

CNIA District 30 Newsletter

A confidential newsletter, published by the trusted servants of District 30 of the California Northern Interior Area 7 (CNIA), a General Service Area of Alcoholics Anonymous. Articles appearing in this newsletter are the opinion of their authors.

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Mark Your Calendar

District 30 Business Meeting: Normal meetings are held the second Saturday of the month at 10 am. St. Matthew's Church, 414 Oak St., San Andreas.

Arnold Mountain High Speaker Meeting: First Saturday, 4 pm, Villela Hall, Arnold.

Valley Springs Fellowship Potluck Speaker Meeting: Second Friday, 7 pm, Daphne St., (brown building behind Vet's Hall)

Amador County Speaker Meeting – 3rd Saturday 8 PM held at St. Patrick's Catholic Church Hall, 115 Court Street, Jackson in back of the church on Kearney St.

H&I Committee Meeting, Amador: Odd numbered month, Second Wednesday, 6 pm, Jackson Fellowship, 14 Water St., Jackson

PI/CPC Committee Meeting: Every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6 pm. Even numbered months meetings are held at the Martell Perko's. Odd numbered month's meetings are held at Rod's Grill in Calaveras.

District 30 Archives Committee: Every 1st Wednesday 2 to 4 PM Jackson Fellowship, 14 Water St., Jackson

California Northern Interior Area

Area Committee Meeting: Monthly 3rd Saturday, East Yolo Fellowship, 1040 Soule St, West Sacramento, CA.

Pre-Conference Assembly: April 14-15, 2018,

Long Barn, CA

Post-Conference Assembly: May 20-21, 2018

Yuba City, CA

Election Assembly, November 17-19, 2018

Sacramento, CA

Panel 68 District Trusted Servants

The following are the elected District 30 Trusted Servants for Panel 68.

DCM - Del M

Alt DCM - Mike M.

Treasurer – Carol S.

Recording Secretary – Mike C.

CNIA District 30 Business Meeting

St. Matthew's Church, 414 Oak St., San Andreas

Preliminary Minutes

Saturday February 10, 2018 10AM

TRUSTED SERVANTS -

DCM Del M.; Alt DCM Michael M.; Treasurer Carole S.; Secretary Mike C.; LCMs: Dave L, Michael M., Ed B.; PI/CPC Dave L.; Archives Chair Kathy M.; BTG Chair Dale W.; Grapevine Harry; Website Chair Jim B

GSRs in Attendance – Susan R., Leslie G., Ed B., Ken W., Steve K., Ryan K., Andrew, Pru, Jim B.

Others in Attendance -

Open with the Serenity Prayer – Del M. opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. with the Serenity Prayer.

Read the GSR Preamble – read by Dave L.

Read the Declaration of Unity – read by Leslie

Introduction of New GSRs or Visitors here for the first time:

None

Celebrations or Announcements:

- Mark Twain Medical Center will hold its Annual Spring Health Fair March 24 8-12 at Ironstone Vineyard. AA/NA will have a table.
- Bob celebrated 33 years
- Ed celebrated 19 years

Read and Discuss Tradition Two - Read by Susan. Del commented about the importance of minority opinion during the AA group conscience process. Carole to read Tradition 3 in April

<u>Consideration of Minutes</u> – December 10, 2017. Moved by Pru and Jim B. Motion passed unanimously. Feb 10 2018 Minutes – Ryan K. is Murphy's There is a Solution GSR, not Ask It Basket. Motion passed unanimously to accept as corrected.

GSR Reports:

- 49er Group Susan R: Norm is new secretary.
 Group voted to support the new District
 Archives Guidelines. Attendance has been a bit light. Request to come and support the group.
- Angel's Friday As Bill Sees It No report.
- Copper Group (Wed evening) Leslie.
 Attendance is good. Speakers and visitors are coming from down in the Valley areas like Modesto and Manteca as the regulars in the group invite people from their former location fellowships. We also have visitors from up the Highway 4 corridor/Murphy's area. We invite you to our monthly birthday/chip speaker meeting on the first Wed of each month @ 7:30. The Ask It Basket meeting at 6:00 could use more support.
- Ione-Comanche Group Ed: No big updates.
 Trying to get a second meeting on Thursday Book Study established. Have not finalized rent issue. No feedback on new archives guidelines.
- Jackson Fellowship Ken W: Fellowship remains healthy both financially and participation. There are three open service positions on the steering committee: Facilities, Clean up, and Alternate GSR. Sierra Wind Wellness center is asking those in the Jackson area to support their AA meeting on Friday @ 2:00 PM. There will be a new Women's meeting starting at New Hope Home, a SLE, on Wed @ 7pm. Address and contact information to follow. The fellowship is still interested in having District 30's support for a secretary workshop.
- Men's Freedom From Alcohol Group Arnold
 Harry T: No report
- Murphy's Brown Baggers Steve K: A vote was held at the 2/14/18 meeting regarding archives. The group unanimously voted to purge old financial records from the archives. Mention of a commitment for a new Hotline Chair was made. Working hard to find a replacement for Diane. Took the "job description" from the website and made a document to pass around to all of the meetings to help "recruit" a new Hotline Chair. History of this meeting is not

- documented. Working with Kathy and Kate to get the information for archives.
- Murphy's Monday Night Meeting Todd N: No Report
- Murphy's Meeting There is a solution Ryan K. Group voted to destroy financial archives. They are OK with new Archives guidelines. Attendance is OK.
- Pine Grove Fellowship Andrew: Sunday morning meeting is doing well (10-15 people). Tu and Wed are doing well. Thursday meeting has a new secretary (Dave). There is a new Young in Sobriety Meeting on Saturday. Sunday evening attendance has picked up with folks from out of town. Saturday birthday meeting attendance has also picked up.
- Sierra Foothills Fellowship Dale: No report
- Friday Night Men's Group, Sutter Creek Bob
 B: Still have not received the new Panel 68
 welcome packet. Around 10 men in
 attendance. We are currently looking for a new
 secretary to step in at the beginning of April.
 The secretary serves a 3 month term. All is well with the group
- White Pines Topic Discussion Group Arnold –
 Jim B: attendance has been up for the last few
 meetings (25-30 people) with most of the
 added numbers being newcomers, which is
 encouraging.
- Valley Springs Tom: No report.
- West Point AA Pru S: No news. Core group is 6 members. Meeting attendance is OK.
 Unfortunately, no one is interested in service outside of attendance and sponsorship.

Old Business:

- Secretary Workshop Carole commented that there has been no progress. She needs to meet with Titia. Susan and Andrew volunteered to help. Shoot for June timeframe at the Jackson Fellowship.
- Archives Guidelines Change Discussed addition of a mission statement and purpose statement. The bulk of archives content is old financial records. There is an

- option to have these scanned in (Stockton Area 7). Ken motioned to accept guidelines. Carole seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Unity Day (October 13) Diana F is now Unity Day chair. 16 people attended the Unity Day planning session on March 9. Agenda will change to be more participatory – not just speakers. Next planning session will be May 5 @ Fisher Ranch. Fisher Ranch will be a more rural setting – with potato races and other events. Flyers will be published on web site and distributed. Need to buy new roll of paper for tables. Bob B. has the old PA system. Del mentioned that we need to get a new microphone for the system. Need help on table decoration, grapevine, events and games, setup and tear down. Chicken will be provided by Unity Day. There will be prize for best dessert. District meeting is on this same Sat. It will be held at the event.

New Business:

- Volunteer List for Speaker Meetings The message is that District 30 is promoting Unity and this would be a good way to cross-pollinate meeting participation. This would act as a speaker call list. It was pointed out that meeting secretaries should own the responsibility to go to different meetings to ask for speakers. Pru/Carole motioned to create a flyer to be passed around at groups. GSRs would be responsible for collecting names. Motion passed unanimously. Steve to maintain master list.
- Mileage Reimbursement Change The amount changed from \$0.35 to \$0.54.
 District would be responsible for paying mileage for an area rep to attend our events. GSRs would be able to charge mileage to District events back to home groups. Carole / Kathy to accept the cost increase. Motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Topics for 2018 – There are over 80 topics for the next pre-conference assembly. The goal is that GSRs need to provide feedback to delegates on any of the topics. Need feedback by April 14. The pre-conference assembly is scheduled for April 14/15 in Long Barn Lodge, Tuolumne County. Del had CDs made with all of the background information.

Trusted Servants and Committee Reports:

DCM: Del M: I was able to attend the Winter Assembly in Roseville on Jan 20. I thought the alternate chair did an excellent job presenting the GSR school. I did give my DCM report as is part of the assembly. I will be going to PRAASA in Sparks NV on March 2-4. I was asked to be a presenter at PRAASA by our delegate Michael Kim.

Alt DCM: Michael M: Chaired meeting in White Pines, and Arnold (Sunday) and Changing Echoes. Trying to carry the message to get GSRs from these meetings.

LCM Upper Amador Hwy 88: Dave L: Taco Tuesday at Sierra group is going well. Pine Grove fellowship has been re-painted.

LCM Hwy 4 Corridor: Michael M: Normal status. **LCM North Amador Hwy 49**: It appears that Andrew has stepped down and Joe volunteered.

LCM San Andreas – West Point: Open

LCM Valley Springs/Ione/Comanche: Ed B. Looking for speakers for birthday meeting.

Recording Secretary/Publications: Mike C: Need to get

accurate email lists

Treasurer: Carol S: All is well with the District and its finances this month. NEED TO GET FULL REPORT

Balance: = 3974, prudent reserve = 3003 Expenditures: \$1 Group Contributions: \$1284.?, Net Increase 718

Finance Chair(s): Ken W/Susan R/Dale – Have not met **PI/CPC Chair**: Dave L: Will attend the March 24 Health Fair @ Ironstone.

Hotline Chair: Open. Report from Diana – A new member volunteered to serve as monitor and 12 stepper, Aubrey H. and the Hot line information has been updated and a new schedule sent to the answering service as well as to all the other volunteers. I am sending the quarterly notice to everyone this

afternoon to check in for any requests for changes. As thing settle down I will be looking into other answering service/800 number ways to provide this service as I understand there is some question as to whether the current system is the best we can do. So, will investigate and report. I have had a couple of nibbles for the hot line position but no takers as of yet so please keep letting people know this service commitment is still available. It takes very little time and I would certainly be available to assist the new person. **H&I Liaison**: – Ken W: Amador county jail program has

H&I Liaison: – Ken W: Amador county jail program has started back up. Also starting up commute to Changing Echoes.

BTG Chair: Dale. No report

Directory/Website Chair: Jim B./Rob C (Alt): Need to hear feedback on new website – located at

http://cnia30.org/new/.

Archivist: Kathy M. – the Archive Committee met for its monthly meeting on 3/7/18 at the Jackson Fellowship. We have two new members, Susan B and Cathy, who we are very excited to welcome to the committee. The Archive Committee meets on 1st Wed of the month at 2:00 p.m., at the Jackson Fellowship. The Archive Committee added a proposed Mission Statement and Purpose to District 30 Guidelines. A Collection Scope will be created by the committee if the changes to the Guidelines are accepted. A revised handout with revisions will be distributed for GSRs at the District meeting and, if necessary, to take back to their groups to discuss. The Archive Committee continues to work on 7 group histories for Unity Day 2018. If any group wishes their history to be written/researched, contact Kathy after the meeting or at (209) 470-1626. The Archive History Day's location for 2018 has been secured: Episcopal Church in San Andreas after District 30's monthly meeting on August 11, 2018, 1:00-4:00 p.m., with potluck dessert. Kathy & Del attended the Spring Fling in Sacramento. Their archive display was magnificent. We are excited to announce that the caretaker and owner of this privately owned Archival wonder, David L of Sound Solutions, has agreed to come speak at one of District 30's events. David is a recovery movement and AA historian and gives guided tours of his archive collections telling the wonderful story of our historical journey in the recovery movement and AA. He tells his stories with such passion, one of hard pressed to move too far away from him as you might miss something. David is one of us. He is very spiritual in his delivery. David records AA speakers at events, selling same and displays his very impressive archival

collections at these events when invited. A future date will be announced. It more than likely be in 2019.

Unity Day: Covered in old business. **Grapevine Chair**: Harry: No report

Gold County Roundup: Debra H: Andrew reported. First fund raiser is scheduled for March 17 @ 8:30 AM in Sutter Creek. Second fund raiser is on Jyl 21 @ Turner Park. The round up is scheduled for September 22 from 11:00 AM to 8:00 PM

<u>Responsibility Declaration</u>: "I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that, I am responsible."

was recited by the Group.

Next Meeting: NOTE – April meeting is canceled due to pre-conference assembly. May 12, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Matthew's Church, 414 Oak Street, San Andreas

District 30 Business Meetings

CNIA District 30 includes all groups in Calaveras and Amador counties. GSRs and all *other interested AAs* are invited to attend the monthly business meeting normally held at St. Matthew's Church, 414 Oak St., San Andreas, the second Saturday of the month at 10 am.

Everyone is welcome to attend district meetings. If you are at all interested in doing this level of service or if you would just like to know what goes on, please join us. (We have coffee and doughnuts!)

