

# **CNIA** District 30 Newsletter

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January 2022

# Mark Your Calendar

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

# ANNOUNCEMENT: More elections:

Position	Nominee
Finance Committee / Chair	Dorothy (chair),
	Diana, Greg
LCM Hwy 4 Corridor	
LCM North Amador Hwy 49	
LCM San Andreas – West Point	
LCM Upper Amador Hwy 88	
LCM Vly Springs/Ione Comanche	
PI/CPC Chair	Harry was
	nominated. But not
	in attendance.
Hotline Chair	None. GSRs to ask
	groups.
Bridging the Gap Chair	None GSRs to ask
	groups.
Directory/Website Chair	Carole / Jim
Archivist	Susan with Marc as
	alternate.
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Grapevine Rep	Paul C
Publications Chair	Paul C Mike C. (with
	Mike C. (with

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

6 PM held at St. Patrick's Catholic Church Hall, 115 Court Street, Jackson in back of the church in the Parish Hall on Kearnev St.

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

PI/CPC Committee Meeting: Not currently meeting in person. Normally, meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 2 pm.

District 30 Archives Committee: Every 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday meeting via Zoom - 2 to 4 PM.

# California Northern Interior Area

Area Committee Meeting: Monthly 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday meets by Zoom. Normally meets at East Yolo Fellowship, 1040 Soule St, West Sacramento, CA.

# **Special Events**

Christmas Eve - 49er Group in Angels Camp. Christmas Marathon Meetings - Jackson Fellowship, Dec 25. 8:00 AM to 8:30 PM New Years Eve - 49er Group in Angels Camp. Sacramento Spring Fling - Feb 4-6, 2022, **Doubletree Hilton** 

Archive History Day & Unity Day have been merged and are scheduled for – June 11, 2022.

Theme: Future of Recovery

# Panel 70 District Trusted Servants

The following are the elected District 30 Trusted Servants for Panel 68. (See contact info at end of Newsletter)

DCM – Michael M Alt DCM – Steve H

Treasurer – Susan R

Recording Secretary – Kathy M

# **Motto/Theme for Panel 70**

"I hear that service will keep you sober."

# **CNIA District 30 Business Meeting**

Covid19 Information for Amador/Calaveras Meetings: For meeting information within District 30, go to cnia30.org for meeting information, click on meetings and then on printable pdf. Please give Jim B, our webmaster, any updates for your group <a href="mailto:jbearden@ieee.org">jbearden@ieee.org</a>. If you think you might have a drinking problem or wish to speak to a member of Alcoholics Anonymous, please contact our Hotline at (800) 851-1304 or (209) 223-4989.

#### **OPEN MEETING**

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

Read the GSR Preamble – Read by Cece S

Read the Declaration of Unity – Read by Titia A

Introduction of New GSRs or Visitors here for the first time: Monise S. – Jackson, Amanda C – Mountain

Ranch

<u>Celebrations or Announcements</u>: Several birthdays were celebrated. 49er group will be having Christmas Eve and New Years eve meetings.

Read and Discuss Concept of the month – 12<sup>th</sup>

Concept – Read by Diana F – Discussed the issue of punitive action towards members. The change to the AA preamble has been resubmitted to an outreach committee to review the way this was implemented. We as a district need to participate as much as possible. We also discussed the changing of the storage unit code during the switch to the new panel. This had been perceived as "lock out" for the previous archivist. Added

<u>Consideration of Minutes</u> – November 13, 2021 Minutes – Motion to Accept Minutes – Motion, 1<sup>st</sup> Diana (with correction that Copper GSR report was submitted) – 2<sup>nd</sup> Steve H, Motion carried

#### **GSR Reports**:

to new business

- 11<sup>th</sup> Step Meditation Meeting Murphy's –
   Brian M Absent
- 49er Group Paul C Friday night 7:00 p.m.
  We are growing week by week. We have
  elected new secretaries that seem to be
  working well. We also elected and had some
  volunteers for coffee and literature. A good
  vibe in our meeting is growing again. Looking

- forward to getting back to 25 people per meeting!!
- Copper Group -- Diana F Attendance has remained steady with zoom and in person for the most part. Total, about 15. Our member who has handled the zoom and treasurer position will be unavailable for 3 months as she goes back to school so the group has some decisions to make. Our business meetings are the 3rd Wed., after the district meeting, and we will discuss filling those positions. Our treasury is in good shape. Tim C will be alternate GSR. Both Tim and I have registered for the January assembly in Sonora and are excited about being part of it
- Easy Does It Group, San Andreas Dylan –
   Attendance fluctuates between 6 and 12 with a
   few newcomers every month. Funds are
   coming in and prudent reserve is building.
   Group has no concerns or comments for district
   at this time
- Friday Night Men's Group Brian G Absent
- Ione Group GSR Dorothy Open since July. Business meeting quarterly. Treasury is OK. Attendance is 8-12. Also reported that the Gold Country Roundup existing funds will be distributed to offices (\$1800). It was mentioned that Gold Country Roundup is separate from District. Decided to push the discussion of the non-profit status into next panel (Diana and Teri C motioned)
- Jackson Cece The Fellowship is doing well. Donations were down but we are still doing well in the money department. Treasury is solid. Decided to use old preamble. Living Sober meeting is now a Topic Discussion meeting. There allot of Newcomers who attend. They are talking about becoming a Big Book meeting. It was advised that the secretary take it back to the meeting to have a group conscience; one of the committee members will help. We will hear back from the group in January. The Thursday Night Zoom meeting has been cancelled. LB to notify district Web Master. We discussed the changes to the 12 &12. The Steering Committee requested that I send them the

changes via email. Which I have done. We had quite a discussion on this matter. They want to make sure that they are never out of the loop again. I assured them that it will not happen again if their GSR keeps them informed and the information is given in a timely matter. This was tabled for more discussion. Maggie is the new alternate GSR.

- Mokulumne Hill Mike C 2-4 people, need support.
- Mountain Ranch, Friends in Sobriety,
   Mountain Ranch Casey Group has selected a new GSR Amanda
- Murphys Monday Night Meeting Titia A Our format is a "Topic Discussion" where a member is asked to share their Experience, Strength and Hope through the program of Alcoholics Anonymous. Discussion is then followed with member discussion. At the November 22nd meeting, the group conscience was to elect Grace C. as out Panel 72 GSR. Grace will be joining us at meetings starting in January 2022. Gabe our current secretary is doing an awesome job of bringing in fellow members from outside our Murphys area to share their Experience Strength and Hope. We have had some wonderful Topic Discussions in the last month.
- Murphys Tuesday Night Book Study Patty Z –
   Teri report that the group is going good
- Murphys Brown Baggers (New) Teri C. Our meeting is going strong. We have all positions filled and our numbers are growing. We get quarterly treasurers reports and are able to pay all of our expenses. We are excited about the upcoming Winter Assembly and there are a few of our meeting members that will attend including myself
- Murphy's Monday Night Meeting,
   Topic/Discussion Steve H, GSR & Titia A,
   Alternate GSR New GSR = Grace.
- Pine Grove Fellowship Andrew C, Tasha (Alt)
   See email
- Railroad Flat Speaker/Discussion Meeting,
- Sierra Foothills Fellowship, Monday at 7:00
   p.m. Greg N The Sierra Foothills Fellowship

is doing well. The attendance is growing and we are celebrating birthdays with a birthday cake on the last Monday of each month. We are still in the process of opening a checking account. We recently made distributions to: CNIA Area 7. District 30 and GSO. We, as a result of group conscience, have decided to ignore and not use the new suggested opening statement that states "people" rather than "men and women". I will bring up to the group the option of authoring a letter to GSO stating our thoughts. I will also be attending the Winter Assembly in Sonora, Ca. in January 2022

- Sutter Creek Friday Night Men's Group Brian
   G Absent
- There is a Solution Group, Murphy's Saturday 9:00 am. Carole S – Greetings from Murphys! Our "Bring your own topic" meeting (also known as an Ask-it Basket meeting) continues going strong. We meet at the Lion's Club Hut (next to the Old Schoolhouse and the tennis courts) and there is just no better way to start your weekend than sharing YOUR solution with your fellows!
- Turning Point Recovery Facility Meeting –
   Michael M Group is fast growing
- Valley Springs Tom and Jeff: Absent
- Valley Springs, Coffee Break Meeting,
   Wednesday am Group Mike C Group is doing OK.
- White Pines Topic Discussion Group Meets
   Thursday evenings 7:30pm Harry GSR See email
- White Pines I'm With Guys Group Randy S Meeting Currently being held via Zoom. Liz M. is the Secretary for the meeting and continues to invite excellent chairpersons. Jason R. is the Treasurer for the meeting so all needed positions for the meeting are currently full. Recent attendance of 12-18 each week with consistent participation by "Turning Point", a recovery facility located in Arnold. Usually, 4-6 from Turning Point including several who have graduated from the program.
- Young at Heart Meeting, Angels, 1141 S. Main Street, Angels Camp – Chrys M: Absent

### • Old Business:

Election of committee chairs –

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- Delegate's Report Update Not covered
- Adhoc Committee report Update on Insurance/Protocols – Susan/Randy – Not covered
- New Business: (Check with members for additional New Business) None.
  - o **Update Speaker List** Not covered
  - Storage locker access At the beginning of the year, Titia Ashby (incoming DCM) will be listed as President on the lease and Susan Rudolph (incoming Archivist) will be given access to the storage locker.
  - Safety deposit box key The keys and access will be transfered to Titia Ashby (incoming DCM) and Randy Seale (incoming treasurer).

**Trusted Servants and Committee Reports:** 

DCM: Michael M Panel 70: No time

**ALT DCM**: Steve H – No time

LCM Hwy 4 Corridor: Steve K - No time

LCM North Amador Hwy 49: - Fiddletown, River Pines -

**OPEN** 

LCM San Andreas – West Point: OPEN
LCM Valley Springs/Ione/Comanche: OPEN

Recording Secretary/Publications: Mike C – No report Treasurer: Susan R – Telephone bill has two bills and

should be investigated at next panel.

Beginning Balance	\$5373.33
November Income	\$1229.07
November	\$714.16
Expenses	
Ending Balance	\$5888.24
Checking	
Prudent Reserve	\$ 3,007.17

November Group Donations	
Mtn Ranch	270.00
Daily Reflections	92.50
RR Flat	99.00
Murphy's Group	156.87
Sisters in Sobriety	108.00
River Pines Group	20.00
There is a solution	76.50
Step Sisters Group	136.20
Jackson Fellowship	120
Sierra Foothills	150.00
Total	1229.07

Please send donations to Susan: PO Box 43, Murphys, CA 95247

Motion for Treasurer's Report: Motion, 1<sup>st</sup> / 2<sup>nd</sup>,

carried. No time for vote

Finance Chair(s): Susan, Del M, Kathy M – No time.

PI/PCP: Del M - No time

**Hotline** – **Steve K** – Will distribute a new sign up list for speakers for meetings in the area.

**Bridging the Gap Chair: Andrew C** – Andrew will be stepping down

**Directory/Website Chair**: Jim B – No time.

Archivist: Kathy M: After December 31, 2021, I will no

longer be a Trusted Servant with District 30.

First, I want to thank the Archive Committee for their dedication, time and passion for the Archives and for the last 6 years they have devoted to District 30 Archives. Del M, Ralph H, Dennis C, Laurie S and Marc W (Alt Archivist) have been the core of the Archive Committee but we have had several others who worked

with us as Members-at-Large or volunteers. The District 30 Archivist is responsible for protecting, collecting, preserving and writing group and individual histories for the District. District 30 does not own any of the archives, it only protects it for you. Any donations to the Archives by members or groups must have a Gift Deed, a legal document, signed by the donor and witnessed by an Archive Committee member or Trusted Servant of District 30, or an understanding that the artifacts are on loan only. We have such a Gift Deed from the Jackson Fellowship for the 1st Ed, 1st Printing of the Big Book now stored at El Dorado Savings Bank in a safety deposit box. I have been told over the last two months that the next DCM in Panel 72 does not revere the Archives and would possibly be dismantling, moving them out of a climate controlled storage unit and cutting the budget for the Archives. Since I have several loaned artifacts in the Archives that I have not Gift Deeded to the District, I decided to withdraw my loaned artifacts, some very valuable, and informed the DCM and Treasurer of such. I did not want them given away or put in a storage unit that was not climate controlled. I was told by the Treasurer that I, the current District Archivist, could not enter the Archives storage at Storquest without supervision and was accused of previously executing a Gift Deed and somehow losing it. This is absolutely not true -- I have never executed a Gift Deed. On December 10, 2021, I called Storquest and was informed by the manager of the facility that District 30's "President" (DCM) and Treasurer took punitive action against me, locking me out of the Archives effective on December 9, 2021, by changing the code. My current term does not expire until end of December. Tradition 2, and the 12th Concept protects AA from those who would seek to govern without a Group Conscience.

We are not to take punitive action against a member of Alcoholics Anonymous/Elected Trusted Servant(s) without a group conscience. Or if, we cannot obtain a group conscience, and if the Right of Decision is used, this must be divulged at the next business meeting to inform the group conscience of why the decision was made without their knowledge. I would like to make a Motion that punitive actions like these in the future, where an elected Trusted Servant's duties are circumvented before the Panel is completed, be subject to a group conscience vote or, if it is not possible to get a group conscience vote, the individual(s) making such a decision must explain why the Right of Decision was

taken and then it must be explained why this decision was made at the next District meeting. Motion was seconded by Diana.

This will be put on the agenda as new business for the Jan meeting. Motion passed.

Unity Day: Mike C – Theme is "Future of Recovery" Looking Back and Looking Forward. Date is June 11, 2022 from 12:30-7:00. Location is American Legion Hall, Martell. Committee is still being formed. Looking for speakers.

**Grapevine Chair**: Harry T – Absent

H&I Liaison Amador County: – Sheila W – Amador County Jail continues to not resume (pre covid status) meetings. No meetings are being brought into the jail. Mule Creek continues needing volunteers to go into the prison. If anyone is interested, please contact Mike Kelly- kelleymike@sbcglobal.net; (916) 969-6576. AA resumed bringing meetings into the prison last July. AA does meetings on a week by week basis depending on prison assessment. So far only one meeting I am scheduled for has been canceled

**H&I Liaison Calaveras County: Andrew K - Absent** 

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.

Next Meeting: January 8, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

Yours in Service, Mike C., Recording Secretary 209-969-1518

#### **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. (Please bring your own coffee)

## **Addresses for Group Contributions**

Be sure to include your group name and six-digit GSO ID number on your check.

# District 30 (cnia30.org)

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### California Northern Interior Area (cnia.org)

PO Box 161712 Sacramento, CA 95816

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212-870-3400 PO Box 459 New York, NY 10163

### Central California Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous, <u>aasacramento.org</u>

916-454-1100 9960 Business Park Dr., #110 Sacramento, CA 95827

### Delta Central Office (www.aadelta.org)

1525 N. Eldorado St., Suite #3 Stockton, CA 95204

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