

# ILLOWA MESSENGER

## September 2025

### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1	Dilia	'93
3	Bill S.	'82
3	Debbie J.	'06
4	Patti P.	'91
5	Mary K.	'00
7	Al D.	'00
8	Dan C.	'82
11	Mike S.	'90
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	Leo Y.	'98
22	Brenda C.	'78
23	Deb P.	'80

## LABOR DAY



Intergroups Business  
Meeting will be  
September 8<sup>th</sup> due to the  
Labor Day Holiday

### EVENTS

6<sup>th</sup> Camden Speaker Potluck

**7<sup>th</sup> Intergroup Golf Outing & Fundraiser**

7<sup>th</sup> Blandine Picnic

8<sup>th</sup> Intergroup Business Meeting

12<sup>th</sup> The Alley Group Speaker/Potluck

14<sup>th</sup> House Group Picnic

14<sup>th</sup> Milan Hillcrest Picnic

20<sup>th</sup> Westend Speaker/Potluck

26<sup>th</sup> Geneseo Group Speaker/Potluck

18<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> District 9 Information sessions

27<sup>th</sup> District 90 & Area 20 Literature Workshop

Last Sat- Campfire Meeting,  
Blackhawk Park

**Monday September 1<sup>st</sup> is Labor Day**



***Remember that the newsletter  
deadline for flyers and birthdays, etc.  
is always the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month  
preceding the month of the Newsletter***

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS	July	2025 Total Contributions
8n8 AA	152.31	666.47
Aledo		0.00
Bettendorf		1175.56
Big Book Study		446.45
Blandine		25.00
Cabin Fever Banquet		775.00
Camden Serenity		600.00
Central Discussion		800.00
Cleveland		0.00
Clinton	100.00	350.00
Coal Valley		350.00
Colona Group	3.00	3.00
Courage to Change		690.10
DeWitt	200.00	200.00
District 90	140.00	573.49
Geneseo	30.48	229.48
Henry County Group		1600.00
House Group	25.00	50.00
La Nueva Vida		70.00
Ladies Night		239.70
Last Chance		264.00
Marquette		725.00
Milan Hillcrest	25.00	75.00
Morrison		0.00
New Boston New Hope		0.00
North Scott		300.00
Rainbow Group		0.00
Sisters in Sobriety		50.00
Surrender Group		0.00
Three Legacies		0.00
West End	15.00	105.00
Winola Group		0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>690.79</b>	<b>10363.25</b>

Call Count	
12 Step	2
Information	37
Visitors	28
Al-Anon	0

## **Illowa Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes – August 4, 2025**

Virtual Meeting called to order by Chair, Al B., at 6:00 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer.

### **Attendance: Officers/Chairs/Liaisons present:**

**Chair/Al B., Co-Chair/Randy C., Treasurer/ Melanie M., Phone Chair Kayla S., Newsletter/Julie B (Temp)., District 9 Liaison/Jeff T., District 90 Liaison/ Michael K., Webmaster/Randy C., Office Manager/Katie R.**

### **Groups present:**

**Bettendorf, Big Book, Central, Camden, Henry County, House Group, Last Chance, Marquette, New Beginnings, West End.**

\* There was no motion to accept the Minutes as published as they were submitted after the deadline \*

### **Officers' Reports:**

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Checking balance forwarded: \$4,482.86

Total Income: \$7,127.38

Total expenses: \$4,576.67

Income minus expenses: \$2,550.71

Checking ending balance: \$7,033.57

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

**Telephone Chair:** Present no Report submitted

**Newsletter:** I mailed 7 copies of the August Newsletter.

Just as a reminder, the Newsletter Chair position is still OPEN...Please reach out to me or Katie if you are interested or if you have questions.

It's been an honor and my pleasure to serve as Newsletter chair for the past 2+ years. As you know I was to rotate out on April 1 but the position was not filled during the elections, and no one has volunteered for the position since then. The bylaws state I can remain in the position for up to 3 months past my end-of-term. Since it's been 4 months now, I do need to step away. The bylaws also state that while the position remains open, the other officers handle the duties until it's filled. I'm happy to do whatever I can to help or to answer any questions. Randy is a great resource as well.

- Annual Subscription: \$16/year (reach out to Katie)
- Add a flyer: \$8 (needed by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month, reach out to Katie)
- Receive newsletter via email: \$0 (see large button on the [aaquadcities.org](http://aaquadcities.org) website "Subscribe to our monthly publication", or just email [illowanewsletter@aaquadcities.org](mailto:illowanewsletter@aaquadcities.org))

Yours in service, Julie B.

#### **Office Manager Report:** Aug 2025 Office Manager Report

Hello from Intergroup, Things are going well here at the office, Hickory Creek Event Center cashed our deposit check for \$1,000.00 which they usually hold and return to us the following year. Accounting said they advised someone from Intergroup they would be cashing deposit checks going forward and then will refund the money after next year's event. When I spoke to them, they said they would send me back the money, no problem but I have never received it. I will continue to follow up.

Call counts for July were -2 - 12-step, 37- information, 29 -visitors and 0-Al--Anon

The next business meeting will be held on **Monday, Sept 8th at 6:00 p.m.** on Zoom.

In love and service, Katie R

**Events:** -The Golf Outing and Fundraiser is set for Sunday, September 7th at 12pm at Saukie Golf Course in Rock Island. The cost is \$48 (including lunch), and registration is due by August 29th. Payment can be dropped off at Intergroup, via PayPal at [illowaintergroup@yahoo.com](mailto:illowaintergroup@yahoo.com), or Venmo @illowa-intergroup (\$49.83 if paying by PayPal or Venmo).

-We are currently accepting prize donations (\$15 or less) for the golf tournament. Please drop them off to the Intergroup office by Thursday, September 4th.

-Stay tuned for more info on a Speaker Jam in January 2026!

-Save the date! The 52nd Illowa Intergroup Anniversary event will be on April 11, 2026 at the Hickory Creek Event Center! Jennifer R

**District 9:** Present, no report submitted.

**District 90:** Present, no report submitted.

**Webmaster:** Hello everyone, we had 5,558 visitors, 1,282 were on the site for more than 30 seconds and that's the number we have been going with. Slightly below our average of 1,400. The Meetings page is still the most visited page. The Flyer page is the 2<sup>nd</sup> most visited page. The Calendar page moved up one, to the 3<sup>rd</sup> most visited page, moving the Virtual Meetings page down to 4<sup>th</sup>. The unexplainable spike was on the 15th. The rest of the month had normal ups and downs. Keep checking the FLYERS Page for any type of Group Announcements. That's all I have until next month.

In Love and Service, Randy C

#### **Group reports:**

**8n8 AA:** Not present.

**Bettendorf:** Present, no report submitted.

**Big Book Study:** Present, no report submitted.

**Blandine:** Not Present

**Central:** Present, no report submitted.

**Camden:** Present, no report submitted

**Courage to Change:** Not Present

**DeWitt:** Not Present

**Geneseo Group:** Not present

**Henry County Group:** Present, no report submitted

**House Group:** Present, no report submitted

**Last Chance:** Present, no report submitted.

**Milan:** Not present.

**Marquette:** Marquette is having a picnic at Garfield Park in Davenport on August 23 starting at 10:30 AM social time. Picnic AA meeting starts at 11 AM followed by 12 noon lunch. Burgers, brats, hot dogs, brats, coffee, water, soda provided. Bring a dish to share. 75 people expected. All are welcome. Marquette finances and attendance are still good. Donations were made to Intergroup and Pink Can. Adventure Church in Davenport, the venue for all Marquette meetings, is paving their entire parking lot in the next few weeks. This will not affect the meeting schedule, but parking will change depending on which part of the parking lot is paved at any one time. Paving should be finished by the end of August. A new Marquette Intergroup Rep was elected - Jeff M. Everything was running smoothly at Marquette. No other news.

**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 for any of our meeting times, please stop in and share your experience and strength and hope they could really use the outside influence.

Randy C.

**Three Legacies:** Not present

**West End:** Present, no report submitted.

**Old business: None**

#### **New business:**

Katie K was nominated and voted in for Newsletter Chair.

There is an open position for Secretary.

Next Intergroup Business meeting is scheduled for Sept-1 which is a US holiday. A vote was taken to move it to Sept-8, vote was unanimous in favor

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 emailed 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 **Monday, September 8th at 6:00 p.m.** on Zoom.

## **District 9 Meeting Minutes – August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025**

\*No meeting due to area 24 delegate Dan P. giving presentation on the 75<sup>th</sup> general service conference.

**Treasurer-** Balance Forward \$4309.27 Balance Ending \$1574.95

**DCM-** Hello District 9! Good evening, everyone! Reminder that for our meeting tomorrow, we will be hearing from our delegate Dan P and his experience at the GSO conference in New York. There will be no reports tomorrow as we will be giving Dan the whole time. Please make sure you send your reports to Ann in a timely fashion. Also, don't forget the GSR's will have a service on Sunday in Marshalltown on Aug 10th. Our Sept meeting is Sept 7th. Please let me know if there are any questions or concerns! In love and service, Jaclyn M.

**Alt DCM- Greetings** District 9, The webmaster reported that we had 4,771 visitors to our website in the month of June. Of those, 1,322 were on the site for more than 30 seconds, which is slightly below our average of 1,400. The Meetings page is still the most popular page, with Flyers coming second. The Virtual page is the third most visited page, followed by the Calendar page. We saw a spike in visits on the 30th with the rest of the month having normal ups and downs. Please keep checking the Flyers page for any type of group announcements. Thank you for letting me be of service, Kevin K.

**Literature-** No report

**Archives-** Hello District Chairs, GSRs. Monthly fliers have been filed, and cataloging has started. I will use the last list and verify what is still there. There is literature and easel stands. Also, many years of Grapevines. Please keep that in mind for any presentations. Also, I will be taking the coffee, paper wear to the next Clinton steering meeting so it will be available for the event.  
Yours in Love & Service, Christy P District 9 Archives Chair 2025

**CPC-** Hi all, Things are moving along very smoothly here in cpc land. not much to update at the moment. Still working on getting things together for the upcoming September workshop. Also scheduling a meeting with my committee chair to discuss distributing letters to all the groups and still gathering lists of professionals. More to come, In love and service, Ronna.

**Treatment-** No report

**Grapevine-** No report

**Intergroup Liaison-** No report

**PI-** Hello all! My committee and I were able to reserve spaces at the Bettendorf Library on 9/18 and 9/27. We had originally scheduled at the same time as our district mini event and had to reschedule. Looking forward to communicating with the public about Alcoholics Anonymous! Love and Service, MJ

**Corrections-** No report

### **Group Reports:**

**Central Discussion** – No report

**Big Book Study-** Hello from the Big Book Study Group! Attendance is great every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m, and we still have consistent weekly Zoom users. Our business meetings are on the second Tuesday of the month. We have the GSR ALT position open and will be looking into updating our SOP's. In love and service, Jennifer G.

**Three Legacies-** Hello District 9! Three Legacies continues to have great attendance, both in person and virtually, at our Thursday night speaker meetings. We continue to offer daycare-if you know of any parents in our fellowship who need a meeting and need childcare, please send them our way! Daycare is donation based. Our next business meeting is scheduled for August 14th. In love and service, Erin B

**Marquette** – No report

**West End** – No report

**Old Business-** No meeting this month

**New Business-** No meeting this month

**Motions:** No meeting this month

**Dates to remember:**

- October 17-19 Area Fall Conference 2025 Fort Dodge Iowa. DCM/GSR/chairs
- February 27-March 1, 2026, West Central Regional Conference will be held in Cedar Rapids.

## **District 90 Business Meeting - Aug. 5, 2025**

**Welcome-** Serenity Prayer- Attendance: DCM- Randy C., Alt DCM- Maddie P., Treasurer- Jennifer R  
Corrections/Henry Co.- Aaron M., Treatment- Erica B., Intergroup Liaison- Mike K., Camden GSR- Jon B., Jeff-  
Milan

**AA Birthdays:** Erica B. - 5yrs.

**Minutes Approval:** Jennifer Motions, Erica 2<sup>nd</sup>, Minutes Approved

### **Officer Reports:**

- **DCM:** Randy C.- Just wanted to let everyone know that Maddie will be chairing the next few meetings as practice. We do have Elections coming up in Nov. and all positions will be Open except for Archives which is a 4-year term. No Report.
- **Alt. DCM:** Maddie P.- Summer Committee was Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>. I have the ZOOM info for the Archives Monthly Meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays. NIA 20 Accessibilities has started a 2<sup>nd</sup> ZOOM Plain Language BB Study every Thursday, I have that info as well.
- **Treasurer:** Jennifer R.- Beginning Balance: \$959.47, Deposits: \$105.90, Debits: \$0.00, Set Aside Monies (debit) \$634.59, New Balance/Available Funds: \$430.78, Savings/Prudent Reserve: \$449.48. Still Getting reminders about the GV for RICCA expiring in Dec., still going to wait until Dec. to renew. Will renew PO Box for longer term.
- **Secretary:** OPEN

### **Committee Reports:**

- **Corrections:** Aaron M.- No Report.
- **Treatment:** Erica B.- Rosecrance call tomorrow, they set a date to and will work out the details. Ranch doing OK, we did miss 1 day. Still needing Speakers and more Ladies for RICO Jail.
- **Accessibilities:** Beth P.- Absent.
- **PI:** Open
- **Literature:** Open
- **CPC:** OPEN
- **Grapevine:** Chris W.- Absent.
- **BTG:** Gene V.- Absent.
- **Archives:** Craig K.- Absent.
- **Intergroup Liaison:** Mike K.- Newsletter Position filled. Secretary Position Open. Sloan B. will be the Speaker for Intergroup Event April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at Hickory Creek again. Looking for Golf Gift Contributions for Golf Outing Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>. Some sort of Winter Event possibly in Jan.

### **GSR Reports:**

- **Geneseo:** Chirs W- Absent.
- **Last Chance:** Michelle P. Alt. Sarah A.- Absent
- **Henry Co.:** Aaron M.- Picnic Aug. 30<sup>th</sup>, Woodland Palace Tours 9am-3pm, Everyone welcome & family friendly, bring a chair, ends with Campfire Gratitude Meeting. Speaker Meeting the 16<sup>th</sup>.
- **Milan Hillcrest:** Pete B.- Absent. But Jeff filled in, Milan thought the D90 Meeting was the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday so that's why they were absent. Picnic Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>, Iliniwek in Hampton. Eat at 1pm, Speaker at 2pm – Dan V.
- **Camden:** Jon B.- The TNT Meeting at the Judah Complex in Davenport was looking for a new place to meet and was absorbed by Camden. The New Meeting is still on 12n12, but now at 9am on Saturdays.
- **Alley Group:** Butch W.- Absent
- **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 for any of our meeting times, please stop in and share your experience, strength and hope, they could really use the outside influence.

### **Old Business: - Literature Workshop**

- Date and Time Set Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> @ 3pm
- Approved use of Camden.
- NIS20 Literature Chair Jan S. is Available.
- Flyer will be posted tomorrow. (Wed)

**- Discuss District Meetings in-Person/Hybrid - (Tabled)**

**New Business:** NONE

Jon motions to adjourn, Jeff seconds. Meeting Adjourned.

**Next Meeting:** Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 6pm via Zoom.



## The Intergroup Office needs **BACK UP VOLUNTEERS**



To fill in for our regular Volunteers when they cannot come in. Shifts are just two hours each and only as needed.

**Duties:** Open and/or close the office. Selling Literature. Answer the phones provide meeting information or have someone on the 12<sup>th</sup> step list call a struggling Alcoholic when needed.

*(6 Months Sobriety Required)*

Please contact Katie at the Intergroup office if interested  
309-764-1016



## **INTERGROUP OPEN POSITION:**

### **Secretary**

**It is suggested the candidates for office should have two years' continuous sobriety and be active and interested in service work.**

- 1.To record minutes of both the regular and special meetings of the Body of Representatives.
- 2.Within 10 days following the business meeting, prepare and report all minutes of the business meetings and give copies to the office manager, newsletter chair, and webmaster.
- 3.To give notice of special meetings of Body of Representatives to all Group Representatives and member groups with the help of Intergroup Office Manager.
- 4.Authorized to co-sign checks.
- 5.May vote in the Body of Representatives meetings.

**If interested, please contact Katie at the Intergroup Office 309-764-1016 or come to our next Business Meeting via Zoom on the first Monday of each month at 6pm.**



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# GOLF OUTING & FUNDRAISER

**SAUKIE GOLF COURSE, ROCK ISLAND, IL**  
3101 38<sup>TH</sup> ST, ROCK ISLAND

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2025**

**12PM SHOTGUN START, BEST BALL FORMAT**

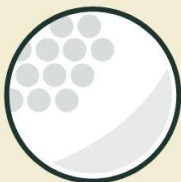
**\$48/PLAYER (\$49.83 IF USING VENMO OR PAYPAL)**

**FOURSOMES PREFERRED**

*SINGLE PLAYERS WILL BE PAIRED WITH SOMEONE*

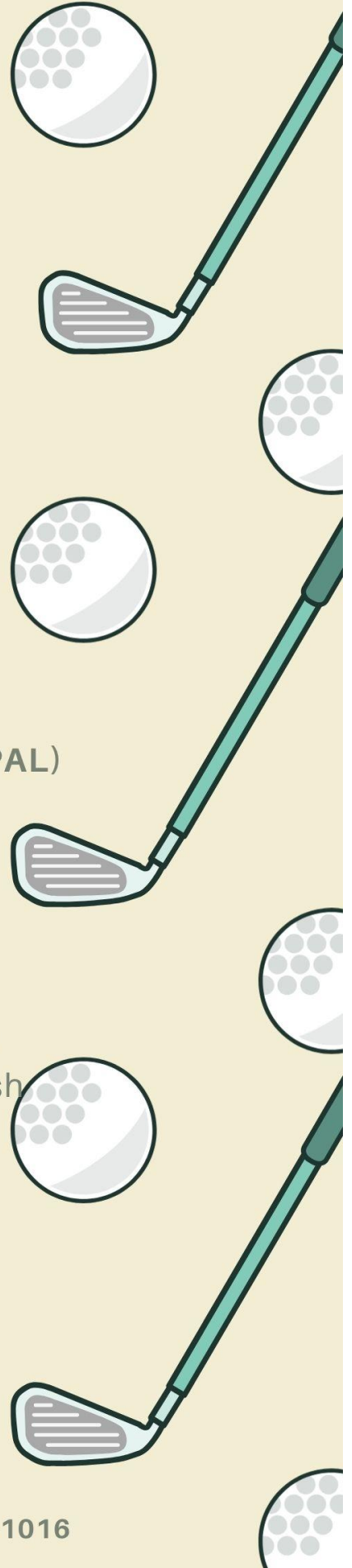
## **Registration/Payment - Deadline August 29th**

- In-Person/Mail to Intergroup Office - Check/Cash
- Venmo: @illowa-intergroup
- PayPal: illowaintergroup@yahoo.com



- \*Lunch Provided**
- \*50/50 Raffle**
- \*Prizes for Winners**

**For more information. call the Intergroup Office @ 309-764-1016**





**Saturday September 6th**


**Camden Serenity Group, Milan, IL**

Located at the corner of 3rd & 3rd

Join us as we welcome

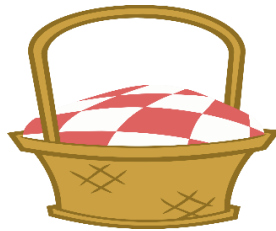
**Elwood S.**

From The Camden Serenity Group,  
Milan

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- Socializing at 5:30
  - Potluck dinner begins at 6:00
  - Meat will be provided, please bring a dish to pass
  - 50/50 Drawing and Literature Raffle will be held
  - Elwood will speak at 7:00pm



**Blandine Picnic**  
**September 7, 2025**  
**Garfield Park**  
**1224 E. 29<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**Davenport, IA**



**10:30 A.M. Fellowship 11:00 A.M. to 12:00  
P.M. Speaker Meeting**  
**Mary Ann from Three Legacies**

**12:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M. – Picnic**

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

**Lots of fun for the whole family.**  
**Ball Park, Tennis & Volleyball Courts and Playgrounds**  
**Hope to see you there!**



## Introduction

Join us for a presentation on Alcoholics Anonymous! Medical and mental health professionals, clergy, educators, and social workers often encounter individuals affected by alcoholism. Understanding how AA functions can help these professionals provide appropriate referrals, collaborate in care, and answer questions from clients or patients. Alcoholism is an issue that affects many in our community and members of the public are also welcome to attend.

## INFORMATION SESSION ON ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

SEPTEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup> FROM 5:30 PM TO 7 PM


OR

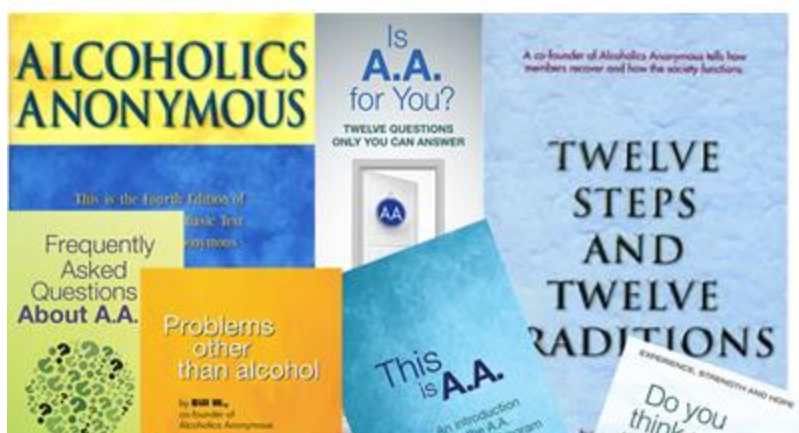
SEPTEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup> 12PM – 1:30PM

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# District 90 and Area 20

## Literature Workshop

Saturday Sept. 27, 3p-5p  
At Camden Serenity Group

Presenter:

Jan S. Area 20 Literature Chair

Refreshments and Pizza Provided

Camden Serenity Group  
306 3rd St W, Milan, IL 61264

"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."



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# "Faithful Fivers"

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## Illowa Intergroup Contributions

**Faithful Fivers** – "When we meet and defeat the temptation to take large gifts, we are only being prudent. But when we are generous with the hat we give a token that we are grateful for our blessings and evidence that we are eager to share what we have found with all those who still suffer."  
-----Bill W.

Every single AA service is designed to make 12<sup>th</sup> Step work possible. As a Faithful Fiver, your personal contributions can and will make our vital services possible. You can start with a minimum monthly contribution of \$5.00 or more, which I'm sure is more than we would have spent per month on a drink!

Contribution Information:

Date\_\_\_\_\_

Amount \$\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly\_\_\_\_\_ Quarterly\_\_\_\_\_ Semi-annual\_\_\_\_\_ Annual\_\_\_\_\_

(Note: No AA member can contribute more than \$7,500.00 per year)

*Detach at line and keep top half for your records*

### **Yes! I want to participate in the Faithful Fivers Club!**

I am.....a new participant\_\_\_\_\_a current member\_\_\_\_\_a returning member\_\_\_\_\_

Payment Plan:

Amount \$\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly\_\_\_\_\_ Quarterly\_\_\_\_\_ Semi-annual\_\_\_\_\_ Annual\_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to:

**Illowa Intergroup**  
**1706 Brady St., Suite 201**  
**Davenport, IA 52803**

*Your contribution is tax deductible*

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_

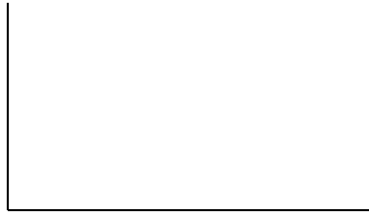
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Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_ Sobriety Date (for inclusion in newsletter) \_\_\_\_\_



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