

March 1, 2026 District 9 Meeting Minutes

Attendance- DCM, Alt DCM, Treasurer, Archives, Corrections, CPC, Grapevine, Intergroup Liaison, Literature, Public Info, Secretary, Technical Coord. **Groups-** Bettendorf, Big Book Study, Dewitt, Marquette, Three Legacies, West End, Clinton.

Chair Reports- read

Secretary – minutes approved

Treasurer- read, approval of report. Balance Forward \$6,209.80 Ending \$6,241.07

DCM- I am grateful for the opportunity to attend the West Central Regional Conference this last weekend. It was very information and there were a total of 383 attendees between online and zoom. There were so many attendees from District 9. Thank you all for supporting Area 24 as they were the host for the conference this year and it only comes our way 1 out of 8 years!! The conference was all about the agenda items. There were some break out sessions and speakers. I also sent a letter to all groups with a sign up for the west central regional conference along with encouraging participation at district 9 and with the elections this year. A few were returned and I will be looking into those. I am also signed up to go to Marshalltown in 2 weeks to attend the area business meeting and go over the agenda items with our area. More to come! Jaclyn M In love and service, Jaclyn M.

Alt DCM- Greetings District 9, There were 13,417 visitors in February. Of those, 1,428 were on the site for more than 30 seconds. This is on par with our average of 1,400. The Meetings page is still the most visited page, with the Flyer page coming in 2nd. The Calendar stayed as the 3rd most visited page and the Virtual Page remained as 4th. There were 2 unexplainable spikes this month on the 2nd and the 27th. The rest of the month had the standard ups and downs. The website went down for 6 minutes on Feb. 13th, 5 minutes on the 4th, and again for 6 minutes also on the 4th. The only response for GoDaddy on all the tickets I have entered was "the issue was resolved," and the ticket was closed. They closed the ticket on the pictures not displaying. Go Daddy wants us to purchase a Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) Certificate, which basically lets the Web Browser know that the Website has been verified and uses data encryption. The SSL is a \$50 per year increase. Last year the renewal was \$163, so this would increase our cost to \$213. I would not advise on the additional purchase at this time. Randy is recommending that we move away from GoDaddy. We went with them because that is what the previous Webmaster used, and we had limited Web Hosting choices. Now, 10 years later, there are several other companies that do Web Hosting for less cost and offer free SSL. Randy currently uses a different company, ICDSOFT. He said that he switched his personal website to them 9 years ago and 8n8AA has been using them since its creation 6 years ago, plus he just added cabin fever this year. The cost for ICDSOFT is \$112/yr. Randy has held off on bringing up a switch from Go Daddy until he was confident that ICDSOFT would be a good choice. He's now confident that we should switch. During the switch our website would go completely offline for 24 to 28 hours. This will be put on the Agenda for April.

Just a reminder about the flyer with QR codes for groups to post; one takes you to the website the other takes you to the Meeting Guide. As always, 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- Hello! Please mark your calendars for June 12, 2026. 10 am to Noon for the Area 24 Archives Open House 16 E. Main St. City Centre Marshalltown. IA This is the same weekend as the 2026 Area 24 Spring Conference. I attended the International Women's Conference via Zoom. I attended Stepping Stones and Akron history presentation. Stepping Stones will be having their 75th Anniversary June 6 this which will be a Hybrid event so check their Facebook page to register. Their photos are fantastic. Founders Day is the weekend after. Check their Facebook page for details. Bettendorf longtimer Rip passed away February 9, 2026. (sober date 1978). His story was recorded at the Blandine picnic in 2022. He joked he never lost a fight to anyone smaller than him and he got kicked out of Sophie's Silver Moon. He later went on to get sober and carry the message of hope to others trying to get sober. Get involved in the fellowship was his message. I attended part of the 2026 West Central Region Service Conference. I set up an Archives display and played the DVD "Markings on the Journey" and "Conscience Contact" on Feb 21 at the House Group. Group would like me to come back and show "Conscience Contact" as that one you cannot buy as a DVD. The is a call out for stories from the Asian Alcoholic and Transgender Alcoholic. The pamphlets are being done. Deadline March 31. Please spread the word. Word limit 500-1000 words. Yours In Love & service, Christy

CPC- hi all! Wow! this year seems to be moving fast! I can't believe we're into March! I met with my Bettendorf CPC chair to discuss future events and hopefully come up with some ways to reach our professionals in the area. I am still planning on going to Marshalltown for the service weekend, March 14th and will be talking to our D9 PI chair soon to plan this year's workshop. Any ideas, connections for professionals in the area you all think I could reach out to, please don't hesitate to let me know. In love and service, Ronna.

Treatment- No report received

Grapevine- The March issue of the Grapevine includes stories about AA & the family. As always, you can purchase subscriptions to the app, print magazines, or both. There are monthly, yearly, two year, and three year subscriptions for all three types of subscriptions. You can gift a Grapevine subscription through the "Carry the Message" program. They also have a podcast every Monday and are on instagram. Anyone can submit stories and learn more at aagrapevine.org. Amber J. she/her/hers.

Intergroup Liaison- No report received.

PI- I attended the West Central Regional conference this weekend. PI agenda items were all "review items" which means that it is less likely that a motion will come out of committee. Most discussions centered around minimizing costs while still having our information out there. Analytics of use of our online media can be found in the background information. The 2026 proposed survey has been pushed back by a year to save cost. Love and Service, MJ

Corrections- No report received.

Group Reports:

Central Discussion - Central Discussion is alive and well. We are in the beginning stages of planning our Anniversary and we made our quarterly contributions. Our next business mtg is in April. Yours in service, Cissi

Big Book Study- Hello from the Big Book Study Group! We had our 25th Anniversary Event this past Tuesday had a great turnout, there were 72 in attendance! Our business meetings are on the second Tuesday of each month. We continue to see attendance that averages 50 people each week. I just got back from the West Central Regional conference in Cedar Rapids and WOW what a weekend! Lots of experience and passion shared about the upcoming agenda item. I look forward to attending the Service Saturday in Marshalltown, IA in March. In love and service, Jennifer G.

Three Legacies- Hello District 9! Three Legacies continues to see strong attendance both in person and online at our Thursday evening hybrid speaker meeting. Our donation-based childcare remains well utilized, allowing parents and guardians to attend meetings. I also attended the West Central Regional Conference in Cedar Rapids this weekend and appreciated the opportunity to participate in person with delegates, trustees, and AAs from across the region. I look forward to discussing the agenda items with our home group members at our agenda-specific business meeting next weekend. Erin B

Marquette - Joanne celebration of life is on April 25 start at 12pm . Some of her books will be raffled. For more information go to the illowa page. Marquette Anniversary On may 9, I will give more information later. Angie P.

North Scott – No report received

West End – No report received

Old Business- Turn in budgets to the treasurer.

New Business- Agenda items for the 76th general service conference committees. Mini event chair? Delegates gift (last year was \$150 gift card).

Motions: Motion to get delegate \$150 gift card – passed.

Dates to remember:

- Area business meeting March 14th 2026 9am – March 15th 2026 5pm Marshalltown IA. GSR encouraged to attend but not required. Business meeting Sunday zoom.
- Spring area conference June 12th-14th 2026 Marshalltown IA
- August 16th Marshalltown business meeting
- September Mini event date TBD.
- October Area 24 Fall Conference in Cedar Falls, IA
- November is elections.