



EL FAROLITO

Official Newsletter of New Mexico Area 46 Assembly of Alcoholics Anonymous

OFFICERS

Delegate

Happy New Year!

Welcome all Panel 74 Trusted Servants. I am so grateful to be serving with all the new GSRs, DCMs, Area 46 Committee Chairs and Area 46 Officers.

In January I will begin preparing for the General Service Conference April 14-20, 2024. I am pleased to be serving on the Conference Committee on Policy/Admissions during my rotation. Additionally, I will be serving on the Conference Committee on International Conventions/Regional Forums as a secondary committee. These two committees will keep me busy before and during the conference.

The final General Service Conference agenda should be published mid-February. The background material for each conference committee will be released separately over a few days following the release of the final agenda. I will share all this information once it is available and will begin reaching out to DCMs and Area Committee Chairs regarding agenda item assignments.

For some agenda items I will be looking for feedback from a wide range of groups and districts. I am working on some creative ways to gather feedback including a series of Online Town Hall meetings in March where specific agenda items will be discussed. To prepare for these Town Hall meetings, please look at my article on the Delegates page on the service site on the importance of an informed group conscience. You can find it here: <https://nm-aa.org/service/area-officers/area-46-delegate/>.

For now, please mark your calendars for February 17 at 9:00 AM. Ally T., Alternate Delegate, and I will be hosting an online workshop called "The Life of a Conference Agenda Item."

It is designed to help A.A. members understand who can submit proposed agenda items and what can happen to them after submission.
In Grateful Service,

In True Gratitude and Service,

Kerri K

Panel 74 Delegate
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Delegado

Feliz Año Nuevo!
Bienvenidos todos los servidores de confianza del panel 74. Estoy muy agradecida de servir con todos los nuevos RSG'S, MCD'S, Coordinadores de los comités y oficiales del Área 46.

En enero estaré preparándome para la Conferencia de servicios generales que se llevará a cabo del 14 al 20 de Abril del 2024. Me complace formar parte del comité de políticas/Admisiones durante mi rotación. Además, estaré sirviendo en el comité de convenciones internacionales y foros Regionales de la conferencia como comité secundario. Estos dos comités me mantendrán ocupada antes y durante la conferencia.

La Agenda final de la conferencia de Servicios se publicará a mediados de febrero, El material de referencia de cada comité de la conferencia se publicará por separado unos días después de la publicación de la agenda final. Compartiré con ustedes toda esta información, una vez que esté disponible y comenzaré a ponerme en contacto con los MCD'S y coordinadores de comités con respecto a las asignaciones de temas de la agenda.

Para algunos de los puntos de la Agenda estaré buscando retroalimentación de la amplia gama de los grupos y Distritos. Estoy trabajando en algunas formas creativas de recopilar la información incluyendo una serie de reuniones públicas en marzo donde se discutirán algunos puntos específicos de la agenda.

Para prepararse para estas reuniones públicas, por favor lea mi artículo en la página de delegados en el sitio de servicio, La Importancia de tener una conciencia de grupo informada. Que se encuentra aquí: <https://nm-aa.org/service/area-officers/area-46-delegate/>.

Por ahora es todo, por favor marquen sus calendarios para Febrero 17 a las 9:00 AM. Ally T. (Delegada alterna) y Yo estaremos impartiendo un taller en línea denominado "La duración de vida de un punto de agenda de la conferencia." Esta diseñado para ayudar a los miembros de AA a entender quién puede someter una propuesta para un punto de agenda y que es lo que puede pasar con estas después de la sumisión.

Sirviendo con gratitud.

Kerri K.

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Alt. Delegate Omitted from Print 12-23

Hello, Area 46 Trusted Servants.

REFLECTIONS

One of things I cherish most in serving in Alcoholics Anonymous is watching other trusted servants grow. I love seeing when they rise to the challenge of a role they stepped into at the beginning of the rotation. Since we are at the end of the Panel 72 rotation, I have been reflecting on those that have faithfully served these past two yrs.. I have witnessed people who, in the beginning, were very unsure (some even terrified 😊) now walk in confidence in their service. They are now a stronger trusted servant than they were when the rotation began.

I have watched many members work tirelessly in their role. These servants are dedicated to getting the work of A.A. done! They are not only carrying the message to those who need A.A. today, but they are ensuring that A.A. is around for those that need A.A. tomorrow.

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Thank you to everyone who does their part to ensure A.A. is thriving for the newcomers who have yet to walk through our doors!

ROTATION TRANSITION

As we wrap up our current service roles and prepare for our own next service adventure, please remember to hold a rotation transition meeting with the person who is rotating into your current role. When we do our part to help fellow trusted servants succeed by rotating well, more work gets done to carry the message of A.A. to those who so desperately need it.

LOOKING AHEAD

Here are some tips to prepare for your new service position. If you spend some time learning about your role now, you can begin making an impact sooner rather than later in your rotation.

- 1) Interview the person leaving the role. Ask them about their successes and challenges in the role.
 - 2) Study your job description. Ask questions if you are unclear about something.
 - 3) Make a preliminary plan on how you want to function in your new role.
- Remember it is preliminary – remain flexible as it will likely change the more you learn after January 1.
- I cannot wait to see how much work will be done to carry the message during our upcoming rotation!
- See you next year!

Leadership Note from Bill W:
“No society can function well without able leadership in all its levels, and A.A. can be no exception.”
~A.A. Service Manual, Page C29

In True Gratitude and Service,
Kerri K
Area 46 Alternate Delegate, Panel 72

Treasurer Omitted from Print 12-23

Hi, everyone!

It’s hard to believe that the end of this rotation is almost here! It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as the Area 46 Treasurer for the last two yrs. I am grateful to have had this opportunity to serve Alcoholics Anonymous and Area 46, specifically. It has been a time of growth and learning for me.

El Farolito

The financials for this report are for the period ending October 31, 2023. As always, thank you members and groups for your continued support to Area 46. Your contributions are used to carry the message throughout New Mexico in Area 46. As your personal and/or group’s conscience is guided, please send your contributions to:

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When making contributions from a group, along with the group’s registration number, please also include on the check or money order the name of your group, city and district. Many groups have the same name, so it is helpful to have complete identifying information to be sure your contribution is properly credited to your group. You may also make contributions through the NM Area 46 website at nm-aa.org via “Contributions” which will take you to the PayPal module.

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If you have any questions for me, you can reach me at treasurer@nm-aa.org, or feel free to contact me by phone at 575-317-4998. Thanks for all you do for AA and Area 46!

In gratitude and service,

Jennifer Wolfe
Area 46 Treasurer

Treasurer 1-24

Hi, everyone!

Congratulations to District 7 in Roswell for a fantastic December Assembly! We appreciate all the hard work your committee put in on behalf of Area 46! Thank you so much! Also, welcome to all the incoming servants!

The financials for this report are for the period ending November 30, 2023. As always, thank you members and groups for your continued support to Area 46. Your contributions are used to carry the message throughout New Mexico in Area 46.

Effective January 1, 2024, Area 46 will have a new mailing address. Mike K., is the incoming Area 46 Treasurer for the next 2-year rotation and he lives in Las Cruces. So, as your personal and/or group’s conscience is guided, please send your contributions to:

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If you have any questions, you can reach Mike K. at treasurer@nm-aa.org. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as the Area 46 Treasurer for the last two years. I am grateful to have had this opportunity to serve Alcoholics Anonymous!

Thank you to everyone for all you do for AA and Area 46!

In gratitude and service,

Jennifer Wolfe
Area 46 Treasurer



Chair

Happy New Year and Happy Panel 74 Rotation. It is an absolute honor for me to be stepping in as your Panel 74 Area 46 Chairperson. My goals as your chairperson are to be present, mindful, to listen, to lead, and hopefully not to screw things up. I'd would like to always be available to our fellowship to share and help how I can. As one of my AA mentors says, lets go have a cup of coffee.

On January 27 in Albuquerque, our other officers and I will be conducting the DCM and Trusted Servant Orientation and Potluck Lunch. We do this at the beginning of every rotation and it will be chock full of relevant information for our incoming service leaders. If you are a new DCM, please make an effort to attend. If anything, it's sure to be a fun time and an opportunity to meet some fellow road trudgers.

This spring, the area will be updating the Area Information Pamphlet (AIP) and publishing an updated Area 46 Directory. Recent changes to our AIP include the addition and description of our new Hybrid Production Committee as well as our new procedure policy which requires a 2/3 majority to pass motions of substance. Our directory includes contact and other pertinent information for each one of our groups in the area. If your group has made any changes or has a new GSR, please, please, please contact our registrar through the Area website. Hopefully these documents will be available by the next assembly.

Springtime also means General Service Conference time and the conference agenda items will be available soon. Please ask your group to take some time to review the current issues of AA and share your thoughts and concerns with our delegate. Our March Assembly (this year happening early April) will be our Pre-Conference Assembly and will focus on these agenda items.

Thank you and again, let's go have coffee.

In service,

Christoph E.

Alt Chair

Happy New Year, Area 46! I'm excited to begin another year in service to Alcoholics Anonymous with all of you.

It was wonderful seeing everyone at the December Assembly in Roswell. Special thanks to District 7 and all who volunteered to host and produce this event.

I am so grateful for the opportunity to serve as your Alternate Chair for the 2024-2025 rotation. One of the responsibilities of the Alternate Chair is to liaise with all Central Offices/Intergroups, and AA entities performing similar functions within Area 46. I look forward to participating and learning more through these connections.

The New Trusted Servant/DCM Orientation will be on Saturday, January 27th, 9:00 AM at St. Mark's Episcopal in Albuquerque.

Further details can be found here:

<http://tinyurl.com/A46Orientation2024>.

While this will be a hybrid meeting, all new trusted servants and DCMs are encouraged to attend in person if at all possible. Please don't hesitate to reach out to Christoph or me if you have any questions or concerns.

Lastly, a friendly reminder that our next assembly will be held the first weekend in April to avoid the holiday weekend at the end of March.

You can reach me at altchair@nm-aa.org if you or your committee need any support.

In Love & Service,

Laura S.

Area 46 Alt. Chair

COMMITTEES

ARC

ARC Area 46 Notes

Facilitated by Patience B

12/2/23

10:46 Meeting opens

Sign in sheet passed around ARC Chair responsibilities read. See incoming chair for more information also GSO gives guidelines on [aa.org](#) (PDF file). There is also literature/pamphlets available

Meeting was opened for people to share ways that they get the message out to other alcoholics:

- Cosmopolitan group in ABQ, Friday night provides ASL translation
 - It was brought up to pay attention to others in the meetings to watch and make sure all can hear the message. Example, given to a newcomer was to move to the center of the room in order to hear
 - Member spoke of work done in WA state called No Senior Left Behind which was an outreach to seniors in living communities. Pamphlets and meeting information was sent and a database with all Western Washington senior facilities was created
 - A meeting was created in Espanola. This is a Spanish speaking podium meeting. They do translate for English speaking. The meeting is Thu 7-9. There are also meetings in Farmington
 - There is a Monday night meeting in Alamogordo at 5:30
 - It was brought up member to watch your homegroup and if you notice a member that hasn't been there to reach out
 - Delegate from Panel 60 shared that during her time they had create the Accessibilities committee. She was so happy to see how far the committee has come
 - A member ask for help on how to get the message out to remote communities. She is from Clovis
 - o A suggestion was made to get in the car with others and venture out to other towns
 - A member from How it Works meeting shared the following things they've done:
 - o Guardian Angel position keeps an eye on members and reaches out if they notice someone has been missing from the meetings
 - o Made their meeting hybrid
 - o Have a Nomad position: they take road trips and attend meetings that need support
 - A member in Carrizozo created an event that they've been doing the past 3 years with the goal to bring others together
 - A member reminded the group that this is a 'We' program. Share ideas of what worked and what didn't work
 - Idea from a GSR was brought up that she is going to bring back to her homegroup: organize a road trip to attend different meetings
- 11:29 Meeting ended with the Responsibility Statement

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Archives

Greetings Area 46!

I hope this report finds you well and in good spirits. I was grateful to see everyone at the December Assembly. Thank you, Rowell, for hosting! You all did an awesome job!

The Archives committee met for the last time this rotation and our focus has been the move in the new archives space at the Alvarado Suites. We had 4 in person and 5 people on zoom. The district archives chairs continue to collect group histories and items for the archives collection. We plan to move the archives collection at the first of the year, so by the time you are reading this report the collection will have been moved. Near the end of our committee meeting Renee L., our incoming Archives Chair came in and introduced herself to the committee.

I want to thank the Area for giving me this opportunity to serve as Archives Chair, I have learned many valuable lessons during this rotation that have strengthened my sobriety and my ability to serve others as our program has taught me, to freely give what has been freely given to me. I want to thank the committee for their commitment and the amazing work they did this rotation in preserving our history.

And lastly, I want to welcome Renee L. the incoming Archives Chair. I look forward to serving the Area with each one of you in this new rotation.

In Gratitude and Service,

Berna C.
Outgoing Archives Chair

“Looking After Our History One Yesterday at A Time”

Corrections

Happy Holidays Area 46.

As I write this report I am filled with gratitude on being your Correction's Chair for the upcoming service rotation. I was in Roswell at the December Assembly and sat in on my first Correction's committee meeting and there was a lot of information that was past down by Renee L., I have some ideas that I would like to explore before we meet again at our next Assembly.

These ideas will also be discussed at our monthly committee meetings, that every one is welcome and encourage to join every second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. via Zoom: Meeting ID: 849-9483-4464, Passcode: Area46.

During this month's committee we talked about the need of AA Pen Pal! is needed specially from the Spanish speaking community, participants who identify with transgender and non-binary to correspond with person in custody. The revised sign-up forms are available:

<https://www.aa.org/corrections-correspondt-sign-forms>
<https://www.aa.org/corrections-correspondance-service-insider-request-form>. Sign-up forms and pre-stamp envelopes are available at GSO at no cost due to your 7th tradition contributions. The important information I have for you is an invite to the weekly International Correction's meeting online, the purpose of the meeting is to share experience in carrying the message to the inside member. Trusted servants meet to discuss best practices and learn how to implement them in their own Areas. Corrections chair's and anyone interested in corrections is encourage to join the first and last Sunday of the month meet at 6 p.m. (EST) all other Sundays meet at 11 a.m. (EST) Meeting ID:841-1036-5604 (no passcode needed). For now that's all I have for you and I hope to see many of your beautiful faces at our January's Committee meeting.

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year's and a whole lots of Blessings.

In Love and Service.

Al G.
Area 46 Corrections Chair.

CPC
Hello CPC'ers!

Happy Holidays! We are at end of another rotation and the December 2023 Assembly in Roswell earlier this month was fantastic! Lots of folks rotating out and rotating into positions for the next rotation.

I am honored and humbled to have served as your Area 46 CPC Chair for this last rotation. It has been an awesome

experience, and it is by the grace of God that I was given this opportunity. I am so pleased to announce that Paula S. from District 16 stood for disapproval and was appointed the new Area 46 CPC Chair! Thank you so much Paula for your service as a DCM and for stepping up to serve in this position for the next rotation.

Over the last two years CPC work in Area 46 was phenomenal. I am so proud of the work done by the districts and could not have done any of this alone.

Presentations to:

- UNM Medical students each July
- sSaff and students at Universities' Behavioral Health programs
- ABQ Job Corps for at risk students
- Review and feedback of Pre-Conference agenda item; revisions to pamphlet for behavioral health professionals
- Community Outreach – District 12 pamphlet, “Tell Your Doctor”
- Attended health fairs and pride event.

Here are a few highlights from the districts: District 13: Created a business card with QR Code which links to meetings. Attended Pride Fair in Albuquerque.

District 16: Five presentations so far:

- WNMU Chemical Dependency Students
- Grant County DWI Task Force
- Magistrate Court (judicial & probation)
- Silver Health Care (medical)
- Hidalgo Medical Services (HMS) (mental health professionals). Upcoming presentations (and in the pipeline) include Silver City Police Department, Gila Regional (hospital), El Refugio (battered women's shelter), Grant County District Attorney's office, Grant County Sheriff's Office, and additional presentations to students at WNMU. Committee has continued to pare down the PowerPoint presentation in order to allow more time for speakers to tell their stories. Committee also sent over 70 letters inviting mental health professionals to attend a presentation. We received no responses.

District 7: Hosting Nursing students at open meetings and taken groups into schools where kids have asked how to get their parents sober.

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This work that takes a village. If you don't have a CPC District Representative, please consider recruiting for one. Paula S. will be reaching out to the districts to see who the newly elected District CPC Chairs are for the next rotation and helping to facilitate CPC work in the districts.

CPC Purpose: To inform professionals and future professionals about A.A. — what we are, where we are, what we can do, and what we cannot do. They attempt to establish better communication between A.A.s and professionals, and to find simple, effective ways of cooperating without affiliating.

Yours in Service,

Lori O.
Outgoing Area 46 CPC Chair
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Grapevine/La Vina

Hello Area 46!

I wasn't able to be at our Roswell Assembly. I asked Rosie F. to attend in my place and she did an excellent job! The Committee meeting was well attended both in person and on zoom. We had Good Representation from District 17 for La Vina (5). Rosie started meeting in usual manner and Introduced Robert S. incoming Grapevine/La Vina Chair. Teresa J made a presentation on the new Grapevine/La Vina app. Several people installed the free version during the meeting. There is an upgrade for only \$2.99 / month which can also be linked to your print subscription. Thank you Rosie and Teresa. I would like to express my enjoyment being the Grapevine/La Vina Chair for the Area. It has been an absolute pleasure and learning process that I have loved, Congratulations Robert, I am sure you will do a great job!

In Gratitude and Service,
Molly C,
Area 46 Grapevine/La Vina Chair

Hybrid Events

I'm excited to serve as the first Hybrid Events Production (HEP) Committee Chair, succeeding the incredible work of the Technology Committee. Their efforts have paved the way for well-executed hybrid events, and I'm excited to build on this foundation.

The HEP Committee will closely collaborate with the Technology Committee, but we're now looking to recruit new volunteers for this specialized responsibility. If you have experience or interest in virtual meeting platforms, audiovisual technology, technical troubleshooting, digital production, event management, or logistics, I want to invite you to join our team.

Our first committee meeting will be scheduled in the first two weeks of January (date and time TBD), and there will be a dry run of event setup during the Area Assembly Planning Meeting on January 27th. If you're curious, interested, or have feedback, please reach out to me at hybridevents@nm-aa.org.

I look forward to this exciting year of hybrid events.

In Love and Service,
Andy S.
Hybrid Events Production Committee
Chair, Area 46
hybridevents@nm-aa.org

YPAA

Hi Area 46,

We had great discussion at our committee meeting as we checked-in with districts about how YPAA is doing in their parts of New Mexico. We learned about the newest Young People's meeting in our Area, which is in District 2 and has up to 70 attendees at each meeting. There were some great ideas generated and experience shared about how to outreach to young people in more rural areas. We talked about going into treatment centers, and how we can reach students in high schools, and had some great suggestions about collaborating with CPC and PI. We also had a discussion about meeting young people where they are at, and how that could include utilizing social media platforms like Instagram or TikTok. If any of that sounds interesting to you, please join our committee and support Jeff in tackling these things next rotation!

Thank you for allowing me to serve as the Young People in Service Committee Chair.

In love and service,
Lindsay M.



District 2

Hello and Happy 2024 from District 2! Representing Santa Fe, Los Cerrillos, Madrid, Pecos, & Lamy.

Welcome to our new service committee leaders, DCM Franco, Alt DCM Tait F. and Secretary Julia Rosa! (correction and apologies for mis-spelling of Tait in my previous report!)

For our December 14th meeting, Tait F., our new Alt DCM, led the discussion on Tradition 12.

Anniversaries: Julia Rosa celebrates 3 years! Congratulations!

We have several service positions open at the district now. Thanks to the outgoing committee members who have done amazing work. Open positions for beginning 2024: Registrar, Corrections, Young People, Treatment, Accessibility & Remote, and Grapevine. Anyone interested in doing this rewarding service, you are welcome to contact Franco with questions at dcm@santafeaa.org and to come to the January 11th District meeting.

AdHoc committee report: many thanks to Carla and to Carole and all the volunteers for a wonderful 1st Annual District 2 Unity Fest on Dec 9. Congrats to Kit on winning the dessert contest with an amazing and delicious croque en bouche tower! Carole as the new Entertainment chair proposed a Valentine's Day dinner with speaker and raffle, budget was discussed and approved, SAVE the DATE! More dates to follow in the February issue.

Twelve GSR's shared their group reports: lots of growth and interest in general. Great service!

Young People's Group will have hosted a New Years "Plain Ordinary Whoopee Party" at the Friendship Club with potluck, karaoke, raffle and dance and Alkathons as well.

Financial Assistance to District 2 - send donations - PO Box 23080, NM 87505 OR PayPal - @santafeaa / Santa Fe AA General Fund

Next Hybrid Meeting:
Thursday, January 11th, 2024, at 6:30pm
Friendship Club (1316 Apache Ave, Santa Fe)
Zoom ID: 505 982 8932 PW: 505505
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5059828932>
Tradition One - Study, 6:00pm, Alternate DCM

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District 3

Hello 2024!
Blessings!

Here are some things happening around district 3.

Thank you to District 3 for giving me the opportunity to be of service. I would like to welcome the new El Farolito Rep for District 3 Sean N.

Cosmo will be celebrating its birthday on January 5th 2024. Potluck will begin at 7 P.M. and meeting will start at 8 P.M.

District 3 has a few positions that need to be filled for if you would like to be of service please come to our next district meeting which will be held at Happy Valley at 628 Los Lentos Rd NE, Los Lunas, NM 87031. Potluck at 1 P.M. and meeting will begin at 2 P.M. on January 13th 2024.

Isleta Group

John 30 days
Tsabbie 5 months
Alyssa 8 months
James 7 months
Mykayla 9 months
David B 18 months
Juanita 16 years
Jose J 23 years
Rosanna T 23 years
Bob S 41 years

WOMEN'S SPIRIT

Camile 6 Months
Francine 14 years

El Farolito Rep
~Raylynn W~

District 4

Celebrating sobriety in Southern New Mexico.
Birthdays in January:

Stephanie S. 01/02/2023
Rita D. 01/07/1979
KT C. 01/08/2019

We also had district elections and Lucas H. is our incoming DCM.

District 8

Greetings New Mexico, from District 8 in the beautiful Four Corners area. Our group conscience meeting was held on the 14th of December at the First Presbyterian Church on Dustin. We wish to congratulate the following individuals to their positions for this new rotation: Linda H. – DCM, J.D. – Alt. DCM, Kathy S. – Treasurer, Cathy N. – Secretary, Maggie D. – AA Hotline, Carlos R. – Schedules, Andy – PI/CPC, Laura G. – Treatment, Jan A. – Bridge the Gap, Andrea G. – EL Farolito, Nevin B. – Grapevine, Errol L. – Archives, and Adam B. – Literature. We thank you all for your service.

There is a new Spanish-speaking group we wish to welcome into our district, the “Volver A Empezar” group, which will be meeting on Monday-Wednesday-Fridays at 6:30pm at 325 N. First St. in Bloomfield. Please support this new group with your attendance and thank you to those for spreading the message of hope. A big “Thank you” goes out to all the volunteers for the district Christmas party. D8 thanks you for your service.

The Convention planning committee has been meeting regularly to plan for the upcoming 2024 Area 46 Convention here in Farmington. All are welcome to attend the next planning meeting which will take place on January 8th at 6:30pm at the Presbyterian church on Dustin. A happy New Year from all of us at District 8, wishing you all happiness, health, and prosperity for this 2024 year. This is Errol L. signing off as your El Farolito District 8 rep. Thank you all for this wonderful experience.

Birthdays:

We wish to recognize and congratulate those who are celebrating their sobriety dates:

Chuck R: January 13 –

22 years

With hugs & service,
Errol L.

**District 9**

Oh heyyyyy!!!

Dist 9 has scored a venue for the March 2024 Pre Conference Assembly. Los Alamos Middle School in Grants, NM has graciously given us the opportunity to host this event at their place. Jerry F is the Chair and be forming a committee asap. Next District meeting will be held on January 14th at the Christian Reform Church in Zuni NM. Looking for people to step up and help us rotate on.

A Workshop on Sponsorship and Service work will take place in January 2024. Look out for more details and fliers.

WOTS has started literature meetings on Friday at Noon. Also on Saturdays they do have a women's meeting available at noon as well.

Laguna Group has added on meetings Friday and Saturdays at 7pm. Please if you need any further information call me at 505-297-5512 or email me at ssvetia.james@gmail.com
That's about it for now.

Love + Gratitude,
Lennie H.
Elf Rep D-9

District 11

January 13 at 9:00 a.m., District 11 begins a new year with a new rotation of trusted servants. They are Deb D. DCM, Joe R. Alt DCM, Tylka Treasurer, Allison E. Secretary, Rosie F. Archives, Beth B. Grapevine, Jerry K. Intergroup, Jason N.

Accessibilities/Remote Communities, Jason N. Website/ Outreach, Dominique with Lynda H. Technology, Allison E. CPC/PI, Rosie F. El Farolito, Matt S. Treatment, Chance G. YPAA. We will be at Mesa View United Methodist Church, 4701 Montano Road NW. You can also attend on zoom (ID 856 4124 8972 Passcode 26125). Please come by, there is a place for you and lots to do.

The last rotation was quite active and we expect the next one will be the same. We presented workshops on Navigating Zoom, How to Rotate Well, and Accessibilities. We sponsored a picnic at Mariposa Park and one at Jemez. This coming year Ray and Pam will organize the Jemez picnic! Each October was the Tradition Conference. We participated in SWACY PAA, supported the need for a Central Office Treatment Coordinator, never missed an ELF article, and attended Mid-Assembly DCM meetings and Assemblies. And we are going to do it all again this rotation. All to say, we need you.

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District 11 cont' d

Intergroup's treatment coordinator works within Albuquerque's five Districts. Currently a committee/group of volunteers is holding meetings to CARE County Detox and Haven Behavioral Health Hospital. Are you taking a meeting to a treatment facility? Please let Matt know (district11@nm-aa.org) the when and where of the meeting. He is our District's Treatment chair and is working with Central Office to coordinate with other groups and districts taking meetings into treatment facilities.

I am taking a moment to share with you what a wonderful experience this was to be your ELF rep. I enjoyed our mailing parties, writing the articles, and just being a part of something bigger than me. Thank you.

Yours in gratitude, Tylka

District 13

Hello from District 13! Our district had three birthday celebrants in December: Kindyl with 7 years, Andrew with 7 years, and Manny with 35 years. Congratulations and happy birthday!

District 13 is has ratified a new District Information Pamphlet, which we hope will be of service to the next rotation of trusted servants. Thank you to all the members of D13 who helped create and refine this document!

A number of committee positions are still available in D13. If you are interested, please attend our next District meeting in January. You do not have to be a GSR to serve.

The High Country Group has changed its meeting time from 7 p.m. to 5 p.m.

District 13 accepts digital 7th Tradition contributions through Buy Me A Coffee. Our account can be found by navigating to www.buymeacoffee.com and searching for "district 13." Checks can be made out to District 13 and mailed to P.O. Box 40341, Albuquerque, NM 87196.

Our next hybrid District meeting will be Saturday, January 13, 2024 at Metropolitan Community Church, 1103 Texas St. NW, Albuquerque, NM 87110 and on zoom. New zoom information will be forthcoming.

I am wrapping up my time serving as District 13 DCM, and I am thankful to have had this opportunity. I have enjoyed this position and have grown immensely through it. Some of the high points over the past two years have included: hosting a successful Assembly in March of 2022; developing a DIP for our District for the first time; developing an electronic route for groups to update their information with the District; creating a District scholarship to send new GSRs to Assemblies; and putting on an ASL-accessible Delegate's Report in August of 2023. Thank you so much to everyone in District 13 who has served over the past two years, as all of you have made these achievements possible.

In the 2024-2025 rotation, I will be serving as the Area 46 Literature Chair. I look forward to continuing to work with all of the amazing people in Area 46!

Sarah H.

DCM, District 13
district13@nm-aa.org

District 17

Junta del Distrito 17

Se comenzo 1 Minuto de silencio y con la declaracion dela Unidad y orasion del servicio por Bill W.

Grupo Floresiendo AA una nueva
Grupo Pasos ala Libertad ay un nuevo
Grupo Ultimo Paso hay un nuevo
Se va a visitar centro de tratamiento

District 18

Our incoming Secretary had to excuse herself from the position as a promotion at work eliminated her weekends off. This means she would not be able to attend the District 18 meetings. This means we have an opening for a District Secretary. We also need people to fill the CPC and Corrections Chairs. Anyone interested in a service position is invited to attend the next District meeting on January 13, 2024. We formed a committee to work on the August 2024 Area Assembly. We will need a number of people to fill positions on the committee and workers for the event.

The Cuba groups Wednesday meeting is up and running at 7:30. The Saturday meeting had more local attendees than out of area attendees this week.

We made final changes to the DIP. We also started the process to get a new District Information Pamphlet printed.

Yours in service
Mike D,

THIS IS THE LAST HALF OF D8 WHICH WAS MISSING

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District 8

ONLINE!! Please if you could put us back on the meeting guide, they kicked us out. Thank you. Any questions, please call Lennie at 505-519-8155.

Java Group is very active on Zoom as well.

Fridays- 1:30-2:30pm

Friday Midnight Meeting- 12-1am for the night owls that can't sleep or people that work all day and can't get in a meeting. Join us and bring a friend or two.

Saturdays: Dare to Chair 6pm * no meeting the 2nd Saturday of the Month.

Zoom info: 975 725 7414 PW: 4Z1yHJ

Birthday Shoutout: Freddie J. 34 years on 11/12.

Reminder, Your invited to Java Groups 7th Annual Mean Mugging party. December 16,2023 starting off at 5pm with some FOOD followed by a 6pm 'Dare to Chair' Meeting. Hybrid. Bring a wrapped mug to exchange. More info for location etc please call 505-297-5512. Zoom info is mentioned above.

Bring your bad sober selves 🍷

Next District 9 meeting will be held on December 10th at the Serenity House at 2pm. 218 East Highway 66, Gallup NM.

Nominations/Voting for Trusted Servants will be taking place. The Spirit of Rotation begins.. There are numerous vacancies that need to be filled. District 9 Groups need to Step Up!

Still scouting for a location for the Pre-Conference Assembly in April 2024. If you know of a location please hit us up. We are on the prowl. Thanks. We do have 1 location that is very willing to host us, date is available, unfortunately the Group thinks 25 miles out of Gallup is a bit much and concerns about the weather. If your planning on hosting an AA event Broken Arrow is the place!

Happy Holidays,

In Service + Gratitude,
Lennie H.
District 9 Elf Rep.

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District 11

December 9 at 8:30 a.m., District 11 is hosting a holiday breakfast potluck. Everyone in and around the District is invited whether or not you regularly attend the monthly District meetings. In addition to delicious food and good company, come meet our rotating in and out Trusted Servants. The monthly District meeting will follow the potluck. The breakfast and the meeting are held at Mesa View United Methodist Church, 4701 Montano Road NW. You can also attend on zoom (ID 856 4124 8972 Passcode 26125).

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By the time you read this the Area 46 Assembly held December 2-3 in Roswell, will have come and gone. I will have attended and look forward to sharing with you my experience at the Assembly and in Roswell (never been there) in the January ELF. Which by the way will be my swan song.

Yours in gratitude, Tylka

District 13

District 13 is working to finalize a new District Information Pamphlet by the end of the current rotation. We are excited to have this document to guide future trusted servants.

A number of committee positions are still available within District 13. If you are interested, please attend our next District meeting in November. You do not have to be a GSR to serve.

Welcome to the High Country Group, which is participating with District 13! The High Country group meets at 7 p.m. on Sundays at Holy Child Catholic Church in Tijeras and celebrates birthdays on the last Sunday of the month.

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Please consider supporting District 13 when your group makes quarterly distributions. It is through your generous contributions that we are able to provide services to our local A.A. communities. Checks can be made out to District 13 and mailed to P.O. Box 40341, Albuquerque, NM 87196.

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Sarah H.
DCM, District 13

District 14

Happy holidays! District 14 will once again be hosting both a Thanksgiving celebration and a Christmas celebration. It's always a wonderful time to see old friends and be grateful for the gifts in sobriety we have received.

Our district meeting has recently moved to a new location and our meeting schedule has changed. District 14 will now be meeting on the 4th Wednesday of every month. That means, as of this writing, we have not had our November meeting. Therefore my report may have little substance. But not to worry, we will continue to roll.

We were happy to see Area 46 Delegate Eloy give his presentation of the 2023 GSC. It was very informative and gave us a good perspective of our responsibility in Alcoholics Anonymous. We also enjoyed a workshop/ presentation on "How To Rotate Well" presented by our Area 46 Alt. Delegate Kerri. She reminded us that service rotation is spiritual growth and can be done responsibly.

In Service
Mr. Easy Does It



District 16

The holidays are here and for many it's a time of genuine thanksgiving. I would like to thank all the groups, and individuals who are planning to provide meals and fellowship and in some cases simple alternatives to celebrations for all. The Bayard Monday Night Mtg has an event on December 18 beginning at 5:30 p in the Bayard Community Center. There will be a speaker to begin at 6:30 and while this is typically a closed meeting, all are invited. Save the date, entree will be provided, bring your favorite potluck side dish.

The annual Turkey Creek Mtg celebrated 32 years the last Thursday of November. It's always well attended and Rose S. picked up a 32 year chip, Benjamin 18 yrs., Shaun P. 10 yrs. and Janie E. 3yrs. The food was good and the fellowship outstanding!





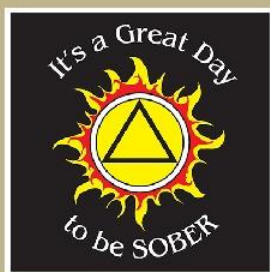
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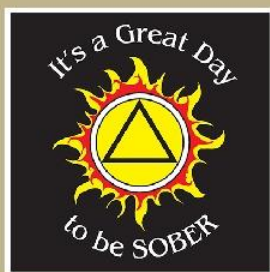
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