

# **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 – 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday 2 to 4 PM Jackson Fellowship, 14 Water St., Jackson

# California Northern Interior Area

**Area Committee Meeting:** Monthly 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday, East Yolo Fellowship, 1040 Soule St, West Sacramento, CA.

## **Amador County Annual Gratitude Dinner:**

November 17 @ 6:30. Location is Jackson Senior Center.

## **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

#### **OPEN MEETING**

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 Bob B.

Read the Declaration of Unity – read by Harry T.

Introduction of New GSRs or Visitors here for the first time: Liz from Prospectors Group. Rebecca from West Point filling in for Pru. Sue from Jackson Fellowship. Jeff from Valley Springs

<u>Celebrations or Announcements</u>: Birthdays – Susan 27 years. New men's meeting on Mondays @ 7:00 in Arnold.

Read and Discuss Tradition of the month - Jeff read the 12<sup>th</sup> tradition. It was noted that the original intent was to avoid people being official representation AA to outside entities. We need to carry on the traditions so that the original intent remains. We do not exclude personalities, but that the principles come first. We don't follow a single personality regardless of the principles. We will address the Twelve Concepts in 2019. Concept 1 will be covered by Susan R.

#### **Consideration of Minutes -**

October 13, 2018 – Motion to approve by Susan/Kathy. Approved (unanimous)

#### **GSR Reports:**

- 49er Group Susan R: Attendance is 10-20.
   We will be doing a group inventory.
- Angel's Friday As Bill Sees It No report.
- Copper Group (Wed 7:30) Leslie. Attendance is 15-20, with birthday nights up to 25.
   Birthday night is first Wednesday of month.
   Also planning to do a group inventory.
- Ione-Comanche Group Ed: No Report
- Jackson Fellowship Ken W: We will look at doing a group inventory. We will post announcement of steering committee motions on the bulletin board. Marathon meetings will be held on Christmas Day. Game night on New Year's Eve starting at 8:45. Established a hard line of 3 months operating costs prudent reserve. Asked for input on how to pass the H&I

- can to the group. Also discussed disruptive member at the Fellowship.
- Men's Freedom From Alcohol Group Arnold –
  Harry T Chapel in the Pines. Attendance
  continues to stay steady at between 15-18
  members. Finances are sound with our prudent
  reserve available for special functions. I
  reviewed the Mini-PRAASA at our separate
  business meeting. Good follow-up and
  participation. The secretary has excellent
  chairmen for each week. We also have Premeeting dinner, usually with 8 attendees.
- Murphy's Brown Baggers Steve K: 30-40
   attendance with long term sobriety. The issue
   of non-AA related announcements has been
   somewhat controversial. There have been a
   few newcomers and they are local and so far
   "keep coming back". Have promoted the
   Archives Tour and a lot of people seem very
   interested.
- Murphy's Monday Night Meeting Garrett: Attendance is 50-60 people with good participation. Poor attendance at business meeting.
- Murphy's Saturday Morning Ask it Basket Ryan K : No report
- Pine Grove Fellowship Andrew: There are a lot of new secretaries, but still open for Thursday and Saturday meetings. Attendance is good.
- Prospector's Group Liz: Group is bursting at capacity.
- Sierra Foothills Fellowship Dale: Attendance is good. But the business meeting attendance has been low. Dale will focus on getting more people to attend this meeting.
- Friday Night Men's Group, Sutter Creek Bob B – Stable attendance is 10-12. Changed business meeting to the first Friday of the month.
- White Pines Topic Discussion Group Arnold Jim B: Good speakers coming in thanks to Steve's list.
- Valley Springs Tom and Jeff: Most meetings going well. But the Saturday noon meeting has

been low. Will decide in Jan on whether this meeting will continue.

- West Point AA Rebecca: Everything good at the meeting
- Sisters in Sobriety, Murphy's Debbie: No report.
- Women's Book Study, Murphy's Nancy. 10-17 attendees with a great range of sobriety time.

#### **Old Business:**

Secretary's Workshop: Garrett and Mike volunteered to be on Secretary Workshop committee for Calaveras. Garrett is asking for some help to get organized. Will target February for the next workshop. We discussed various topics for the meeting. Garrett motioned that we create a service position to chair this effort/Jeff seconded. This will be placed on agenda for next month. Finance Committee: Susan, Ken, Garrett and Michael M on committee. Garrett wants to connect with each chairperson to verify amounts.

#### **New Business:**

Meeting Schedules for Next Printing – Dave reported that deadline for changes will be January 4, 2019.

Bridging the Gap Chair – Liz volunteered. Dale/Kathy motioned. Del will make introductions to Area BTG person. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Trusted Servants and Committee Reports:**

**DCM**: Del M: At the Nov. Area Committee Meeting. The Area Chair reported that she was evacuated from her home in Paradise. The town and everything was destroyed by fire. Her home was one of the few that was spared. They are going to keep us posted as to what we as a district can do to help. They are going to need literature and readings to help start meetings back up as the find meeting places. The next Area meeting will have its traditional "Pot luck get together" after the meeting. Anyone that would like to attend see me after this meeting and I will give you the particulars. We are halfway through our Panel. See how time flies when you are having fun. We will be reading and commenting on the Twelve Concepts this half of the Panel. WE read and discussed the Twelve Traditions this past year. The Traditions are about unity. I feel as though we did a pretty good job of bringing unity to the district. The Unity Day this year was a big success. We need to keep

putting our efforts into events like this. The Concepts are about service in AA and how General Service is structured. I want to wish everyone a Happy Holliday and wish you every success for the New Year. I would like to thank every one of you for your service.

**Alt DCM**: Michael M: Michael celebrated 5 years of sobriety in November.

**LCM Upper Amador Hwy 88**: Dave L: Has not been to Sierra group for a while. Pine Grove group is back to normal attendance.

**LCM Hwy 4 Corridor**: Michael M: Most meetings are doing well. Even the "dark" meetings are doing OK. **LCM North Amador Hwy 49**: Andrew: The Plymouth Tu meeting is doing good now. River Pines and Fiddleton meetings need support.

LCM San Andreas - West Point: Open

**LCM Valley Springs/Ione/Comanche**: Ed B. No Report. **Recording Secretary/Publications**: Mike C – Everything in going smooth. Will not be attendance in Jan and Feb. **Treasurer**: Susan R:

Checking Balance \$5076.80 Savings Balance: \$3004.47

**Finance Chair(s)**: Garrett/Ken W/Susan/Michael – See Old Business

PI/CPC Chair: Dave L: Meeting schedules.

Hotline Chair: Steve K. The hotline is on auto-pilot. Will

send out the list again to District 30. **BTG Chair**: Open. Spread the word

Directory/Website Chair: Jim B./Rob C (Alt): Everything

OK. Need to post Holiday events.

**Archivist**: Kathy M. – Archive History Day will be held at the American Legion Hall on August 24, 2019. The Hall has been secured with a contract and a \$300 refundable cleaning deposit. An insurance rider will be secured by our Treasurer, Susan, before the event. Flyers will be distributed today at the District meeting for information. David L from Sound Solutions will be our guest speaker and he will bring some 18-20 display cases of his private recovery movement/AA archival collection(s). District 30's archival collection will also be on display. Jeff P, Archivist for Area 07 in Stockton will also be a 15-minute guest speaker. We are asking groups for donations of either pizza(s) and/or a dessert as the event is potluck. Money (suggested \$20-25) is also an option but the group will need to get the money to the Archives Chair, Kathy M, a week before the event. We are asking the GSR's to go back to their group to announce the event in May/June. Asking for volunteers can be done earlier to help set up and clean up for the event or oversee food and coffee. A flyer for

volunteering will be given to each GSR a few months before the event with a request to give the volunteer information to Ralph H, an Archive Committee member. His contact information will be provided at a later date. We continue to go through artifact and document donations from Groups, the most recent being a large donation from the Gold Country Roundup and a smaller donation from the "As Bill Sees It Group." The Archive Committee goes through these documents to select items to be stored. The rest is either shredded or tossed or given back to the donor at their request. The hope for the future is to have each group have a file for their group, hopefully the first document being their group history. We do not have space at the moment for much, but hopefully in the future this can be created.

Unity Day: Open.

Grapevine Chair: Harry T.: California is over 1480 new

subscriptions.

**Gold County Roundup**: Andrew reported. Lots of people

have changed positions.

**H&I Liaison**: – Ken W: H&I meets on second Wednesday on odd number months @ 5:30. There is an H&I conference May 3-5, 2019 in Vallejo. We discussed the passing of the pink H&I can during 7<sup>th</sup> tradition. We recognized that this is a group autonomy decision.

<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: January 12, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at St Matthews Church, 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!)

