

# EL FAROLITO

Official Newsletter of New Mexico Area 46 Assembly of Alcoholics Anonymous

### Power of the Purse

### Delegate

Hello Everyone,

Summer is in full swing and I've been traveling the State delivering my Delegates report to the Districts. I've only been to four Districts so far but three more are scheduled for July and August. I am very grateful to these Districts for allowing me to invade their District meetings and picnics but that leaves eleven Districts left to visit. Please, if your District is interested in what transpired at the General Service Conference, get in touch with me to schedule a time. The Conference directly affects AA in Area 46 and I was your elected voice there. Let me tell you about it!

One point I have been emphasizing in my report is the financial state of the General Service Office. The number of groups contributing has fallen for the last few years yet the demand for services from GSO has risen. Individual contributions are also down. Is this a "power of the purse" message to GSO? Are there services you would like to see but are not being provided? If so, let me know your thoughts. Even small contributions will make a huge difference to the financial well-being of your GSO. Currently the cost to GSO per member is \$7.14. Today (07/14) I made a contribution of \$7.14. As a member of AA, I have fully supported my financial obligation to GSO for this year. Don't forget the Birthday plan! Donate an amount for every year of your sobriety. Remember how much you spent on your last drink – Is AA and your sobriety worth that to you? For more information, see the pamphlet "Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix" and the AA Guideline "Finance." But don't forget your Home Group, District and Area 46. Practice self-support at all levels of Alcoholics Anonymous! OK – I'm off the soap box now.

There are so many AA events scheduled for the rest of the summer. Check out the Area 46 web site at <u>NM-AA.ORG</u> for an event near you. Or gather up the "gang" and make it a road trip. I'm looking forward to the September Assembly hosted by

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Call me - We'll have coffee. – Jim H

my contact information is in this El Farolito.

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### Delegado Informe

District 2 in Santa Fe. I'm ready for the cooler weather and the warm fellowship. As always

Hola a todos,

El verano está en pleno apogeo y he estado viajando por el estado entregando mi informe de Delegado a los Distritos. Sólo he estado en 4 Distritos, pero hasta la fecha tres más están programados para julio y agosto. Estoy muy agradecido a estos Distritos por permitirme "invadir" sus reuniones de Distrito y días de campo, pero quedan 11 Distritos a visitar. Por favor, si su Distrito está interesado en lo que ocurrió en la Conferencia de Servicios Generales, favor de ponerse en contacto conmigo para programar una fecha. La Conferencia

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#### Delegate Report...

cia afecta directamente a A.A. en la zona 46 y fui la voz elegida allí. ¡Permítanme contarles acerca de ello!

Un punto que he destacado en mi informe es el estado financiero de la Oficina de Servicios Generales. El número de Grupos contribuyentes ha caído durante los últimos años a pesar de que la demanda de servicios de la OSG ha aumentado. Las contribuciones individuales están también abajo. ¿Es esto un "mensaje a OSG de "Tengo, pero no quiero dar"? ¿Hay servicios que a ustedes les gustaría ver en práctica, pero no se proporcionan? De ser así, déjenme saber sus ideas. Incluso las pequeñas contribuciones harán una diferencia enorme en cuanto al bienestar financiero de la OSG se refiere. Actualmente el costo para OSG por miembro es \$7.14. Hoy (07/14) hice una contribución de \$7.14. Como miembro de A.A., he cumplido totalmente con mi obligación financiera a OSG para este año. ¡No olviden el plan de cumpleaños! Contribuyan con una cantidad por cada año de su sobriedad. Recuerdan cuánto gastamos en nuestro último trago - ¿Son A.A. y su sobriedad suficientemente valiosos para ustedes? Para obtener más información, consulte el folleto "El Automantenimiento: Donde Se Mezclan la Espiritualidad y el Dinero y la pauta de A.A. "Finanzas.". OK - Ahora dejaré de sermonear.

Hay tantos eventos de A.A. programados para el resto del verano. Revisen el sitio web de la zona 46 en NM-AA.ORG para un evento cerca de ustedes. O pasen por sus compañeros y hagan de éstos un paseo. Estoy esperando con emoción la Asamblea de septiembre patrocinada por el Distrito 2 en Santa Fe. Estoy listo para el tiempo fresco y el cálido compañerismo. Como siempre mi información de contacto está en El Farolito. Me llaman – nos tomamos un café. – Jim

### Chair

The next Area 46 Assembly will be held in Santa Fe on September 10 & 11. If you'll be in Santa Fe on Friday night (Sept. 9) join us at 7:30 for a meet-and-greet and an interactive Traditions workshop. I hope all GSRs, DCMs, district chairs and officers and any other A.A.s interested in learning more about service work or how our groups connect to A.A. as a whole will attend.

Bids for the June 2017 Area Convention and the September 2017 Area Assembly will be accepted at the upcoming Assembly. We will also elect an area treasurer at the Assembly; if you are interested in standing for that position you must be at the Assembly on Sunday morning.

I had a joyous month. I attended the Convención Hispana de Nuevo México in Albuquerque. What a fantastic weekend! Thanks to our hard-working bilingual committee, I got to listen to all of the inspiring and moving speakers. I made new friends from around New Mexico, Texas, Mexico and even Cuba! Some of us could only trade a few words with each other but the love we share for each other and for A.A. was easily communicated. We really do all speak the language of the heart! I joined District 2 for their district meeting in Santa Fe. Wow! The room was packed with GSRs and committee chairs. They are ready to host the September Assembly! I also attended the District 5 meeting in Ruidoso. All but one of their committee chair positions are filled and active. Not bad for a bunch of drunks! Thank you for your hospitality District 5, I had a great time.

Michelle B. (Archives) and I attended the Hobbs Original Group's 62<sup>nd</sup> anniversary meeting. It was a little warmish that evening, but the food was great, and the speaker even better. I just love getting to spend a little more time with people I usually only see briefly at Assemblies and to meet people who don't get to go to Assemblies. It is truly a blessing.

If you can't tell, I love this stuff! So, if you have any questions, suggestions, need help or support, please call or drop me an email at chair@nm-aa.org.

Your grateful servant, Teresa J.

### Treasurer

I hope you all had a good time at the State Convention. I am sorry I had to miss this one because I do remember how great the last one that was held in Ghost Ranch was.

The last couple of months our contributions have been down somewhat as compared to the first few months. As of now we are slightly above our prudent reserve. By the time the next assembly rolls around we will be having quite a few expenditures which will probably put us back into the prudent reserve.

We are grateful for the groups making contributions and hope to see it continue. It helps the area carry the message to all the groups and districts in our area. We are always glad to be of assistance to any group that requests our help.

We will see all of you in just over a month out in Santa Fe.

Yours in service, Kurt K.

### Registrar

We are coming up on the September Assembly. I will be mailing or emailing the agenda to every GSR and Trusted Servant during the first part of August. If you do not get a copy of the agenda by August 19<sup>th</sup>, I might not have your correct contact information. Please contact me at <a href="Registrar@nm-aa.org">Registrar@nm-aa.org</a> and let me know that you did not receive an agenda, and what is your contact information, including name, street address, email, and phone. I will be glad to get an agenda out to you.

If you are a new GSR, or if you start a new group, please visit the Registrar's Web Page at nm-aa.org and download a Group Information Change Form, or a New Group Form, and have a look at the guidelines for naming a group. Please submit your completed information to Registrar@nm-aa.org

In Love and Service, Bill L, Area 46 Registrar

Send contributions for the Area to:

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# Service Committee Reports

### Archives

Happy hot summer to all! Archives has been pretty quiet this month. As I mentioned in my last report, while vacationing in Ohio I was able to visit Dr. Bob's house and enjoyed wandering the Akron archives. It was awe-inspiring as well as humbling.

At the March assembly, I was asked by Jason to attend their Hobbs Original Group's anniversary celebration in July, and was able to do so with Teresa, our Area Chair. I hadn't ever visited Hobbs, so it was quite the adventure. We celebrated with them and were honored to hear our delegate, Jim H, share his experience, strength and hope. And a young man volunteered to be Archives Chair for District 10! I left him with the workbook and other reading material to get him started. T's a wonderful thing to welcome others to the wonderful world of service!

IF you know of an old-timer that started a group, and you want to hear their history, please contact me for the guidelines. Anyone willing to take the time, can take a history. As always, if you would like a presentation or a fun game of JeopAArdy, contact me at any time!

Gratefully yours in service, Michelle B

# Bi-Lingual

The Bilingual Committee attended the XI Hispanic Convention at the Hotel Cascada, July 1, 2 and 3, 2016, having two translators and a total of four throughout the weekend. Thank you, to those who attended. Monday, July 18, by invitation, he Bilingual Committee will attend the Serenity Group. Saturday, July 30th we will be attending the September, 2016 Assembly planning meeting.

When visiting the Groups /Districts we give out a piece of paper so that each member can write down what he or she may want the Bilingual Committee to do for that group and have gotten a lot of good responses which some have already being utilized.

Our next meeting will be held on august 18, 2016, at 6:30 p.m., at <u>Garcia's Kitchen</u> 4917 4th Street NW. Anyone interested is welcomed to attend.

With Affection and Love for Service, Ana G. Bilingual Committee, Coordinador

#### REPORTE DEL COMITÉ BILINGÜE

El Comité Bilingüe asistió a la XI Convención hispana en el hotel Cascada, el 1 de julio, 2 y 3, 2016, habiendo 2 traductores y un total de cuatro a lo largo del fin de semana. Gracias, a aquellos que asistieron. El lunes, 18 de julio, por la invitación, el Comité Bilingüe asistirá a Serenity Group. El sábado, 30 de julio asistiremos a la reunión de planificación de la Asamblea de septiembre de 2016.

Visitando los Grupos / Distritos presentamos un pedazo de papel de modo que cada miembro pueda anotar lo que él o ella pueden querer que el Comité Bilingüe haga para ese grupo. Hemos conseguido un montón de buenas respuestas que algunos ya han sido utilizados.

Nuestra siguiente reunión será sostenida el 18 de agosto de 2016, a las 6:30 p.m... en Garcia's Kitchen 4917 4th Street NW... Cualquier persona interesada es bienvenida a asistir.

Con Cariño y Amor al Servicio, Ana G. Coordinadora, Comité Bilingüe

# Bridge the Gap

Greetings Area 46,

Hope everyone is enjoying their summer! Everything is going great here in the southern part of the state. The Area Assembly is coming up soon, I'm getting excited to see all of you.

Not a lot to report this month, I have received a couple of emails which I took care of. Please let me know how I can be of service. See you all in Sante February!

In Love and Service, Nicole R.

# Grapevine

Hello everyone, the year is half over and time is fling by. I am still looking forward having a "writing for the Grapevine" workshop. It is up to the Districts to host the event. " Grow your Grapevine" contest is only a few months in. Plenty of time to get involved.

If your group is having any type of special celebration, I would be happy to bring display and books. I am also available to share on the GV and its history, along with products and services available to all of us. There is no function to small,. For more information on the contest, or upcoming events where the GV will be attending please call or e-mail me.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the area assembly in Santa Fe

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Grateful to be of Service, Alice M, Area 46 Grapevine Rep.



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# Service Committee Reports

# Finance

I want to take a moment to thank Kurt K for stepping up, six months into this rotation, to serve as Treasurer until the September Assembly. This is not an easy job; in fact, it is one of the hardest service positions I have ever attempted to fulfill. It is almost impossible without a strong Treasurer. Kurt served as Finance Chair during the last rotation and has been invaluable in helping me figure out what to do. He has done an awesome job of stepping up to make sure all the records are in order.

We are in the process of preparing the budget to present to the Assembly in September. Please remember that the Finance Committee is like any other committee. The committee takes information, puts it in a format that hopefully the Assembly can understand, and then the Assembly either accepts or rejects the budget in December. There is no one person that makes a decision as to what can or cannot be spent during the budgeting process.

In grateful service, Ruth G, Finance Chair

### Literature

It's been a little quiet since the State Convention. We assisted a group from Texas with an inquiry pertaining to non AA Literature, we found what they were looking for online, and also recommended the AA equivalent as well, the inquiry was forwarded from our Area 46 website. I've traveled to a couple NM towns this past month for personal reasons and attended some AA meetings also while there always offering to return if invited to further explain the functions of the Literature Committee.

We're placing an order of about 30 different pamphlet packs we are short on and some books we're short on to have on hand at the September Assembly. We have plenty of large print books on hand.

Looking forward to the planning meeting and seeing everyone in Santa Fe in September. Give a call or send an email if we can be of service to you, your district, or group.

Manuel Padilla, \*Manuel\*

# Public Information

I running around the state chasing a few events but the only ones I have been able to get any definitive information on are Albuquerque Celebrates Recovery I. This is a national Recovery Month event I plan on contacting the Albuquerque Districts to find a few people to help me man a booth at this event. It will be held on September 15<sup>th</sup> at the Albuquerque Civic Plaza.

I also have the information I need to set up a booth at the KOB Health and Wellness Fair. I plan on approaching the Albuquerque Districts to support this event. It will be:

Saturday, January 23 -- 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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#### Public Information...

#### Sunday, January 24 -- 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Lujan Exhibit Hall - EXPO New Mexico, 300 San Pedro NE, Albuquerque

I will need workers for both days and to raise the both fee that is \$175.00 (last years' number). I haven't received a firm number for the coming year as of the writing of this report.

I have also had some contact with individuals in the program with questions about PI or issues relating to PI and CPC. Usually I have ended up explaining where to get CPC information to people who really have a CPC question or issue.

I have also had some contact with a few Pueblo's and Reservations about how to get information to Native people living within the confines of these locales.

Yours in Service, Mike D...Area 46 PI Chair

# Special Needs

Greetings from Taos my fellow AA members. As we prepare for the next Area Assembly, please bring a copy of your completed District and Group Special Needs surveys. The survey will be allow us to discuss how your District and group are addressing special needs in your community. In each newsletter I have been sharing on different topics related to special needs and accessibility. This months will be on the blind and visually impaired.

For AA members who are blind or visually impaired, simply getting to the meeting room can be the biggest problem. The Special Needs Committee can compile and maintain a list of sighted members who are willing to provide transportation to and from meetings and other AA functions. Several groups have asked their local central office or intergroup to code Twelfth Step lists to identify members who are willing to provide transportation. Volunteers may be recruited to guide the blind or visually impaired newcomer to chairs, the hospitality table and rest rooms, until that member is acquainted with the surroundings. Meeting rooms should always be set up exactly the same way, or else the blind or visually impaired members should be alerted to what's different. Banging into a chair or a table in what was empty space at the prior meeting can be both dangerous and embarrassing. Services and material available to help the blind or visually impaired alcoholic include books and pamphlets available in Braille, in large print, and/or on audiocassette tape, and a list of suppliers of AA talks for sale or exchange.

We are continuing to get the word out on the "Special Needs Survey"? Has your District and Group completed the Survey? You can download a copy (both Group and District) surveys and/or complete the survey online from the New Mexico AA Area 46 website's Special Needs page. You can also download a copy of the "toolkit", which has a wealth of information. Feel free to contact me with any questions and know that myself and committee members are available to speak at your District or provide a workshop.

In the spirit of service, Lawrence M., Area Special Needs Chair



# Service Committee Reports

# Web Committee

Dear Trusted servants

As some of you are aware there is an individual using the contents of our website on their non as website without our permission. Additionally, there are also ads on his page from 3rd parties that ask for donations and imply affiliation with treatment centers.

I want to stress that it is my belief this individual as a member of AA ,seeks only to be helpful. I don't have any reason to believe the individual is acting maliciously or with intent to harm. As with most important matters in AA we are gathering the possible options and are trying to resolve this without taking legal or criminal action.

Our first steps were to contact GSO regarding this matter. GSO replied that they have never seen anything quite like this matter. We are going to contact other area websites and ask for their experience in this matter. If we cannot find a way to block our content from being used in this way we will then contact the individual with a letter written in the spirit of Aa principles. Our host provider has reassured us that this is not a security issue and that your personal information is safe. I have faith that as a whole the trusted servants committee will come to an informed group conscious on how to proceed in this matter.

In love and service, Ally T Area 46 Webchair

# UPAA

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer! I know we sure are on the young persons committee. Lots of fun stuff to do this month. Although neither our committee, nor Area 46, are affiliated with NMCYPAA we are all excited to participate in the conference. Hope to see you down in Las Cruces!

Our sub committee on anonymity in social media is continuing to meet monthly to discuss how the traditions apply to this topic, and share our experience strength and hope with each other. It has been an amazing experience, and we would love to have you join us. Our next meeting will be August 21 if you are interested please contact me, or check our page on the website for more info.

We have sent the video we developed for GSO to the PI committee at the general service office. I spoke with the PI coordinator and he explained to me that it will be a long process for them before they will know what they are going to do with the video, but that I was welcome to contact them for updates any time. Our committee is excited to learn more about the web site at the next assembly planning meeting. We think that the website is a great resource and want be utilizing it in the best way possible.

We would like to thank the area and everyone in it for all your support and the opportunity to be of service and grow in sobriety. Our committee will be having a meeting in Albuquerque August 16th. If you would like to join us please check out the website or contact me for details. Please feel free to contact me for any reason.

God Bless, Mike L.

# Service Committee Reports

# Ad Hoc - Assembly Development & Jun Raising

Our committee has been meeting regularly to implement your suggestions for our Pre-Conference Assembly in 2017 and to explore new activities.

We are currently analyzing the most effective way to explain the entire Conference process. George B. provided a diagram or "Process Map" which is used to describe the process in Great Britain. Although their process is different from ours in the U.S., we liked the idea of having a graphic presentation which features not only a calendar, but also all the functions involved from submission of an agenda item to implementation of decisions agreed to by the Conference. George B., Ally T and Jaclyn S. will be working on creating a diagram of the process and a narrative to be ready by the December Assembly.

We want to encourage individuals and groups in our Area to submit items to the Conference, but most of us do not know where to start. So, our committee will be seeking ways for those in our Area who have submitted Conference agenda items to share their experience, strength and hope with individuals and groups who are new to the process.

Following up on the interest expressed at our committee meeting at the March Assembly, we are also exploring the possibility of holding a special Service Assembly. We want the content to be different from that of the committee meetings at our Area Assemblies, which is mostly business. To this end, each committee member will be submitting five topics. We will screen these at our August meeting and will propose the top six ideas at the September Assembly.

If any of the foregoing has piqued your interest or you have ideas for our committee to consider, please email us at <a href="mailto:dandfr@nm-aa.org">dandfr@nm-aa.org</a> and plan to attend our committee meeting at the September Assembly!

In grateful service, Jaclyn S., Chair

# **District Reports**

### District 2 - Santa Fe

Hello from Santa Fe AA! First, we want to thank Jim H. for travelling all the way to Santa Fe to deliver his report on the 2016 General Service Conference. It was informative and inspiring to hear of his experience in New York. Thanks Jim!

Now on to delivering the much anticipated details of the upcoming September 09-11, 2016 Area 46 Assembly...

The assembly is being held at Institute of American Indian Arts (IAIA) on the southwest side of Santa Fe. We recommend you stay at the Inn of Santa Fe: 800-916-4339, www.InnAtSantaFe.com. Mention "Area 46" to get a rate of \$75 per night. It includes a free, full breakfast, free shuttle service to IAIA, and other amerities. Please refer to the hotel list inset for additional lodging options. IMPORTANT NOTE: September 9-11 is also Fiesta weekend so please make your reservations as soon as possible!

The assembly starts at 7:30 PM on Friday, September 9. Come enjoy a potluck dessert meet-and-greet, followed by a super entertaining, educational, and highly interactive Traditions workshop. Please bring a dessert if you're able to do so.

On Saturday, business begins at 8:30 AM. A traditional New Mexican lunch will be served, and in the evening we will have games along with an ice cream social. (Coffee and other beverages will be available all weekend.)

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#### District 2...

To recap the highlights: fellowship, enchiladas, coffee, sweets, and games! -- With plenty of important business mixed in, of course;0) It is sure to be a fun-filled, productive weekend. The Area 46 Assembly Committee will provide a detailed business agenda in this or next month's ELF.

If you have any questions, please contact Oskar P. at (505) 920-2168 or Lisa K. at (505) 690-7778.

### Alcoholics Anonymous Area 46 Assembly



To find a meeting in Santa Fe during your stay, go to: http://www.santafeaa.org/meetings.html September 9-11, 2016

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on the back.)

#### Friday, September 9, 2016

- 7:30 p.m. Meet and Greet
- · 8:00 p.m. Traditions Workshop

Saturday, September 10, 2016

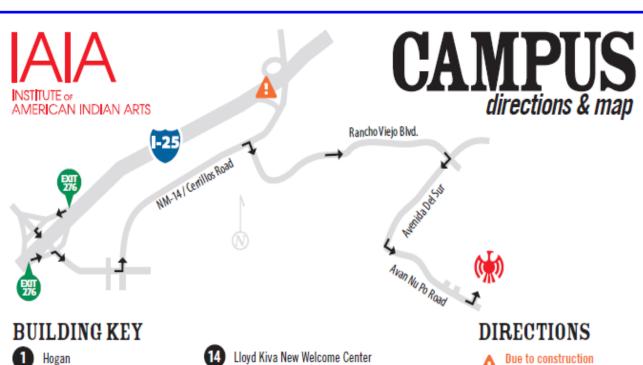
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Sunday, September 11, 2016

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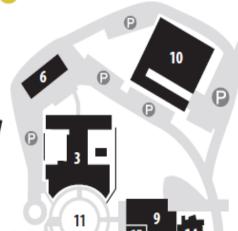
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For Information please call: Oskar P. at 505-920-2168 or Lisa K. at 505-690-7778



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- Allan Houser Haozous Sculpture & Foundry Building
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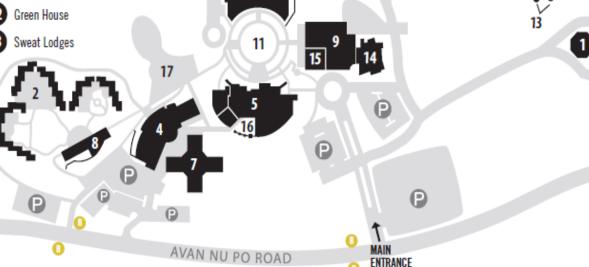
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505 474-9500
Innatsantafe.com

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 <sup>\*</sup> Inn at Santa Fe offers group discounts and free shuttle service to IAIA

<sup>\*\*</sup> It is important to book your lodging early as the Santa Fe Fiesta is also happening

### District 3 - Belen, Los Lunas, Socorro

Greetings, to everyone in District 3 and Area 46. The time is approaching for our District picnic and this year, we have decided to join District 13 for a Picnic on Saturday, Aug. 13th at 12 noon at the Monzano Mountains "Oak Flat Picnic Area" which is south of Tijeras. Please ask your GSR for a flyer or check this month's ELF pages for a flyer and directions. For those who are tech savvy, a google map search will show a map to the picnic area. The flyer also has the directions printed on it also. Our District meeting will be around the normal time of 2pm and Jim H. will give his Delegate's Report at 1pm. Please bring a side dish, fold-up type chairs, and a portable table, if you have one. Please be aware that parking space is limited and we are asked to CARPOOL if possible!

On the District front: we have two new District 3 Committee Chairpersons. Pennye P. – Dist. 3 CPC/PI and Teresa H. – Dist. 3 Literature. Thank you, to both them for volunteering for these positions. We also have a new Half-way House for women in the Los Lunas area and volunteers will be needed to take meetings to them. If anyone is interested, please let your GSR know and they can relay that message to the District.

In closing, just a reminder that our August District meeting will be at the "Oak Flat Picnic Area" on Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. Potluck picnic at 12 noon and Jim Hollen's Delegate Report at 1pm. Please come join us…it sounds like a nice place.

In gratitude and service, Carmen O., District 3 Farolito Rep

### District 6 — Las Vegas, Clayton, Raton

I hope you all had a great Independence Day!

Our annual picnic was a quiet one this year. No one played music; no games appeared to be organized; but the food was great and the company greater. There were a lot of young teens with us. One of them bought our first raffle ticket for the 50-50 raffle we held to raise some money. I was a little rattled when I sold her the ticket. I hope I didn't short-change her. The raffle was won by a very nice man who immediately donated his share of the cash raised to the District.

Jim H., who gave the Delegate's report in wonderful detail, bought twenty dollars worth of tickets (at 25cents each) and asked me to pass all of them to anyone who could not afford any of this part of the fun. So everyone who wanted a ticket could have one, but there were so many free tickets, I was passing out four tickets each to anyone who would accept them. Frances drew the winning coupon for us.

The mailing party we undertook for *El Farolito* was relaxed and industrious. We completed the task in about an hour and the stopped for refreshments. We had two long flats for Albuquerque to distribute and one for Denver. Jay M. was there to guide us and we enjoyed his company as well.

Regarding the line phone listing, Dex did call back and offered us a slightly lower rate to the more than doubled initial request, but we were not impressed. We are contacting local radio stations, newspapers, web sites, etc. for assistance in making the District's hot line number available to those who need it. So far, all the local stations are happy to include our little message as a PSA in .their broadcasts. We do not expect any problem with any of the other potential information disseminators out there. Some of our groups produce a phone list of its members (last name, initial only), and at least one of these also includes the hotline number on the list.

Meredith B. has succeeded in getting a women's group started in the San Miguel County Detention Center once a week for the women being detained. Paul H. is once again getting into the Colfax County Detention Center since they have added some space there. From the reports given at last meeting of the Committee, all the groups are doing fairly well. We have heard that El Grupo del Valle is doing well, but nothing has reached us from the In the Solution in Springer.

Easy does it, Mary M. District 6 Treasurer and El Farolito Reporter

# **District Reports**

### District 8 - Farmington

The loosely organized committee to plan the annual picnic met on July 16, and we were able to delegate a few tasks to those present, who will contact individual groups. We are hoping that the groups will participate in the picnic by bringing essential items. By the time you read this, we will have had a meeting on July 30 and the picnic will be upon us on August 7, 11AM to 4PM at Kiwanis Park on 30th Street in Farmington, across the street from Conoco-Phillips. Rick G. will speak after we've had our fill of burgers, dogs, and potluck goodies.

As I am writing this prior to the start of the Friends of Bill W. Family Campout, I can only assume that we will have had a good time and most likely got some rain! If you haven't been to one of these campouts, consider going next year. It's nice to get out of the heat of Farmington and enjoy the mountains above Silverton, Colorado.

The Steps to Sobriety meeting at The Well on Thursday night, 7PM, has been canceled. It is still listed in the new schedules, so please pass the word.

Service is one leg of our triangle, and the district is in need of representatives for juvenile jail and women's jail. Please consider carrying the message to those at the jail. District 8 meets on the second Thursday of each month, 7PM, at 865 N. Dustin in Farmington. Everyone is welcome.

Yours in sobriety, Andrea Greenaker

Send contributions for El Farolito:

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### District 9 - Grants, Gallup, Zuni, Laguna

Greetings from District 9. **On August 5th, 6th and 7th**, the Spiritual Awakenings group, in conjunction with the Day At A Time Club, in Fort Defiance, will be hosting a **Sobriety and Family Wellness Campout at Wheatfield's Lake.** The weekend starts with a Greeting Meeting at 6 p.m. on Friday. Most of the activities will be on Saturday which include horse trail rides, fishing, horseshoes, volleyball, and (Almost Country) music. There will be Al-Anon and AA speakers and a **Group Cookout and Potluck on Saturday at 6 p.m.** The weekend ends with a group brunch at 11 a.m. on Sunday morning. No registration fee but please RSVP with Ambrose at 928-729-5931 to make it easier to plan for food. Our gathering will be just over the bridge at Wheatfields (the only lake around with water in it; can't miss it) as you head north on Route 12 from I-40 just over the Arizona state line. Camp for the weekend or join us on Saturday.

Thank you to all who helped organize and attended the workshop on Corrections hosted by Laguna Group last month. A special thank you to David, our Area Corrections Chair, for coming all the way from Hobbs to share his experience with our District and for sending some literature and packets to our groups doing service work in the jails. Those materials are much appreciated and help those doing service feel supported.

On July 10th, District 9 had our great Annual Picnic in Chichiltah. There were over 50 people in attendance, many with families. Thanks to our grill master for a pile of hotdogs and hamburgers. We ended with an outdoors District Meeting in a beautiful setting (in the shade).

2016 District Nine Sobriety Gathering, October 7th, 8th, and 9th of this year, to be held at the Sacred Heart Catholic School, 405 Park Avenue, Gallup, NM 87305. More information to follow, points of contact are: Jerry F. at (505) 240-5643 or email: <a href="mailto:web9@nm-aa.org">web9@nm-aa.org</a>, and Tony C. at (505) 495-4207 or email: <a href="mailto:devildawgtony@gmail.com">devildawgtony@gmail.com</a>.

In gratitude and service, Beverly T., El Farolito Rep

### District 10 - Hobbs, Carlsbad

District 10 has been busy!

The Tumbleweed planning committee has started meeting! It's going to be a good one this year! (as always) They meet at 6:30 every Tuesday at the HOG.

Jim H. has been gracing us with this presence a number of time this month. He delivered a powerful message as our guest speaker for the HOG's 62<sup>nd</sup> birthday. Happy b-day to the HOG. Michele our archivist and Teresa J. came and celebrated with us too!

And thank you Jim for you service and the update from GSO. Great job as always. Over in Carlsbad look for dinner and a movie on August 20th to raise money for the next SENM men's conference.

Thank you for my life! Love and Service! Jason O.

### District 11 - West Albuquerque

This will be forwarded to all the trusted servants from district 11. With a heavy and sad heart I am going to have to resign as the ELF rep. I also hate that it has to be with such short notice for the deadline of the August newsletter. I work for Southwest Airlines and this summer has been insane. I am literally working 12 and 16 hour shifts due to mandatory overtime. I also go to Farmington every other week to check on my grandparents who are in their nineties with health problems. In all honesty I am barely getting to meetings and really need to focus more on keeping afloat and staying sane. I hope one day my life will calm down and I can volunteer for another position.

God bless, Kathi B

Welcome to District 11. We are a very active district and strongly supportive of service and recovery. Please contact us or join us at the next District meeting if you would like to participate.

District 11 August 2016 Report

# **District Reports**

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#### District 11...

Area 46 Delegate Report - District 11 DCM Debra W. reports that Area 46 Delegate Jim D. will be coming to Albuquerque to give his annual Delegate's report at our District's Monthly Meeting. If anyone is interested in attending, we will be meeting on August 13th, at Grace United Methodist Church, 420 San Lorenzo Ave NW, Albuquerque, NM 87107. Time: 9:00 – 10:00am. GSR and Committee Chairs will email Kevin their reports. Kevin's email is <a href="mailto:kclowe01@gmail.com">kclowe01@gmail.com</a>. All are welcome!

**District Picnic:** District 11 is feverishly working on our Annual Jemez Falls Picnic! The date is August 6<sup>th</sup>. We will be gathering at Jemez Falls Group Picnic Site. Join us for fun, food, fellowship and catch some sun and serenity.

Saturday, August 6
12:00 PM Potluck Lunch
2:00 PM Open Meeting

About 90 minutes north of Albuquerque on Hwy 550 to Hwy 4.

Download the flyer at: <a href="http://www.albuquerqueaa.org/pdf/08062016.pdf">http://www.albuquerqueaa.org/pdf/08062016.pdf</a>

26<sup>th</sup> Annual Traditions Conference: Yes, the time is getting near, and progress is coming along well for our 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Traditions Conference on Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, at Nativity Church, 4<sup>th</sup> & Alameda. Just about all chairs are filled. Volunteers are always needed. Planning meetings are scheduled 8/11, 9/8 at St. Michael's All Angels Episcopal Church, 601 Montano Blvd. NW, from 6:30pm – 7:30pm. If anyone is interested in helping, please contact the Traditions Conference chair, Terry P. at tspecos@msn.com

District 11 has several open service positions, and could use your help in carrying the message. Service is a vital component to staying sober, and helping others. I am grateful for that opportunity.

Yours in service, Kevin C

### District 13 - Albuquerque (S of 9-40 & E of 9-25), 7ijeras, Moriarity, McIntosh, Willard, Mountainair, Corona

District 13 would like to invite folks out to our 2nd Annual Picnic, starting @ 12 (noon) on Saturday, August 13, 2016 at Oak Flat in the Locust Picnic Area. Directions from Albuquerque: drive east on I-40 to Exit 175 toward Tijeras, NM. Drive south for 9 miles on State Road 337. Look for the brown Oak Flat - Cibola National Forest sign, on the east side of the road. Turn east onto Oak Flat Road and follow it for .39 miles until you reach the entrance on the left side of the road. We look forward to seeing you there. We will supply burgers, dogs, buns, condiments, water and ice. We encourage you to bring a side dish. Dogs are welcome but must be leashed at all times. There will be games, fun and fellowship. We look forward to seeing you there!

The next District 13 meeting will take place @ 10am prior to the picnic (at the picnic location) If you are looking for a service opportunity, we invite you to attend our meeting.

We are also looking to fill positions in the following areas: Bilingual, Archives, Corrections and Intergroup Liaison.

In Service, Fran D.

Note: The picnic flyer is on page 23

# District 14 - 7aos, Red River, Embudo

As the Taos Mountain Fiesta weekend approaches, hospitality details are very much in the conversation here at District 14. The hospitality department is currently seeking volunteers to help serve during the various meals offered, and bring dinner items for Friday hospitality (such as lasagna, mac and cheese, casseroles, etc.). Please use disposable aluminum cans for easy clean up. For Saturday lunch, there is also a need for sandwiches, burritos, quesadillas and such. In short, this event amounts to hundreds of people needing to be fed, so generally the more contributions the better—meal items, salads, bottled water, fresh fruits, power bars—just get in touch with Nancy D. if you have questions regarding this opportunity for service: 575-770-1253; email: nancydiamond10@aol.com

For more information about the Taos Mountain Fiesta generally, you can always stop by the Fiesta website: <a href="http://taosmountainfiesta.org">http://taosmountainfiesta.org</a>

July 30st, there was a Website Training and Planning meeting in Albuquerque. Instructed by Ally T, this training included ways of maintaining anonymity in the context of emails, and ideas for engaging service through the New Mexico A.A. website. Our website is visited by more than 2500 people every month, so it's a great way to get your message out to the A.A. community. If you missed out on this, you might want to keep an eye on the events page for future trainings, festivities, and opportunities for service: <a href="http://www.nm-aa.org/events/">http://www.nm-aa.org/events/</a>



### District 16 - Silver City, Deming

Thank you Bayard group for holding the June 18th District Meeting at the 180 club. Right now there is no training set up for corrections. It was brought up to participate in an ELF mailing party being done in District 16. I explained what it involves but there was no response as of now.

Brother Richard would appreciate forming a committee for CPC/PI. Two years sobriety is necessary. People are needed to man the phones for the Grant county area. Phone is provided along with meeting list in our District. District 16 members want to know if there is an electronic issue of ELF on the website. They would like to know how to get to the site. I will ask Jay, our Area 46 editor, to please post directions. (Editor Note: Thanks, see page 18)

There is a new meeting: The Black Chip group on Saturday morning at 11am. It is held at the United Methodist Church on 314 W. College Ave. in Silver City. The GSR for the group is George. The last Friday of every month the TGIF group in Williamsburg celebrates birthdays with a pot luck at the Church of Christ at 601 Hillcrest. It is a speaker meeting.

The Vaya Con Dios group now meets at the Sierra Group at 529 North Broadway in T or C. The meeting is held in the back of the building. There is a new meeting in Mimbres on Friday night from 5:30-6:30 at the Roundup Lodge on 91 Acklin Hill Road.

Will new GSRs and New groups please register with the Bill Lewis the Area 46 Registrar? His information is in the front of ELF. If you don't get the ELF he can be reached by phone at: 505-867-2195. He can also be reach at: Bill Lewis, 02 Cueva Canyon Rd. Placitas, NM 87043. Email address is: resistrar@nm-aa.org.

Our next District meeting will be hosted by the Duster Group in Deming at 118 Spruce Street at 10:30 September 17th. In Service, Jan w

# **District Reports**

### District 17

OFELIA M, MCD:

Hola un saludo a todos departe del Distrito 17 Nuestra ultima junta fue el sabado 9, de julio 2016 a las 4: pm

Tenemos una Invitacion: El GRUPO RECONOCER Tiene el honor de invitar a toda la comunidad de Alcoholicos Anonimos a su 3er Aniviersario de Fundacion El Domingo 14, de agosto del 2016 A las 2:00 pm

Que se llevara acabo en EL SERENITY CLUB #1000 BLAND AVE. ROSWELL, NM 88203 Abra Junta de Informacion, Cena Y Convivio.

Asimismo les Informo Que se Abrio un nuevo grupo en HOOBS NM GRUPO NUEVO HORIZONTE Por los companeros Santiago como RSG y Miguel como suplente. Este grupo se unio al Distrito 17 se isieron presentes en nuestra ultima junta del Distrito.

Por el momento es todo muchas 24 hr

### District 18 - Rio Rancho, Corrales

District 18 is proud and grateful to our members for all their donations and participation in our summer events. Our district was given special mention at intergroup for our contributions. That is due to each and every one of you, showing up. Thank you.

We are thankfully very active this season: In the Book will be having a "Central Office Workshop" on Aug 6<sup>Th</sup>, Children of Chaos is putting in a bid for 2017 NMYP Convention along with their many other events, and, One Day At A Time is having a Workshop in the fall.

Committees - One more Meeting is needed to volunteer to Bring a Meeting to Sangre de Christo, women only and only one Monday per month. Contact District 18, DCM. Corrections needs a Men's Coordinator. And, Rojo needs volunteers for Central Office Picnic, Call Central Office for his contact information.

Our District Meeting is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at 10:30 am.

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### NMCYPAA 2016

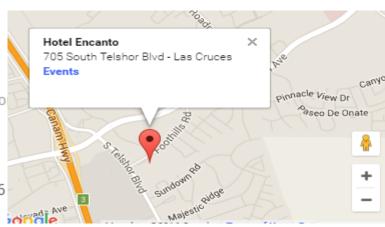
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### Date/Time

Date(s) - Fri August 12, 2016 to August 14, 2016 **All Day** 

#### Location

**Hotel Encanto** 





Hello just wanted to advise you of a meeting location CHANGE in Las Cruces. The Young People's Group has moved to a new location: 2511 Chaparral Street, LC NM. Meeting is still on Wednesday @ 6:30PM to 7:30 PM.

Thank you! Yours in service, Freddie J....Secretary, 2016 NMCYPAA Convention Comittee



The El Centro of Albuquerque celebrated two birthdays in June: Debbie - 9 Months...Santiago - 1 Year

Birthday night ARID group in Ruidoso
Bruce C. 06/15/82 34 yrs...Patience B. 06/05/01 15 yrs....Theresa 06/17/08 8 yrs

Here are July Birthdays at Serenity Group// Alamogordo: Mike W 15 Years; Rock B 8 Years; Kevin W 6 Years; TJ 4 Years; Mandy P 3 Years; Jenn H 1 Year

Isleta Group - June Bdays 2016; Jason. 60 days; Lori. 60 days; Vanessa. 2 years; Daniel 15 years; Theresa. 28 years

From Wings of the Storm in Gallup: Stephen 1 year on July 13<sup>th;</sup> Michael 24 years on July 14; Jamie one year on June 14; Robin 29 years on June 28; Jerry 8 years on June 13

From Home Group in Gallup: Lennie 4 years on July 26;

From Laguna Group: Floyd C. 7 years on July 3;

From Spiritual Awakenings Group in Ft. Defiance, AZ: Anthony M. 18 years on July 3; Angel R. One year on July 13

El Farolito Editor Jay M., 34 years on July 25

# District 11 Annual Jemez Picnic

Saturday, August 6
Jemez Falls Group Picnic Site
Breakfast provided by El Centro
Potluck Lunch at Noon
Open Meeting at 2:00 pm

Join us for fun, food, fellowship and catch some sun and serenity.

About 90 minutes north of Albuquerque on Hwy 550 to Hwy 4



### 2016 NMCYPAA Registration

### "Peculiar Mental TWist"

Starts Friday August 12-14, 2016 At Hotel Encanto (866) 383-0443

705 S. Telshor Blvd.

Las Cruces, NM.

Speakers, Workshops, Food, Dance, and more

Convention begins at 12noon Friday

Name:	AA or Al-Anon:	
Phone:	E-mail:	72
Where are you from?	#Registrations:	(\$15each)

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Please detach and mail the lower portion of this form with payment to: NMCYPAA 3855 S. Main St. Mesilla Park, NM 88047

Or

visit our website( host.nmcypaa.com/registration) to register online.

For more information email: bryan.nmcypaa@gmail.com

Pre-registration ends Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> and prices will go up after that.

### District 16 asked if the ELF is on the Web and how to get there. Why yes it is!

Go to http://www.nm-aa.org/

Look down the page and you find:

Click on the "July Issue of the El Farolito Newsletter" will Take you to the current issue.

Click on: "Newsletter Archives" and find issues from October 2014 to the immediate past month.

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CURRENT NEWS

The Web Version has expanded to full color and 20+ pages. If you have an article, story, etc please email to us as we can publish more in the web version

Next mailing party: Saturday, July 30 District 15...5t. Stephens Episcopal Church; 703 Bond St, Espanola NM. Folding at 4 then I will be the speaker at the Twelve Steps Unplugged pot luck and speaker meeting at 6:00.1 will be driving up from the Assembly planning meeting and have room for 3 if you want to ride along and help.

Thanks to the The folks in District 7 for hosting June 26. We had a great time, finished in less than an hour, had something to eat after the meeting. What a great day!

Please contact us if your District can host. If we have 10-12 people it only takes 1 hour (See chart of open months below)



# El Farolito Committee

# From the Editor

Summer is flying by fast, don't miss it! Looking forward to the September Assembly and seeing everyone. The ELF will be putting forward a motion to add an Alternate Chair position that will rotate alternate years with the Chair. This way we will always have one person trained and avoid recent issues we had. Remember after the last rotation we did not publish for three months until I dropped out of the Ohio sky and became the Editor. Then in December I went in the hospital and we missed another issue. Not acceptable!

Assuming my committee approves the motion and then the Assembly also does, we will need someone interested in standing for the initial 1 year term. (In order to have staggered terms the first one must be 1 year, then 2 from that point on) Jeff H. will be taking over for me in January assuming the Assembly approves and his interest is the desktop publishing portion of the job. Let's make no mistake this is too big a job for one person and another reason for an Alternate. The person will need to take over the bookkeeping, banking, mailing list, contact with the printer, and doing the bulk mailing. Jeff will help with organizing mailing parties to put together the mailing. Because the printer and bulk mail facility is located in Albuquerque it is desired the person live in or near. Please if you are interested let me know. I will provide all the help and training needed for the transition.

In service, Jay M.

We have no more mailing parties scheduled: (HELP!!)

Sep-16	08/27/16	
Oct-16	10/01/16	
Nov-16	10/29/16	
Dec-16	11/26/16	
Jan-17	12/31/16	



#### Donations in July...Thanks

	2 1000
An AA Group	Santa Fe
Aztec Group	Aztec
Circle of Love	Albuquerque
Daybreak Group	Farmington
District 6	Las Vegas
Early Birds Group	Roswell
Early Birds Group	Rocianda
Hi Nooners	Farmington
Jemez Springs	Jemez Springs
Live and let Live	Albuquerque
Los Mesilleros	Mesilla
New Hope	Shiprock
New Life Group	Hobbs
One Step at a Time	Rio Rancho
Questa Crossroads	San Luis
Ruidoso Arid Group	Ruidoso
Sober at Sunrise	Las Cruces
The Dawn Patrol	Albuquerque
Too Much for Us	Tijeras
Trinity Site Group	Tularosa
Tuesday 12&12	Rio Rancho
Turkey Creek Group	Gila

### District 13's 2nd Annual Picnic



When: Saturday, August 13

Time: 12:00 (the District meeting will be here at

10, if you are interested in service work) Where: Oak Flat in the Locust Picnic Area

From Albuquerque: drive east on I-40 to Exit 175 toward Tijeras, NM. Drive south for 9 miles on State Road 337. Look for the brown Oak Flat - Cibola National Forest sign, on the east side of the road. Turn east onto Oak Flat Road and follow it for .39 miles until you reach the entrance on the left side of the road.

Come join us for fun, food, and sober festivities. We will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, and water. Please bring a side dish to share.





### Albuquerque Intergroup Special Needs Fundraiser

Carrying the A.A. Message to the Deaf Alcoholic

Saturday, August 27th

at 5:00 – 7:30 pm

Potluck at 5pm, Speaker at 6pm

RAFFLE and 50/50 RAFFLE at 7pm (Contact Alaina to donate raffle items 505-615-8231)

Held at St. Michael & All Angels Church 601 Montano Rd NW, Albuquerque, NM 87107

<u>The AA Tradition:</u> "We Alcoholics see that we must work together and hang together" (BB pg.561)