

# ILIOWA MESSENGER

## February 2026

### ILLOWA MESSENGER FEBRUARY 2026

#### 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 15<sup>th</sup> of the month preceding the month of the newsletter. Flyers are \$8. Thank you!!

Happy  
Valentine's  
Day

#### February Events



2<sup>nd</sup> Intergroup Business Meeting on zoom

7<sup>th</sup> -- Camden Speaker/Potluck  
15<sup>th</sup> -- Camden Meeting/Breakfast  
21<sup>st</sup> -- West End Speaker/Potluck  
28<sup>th</sup> Marquette Speaker Meeting  
25<sup>th</sup> -- Big Book Study Group- 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner/Speaker Meeting

52<sup>nd</sup> Intergroup Anniversary Event to be held on April 11, 2026. Tickets are on sale at the Intergroup Office or from your Intergroup rep.

#### Ground Hog Day



<b>Group Contributions</b>	<b>December</b>	<b>2025 Total Contributions</b>
8n8 AA		889.59
Aledo		0.00
Bettendorf		3069.95
Big Book Study		1536.39
Blandine	50.00	100.00
Cabin Fever Banquet		775.00
Camden Serenity		1149.90
Central Discussion		2050.00
Cleveland		0.00
Clinton		450.00
Coal Valley		350.00
Colona Group		3.00
Courage to Change		690.10
DeWitt		200.00
District 90		573.49
Freedom Group		100.00
Geneseo	25.65	284.31
Henry County Group		2400.00
House Group		75.00
La Nueva Vida	60.00	130.00
Ladies Night		239.70
Last Chance		334.00
Living Well Group	60.00	60.00
Marquette		1225.00
Milan Hillcrest		125.00
Morrison		100.00
New Boston New Hope		0.00
North Scott		600.00
Rainbow Group		100.00
Shoulder to Shoulder	60.00	60.00
Sisters in Sobriety		75.00
Surrender Group		0.00
TNT Group		0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>255.65</b>	<b>18160.43</b>

<b>Call Count</b>	
12 Step	2
Information	22
Visitors	30
Al-Anon	0

# **Illowa Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes – Jan 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

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

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

**Chair/AI B., Co-Chair/Randy C., Webmaster/Randy C., Newsletter-Chair/Katie K., Event Chair., Jennifer R., District 9 Jeff T.,**

## **Groups present:**

**Bettendorf, Big Book, Blandine, Central, Courage to Change, Geneseo, Henry County, Last Chance, Marquette, New Beginnings, The Alley Group, Three Legacies, West End.**

## **Officers' Reports:**

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

Checking balance forward: \$6,578.43

Total Income: \$2,171.87

Total expenses: \$2,802.12

Income minus expenses: - \$630.25

Checking ending balance: \$5,948.18

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

**Telephone Chair:** Not Present

**Newsletter:** Present, no report

**Office Manager Report:** Hello from Intergroup, Things are going well here at the office. Intergroup Reps – The 2026 Intergroup Event is April 11<sup>th</sup> 2026. I have 10 tickets for each of you to sell, along with a pack of Event flyers for your groups. You can pick them up anytime Tuesday through Friday. If you sell all the tickets, you can come back and pick up more if you would like. Elections are in March or all positions, a flyer is on the website with a list of positions as well as the job descriptions. The Intergroup office is creating a speaker list for any group calling looking for speakers. Your phone number will stay private. Call counts for August were -2 - 12-step, 22- information, 30 -visitors and 0- AI—Anon. The next business meeting will be held on **February 2nd at 6:00 p.m.** on Zoom. In love and service, Katie R

**Events:** - Hello from Intergroup Events! We have two exciting events on the horizon to help raise money for Intergroup! The Speaker Jam is set for January 24th at the West End Alano Club. Doors open at 1:30, and there will be speakers at 2pm, 3pm, 4pm, and 7pm. There will be a potluck at 5:30 (please bring a dish to share), and raffles at 6:30. We are still looking for donations for:- Raffle Baskets (can be dropped off to Intergroup by Friday 1/23 at 4pm)- Used/New AA Literature for the "pay what you can" AA book fundraiser (bring books to event or drop them off at Intergroup office by Friday 1/23 at 4pm)- Bake Sale Items (bring to event or drop off at Intergroup by Friday 1/23 at 4pm). Secondly, tickets are now on sale for the 52nd Annual Intergroup Anniversary Event on April 11th at the Hickory Creek Event Center! Doors open at 4:30, dinner will start at 5:30, and our speaker, Sloan B. from Waukesha, WI will speak at 7pm. To purchase tickets, please see your group's intergroup rep, stop into the Intergroup office, or send money via Venmo/PayPal to [illowaintergroup@yahoo.com](mailto:illowaintergroup@yahoo.com) (please put "event tickets & name" in memo section).Ticket prices are as follows:-\$35 through March 4th (Venmo/PayPal price is \$36.58) -\$40 March 5th-March 11th (Venmo/PayPal price is \$41.74). We are appreciative of donations for this event as well! We are looking for donations for the following: Monetary donations for coffee-

Raffle Baskets (please drop off to Intergroup Office by Friday 4/10 at 4pm) Looking forward to seeing you at these 2 events soon! In love and service, Jennifer R.

**District 9: Present, no report**

**District 90:** GSO has sent out a message that due to current financial trends literature prices will increase \$3.00 per book on Feb 1, 2026. D90 distributed excess funds in their treasury as follows NI Area 20: \$200.00 Illowa I/G: \$200.00 GSO: \$200.00. I will be out of the country for the next two I/G meetings but hopefully I can attend remotely if I remember to take a nap. Italy is 7 hours ahead of us so the meeting will start at 1 am the next day over there.

**Webmaster:** Hello everyone, we had 10,134 visitors, 1,307 were on the site for more than 30 seconds and that's the number we have been going with. This is just 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 Virtual Page stayed as the 3<sup>rd</sup> most visited page holding the Calendar at 4<sup>th</sup>. The unexplainable spike was on the 24<sup>th</sup>. The rest of the month had its normal ups and downs. I received an email from GoDaddy that the website went down for about 10 minutes on Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm but no explanation why. I'm still waiting on GoDaddy to respond/resolve the issue with the pictures not displaying, I have 2 open tickets with them and will follow up on them this week. I did notice the last time it happened, if I just hit refresh the pictures did pop back in place. 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

**The Alley Group:** We have a business meeting scheduled for this coming Thursday when we will finalize our very first distribution of funds. We have our monthly Speaker Meeting this coming Friday, Jan 9<sup>th</sup>. Brea B., from the Henry County Group, will be the speaker.

**Bettendorf:** Moving sponsorship workshop to March instead of having it in January, Discussing fellowship events for our group. Still gathering information on using Venmo as a payment option for group donations. In love and service, Bethany K.

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

**Blandine:** Present, no report

**Central:** Present, no report

**Camden:** Not present

**Courage to Change:** Present, no report

**DeWitt:** Not Present

**Geneseo Group:** As our business meetings are held bimonthly, we have not met since November. At that meeting there was a motion to hold a business meeting on a monthly basis. It was defeated 7:1. We did make a decision to make our annual distribution of funds, but we were working off a one-month-old treasurers report, so we only distributed ½ of what we discussed until we had better information. Now that we have current data, we realize we made a wise decision and will not be distributing any more funds for a while.

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

**House Group:** Not Present

**Last Chance:** Present, no report

**Milan:** Not Present

**Marquette:** Present, no report

**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, strength and hope, they could really use the outside influence. Randy C.

**Three Legacies: Present, no report**

**West End: Present, no report**

**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 emailed to the acting secretary no later than Dec 12th, 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 2nd at 6:00 p.m.** on Zoom.

## January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026 - District 9 Meeting Minutes

**Attendance-** DCM, Alt DCM, Treasurer, Archives, Corrections, CPC, Grapevine, Literature, Public Info, Secretary, Digital Coordinator, Intergroup Liaison. **Groups-** Bettendorf, Big Book Study, Central Discussion, Clinton, Courage to Change, Marquette, Three Legacies, West End.

### Chair Reports- read

### Secretary – minutes approved

### Treasurer- Read, approval of report. Balance Forward \$3,150.43. Ending \$5,014.40

**DCM- Hello** District 9 and welcome to 2026! I am looking forward to serving AA and District 9 in whatever ways needed. Kevin and I met and reviewed the SOP's and added the suggested changes that you made. We will discuss those later in the meeting. I have also made a copy of them available on the drop box and the agenda is also in the drop box for later viewing if needed. If you are new this year as a GSR or other elected servants, please make sure Kevin (Alt DCM) has all your contact information. I am currently registered for the January Marshalltown service weekend Jan 17-18. I am also currently registered to stay in Cedar Rapids for the West Central Regional Conference for Friday night and will be returning home Sat night if anyone is looking to carpool. There was a memo sent out that beginning in Feb, literature costs will be going up. The literature chair has more information. GSO has also asked that monthly emails be sent out in regard to AA being self-supporting. As always, if you need anything. Please let me know. In love and service, Jaclyn M.

**Alt DCM- Greetings** District 9, In October there were 7,943 visitors on the aaquadcities.org website. Of those, 1,220 stayed on the site for over 30 seconds, which is about 200 below our average of 1,400 visitors a month. The meetings page is still the most visited page with the flyers coming in second. The calendar page came in third, and the virtual meetings page remained the 4th most visited page. There was an unexplained spike on the 28th of the month. There has been an issue with pictures not displaying correctly, so Randy has rebuilt some pages which seem to resolve the issue. For district members using the website, there has been a phishing email about the email accounts going around. So, just as a reminder "any information about our email accounts will come from the webmaster account and will contain the name – Randy C." Keep checking the flyers page for any type of group announcement. In Love and Service, Kevin K. District 9 Alt DCM

### Literature- No report received

**Archives- Good** morning fellow members: One of the archives duties is inventory of the District supplies and records. Please see the draft of the start of the inventory. There is a recommended list to discard. Please advise of any objections. Another duty of archives is to fill out group information forms. The Area 24 / Iowa Directory had a group called "Foglight" in Muscatine listed. Myself and another member went to check it out and fill out Group info form. I discovered that group no longer exists and stopped into another group in Muscatine. This was an excellent learning moment as the "Gratitude in Action" group meets or co-uses conference room associated with Community Healthcare. Community Healthcare displays many substances use/alcoholic use disorder posters at their locations and I was never clear on why 12 Step is not encouraged. After seeing the co-existing in Muscatine I understand it has to do more with location support than state policy, I theorize. The meeting was a hybrid and very welcoming. The meeting strongly supports a 12 Step Halfway House for Women called The Cedar River Haven. Which is also supported by local vendors. Appleby's was hosting percentage of sales on a date we're to go to The Haven. "Gratitude in Action" has a very active group on Messenger which does the 24 hour and daily reflections readings daily. They post positive posts and recognize sobriety dates. People call in from all over for the meeting. They recently have become Zoom for the meeting but still use Messenger daily. They are in District 13. An old AA group is has been mentioned in roll call and does pull up when Googled on the internet. The Stepping Into Recovery in Clinton is the Kings House men's halfway house. I stopped by and a staff member confirmed "Stepping Into Recovery AA meeting does not meet there Mondays at 7 pm. I also attended the North Scott Group that meets in Eldridge. This group meets on Fridays. The joke is it is date night there. Several couples in the meeting have a partner in Alanon or AA and each attend. The members were surprised they were not listed in the Area 24 Directory. I also attended the Ground Zero Group in Des Moines. This is not part of archives duties, but I was invited and curious to check it out. They meet at Rise Recovery Center in Des Moines. There are several 12-step groups in that location and a very large meeting room. The speaker was Lily and she will be speaking at the International Women's Conference that will be held in Des Moines this year. Her talk is titled, "Recovery after Incarceration". The conference is sold out but Zoom is still open. An interesting difference, I noted, was the meeting opened with the Set Aside Prayer. The chairperson would say a line then the room would repeat. The location uses a social media platform called The Band and several people made reference to the

positive posts that give the members a positive mood boost during the day. I also attended District 8 online meeting. It was a Tradition meeting, and they used ChatGPT to summarize the Tradition for the meeting's subject matter. I enjoyed the summary by ChatGPT and the comments by the members. The woman with the longest sobriety time at Marquette, Joann R, sadly passed away Nov 21. Her sobriety date was September 10, 1977. She had several sayings but one was "God isn't ready for me and the devil is afraid of me." She used to be a Central regular but had to stop going there when she no longer drove. She also would go to Blandine but had to stop after having her leg amputated and the building was not handicapped accessible. Marquette members as soon as she was given the OK to leave facility would pick her up for meetings almost every day. She left money in her estate for Marquette to "have a party" for her Celebration of Life. This is currently scheduled for April 25, after the 11 am meeting. Your presence would mean a great deal to the group who never forgot about a member during her declining health. Joann gave AA 48 years of never-ending support for the group and the newcomer. November 28, a local member Jeffrey G. spoke at Blandine. He has self-published his journals from his time in treatment (July 8, 2020) and the first couple of years of sobriety. The book is called "Beyond Broken". It was an interesting read for a person that has not been in treatment in 35 years and it was so cool to hear him make reference to a local group. He takes meetings into the jail and has most notably a broad recovery plan to maintain his sobriety. That is the biggest difference from recovery 35 years ago and recovery today. I have printed off copies of the cases and a news story that was referenced in an AA Grapevine Podcast. I was shocked to hear that the US Court system and the Canadian Healthcare system view AA as a religious organization. Please see the AA Grapevine podcast from September 15, 2025. "I could have missed all this". It is explained nicely on that episode. The court cases are all listed on Smart Recovery's website "Court Cases and Mandated 12 Step Attendance" and the Nurse story can be found on cbc.ca "Atheist nurse wins fight to end mandatory 12-step addiction treatment". I got the "3 Legacies" Group Information Form filled out by a founding member Cheryl. This group reads all 3 readings, provides childcare, has a quarterly business meeting and is hybrid. David H. spoke that night and Rachel B. picked up her 9-year chip. I attended a speaker meeting at the Salvation Army Adult Residential Center in Davenport. This meeting is not open to the public but Donnie and Pat can bring in up to 6 AA members. This is a men's facility that primarily serves homeless and recently released from prison. Men are court ordered to the facility and there is a registered nurse on staff. The AA meeting is what they call Bridging the Gap. Speakers from local groups are brought in to tell their story. The goal being when transitioning from the shelter into their own living they will find a support group. A local member from another group told his story. It was quite moving. He immigrated to America as a child and today is a business owner and married with 3 children. I sent Christmas Cards to 2 members in aged care facilities and 1 member in hospice. I signed the card District 9 archives. 1 member sent a message back thanking me for remembering him. One group is taking meetings to him 1 time a month. Mike L. Former Trustee for AAWS and from Omaha NE spoke at the District 4 Tue December 30, which is an online meeting. He shared about the Traditions in our relationships. During his time working for AAWS the Preamble change was going through. He stated the group that brought the issue forward were adolescents and when they came into AA and felt they were excluded or not really welcomed. He stated he got a lot of negative feedback from the change. He spoke about opening his e-mail shortly after Grapevine changed the preamble from "Men and Women" to "people" and one group was threatening to sue him personally. The next e-mail was from a mother who had son that was transitioning and went to a men's AA meeting and was told he didn't belong there. He went back to his hotel room sent his mother a message saying "even AA didn't want him" and committed suicide. This story made him double his belief that AA is to be available for all. In service, Christy P.

**CPC-** No report received

**Treatment-** No report received

**Grapevine-** January's issue of the grapevine provides various stories of different things that helped AA members in early sobriety. It was interesting to read how others got through early sobriety as a reminder of the things that can continue to help us throughout sobriety. There is information about what GSO plans to work on this year as well. There are discussion topics in each Grapevine and a weekly podcast available on the app. Consider getting a Grapevine subscription either through the app or by mail to continue supporting this resource. -Amber J.

**Intergroup Liaison-** No report received.

**PI-** Hello all, I am excited a new year in this position. We are looking to do another workshop, potentially in the spring (tbd). If your group has a PI position, please connect them to me. Love and service MJ

**Corrections-** No report received.

### Group Reports:

#### Central Discussion – No report received.

**Big Book Study-** Hello from the Big Book Study Group! We continue to have good attendance, both online and in-person, weekly. Our business meetings are on the second Tuesday of every month. We had elections back in November, and Erica S-C is our new alternate GSR. My position as well as hers is a 2-year rotation. We will continue to serve until January 2027. I will update and email the group information change form soon. We are excited and looking forward to our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event on Tuesday, February 24th. Doors will open at 5 p.m., potluck dinner at 5:30, and Jason M. from Burlington, IA will speak at 6:30pm. We look forward to seeing everyone there. I look forward to attending the January service on Saturday. I have registration and hotel reservations made for the West Central Regional Forum in February. In love and service, Jennifer G.

**Three Legacies-** Good morning, District 9, and Happy New Year from Three Legacies. I'm happy to introduce our new Alternate GSR, Rebecca N. With the start of the new year, our home group members are stepping into new service roles, and it's been great to see that level of participation.

We continue to offer daycare during our meetings. If you know of any parents in our fellowship who need childcare in order to attend a meeting, please feel free to send them our way. Daycare is available by free-will donation.

Attendance remains steady, both in person and on Zoom. Our next business meeting will be held on Thursday, January 22, immediately following our 6:00 p.m. speaker meeting.

I will be unable to attend the first Marshalltown meeting; however, our Alternate GSR is planning to go. If anyone is attending on Saturday only and would like to carpool, please reach out and I can help you get connected. In love and service, Erin B

**Marquette** - January 3@ 5:30 Is the new Saturday night meetings. Also on January 10 is the Marquette holiday party starting at 5pm to 7:30pm. Add the next business. We are adding to read 12 traditions.

#### West End – No report received.

**Old Business-** SOP's reviewed, approved and passed.

**New Business-** Budgets are due in February. Revisit expectations of each chair.

**Motions:** For district to pay for DCM and Alt DCM to attend west central regional conference = \$400 total – passed.

Motion to move April 5<sup>th</sup> meeting to April 12<sup>th</sup> due to Easter Sunday – passed.

Motion to move July 5<sup>th</sup> meeting to July 12<sup>th</sup> due to July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday – passed.

Motion to move Sept 6<sup>th</sup> meeting to Sept 13<sup>th</sup> due to Labor day – passed.

#### Dates to remember:

- Area business meeting – Jan 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026 @ 8am – Jan 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026, 5pm Marshalltown IA. GSR encouraged to attend on Saturday only, business meeting Sunday zoom
- West central regional conference – February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026, 8am – March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026, 5pm Cedar Rapids – no one required to attend.
- Area business meeting March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026, 8am – March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026, 5pm Marshalltown IA. GSR encouraged to attend but not required. Business meeting Sunday zoom.
- Spring area conference June 12th-14<sup>th</sup> 2026 Marshalltown IA
- August Marshalltown
- September Mini event date TBD.
- October Area 24 Fall Conference
- November is elections.

## **District 90 Business Meeting - Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

**Welcome-** Serenity Prayer- Attendance: Interim DCM- Randy C., Alt DCM- Maddie P., Treasurer- Gene V., Corrections/Henry Go. GSR- Aaron M., Treatment- Erics B., Literature- Jennifer R., BTG- Craig K., Intergroup Liaison/ Alley Group GSR- Butch W., Geneseo GSR- Chris W., Last Chance Alt. GSR- Sarah A., Camden GSR- Jon B.

**AA Birthdays:** Jenifer R. 7 yrs, Butch W. 36 yrs.

**Dec. Minutes Approval:** Erics Motions, Maddie 2<sup>nd</sup>, Minutes Approved

### **Officer Reports:**

- **DCM:** OPEN - Randy C.- Couple of things from Area, they are replacing the word “donation” with “contribution” from all Area literature. If you remember a few years ago there was a hour long discussion about this an it happened again with a motion this time. There was a lengthy discussion about the chairs using their personal emails instead of the NIA20 provided email. Even though there has been some issues Area is standing on using the NIA20 email. I emailed the Preliminary Agenda Items. Note: there was a lot of discussion about items 1, 15, 31 & Area’s Primary Purpose. (Randy will get answers to the questions presented.)

- **Alt. DCM:** Maddie P.- Area’s PO Box is changing, the old one will remain open until the use dwindles. Spring Conference March 13-15 at the Hyatt Regency Schaumburg.

- **Treasurer:** Gene V.- Beginning Balance: \$1,791.55, Deposits: \$25.65, Debits: \$758.00, Set Aside Monies (debit) \$1,150.00, New Balance/Available Funds: -\$90.80, Savings/Prudent Reserve: \$449.48.

- **Secretary:** OPEN

### **Committee Reports:**

- **Corrections:** Aaron M.- BTG is still hard to do. New Corrections Chair, may still be working on getting Digital BB & GV for prisons. Hard time getting approvals for Life Skills.

- **Treatment:** Erica B.- Got some New people for Top of the World. Did get to speak at Riverside. Looking for Women for RICO Jail Thursday.

- **Literature:** Jennifer R.- Literature prices go up \$3 for books, and 15% for all other literature items. The 2025 International Convention Souvenir book, “A BOOK OF FELLOWSHIP: 90 Years of Love & Service is available now.

- **PI:** Open     • **Accessibilities:** OPEN     • **CPC:** OPEN     • **Grapevine:** OPEN

- **BTG:** Craig K.- Hopefully the new Area Chair will bring BTG together. Still handling it locally, the old way, calling around. Looking for Southern IL contacts.

- **Archives:** OPEN.

- **Intergroup Liaison:** Butch W.- Meeting running long Butch had to go. Jennifer updated us on the Speaker Jam and Anniversary Event. Tickets for Event are available.

### **GSR Reports:**

- **Geneseo:** Chirs W- Meeting running long Chris had to go.

- **Last Chance:** Alt. Sarah A.- Speaker Meeting 16<sup>th</sup>, Bingo once a month.

- **Henry Co.:** Aaron M.- Sat. 17<sup>th</sup> Speaker, David H. Business Meeting the 20<sup>th</sup>. Cabin Fever Mar. 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>.

- **Camden:** Jon B.- Breakfast is back, the next is Jan 18<sup>th</sup>, 8am, prior to the 9am. Come for breakfast, stay for a meeting. Continuing on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays.

- **Alley Group:** Butch W.- Meeting running long Butch had to go.

- **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: - OPEN POSITIONS**

- **Continuing Discussions District Meetings as Hybrid**
- No progress made with Colona or the Church down the street.
- Butch may have a 3<sup>rd</sup> option at a different Church.
- Keeping Discussion Ongoing

**New Business: Corrections/Treatment/BTG Workshop:** May 9<sup>th</sup>, 1pm, pending Approval from Camden

**Craig motions to adjourn, Gene 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting Adjourned.**

**Next Meeting: Feb. 3, 2026 at 6pm via Zoom.**

## ATTENTION!!!



### INTERGROUP WANTS YOU!!!

Intergroup elections are coming up March 2nd, 2026, at 6pm at the Intergroup Business Meeting on Zoom. All positions are open. We need YOU, please 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

Job descriptions and sobriety requirements on the website service page or available from Katie at the Intergroup Office.

[illowaintergroup@yahoo.com](mailto:illowaintergroup@yahoo.com) or 309-764-1016

## **Duties of the Officers**

**Chair-(2 years sobriety)** To preside over the meetings of the Body of Representatives. Empowered to call special meetings of the Body of Representatives on seven (7) days written notice to the representatives and alternates. Authorized to co-sign checks. To serve on the web site committee. To create special committees as needed.

**Co-Chair (2 years sobriety)** To assume the duties of the Chair whenever the Chair is unavailable to serve for any reason.

**Telephone Chair (2 years sobriety)** To be responsible for the 24-hour telephone answering service, assuring that it is always manned. Maintain and update phone list, instructions and 12-Step contacts. Work alongside the Office Manager, (if needed) in making the monthly phone calendars.

**Treasurer (2 years sobriety)** Responsible for all financial affairs of the Intergroup Office. Unusual expenses over \$100.00 must be approved by the Body of Representatives.

Review and balance all expenditures and receipts. Sign checks with co-signature of Chair, Secretary or Intergroup Office Manager. Two signatures are required on all checks and may be any two of the aforementioned persons.

Prepare monthly financial report with the aid of the Intergroup Office Manager. This report is to show all receipts and expenditures of the past month and year to date.

Responsible for overseeing the preparation and signing of all federal and state tax forms. An outside service may be used for the preparation of these forms, subject to the approval of the Body of Representatives.

Ensures the Intergroup Office maintains a 3-month prudent reserve.

**Secretary (2 years sobriety)** To record minutes of both the regular and special meetings of the Body of Representatives. 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. To give notice of special meetings of Body of Representatives to all Group Representatives and member groups with the help of Intergroup Office Manager.

**Newsletter (1 year sobriety)** responsible for creating, printing, collating, and mailing monthly newsletters. Office manager provides assistance with information available only at the office (call counts, group contributions, etc.) and other ways if possible. Newsletter chair is responsible for getting and compiling minutes from Intergroup and District meetings, flyers from groups, and any other information he/she deems pertinent, and presenting it in a manner consistent with AA's 12 Traditions and Intergroup's bylaws, as well as GSO guidelines.

**Events (1 year sobriety)** responsible for organizing and executing all Intergroup events – Anniversary/Dinner-Dance, Golf Outing, Softball Outing, and any other events - forming committees, maintaining accurate records of expenses and income, and reporting to the group.

**District 9 Liaison (1 year sobriety)** Responsible for attending both District and Intergroup meetings monthly and reporting the activities and pertinent information of each group to the other.

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## ***Help Us Brew Something Special!***

**Monetary contributions for coffee  
are needed for the Intergroup  
Anniversary Event!**

**Donations can be made directly to  
Intergroup.**

**Questions? Call 309-764-1016**

***Thank you for your support!***



# RAFFLE BASKET DONATIONS NEEDED FOR THE *52nd Annual Illowa Intergroup Anniversary Event!*

TIME TO GET CREATIVE! PLEASE  
DROP OFF YOUR BASKET DONATION  
TO THE INTERGROUP OFFICE BY  
FRIDAY, APRIL 10<sup>TH</sup> AT 4PM AND  
WE'LL BRING IT TO THE EVENT!



Contact the Intergroup Office with  
questions: 309-764-1016

You are Formally Invited to Our



# 52nd Annual Illowa Intergroup Anniversary Event

**“A Design for Living”**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2026**

Hickory Creek Event Center  
3504 Hickory Grove Rd.  
Davenport, IA

**SPEAKER: SLOAN B.**

Waukesha, WI  
Doors Open: 4:30PM  
Dinner: 5:30PM  
Speaker: 7:00PM

## **TICKET PRICES:**

\$35 through March 4<sup>th</sup>

\$40 starting March 5<sup>th</sup>

**DEADLINE TO PURCHASE TICKETS: MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup>**

**To Pay via Venmo/PayPal:**

[illowaintergroup@yahoo.com](mailto:illowaintergroup@yahoo.com)

\$36.58 through March 4<sup>th</sup>

\$41.74 starting March 5<sup>th</sup>

Please put “Event Tickets & Name” in memo

**Questions?**

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## **Illowa Intergroup QR Codes**

Website - [aaquadcities.org](http://aaquadcities.org)



Website Meeting Guide



# Camden Serenity Group Invites You

## Speaker Meeting

Frank C. - Bettendorf Group

Saturday, February 7, 2026

Fellowship: 5:30pm

Potluck: 6:00pm

*(please bring a dish to share)*

Raffles: 6:45pm

Meeting: 7:00pm



306 W 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Milan, IL 61264

# **BIG BOOK STUDY GROUP 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

## **WHEN**

**Tuesday, February 24, 2026**  
**Doors open 5pm**

## **WHERE**

**Asbury United  
Methodist Church**

**1809 Mississippi Blvd., Bettendorf, IA 52722**



**5PM:  
DOORS OPEN**

**5:30PM:  
POTLUCK &  
FELLOWSHIP**

Chicken provided,  
bringing a dish to  
share is welcome but  
not required!

**6:30PM:  
SPEAKER**

Jason M. from  
Burlington, IA

**BBS GROUP IS A  
HYBRID MEETING. JOIN  
US IN PERSON OR ON  
ZOOM:**

Meeting ID: 821 7468 0504  
Passcode: 634096

# 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Cabin Fever Speaker Banquet



**Saturday March 7, 2026**

Hill Church 107 N Main Street Kewanee, Illinois

Registration, Fellowship 5:00 – 6:00

Dinner 6:00 – 7:00



## **Shanna G. & Scott G. Des Moines, IA**



**7:00 – 9:30**

**Dinner & Speakers: \$25.00**

**Speakers Only: Contributions Welcome**

**Contact**

**Craig K. - Erica B. - Gene V. via Intergroup (309) 764-1016**

**Sunday March, 8 1:00-4:00 Hill Church 107 N Main St Kewanee, Illinois**

## **Shanna & Scott**

**Present**

### **“We Absolutely insist on enjoying Life”**

### **Steps & Traditions in Relationships**

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

Or 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 \_\_\_\_\_

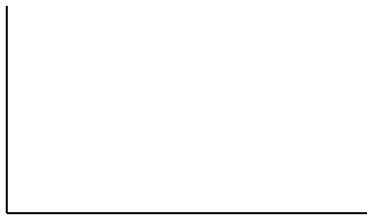
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