



Groupline

THE SIOUXLAND INTERGROUP NEWSLETTER

October 2017

**The Next
Siouxland Intergroup
Meeting will be 7:00PM
Thursday, Oct 19, 2017
at the Central Office,
614 Cook St. in Sioux City
Come early and grab a good Seat!**

**If you would
like your
EVENT to be
listed in the
GROUPLINE
or if you have artwork,
poetry or an article you
would like to be considered
for print, please email your
submission to:**



AAcentralofficesc@gmail.com

**or drop it by the
Central Office or
call us at 712-252-1333**

**Our website is
www.aasiouxcity.org**

**The next DISTRICT 1
Meeting will be 7:00PM
Tuesday Oct 10, 2017
at the Hawkeye Club,**

CENTRAL OFFICE HOURS

Sat, Sun, Mon: CLOS
Tues--Thurs: 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
Fri: 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

A Sense of Service

Tradition Nine

Generally, when we hear the word organization, we think of a situation where there are a lot of rules, and someone with a certain amount of power governs or is in control. Out of curiosity, I decided to look in the dictionary for a definition of the word "organize," and I found that to organize means to systematically prepare or arrange for effective operation. Isn't this what has been done in AA? We have service boards and committees of varying natures that we elect or appoint and who assume responsibility without trying to take on authority, people who, because of a true sense of spiritual simplicity and service to others, effectively carry out the duties of whatever job they are asked to perform. But this sense of service doesn't only apply at the level of boards or committees. Look at the group and the people who regularly get there early and set up the meeting area, the people who make the coffee, clean up the ashtrays, sweep the floor, and carry out the other tasks just because they know they have to be done. These are only a few examples, but the same principles apply in all of AA, be it at the level of group, intergroup, or general service. As long as we have members who continue to have the best interests of AA at heart and enjoy doing the things that need to be done without any notion of power or prestige, Tradition Nine won't be any problem.

-- Pinky H.

London, Ontario

Area 24 Annual Fall Conference

"Progress not Perfection"

October 13,14,15 2017

Sioux City Convention Center

801 4th Street

Sioux City, IA 51101



<p>Friday, October 13</p> <p>3-10pm - Registration</p> <hr/> <p>8:00-9:30pm Sharing Sessions DCM, GSR, and Area Officers</p> <p>9:45-11:15pm- Workshops- PI, CPC, Literature and Grapevine Skit</p> <p>Saturday, Oct. 14</p> <p>7:00-8:00AM- Early Bird Meeting</p> <hr/> <p>8:30-11:15am - Area Business Meeting</p>	<p>11:30-1:30pm- Luncheon Al-Anon: Dort M., Weeping Water, NE Alateen: Patrick S., Ames, IA</p> <hr/> <p>1:45-5:30pm Area Business Meeting</p> <hr/> <p>6:30-11:00pm- Banquet AA Speaker: Bobby C. from Philadelphia, PA. Talent Show!</p> <hr/> <p>9:30-11pm Workshops: Corrections, Treatment, Archives & Newsletter</p> <hr/> <p>11:15-12:15am Candlelight Meeting</p>	<p>Sunday, October 15</p> <p>7:30-8:30am Open AA Meeting</p> <hr/> <p>9:15-10:15am Ask It Basket</p> <hr/> <p>10:15-11:15 Al-Anon Spiritual Speaker Barb G.</p> <hr/> <p>10:30-11:30am AA Spiritual Speaker: Strachia S</p>
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Area 24 2017 Fall Conference Pre-Registration Due by Sept. 15th

Name:

Badge Name:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

☐ AA ☐ AL-ANON ☐ ALATEEN

Adults	\$15.00 Pre-Registration	\$17.00 at the door	
Alateen	\$5.00	\$5.00	
Meals	Saturday Lunch \$19	Sat. Dinner \$29	
Total			

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Make checks payable to:

Area 24 2017 Fall Conference
Mail to: Area24 Fall Conference 2017
5006 Sergeant Road
#334
Sioux City, IA 51106

SIouxLAND INTERGROUP



UNITY DINNER



Hosted by:

Saturday 8:30am "By The Book Group"

Saturday Nov 11, 2017

First Lutheran Church

3939 Cheyenne Blvd, Sioux City, IA

5:00 Registration/Fellowship

5:30 *Pot-Luck Dinner*



6:30 *Al-Anon Speaker: Diane D, Sioux City, IA*

7:10 *AA Speaker: Coach, Hull IA*

Main Dish: Pulled Pork and Beef Brisket

**Please bring a hot dish,
salad or dessert to share!**

Suggested \$5.00 free will donation

All proceeds will help support the Siouxland Intergroup Central Office

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OTHER DONATIONS

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The September meeting was opened at 7:00 P. M. with The Serenity Prayer, by Rose A.. The Intergroup Statement of Purpose, and Central Office Statement of Purpose were read with 8 members present.

Secretaries Report: The Secretaries report was read by Secretary Michelle M. A motion to accept the August Minutes as read was made by Tim L., Seconded by Rose A and the motion passed.

Treasurers Report: Treasurers report was given by Mike H. A motion was made by Bryon W. to accept the Treasures report as read, seconded by Jerry K., the motion passed.

District One Report: The District purchased a new PA system and working on guidelines for the use and storage of that system.

Functions and Committees: The next Siouxland Intergroup Potluck Unity Dinner will start at 5pm on November 11th at the First Lutheran Church, 3939 Cheyenne Blvd. in Sioux City. The main dish's will be Pulled Pork and Beef Brisket. Bring a side dish or desert.

Old Business: The District 1 Labor Day picnic was attended by over one hundred people who had great food, a lot of joyful fellowship and 2 great speakers.

New Business: Mike H will be attending the Central Office/Intergroup Seminar in Washington DC on 5-9 Oct. Mike made a motion for an additional \$30 to purchase the thumb drive that will have all the break-out sessions. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Paul T made a motion to add an extra \$100 to cover any additional expenses for Mike H while at the Central Office/Intergroup Seminar. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Announcements: Reminder that the last Saturday of the month is Birthday Night at the Leeds Clubhouse. Meeting starts at 5:30pm with a potluck dinner afterward.

A motion to close was made by Rose A, and seconded by Michelle M. The motion passed and the meeting closed at 8:00pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Michelle M., Secretary

New dimensions

After many years in AA, she discovered the Third Legacy and her sobriety blasted off

I remember when I picked up my desire chip feeling very frightened, different and alone. But the people in that AA group said, "Keep coming back!" They put a cup of coffee in my one hand and a piece of birthday cake in the other. Then they put several phone numbers in my pockets! I left as quickly as I could. I was so uncomfortable in my own skin, but the love and acceptance of those people who helped me through my first year of sobriety kept me coming back.

I was glad that AA didn't give me money, or a job or a place to live. They taught me how to live, how to earn respect and trust that enabled me to get a job and become self-supporting. I learned how to be successful on a spiritual level, rather than on a material level. That gave me everything I needed to make progress in all the other areas of my life.

-- Norma A.

Austin, Texas, USA



Faithful Fivers, in gratitude for their sobriety, contribute \$5 each month to the Central Office to keep it operating and to keep the phone service going. Our Faithful Fivers program has been working for the past seven years, and has helped carry AA's message of recovery to the still suffering alcoholic. Please make checks payable to SIOUXLAND INTERGROUP.

Mail to: Siouxland Intergroup
P.O. Box 3684
Sioux City, IA 51102

FAITHFUL FIVER

\$5.00

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ Zip _____ Date _____

What are Faithful Fivers?

Faithful Fivers are A.A. members who graciously contribute five dollars or more* each month to support Siouxland Intergroup

As a Faithful Fiver, you support efforts to carry the A.A. message of hope to still-suffering alcoholics in the Greater Sioux City Area.

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

Bill W., *Language of the Heart*

* Contributions are limited to \$3,000 per member per year† and are tax deductible under Internal Revenue Code §501(c)(3).

†Page 9—Self Support Pamphlet

Yes! Please enroll me as a Faithful Fiver!

Complete the form on the opposite side:

Payment Options Are:

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Sioux City, IA 51102

Or drop off the form to:

Siouxland Intergroup
614 Cook Street
Sioux City, IA 51103

If choosing direct payment, mail or drop off the payment and keep the form for your records.

Bill W. wrote of Intergroup Offices, "Though not costly, these agencies are absolutely essential to our continued expansion—to our survival as a Fellowship. Their costs are a collective obligation that rests squarely upon all of us. Our support of services actually amounts to a recognition on our part that A.A. must everywhere function in full strength—and that, under our Tradition of self-support, we are all going to foot the bill."

*"Self-Support: Where Money and Spiritually Mix" pamphlet
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