

# **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.

## **Special Events**

**Gold Country Round Up** – September 21, 9AM-9PM. Italian Picnic Grounds, 581 CA-49, Sutter Creek

### **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 – Susan R. Recording Secretary – Mike C.

## **CNIA District 30 Business Meeting**

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

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

**Read the Declaration of Unity** – Waived **Introduction of New GSRs or Visitors here for the first time**: Brian, "11<sup>th</sup> Step Meditation Meeting" in Murphy's on Th. This is the first time the group will have a GSR. Cecilia and Sheila from Jackson Fellowship. Peter will replace Harry as GSR for the "Freedom From Alcohol" group.

<u>Celebrations or Announcements</u>: Mike C. 32 years. Harry T. 4 years. CNIA assembly applications are available.

<u>Read and Discuss Concept of the month</u> – 9<sup>th</sup> Concept. Read by Kathy. This concept reviews the requirements for good service worker. Concept reading for next month – Kathy.

<u>Consideration of Minutes</u> – August Minutes – Motion to Accept Minutes – Harry/Garrett 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion Carried. <u>GSR Reports</u>:

- 11<sup>th</sup> Step Meditation Meeting Murphy's Brian. New group represented at District 30. Meets at Faith Lutheran Church @ 9:30 on Thursday. Group has 8 members. This group has been around for 5 years. Prudent reserve is about \$50.
- **49er Group** Susan R: Group is doing well. Good speakers
- Angel's Friday As Bill Sees It Open
- Copper Group (Wed 7:30) Leslie. Absent
- Ione-Comanche Group Open
- Jackson Fellowship Ken W: Considering switching to ceramic coffee cups instead of disposable. Secretary Workshop scheduled for Oct 19. Cecilia will be new GSR
- Men's Freedom from Alcohol Group Arnold Harry T – Chapel in the Pines. Our group meets Friday Evenings at 7:00PM with dinner gathering at 6:00PM prior to the meeting. We continue to grow with 18-20 attendees weekly. Our treasury is sound and we have a Prudent Reserve of \$350.00. Speaker's come from the local area and District 30. Peter our new GSR

has completed his application and sent it to GSO.

- Murphy's Brown Baggers Steve K:
- Murphy's Monday Night Meeting Garrett/Steve H: Monday 7:00-8:00 p.m. – Group doing well. Financially there has been some issues even though attendance has been good. In the past month, finances have improved. There is now funding for GSR position and travel. This was Garrett's last district meeting as GSR.
- Murphy's Saturday Morning Ask it Basket Ryan K: Absent
- Pine Grove Fellowship Andrew: Fellowship is growing. We changed two book study's to topic discussion meeting Saturday night and Tuesday night. The meetings are running good. Thanks to Jamison, Rich, Dave, And Tanya were doing some improvement to the fellowship - cleaning the place up we got some new chairs and big books for big book study. We are doing very well financially and sending money to District 30, GSO and Sacramento. Need secretaries for Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday night. Business meeting are well attended.
- **Prospector's Group** Liz Full attendance with great long term sobriety
- Sierra Foothills Fellowship OPEN Report by Kathy. Taco Tuesday on the first Monday of the month. 35+ people attending.
- Sisters in Sobriety, Murphy's Debbie: Absent
- Sutter Creek Friday Night Men's Group Bob B – experiencing increased attendance the last few weeks. One of our members voiced his concern over the request of YPAA to have an appointed chair position at Area 07. This has opened up discussion at our monthly group conscience meeting. As it stands the group is opened minded on the subject but most don't understand the need. A couple questions we are seeking answers to are 1) Why does YPAA feel this is necessary since representation is available through GSR's and 2) How is it working in other Areas. I plan on attending the Election Assembly in November with the results of our group conscience.

- Valley Springs Tom and Jeff: Absent.
- White Pines Topic Discussion Group Arnold Jim B: good attendance at meetings, good mix of newcomers and old-timers, we're having good discussions, and we're in good financial shape
- West Point Pru: Absent
- Women's Book Study, Murphy's Nancy Meeting is healthy with 7-17 attendees per meeting. Starting study of Big Book on September 17. This will follow group inventory.
- Young at Heart Meeting, Angels Chrys M. -Our group continued to gently grow. We have several birthday/landmarks to celebrate this month: 4 Months, One Year, and 17 Years! Our oldest member, Phil V with over 40 years, is recovering from a fall: so we have been taking a weekly meeting into the rehab facility.

#### Old Business:

Anniversary Contribution Envelopes – Jim ordered a bunch of copies from GSO. These can be used by members to donate money to GSO at their anniversary time.

#### New Business:

Secretary Workshop – Topics - Stick to the meeting format, 7<sup>th</sup> tradition etiquette. Kathy, Cecilia, Mike volunteered to committee. Send Ken topic ideas. Target October 19<sup>th</sup> with probable location at Jackson Fellowship.

Budget 2020 Preparation – Del suggested that we start early to get the budget in place for July 2020. The goal will be to have basic numbers in place for the next panel. Susan, Bob and Kathy to work on this.

Panel Rotations – Del suggested that we start now of getting replacements for new panel positions and GSR replacements. Elections will occur in November. DCM, Alt DCM, Secretary and Treasurer are the elected positions. It was suggested that we promote District level service at various events and our local meetings.

Sponsorship Workshop – Steve K brought up this issue. Tabled for next month.

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

**DCM**: Del M: At our last Area Committee Meeting on Aug. 17th they are starting the discussion on the 2020 – 2021 Spending Plan. The Spending Plan is the Budget. Spending Plan is used because Budget sounds harsh. That doesn't matter because the same people get upset over how AA spends its money. The issue on the YPAA Chair has been decided to create an ad hoc Committee to find out what is wanted and needed. Some of the young people that are active in YPAA have been asked about what is wanted and needed, but we get conflicting reports.

The Election Assembly is going to be in the Visallia Area. One of the Latino Districts will be hosting. It should be very interesting to be one of the people needing to have a translator. The Assembly will be November 15th. We need to start the discussion on our own Budget or Spending Plan so the next Panel will have a head start on it.

**Alt DCM**: Michael M: Attending as many meetings as possible. This includes the Bear Valley meeting which is doing well.

LCM Upper Amador Hwy 88: Dave L: Absent LCM Hwy 4 Corridor: Michael – See Alt DCM report. LCM North Amador Hwy 49: Andrew: Plymouth meeting is doing good lot of attendance speaker meeting. Fiddletown is still open, always could use some support. River Pines is doing pretty good, solid secretaries - potluck is on the second Monday speaker and birthday night last week of the month.

LCM San Andreas – West Point: Rebekah Z. - Absent LCM Valley Springs/Ione/Comanche: Open.

**Recording Secretary/Publications**: Mike C – Appreciate all of the email GSR report. Mike will be rotating out of this position at the end of the year.

Treasurer: Susan R -

August Income	\$1291	
August Expenses	\$821	Ending Balance \$4286

# Motion for Treasurer's Report: Michael/Kathy motioned. Motioned carried unanimously

Finance Chair(s): None

PI/CPC Chair: Dave L: Absent

**Hotline Chair**: Steve K. – Everything going OK, but still two slots remain open.

#### BTG Chair: OPEN

**Directory/Website Chair**: Jim B./Rob C (Alt): Migrated the site to a new Web server, in order to get a more secure version of one of the programming languages it runs on (PHP). This took a couple of weeks (and a lot of time on the phone with GoDaddy's tech support), during some of which time the site wasn't accessible. It also involved canceling the former Web hosting plan (for which we got a refund), and starting a new one, which will show up as new charges on the bank account, but that's all supposed to break even. The site's back up and running now, with the added bonus that we're now SSL-secure.

**Archivist**: Kathy M. – The Archive Committee meets on 1st Wed of the month at 2:00 p.m., at the Jackson Fellowship. We discussed Archive History Day event, what worked, what did not.

Archive History Day had a total of \$650.81 in pizza donations, 7th tradition and committee and event donation jars. We are humbled by all the generous group donations and wish to thank you all. The committee worked hard and I would like to formally thank Del M., Dennis C., Ralph H., Barbara K., Susan R., Leslie G., Laurie S., Alan B., Nancy S., Cathy M., and Dede and John L. for their dedication and service to the Archives. Sound Solutions will not be in attendance next year. Though David was a wonderful speaker and we wish he could come back next year, they thought our event was a larger conference event and they do not attend small local General Service events. Next year's Archive History Day will welcome Jim B, Archivist from Akron, Ohio as our main speaker and we will work on new components for the 2020 event. A flyer and event schedule will be created and distributed as we get closer to this much-anticipated event. Our last event in 2019 is the Gold Country Roundup on September 21, 2019 at the Italian Picnic Grounds in Sutter Creek. We are working on 3 group histories for this event: Men's Freedom from Alcohol Group in Arnold, the Saturday Evening Speaker Meeting in Jackson and the new YPAA Group in Jackson. We continue to work on the reorganization of documents stored at the Jackson Fellowship, the 2020/2021 Archive Budget, the history of AA and District 30, individual and group histories and the possibility of a new Area event for Founder's Day in our area.

**Unity Day**: Mike C. – Held the first committee meeting in August. We have about 5 volunteers to put together the event. Targeting June 13 for the event.

**Grapevine Chair**: Harry T.: Read daily quote from Grapevine. SEE EMAIL

**Gold County Roundup**: Angela – Absent. Kathy – One week away. Adam is main speaker. \$15 registration.

**H&I Liaison**: – Ken W: There has been some movement on training, but no details yet. There are openings for service positions on the H&I Committee.

<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.

#### <u>Next Meeting</u>: October 12, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at St Matthews Church, San Andreas

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### **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!)

