

April 12, 2026 District 9 Meeting Minutes

Attendance: DCM, Alt DCM, Treasurer, Archives, Corrections, CPC, Intergroup Liaison,, Public Info, Secretary. **Groups** in attendance: Bettendorf, Central, Marquette, Three Legacies, West End.

Chair reports: Read

Secretary: Minutes approved

Treasurer: Report read, approved. Balance forward: \$6,241.07 Ending: \$6,390.90

DCM: Hello district 9! It seems like forever since our last meeting and so much has been going on! I was able to mail out the gift card for our delegate and he has received it for his trip to NYC coming up soon. I also worked with the Alt Delegate to make sure the directory for our district is accurate. If you find something inaccurate, please let me know and I will have it changed. Since our last business meeting, I attended the Area 24 business meeting. From that meeting, Dist 8 put in a bid for the Spring conference in Grinnell IA. The Spring 2026 in Marshalltown committee requested and encouraged everyone to sign up for their meals by May 29th. The current operating balance at area is \$16,363.88 (after the prudent reserve and all expenses up to the meeting date). The new motions that were brought up were: Motion to increase the amount of money that our area contributes to NY for the delegate to go was amended to 7,000 this year. There was a subcommittee formed to review the conference guidelines and there will be a report in June. The secretary computer is not been working correctly, motion to purchase a new one or have it repaired not to exceed 1,000 passed. A motion to give \$1,000 seed money to the 2027 spring conference committee passed. Agenda items were also discussed on Saturday. As always, if there is anything that is needed, please don't hesitate to reach out! In love and service Jaclyn M

Alt DCM: Greetings District 9,

There were 18,315 visitors in January. Of those, 2,806 were on the site for more than 30 seconds. This is almost twice our average of 1,400. The Meetings page is still the most visited page, with the Flyer page coming in 2nd. The Calendar page was the 3rd most visited page and the Virtual Page remained as 4th. There was an unexplainable spike on the 26th. The rest of the month had standard ups and downs. The website went down for 7 minutes on Jan 9th. It also went down twice on the 16th for 7 minutes and 25 minutes. I went down again on the 19th for 8 minutes. Randy submitted tickets for each of these, and the response from Go Daddy each time was "the issue was resolved". Randy then submitted a 5th ticket asking why the whole website went down 4 times in January when the ticket response it that the issue was resolved. He is still waiting on Go Daddy to respond/resolve the issues with the pictures not displaying. There are two open tickets with Go Daddy that they have not responded to yet.

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 fellow members and trusted servants: I am continuing to gather flyers from Intergroup for the District 9 filing cabinet and sending on Anniversary flyers, etc to Area 24. I also went to the Clinton Group Cabin Fever. It was a very enjoyable social event. The picture I am sending around was sent from Area 24 Archives Jeff. You will be able to see this photo if you go to the Area 24 Archives Open house June 12. GSR's please see the Archives Update for more information. This photo was taken July 1944 at Pioneer Park. These truly were the pioneers in AA in Iowa. The first sustained AA meeting in Des Moines was held October 29, 1943. Ray Harrison. wrote the book, "Clancy Got Well" under the pseudonym Jay R. Clancy. His sponsor Don Farrell from Omaha came back (150 miles away in Omaha) to carry the message of AA to Ray after being in AA for 1 week. What was his motivation? Judge Ray had sentenced Don for operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated but instructed him to go to the hospital instead of jail as he was sick and maybe they could help him. The kindness made an impact on Don. Judge Ray says he was really being more kind to the taxpayer as Don had previously been arrested 78 times in 1 year. Ray read the book in one night. His sobriety date is August 14, 1943. A quote from, "Clancy Got Well", "I believe that AA doesn't so much teach us HOW to quit drinking, as it does HOW to live." Also, I like the photo and the quote underneath from "As Bill Sees It". AA's can be resilient when others expect them not to be. Jeff G. AA member and author was interviewed on "Blue-Collar Leadership 38. Rock Bottom, Rehab and Rebuilding" I encourage everyone to give it a listen. The show is a current living example of Chapter 10 in the AA Big Book "To Employers" "As a class, alcoholics are energetic people. They work hard and they play hard." Also GSR, please give this update to your group and hopefully your groups archives file. I found the pictures in District 9 archives. The obituary is Bill Dotson the famous man on the bed. I also encourage everyone to listen to the Grapevine Weekly Open AA Meeting you can be on the Zoom call or later listen to it later on You Tube. They have speaker meetings from authors that have been in the Grapevine. Grapevine charter forbids collecting money. You can always contribute on AAWS by going to AA.org using the "contributions" button. Also, GSO podcast "Our Primary Purpose" has finally started season 2. They have been talking about the service structure and I was surprised to learn several new items. In service, Christy P.

CPC: hi all - Things are going well in CPC world. will be setting up another meeting with my Bettendorf CPC chair to brainstorm on how we can connect to various professional groups in the QC. looking forward to attending the spring conference. more to come, in love and service, Ronna

Treatment: No report received.

Grapevine: The April edition of the Grapevine features stories about the importance of getting involved in the general service structure. 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.

Intergroup Liaison: No report received

Public Info: No report received

Corrections: No report received

Group Reports:

Central Discussion:

BBS: Hello from the Big Book Study Group! We have great attendance every Tuesday at 6:30 pm. Hope to see you there soon. We are looking into scheduling a group inventory for the summer. More information will be discussed at our business meeting this Tuesday. I am registered for the spring and fall conferences and have my hotels booked. Grateful for these opportunities to serve. In love and service, Jennifer G.

3 Legacies: Hello District 9! The Three Legacies celebrated their 13th anniversary last month with a fantastic turnout. Attendance remains steady, both in person and on Zoom. 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. Our last business meeting was productive, focusing on the conference agenda items. I sent our group conscious directly to our Area 24 delegate. Our next business meeting is scheduled for June 18th. Love and Service, Erin B.

Marquette: No report received.

North Scott: No report received.

West End: No report received.

-Old Business: None

-New Business: Mini event chair - No discussion. Proposed agenda for Area Tech Chair Dave - creating a specific area for virtual only groups, allowing them to participate in the service structure.

-Motions: None

Dates to remember :

- 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.