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Note from our NAMA President - Cindy Eoff

NORMAL.... Have you seen it? Has it come back around, and I missed it? No? This is it? I kind of think so. We just have to accept it, I guess. I had a pastor recently mention to me that his young children will never know a world without Covid. That statement made me pause for a moment and realize things are different and will remain so from here on out. I do hope, though, that we get to a point where Covid isn't a consistent headline and doesn't dominate our daily conversations. I hope, if it doesn't go away, that it will just settle in with its cousin, Influenza, and be something we guard against but not hide from. Regardless, I am thankful "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." Hebrews 13:8. PTL!

Just a few things I want to share with you. First, we have unexpectedly found ourselves with a vacancy on the board. Stacey Owens, VP of Publicity, regretfully submitted her resignation. I appreciate all Stacey has done to this point and will miss her input on future plans. We are in the process of looking for someone to step into her shoes as soon as possible.

Additionally, because we need to find another team member and because nothing about this year has been normal, we are still in research and discussion on the next conference site. I was advised to have the site selected by the end of the year. I'm just going to be honest, that may or may not happen. We are praying about it and seeking God's will, but we may have to pause a little bit before we know where the 2023 conference will be. I ask for your patience and most importantly for your prayers.

Lastly, NAMA depends on membership dues to cover operating expenses during the planning season. We are being frugal and have not traveled or had in person meetings. But there are still expenses that must be paid, i.e.: insurance, website fees, etc. As the new year approaches, please remember your gift in the form of dues to NAMA is greatly appreciated.

I pray God's blessings over you all today and if there is anything I can do for you, please give me a call, or send me a text.

In Him, Cindy Eoff 254-977-3986



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State Meetings

Let us know when your state meeting is and contact information. Email details to namapublicity@gmail.com
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If your contact information has changed, don't forget to let us know!



If your contact information has changed please make sure to email Holly at namamembership@gmail.com



Dues are payable on January 1st of each calendar year. Memberships run from January 1st through December 31st of each calendar year. Please note if you skip a year paying dues, you will need to pay new member amount.

Please visit our website at <u>www.nama-sbc.org</u> to find out the benefits of being a member, membership form and how to pay dues.

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For more information please contact Holly Fields at namembership@gmail.com for any membership questions.



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President: Cindy Eoff

Senior Ministry Assistant & Office Manager Midland, First Baptist Church (Texas)

Cindy began her career in 2003 as Office Administrator for First Baptist Church in her hometown of Dublin, Texas where she was born and raised. She now serves at First Baptist Church in Midland, Texas and has been there for 5 years. Cindy served



as Vice President/ Publicity in 2014-2016 with the Texas Baptist Ministry Assistant, Vice President / Programs in 2018-2020 and is currently President. Cindy is married to her high school sweetheart, Danny and they have two daughters, sons in law and six grandchildren. In Her spare time, she enjoys baking, cross stitching and motorcycle riding with her husband and CMA group.



President - Elect: Heather Beard

Ministry Assistant Tennessee Baptist Mission Board (Franklin, TN)

Heather has served as a Ministry Assistant at the TBMB for 23 years. She works in the area of Volunteer Missions, Church Secretaries and Worship and Music. Heather is also a member of the Tennessee Baptist Secretaries Association, where she serves as the Liaison between TBMB and TBSA.

Vice President of Membership: Holly Fields

Ministry Assistant Twin Rivers Baptist Association (Wright City, MO)

Holly has served at the Twin Rivers Baptist Association for 16 years. She has been a member of NAMA for several years and currently serving as an Officer of the Baptist Secretaries Association of Missouri.





Secretary / Treasurer: Pam King

Financial Ministry Assistant Orange, FBC (Texas)

Pam King began working as the Financial Ministry Assistant at First Baptist-Orange in 1998. She has served as a volunteer Treasurer in many school and civic organizations, including PTA, Band Boosters, Project Safe Graduation, and Service League of Orange. She served has the Secretary/Treasurer of Texas Baptist Ministry Assistants from 2008-2010 and from 2014-2016.



Taco Soup

- 2 cans of corn
- 2 cans black beans
- 2 cans kidney beans (you can use chili beans or ranch beans)
- 1 lb ground beef (cooked)
- 1 packet of taco seasoning
- 1 packet of Ranch dressing mix
- Sour cream
- Corn chips

In *large pot add all cans, including liquid, and cooked ground beef. Add the 2 seasoning packets.

Heat thoroughly

Once fully heated stir in sour cream

Serve over corn chips

*You can also put in crockpot on low for 4-6 hours



Game Day Slow Cooker Chili

- 3/4lb ground beef round
- 1 medium green bell pepper, chopped
- 3 cans (14.5 oz each) diced tomatoes with garlic and onion, undrained
- 3 cans (10 3/4 oz each) condensed tomato soup
- 1 can (15 or 19 oz) ProgressoTM red kidney beans, drained, rinsed
- 1 can (12 oz) tomato paste
- 1/2 cup water
- 3 to 5 tablespoons chili powder
- 1 teaspoon freshly ground pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon paprika

Toppings, if desired

- Shredded Cheddar cheese
- Sour cream
- Chopped green onions
- Sliced ripe olives
- Corn chips

Spray 5- to 6-quart slow cooker with cooking spray. In 10-inch nonstick skillet, cook beef over medium-high heat 5 to 7 minutes, stirring occasionally, until thoroughly cooked; drain.

In slow cooker, stir together cooked beef, bell pepper, tomatoes, soup, beans, tomato paste, water, chili powder, pepper and paprika.

Cover and cook on high heat for 4 hours.



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