



# Groupline

THE SIOUXLAND INTERGROUP NEWSLETTER

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## Glimpses of Truth

**Rebellion, stubborn, exhausted by self-will, she finally glimpsed the truth behind the excuses she made for her habitual drinking**



Why was my roommate holding my hair as I was throwing up in the toilet? Why was she talking to me as I gasped for air and tried not to throw up more? I heard her tell me that one of her ex-husbands was an

alcoholic. Was she saying that I was an alcoholic? She informed me that I had passed out on the waterbed after drinking at a club called Safaris that night. Blacking out on parts of my evening couldn't be happening, I thought, because I controlled what bars I drank in, the people I hung with, the money I spent. I was in control!

So why did I feel terror in the pit of my stomach at the thought of passing out, going into a blackout? I couldn't face that my drinking had progressed to this frightening level. I said to my roommate as she helped me get up from the floor and washed my face: "I hardly ever get sick when I drink. It must be because I didn't have any dinner. Also, I usually don't drink whiskey, just wine or beer or very light drinks."

-- Jackie H.  
Hurst, Texas

### The Next

**Siouxland Intergroup Meeting will be 7:00PM Thursday, Jan 18, 2018 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](mailto:AAcentralofficesc@gmail.com)

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

Our website is [www.aasiouxcity.org](http://www.aasiouxcity.org)

**The next DISTRICT 1 Meeting will be 6:30PM Tuesday Feb 9, 2018 at the Hawkeye Club4 20 Jones St, in Sioux City**

### CENTRAL OFFICE HOURS

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

# AA – A Solution for All Generations

## 2018 West Central Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Conference



**March 2, 3, & 4 – 2018**  
**West Des Moines Marriott**  
1250 Jordan Creek Pkwy  
West Des Moines, IA 50266  
515-267-1500 for Reservations

**For group room rates on or before 2/15/18, mention reservation code WCRAASC. One king or two queen beds (\$107.00 + tax).**  
**Other nearby hotels include:** Fairfield Inn & Suites (515) 225-6100, Residence Inn (515) 267-0338, Courtyard (515) 223-9800, and SpringHill Suites (515) 223-9005

For transportation from Des Moines International Airport (DSM) to West Des Moines call West Des Moines Marriott to arrange a shuttle ride to the hotel.

<b>Friday, March 2nd</b>	9:00a	General Session 2 – “Participation in All of AA: Is My Triangle Balanced”	7:30p	Open AA Speaker Meeting – Clement C. (GSO)
2:30p				Meeting – Clement C. (GSO)
3:30p				(GSO)
7:00p	9:45a	Break	8:45p	Break
Opening and Welcome	10:00a	GSC Agenda Items II	9:00p	GSC Agenda Items IV
Meet the Delegates/	11:30a	Lunch (on your own)		
Area Highlights Meet the	12:45p	Breakout Sessions		
Trustee/Report	1:45p	Break		
8:00p	2:00p	Breakout Sessions		
General Session 1 –	3:00p	Break		
“Today’s Alcoholic,	3:15p	General Session 3 –		
Inclusion not Exclusion”		Attraction not Promotion:		
8:45p		A.A.’s Relation to the World	8:45a	Break
Break		Break	9:00a	“Ask It Basket” and
9:00p		GSC Agenda Items III		General Session 5 –
GSC Agenda Items I		Dinner (on your own)		with the Trustees
<b>Saturday, March 3rd</b>	4:00p			
7:30a	4:15p			
Early Bird Meeting	6:00p			
8:45a				
Opening and Welcome				

**Contacts: Wanda P. (515) 554-6866 – Dan G. (641) 485-6731**

To complete online registration visit: <https://wcraasc.cheddarup.com>

### **Registration Form** – Please print clearly

**Registration Fee – \$15** Mail to: WCRAASC., PO Box 367, Des Moines, IA 50302

**Preregistration must be received by 2/19/2018**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name on Badge \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Home Group \_\_\_\_\_

Position (GSR, DCM, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_ District Represented \_\_\_\_\_ Area Represented \_\_\_\_\_

Special Needs Request \_\_\_\_\_

# St. Patrick's Day Celebration

**Saturday**

**March 17, 2018**

**5:00 P.M. Dinner**

**St. Mark's Lutheran Church**

**5200 Glenn Avenue**



**Bingo - Songs & Dance - Comedy**  
**Corn Beef & Cabbage / Chili**

**GSR Fundraiser for District 1**

**\$5.00 suggested donation**

**at the door**



# GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS THRU Jan 31, 2018

GROUP NAME	THIS MONTH	YEAR TOTAL	GROUP NAME	THIS MONTH	YEAR TOTAL
21 Club N-S Group			No Name Group	<b>\$180.00</b>	\$180.00
3 & 11 Groups Quarterly Breakfast			One A Day Group		
Afternoon Matinee Group			One Page At A Time Group		
Akron AA Group			Pause When Agitated Group		
Big Book Buddies Study Group			Room 106 Big Book Study Group at Holy Spirit		
Books & Beans Group			Saturday AM 12x12 Study Group		
Books & Cookies Group			Satyrday Longtimer Speaker Meeting	<b>\$5.00</b>	\$5.00
By the Book Group			Second Chance Group		
Check your Ego at the Door Group			Serenity Now Group		
Cheyenne Non-Smoking Group			Sergeant Bluff AA Group		
Club 21 Group			Sioux City Tri-State Roundup		
Come and Go Group			Solutions Group Women's BB Study Group		
Drunks Helping Drunks Group			Someone Cares Group		
Early Risers Group			South Sioux Friday Nite BB Study Group		
Elk Point AA Group			South Sioux Tuesday Niter's Group		
Faith Without Works Group	<b>\$5.00</b>	\$5.00	Spiritual 3-11 Meeting - Hawkeye Club		
Faithful Fiver's	<b>\$540.00</b>	\$540.00	Steel Magnolias Group		
FOUNDER'S DAY			Stockyards Men's Group	<b>\$200.00</b>	\$200.00
Fox Hall Chapter 2			Sunday 1030AM Spiritual Meeting	<b>\$5.00</b>	\$5.00
Friday 530 PM Group			Sunday 3-11 St. Luke's Hospital Group		
Friday Night Keep It Simple Group S.L.			Sunday Nite Big Book Study Grp		
Glenn Ave Group			Sunrise Attitude Adjustment Meeting	<b>\$42.00</b>	\$42.00
Grupo Nuevo Camino			Sunrise Retirement Home Group		
Hawkeye 10AM Group			Sweets and Treats Group		
Hawkeye Steps 3&11 Grp at Mercy Hospital			TGIS in Alton Group		
How and Why of It Group			The How & Why Of It 12x12 Group		
Jackson Nebraska Monday Night Group			Tuesday 12 X 12 Group		
Leed's Tuesday Open Group			Tuesday Early Bird Group		
Leed's Wednesday Brown Bag Group			(NEW) Tuesday Night Speaker Tape Meeting		
Leeds Sunday Nite Spiritual Group			QUARTERLY UNITY DINNER		
Living in The Solution Group			We Can Group		
Living Sober Group	<b>\$5.00</b>	\$5.00	Wednesday BB Study Group	<b>\$16.00</b>	\$16.00
Many Hands Caring Grp			Westlawn Group		
Marble Group			Where It All Begins Group		
Morningside Fellowship Group			Wise Words Fellowship Club Group	<b>\$5.00</b>	\$5.00
Moville Tuesday Nite Group			Women's Big Book Group	<b>\$50.00</b>	\$50.00
New Freedom Group			Women's Open Topic Group		
No Matter What Group			Young Persons In AA		
			Fund raiser selling water at Tri-State Roundup		
<b>OTHER DONATIONS</b>					
Birthday Donations	<b>\$10.00</b>	\$10.00	Individual Gifts	<b>\$1000.00</b>	\$1000.00
Cash Donations	<b>\$75.00</b>	\$75.00	Memorial Donation		
Central Office Open House			** Monthly Intergroup Mtg**	<b>\$12.25</b>	\$12.25

## Faithful Fiver Contributors as of Jan 31, 2018

Anonymous    Bill H    Bob L    Carol C    Charlie K    Christy K    Dave W    Deb G    Dianne B    Don P    Greg N.    Jeff D  
 Kathy B    Kevin J    Kevin M    Matt C    Michelle M    Mick M    Mike H    Mike R    Pat G    Ray G    Rick W    Rodney C  
 Teresa S.    Theresa J    Tim H    Tim L    Tony S

The January meeting was opened at 7:00 P. M. with The Serenity Prayer, by Intergroup Chairman Michelle M. The Intergroup Statement of Purpose, and Central Office Statement of Purpose were read with 12 members present.

**Secretaries Report:** The Secretaries report was read by Secretary Rose A. A motion to accept the December Minutes with corrections was made by Tim L., Seconded by Jerry K. and the motion passed.

**Treasurers Report:** The Treasurers position is still unfilled. Treasurers report was given by Mike H. A motion was made by Dean E to accept the Treasures report as read, seconded by Rose A., the motion passed.

**District One Report:** At the January District 1 meeting, Gary D was elected as the new Newsletter Chair.

**Functions and Committees:** The Next Siouxland Intergroup Unity Dinner will be hosted by the "Steel Magnolias (Sun 7pm) and Books & Cookies (Sun 8pm) Groups and held on Feb 3rd at Faith United Presbyterian Church. See the website or flyer for details.

**Old Business:** The next Unity Dinner will be held on May 5th and be hosted by the Morningside Fellowship Group (Fri 8pm) at the 1st United Presbyterian Church. The A.A. speaker is John J and the Al-Anon speaker is Patty J. The 2018 Founder's Day has a tentative date of Sept 15th, location TBD. Siouxland Intergroup still has the, **Treasurer Position open**. A special election will be held when someone steps up for that position.

**New Business:** The Aug 5th Unity Dinner will be hosted by the Saturday Morning Sunrise Attitude Adjustment Group. Paul T made a motion to have Mike H purchase a new \$385 computer for the Central Office to replace the system that crashed. Tim L seconded the motion and the motion passed with a unanimous vote Tony S. made a motion to start future Intergroup meetings at 6:30pm. The motion was tabled until the February Intergroup meeting.

**Announcements:** No new announcements.

A motion to close was made by Rose A. and seconded by Tony S. The motion passed and the meeting closed at 7:40pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

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## **Siouxland Intergroup News**

~ Siouxland Intergroup is searching for a new Treasurer. Anyone interested please contact the Central Office (712) 252-1333 or attend the next 7PM Siouxland Intergroup meeting at the Central Office, 614 Cook St which is on the 3rd Thursday of each month.

~ Meeting location change...On March 6th, the Tuesday Early Bird Group that has been meeting at St. Boniface Church will be moving to Mayflower Congregational Church, 1407 W 18th (corner of West 18th and Rebecca Streets)

~ To make sure your group is informed on what is happening in the Metro Area, send your IGR (Intergroup Representative) to the monthly meeting. If your group doesn't have an IGR....WHY?

*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

## Yes! Please enroll me as a Faithful Fiver!

Complete the form on the opposite side:

Payment Options Are:

Electronic Check  
Personal Check  
Cash (DO NOT MAIL CASH)

Submit the form:

and

mail to:

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

Or drop off the form to:

Siouxland Intergroup  
614 Cook Street  
Sioux City, IA 51103

(DO NOT LEAVE CASH in MAILBOX)

If choosing direct payment, mail or drop off the

*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*