



EL FAROLITO

Official Newsletter of New Mexico Area 46 Assembly of Alcoholics Anonymous

AA Declaration of Unity

"This we owe to AA's future: To place our common welfare first; To keep our fellowship united.
For on AA unity depend our lives,
And the lives of those to come".

OFFICERS

Delegate

Greetings Area 46!

Agenda and Background Timeline

1. The final agenda for the 75th General Service Conference should be made available to all delegates around February 17 in English, Spanish and French.
2. The agenda background material should be released by conference committee the week of February 17.
3. The list of Proposed Agenda Items (PAIs) that were not forwarded to the conference will be released the week of February 24.

As this information becomes available, I will post links to it on the home page of the service site at <https://nm-aa.org/service/home/>.

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In True Gratitude and Service,
Kerri K
Panel 74 Delegate
Policy and Admissions Committee
International Conventions and Regional Forums Committee
delegate@nm-aa.org

Delegata

¡Saludos Área 46!

Agenda y Cronología de Antecedentes

1. La agenda final para la 75ª Conferencia de Servicios Generales debería estar disponible para todos los delegados alrededor del 17 de febrero en inglés, español y francés.

Delegata (cont.)

2. El material de antecedentes de la agenda debería ser publicado por el comité de la conferencia durante la semana del 17 de febrero.

3. La lista de Temas Propuestos para la Agenda (PAIs, por sus siglas en inglés) que no fueron remitidos a la conferencia será publicada durante la semana del 24 de febrero.

A medida que esta información esté disponible, publicaré enlaces en la página de inicio del sitio de servicio en <https://nm-aa.org/service/home/>.

Inventario de la Conferencia de Servicios Generales

Durante la 75ª Conferencia de Servicios Generales, realizaremos un inventario de la conferencia. Las preguntas del inventario se enviarán a todos los miembros de la conferencia en enero o a principios de febrero. Así como los inventarios son vitales para nuestra recuperación personal, también lo son en todos los niveles del servicio general. La Conferencia de Servicios Generales no es la excepción. Espero que todos los miembros de la conferencia asuman esta responsabilidad con seriedad y que llevemos a cabo un inventario exhaustivo. Incluiré los resultados del inventario en mis informes de Delegada a los distritos

Preparativos para la 75ª Conferencia de Servicios Generales

La conferencia de 2025 se llevará a cabo del 27 de abril al 3 de mayo de 2025. Habrá muchas oportunidades para proporcionar comentarios sobre los temas de la agenda de la conferencia.

1. Asignación de Temas de la Agenda – A finales de febrero, se asignará a los MCD (distritos) y a los presidentes de los comités del área un tema de la agenda para discutir y reportar el sentir del grupo en la asamblea de marzo.

2. Encuesta – A principios de marzo, estará disponible una encuesta en línea para que los grupos proporcionen comentarios sobre temas específicos de la agenda. La encuesta estará disponible en español e inglés.

3. Asamblea Pre-Conferencia – Nuestra asamblea pre-conferencia será el 29 y 30 de marzo. Recogeré cualquier comentario disponible durante la asamblea.

4. Reuniones Virtuales Abiertas – En abril realizaré 4 reuniones virtuales abiertas para recopilar comentarios sobre temas específicos de la agenda. Habrá interpretación al español disponible para todas las reuniones. Los temas seleccionados se publicarán en la edición de marzo de El Farolito.

ID de la reunión: 892 6295 4299

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5. Correo Electrónico – Siempre estoy disponible por correo electrónico si desean compartir sus pensamientos sobre temas específicos de la agenda. delegate@nm-aa.org

Presentación: La Vida de un Tema de la Agenda

El martes 1 de abril, Ally (Delegada Alterna del Área 46) y yo presentaremos sobre quién puede enviar un tema de la agenda y qué sucede con ellos después de su presentación. Esta es una excelente sesión para unirse si eres nuevo en el servicio general y deseas comprender mejor el proceso de la conferencia.

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Informes de la Delegada sobre la Conferencia

Los informes sobre la conferencia se realizarán en junio de 2025. ¡No es demasiado pronto para programar la fecha del informe de la Delegada para tu distrito! Un par de distritos que solicitaron fechas específicas ya han sido programados. Las fechas disponibles se publicarán en mi calendario de delegada (en la página de la delegada en el sitio de servicio) en febrero. Además de los informes en los distritos, realizaré dos informes en línea: Sábado 30 de Agosto and Sábado 15 de noviembre.

Con verdadera gratitud y servicio,
Kerri K

Delegada del Panel 74

Comité de Políticas y Admisiones

Comité de Convenciones Internacionales y Foros Regionales

delegate@nm-aa.org

Alt. Delegate

Greetings Area 46!

As Alternate Delegate, I am working with the hosting district (District 10) for our 2025 Area 46 Service Forum. The Forum is founded on the idea that growing in understanding about service helps each of us become better able to be of service. The Area 46 specific event will happen in June 2025. Details are still being finalized and I will update the area with information including how to get involved and when planning meetings will take place.

Area 46 is hosting the 2025 South West Regional Service Forum. The forum will be November 14th-16th, 2025. It will be held at the Marriott Uptown in Albuquerque, New Mexico. There are plenty of service opportunities and commitments for all levels of involvement.

Please visit NM-AA.org or contact Bill L. at 2025SWRegionalforum@nm-aa.org for more information.

How can you help? Use the SWRF coffee cans to talk about the event in your meetings and homegroup. The can itself has a brief description of the event as well as information on where to send contributions.

Contact me if you have questions or would like a workshop. I have a few groups and districts signed up for Workshops and I am facilitating a Group inventory on January 18th.

There is always something new to learn and I look forward to 2025!

In Love and Service,
Ally T. P74-A46 Alt Delegate
altdelegate@nm-aa.org



Chair

Our annual General Service Conference is right around the corner and the agenda items and background information will be available this month. Please have your group take a look at the agenda and develop a group conscience to share with our delegate, Kerri. It is the voice and conscience of our AA groups that give our fellowship guidance and direction. Kerri will be selecting specific agenda items she needs input on and will be posting links on the Service Site Delegate page.

I have continued to have conversations about addressing our participation at assemblies with our Spanish speaking members and our online members. I have learned that there are a few simple actions we can take that could significantly improve the experience for everyone. The main take away for me is the simple idea of respect and love for all our AA brothers and sisters.

As we start a new year, I'd like to remind all our groups and districts that your Area 46 committee chairpeople are here to serve you. If your district is struggling or is having an issue in an aspect of service, please use our committee chairpeople as a resource. Whether it's answering a question, hosting a Zoom conversation, or traveling to your district to present a workshop, I know that they would be happy to serve.

Keep the fires burning, stay warm, and serve well!
In service,
Christoph, A46 Chair

Alt. Chair

Hello Area 46,

I hope everyone is staying warm and getting back into the swing of things after the holidays.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the Pre-Conference Assembly in March, hosted by District 10 in Carlsbad. In addition to conducting area business, this assembly provides opportunities for groups to share their conscience on this year's General Service Conference topics. We will also entertain bids from Districts to host assemblies in August and December of 2026.

Alt. Chair (cont.)

We know that hosting an assembly can seem daunting and there are many hurdles to overcome, particularly finding a venue and funding. If these obstacles are preventing your district from putting together a bid, collaboration with other neighboring districts may be a solution. For example, Districts 11, 12, and 13 will be co-hosting the December 2025 Assembly together. This is not the only solution, and we will continue to discuss ways to ease the financial burden Districts have been absorbing in order to host. Your feedback is encouraged and welcomed.

If your District is interested in hosting an assembly or would like more information, please contact Christoph or me. We want to hear from you and your groups, and we are here to help along the way.

All assembly details, including link to register can be found at <https://nm-aa.org/service/assembly-info/upcoming-assembly>.

I am continuing to liaise with Central Offices/Intergroups and AA entities performing

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

Treasurer

Good Evening everyone,

Well, whatever time of day it is that you are reading this, as I write it's late evening and per my normal mode of operation I am running late and hoping to get my submission included in the Feb. edition.

Not too much to report except some challenges with the area website and the Paypal contributions. Paypal is requiring I "reverify" our account and they have denied the documents I have been uploading into their system, I shall keep trying. I truly hope to have this finished by the time you are reading this update.

Treasurer (cont.)

There was a mistake made during the December reporting of the 7th tradition and I missed counting one of the "hats" we passed around. I discovered this as I was prepping the hats for the special passing for the Southwest Regional Forum. The cash amounts of these contributions will be reflected in the January numbers that are published in the March edition of the ELF, please keep an eye out for that to keep me honest. I didn't deposit the cash until after Dec. 20th and the method I used took until January 2nd for the money to actually reflect in our Area account. This explains the lack of increase to the assembly 7th tradition (Hopefully I have shared enough that many of you (who care and are looking) are starting to be able to see where and what I'm talking about in the printed report that follows this written report.

The other thing I want to call out is how I am handling some of the SWRF contributions. If they are electronic payments to Paypal or Venmo I try to deposit it directly into the SWRF account. If its a check solely for SWRF I can again deposit it into the SWRF account. However if it is a single check with a note attached specifying, "This amount is for the Area and that amount is for SWRF" then I deposit the whole amount into the area account and pass the correct amount from the area account to the SWRF account. Since the money passes through the Area account I need to have entries for it and thus you see the amounts go up and down in the Non Budgeted Income section of the report. When the monies are reconcilled that line item should show 0 in the Month to date and 0 in the year to date. However while they are processing there is fluctuation.

PLEASE ASK if you have questions. I am making sure to do everything I can to be completely transparent in the handling of your area money.

Please keep those contributions flowing. Below is the list of groups who I received contributions from in Dec.

I truly thank you for the opportunity to be of service!!!

Hello Area 46,
 I hope this report finds you well and in good spirits.
 I am staying busy entering the GSR information and changes into Fellowship Connection. Thank you to the Districts who have gotten the Group Change Forms back to me. I handed out Group Change Forms for the groups within their districts to each DCM at the December Assembly, for those who attended online I mailed the forms to you. Please have the GSR or contact for each group update the information. If no changes need to be made indicate on the form no changes are needed, if the group is no longer meeting or disbanded, please indicate this and update GSR and/or contact information and return by email registrar@nm-aa.org or to the mailing address that is on each form. I am asking that those forms be sent back by the deadline: February 28, 2025, for the Area Directory to be as accurate as possible. The directory will be finalized and ready for distribution at the 2025 March Pre-Conference Assembly.

We are looking for a volunteer to help with online registrations for future assemblies. If you are interested in attending the assembly from home/online and want to be of service, or for any questions, please contact me at registrar@nm-aa.org.

In love and service,
 Berna C.

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For full financial report see
 Members Only hard copy


January Contributors

North Valley Group
 Pueblo of Zia
 Rio Amigas - Belen
 Plasitas Group
 One Day At A Time – Bernalillo
 Children of Chaos – RR
 Subscription Amber & Rhyus – Tijeras

THANK YOU




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Hello everyone. My name is Rosie F., and I am the new Area Archivist. I am so excited, grateful, terrified to be back in area service. I have been reading my job description, meeting with Michelle T., our outgoing Archivist, and visiting the space (what a change from the closet). Remember that what we do today becomes tomorrow's history. Please ask your District secretaries to send minutes and if you're having an event, party, etc. please send that as well to archivist@nm-aa.org. I'm looking forward to working with Renee L. our Area Archives Committee Chair.

Hi Area 46. Did you know that in February of 1938 was when Rockefeller gave \$5,000 to AA which ended up saving AA from professionalization? The well-known Rockefeller dinner was on February 8, 1940. On February 14, 1971, AA Groups worldwide held a memorial service for W. I am working on a few "how-to" presentations, such as "How to take an Oral History" and just general informative "AA History" presentations to hold virtually and will share those next month. I am glad to get to know Rosie F. more and to work with her as she does the very big job of preserving and safe guarding our history. In love and service, Renee E. L. 
archiveschair@nm-aa.org

Our next Area 46 Archives Committee Meeting will be Wednesday, February 19, 2025 at 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm;
Zoom Meeting ID: 896 5072 5133;
Passcode: Archives

Bilingual

Hola are 46 It seems the commottee si considering ways to improve efficiency especially in terms of translation and information management. Using án artificial inteligente tool like GPT cool be an excellent solution to speed up the translation of motions and reports. Hola área 46 parece que están considerando maneras de mejorar la eficiencia del comité especialmente en términos de traducción y manejo de información. Usar una herramienta de inteligencia artificial como GPT. Podría ser una excelente solución para agilizar la traducción de micionese informes.

Hello all hope all is going well and your holidays were joyful. We had a real slow month probability due to holidays. Thanks to all who sent in cards. We are still waiting on information from DCMs on current district BTG reps from your district. Please let me know if there information so we can try to update all contact information. We have gotten a lot off people who are rotating off the list for various reasons. A work in process. We now must update. Anything I can help with please contact me.

Thank you for letting me be of service.
Richard S

Your Area B T G chair.

CPC

GREETINGS & HAPPY NEW YEAR
AREA 46!!

The CPC Committee will hold its next meeting at the March Area Assembly in Carlsbad.

For those new to A.A. service or to the Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) committee of Area 46, our mission is to inform professionals and future professionals about A.A. These are people that work with alcoholics in their professional capacity. Their fields may include medical (doctors and nurses), mental health (psychologists, therapists, counselors), clergy, law enforcement and corrections personnel, court personnel (judges, lawyers, probation officers), employee assistance program personnel, and students working toward degrees in any of the aforementioned areas.

CPC Committee members provide resources for those professionals who want to know more about what A.A. is and is not, what we do, and what we do not do. We seek to find effective ways of cooperating without affiliating.

Committee members are available to give presentations, either in person or online, to groups of professionals. We provide literature geared to their field of interest; direct them to the Meeting Guide App and to A.A. websites (both the Area and GSO); and encourage professionals to attend open A.A. meetings.

If your district does not have a CPC Committee or needs help getting started, please join us at our meeting at the Area Assembly in March. If you have any questions or need assistance before then, don't hesitate to reach out to me at cpc@nm-aa.org.

Looking forward to seeing you all in Carlsbad!

Paula S.
Grateful to serve as your CPC Chair

Treatment

Hello, Area 46.
Well, our monthly meeting was small in attendance but sometimes they are the best ones. After going over on what was discussed (a correction conference) at our assembly meeting, we came to the conclusion that we should get involved with District 10 and Area's 46 Service Forum. In how we can put on a presentation on Corrections and filling out the paperwork that's required by the facilities. Assisting members on getting copies of criminal records online and submitting them to the correct place or person. We want to take advantage of having this event which, is geared around service and those who are interested in service work under one roof. Another reason is that our calendar year is already booked with events and penciling in another event was getting a bit complicated.

Another, option would be SWRAASA . Please, your input is greatly needed and appreciated so send me text, call or email me so we can make the best option for Area 46. For us at the Corrections Committee that's all we have thank you.

In Love and Service.
Alvaro G.

Finance

Hybrid Event Production

Literature

Felicitations in February to Area 46 members!
We had a great assembly in December in Taos! Thank you to District 14 for your excellent hospitality!

The Finance Committee again enjoyed two committee meetings, both of which were well attended.

In the first meeting we focused on the budget. The Budget was explained to the committee meeting participants who agreed to presentation of this budget to the assembly for approval. Thank you, Area 46.

In the second meeting, a plan to address our non-profit status was developed; we are currently designated as a for-profit entity. Because an informed group conscious is important, please look for information, (risks/benefits, pros/cons to becoming a 501c3 non-profit corporation) to be distributed to the DCMs and GSRs after the March assembly. The hope is that at the August assembly we can discuss this question during our committee meeting and a motion be presented for voting upon at the December Assembly.

Your Finance Committee is meeting monthly on Zoom on the first Mondays 7-8pm. In the upcoming months we will be reviewing the current financial situation, as well as creating documents for the education of Area 46 members on +/- of non-profit status. If you are interested in participating in this discussion or wish to better understand the workings of Area finances...DO JOIN US! We are NOT a glum lot.

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81478881725?pwd=dnQRghNbiPRXRHt8rR0u05bU2ppaNH.1>

Meeting ID: 814 7888 1725

Passcode: Finance

See you there!
In love and service,
Renee L in Taos,

Greetings, Area 46!

As we step into a new year filled with opportunities for connection and service, I am humbled and excited to continue serving as the Chair of the Hybrid Event Production (HEP) Committee. Reflecting on the past year, I am reminded of the power of teamwork, adaptability, and service as we navigated the challenges and triumphs of hosting hybrid events. I extend my deepest gratitude to each of you who participated, volunteered, and supported us along the way.

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who took the time to complete the December Assembly survey. Your insights and feedback are invaluable as we work to improve the experience for both in-person and virtual participants. We've already begun incorporating your suggestions into our plans for 2025, and I'm confident that these adjustments will help us better serve our fellowship while keeping our primary purpose front and center.

Here's a glimpse of what's ahead:

- HEP Committee Meetings: We'll meet monthly, with our first gathering scheduled for January 23rd at 7:00 PM on Zoom. All are welcome—reach out for details!
- March Assembly Planning: We're diving into preparations for our first major event of the year. Stay tuned for updates, and let us know if you'd like to help.
- Commitment to Continuous Improvement: Based on your survey feedback, we're focusing on refining voting processes and making sure virtual voices are heard during the Assembly to create smoother and more inclusive events.

If you've ever wondered what it's like to be part of this committee, I encourage you to reach out. The work is rewarding, the camaraderie is unmatched, and the impact we make is felt throughout the fellowship of Area 46.

Let's kick off 2025 with renewed energy and a shared commitment to carrying the message of Alcoholics Anonymous. If you'd like to join our team, share additional feedback, or simply learn more, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Here's to another year of service, connection, and growth!

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

Hello from the literature committee! The literature committee is beginning a new project to gather Area 46's experience, strength and hope using the new Plain Language Big Book. Details are still in the works, but in the mean time, if you have a story about how the PLBB has impacted your program or how you work with others, or general feedback on your experience with the new book, please share it at literature@nm-aa.org!

The committee is also in the process of finalizing a list of suggestions for newcomer packets that can be shared with the Area. We continue having discussions about how to update the literature displays and which literature should be on display.

If you would like to contribute to these discussions, please attend our monthly committee meetings! These are held on the third Thursday of the month at 6:00 p.m. over zoom. Upcoming meetings are:

Thursday, Feb 20 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 20 6:00 p.m.

Zoom information:

Meeting ID: 884 0112 0725

Password: Literature

If you have any questions about literature, or would like to be added to our email distribution list to receive literature-related updates, please contact me at literature@nm-aa.org. Thank you!

Best, Sarah H.

Area 46 Literature Chair



- Bianca A from D9 is getting AA details into the Gallup and Zuni libraries. She has contacted Jaclyn from Area 17 about how they engage with libraries in their areas.
- Bianca A is also contacting local radio stations in the area.
- Specific to our local libraries, PI is very thankful for the service in carrying the AA message to the NM areas. We want to encourage other districts to seek to get this needed AA information into your local libraries.
- Again, Jaclyn S. from D17 has done work spanning Districts 3, 11, 12, 13, 17. Also, considering (the Rio Rancho area) as of last update.
- Jaclyn is continuing her work in partnership with PI to grow this endeavor further and supply libraries across NM with details about AA.
- Suggested Public Library map based on A46 Districts
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1fK_mW4UPPcf2kfEvZhboJu4QhYYHY3i_r06WB4Dz8Mw/edit?usp=sharing

Suggested projected cost for Large and Small libraries in A46

- \$86 approx per large library, note 20 libraries in ABQ, 6 large in ABQ covered now (this target budgeted amount may change)
- \$35 approx for the other 14 smaller libraries, which will have general AA details apart from the Lavina + GV
- \$40 literature rack holder, one-time expense

Please note: This is a general outline, and the engagement of libraries in your Districts may be considered on a case-by-case basis.

- Pending: D14 AA message to local radio stations in the Taos (KTAO/KNCE others)
- Pending: D12 Genny F., engagement with radio stations in the Rio Rancho / ABQ areas.
- PI encourages any area to use the provided radio spots in your districts.

Link for AA Radio PSA Spots:

<https://www.aa.org/audio-public-service-announcement-downloads>

- AA pamphlets:
<https://onlineliterature.aa.org/products/pamphlets>
- PI Contact Sheet:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1TDsBb6lOHfTS1Mrd33IOmhY60d08hqXJEwGGRi-U3Mk/edit?usp=sharing>

PI also encourages sharing more AA information with local judges and probation offices throughout A46.

- PI Zoom meeting is being scheduled for later in Jan 2025

In Service,
Matthew H
PI Chair, Area 46

Technology

Happy New Year, Area 46!

Welcome to year two of the service rotation! At the December Area 46 Assembly, there were questions about why we have a passworded service site. Our reason is to guard our anonymity. On the service site are names of trusted servants, reports from all of the committees and assemblies, and all of the minutes of our work. It is not that we want to keep our members out, it is to protect our anonymity.

We will review the purpose of our website and look at what items we want in the protected area. You are welcome to join our committee meeting and/or send your concerns or suggestions to technology@nm-aa.org. We meet on the second Monday of the month via Zoom.

Update meeting list? ALBUQUERQUE AREA (Districts 3, 11, 12, 13, 17 & 18) fill out form on
<https://albuquerqueaa.org/meeting-change-form-old/>



Update the meeting list in the rest of the state? Email meetings@nm-aa.org

Post an event to Area46?

Email events@nm-aa.org

Instructions for service site: **In the top right-hand corner of the nm-aa.org website, click on the turquoise button: For A.A. Members: Go to Service Site The username is Area46 (case-sensitive) and the password is recovery1 (all lowercase)**

The next meeting of the Technology Committee will be on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7 pm. (February 9) Via Zoom

In love and service,
Lynda H., Technology Chair

Districts

District 1

We held our meeting on January 11 and started thinking about the year ahead.

Announcements: Let your group treasurers know that the new address for El Farolito is P O Box 44642 Rio Rancho NM 87174

We still have openings for the last year of this rotation. The nice thing is that it's only a year and if it's a good fit you can let the incoming DCM know that you would like to continue. You do not have to be a GSR to chair a committee so let your group members know about these openings

Traditions Chair (Joe the alt DCM is contacting folks but we need this)
Picnic Chair Ray from Seeking Serenity has done for last 2 years and feels it's time to rotate on

Corrections/BTG
Accessibility/Remote Communities
Website/Outreach
Bilingual
CPC/PI

District 1 (cont.)

D11 is cooperating with D12 and 13 for the Dec 2025 Assembly probably in Moriarty. They are having their 1st planning meeting on Sunday January 12 and Deb will have more to report next month.

Treasurer's report for the year showed annual contributions of \$4730.79 and expenditures of \$4460.79. The Prudent Reserves stays at \$400.00

Allison E our secretary passed out group change forms so that info can be updated for GSR and alt Gsrs.

Gene K was in person at the Assembly as our DCM Deb had been exposed to Covid and brought back and distributed the 2024 Report from the General Service Conference and collection cans for the SW Regional Forum to be held in Albuquerque in Nov 2025.

District 2

Hello Area 46,
We are excited to report that many district chair positions, some vacant for a time, have recently been filled. We now have, new each, a Bridge the Gap chair, Corrections chair, Accessibilities and Outreach chair, and el Farolito chair. A debt of gratitude to the outgoing service members!
Santa Fe AA young people have formed a bid committee. They hope to learn about the process of submitting bids for assemblies and conferences. This comes as a welcome enlivening of the community of young persons in recovery in Santa Fe. If you're interested in supporting their efforts or sharing your experience with them, they will be at the ABQ young people's event on February 7th at the Desert Club. You can also find them at the monthly district meeting at 6pm on the second Thursday of the month.

An old Santa Fe meeting, the Longtable has resumed meeting on Saturdays at 7 pm at Crispin Hall behind the Basillica St. Francis in downtown Santa Fe. At the time of writing it has met 3 times in its new incarnation.

District 2 (cont.)

In other news, Two meetings in Santa Fe now offer regular childcare. An AA Group which meets on Mondays at 7pm at the Salvation Army, and the Lighthouse Group which meets on Sunday at 6pm at the Friendship club have expressed the groups' conscious to ensure support for the sober parents of young children.

We hope to see and meet many of you soon.
With gratitude,
District 2

District 3

Hello everyone and happy 2025! District 3 welcomes the Lotus Ladies (they meet every Thursday at 6am on zoom), the Isleta Zoom Group (meets each morning on zoom), and Attitude Adjustment (they meet each Saturday at 8am at Epiphany Episcopal Church in Socorro).

Recent anniversaries include Glen N. 17 years, Mike R. 3 years, Manuel P. 37 years, Anthony 14 years, Victor P. 35 years, Donald A. 7 years, Mike M. 3 years, Jesus Z. 27 years, Julian B. 6 years, Lee M. 37 years, Mike E. 47 years, Malcolm A. 3 years, Buzz R. 40 years, Richard S. 14 years, and Karen M. 1 year, Abribrioio 30 days, George 30 days, Dave 30 days, Isley 30 days, Josh 30 days, Frankie 60 days, Garrett 6 months, Isaiah 30 days, Alec 5 months, John G. 2 years, and Emily 7 years. One day at a time! Congratulations!

The Cosmopolitan Group celebrated its 41st group anniversary on January 17th and the Happy Valley Group celebrated its 57th anniversary on January 28th. Also, congratulations to Jeff B. on your new service position as our new El Farolito editor.

Sean N.
District 3 Rep/AA Member

District 4

Birthdays February 2025

February 1st Tina C
February 8th Charles L.
February 15th Ron N.
February 22nd Birthday meeting
Jack G. 02/04/1998 27 YR
Ernesto F. 02/11/2024 1 YR
Beginner Group Meeting 02/15/2015 10 YR
Joseph O. 02/26/2011 14YR
Chad M. 2/15/2015
Rice C. 2/5/2009

Events

Traditions Workshop 03/08/2025 hosted by "The Beginners Group" More information to come.

Sunday Night Live meeting @ 9:00 PM, flyer attached.

February Saturday Night Speaker Meeting (Arid Club) live or via zoom

District 4 ELF Representative

District 5

Happy New Year Area 46.
Wishing you all, happiness, joy and sober peaceful lives.
District 5 will be holding an election at our next district meeting on January 19. Elections for DCM, Secretary and other open positions.

Birthdays for December are:
Ruidoso Arid Group; MJ 9 yrs,
Alexis 6 yrs, Sue C 14 yrs, Christine M 23 yrs, Kerry M 23 yrs, Jim D 23 yrs, Craig 1 yr.



District 5 (cont.)

Group 63; John W 1yr, Lorenzo R 1 yr. January birthdays are Group 63; Bill B 1 yr, Tim T 1 yr. Congratulations to all our Area 46 celebrants!

December birthdays for Alamogordo Home Group. Willie I 55yrs, Becky S 40 yrs, George G 32 yrs, Jason L 2 yrs, Melinda 1 yr. Again, congratulations to all sober celebrants.

Patience B ELF rep D5

District 8

Moving forward into the new year, the activities committee is proposing a District 8 Service Fair. Planning will start in March. The idea is to show AA members what service positions entail and how to get involved.

PI/CPC chair Mandy reports that she will be testing QR codes in doctors' offices soon. The idea is to enable providers to get information about AA.

Laura G., treatment chair, states that Cenikor has new requirements of sobriety to attend the meetings there. If you want to know more about them, contact her. Also, Brenda's House of Hope still needs male and female speakers for their meetings. Jimmy is the contact person for that service.

District 8 attendees reviewed the DIP (District Information Pamphlet) at the January meeting; it was approved with one proposed change. The committee will work on it.

The Always Hope Group will be added to the District 8 schedule. It is a fairly new group that meets at 7 PM Mondays in Kirtland. The open meeting is a book study, and children are welcome. Fliers are available from Errol. A different meeting has closed for lack of support and will be taken off the schedule: the Thursday night men's meeting of the Aztec Group.

*District 8 (cont.)*

Birthdays to be celebrated include Orlando H. – 1 yr, Traci B. – 1 yr, Sid M. – 2 yrs, Jake B. – 3 yrs, Adam – 4 yrs, Josh I. – 4 yrs, Heather B. – 6 yrs, Michelle P. – 9 yrs, Bill S. – 17 yrs, Charlene S. – 17 yrs, Chuck B. – 23 yrs, Sandy F. – 31 yrs, Jeff P. – 34 yrs, Kathy Sm. – 35 yrs, Carter B. – 37 yrs, and John G. – 42 yrs. Congratulations to all! District 8 meets at 7 PM at 865 N. Dustin. The next meeting is February 13. Service work keeps you sober!

Yours in sobriety,
Andrea G.

District 9

Hello from D9. Happy Sober New Year!!!

'Another Chance'
A new meeting in Gallup!! They've done a 3 month trial run and they will be registering their meeting soon. Go check them out and show your Support!!

Wednesdays @ 2pm. Inside the Catholic Charities Sober Center, Gallup NM.

D9 is gearing up for the State Convention 2026.

We are ecstatic!!! Thank y'all for voting for us.

We had gone ghost for a bit but we're back!!

Laguna Group
No news or Birthdays this month.
But they said heyyyyy 😊

Java Group
Happy Birthday to Java Group, Jan 18, 2017.
We are on Zoom so check us out. Meeting info is on nm-aa.org. We don't have Saturday meetings anymore. It's been pretty slow. So if web or whomever can take us off Saturdays I'd appreciate it! Thanks.

Wednesdays 'Dare to Chair' 9-10am
Fridays 'Dare to Chair' 1:30-2:30pm
Join us please.

District 9 (cont.)

Join Java Groups Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9757257414?omn=83428227520>

Meeting ID: 975 725 7414
PW: 4ZyHJ

No Half Stepping
When: Tuesdays
Time: 9-10am
Where: No Half Stepping's Zoom Platform

Meeting ID- 970 436 0750
PW- 8mKZrp

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/9704360750?pwd=OFhhaTNUMWd2QVl5QjVYUxVUUhSZz09>

That's the wrap up.
Lennie H.
Elf Rep

District 12

District 12 meets on the second Thursday of the month at 7:15. We meet in person at Central Office and on zoom. Zoom Meeting information: 966 013 794
Password: D12. Central Office is located at 1919 Alvarado Dr NE, 87110

D12's last meeting was on January 9, 2025. 18 people were in attendance. DCM Amy passed on information about the Central Office publication, Pass It On.

D 11,12 and 13's bid for the December 2025 Assembly was passed and planning meetings are beginning on Saturday January 11th. The first order of business is to locate a venue.

District 12 (cont.)

Will presented the Treasurer's report for January. Current funds available are \$2180.47

GSRs presented reports on their homegroups. Reports were from Spark of Light, Dark Side of Young People, Happy Hour, Faith in Recovery (a new meeting), Brownbaggers, Sunday Night Young People, Women on Wednesday, Wonder Women, Foothills, Strange Mental Blank Spots, Sunrise Sobriety, Women's Work and Penny Lane.

Committee reports were made for the following committees: Bridge the Gap, Intergroup, ELF, Treatment, Workshop, and Young People.

District 13

Hello from District 13! Check out our "What's Up in District 13" live/dynamic folder here:
<https://tinyurl.com/District13WhatsUp> for current news and flyers for events noted here 🍌.

This month Any Lengths has their Annual AA Waltz! 2/1/2025 at Monte Vista Church at 3501 Campus Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87106 from 1PM-3:30PM. It's always a great time! Speakers, bake sale, raffle and fun! Theme for this year: "Staying in the Fold of Love."

And the last Sunday of every month the High Country Group has their sobriety birthday potluck meeting - it's a real treat! 4:30PM-6PM at the Holy Child Catholic Church, 19 Camino del Santo Nino, Tijeras, NM 87059. February Sobriety Birthdays (and anyone that wants to celebrate with them) head on down 2/23/2025.

There are 3 ways to make a 7th tradition contribution to District 13: 1) online at <https://buymeacoffee.com/district13H>, 2) mailing a check made to "District 13" to P.O. Box 40341, Albuquerque, NM 87196, or 3) bring it to us in-person at our next meeting! We meet every second Saturday of the month at 10:00am. Join us in person at the Metropolitan Community Church, 1103 Texas St NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110 or online- Zoom Meeting ID: 895 9206 3206, Password: 280896.

District 13 (cont.)

In love and service,
Barb C.

district13@nm-aa.org or 505-289-0620

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D13 Info:

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Area 46 Website: <https://nm-aa.org/service/districts/district-13/>

District 16

Hello from District 16!

We are located in the Southwest corner of the State and we cover Grant, Luna and Hidalgo counties.

Most of our groups are in the towns Silver City and Deming. We had our last District 16 business meeting of 2024 on December 15. We got a report from our DCM Sean P who attended the assembly in Taos and he had great reviews! Sean shared with our district about Candy's outgoing report and expressed how thankful he was for her service to El Farolito.

District 16 has been contemplating hosting an Area Assembly in the future. We have a meeting planned in late January to discuss it further. Some of our district trusted servants have been researching about where we might find a venue that would work for an Area 46 Assembly. We hope to be able to do that sometime within the next two years. By my next report (February) I will have more information. We had won the bid to host back in 2019 and were working hard on that project when Covid hit and everything stopped. We still have a deep desire to have all of you come to Silver City one day for an assembly and we will keep working on it!!!

*District 16 (cont.)*

Our District Committees gave reports. One was concerning Corrections/Bridge the Gap. Before Covid we had a robust jail outreach. We are still working on bringing AA meetings back into Silver City jails. We have made a little progress on this, with more to come. Barry G has been taking meetings in every week. He bought a case of Plain Language Big Books and reports that every pod in the jail has a copy. Women members are still working on getting access into the Women's jail. Another committee that gave a report was CPC (Cooperating with Professional Community). We have had some wonderful experiences bringing awareness to our professional community about Alcoholics Anonymous. The group is excited about the presentation they have developed and are eager to present it to our hospital and other agencies. It has been favorably accepted in our community.

Our member Benjamin T serves on the Area 46 Technology committee and he reported that they are working on developing an interactive district map.

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The holidays were active and fun. There were Christmas and New Years potlucks and parties. The Young Peoples Group had a an Ugly Christmas Sweater contest with their Christmas Day celebration, which included lots of good food!. There was a New Years 24 hour Alkathon at New Life Group in Deming.

Over all, District 16 is thriving and growing and staying happy and free & enjoying our sobriety one day at a time!

Gratefully serving ELF!

Rose S

Sobriety anniversaries for January are:

- Jennifer 1-1-17 8 years
- Heidi 1-2-00 25 years
- Merri B 1-1-08 17 years

District 17

District 18

Buenos días a todos,

Nuestra reunión del distrito es el segundo sábado de cada mes.

Tuvimos una visita del coordinador de la Oficina Intergrupala de lo cual nos llevó muy buena información.

Estamos trabajando para un taller que va a ser el 3 de mayo.

Tenemos un aniversario de un compañero en el grupo sinceridad el primero de marzo 2025 a las 7:00pm. Su aniversario de grupo, que cumple 3 años, va a ser el 12 de abril de 2025.

Grupo unidad cumple su aniversario el 18 de enero de 2025.

Estamos preparándonos para hacer asistencia a la pre-asamblea el día 25 de enero.

¡Gracias y deseando un feliz 24 horas!

Good morning everyone, our district meeting is the second Saturday of every month.

We had a visit from the coordinator of the intergroup office, who gave us very good information.

We are working on a workshop that will be on May 3rd.

We have a fellow member's anniversary in the Sincerity group on March 1st, 2025 at 7:00pm. His group anniversary, which is 3 years old, will be on April 12th, 2025.

Unity Group celebrates its anniversary on January 18, 2025.

We are preparing to attend the pre-assembly on January 25th.

Thank you and wishing you a happy 24 hours!

Greetings from District 18!

Our district meeting was held on January 11, 2025, with 20 in attendance. We opened with the Serenity Prayer followed by a presentation on Tradition I and Concept I. Subjects brought to the GSR's for their groups' consideration included hosting a 2025 Central Office Fundraiser as well as the Founders' Day Picnic. A motion was made and discussed to amend the District Information Pamphlet to modify the manner in which we reimburse the DCM to attend Assemblies to ensure that financial restraints do not restrict a member from standing for the position of DCM. Due to recent vacancies the DCM requested those attending to seek a willing member to stand for the open position of Secretary with a willing member standing for disapproval for filling the recently available district ELF representative position.

The DCM appointed Chairpersons to lead two ad hoc committees - off-shoots from the district's December inventory process. The first committee is reviewing how the district can improve inclusion with remote communities and access to meetings. The second ad hoc committee is reviewing the manner in which the district is handing 7th Tradition monies to ensure we are allocating resources consistent with the intent of the groups. The district also voted to expend funds for copies of the new service manuals to distribute amongst those active regular attendees at the district. The remainder of our time together was spent on our representatives reporting on the work of their committees and GSR reporting on their groups.

In Service
Jeff B.



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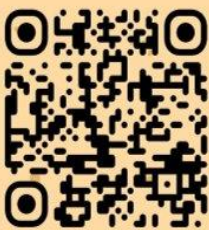
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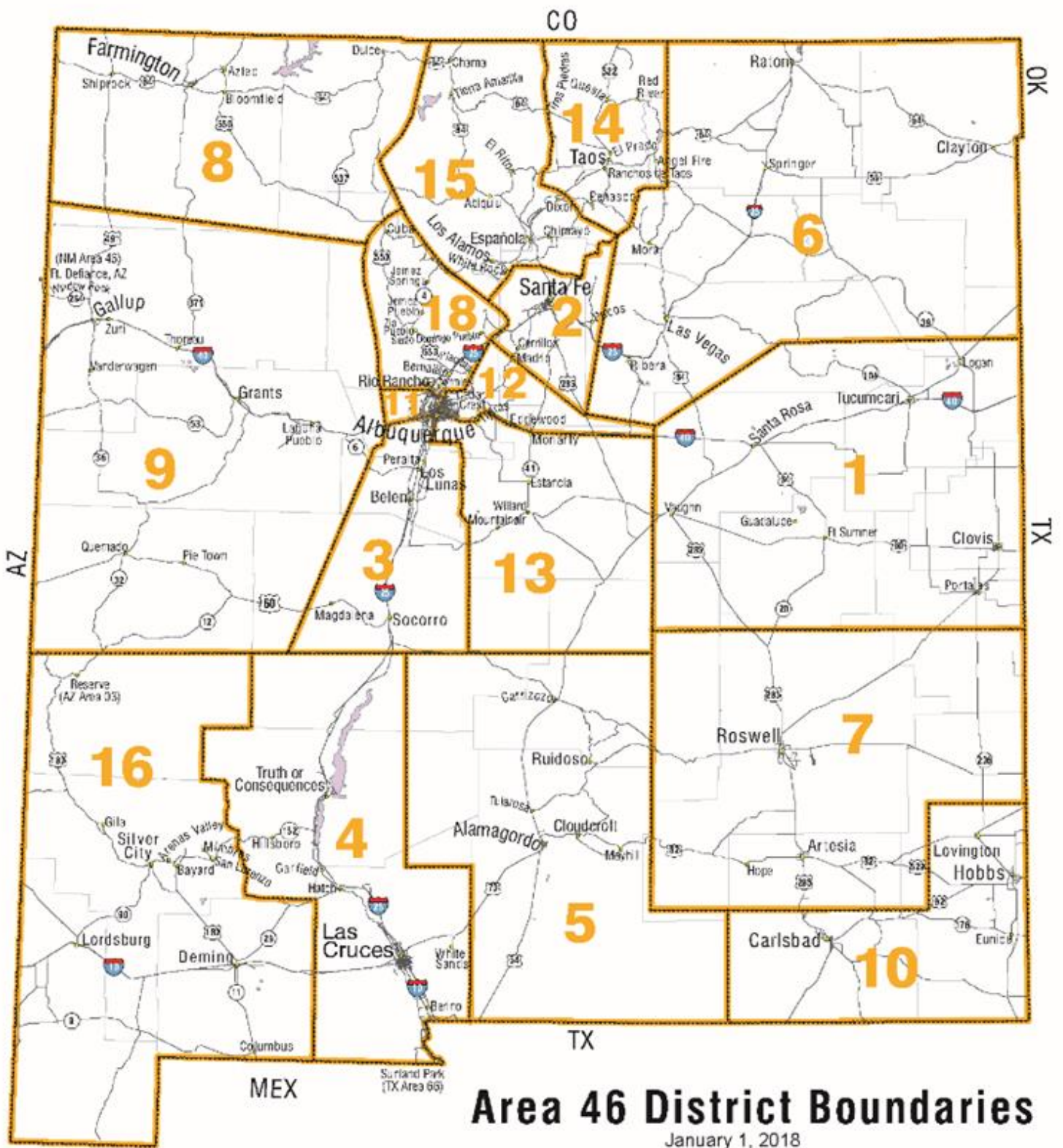


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