

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.

NCCAA Conference – Modesto June 8-10 Northern Cal Conf Assembly – Sac June 16-18 Gold Country Roundup Fund-Raising BBQ Turner Park, 287 Treat Avenue, San Andreas July 21 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.

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

Preliminary Minutes

Saturday June 9, 2018 10AM

<u>Read and Discuss Tradition 6</u> - Read by Ed. Property, prestige: No further comment Asked for volunteer for next month - Tradition 7 -- Ken accepted).

Consideration of Minutes – May, 2018

Motion to Approve by ______ second by ______. No Minutes read. Held over until next month.

Vote to approve (unanimous?) other: Motion _____(Approved/Amended)

GSR Reports:

- **49er Group** Susan R: Meeting doing well. Continue to have outside speakers.
- Angel's Friday As Bill Sees It No report.
- Copper Group Leslie. Meets Wednesdays. Healthy group. Attendance fluctuates from 12-20 from week to week. I need to get information from Larry (our Treasurer) as to funds we send to NY. Everything pretty much the same. Finances are good.
- Ione-Comanche Group Ed: No real changes to current meetings and agenda. Did start a Big Book study on Thursday night. Finances are very tight. As a result, not a lot of excess funds for making distributions. Appreciate that there is a speaker list now.
- Jackson Fellowship Ken W: Emailed a report to Mike. Currently looking for a steering committee chair. Everything else is filled. Old Grapevines are now added to Newcomer packets. Still interested in having secretary workshops. Will probably move forward without D30 if D30 doesn't schedule. There have also been some comments concerning the storage and use of Jackson Fellowship by other Service Committees creating a "Catch all" situation. No action being taken at this point. Any comments from the Distirct 30 committee are welcome. Another issue has been a recently donated painting of Sister Ignatia.

Some think this is a non-AA outside issue. There is no action being taken at this time.

- Men's Freedom From Alcohol Group Arnold -Harry T – Chapel in the Pines. Latest information for AA Men's Freedom From Alcohol Group: 1. Our treasurer's report is very positive. We have a prudent reserve to cover Area Assembly Meetings and all \$\$ have been donated to our Service Groups. 2. Our attendance continues to grow we now have between 15-20 attendees weekly. 3. Our Chair's each week have been excellent with full room response. 4. We offer GSO handouts when available to our attendees. 5. We will be promoting Grapevine Subscriptions monthly, with leave behind material. 6. We hand out the District 30 Newsletter each month. 7. We have announced both the Gold Country Roundup and Unity Day seeking volunteers. 8. Our meetings are held at the Chapel of the Pines Vilela Hall in Arnold at 7:00 p.m. 9. Wayne S our Secretary's commitment is over, we are seeking a new man to fill his shoes.
- Murphy's Brown Baggers Steve K: Missed a couple of meeting due to a trip down South. The person who founded the meeting asked for a meeting after the meeting re non-AA announcements at the meeting. Group is strong.
- Murphy's Monday Night Meeting Garrett GSR Monday Night Murphy's Meeting. Very large meeting – 35-45 people per meeting, sometimes up top 50. Financially, very good condition. He doesn't know if distributions are being made. Have a lot of newcomers. Have 3-5 per meeting. Overall, the meeting is in excellent conditions.
- **Pine Grove Fellowship** Dave L: Pine Grove fellowship has made a huge comeback. Attendance is going up.
- Sierra Foothills Fellowship Dale: Absent
- Friday Night Men's Group, Sutter Creek Bob B – no big changes. Average 10-15 a meeting. Going well. Group conscious taking two business meeting to set funds aside to support the GSR.

- White Pines Topic Discussion Group Arnold Jim B: Good attendance, good mix of oldtimers and newcomers. Well-funded. Good shape.
- Valley Springs Tom: Absent
- West Point AA Pru S: Status quo. Speaker discussion format sometimes doesn't happen, so they have a discussion meeting. Fluctuating attendance from 6-12. Several newcomers come and go (including drug addicts). No new business.

Old Business:

<u>Secretary's Workshop</u>: Was to take place at the Jackson Fellowship. Del will call Carol later on to find out what is happening

Archive Changes: Adopted.

<u>Unity Day Report</u>: Diana absent – Susan reports – There is a flyer. Will hand out when it gets closer to October. Had a walk-about at Diana F's ranch. It will be a nice time. Last month, Diana asked for a budget request in addition to \$1000. The extra expense is for outside porta potty(s) with wash station and extra attendance. There is a good summary in CNIA Newsletter. We do not charge for this event but we do ask for donations. Del says this is seed money. The porta potty(s) were donated but Diana can't accept the donations. There was discussion about donations from outside businesses. Susan brings up we need to reimburse Diana for the use of her property. More discussion next month.

<u>Volunteer Speaker List</u>: Steve – not everyone contributed to the list. Please email Steve and he will add to the list.

<u>Finance Committee</u>: Susan, Ken and Carol on committee. Still need one more person on committee. Nothing has been scheduled for this yet. Seems to be confusion about what to do. Del indicates that most of us don't know what we're doing, but will know more as time goes on. Garrett was on the finance committee two years ago when he was GSR. Basically, what he got out of it was the finance committee made decisions about disbursement of funds. They make decisions about increases/decreases on budget items. The committee makes decisions about any disbursement of funds for District funds. Garrett volunteered to be fourth Finance Committee person if someone can give him a ride. Meetings will take place at Garrett's home.

Added New Business

<u>New Meetings in Directory</u> - Harry: When a new meeting is started, how does a group get that in the District's directory? A registration form is filled out. Del will take it to Sacramento to the Area meeting to the Registrar or it can be mailed.

<u>Men's Group</u> – Susan – They don't have a GSR. Do they need to fill out registration for the meeting? Anytime there is a change, a registration needs to be made. Webmaster also needs to be notified of change. <u>Meeting Schedules</u>: Dave – have new printing coming out in July. Goes to printer second week in July. Please notify of any changes now. Submit to Jim and Dave for changes.

<u>New GSR Packets</u>: Susan has not received her packet. Del explains that the new Registrar just started her job. Please fill out another registration and Del will take directly to Registrar. Steve got his after emailing it.

Trusted Servants and Committee Reports:

DCM: Del M: Del wants to thank everyone for holding down the fort while he was gone last month. Thank you, Michael M, for filling in. Del was at the Preconference assembly. He participates in assemblies and feels it is an opportunity to meet new people. We had 4 GSR's there. For a new panel, he thought we did quite well.

We were gone for a month in our motorhome. We were expected in Colorado for Kathy's daughter's graduation commencement. She received a PhD at the University of Colorado in History. He thought while we were out and about, we would just drop by Akron, Ohio. We actually sat in the chairs that Bill & Bob sat in at the Gatehouse. We would not be in existence if it wasn't for the Oxford Group. Visited many venues of AA's in Akron birth city. Del was very impressed with the dedication of those before us and those who are presently tracking down our history. It is so important to write our history and find out where we came from. Del apologizes for being rusty.

Alt DCM: Michael M: Was nervous last month acting as Alternate DCM. It was an honor. Mike is getting married and feels none of this would happen if he wasn't sober. He is very grateful. We are all invited to his wedding.

New Business:

No new business on Agenda.

LCM Upper Amador Hwy 88: Dave L: Sierra Foothills meetings Monday night at 7:00 p.m. continues to be

strong. Taco Tuesdays is strong as always. Pine Grove fellowship has made a huge comeback. Attendance is going up.

LCM Hwy 4 Corridor: Michael M: Purpose: Meetings not represented by GSR's. His job has taken his time. Most meetings are doing well. He will continue to take the message to unrepresented meetings.

LCM North Amador Hwy 49: Joe - Absent.

LCM San Andreas - West Point: Open

LCM Valley Springs/Ione/Comanche: Ed B. There are meetings he hasn't been to. He will go and report back. Meetings in Ione are doing well. Fluctuations on attendance.

Recording Secretary/Publications: Mike C– Kathy M (temp): Mike not here.

Treasurer: Carol S: Absent – but report to Del – District solvent.

Balance: \$_____ Expenditures: \$ Group Contributions: \$

Finance Chair(s): Carol/Ken W/Susan R/Garrett – Happy to report Susan is finance chair. Will be meeting at Garrret's house on Friday.

PI/CPC Chair: Dave L: Have printing coming up for meeting directory. Need changes by July 1st. Print 2nd week of July. Send changes to: <u>dlong@amadorgov.org</u>. **Hotline Chair**: from Diana : Not present.

H&I Liaison: – Ken W: Had a month off. They serve Amador County Jail. They had a month off. Men's pods on Monday nights. Still looking for two male volunteers. Have a couple of pending applications. Women's – meetings Tuesday nights, 7-8 p.m. Fully staffed. New volunteer coordinator – Officer Smith. BTG Chair: Open

Directory/Website Chair: Jim B./Rob C (Alt): Main thing is getting meeting schedules up-to-date. Archives Guidelines have been edited and updated on the website. The new website address is **cnia30.org**. **Archivist**: Kathy M. – We did not have an Archive Committee meeting in May as Del and I were on a month-long journey back East. Akron: We met with the Archivist, Jim B, from Akron, Ohio on May 19-21. We were given personal tours by Jim of Dr. Bob's House, the Mayflower Hotel, Dr. Bob's grave, and the hospital where Dr. Bob and Sister Ignatia worked. We also attended the meeting where the 1st AA meeting was ever held, King School in Akron. Del and I toured the Gate House to the Sieberling Manson where Dr. Bob and Bill first met. It was a very moving experience to sit where these two men first met and where the spark of AA was ignited. We were invited to attend Akron's Intergroup Archive Committee meeting where they were finalizing items for Founder's Day. All-in-all, we were given a red-carpet welcome. We were gone 30 days in which we also attended my daughter's graduation ceremony at Boulder, Colorado. After Akron, we drove our motorhome to the Badlands, Mt. Rushmore and Yellowstone National Park. We had a trip of a lifetime and feel much closer to the founders of our program. Thank you, Jim B, for your hospitality, welcoming good nature and studied historical knowledge of our program. Jim is a walking Akron AA Archive lecturer and historian, who lights up anytime, anyone, reaches out for the hand of AA's history. Unity Day: Diana F. -- Absent

Grapevine Chair: Harry: Do have a national contest with Grapevine. 209 new subscriptions. California is ahead.

Gold County Roundup: Debra H: Absent. Report from Andrew - Next event is July 21, 2018. It's our fundraiser for the roundup; admission is free. It's at Turners Park in San Andreas. The event is from 11:30am till 4:00pm; there are picnic tables and benches. We will be selling food at the event. The Gold Country Roundup event this year is at the town hall in San Andreas on September the 22nd from 11:00am to 8:00pm. Al-Anon will be downstairs. The admission is \$15.00. Newcomers (first 30 days) get in free, and a GCR coffee cup will be given to sponsors when they bring their sponsees. We will have two AA speakers and two Al-Anon speakers **Responsibility Declaration**: "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.

<u>Next Meeting</u>: June 9, 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!)

