



Groupline

THE SIOUXLAND INTERGROUP NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2025

AA GRAPEVINE

The International Journal of Alcoholics Anonymous

The Next
Siouxland Intergroup
Meeting will be 7PM
Thursday, March 20, 2025
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 6:30PM
Tuesday, March 11, 2025
at Club 215

CENTRAL OFFICE HOURS
Sat, Sun, Mon: CLOSED
Tues--Thurs: 9:00 am to 2:30 pm
Fri: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

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Sober and Out
This month's featured section is "Sober and Out."
LGBTQ+ AA members share stories of acceptance,
tolerance, service, sponsorship and love.

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ANONYMOUS AA GRAPEVINE.ORG MARCH 2025



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 **23 drop in visitors**: to buy literature, meeting schedules, pamphlets and offer group donations. The website got an average of 46 daily visits this past month (1286 total). Donations were received from 11 AA Groups, 31 Faithful Fiver's and 1 birthday. 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. The *Plain Language Book* is now available, \$12.



District 1 report for February meeting, still looking for Functions & Committee Chair. Intergroup's next meeting 3/20/2025, and Intergroup will be hosting upcoming Unity Dinner 3/29/2025.

We are happy to inform the fellowship that we have a PayPal giving fund account, search us under charities if you are wanting to make personal donations or go to our website homepage.



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 February 2025 monthly "Faithful Fivers", "Birthdays" & "Groups" contributions that make it possible for Siouxland to have a Central Office!!!

Groups

Check Your Ego at the Door
Jackson Mon. Night Group
Living in The Solution
Loons Near the Dunes
Intergroup monthly mtg
PayPal
Sunrise Attitude Adj. Zoom
Group
Sat. Sunrise Attitude Adj.
Group
Stockyards Men's Group
Vast Amounts of Fun
Wed. Where It All Begins Group

faithful fivers

Bill H.
Bob L.
Carol C.
CJ
Dan P.
Dean R.
Dakota
Dave W.
Diane B
Greg R.
James S.
Jay M.
Jim S.
Jesse V.
Jesse S.
Kevin M.
Levi M.
Luke S.
Matthew W.
Mick M.

Mike G.
Mike H.
Paul T.
Rick W.
Rod C.
Tim L.
Tom S.
Tom U.
Veronica K.
Sunrise Attitude Adj Group

Birthdays/ Individual

Rick W. (40 years!)



Siouxland Intergroup Meeting Minutes from February 20, 2025

The meeting was opened by Jesse V. at 7:00pm with serenity prayer, the Intergroup Statement of Purpose and Central Office Statement of Purpose, with 10 present.

Secretary's Report: Tom C., not present, stayed home not feeling well, minutes was read by Veronica K. with no corrections or deletions. Motion to accept was made by Brandi S., and seconded by Tim L., motion passed.

Treasurer Report: Was given by Brandi S., a motion to accept was made by Jesse V., and seconded by Tim L., motion passed.

District Report: Was given by Josh M., the Stone State Park Lodge was reserved for Labor Day Picnic 9/1/2025. Larry J. will be helping with picnic. They are still looking for Functions and Committee chair.

Functions and Committees: Veronica K. dropped off deposit to Morningside Lutheran Church, flyer is up on website. Jesse V. will look into finding Al-Anon speaker. We will have table to sell literature again this year at Tri-State Roundup.

Old business: Jesse V. will talk to Tom C. about printer. Loon's near the Dunes will be hosting 2nd Quarter Unity Dinner.

New business: Brandi has prices on meat \$3.08 per lb. (36 lb. box). Estimating to get 50 lbs. of ground beef. We will use ice cream scoops to help with portion control for taverns at Unity dinner. We will meet again Sunday, March 23, 2025 here at Central Office at 1:30pm.

Announcements: Indian Taco Fundraiser Sat. 2/22/2025 at Fellowship Club, 12pm until sold out. Tri-State Roundup 2/28-3/2/2025 at Merriott Riverfront. Aim for Ames Roundup 3/28-30/2025, Unity Dinner Saturday, 3/29/2025 Morningside Lutheran Church, Al-Anon Spring Frolic Saturday 4/12/2025 St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Men's 22nd Annual "Miracle Weekend" AA Retreat- 4/25-27/2025 Lake Okoboji United Methodist Church Camp. 2025 7th Annual Halfway House Alumni Recovery Retreat 6/6-8/2025 Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camp Ingham. Flyers available on website.

Motion to close was made by Brandi and seconded by Levi, meeting closed at 7:30pm with I am responsible.

Respectfully submitted by Veronica K.

Step Three *“Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him.”*

“Then it is explained that other Steps of the AA program, can be practiced with success only when Step Three is given the determined and persistent trial. This statement may surprise newcomers who have experienced nothing but constant deflation and a growing conviction that human will is of no value whatever.

It is when we try to make our will conform with God’s that we begin to use it rightly. To all of us, this was a most wonderful revelation. *Our whole trouble had been the misuse of willpower. We had tried to bombard our problems with it instead of attempting to bring it into agreement with God’s intention for us.* To make this increasingly possible is the purpose of AA Twelve Steps, and Step Three opens the door.

Once we have come into agreement with these ideas, it is really easy to begin the practice of Step Three. In all times of emotional disturbance or indecision, we can pause, ask for quiet, and in the stillness simply say: “God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference. Thy will, not mine, be done.”

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Tradition Three *“The only requirement for AA membership is a desire to stop drinking.”*

“This Tradition is packed with meaning. For AA is really saying to every serious drinker, “You are an AA member if you say so. You can declare yourself in; nobody can keep you out. No matter who you are, no matter how low you’ve gone, no matter how grave your emotional complications—even your crimes—we still can’t deny you AA. We don’t want to keep you out. We aren’t a bit afraid you’ll harm us, never mind how twisted or violent you may be. We just want to be sure that you get the same great chance for sobriety that we’ve had. So you’re an AA member the minute you declare yourself.”

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2025 Intergroup Board

Board Officers

Chairperson	Jesse V.
Co-Chairperson	Tim L.
Secretary	Tom C.
Treasurer	Brandi S.

Board Members / Intergroup Representatives

Paul T. (Visitor)
 Jesse S. (Men’s Stockyard Meeting)
 Levi H. (Visitor)
 Stephanie T. (One A Day/Unity Dinner Volun.)
 Missy R, (Volunteer Unity Dinner)
 Josh M. (District)
 Veronica K (Office Manager)

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

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 Siouxland Intergroup. This allows Siouxland 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.”

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



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

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!

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

SPECIAL EDITION *25th Anniversary*

District 1 Labor Day Picnic

Stone State Park at Stone Lodge
Monday, September 1, 2025

8am - Lodge opens w/ Coffee & Fellowship
Registration 10am

10:30am AA Speakers Dave & Bev A (Lyons, NE)

12pm ~ **POTLUCK** ~ *Coney Islands & BBQ Pork Sandwiches*

1:30pm—20 minute shares from: Benny B., Shari F., Paula P.

2:30pm—Larry J. 50 year chip by Buddy T.

Please bring: w/ last names (A-M) bring Sides or Salads, (N-Z) Desserts Thank you!

Family friendly, rain or shine!!!




From I-29, take exit 151, which is Hwy 12 North. Go North on HWY 12 approx. 4 miles to the park entrance.

Stone State Park
 5001 Talbot Road
 Sioux City, 51103


You are invited to attend the 48th annual
Springtime in the Ozarks

APRIL 17, 18, 19 & 20, 2025
Inn of the Ozarks
 Eureka Springs, Arkansas
"Shoulder to Shoulder"

Speakers:


Thursday 8:00 pm: Convention Center— Connie A., Fayetteville, AR
 Friday 9:00 am: Convention Center "Big Book Study" Jennifer K., Plano, TX & Beth H., Destin, FL - Bingo Friday & Saturday
 Friday 8:00 pm: City Auditorium— Jimmy D., Dallas, TX
 Friday 8:00 pm: Conventior Sue L, Brk
 Saturday 9:00 am: Conventior
 Saturday 10:30 am: Conventior
 Saturday 1:00 pm: Conventior
 Saturday 8:00 pm: City Auditor Beach, FL
 Saturday 8:00 pm: Conventior
 Sunday 9:30 am: Conventior

Ice Cream Social After Thursday Speaker



For Lodging Information Contact:
 Eureka Springs Chamber of Commerce
 Website: eureka Springschamber.com
 Phone: 800-638-7352

Eureka Springs Transit System
 Website: eurekaatrolley.org
 Phone: 479-253-9572



REGISTER ONLINE at
 PRE-REGISTRATION MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN APRIL 18th
 PRE-REGISTRATION IS \$25.00
 ALL REGISTRATIONS AT THE DOOR ARE \$30.00
 ALATEES ARE FREE
 EVERYONE MUST WEAR A BADGE
 Committee Treasurer Willie D. 478-659-2253

BADGE INFORMATION (ALL BADGES WILL BE HELD UNDER:
 Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Email _____ Phone _____

Ice Cream Social Thursday, 9pm—\$13.00 per person
 Donation to the Convention - Includes Scholarships
 Total Amount _____

Make Checks Payable to: **Springtime in The Ozarks**
 P.O. Box 3042
 Holiday Island, AR 72631

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR LODGING AND PARKING INFORMATION

Siouxland Intergroup Quarterly Unity Dinner






Menu: Taverns

Please JOIN US for DINNER, Fellowship, Speakers & show your support for Central Office!! **Suggested \$10 Freewill Donation.** All proceeds help support the Siouxland Intergroup Central Office.

Hosted by: *Siouxland Intergroup Central Office*

Saturday, March 29, 2025

First Lutheran Church
 3601 Dakota Ave.
 S. Sioux City, NE. 68776

5pm—Registration & Fellowship
 5:30pm—Dinner
 Main Dish provided ~ Taverns

Asking for Volunteers w/ last names (A-H) bring Sides, (I-P) bring Salads, (Q-Z) bring Desserts, please and Thank you!

5:50pm: **Book Raffle (\$1/1 or \$5/10)**

6:10pm : Al-Anon Speaker: Dave H. (Sioux City, IA)
 6:45pm: AA Speaker : Jesse S. (Sioux City, IA)

Contact the Intergroup Central Office with any questions (712) 252-1333 or if you want to volunteer!

AL-ANON INFORMATION OFFICE ANNUAL DINNER

SPRING

potluck

SATURDAY, APRIL 12TH, 2025

St. Mark's Lutheran Church
 5200 Glenn Ave
 Sioux City, IA 51106

\$10
 suggested donation at the door

SCHEDULE

Doors Open/Registration.....3:30
 AA Speaker: Madalyn B (Omaha).....4:30
 Potluck Dinner & Drawings.....5:15
 Last names starting with:
A-M – please bring a **side dish** to share
N-Z – please bring a **dessert** to share
 Al-Anon Speaker: Les B (Omaha).....6:30

Bake Sale, Craft Raffle & Literature Drawing!
 Contact Christy K at 712-253-3460 for more information.

"Planting Seeds of Hope"


Upcoming Events

Mark Your Calendars and Make Plans to Attend the 2025 A.A. International Convention

Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada



July 3-6, 2025



Vancouver will welcome A.A. members from around the world for the 2025 International Convention. This will mark the 90th anniversary of the beginning of our Fellowship's founding.

Online registration opens on September 10, 2024. Check the IC 2025 [webpage](#) for more information about online registration on or after that day.

Taking place once every five years, the A.A. International Convention marks the anniversary of Bill W.'s first meeting with Dr. Bob and the birth of Alcoholics Anonymous in 1935. At the Convention, members and their families and friends from around the world attend meetings, workshops, dances, and events. A highlight is the traditional flag ceremony to celebrate sobriety worldwide.



Let's celebrate sobriety together in Vancouver in 2025!

2025 7th Annual Halfway House Alumni Co-Ed Recovery Retreat

Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camp Ingham

1203 Inwan St. Milford Iowa

June 6th-8th Pre-registration cost 100\$, 125\$ after May 30^h

Recovery speakers

Brad Q

Annie Q

Seth H

Allison H

Activities includes: Pizza Party Friday night, Kayaking, Canoeing, Fishing, Swimming, Bonfire, Relaxation and Fellowship

We are having raffling off 2 cabins this year that are 25\$ a Ticket each.



Contact Levi H 712-535-9456

Cash App: \$cozmolevi



The Thirty-First Annual

SUNLIGHT OF THE SPIRIT WEEKEND

April 25th, 26th & 27th 2025

Best Western
1201 Torgerson Drive
Fairmont, Minnesota

Email: sotsweekend@gmail.com

Check our website for updates:
www.sotsweekend.org

Becoming a Part of the Common Solution

Our Primary Purpose

We, of the Sunlight of the Spirit Weekend, hope to carry the message that recovery, unity, and service are life essential elements of any spiritual program.

It is our goal that as our guests leave the weekend's events, each will better understand the potential for applying the principles found in both the AA and Al-Anon/Alateen programs, in their home, community, and the world around them.

Hampton Inn	Best Western
507-235-2626	507-238-4771
Quality Inn	Super 8
507-236-5444	507-238-9444

Special Room Rate- Up to 4 persons per room

Please call the hotel directly and identify yourself as being with the Sunlight of the Spirit Weekend when calling for reservations.

Friday, April 25th

3:00 p.m. Registration
7:00 p.m. Rick J., Toronto, Canada - AFG
9:00 p.m. Karl M., Covina, CA-AA

Saturday, April 26th

7:00 a.m. Early Bird Open Meeting
8:00 a.m. Breakfast Buffet** Meet the Speakers
10:00 a.m. Palmer G., Edmond, OK - AFG
1:00 p.m. Alateen Speakers
2:30 p.m. Speakers Sponsorship Panel
4:00 p.m. Open Big Book Meeting
4:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting
7:00 p.m. Candice M., Long Beach, CA-AA
9:00 p.m. Phil S., Ames, IA-AA
10:00 p.m. Ice Cream/Pie Social**

Sunday April 27th

9:00 a.m. Gaila G., Edmond, OK-AA

**At your own Cost

Register online at: www.sotsweekend.org

<p>REGISTRATION FORM</p> <p>Full Name _____</p> <p>Address _____</p> <p>City, State, Zip _____</p> <p>Telephone _____</p> <p>Name wanted on badge _____</p> <p>Home Group _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> AA <input type="radio"/> Al-Anon</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Alateen <input type="radio"/> Friend</p> <p>Pre-registration \$25 prior to April 18th, 2025 \$30 at the Door</p> <p>Mail to: Sunlight of the Spirit Weekend P.O. Box 748, Fairmont, MN 56031 <i>Your canceled check is your receipt</i></p>	<p>REGISTRATION FORM</p> <p>Full Name _____</p> <p>Address _____</p> <p>City, State, Zip _____</p> <p>Telephone _____</p> <p>Name wanted on badge _____</p> <p>Home Group _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> AA <input type="radio"/> Al-Anon</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Alateen <input type="radio"/> Friend</p> <p>Pre-registration \$25 prior to April 18th, 2025 \$30 at the Door</p> <p>Mail to: Sunlight of the Spirit Weekend P.O. Box 748, Fairmont, MN 56031 <i>Your canceled check is your receipt</i></p>
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Siouxland Intergroup Central Office



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%**



Siouxland Intergroup Paypal

Giving Fund QR code



www.aasiouxcity.org



Please include your group's ID number with ALL Contributions.

Faithful Fiver's & the Birthday Plan are ways 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

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.

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.