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THE SIOUXLAND INTERGROUP NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2025

AA GRAPEVINE

The International Journal of Alcoholics Anonymous

The Next
Siouxland Intergroup
Meeting will be 7PM
Thursday, June 19, 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, June 10, 2025
at Club 215
2432 Jay Ave, in Sioux City

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

June 2025
Annual Prison Issue
This month's featured section is "The Annual Prison Issue." AA members inside and out of prison walls share powerful stories of service, sponsorship and hope.

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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 **22 drop in visitors**: to *buy literature, meeting schedules, pamphlets and offer group donations*. The website got an average of 51 daily visits this past month (1568 total). Donations were received from 11 AA Groups, 22 Faithful Fiver's and 1 AA Group's 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 May, Josh M. gave report, they are still looking for Functions and Committee Chairperson. Russ K. is still looking for AA's with 40 + years of sobriety to help with oral history.

Intergroup's next meeting 6/19/2025, and thank you to the Loon's Near the Dunes Group for hosting the upcoming Unity Dinner 6/21/2025.

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 May monthly "Faithful Fiver", "Birthday" & "Group" contributions that make it possible for Siouxland to have a Central Office!!!

Groups

Leeds Sunday Night Spiritual
Living in The Solution
Loon's near the Dunes
Siouxland Intergroup
Merville Tues. Night Mtg
No Name Group
Sunrise Attitude Adj. Zoom
Group
Sat. Sunrise Attitude Adj.
Group
The How & Why of It Group
Wed. Where It All Begins Group
Westlawn Group

Faithful Fivers

Bill H.
Carol C.
Dave W.
Diane B
Jerry S..
Levi M.
Marianne B.
Matthew W.
Mike G.
Mike H.
Paul T.
Pat G.
Ray G.
Rick W.
Rod C.
Rosie S.
Stephanie T.
Tim L.
Tom C.
Tom S.

Veronica K.
Sunrise Attitude Adj Group

Birthdays/ Individual

Steel Magnolias 21 years old!



Siouxland Intergroup Meeting Minutes from May 15, 2025

The meeting was opened by Jesse V. at 7:03pm with serenity prayer, the Intergroup Statement of Purpose and Central Office Statement of Purpose, with 9 members present.

Secretary's Report: minutes was read by Tom C. with one corrections Church is Elevate. Motion to accept was made by Jesse S., and seconded by Brandi S., motion passed with correction.

Treasurer Report: Was given by Brandi, a motion to accept was made by Tom C., and seconded by Bill H., motion passed.

District Report: Josh M. gave report, they are still looking for Functions and Committee Chairperson. Russ K. is still looking for AA's with 40 + years of sobriety to help with oral history.

Functions and Committees: Looking for 2-3 groups to collectively host next Unity Dinner in Aug/Sept. Still looking for Chairperson for hotline.

Old business: Still in discussion stages on what we can do to bring back Hoe Down and Founder's Day.

New business: Talk about donations being down and possible ways to increase donations. Also discussed faithful fivers. Veronica submitted Biennial report, 990-N and also filled out a W-9 form for Rosecrance Jackson. Rosecrance did make 3 book orders within this month, and also sent an invoice to District for Archives yearly rent. This past month Veronica had to transfer \$500 from prudent into checking account to pay bills. Doug K. is AA speaker for Unity Dinner and Al-Anon is unconfirmed.

Announcements: *Welcome on board Melody, from Steel Magnolias Group and Greg R., from Sunday morning Spiritual meeting at Club 215!*

Hawkeye Club Memorial Day Indoor Picnic, Monday May 26, 2025; YPAA Campfire AA meetings to begin May 30, and will be last Fridays of every month until fall. 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 Bill H., meeting closed at 7:48 pm with I am responsible.

Respectfully submitted by Tom C.



Step Six *“Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.”*

“- is A.A.’s way of stating the best possible attitude one can take in order to make a beginning on this lifetime job. This does not mean that we expect all our character defects to be lifted out of us as the drive to drink was. A few of them may be, but with most of them we shall have to be content with patient improvement. The key words ‘entirely ready’ underline the fact that we want to aim at the very best we know or can learn.”

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| 1. Hope instead of desperation. | 8. A clear conscience instead of guilt. |
| 2. Faith instead of despair. | 9. Real friendship instead of loneliness. |
| 3. Courage instead of fear. | 10. A clean pattern of living instead of a purposeless existence. |
| 4. Peace of mind instead of confusion. | 11. The love and understanding of our families instead of their doubts and fears. |
| 5. Self-respect instead of self-contempt. | 12. The freedom of a happy life instead of the bondage of an alcoholic obsession. |
| 6. Self-confidence instead of helplessness. | |
| 7. The respect of others instead of their pity and contempt. | |

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Tradition Six

“An AA group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the AA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.”

“Whereupon we tried AA hospitals—they all bogged down because you cannot put an AA group into business; too many busybody cooks spoil the broth. AA groups had their fling at education, and when they began to publicly whoop up the merits of this or that brand, people became confused. Did AA fix drunks or was it an educational project? Was AA spiritual or was it medical? Was it a reform movement? In consternation, we say ourselves getting married to all kinds of enterprises, some good and some not so good. Watching alcoholics committed willy-nilly to prisons or asylums, we began to cry, ‘There oughtta be a law!’ AA’s commenced to thump tables in legislative committee rooms and agitated for legal reform. That made good newspaper copy, but little else. We saw we’d soon be mired in politics. Even inside AA we found it imperative to remove the AA name from clubs and Twelfth Step houses.

These adventures implanted a deep-rooted conviction that in no circumstances could we endorse any related enterprise, no matter how good. We of Alcoholics Anonymous could not be all things to all men, nor should we try.”

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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

Bill H. (Visitor)
 Rosie S. (Steel Magnolias)
 Melody B (Steel Magnolias)
 Greg R. (Sun. Morning Spiritual Mtg)
 Josh M. (District)
 Kevin J. (Check Your Ego at the Door)
 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



**Wednesday Westlawn
Meeting NEW Time - 7PM!
As of April 2, 2025**

Live One Day at a Time-

AA is a "one day at a time" way of living. We try to break life into small pieces that we can handle. We stay sober one day at a time, or when necessary, one hour at a time. We do our jobs one task at a time. We solve our problems one problem at a time; we clean up our past one mess at a time.

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
5:00pm meeting followed by a Pot luck
Leeds Alano Club 4034 Floyd Blvd
Sioux City, IA 51108

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!

17TH ANNUAL
SOBERFLOAT JUNE 2025

JOIN US IN DISTRICT #14 FOR A WEEKEND OF FOOD, FUN, FELLOWSHIP AND FLOATING DOWN THE NIOBRARA RIVER!

NEW! REQUIRED Everyone must call Sharp's Outfitters at 402-376-2506 or 402-322-5606 TO REGISTER and answer any questions on equipment requests, reservations, number of people in your group, cooler tubes and pricing. Remember, the early bird gets the worm!

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES:

SUNDAY JUNE 8 MOVING IN: 1PM DONE
Move trailers and equipment to the river.

MONDAY JUNE 9 SET UP BEGINS 8AM-FINISHED
All buildings, kitchen & shower trailers. Hamburgers & hotdogs provided for helpers.

THURSDAY JUNE 12 SET UP ENDS & FUN BEGINS!
6AM UNTIL DONE!
6:00-7:00 PM: Supper - Taco Bar
8:00-9:30PM: Event & Housekeeping Campfire Meeting

FRIDAY JUNE 13 REFUGE FLOAT 8 HOUR FLOAT
6AM-8AM: Breakfast & Coffee Provided
8:00AM - LAST ONE GONE: Shuttle to Cornell Bridge. Bring Your Own Lunch & Cooler (No Styrofoam)
12:00-1:00PM: Campground Lunch for Those Not Floating.
6:00-7:30PM: Supper - Sloppy Joes
8:00-9:30PM: Campfire Meeting

SATURDAY JUNE 14 BERRY BRIDGE FLOAT 4 HOUR FLOAT
6AM-8AM: Breakfast & Coffee Provided
8:00AM - LAST ONE GONE: Shuttle to Berry Bridge.
12:00-2:00PM: Lunch - Hamburgers & Hot Dogs
6:00-7:30 PM: Supper: Hog Roast
8:00-TIL THE LAST ONE DROPS: Campfire Meeting

SUNDAY JUNE 15 FINAL MEAL & TEAR DOWN
6:00-8:00 AM: Breakfast & Coffee.
Spiritual Meeting after Breakfast
9:00AM: Teardown Begins - Everyone Help as You Are Able!

Side dishes and desserts welcome at lunch and supper.

Dog Policy: Dogs must be on a solid leash (not extendable) at all times. Must have a current immunization record. Dog waste must be bagged and disposed of immediately. Absolutely no dogs allowed in the kitchen or dining areas.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND!!!
For questions, contact: Dan 308-645-2423 or 308-539-6702, Chris 402-389-1444 or Ed 308-750-2569
soberfloat@gmail.com | See map on back!

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

Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camp Ingham
1203 Inwan St., Milford IA

June 6th—8th
Pre-registration: \$100
After 5/30: \$125

Recovery Speakers

- ⇒ Brad Q.
- ⇒ Annie Q.
- ⇒ Carla E.
- ⇒ Matt V.

⇒ Pizza Party Friday Night

⇒ Kayaking, Canoeing,

⇒ Fishing,

⇒ Swimming

⇒ Bonfire, Relaxation & FELLOWSHIP

We Do Recover!

Raffling 2 Cabins this year!!
\$25 / per Ticket
Contact: Levi H. (712)535-9456
Cash App: \$cozmolevi

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

UPCOMING EVENTS



Siouxland Intergroup Unity Dinner



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: Loon's Near the Dunes



Saturday, June 21, 2025

Elevate Community Church

1421 Geneva St.

Sioux City, IA. 51103



5pm—Registration & Fellowship



5:30pm—Potluck Dinner

Main Dish provided ~ Hamburgers & Hotdogs

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



6:10pm : Al-Anon Speaker: TBA

6:45pm: AA Speaker : Doug K. (Dakota Dunes, SD)

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

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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.



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.

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