



CNIA DISTRICT 30

Newsletter

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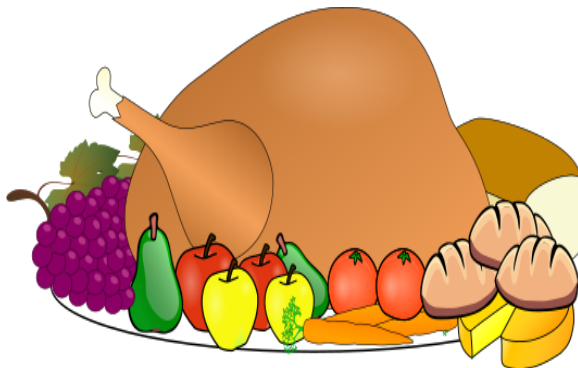
November 2026

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Amador County Speaker meeting 3rd
Saturday of every month at 10 Kearney
St. Jackson, CA from 6:00-8:30pm

Amador County Speaker and Gratitude
Potluck Dinner Nov. 21 2026. Dinner
4:30pm...Meeting 6pm. For information
contact Angela to sign up to cook and or
donate food at (530) 417-1012.

Arnold Monthly Speaker and Chip
meeting 1st Saturday of every month at
Villella Hall from 4:00-5:00pm.



October 10, 2026 District 30 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was opened with the Serenity
Prayer.

The GSR preamble was read by Titia and
the Declaration of Unity was read by LB.

Introductions were made. Trusted servants
present were; Tony, Susie, Karin, Jennifer,
Titia, Kevin, Ryan, Bob, Joyce, Teri, Grace,
Allan, Josh, Angela, John, LB, and Tom.

Recovery milestones: Titia celebrated 25
years sobriety and John celebrated 20
years sobriety. Congratulations!
Sat. Nov 21, Gratitude Potluck Dinner along
with monthly speaker meeting in Jackson.

Publications: Grace- District 30 Guidelines
review and update. Possible changes to
coordinations with delta intergroup, DCM
duties, Alt DCM duties, treasurers
guidelines on travel expenses,
advancements, prior approvals, and
reimbursements paid by the district.
Develop guidelines for how to handle
situations in which prepaid flights are
canceled because of storms, or there is a
family emergency, or the member is ill. GSR
info is lacking and will be increased.

Grapevine Rep is lacking info and will be expanded. Archivist collection scope. Webmaster committee is missing duties info. Spanish speaking meeting schedule? Guidelines are incorrect that GSRs can be contacted directly via email on the district website and that will be removed and updated with current procedure. Glossary will be removed. The Appendices and Panel Rotation Process table both need updating. All of this work will require lots of communication between officers/committee chairs and Grace to develop effective D30 guidelines moving forward.

Unity Day: Michelle absent- Susie- Went really well. Budget \$1,500. Took in \$1,501. Only expense \$150.86. 7th tradition \$219, 50/50 raffle \$415, raffle \$867.

PICPCP: Open position. Please announce at your meetings.

DCM: Tony- Traveling to 3 meetings he had not been to before. Thanked everyone who helped set up and cleaned up at Unity Day, as well as the great booths and tables. Asked for more volunteers from both counties to help setup and breakdown because it's an event for all of us.

Alt DCM: Jennifer-Attended September ACM in person. Area 07 has a new webmaster, Scott T. email is webmaster@cni.org and is developing on the website district pages with links. Area 07 spending plan is closed for changes. No voting on proposed PAIs. The upcoming event for BUTTEYPAA (Butte County Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous) in Chico Nov 6-8 is asking for money to provide \$20 scholarships for people who cannot afford to go. Jennifer will provide that link. Contact is Rich.

Claudio shared a lot about finances and that there was an error in grapevine finances in regards to the GSO.

Website: LB-Mike C's name is still on the Blue Chair App as the contact person and he's been gone for 2 years now. Who manages it? Tom- Can we cancel GoDaddy prorated? Security is expensive and essential. No response from Area 07 with help starting wordpress. \$800 to GoDaddy this year. What is PHP? Annually we are paying \$564 for the district 30 website. Karin volunteered to coordinate with LB and Tom in researching other Website companies for better potential savings. Please announce at your meetings that the district would greatly appreciate and value any member with website skills and time stepping up to help with the district 30 website.

Treasurers Report: Susie- We are doing well, our bills are paid. She will be stepping down after this panel so start thinking about who would like to step up as treasurer for the 28-29 panel so that person can start learning the ropes and quicken in preparation for a successful transition and a good sense of what the job entails.

12th Step Fund	2,021.31
D30 Prudent Reserve	5,509.34
<u>District 30</u>	<u>1,028.75</u>
TOTAL BANK ACCOUNTS	8,559.40

Finance Committee: Teri- Email was sent out providing actual district 30 expenditures from 2023-2026 for comparison. Based on these comparisons our committee believes our proposed budget is good. Our budget plan estimates less in contributions than last year and we may fall short of that. Some groups are facing financial challenges and cannot contribute amounts they used to

donate. Suggestion to cut everything by a percentage across the board. The decision was made to create a new D30 spending plan, eliminating funds for service positions that are not currently filled but to vote on funding a budget line item if a service position gets filled; currently PICPC is vacant so that budget line item will be cut until filled, funds for PRAASA travel to be cut and and funds for PRAASSA travel and Unity Day funds be cut to \$1000 moving back to suggested guidelines of being self-supporting. Titia will also include updated expenditures and income. The revised 2027 budget plan to be presented to our groups this month to be voted on and brought back to next month's district meeting.

Archives: John- Archives presentation at Unity Day went well, with Diane providing nice tablecloths. Looking for volunteers. John and Tony will meet at El Dorado Savings Bank sometime TBD before the next district meeting to consolidate two safety deposit boxes into one to save costs. Unity Day items are also stored with archives. John needs more input on what is important to save.

Our storage is paid thru December, then we can get a smaller locker and save money. All district members are invited to meet at our archives storage facility in Angels Camp, on Hwy 4, after next month's D30 meeting to go through and help catalog the contents. November 14.

Recording Secretary: Karin- Newsletter, a mistake on an address that will be corrected next month. Mike C is now contributing grapevine writings. Motion made, seconded, and passed to approve September D30 meeting minutes.

BTG: Jennifer- Went to Kansas. California BTG is working. Outside of CA it's called Corrections. Jennifer did not leave there having learned anything she didn't already know. There is a BTG website with information where people can access information. Since BTG is self-supporting and funded by workshops, which was poorly attended, next year's workshop may be its last. Area 07 BTG is functioning very well, has a 13 page manual, and meets once a month on zoom. That manual was shared at the conference and is now on the BTG website.

The Lakes BTG position is now open for some who are available to go in once a month (3rd wed. 2pm) and bring a presentation and collect blue cards.

H&I: Joyce- First H&I servants meeting happened since 2019. He had acquired \$300 which he was uncomfortable holding onto. Talked about the budget, and added another signatory to the bank account. Angela: 7 applications were turned in at Unity Day. Waiting for clearance. There was an incident where a female AA member hugged an inmate. Any kind of physical contact is strictly forbidden and brought to AA's attention.

LCM: John- Plymouth meeting may move.

YPAA- Absent

7th tradition \$45

The next district 30 meeting will be held on November 14, 2026 at St Matthew's Episcopal Church, 414 Oak St., San Andreas. 10AM-Noon

Step 11

Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as *we understood him*, praying only for knowledge of his will for us and the power to carry that out.

“Out of the Dark”

Self-searching is the means by which we bring new vision, action, and grace to bear upon the dark and negative side of our natures. With it comes the development of that kind of humility that makes it possible for us to receive God’s help. Yet it is only a step. We will need to go further. We will want the good that is in us all, even in the worst of us, to flower and to grow. But first of all we shall want sunlight; nothing much can grow in the dark. Meditation is our step out into the sun.

“A clear light seems to fall upon us all—when we open our eyes. Since our blindness is caused by our own defects, we must first deeply realize what they are. Constructive meditation is the first requirement for each new step in our spiritual growth”

From: As Bill Sees It p.10

Tradition 11

Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films.

“Free Like a Butterfly”

I was working for a healthcare organization that sold medical plans to companies. My job was to develop relationships with the executive offices of employer groups. I was 28 years old, and everything looked good on the outside. My demoralization from drinking was not yet visible, but eventually my “wining and dining” of clients became

too much. I landed in a rehab in February of 1987. When it was time to return to work, I got on my knees in the bathroom and said the Serenity Prayer in order to gain the courage to walk back into my office. I had a great career, kept my anonymity and handled myself with grace by using the tools of the program. I received my company’s “President’s Award” at three years of sobriety. My boss pulled me aside and said everyone had been watching me, hoping I would not relapse and told me, “You are blowing everyone’s mind.” Eventually, I was let go after 17 years due to a company downsizing. I headed straight to an AA meeting, called my sponsor and got into action. I volunteered to work phones in our AA Central Office. One day, I went across the street to buy some groceries and ran into someone who got me my next job. Throughout my career in sobriety, I followed my sponsor’s suggestion to act like a woman with dignity, knowing that I might be the only Big Book that people at work will see. I just retired after 20 years at a large telecommunication company. The day I walked out the door, I broke my anonymity in front of 150 people. I put a large butterfly cape on and said to the crowd, “I was 28 years old when I got sober. My mom told me I was free, like the butterfly. Today, I’m spiritually free and financially free.” I walked out with loud applause and tears from everyone. I got calls afterward from people stating they had no idea of my struggles and that I blew everyone’s mind. During my career, I had situations that led to rumors about me being a drunk but I did a lot of work on myself and learned how to mind my own business. Because people can be judgmental and competitive at work, I do not recommend people break their anonymity while employed. Once you walk away with

your side of the street cleaned, announce away!

Grapevine Issue November 2025, Lori N. Boise Idaho 1987

Concept XI

The trustees should always have the best possible committees, corporate service directors, executives, staffs, and consultants. Composition, qualifications, induction procedures, and rights and duties will always be matters of serious concern.

The longtime success of our General Service Board will rest not only on the capabilities of the Trustees themselves; it will depend quite as much upon the competent leadership and harmonious association of those non-Trustee committee members, corporate service directors, executives and staff members who must actively carry on A.A.'s world services. Their quality and dedication, or their lack of these characteristics, will make or break our structure of service. Our final dependency on them will always be great indeed. Far more than most of the Trustees, these servants will be in direct contact with A.A. world-wide, and their performance will be constantly in view. They will perform most of the routine labor. They will carry on most of our services. They will travel widely and will receive most visitors at the Headquarters. They will often originate new plans and policies. Some of them will eventually become Trustees. Because this group will form the visible image of world service, most AA's will measure our service values by what they see and feel in them. Members of this group will not only *support* the world leadership of the Trustees; in the nature of the case they will be bound to *share* world leadership with them.

It is composed of the following elements:
the five standing committees of the General

Service Board, plus our two active service corporations, A.A. World Services, Inc. (including its A.A. publishing division) and the AA Grapevine, Inc..

Excerpts from The A.A. Service Manual combined with
Twelve Concepts For World Service by Bill W. p. C-37

Attention Members

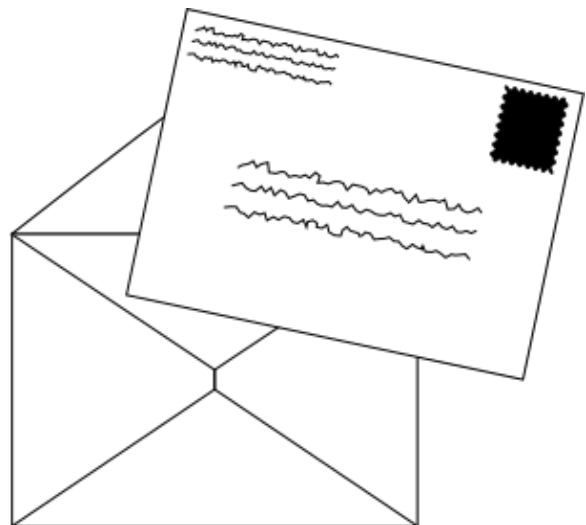
All AA members are welcome to contribute AA related writings, opinions, etc. to our newsletter via the district 30 email. Anything writing not already AA approved will be passed on the district for review by the district 30 committee.

To Contact District 30:

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Addresses for Group Contributions

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



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District 30 Meetings

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

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!)

