.; Webmaster/Randy C. Events/Rebecca N.; District 9 Liaison/Amber J.; District 90 Liaison/Adam HC

Groups present: 8&8, Bettendorf, Big Book Study, Courage to Change, Henry County, Marquette, Three Legacies, West End

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

Officers' reports

Treasurer's report:

Checking balance forwarded: \$4933.19

Total income: \$6519.71

Total expenses: \$ 5327.10

Income minus expenses: \$1192.61

Checking ending balance: \$6126.67

Motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the treasurer's report.

Office Manager's Report: Hello from Intergroup, Things are going well, I have had one week of training and Lisa will be back into the office January 9 to continue training. Our internet and Vonage phone service went down, so I ordered two new boxes at no charge and we are up and running again. Call counts for December were 4 12-step, 44 information, and 34 visitors. The next business meeting will be held on Monday, February 5th 2024 at 6:00 p.m. on Zoom. In love and service, Katie R

Telephone Chair: Hello, all is well with the phones. I do currently have openings for the first Friday evening of the month, the 3rd Wednesday evening of the month, and the 5th Sunday of the month. Hours are as follows: 5:20pm - 9am. If anyone is interested, please feel free to contact me at: desireekimmel@gmail.com We had a great deal of calls over the New Year holiday. The internet was down, so the phones were automatically transferred to me. I was very humbled by the amount of calls I received from people looking for meetings and looking for help in general. Helping them by talking to them helped me to start the new year with a new spiritual perspective and I am very grateful for that experience. In Love and Service, Desiree K.

Events: Hello All, Planning for the Intergroup Anniversary Event is in motion, and coming along nicely. I have filled all event chair positions and am so grateful the have the following individuals on board: Shawna S. - Raffle Chair, Maryann G. - Speaker Chair, Jaclyn M. - Decorations Chair, Vickie S. - Greeter Chair, Deann D. - Cake Chair. I will be meeting with the chairs via Zoom on February 3rd to confirm tasks, give updates, and for a general Q&A. Also, David H. has agreed to provide sound/DJ services for the event again this year. I have made contact with the event staff at Hickory Grove Event Center and have started working with them on pricing, coffee, and menu. I am in the processing of finalizing the event flyer and ticket information, so both will be available for distribution in February. Thank you for this opportunity to be of service, Rebecca N.

Newsletter: Hello everyone!

Reminder: an annual subscription for a paper copy of the newsletter is \$16, reach out to the intergroup office if you'd like to subscribe (subscribe yourself or your group). It costs nothing to receive an emailed newsletter; you can sign up on the aaquadcities.org home page or the Newsletter/Minutes section. And, of course, you can always just visit the website to access any current or past newsletter.

I did not include a Tradition of the Month page in January's newsletter, but I AM going to try to keep that going. That's all! Yours in service, Julie B.

District 9 Liaison: Corrections Chair: meetings are going well. Treatment Chair: Be mindful of wearing masks when going into treatment centers because some have had COVID outbreaks, the Abbey is doing their own scheduling for meetings and the treatment chair is working on getting in contact with their staff member to get meetings scheduled, they do need people to sponsor clients so reach out to MJ about that if you're interested, Rosecrance doesn't have their new meeting schedule yet after staff turnover. Grapevine: working on getting Grapevines sent to her. Literature chair: recommended going to AA's website and look at the resources they have available online. Discussed the District mini event and creating a position for planning the mini event. Treasurer: Forwarding balance- \$4,799.05 Income- \$250 Expenses- \$99.24 Ending balance- \$4949.81 Current balance- 5216.00. Dates to Remember: **January Service Weekend** – January 13th-14th. MACC, 709 South Center Street, Marshalltown, IA. Begins @ 8:30 Saturday morning. All GSRs are strongly encouraged to attend. The Chairs are not required to attend but are most welcome. **West Central Regional AA Service Conference** – March 1st-3rd. Grand Hotel Minot ND, 1505 North Broadway, Minot, ND - There is a Zoom option available for this event at a cost of \$25. **March Service Weekend**- March 9th-10th. MACC, 709 South Center Street, Marshalltown, IA. Begins @ 9:00 Saturday morning. All GSRs and Chairs are strongly encouraged to attend. ~Amber J.

Webmaster: Hello Everyone, we had 3,357 users total but 1,444 actual users that were on the site for more than 30 sec., which is right in line with our current average of 1400. The Meeting Guide is still the most visited page, followed by the Events Page, and the Virtual Meetings Page is third. The Meeting Guide did an update that looks a little different and when you click on a meeting it will automatically show all the meetings at that location. However, there seems to be a glitch, it displays the list twice and I don't think it's supposed to. There was that spike on the 19th, but the rest of the month looked pretty normal. 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:

8&8: Greetings from 8n8! Things are going well and attendance is still going strong. The next business meeting is Jan 12th at 6pm and the next speaker meeting is Jan 27th at 8pm with Al B from the west end sharing his ESH! If you haven't been to the 8n8 we'd love to see you. 8n8 meets everyday at 8am and 8pm online via zoom ID 6591910636. In love and service, Erica B.

Big Book Study Group: The Big Book Study meets every Tuesday from 6:30-7:30 at Asbury Methodist Church in Bettendorf. Our Business Meetings follow the regular meeting, the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Our meeting is a hybrid meeting and you can join via Zoom or in person. The meeting is either a Big Book Discussion or half discussion/half speaker meeting. Our home group members share on their anniversary date. Meeting attendance has been good; approximately 40-50 regular attendees. Our next event is our 23rd Anniversary Celebration, Tuesday, February 27th. Doors open at 5, potluck & fellowship at 5:30, speaker at 6:30. Come and join us! In Love & Service, Kristin C

Geneseo: Geneseo is doing well. We hold a speaker meeting on the 4th Friday of the month at 7 pm. After the meeting everyone is invited to join us for fellowship at a local restaurant. Usually los ranchitos. January 26 Tim H from Geneseo will be sharing his experience, strength and hope. In love and service, Jessie j

Marquette: Donated \$200 dollars, Holiday season meeting on the 6th of January. Went really well. Thank you. Angie

New Beginnings: Hello Everyone, the Meeting times are Monday at 6:30pm. Wednesday at 8pm, and Saturday at 2pm is the Primary Purpose Big Book Study. If you are available, please stop in and share your experience, strength and hope, they could really use the outside influence. Randy C.

Three Legacies: 3 legacies meetings are going well. We meet every Thursday at Asbury church in Bettendorf from 6p-7p. That is a speaker meeting every week. 3 legacies does also offer childcare and donations are very much appreciated. We would love to see you all there. Love and service, Shawna

Old Business: All open Intergroup positions are filled.

New business: The group voted in favor of a \$200 budget for the office to purchase a new printer, as the old one needs replacement. The Office Manager made a motion to switch the Intergroup bank accounts elsewhere due to some concerns with the current financial institution. The group voted unanimously in favor of transferring all accounts to Ascentra Credit Union.

The next business meeting will be held on **Monday, February 5th at 6:00 p.m.** on Zoom.

January 7, 2024 District 9 Minutes

Attendance:

DCM, Alt DCM, Treasurer, Corrections, Grapevine, Intergroup Liaison, Literature, PI, Secretary, Treatment

Groups: Bettendorf, Big Book Study, Blandine, Central Discussion, Courage to Change, Freedom Group, Three Legacies

Chair Reports:

Treasurer: Beginning balance: \$4,799.05; Total Income: \$2,715.39; Total Expenses: \$4189.56; Ending balance: \$4,949.81; Seed Money \$300.00; Prudent Reserve \$300; Ending balance: \$4,349.81 . Your 2024 budgets should be sent to Katie in next couple of weeks.

DCM: Happy New Year to all! I have no doubt that 2024 is going to be a wonderful year. I will be in Marshalltown January 13th & 14th for the January Service Weekend. All GSRs are strongly encouraged to attend. Chairs are not so. I will be attending the West Central Regional AA Service Conference March 1st-3rd, via Zoom. I encourage everyone to do the same. The agenda items will be discussed, and I have always found it to be highly informative. Jaclyn and I met in December to create the initial SOPs for the mini event. There are copies of them available. Approval of the SOPs is on today's agenda. In love and service, Park

Alt. DCM: Greetings everyone and welcome to 2024! Looking forward to another year of service District 9. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions or needs you may have. DCM and I have met and went over agenda items for this meeting and I have also created a travel budget spreadsheet for this year for all positions. This spreadsheet is based on each individual position if everyone attended their required commitments. Most numbers are estimated as we don't have some solid concrete numbers but this is a rough idea so we can start planning for the future. Remember, it is always best to carpool with as many as you can and to room with as many as you can to help save overall costs. You are trusted servants voted by our groups to bring back valuable information and do what is good for the whole, which includes financial discipline as well. This is not meant as a deterrent and if anyone absolutely wants to go to something, please let me know and we can discuss in private. The DCM and I went over the mini event SOP's and budget. Also, here is the webmaster's report "Hello Everyone, we had 3,357 users total but 1,444 actual users that were on the site for more than 30 sec., which is right in line with our current average of 1400. The Meeting Guide is still the most visited page, followed by the Events Page, and the Virtual Meetings Page is third. The Meeting Guide did an update that looks a little different and when you click on a meeting it will automatically show all the meetings at that location. However, there seems to be a glitch, it displays the list twice and I don't think it's supposed to. There was that spike on the 19th, but the rest of the month looked pretty normal. Keep checking the Events Page for any type of Group Announcements." That is all for now! As always
IN love and service Jaclyn M

Archives: Good morning everyone, I have prepared a budget for this year for Archives and provided it with the submission of my report. Bettendorf's Archives Chair and I will be getting together this month to set monthly goals and best times to meet moving forward. I look forward to sharing our progress throughout the year. I added the National Archives Workshop into my budget but this is a very large expense of nearly \$800.00. I will explore options of riding and rooming with someone from Area 24 before proposing this any cost to the District. If I'm able to find someone to split this with it would bring the cost down to \$550. Yours in love and service, Rachel B

Corrections:

CPC: Good afternoon, all, Update from CPC for the month of December. Busy month for me, so not much to report. I have reached out to Jessica at the Bettendorf Group (CPC Chair). We will be getting together in January to discuss opportunities. Yours in service, Colin M.

Grapevine:

Intergroup Liaison: - financial report-Checking balance forwarded: \$4773.00, Total income: \$4274.72, Total expenses: \$4114.53, Income minus expenses: \$160.19, Checking ending balance: \$4933.19. - events chair is filled, Intergroup Event will be held on April 13, 2024 at the Hickory Creek Event Center - Office Manager position has been filled. New office volunteer hours effective February 1st, 2024 will be: Tuesday - 3:30-5:30, Wednesday - 9:00-11:15, Thursday - 3:30-5:30, Friday - 9:00-11:15 - Phone volunteers for Monday have already been found. Katie is looking for backup volunteers to man the office and the phones if a volunteer is unable to make it in. Contact the Intergroup office if you or anyone you know is interested - Desiree is always looking for backup phone volunteers willing to take a once a month shift in case someone is unable to help

Literature:

PI: Good Morning Everyone, I look forward to another year of service to our district. I do intend to attend the conferences this year and would like to increase the PI Budget from \$200 to \$500 this year in anticipation of travel costs. We have a PI Committee meeting coming up where we will discuss what project we'll be working on this year. Thank you In Love and Service, Ayla

Treatment:

Group Reports:

Bettendorf: Greetings from the Bettendorf group! We have not had a business meeting since the last District meeting. We did fill all positions in November. I have connected all liaisons with the District Chairs so they can have participants on their committee meetings. Our next business meeting is this month January 17th @ 6:40pm following the 5:30pm meeting. In service, Vicki F.

Big Book Study: Hi all from Big Book! Things are well here at Big Book Study, with an average of 45 to 50 people per meeting. That includes online, The latest is...we are preparing for our Anniversary Event! more to come on that later. The next business meeting is this Tuesday after the meeting. In love and service Ronna

Central: All is still good at Central Discussion. The Sunday 9am meeting continues to be our most active, with a good mix of people from other groups in the area. The 7:30am Sunday meeting is also gaining popularity. Come spend Sundays with us. We will be having our quarterly business meeting on Sunday January 21. I will be making a motion to modify the GSR term, so that it falls in line with those from both District and from Area. Also, if you know those who call Central their home, encourage them to get involved. Our group is aging and we need the younger members, so we may continue to survive. Yours in service, Mike S.

Marquette: *Chuck motion to give intergroup 200, motion passed. *Donnie motion for no New Years Eve candle light meeting, motion passed. *Donnie motion to let Jim fill in until next election for GSR position, Motion passed. *Jim to make flyer for Jan potluck *Chuck gives heads up chicken in the \$300 dollar range for 175 pcs., will know soon. Jim

Three Legacies: Hello District 9, Three Legacies meets Thursday nights 6-7pm at Asbury methodist church. If you can't make in person we offer hybrid. We also offer child care-donation only! Join us to hear speakers share their experience, strength, and hope. Our home group members are currently settling into their new service positions. Three Legacies next business meeting is January 18th following our regular speaker meeting. Speaking of new service positions, please welcome Erin B. She is Three Legacies new Alt GSR for 2024. I'm looking forward to sharing the Marshalltown service weekend experience with Erin on the 13th. Happy New Year Everyone! In Love and Service, Christina G

Old Business: None

New Business:

- Review of Mini Event SOPs: Discussion was held with minor changes. Motion by Kevin and seconded by Katie to approve. Motion passed with one opposed.
- Mini Event Budget for 2024 – Motion by Pat for \$500 and seconded by Vicki. Discussion. Vote: minority vote spoke; motion passed 9 to 7.
- September District 9 meeting was changed to Sep 8th for 2024.
- 2024 Anticipated Conference Expenses – As both Spring and Fall Conference will be held on the other side of Iowa, there will be higher expenses this year. Jaclyn put together an information sheet with some dollar amounts attached for planning purposes. It is imperative people carpool and room together whenever possible.

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District 90 Business Meeting Jan. 9, 2024

Call to Order 6:05pm/Welcome- Serenity Prayer- Attendance: DCM/New Beginnings- Randy C., Alt. DCM-Maddie P., Treasurer/Camden- Jennifer R., Corrections/Henry Co.- Aaron M., Treatment- Erica B., Accessibilities/8n8AA- Beth P., CPC- Beth H., BTG- Gene V., Archives- Craig K., Last Chance- Krista P.

Minutes Approval: Erica Motions, Jennifer 2nd, Nov. Minutes Approved

Officer Reports:

- **DCM:** Randy C.- Hello Everyone, I just wanted to thank all those who joined the Winter Assembly last month, it was great to see such great representation from D90 again. I was disappointed with quality of how the Online part was handled, it has never been that bad. I know the positions were all in the changeover to next years lineup so hopefully it will be better next time. Please don't let this discourage you from attending next time. I just received the roster for the next 2 years however, the Area 20 emails aren't working so I emailed the New Chairs you contact info since I'm not sure I'm supposed to send their personal email out. The New Delegate Is Eric L., Alt. is Lisa S., who was going to be one of our speakers at the last Picnic but couldn't make it do to it falling on the same day as an Assembly. Dawn B. is the new Chairperson and Aaron V. is the Alt. I emailed the Preliminary Agenda Items for the 2024 74th GSC. This is not the Final Agenda so more may be added. Let me know if you need more information or if you would like to have a discussion on anything so far.
- **Alt. DCM:** Maddie P. - No Report
- **Treasurer:** Jennifer R.- Beginning Balance: \$1,975.12, Deposits: \$127.00, Debits: \$468.14, Set Aside Monies (debit) \$1,150.00, New Balance/Available Funds: \$483.98, Savings/Prudent Reserve: \$449.48. Jennifer has completely been changed over at the bank. The GV subscription for Rosecrance still needs be purchased.
- **Secretary:** OPEN

Committee Reports:

- **Corrections:** Aaron M.- RI is only at 50% capacity so meetings are not as full. Received 6 cases of BB from Area 20. Also, Business Cards and QR Code stickers to put inside BB as a form of BTG. Area 20 is working on a list of statewide contact info. Taking Literature in has to go back to being approved, this process has not been enforced since COVID but is being enforced again. Aaron made a motion to spend some of the "set aside" money for BB Dictionaries. Beth H. 2nd, Motion Passed.
- **Treatment:** Erica B.- Having some problems contacting Rosecrance. Ranch was happy to hear from us and checking on speaker meetings there. Riverside wants us but still trying to work things out. Real need for Riverside Detox. Craig suggested to contact Good Sheppard as well.
- **PI:** OPEN
- **Literature:** Dave W.- Absent.

- **Accessibilities:** Beth P.- Working through a contact list in our District. Some are good with online meetings and some are good with in-person. Looking for volunteers.
- **Grapevine:** Chris W.- 1. Working to obtain a list of all D90 groups that do and do NOT have a grapevine subscription. I will make sure they know how to subscribe. 2. Will provide material on how to submit items to grapevine (stories, audio stories, pictures, there are a lot of things they accept submissions for). Get that info to D90 groups. 3. I submitted an application to be a grapevine representative for Geneseo Group. This way I will understand the process and function and can guide others (who are interested) through it. What does a grapevine rep do? Taken from the website: a. Announce the latest issue at your meeting b. Talk about the magazine's content - the stories make great topics for discussion c. Encourage your group to participate by sending in stories, art work or jokes d. Spread the word about Grapevine's new services and products 4. Grapevine joke of the month: How does an alcoholic get to the moon? In a fellowSHIP! Peace and love - Chris W.
- **CPC:** Beth H.- Reading the CPC Workbook.
- **BTG:** Gene V.- BTG is basically starting over from scratch.
- **Archives:** Craig K.- Connected with Aledo and still working out getting stuff from Aaron.
- **Intergroup Liaison:** Dave W.- Absent Randy mentioned Rosealie from Naperville will be the speaker at the 50th Anniv. Event. Looking phone volunteers but was informed all have now been filled.

GSR Reports:

- **Last Chance:** Krista P. Attendance Good. Treatment Workshop OK for either date. .
- **Henry Co.:** Aaron M.- Speaker Jan. 20, Alberto M. Mentioned Cabin Fever happening March 3rd & 4th.
- **Camden:** Jennifer R.- Breakfasts are back. Pink Can is Displayed. Attendance Good.
- **New Beginnings:** Randy C.- Hello Everyone, the Meeting times are Monday at 6:30pm. Wednesday at 8pm, and Saturday at 2pm is the Primary Purpose Big Book Study. If you are available, please stop in and share your experience, strength and hope, they could really use the outside influence.
- **8n8AA:** Beth P.- Al B. Nov. Speaker.

Old Business:

- Open Position: PI – Beth H. Nominated Krista P., she accepted, Erica 2nd. Krista P. was elected PI Chair.
- Treatment Workshop – Date set for Feb. 10. We will be having a separate Online Meeting

New Business:

- Erica made a Motion to start meeting at 5:30pm, Jennifer 2nd. Postpone further discussion until next month.

Meeting Adjourned due to running late.

Next Meeting: Feb. 6, 2024 at 6pm via Zoom.

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INTERGROUP OFFICE HOURS

February 2024

**Monday
Closed**

**Tuesday - Wednesday
Thursday-Friday
9:00 - 5:30**



Service Opportunity

The Intergroup office has Volunteer Openings. Great Chance to learn about service work.

We are looking for backup Volunteers to man the office and phones, when a Volunteer is not able to make it in.

(Shifts run 2 hours each)

6 Months Sobriety requirement.

Please contact Katiea t the Intergroup office if you or anyone you sponsor is interested in being a backup.

309-764-1016



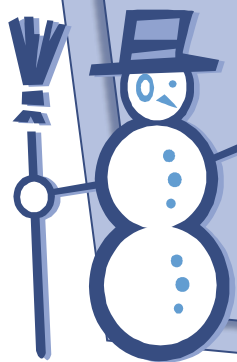
SPEAKER MEETING

Ben M.

from the Marquette Group

**Saturday, Feb. 3,
2024**

- ✧ Fellowship at 5:30
- ✧ Pot Luck at 6:00, Please bring a dish to share
- ✧ Raffles at 6:45
- ✧ Meeting starts at 7:00



Camden Serenity Group

306 W. 3rd St. Milan, IL



District 90 Treatment Workshop

Saturday Feb. 10, 12:30p-4p
At Last Chance Group

Presenters:

District 90 Treatment Chair
Previous Treatment Client Members
Local AA Members Currently Involved

Learn About:

Meetings at Treatment Facilities,
Bridging the Gap, Green Can Fund,
and more.

Refreshments and Food Provided

Last Chance Group is Located at:
4711 44th St #5, Rock Island, IL 61201

*"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."*

**.A.R.M. Chapter 11
Game Night & Chili Cook-off
Sat Feb 10 2024**

3:0PM/15:00

**No Alcohol or Drugs
On or In you!**

Donations

**or
Literature welcome**

Contact:

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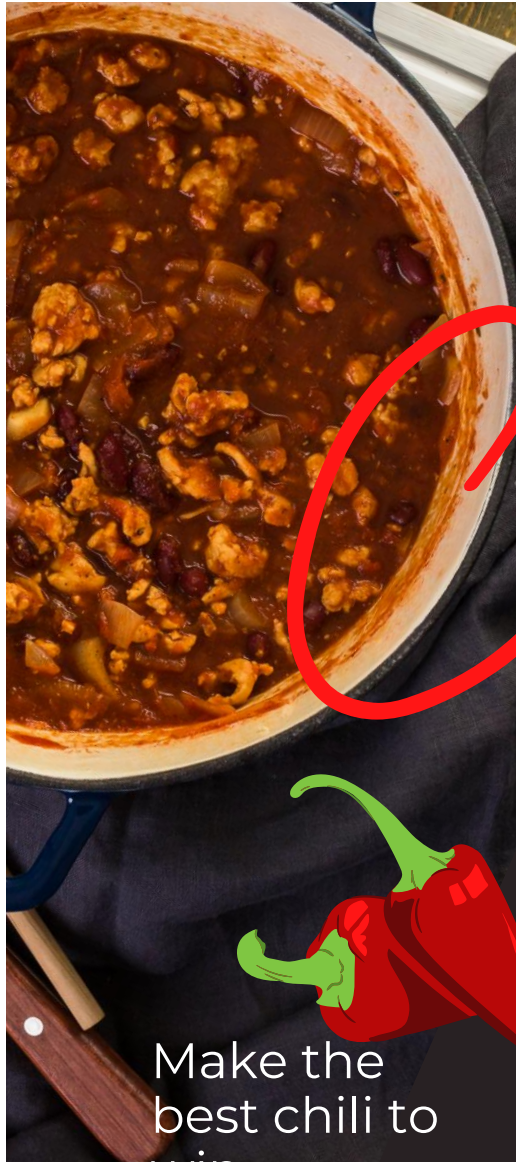
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with questions



Located:

**West End Alano Club
2603 Rockingham Rd
Davenport, IA 52802**



Blandine Group

Chili

COOK OFF



SUNDAY 2/18/24
AT NOON

AFTER THE 11 AM MEETING

Chili Cook Off Competition will be held
117 1/2 Perry St, Davenport, Iowa, after
the 11 am meeting. The competition
will be judged by the attendees

Make the
best chili to
win
bragging
rights for a
year

FREE TO ENTER &
FREE TO TASTE



**BIG BOOK STUDY
23RD ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION**

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 27TH 2024

Asbury United Methodist Church
1809 Mississippi Blvd Bettendorf, IA 52722

5PM

DOORS OPEN

5:30

POTLUCK & FELLOWSHIP
MULKEY'S CHICKEN PROVIDED

6:30

GUEST SPEAKER:
MARK L. FROM WAUKESHA, WI

BBS Group is a hybrid meeting. Join us in person or on zoom
Meeting ID: 821 7468 0504 Passcode: 634096

15th Annual Cabin Fever Speaker Banquet



Saturday March 2, 2024

Hill Church 107 N Main Street Kewanee, Illinois

Registration, Fellowship 5:00 – 6:00

Dinner 6:00 – 7:00

Mother & Daughter AA & AFG

Amanda B(Alabama)-Angie B(Florida)

7:00 – 9:30

Dinner & Speakers \$25.00

Speakers Only \$5.00

Contact

Craig K 309-738-4151 - Erica B 309-428 2944 - Gene V 309-525-4014

Sunday March, 3 1:00-4:00 Hill Church 107 N Main St Kewanee, Illinois



Amanda B. Chip & Angie B.

Present

**Traditions in Our Daily Lives, Finances, Romances,
Circumstances, The Family Afterwards**

\$5.00 Suggested Additional Contribution

Checks made out to Cabin Fever can be mailed to 22466 HWY 81 Kewanee IL 61443

PayPal @CKlavon or Venmo @Cabin-Fever_2021

Name _____ Home Group _____

Address _____

Please Check Desired Events

Dinner & Speaker _____ Speaker Only _____ Sunday Event _____

City _____ State _____ Amount Included _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____



A Vision For You

Illowa Intergroup
50th Anniversary
Speaker: Rosalie from
Naperville, IL
Doors Open 5pm/Dinner
6pm/Speaker 7:15pm

April 13th, 2024
Hickory Creek Event Center
3504 Hickory Grove Rd.
Davenport, IA

CASH PURCHASE
\$25 before March 9th
\$30 after March 9th
PURCHASE FROM:

Your Group's Intergroup Rep or at the
Intergroup Office

DEADLINE TO PURCHASE
March 16th

ONLINE PURCHASE
\$25.75 before March 9th
\$30.90 after March 9th
PAYPAL and VENMO:

ILLOWAINTERGROUP@YAHOO.COM
NOTE IN MEMO: "EVENT TICKETS"

QUESTIONS? Call Intergroup
(309)764-1016

ATTENTION!!!

INTERGROUP WANTS YOU!!!



Intergroup elections are coming up March 5th, 2024 at 6pm at the Intergroup Business Meeting on Zoom. All positions are open. We need YOU to come stand for a position – it's an excellent way to get started in service work and find out all the great things we do here at Intergroup.

Positions are:

Chair

Co/Alternate Chair

Secretary

Treasurer

Telephone Chair

Newsletter Chair

Events Chair

District 9 Liaison

District 90 Liaison

Quick look at the 2nd Tradition

When we practice the 12 steps of A.A. as a way of life, we recover from a hopeless state of mind & body; when we incorporate the principles of the 12 traditions, we ensure the health and unity of our A.A. groups.

Tradition TWO short form: For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority--a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.

Tradition TWO long form: For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority--a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience.

Tradition Two very clearly tells us who the ultimate authority is. A.A. has leaders, yes, but they are in a position to be of service to others, not an authority over others; they lead by example and often advise us, but it's the collective conscience of the group that decides. In our groups' business meetings, we listen to all the voices and arrive at an informed decision. "Minority ideas get thoughtful attention"¹ and sometimes that's when we really hear what He wants us to hear! I think we can all agree that whenever one person tries to run the show, it doesn't end well! Why is that? Because no one (especially us) likes being bossed around or being bullied into anything. I realized while writing this how I can STILL try to be the boss! Thanks to God's grace, sponsorship, and the inventory process, I can see I've fallen short of supporting others in their roles and allowing them to do their jobs as they see fit. Reviewing this tradition reminded me to quit complaining and criticizing. I hope it's been as insightful and good for you as it's been for me!

TRADITIONS CHECKLIST FROM THE AA GRAPEVINE²

Tradition Two: For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.

1. Do I criticize or do I trust and support my group officers, AA committees, and office workers? Newcomers? Old-timers?
2. Am I absolutely trustworthy, even in secret, with AA Twelfth Step jobs or other AA responsibility?
3. Do I look for credit in my AA jobs? Praise for my AA ideas?
4. Do I have to save face in group discussion, or can I yield in good spirit to the group conscience and work cheerfully along with it?
5. Although I have been sober a few years, am I still willing to serve my turn at AA chores?
6. In group discussions, do I sound off about matters on which I have no experience and little knowledge?

For anyone wanting to understand the traditions better, I encourage you to grab a few A.A. friends and *together* read the **Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions!** Get a copy of the **Twelve Traditions Illustrated** pamphlet and the **Traditions Checklist from the AA Grapevine** too (these are available at our local Illowa Intergroup Office; for convenience they are linked here to aa.org). Using these 3 together can help broaden our understanding of why they are so important still today, and zone in on how we can be better at practicing the principles in our groups, and even our jobs and homes.

¹ The Twelve Traditions Illustrated, The Second Tradition, page 3

² Traditions Checklist from the AA Grapevine, Tradition Two

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