



Groupline

THE SIOUXLAND INTERGROUP NEWSLETTER

December 2023

The Next
Siouxland Intergroup
Meeting will be 7PM
Thursday, December 21, 2023
at the Central Office,
614 Cook St. in Sioux City
Come early and grab a good Seat!

AA GRAPEVINE

The International Journal of Alcoholics Anonymous

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 6:30PM
Tuesday, December 12, 2023
at Club 215
2432 Jay Ave, in Sioux City

December 2023
Remote Communities and Sober Holidays
This month's feature section is "Remote Communities and Sober Holiday Stories." Members share hopeful stories about alcoholics having trouble reaching AA and the people who do Remote Community service. Plus some wonderful sober holiday stories!



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GRAPEVINE.ORG DECEMBER 2023

CENTRAL OFFICE HOURS

Sun, Mon: CLOSED
Tues--Thurs: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
Fri: 11:30 am to 2:00 pm
Sat: 10:00 am to 1:00pm

A Short Memo *From Siouxland Intergroup Central Office*

Hello! This past month the phone continues to ring on average of 10-12 calls per week for available meetings within our District as well outside of our District. Last month Central Office had 20 drop in visitors: to *buy literature, meeting schedules, pamphlets and offer group donations*. The website got an average of 34 daily visits this past month (1004 total) . Donations were received from 16 AA Groups, Unity Dinner, and 25 Faithful Fiver's. Thank you to those groups and individuals that continue supporting your Intergroup Central Office! Thank you to those who stop in every month, we do have continuous sales of our AA literature from our members including District 2 and Vermillion.

District 1 report for November, District 1 will be hosting 2024 Area 24 Fall Conference and will be meeting 15 minutes before Christmas party 12/12/23 615pm. Committees will be designated duties.

Intergroup' s next meeting 12/21/23, we will be electing new board members for 2024. I will also be putting together a Service Workshop Panel, in hopes to get new volunteers a better understanding on our service work we have available here at Central Office. Date TBA, most likely be offering lunch.

The flyers for activities that are coming up are available on the website, www.aasiouxcity.org, in the *local events* tab.

As always, I am very grateful to be here keeping the AA energy flowing and keeping AA available and accessible for new and seasoned members!

Siouxland Intergroup Central Office Manager, Veronica K.

Thank you to our November 2023 monthly "Faithful Fivers", "Birthdays" & "Groups" contributions that make it possible for Siouxland to have a Central Office!!!

Groups

Friday 5:30pm Group
Glenn Ave Group
Leeds Sun. Nite Spiritual Mtg
Living in The Solution
Loones Near the Dunes
Siouxland Intergroup Mtg
No Name Group
One a Day Group (Tues. & Fri.)
S.S.C. Fri. Big Book Study Grp
Hawkeye Club Spiritual Steps 3
& 11 Group
Sun. 1030am Spiritual Group
Sunrise Attitude Adj. Zoom
Group
Sat. Sunrise Attitude Adj.
Group
Tues. 12x12 Group Fellowship
Vast Amount of Fun
Unity Dinner (Living in the
Solution group)

faithful fivers

Anne B.
Bill H.
Bob L.
Carol C.
CJ
Dan P.
Dave W.
Delvin W.
Diane B
Jane S.
Jesse V.
Lori W.
Lyle R.
Mike G.
Mike H.
Nick H.
Paul T.
Pat G.
Ray G.
Rick W.

Rod C.
Ryan M.
Tim L.
Tom C.
Veronica K.

Birthdays/ Individual



Siouxland Intergroup Meeting minutes from Nov 16th, 2023

The meeting was opened at 7:00 pm with serenity prayer and introductions by Tim L followed by the Intergroup Statement of purpose and the central office statement of purpose which was read with 7 members present.

Secretary's Report: The secretary's report was read by Jesse V. Motion to accept the secretary's report was made by Jerry K and seconded by Bill H; motion passed.

Treasurer Report: The treasurer's report was read by Bill H. The motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Jesse V and seconded by Josh M; motion passed.

District 1 Report: Tony S will be the Treasurer for the Fall 2024 Conference and there is possible Chair and Speaker Chair for the event. There is a new application for the jail meetings and those who are already approved will need to fill out the new application.

Functions and Committees: The Unity Dinner was a great success. Looking for someone to host the next unity dinner.

Old Business: The Audit will be completed by Frank G.

New Business: Veronica went to the Central Office conference, which was attended by 100 Central Office managers, many of whom are having similar issues. Some of the things she would like to implement are an application for volunteers which was approved unanimously and maybe using Venmo to help with collecting donations. Veronica would also like to have a workshop on what services central office offers and how more people can help.

Announcements

Back to Basics is starting again November 27th, 2023, 6:30 pm Club 215 2432 Jay Ave
District 15 Annual Christmas Party December 9th, 2023, 5pm Rejoice Church Le Mars IA

District 1 Annual Christmas Party Potluck December 12th, 2023, 6:30pm Club 215 2432 Jay Ave

25th Annual Winter Rally January 20th & 21st 2024 Best Western Motel Fort Dodge, IA

16th Anniversary Sioux City Tri-State Roundup March 1-3, 2024, Marriott Riverfront South Sioux City NE

A motion to Close the meeting was made by Jerry K and seconded by Bill H. The motion passed the meeting closed at 7:45 pm with I am responsible.

Respectfully Submitted
Jesse V., Intergroup Secretary

Step Twelve *“Having had a spiritual awakening as a result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics and practice these principles in all our affairs.”*

“ Practical experience shows that nothing will so much insure immunity from drinking as intensive work with other alcoholics. It works when other activities fail. This is our *twelfth suggestion*; Carry this message to other alcoholics! You can help when no one else can. You can secure their confidence when others fail. Remember they are very ill.”

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Intergroup Board

Board Officers

Chairperson	Tim L.
Co-Chairperson	Bryon W.
Secretary	Jesse V.
Treasurer	Bill H.

Board Members / Intergroup Representatives

Josh M. (Men's Stockyard Meeting)
 Jerry K. (Sat. 12x12 Noon—Fellowship Club)
 Jay L (Living in the Solution Sun 7pm Leed's)
 Veronica K (Office Manager)

Your Intergroup board meets every third Thursday at 7pm at the Intergroup Central Office.

Tradition Twelve

“Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.”

Long Form—“And finally, we of Alcoholics Anonymous believe that the principle of anonymity has an immense spiritual significance. It reminds us that we are to place principles before personalities; that we are actually to practice a genuine humility. This to the end that our great blessings may never spoil us; that we shall forever live in thankful contemplation of Him who presides over us all.”

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The Role of an Intergroup Representative

Serving as an Intergroup Representative offers you a rewarding opportunity to share in Alcoholics Anonymous' Third Legacy—Service.



Here's how it works. The Intergroup Representative is elected by his or her group. (Meetings, by definition, do not have group reps). They then attend the monthly Intergroup Representatives meeting. To this meeting they bring any suggestions, comments, or opinions their group may have. The Intergroup Representative or alternate casts their groups vote on all matters requiring a group conscience.

The purpose of the Intergroup Rep is to be a link in the chain connecting the individual member of an AA group to those who are elected to maintain the operation of Siouland Intergroup. This allows Siouland Intergroup to better serve its members—which is the reason for its existence as provided for in the 9th Tradition which says, “AA, as such ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.”



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SIOUXLAND INTERGROUP CENTRAL OFFICE

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

- ⇒ to receive, distribute and follow-up on "12-Step Calls"
- ⇒ to answer inquiries about A.A.;
- ⇒ establish local public information about local hospitals and recovery facilities for alcoholics;
- ⇒ to provide "Locally Produced A.A. Related material", "Conference Approved A.A. Material" and "Other Recovery Related Material." Form SI-1, Dec 2017

To become a better trusted servant of your group and of A.A. as a whole.

- ◆ **Visit the Central Office**
- ◆ **Attend Intergroup Regularly**
- ◆ **Keep your AA group Up-To-Date**
- ◆ **Ask Questions**

Intergroup Meetings: Intergroup meetings are held the *third Thursday of every month* at 7:00 p.m. at the Central Office. Intergroup Representatives (IGR's) meet with the board to discuss the needs of Intergroup and AA groups. Here, events such as the Hoe-down, Founder's Day, New Year's Celebration and Unity Dinners are planned with the groups participating in these events. **Intergroup's main purpose is to serve the suffering alcoholic through the Central Office that serves as the link between Alcoholics Anonymous and the public.**

Financial support: Intergroup is supported solely by contributions from the **groups** and from **individual members** through programs like the "**Birthday Plan**" and the "**Faithful Fivers plan**". Ask us how you can help.

Updates on AA meetings in our District

Please contact Siouxland Intergroup Central Office with any group updates or meeting changes. Help us keep an accurate updated meeting list of both in person and online meetings so the newcomer can find us.

712-252-1333



SUNRISE ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT MEETING

Monday—Saturday
6:30am

In the Library at
The Hawkeye Club
420 Jones St
Sioux City, IA
51101

Start you day with an
“Attitude of Gratitude!”

SUNDAY BREAKFAST

FELLOWSHIP CLUB

1403 SUMMIT

8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

EVERY SUNDAY

\$5.00 SUGGESTED
DONATION

MEETING FOLLOWS @
10:30 AM

Fundraiser for the club

No one turned away – but service work may be asked for
1403 Summit Street
Sioux City, IA 51103

Food Fun and Fellowship



A \$3 donation is suggested.
Main dish is provided please bring a side.

Come celebrate your birthday at
Leeds Birthday Night!!!!



Monthly and yearly chips presented

The last Saturday of every month
5:30pm meeting followed by a Pot luck
Leeds Alano Club 4034 Floyd Blvd
Sioux City, IA 51108

UPCOMING EVENTS

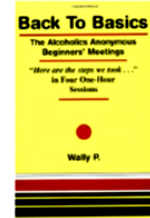


"Joining AA was an excellent move, Fenton. But let's not overdo the 'easy does it'!"

NEXT SESSION STARTS 11/27/2023



Get "rocketed to the fourth dimension"!!!



NEWCOMERS!!!
OLDTIMERS!!!
EVERYONE!!!

- 11/27/2023 – Session 1: Overview and Step 1
- 12/4/2023 – Session 2: Steps 2, 3, 4
- 12/11/2023 – Session 3: Steps 5, 6, 7, 8, 9
- 12/18/2023 – Session 4: Steps 10, 11, 12

Join us LIVE:

6:30 PM MONDAYS

Club 215

2432 Jay Ave

Sioux City

Bring your "Big Book" and/or your Back To Basics book

Limited copies of Back To Basics will be available for sale

Please review "The Doctor's Opinion" and pages 1-43 of the "Big Book" before the first session.

Questions? Email us: backtobasicssiouxcity@gmail.com



Please Come and Join Us For
Our



Christmas PARTY

District 15 Annual Christmas Party Potluck

Tuesday, December 12, 2023

6:30pm– 7:30pm

Club 215

2432 Jay Ave

Sioux City, IA 51106



POTLUCK DINNER

Please Bring an Appetizer to Share!

If you have interests in being a part of 2024 Fall Conference Committee, please come earlier.

6:15pm ~ Discussion, Fall Conference Committee Mtg

SAVE THE DATE! District 15 Annual Christmas Party

Saturday, December 9 | 5pm
Rejoice Church in Le Mars
Speakers, Food, and Fellowship

Potluck Meal: Meat will be provided

Appetizers: A-H

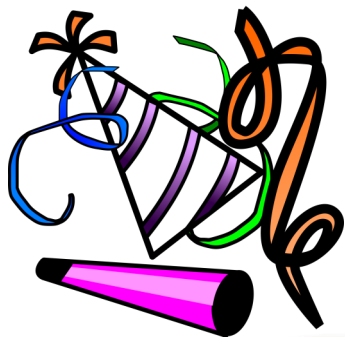
Salads/Sides: I-P

Dessert: R-Z.

AA speaker: Glenn B

AI Anon speaker: TBD

Contact: Jane C. at 712-578-9555



Bring on
the
NEW YEAR!



NEW YEAR'S EVE

and

NEW YEARS DAY

New Beginnings Bash
Club 215 @215 Jay Ave

SUNDAY DEC 31ST 8pm - 1am

Starts after 6:30 NA meeting

AA meeting @8:00

Chili, Soup, Sandwiches provided

TVs (watch games), **Board games, Cards** available

Bring board games you'd like to play

Please bring snacks, sides and desserts

MONDAY, JAN 1ST 12N - 8PM

(starts after 10:30 One a Day meeting)

Same menu, TV, games, cards

Please bring snacks, sides and desserts

\$5 suggested donation

Open to all

*Please do not walk on grass between parking lot and bldg.
It is private property that does not belong to Club 215*

Upcoming Events

Sunday December 31st 2023

Leed's Alano Club Birthday Night
and New Years Celebration

5:00 PM Come celebrate your birthday
Monthly and year chips to be presented

5:30-6:30PM Potluck Dinner
Tacos provided please bring a side dish

7:30pm Spiritual Meeting

8:30 - ??? New Years fellowship
and festivities

A \$3 donation suggested.

Leeds Alano Club 4034 Floyd Blvd
Sioux City, IA 51108



Trust God, Clean House, Help Others

2024 Winter 12-Step Workshop



*new year
new beginnings*



**Ring in the New Year and join us in working the 12-steps of
Alcoholics Anonymous:**

**January 8, 2024 from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM. The 10 week workshop
will meet each Monday at 5:30 PM at the Jay Ave Club House, 2432
Jay Ave., Sioux City, IA.**

**There will be a 40 person limit and we anticipate a capacity
workshop. Please join us on Facebook at Step Workshop Vince &
Will for updates and to print Step Class work book.**

**To register for the class and details for the pre-workshop homework
please contact:**

Will M. at 712-898-7768

Yours in the Fellowship,

Will

Contribute Your Time

“Help Carry the Message”

Revised November 16, 2023



Gratitude of Service Form / Volunteer / Service work

Personal Information – all information is confidential

Today's Date: _____ New Volunteer _____ Information Update _____
 First Name _____ Last Name _____ Gender _____
 City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____
 Email Address _____ Sobriety Date _____
 Phone# _____ Birthdate _____
 Home Group _____ Other Language _____
 Do you have a sponsor? _____

Check All That Apply

- Intergroup Rep (IGR) (discuss with your home group)
- 12 – Step Call (at least one year sober & actively working with sponsor)
- Temporary Sponsor (at least one year sober & actively working with sponsor)
- Give Contact a ride to a Meeting (have a driver's license)
- Hotline Volunteer (at least one year sober & actively working with sponsor)
- Help with Unity Dinner Set-Up/ Clean -Up (Willingness to do service work)
- Bridge the Gap Volunteer (at least one year sober & actively working with sponsor)
- AA Speaker (at least one year sober & actively working with sponsor)

Weekday Hours Available

Monday _____
 Tuesday _____
 Wednesday _____
 Thursday _____
 Friday _____

Weekend Hours Available

Saturday _____
 Sunday _____

Please return this to your home group IGR (Intergroup Rep) or to your Central Office: 614 Cook St, Sioux City, IA 51103

12- Step Volunteer: Be sure to stop in at the Central Office to pick up packet & 12-Step Call Brochure.

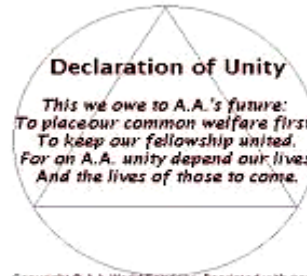
Hotline Volunteer: Be sure to stop in at the Central Office to pick up packet that will assist you in your service work.

For every volunteer, Central Office will contact you and do your very best to say yes when you are called.
 Siouxland Intergroup Central Office – PH (712) 252-1333 – 614 Cook St. Sioux City, IA 51103

Your support of the Siouxland Intergroup Central Office helps keep the doors open and the phone connected to help save the lives of alcoholics who wish to recover.

**Suggested Contribution Plan From GSO:
50-30-10-10**

Central Office	*50%
District	*30%
Area 24	*10%
GSO	*10%



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Join the Siouxland Intergroup Birthday Club



What is the Birthday Plan?

In grateful celebration of their sobriety birthdays, many A.A. members contribute one dollar or more for each year of sobriety to any or all of our four service entities; the local Intergroup, District, Area, and General Service Office.

Every A.A. service is designed to help carry the A.A. message to the alcoholic who still suffers. Your Birthday Plan contributions* help make our vital services possible.

Intergroup Central Office

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

Payable to: Siouxland Intergroup

General Service Office (GSO)

Mail to: The General Service Office
P.O. Box 2407
James A Farley Station New
York, NY 10116-2407

Payable to; General Service Board

Area 24

Mail to: Area 24 T/N
P.O. Box 1291
Des Moines, IA 50301

Payable to; Area 24 Treasury

District 1

Mail to: District 1
P.O. Box 5246
Sioux City, IA 51102

Payable to; District 1 AA