

# Better Together -BN-

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## [Join Our Slack Group!](#)

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\*\*\*We exist to ***bring adults together through human connection, build meaningful relationships***, and ***reduce loneliness*** by building an inclusive community where everyone is welcomed and valued, regardless of race, gender/sex, religion, age, sexual orientation, wealth, or physical ability.\*\*\*

## We have three rules here:

1. Attendees must be 18+
2. All attendees must follow the "[Golden Rule](#)"
3. Don't be a Jagoff!

## FAQ

**Q: How much is membership?**

A: It's free!

**Q: How often do you meet?**

A: Right now we are meeting once a week.

**Q: How much are meetups?**

A: We strive to keep meetup costs minimal and accessible and will not exceed \$20.

**Q: Do I have to stay the whole time?**

A: No! Come and go as you please!

**Q: Can I bring friends/family?**

A: Please do! (as long as they are 18+)

## Next Meetups on the calendar

**Date:** 2/14/26 - Valentines Day

**Time:** 3pm-5pm

**Location: Coffeehouse - 114 Beaufort St Normal**

**Meetup spot: Grab a big table in the back!**

**Parking: Parking garage or surrounding lots.**

**Agenda: Catch up and board games**

**Venue note: This is a small business, so please purchase something.**

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**Date: 2/17/26 - Shrove Tuesday (Pancakes!)**

**Time: TBD**

**Location: Garden of Paradise**

**Meetup spot: Grab a table for 6-8**

**Parking: General parking lot**

**Agenda: Catch up and pancakes!**

**Venue note: This is a small business, so please purchase something.**

**February** ❄️💕

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 Dr McKay's Trivia ✓	6	7
8	9	10 Pizza Payaa	11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day Coffeehouse
15	16 Presidents' Day	17 Garden of Paradise	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

## **Event ideas**

- Trivia
- Dog Park (bring your dog!)
- Board games (tabletop)
- Scavenger hunt/treasure hunt
- Painting together
- Reading/Book club
- Movie night
- Crafting night

- Miller Park Zoo
- Volunteering
- Bison hockey game (October-April)
- Cornbelters baseball game (May-August)

## **Yearly event ideas**

- February 6th- Bloomington chocolate festival
- April 11/12- Gamma Phi Circus
- June/July- IL Shakespeare festival
- August- Sweet corn festival
- September- Pork and apple fest
- October- Sugar Creek arts festival