The Messenger

July 2025

Area 24-District 11 News

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July 2-3, 1955-20th Anniversary Convention at St. Louis, MO. The Three Legacies, of Recovery, Unity, and Service, turned over to the movement by the old timers. AA comes of Age.

These legacies are the foundation of AA and represent the core principles that guide members in their journey of recovery and support for others. Here's a breakdown of each legacy:

Recovery: Focusing on the individual's journey through the 12 steps outlined in the Big Book, it helps them overcome their addiction and build a new life of sobriety. It emphasizes finding happiness, freedom, and living a useful and productive life.

Unity: Highlighting the importance of the fellowship and the supportive environment that AA provides, it's about members coming together, sharing their experiences, and supporting each other through the challenges of recovery.

Service: By carrying the message of AA to those who still suffer from alcoholism, we're giving back to the community and implementing the primary purpose of AA – helping others find recovery.

From the District 11 Treasurer

This is a gentle reminder to groups to please mail your 7th Tradition contributions to the work of District 11 to us at the Dubuque Area Intergroup address: District 11

> 1646 Asbury Rd. #7 Dubuque, IA 52001

We are no longer paying for a P.O. Box. Those are currently being forwarded to Intergroup, but that will end in a few months.

Thank you! In service, Cheryl P., District 11 Treasurer

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The 2025-2026 Area 24/District 11 Committee Chairs



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District 11 GSR Meeting 10:30 am First Saturday of each month:
1646 Asbury Rd (Lower Level)

Intergroup Business Meeting10:30 amThird Saturday of each month:Dubuque Area Intergroup Office

Dubuque Area Intergroup (563) 557-9196 1646 Asbury Road #7 Dubuque, IA 52001

Inside AA A Newcomer Asks | Alcoholics Anonymous The A.A. Group Sponsorship Our Traditions: Intro Our 12 Concepts of Service: Intro

Minutes of the Committee Meeting, 7.5.2025

District 11 Business Meeting Minutes

- Date: Saturday, July 5, 2025 Time: 10:30 am
- Location: Westside Clubhouse, 1646 Asbury Road, Dubuque

Opening

- · Call to Order | DCM Keith Kouzmanoff
- · Serenity Prayer

Administrative Business

- · District Chair Roll Call | Chairs and GSRs
- · Approval of Previous Minutes
- · Treasurer's Report
- · Roll Call GSR
- · Al-Anon
- Intergroup

Committee Reports (2–3 minutes each)

- Activities
- Archives
- Corrections
- · Grapevine
- Newsletter
- · Public Information (PI)
- Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC)
- Treatment & Accessibilities.
- · ALT DCM / DCM

Group Representation Reports

Brief updates provided by attending GSRs (Please take fliers from Area 24)

- · Tuesday Happy Hour Group (Westside)
- · Jaywalkers (Hillcrest Family Services)
- 164 Page Group
- Stone Room Meeting
- Keyway Lodge
- Sisters Group
- · Open Doors Group (Epworth)
- · Manchester Saturday Night Group
- Galena Groups
- · Cascade Group
- · Living Sober Group
- · Others????

Liaison Reports

- · Intergroup Liaison | Brad H. reminded everyone of the Labor Day Picnic in September.
- · Al-Anon Liaison | Geri provided updates on meeting location changes and upcoming elections.
- · YPAA Liaison | Position still open.

Ad-Hoc Committee Reports

Mini Conference Committee Unfinished Business

Spring Conference reimbursement requests were reviewed.

7.5.25 Meeting Minutes (cont.)& Treasurer's report

New Business

Delegate Dan's Visit | Scheduled for Saturday, August 2nd at 10:30 am

 Discussion: What refreshments or meal should we provide for attendees? (BBQ, Tacos are Dan's favorites)

Announcements

- · District 11 GSR Business Meetings: 1st Saturday of each month at 10:30 am (Westside Clubhouse)
- · Intergroup Business Meetings: 3rd Saturday of each month at 10:30 sm (Intergroup Office)
- Speaker Breakfast Meetings: 1st & 3rd Sundays at 9:00 am (Fellowship Club)

Upcoming Events:

- · Area 24 Fall Conference | October 17–19
- · Fall Mini Conference | November 8
- · Delegate Dan's Visit | August 2 at 10:30 am

Closing

- · Motion to adjourn, seconded, and passed.
- · Lord's Pray

In love and service, Keith K., DCM 815.281.1591

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"To begin with, the Steps are not enforceable upon anyone – they are only suggestions. A belief in the Steps or in God is not in any way requisite for AA membership. Therefore, we have no means of compelling anyone to stay away from AA because he does not believe in God or the Twelve Steps. In fact, AA has a technique of reducing rebellion among doubting people by deliberately inviting them to disagree with everything we believe in."

- Bill Wilson, letter to Father Ford, May 4, 1957

July AA History and AA Preamble

July AA History *

July 1939	Warren C. joined A.A. Cleveland, caused debate	July 5-8, 1990	55th AA Anniversary in Seattle, WA. Nell Wing was
	because he was not hospitalized.		given 10,000,000th Big Book.
July 1944	Dr. Bob writes article for Grapevine	July 7, 1940	Bill attends 1st Summer Session at School of Alcohol
	"On Cultivating Tolerance".		Studies at Yale University.
July 1962	'Victor E.' cartoon first appeared in Grapevine.	July 8, 1940	1st AA Group formed in Dayton, Ohio.
	(Some say May 1962).	July 10, 1941	Texas newspaper publishes anonymous letter from
July 1-3, 1960	25th Anniversary of AA in Long Beach, CA.		founding member of Texas AA Group. (Larry J.)
July 2-3, 1955	20th Anniversary Convention at St. Louis, MO.	July 11, 1960	Time published article called "Passionately Anonymous"
	The Three Legacies, of Recovery, Unity, and Service,		on the 25th Convention.
	turned over to the movement by the old timers.	July 14, 1939	Dr. Tiebout gives Big Book to Marty M. who promptly
	AA comes of Age.		throws it back at him.
July 2, 1960	Father Ed Dowling dies.	July 15 1938	1st documented use name Alcoholics Anonymous, A.A.
July 2, 1965	"Best of Bill" and Pocket-Sized "12 and 12" 1st sold.		archives letter from Bill to Willard Richardson.
July 2, 1965	1st "La Vigne", Canadian Grapevine, published.	July 16, 1965	Frank Amos, AA Non-Alcoholic Trustee, dies.
July 2-4, 1965	30th Anniversary of AA in Toronto. Adopted	July 18 1938	In letter to Dr. Richards at Johns Hopkins, Bill used
	"I Am Responsible."	·	Alcoholics Anonymous as working title for Big Book
July 2, 1993	50 years of AA celebrated in Canada.		& name for the fellowship.
July 2, 2000	20 millionth copy of Big Book given to Al-Anon	July 20, 1941	First AA group formed in Seattle, Washington.
	in Minneapolis, MN.	July 22, 1877	William Duncan Silkworth born in Brooklyn, NY.
July 3-5, 1970	35th Anniversary of AA in Miami. "Declaration of Unity".	July 22, 1980	Marty M. early AA woman and founder of NCADD dies.
	Bill's last public appearance.	July 23, 1940	Philly AA's send 10% of kitty to Alcoholic Foundation,
July 3-6, 1980	45th Anniversary of AA in New Orleans.	,	sets precedent.
	First true marathon meeting was held.	July 23, 1943	New Haven, CT Register reports arrival of AA's to study
July 3-6, 1980	Gay AA's have own program at 45th AA Anniversary	·	with E. M. Jellinek.
	in New Orleans.	July 24, 1943	L.A. press reports formation of all-Mexican AA Group.
July 4, 1939	1st AA meeting started in Flatbush, NY.	July 28-30, 195	O First AA International Convention held in Cleveland,
July 4-6, 1975	40th Anniversary of AA in Denver. World's largest	·	Ohio. Twelve Traditions adopted. Dr. Bob made last
	coffee server serves 1/2 million cups a day.		appearance at large AA gathering.
July 5-7, 1985	50th AA Anniversary in Montreal, Canada. Ruth Hock	July 31, 1972	Rollie H dies sober in Washington, DC.
•	was given 5,000,000th Big Book. House of Seagrams	•	3 ·
	flew their flags at half mast for 3 days.		*reposted by permission of South Jersey Intergroup
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Alcoholics Anonymous

is a fellowship of people who share their experience, strength, and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking.

There are no dues or fees for A.A. membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. A.A. is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization, or institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy; neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

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[&]quot;If you want something you've never had, you have to do things you've never done."

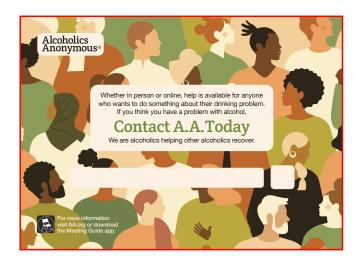
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Public Information

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area24district11pi@gmail.com







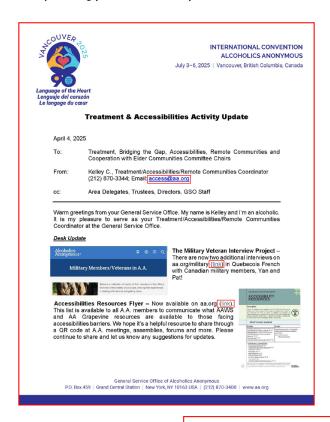




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Treatment & Accessibility Information from AA.org

The following was sent out to all Treatment, Bridging the Gap, Accessibilities and Remote Communities and Cooperation with Elder Communities Committee Chairs from Kelley C., Treatment/Accessibilities/Remote Communities Coordinator for GSO. If you are involved with any of these efforts, download this newsletter and click on any of the boxed links for more info., or just copy the link into your browser. A wealth of guidance and knowledge is just a click away.



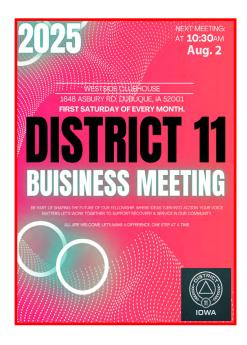




Coming Events and Activities of Interest in the Tri-State Area







Fellowship Club, July13

East Dubuque, July 27

Dubuque Westside, August 2





2025 Area 24 Fall Conference
Hosted by District 23
October 17-18-19, 2025

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Dubuque, August 6

Dubuque, September 1

Fort Dodge, October 17-19

Coming Events and Activities of Interest in the Tri-State Area







Cedar Rapids, October 24-26

Dubuque, November 8

Des Moines, November 14-15







Cedar Rapids, Feb. 28-Mar. 1, 2026

Marshalltown, June 12–14, 2026

Cedar Rapids, October 22–24, 2026

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Thoughts of Interest in District 11/Area 24

From the Newsletter Chair:

We wish to acknowledge the contributions of the Dubuque Area Intergroup and its website, <u>DubuqueAA.org</u>, which hosts the District 11 <u>Messenger</u> newsletter, events and AA Meeting Schedules. Thank you, for all that you do!

Summaries of the District GSR Business Meetings and Chair reports usually are lightly edited for clarity and brevity. Original, full Chair reports are recorded and emailed within the business meeting minutes. If you would like to be added to the email list to receive the District 11 monthly GSR Business Meeting minutes in full, please email requests to:

area24district11altdcm@gmail.com

We invite the District 11 fellowship to submit articles, art or photos related to their recovery that emphasize their experience, strength and hope for the still suffering alcoholic. We especially invite GSR's to submit articles describing their Home Groups and their activities. Articles should ideally be about 300 words or so.

Content submissions may require light editing, but every effort is made to maintain the spirit of the message, as expressed. Of course, anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all of our decisions including use of initials for last names.

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District 11 serves the AA members and supports institutions of the following communities:

- Iowa -

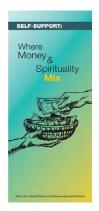
Bellevue • Cascade • Delhi • Dubuque Dyersville • Epworth • Hopkinton Manchester • Maquoketa • Peosta – Illinois –

Elizabeth • Galena

Our 7th Tradition:

"Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions"

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Self-Support:
Where Money and
Spirituality Mix

Where Your
Contributions
Are Applied

Your contributions support the operations of District 11 and the Dubuque Area Intergroup. All Individual contributions from AA members are gratefully accepted.

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In service, Cheryl P., District 11 Treasurer

All of these AA organizations depend on our support:

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