

# MIRUS

Minneapolis Intergroup: Recovery, Unity, Service

May 2016 Step, Tradition, and Concept Five

## Step Five

"Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs."

Chapter six, page 72 of the big book of Alcoholics Anonymous begins with the idea that our program works best if the steps are worked in order. It reads, *"Having made our personal inventory, what shall we do about it."* It goes on to say; *"We have been trying to get a new attitude, a new relationship with our Creator, and to discover the obstacles in our path."* All of this does require action on our part and then all this brings us to Step Five.

I went to at least 3 meetings a week, started sponsoring women after about one year of having nothing to drink and would have told you I was working the steps. I felt I did well with the first 3 steps and also admitted some faults, said my prayers and helped others; however, I was unhappy in my life and after 4 years of thinking I was working a program, without a sponsor I might add, one of three things were going to happen. I was going to get a divorce, (It was my husband's fault of course), I was going to drink or I was going to take my life. I had tried this once before.

I was in much mental anguish and pain, and dealing with the four hideous horsemen of Terror, Bewilderment, Frustration and Fear seemed to be a constant. One night as I was agonizing what to do, it had occurred to me that I had never cleared away the wreckage of my past, in which part of this is to tell someone else my entire life story. The Big Book tells me that if we skip this fifth step; actually the book says "VITAL" step, I may not overcome my drinking. I now knew how vital this step was. I took out the big book and did a fourth step following the directions in the book. Then I followed up with a fifth step.

I contacted a member of the clergy, remember, still no sponsor, and we made an appointment. With fourth step in hand, I went and was as honest as I could be at the time. When completed, I went to my car and started to sob. It felt like something evil had left my body; I felt a huge weight lifted.

But I did not stop there, I got a sponsor, I worked with that sponsor because I knew I needed guidance and direction. My life changed dramatically. My husband and I are still happily married, I have not needed to pick up a drink and I value and enjoy my life today that I have been given by the grace of a loving and forgiving God.

I do not recommend at all waiting as long as I did to get a sponsor or work ALL the steps as I did, but I can attest to the fact that skipping the fifth step can be lethal. I have done more fifth steps since that first one and always with a sponsor which seems to work very well for me. I have not felt those

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### "Acceptance Is The Key"



## GOPHER STATE ROUNDUP XLIII

MAY 27, 28 and 29, 2016

A.A. with Al-Anon, Alateen Participation  
[www.gopherstateroundup.org](http://www.gopherstateroundup.org)

Activities and Accommodations at

DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, Highway 100 & 494, Bloomington, MN

### MEETINGS • SPEAKERS • FELLOWSHIP

### HOSPITALITY ROOMS • A.A. FILMS

REGISTRATION - \$15.00 Contribution (ages 13 & over) A.A., Al-Anon, or Alateen.  
Credit cards are now accepted. Processing fees apply.

Visit [www.gopherstateroundup.org](http://www.gopherstateroundup.org) for online registration by May 25<sup>th</sup>.

Onsite registration begins Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, at noon. Registration badges provide admittance to all roundup activities and must be worn in the hotel at all times.

Parking rules will be enforced.

#### Guaranteed Special Room Rates

Make reservations by May 1st at:

[www.gopherstateroundup.org](http://www.gopherstateroundup.org)

or directly with DoubleTree by Hilton at 800-222-8733  
Mention Gopher State Roundup for special rate.

Gopher State Roundup is a special A.A. conference with Al-Anon participation.

Gopher State Roundup is self-supporting.

No contributions from A.A. groups are used to pay for this event.

Expenses such as hotel fees, travel & lodging for the speakers, and printed material are paid through registration fees.

No baskets are passed during this event.

#### SPEAKERS

##### FRIDAY, MAY 27

7:30 PM Brian P., A.A., Round Rock, TX  
10:00 PM Sarah H., A.A., Los Angeles, CA

##### SATURDAY, MAY 28

9:30 AM Corrie L., Al-Anon, Wetumpka, AL  
11:30 AM Judy L., A.A., Westminster, CO  
2:00 PM Josiah B., Al-Anon, Los Angeles, CA  
4:00 PM Dick C., A.A., History Presentation  
7:30 PM Katie P., A.A., Austin, TX  
10:00 PM Charlie P., A.A., Austin, TX

##### SUNDAY, MAY 29

10:00 AM Debbie D., A.A., Concord, CA

ASL interpretation is provided for the meetings listed above.

CDs are available in the Grand Ballroom foyer.

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## Notes from your Service Office:

### “Our Spiritual Way of Life: Steps, Traditions and Concepts”

Service on the front lines.....

The Intergroup Information Committee was formed in 2009 by the Group and Member Services Committee, a unit of the Intergroup Board.

Currently there are 34 facilities in eighteen different cities across the Minneapolis Metro Area that have asked us to visit and share about the AA program. They include treatment programs, halfway houses, sober living and a homeless shelter. Each month 54 commitments are scheduled. We have 74 volunteers to speak once a month. 17 of these commitments are at adolescent treatment programs or halfway houses. We ask each new volunteer to shadow an existing member for their first two commitments.

**This fall we are planning an AA Information Committee Orientation at the Mizpah Church in Hopkins. We have a responsibility when speakers are provided by greater Minneapolis Intergroup to carry the AA message of Recovery, Unity and Service. We will share guidelines that we will ask that you follow to help you accomplish three things while you are there:**

- 1. Share some facts about Alcoholics Anonymous.  
(What it is and What it isn't)**
- 2. Tell how Alcoholics Anonymous helped you.**
- 3. Answer questions they may have about A.A.**

**Suggested reading for helpful information: Pamphlet P-40: Speaking at Non-A.A. Meetings, and the Southern Minnesota Area pamphlet: Presentations on “What A.A. Is and What It Is Not” for Alcoholism Treatment Program Professionals and/or Patients/Clients.**

If you are interested in being of service on this committee, I would like to meet you in person. Please come into the Intergroup office to fill out a form. Information Committee members are Board selected, which takes place at the monthly Board meetings. Three years of continuous sobriety and service experience is recommended. When I scheduled my first few AAI talks, I was more than willing, but scared. The guideline made it easy. I truly felt I was giving back what was freely given to me.

In Love and Service, Gail S. - your office manager

## Notes from Your Board:

### May 2016 Board Chair Notes

Annual Outreach Program-please join us!

Again I'd like to talk about our annual outreach program, where we visit AA groups that may not be informed about Intergroup's vital services. Also we use these visits to update our database of groups in the metro area – imagine a suffering alcoholic looking for a meeting, showing up only to find that the meeting no longer exists (and Intergroup was not informed of the group's non-status).

Will you become a part of this effort?

- You will be provided with materials and be trained on what to say
- Training sessions (pick one) are Saturday, May 7 or May 14, 11:15 – 11:45am at Mizpah Church in Hopkins
- Visits will be made in June, July and August

Please join us! Visit a new meeting or two – meet new AAs – be of service. We need you!

#### Board Update

Your Intergroup office has been busy as always. Please check events and opportunities in this issue of the MIRUS. As always, our website lists information on upcoming events (<http://aaminneapolis.org/events/>) and service opportunities (<http://aaminneapolis.org/service-opportunities/>).

#### Gopher State

We are looking forward to seeing you in the Minneapolis Intergroup Hospitality Suite at the Gopher State Round-Up over Memorial Day Weekend. Come for fellowship, food, and lots of free hugs!

See you in the rooms...

In Service,

Jane A.-W.

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Your Intergruop board meets every month at 6:30 pm on the Tuesday before the Rep's meeting in the Intergruop Office.

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## Metro District General Service Meetings

District 7	Second Monday, 6:30 pm St. Andrew's Lutheran Church 13600 Technology Dr., Eden Prairie, MN 55344
District 13	First Tuesday, 7:00 pm United Methodist Church 10506 Hanson Blvd. N.W., Coon Rapids, MN 55433
District 14	First Monday, 7:30 pm United Methodist Church 609 8th St. N.W., Buffalo, MN 55313
District 17	Second Tuesday, 7:30 pm Crossroads Assembly of God Church 10478 Bell Ave., Plato, MN 55370
District 18	Second Thursday, 6:30 pm Plymouth Congregational Church 1900 Nicollet Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN 55403
District 19	Second Wednesday, 7:00 pm Rosemount Community Center, Room 210 13885 S. Robert Tr., Rosemount, MN 55068
District 20	Fourth Tuesday, 7:00 pm Twin Lake Alano Club 4938 Brooklyn Blvd., Brooklyn Center, MN 55429
District 21	Second Tuesday, 7:30 pm Pilgrim United Methodist Church 4325 Zachary Lane, Plymouth, MN 55442
District 22	Second Wednesday, 7:30 pm St. Paul's Lutheran Church 13207 Lake St., Minnetonka, MN 55305
District 24	First Monday, 7:00 pm St. John's Lutheran Church 119 8th Ave. W., Shakopee, MN 55379
District 25	Second Wednesday, 7:30 pm Woodlake Lutheran Church 7525 Oliver Ave. S., Richfield, MN 55423

## NOTICE



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### Intergruop Reps Meeting

Thursday,  
May 26th  
6:30 pm

At Mizpah United  
Church of Christ:  
412 5th Ave N.  
Hopkins, MN 55343.  
(See orientation mtg  
directions)

## Intergruop A.A. Orientation Open Meetings

The Saturday Orientation Open Meeting takes place every week at 10 A.M. at the Mizpah Church, located just west of Highway 169 and just south of Highway 7 in Hopkins.

5/7	Step Two / Tradition Two His Story
5/14	Importance of Having a Sponsor Her Story
5/21	Step Three / Tradition Three His Story
5/28	Importance of Singleness of Purpose Her Story

## Twelve Concepts for World Service, written by Bill W. in 1962

### Concept V:

"Throughout our world service structure, a traditional 'Right of Appeal' ought to prevail, thus assuring us that minority opinion will be heard and that petitions for the redress of personal grievances will be carefully considered."

This "Right of Appeal" recognizes that minorities frequently can be right. The well-heard minority is our chief protection against an uninformed, misinformed, hasty or angry majority decision. The spiritual principle of Concept V can be seen at all levels of our service structure when after extensive debate on an issue, followed by a vote in which a "substantial unanimity" is reached, those opposed are given the opportunity to speak further to their minority view. Sometimes, the minority view is so compelling it reverses the direction previously taken. On issues of grave importance, the minority has the actual *duty* of presenting its views. This is A.A.'s "Right of Appeal" in action.

Hence we believe that we shall never be subjected to the tyranny of either the majority or the minority, provided we carefully define the relations between them and forthwith tread the path of world service in the spirit of our Twelve Steps, our Twelve Traditions, and our Conference Charter – in which I trust that we shall one day inscribe these traditional rights of "Appeal" and "Petition" (The A.A. Service Manual p. 24).

As I continue to study the meaning, and experience the practical application of Concept V, I understand this Concept to encompass the spiritual principles of Purity, Honesty, Humility, and Unselfishness. In practicing Concept V, we are asked to look at where we might be wrong, whether we be in the majority or minority opinion. With these rights, such as the "Right of Appeal," comes a responsibility which asks us to **fully** consider all angles of the decisions we are making. Those in the majority must have humility in that they are willing to reexamine their own points of view. Those bringing forward the Minority Opinion will need to practice the Honesty and Purity principles in which they bring forward their concerns – not simply because they are different from the group, but because they believe the group to be potentially making a significant error. All concerned will be required to practice the principle of Unselfishness in order to seek the truth, letting go of any one person's and/or group's agenda. This Concept also suggests to me that as a trusted servant, I surrender my fearfulness in sharing my conscience which may not get the approval of the majority.

One of the items on this year's Conference Agenda where we can consider Concept V in our deliberations is Agenda Item E on the Public Information Committee:

**Agenda Item E: Discuss a request to reconsider the 2011 Advisory Action regarding the "Policy on Actors Portraying A.A. Members or Potential A.A. Members in Videos Produced by the General Service Board or Its Affiliates."**

*The request to reconsider comes from Area 6, passed by Assembly with substantial unanimity.*

*Their concern is that deaf and hard of hearing members and still-suffering alcoholics rely on facial expressions for cues. They believe that any conflict with our 11th and 12th Traditions can be addressed with a disclaimer that professional actors are being used.*

*It should be noted that the Policy doesn't categorically exclude use of "full-face" views of actors portraying AA members. It is procedural in nature, as detailed below:*

#### **Policy on Actors Portraying A.A. Members or Potential A.A. Members in Videos Produced by the General Service Board or Its Affiliates**

Videos produced and distributed by the General Service Board or its affiliated corporations, A.A. World Services, Inc. and A.A. Grapevine, Inc., that include actors portraying A.A. members or potential A.A. members shall not show the actor's full face, unless:

- a) The General Service Board, by substantial unanimity, agrees that the proposed video is consistent with the A.A. tradition of attraction rather than promotion, and that such use of an actor or actors does not in fact or in appearance place personalities before principles, and
- b) The General Service Conference authorizes, by substantial unanimity, the production and distribution of such video.

A copy of this policy shall be given to all entities participating in the production of a video prior to commencement of production. The background documentation for the policy will always be distributed with the policy.

*How this relates to our AA principles:*

Tradition 11 (short form): Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather *to our AA principles*: than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and film.

Tradition 12 (short form): Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.

**Concept 5: Throughout our structure, a traditional "Right of Appeal" ought to prevail, so that minority opinion will be heard and personal grievances receive careful consideration.**

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### Group & Member Services Committee Greater Minneapolis Intergroup Annual Outreach Program

An Invitation to join our Committee!  
This summer help carry the Intergroup Service message to those who may not be informed what services IG provides.

Become a part of the 2016  
GMSC Group Outreach

We ask that you have some idea as to how Intergroup serves the AA community.

So you can be better informed, we ask members who want to serve on this committee to attend the Group Assignment & Kick-Off Meeting.

KICK OFF MEETING and Group Assignments

**When:** Saturday, May 7 or May 14  
(Pick one Saturday to attend)

**Time:** 11:15 to 11:45 am

**Where:** Mizpah Church  
412 – 5<sup>th</sup> Ave North  
Hopkins, MN 55343

(After the Saturday Orientation Meeting)

In 30 minutes we will explain what is expected and assign Groups for you to visit.

Group Visits will be in the months of June, July and August with completion by August 31.

"Practical experience shows that nothing will so much insure immunity from drinking as intensive work with other alcoholics. It works when other activities fail."  
—*Alcoholics Anonymous*, p. 89

### Intergroup 12 Step Service Opportunities Contribute Your Time at Minneapolis Intergroup Just Stop In!

**Daytime Phone Answering**

Training Provided

**Daytime Office Volunteers**

Service work available

### Carry the AA Message to Outside Agencies\*

#### Groups and Members are Invited to:

Hennepin County Adult Detention Center (Men)  
Mission Nursing Home, Plymouth (Men & Women)  
Sherburne Co. Jail/Federal Holding Facility (Men & Women)  
Dakota County Jail (Men & Women)  
Scott County Jail AA Meetings (Men & Women)  
One Twelve Treatment Facility (Men Only)

#### Call or Stop by the Office for Details

*\*In Cooperation with the Professional Community*

"This is our *twelfth suggestion*: Carry this message to other alcoholics! You can help when no one else can."  
—*Alcoholics Anonymous*, p. 89

## Traditions Checklist: Tradition Five

### AA Grapevine

These questions were originally published in the Grapevine in conjunction with a series of articles on the Twelve Traditions that ran from November 1969 to September 1971. While they were originally intended as suggestions for individual use, many AA groups have since used them as a basis for wider discussion.

Short Form: Each group has but one primary purpose – to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

Long Form: (From Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, p. 189)  
Each Alcoholics Anonymous group ought to be a spiritual entity *having but one primary purpose* – that of carrying its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

1. Do I ever cop out by saying, "I'm not a group, so this or that Tradition doesn't apply to me?"

2. Am I willing to explain firmly to a newcomer the *limitations* of AA help, even if he gets mad at me for not giving him a loan?

3. Have I today imposed on any AA member for a special favor or consideration simply because I am a fellow alcoholic?

4. Am I willing to twelfth-step the next newcomer without regard to who or what is in it for me?

5. Do I help my group in every way to fulfill our primary purpose?

6. Do I remember that AA old-timers, too, can be alcoholics who still suffer? Do I try both to help them and learn from them?

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four hideous horsemen as intense as prior to doing a fifth step or have I found the need to do anything drastic.

As the Big Book states on page 73, *"They only thought they had lost their egoism and fear, they only thought they had humbled themselves. But they had not learned enough of humility, fearlessness and honesty, in the sense we find it necessary until they told someone else all their life story."*

So grab your sponsor, start with Step One and move forward and with God's grace you too will be able to live a life that is happy, joyous and free.

Denise B., Lonsdale, MN - for the MIRUS

AA Pamphlet of the Month:  
**G.S.R.—General Service Representative**

AA Book of the Month:  
**Living Sober—Large Print**

Grapevine Book of the Month:  
**Forming True Partnerships—How AA members use the program to improve relationships**

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Bill W, AA Service Manual p51: "Concerning any given service, we therefore pose but one question: 'Is this service really needed?' If it is, then maintain it we must, or fail in our mission to those who need and seek A.A. "

Reference for this article and additional information about the Concepts can be found in "The A.A. Service Manual/ Twelve Concepts for World Service" [http://www.aa.org/pdf/products/en\\_bm-31.pdf](http://www.aa.org/pdf/products/en_bm-31.pdf) and "The Twelve Concepts Illustrated" pamphlet (P-8) [http://www.aa.org/pdf/products/8\\_thetwelveconetps.pdf](http://www.aa.org/pdf/products/8_thetwelveconetps.pdf)

Yours in Love and Service,

Lisa Dawn G.

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## OFFICE CLOSINGS

**Saturday, May 28th, 2016**

**Monday, May 30th, 2016**

## Group Contributions—March 2016. Thank you all, in the Spirit of Hope.

2218 Squad 1 Depth & Weight  
2218 Squad 12  
42nd Street AA Group  
Basic Principles  
Basic Twelve (2)  
Blaine Alano Squad 29 YP Friday  
Bloomington Step Group  
Bridges—Shakopee  
Candlelight Group—Chaska  
Chunks & Measures Squad 88 @ 2218  
Common Solution Big Book Study  
Crosslake Tuesday Night AA  
Crushed Grapes  
Daily Reprieve of Eden Prairie  
Dakota Alano Friday 6 PM  
Elders Big Book Stories—Friday (2)  
Elders Big Book—Thursday (2)  
Elders Steps & Traditions Tuesday (2)

Elders Topic—Sunday 10 AM (2)  
For Today Group  
Foreword XIX Group  
Foxhall Chapter 7 Group (2)  
Fridley Alano Squad 11 Dellwood  
Fridley Alano Squad 3  
From the Heart — Delano  
Golden Valley AA Group II  
Gratitude Group  
Groveland Group  
Happy Hour Squad 27 (2)  
Isanti Alano Squad 12  
It Might Have Been Worse  
Live or Die, The Choice Is Yours  
Mainstreeters AA—Plymouth II Alano  
Minnetonka Big Book Study Group  
Minnetonka Senior AA

Mulligan Meeting Tuesday Noon  
New Hope Alano Squad 10  
New Hope Alano Squad 13  
Nisswa Monday Night Men's  
Norwood Young America AA  
Open Door AA Group  
Pillsbury AA Group  
Primary Purpose Group—Burnsville  
Richfield/Bloomington Alano Sq 2D  
Rich/Blmngtn Alano Sunday Spkr Mtg  
Rosemount AA Group  
Sahara Saturday AM Men's  
Saturday Night Live Group (2)  
SDSG  
Silver Lake AA Group  
Squad Five at St Luke's  
St Louis Park Sunday Night AA Group  
Step by Step—Long Lake

Suburban North Alano Squad 7  
Sunday Serenity Group  
The Hand of AA  
There is a Solution AA—Rogers  
There is a Solution Women's AA  
There is a Solution—Sahara 4:30 PM  
Third Tradition Group of AA (2)  
This Simple Program  
Thursday Nite Victory AA  
Tradition Five  
Twelve West AA Group  
Up the Creek Big Book Group  
Watertown AA—Wednesday  
Wayzata Sunday Night Step Group  
We Think Not  
Women on the Wagon—WOW  
Women's Big Book Study—Buffalo

Group Contributions/Birthday Plan\*\* March 2016  
Minnetonka Big Book (2) It Might Have Been Worse

**\*\*On their sobriety birthday, many AA members contribute one dollar or more for each year of sobriety to any or all of our four service entities; District, Area Assembly, the General Service Office and the local Intergroup. Some members attribute their birthday contribution to their home group. Those groups receive a receipt and "Thank You" letter from the office and are listed in the MIRUS.**

## Calendar of Events

### Open Speaker Meetings

#### **Thursday:**

Central Pacific Group, 7:30 PM  
Central Lutheran Church, 333 South 12th St., Minneapolis

Foxhall Chapter 7 Group, 7:30 PM  
Wooddale Church, 6636 Shady Oak Road, Eden Prairie

#### **Friday:**

Edina Open Speaker Meeting, 7:30 PM  
Christ Presbyterian Church, 6901 Normandale Blvd.  
Edina

Three Legacies, 7:30 PM  
Cross of Glory Baptist Church, SW Corner of Excelsior Blvd  
and Shady Oak Road, Hopkins  
A sign language interpreter is provided each week.

#### **Saturday:**

There Is A Solution (Beginners Meeting), 6:00 PM  
Dakota Alano Society, 3920 Rahn Road, Eagan

Saturday Night Open Speaker Meeting, 7:30 PM  
At The Common Table  
2001 Riverside Ave., Minneapolis  
(parking in back of bldg. off Riverside)

Saturday Night Live Open Speaker Meeting, 7:30 PM  
Basilica School 3rd floor (behind the church)  
16th & Hennepin, downtown Minneapolis  
Free parking in the ramp across 16th Street  
Wheelchair accessible

Tradition One, 7:30 PM  
Pilgrim United Methodist  
4325 Zachary Lane, Plymouth

Saturday Night Open Speaker Meeting, 8:00 PM  
2218 1st Avenue South, Minneapolis

#### **Sunday:**

Step & Speaker Open Meeting, 7:00 PM  
First Baptist Church  
10th & Hennepin, Minneapolis

Open Speaker Meeting  
Richfield Bloomington Alano  
9321 Bryant Ave S., Bloomington  
11:00 AM Sunday

### Special Events

May 22nd, 2016  
22nd Annual Minnetonka Big Book Serenity Breakfast  
Minnetonka Community Center  
Breakfast: 8:00 AM to 10:25 AM  
Big Book Meeting: 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM  
Speaker at 10:30 AM (ASL)  
Audrey C. from Addison, Texas

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Gopher State Roundup XLIII  
Double Tree by Hilton Hotel, Bloomington  
[www.gopherstateroundup.org](http://www.gopherstateroundup.org)

August 13th, 2016  
16th Annual Unity Open House  
at Minneapolis Intergroup

### General Service Announcements

May 14, 2016  
Area Committee Meeting  
Best Western Hotel, North Mankato, MN.  
Standing Committee Meetings: 9:30 AM—11:30 AM  
Area Committee Meeting: 1:00 PM—5:00 PM

June 25, 2016  
Area Assembly  
New Ulm Community Center  
New Ulm, MN  
9:00 AM—5:00 PM

August 6th, 2016  
Area Committee Meeting  
Best Western, North Mankato, MN  
Standing Committee Meeting 9:30 AM-11:30 AM  
Area Standing Committee Meeting 1:00 PM-5:00 PM

Most Area 36 events have a map on how to find the location @ [www.area36.org](http://www.area36.org). Open Speaker Meetings are listed for the convenience of members who wish to bring newcomers and non-alcoholic friends. Listing in the Mirus should not be construed as any endorsement on the part of Minneapolis Intergroup. Call Intergroup if you need directions to any of these Open Speaker Meetings. Roundups, Workshops and Special Events are not endorsed by Minneapolis Intergroup and listings are provided for informational purposes only. Flyers for these events are available at the office.

### **GOPHER STATE HOSPITALITY SUITE RESERVATIONS**

**Gopher State Roundup XLIII** will be held at the **Double Tree Bloomington** on **May 27, 28 and 29, 2016**. Hospitality suites are available by reservation for this event.

If your group is interested in a hospitality suite and able to pay the associated rates, please contact:



Leah W. 612-267-1611  
John C. 612-388-5356

Email: [hospitalitysuitescommittee@gmail.com](mailto:hospitalitysuitescommittee@gmail.com)

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