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Let us all reflect for a little bit on 2020 and the pandemic's devastating effect on life in our Area. As we contemplate the nature of COVID, does it not impact some people dramatically different that it does others? Some are seemingly not affected at all, some have significant complications from it, and for some it is actually fatal. Is it not true that everyone is inconvenienced by it, and in some form are we not endangered by the behavior of those who have it?

Does any of this sound strangely similar to the life we have all lived facing alcoholism? Some are impacted more than others, for some, alcohol is fatal, and certainly everyone around us is impacted by the behav-

ior of those of us who are afflicted with alcoholism. Our program offers us a way to live life in spite of our alcoholism. What parts of our cherished program can we transfer to our lives outside of meetings in this pandemic world? Would Love and Tolerance help the world around us? Just as we love and care for the well being of any newcomer, can we learn to carry that same level of genuine care for another human being into the public world? We have been given some beautiful tools to utilize in our struggles with alcohol and our crazy lives. Can we not in turn try to extend our use of these tools to those about us in our respective hometowns, and in our Area? Surely our burden will feel lighter if we try to help others, and surely, the people

around us could benefit from a gesture of kindness, and love, and tolerance from each of us. We can take what we know how to do and help make our world just a little better in 2021.

The 71st General Service Conference is fast approaching. By the time this is printed, I will have attended the January GS Board Meeting to assist in development of the Final Agenda Items. That list will be available soon, and the full background material will follow shortly thereafter. I invite each of you to involve yourself in the process and help pass along your feelings on the agenda to the Delegate.

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Delegado

Bien! estamos bien en 2021.

Reflexionemos un poco sobre 2020 y el efecto devastador de la pandemia en la vida en nuestra zona. Al contemplar la naturaleza de COVID, ¿no afecta a algunas personas dramáticamente diferente que a otras? Algunos aparentemente no se ven afectados en absoluto, algunos tienen complicaciones significativas de ella, y para algunos es realmente

fatal. ¿No es cierto que todo el mundo se vea incoado por ella, y de alguna manera no estamos en peligro por el comportamiento de quienes lo tienen? ¿Algo de esto suena extrañamente similar a la vida que todos hemos vivido enfrentando el alcoholismo? Algunos se ven afectados más que otros, para algunos, el alcohol es fatal, y ciertamente todos a nuestro alrededor se ven afectados por el comportamiento de aquellos de nosotros que estamos afligidos por el alcoholismo. Nuestro programa nos ofrece una forma de vivir la vida a pesar de nuestro alcoholismo. ¿Qué partes de nuestro preciado programa podemos transferirnos a nuestras vidas fuera de las reuniones en este mundo pandémico? ¿Ayudaría el Amor y la Tolerancia al mundo que nos rodea? Así como amamos y cuid-

amos el bienestar de cualquier recién llegado, ¿podemos aprender a llevar ese mismo nivel de cuidado genuino por otro ser humano en el mundo público? Nos han dado algunas herramientas hermosas para utilizar en nuestras luchas con el alcohol y nuestras vidas locas. ¿No podemos a su vez tratar de extender nuestro uso de estas herramientas a aquellos sobre nosotros en nuestras respectivas ciudades de pueblo, y en nuestra Área. Seguramente nuestra carga se sentirá más ligera si tratamos de ayudar a los demás, y seguramente, las personas que nos rodean podrían beneficiarse de un gesto de bondad, amor y tolerancia de cada uno de nosotros. Podemos tomar lo que sabemos hacer y ayudar a hacer nuestro

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Alternate Delegate

Greetings Area 46,

I hope this finds you well and in good health. The first thing I want to talk about – it's a new year and a new rotation for half the Southwest Region delegates and Alternate Delegates for that matter also a new rotation for half the delegates and alternates in North America and Canada. The Panel 71 as they are called are looking towards the Panel 70 for guidance. That is how the service structure is set up so that not all the delegates are new at the same time. Bill L. and I are part of Panel 70. As the new Southwest Delegate Committee Secretary, I send out a welcome email with a description of our duties and responsibilities and

to all the new Alternate Delegates in the Southwest Region. I have to admit thank God for Trusted Servants that serve before us so we don't have to reinvent the wheel. I took an email Bill L. our delegate sent out when he was Secretary two years ago as the SWR ALT Delegate Committee and modified it for this rotation. At NAAD we are still meeting every month on the first of the month and half of the alternates are new so we are going through introduction. Our main purpose is to report on our Area and discuss certain topics in our meeting plus we went to invite our Regional Trustee to join us. The Area Forum committee is coming along – still no venue. Our main goal is to have it Hybrid with live partic-

ipation and virtual. But we did pick a date that if we don't have a venue by April 10, we then will vote to go strictly virtual. And the subprogram committee will be looking for speakers, presenters and moderators from throughout Area 46. We are looking for statewide participation. Bill L. and I will talk every other week as GSO gets going for the GSO Conference and starts to send emails with agenda materials. I am really looking forward to this year's conference and agenda materials.

Well that's all from me.

Yours in service,

Eloy M.

Alt Delegate Panel 70

Delegate

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Work continues at the GSO Treatment and Accessibilities to move forward with Remote Communities Committees Guidelines and a Workbook. Virtual meetings have been life saving during COVID, but there are tremendous applications for virtu-

al meetings in the Treatment arena, the Accessibilities arena, and Remote Communities applications. I hope that each of us will find a virtual meeting or two to become a steady part of our individual meeting plans. If virtual meetings stay in place post COVID, there will be much value that we can provide. I invite each of you to consider supporting a virtual meeting as a personal service com-

mitment so that is stays active.

I remain forever Grateful for the opportunity to Serve Area 46 as your Delegate. Thank you for allowing me to be the caretaker of this great responsibility for a short while.

In Love and Service,

Bill L., Area 46 Delegate

Delegado

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mundo un poco mejor en 2021.

La 71a Conferencia de Servicios Generales se acerca rápidamente. Para cuando se imprima esto, habrá asistido a la Reunión de la Junta de Servicios Generales de enero para ayudar en el desarrollo de los puntos finales de la agenda. Esa lista estará disponible pronto, y el material de antecedentes completo seguirá poco después. Le invito a cada uno de ustedes a participar en el proceso y ayudar a transmitir sus sentimientos en

la agenda al Delegado.

Continúan los trabajos en el Tratamiento y Accesibilidad de la OSG para avanzar con las Directrices de los Comités de Comunidades Remotas y un Libro de Trabajo. Las reuniones virtuales han salvado la vida durante el COVID, pero hay tremendas aplicaciones para reuniones virtuales en el ámbito de Tratamiento, el ámbito de las Accesibilidades y las aplicaciones de Comunidades remotas. Espero que cada uno de nosotros encuentre una reunión virtual o dos para convertirse en una parte constante de nuestros planes de reunión individuales. Si las reuniones

virtuales permanecen en su lugar después de COVID, habrá mucho valor que podemos proporcionar. Invito a cada uno de ustedes a considerar apoyar una reunión virtual como un compromiso de servicio personal para que se mantenga activo.

Permanezco para siempre Agradecido por la oportunidad de Servir el área 46 como su Delegado. Gracias por permitir que yo sea el guardia de esta gran responsabilidad por un corto tiempo.

En el amor y el servicio

Bill L., Delegado del Área 46

Treasurer

The Area 46 financial books for 2020 are officially closed. As it has been with many aspects of our service work this year, 2020 has been a financial aberration. Again I would like to sincerely thank all the groups who have contributed to the area this year and assure everybody that Area 46 is doing its best to fulfill our responsibilities.

A big question for me as I filled in the final numbers for the year was what was the bottom line going to be. Turns out that the end of year projections in my December Assembly report were not too far off. This is a bit of a relief to me knowing that many of the motions we voted on in December, namely the contribution to GSO, were influenced by these pro-

jections. My report in next month's *El Farolito* will include the January financial statement which will have line items for all the financial related motions we passed in December; including the contribution to GSO and the Special Projects Funds.

Speaking of the Special Projects Fund, I'd like to reiterate its purpose and remind our assembly that \$3,581 is available to utilize. We have learned in the past that our end of the year available cash has been just that; only available at the end of the year when we are approving our next year's budget. This has always seemed to create a bit of a frenzy at the December assembly to put together projects and motions before the "window" closes. With the creation of this fund, we have taken a

portion of the 2020 available cash (or, in this instance, \$3,581 excess funds coming from the return of unused Assembly Hosting monies) and made it accessible to our committee throughout the year.

Hopefully this relieves some of the time pressure. However, we will only know if this is a good idea if the funds are actually used by our committee. Otherwise they will be, as some have suggested, an accumulation of funds for no stated purpose. So, to our committee, I implore you to consider where and how we can use these funds. As always, I am available to try and answer any questions you might have.

In service,

Christoph, Area 46 Treasurer

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Ad Hoc Committee About the Books

Greetings and Happy New Year to all.

AHCAB continues to focus our work on the alcoholics who are going to be helped by the 6,000 books now waiting for distribution at former delegate Ralph's storage. In the last month we have had two subcommittee meetings and one full committee meeting. We are getting close to a recommendation that the Districts receive a proportional distribution of the books, and this has led to the question, do all Districts want large numbers of them?

So our first subcommittee meeting grappled with that question. We also have considered what to do about the 500 or so Second Edition Spanish Big Books. The Spanish translations

have handled the first 164 pages in a different manner than what happens with the English language books. Second Edition Spanish BBs are well loved, but not an accurate translation of Bill's writing. Third Edition Spanish books are basically a verbatim translation. We have really grappled with First Tradition Unity considerations on this one. GSO does not continue to publish or distribute older editions of the AA Big Book when a new one comes available. And the English version doesn't ever change the first 164 pages. Are we saying to those who might receive a Second Edition Big Book in Spanish that there are better and different ways to understand the literature but you don't get one? Are we saying there are different ways to read the first

164 pages? What does this do to Unity? Right now we are looking at the Second Edition Spanish Big Books as having archival importance (they were published in 1990) but a hindrance to carrying the message in a clear and concise way to our current Spanish reading newcomers. Here is a link to the GSO press release on Spanish translation: https://www.aa.org/press-releases/en_US/press-releases/new-edition-of-aas-spanish-big-book-alcoholicos-annimos

Thank you as always for the privilege of chairing this committee. We are still very eager to meet with your Districts to inform your groups conscience on how to best deliver these books back out to the world.

Kristina F.

Archives

The Archives committee started the New Year with our monthly meeting on Friday, January 1, 2021. What a difference from when our lives were under the lash of alcoholism. What an inspiration to start the new year in service.

We had a short meeting. Our live group history forms are on hold waiting for the website changes. The purchase of the tablet has been put

on hold. It has been brought to my attention of a monitor we have that may still be usable. Researching to see if we have all the parts.

An exciting project with our Area Delegate, Bill L is to offer the Archives JeopAArds game on Zoom. Several emailed flyers from Districts 9 and 14 have been sent to our Area 46 Archivist, Michelle T. Please make sure the items sent to Archives have

a complete date on them.

Next meeting will be February 5 on Zoom. Meeting info is on our Area 46 website under Events. So happy to be of service.

In love and gratitude,

Patience B.

Area 46 Archives committee chair

Convention

Hello Area 46,

First, I would like to thank our Area Chair, Kurt, for asking me to serve in this capacity. I am excited to get started, and confident that we will be able to put together a fantastic virtual event June 4-6, 2021.

A first round of elections were held on January 21st. I feel lucky to have such an experienced team backing me up. We will continue to fill in missing positions at subsequent

meetings.

We meet regularly on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. on Zoom.

Meeting ID: 993 6386 2044

Passcode: Area46

Please join us as we begin discussing programming, speaker recommendations, Area 46 displays, on-line hospitality and fellowship ideas, and virtual entertainment. Our intention is to provide an experience

that mirrors an in-person convention as closely as possible.

If you would like to be added to our committee roster to stay in the loop, or if you are unable to commit to attending planning meetings but have suggestions, please feel free to email me. All ideas are welcome.

In love & service,

Laura S.

2021 Area 46 Convention Ad-Hoc Committee Chair

CPC

Wishing you all a Happy New Year! As we look back and reflect on 2020, may we count our blessings, especially that we are part of an awesome program that keeps us on the right track to maintain and sustain our sobriety. As members of AA, we get to work the program in efforts to pass on what has been freely given to us – “You can’t keep it unless you give it away.”

Service opportunities have been limited during the pandemic; however, CPC committee around the USA are working diligently to see how they can carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic. Here are some ideas on ways CPC committees can reach out to professionals during the pandemic:

- Putting ads in Attorney, Doctor, Dental and other Professional Magazines.
- Research which professionals have Magazines and bulletins to inquiry about costs; Getting e-books of Big Book and 12&12 into local and university libraries;
- Donate soft covered Big Books, 12x12, and audio Big Books to prisons;
- Making business cards with the 24-hour hotlines on them and put them in grocery stores, convenience stores, liquor stores, bars, and more;
- Hotels and Casinos see if they will allow us to put cards or pamphlets in their places; Zoom

presentations for doctors, nurses, med students.

For more information on CPC, I welcome you to join the Area 46 monthly CPC Committee via Zoom on the first Monday’s of each month from 6pm to 7pm. If you are interested in attending, please contact me at cpc@nm-aa.org.

In the Spirit of Service,
Lawrence M.

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Grapevine/La Viña

Greetings Area 46!

I hope everyone has had a wonderful holiday season. Mine was quiet and healing. December and January have been quiet months for me. I did attend The Western U.S. and Canada Virtual Forum. There were regional hospitality rooms and one could visit any region’s break out room. This was interesting and fun to see people from other regions including the SW Region. There were presentations and talks by GSO and *Grapevine* and *La Viña*. I attended a GV/LV workshop about keeping us connected. This was very informa-

tive since the *Grapevine* is so instrumental in keeping all of us connected with each other worldwide. The forum was very well presented.

There is a monthly virtual GV zoom meeting on the second Sunday morning of each month at 7 a.m. MST. It is presented by Area 16 – Georgia. They are reading the *Grapevine* book, Happy, Joyous and Free. This month it was held on January 10th. I attended and thought it was well worth my time. We read in the book and discussed the reading. I enjoyed meeting people from Area 16. If anyone is interested in the information, please contact me.

As always, I encourage everyone to write and submit their stories, jokes, pictures, etc. to *Grapevine*. Information on doing so can be found on the website under “Contribute”. We do not need to be great authors to submit our stories. We simply share our experience, strength and hope from the heart.

Thank you for allowing me to serve in this vital service position! I am extremely grateful for this opportunity.

In Love and Service,

Maddy L, Area 46

Grapevine/La Viña Chair

**Tradition
of the
Month**

TWO

"For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority – a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern."

Bilingual

Hola, Area 46

Now that 2021 has began, the Bilingual Committee is welcoming the new virtual way of service work with open arms in the present times we are in. The benefits of getting together from different geographical places, that in normal times it would be realistically impossible are a blessing. Now with a click of a bottom an "Zoom" we are connected, sharing ideas in how to carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic out there.

The Bilingual Committee took part in the subcommittee meeting on January 6th of the Ad Hoc About the books, regarding the second edition of the Spanish version of the Big Book and what recommendation it to give to the full committee on January 13th. I was also part, of the 2021 Service Forum Program committee on January 4th. On, January 5th we had our second virtual Committee meeting, Ray R. and Eloy C. were in attendance. The committee came up with a short-term attainable goal, which is to have more participation from District 17 and the Spanish community at the March Assembly. One way to make this happen is to hold a zoom tech support at my home group Ultimo Paso on Friday night's at 7:30 pm for those interested in learning how to log and find a meeting. This will

be possible with the Cosmo Friday night speaker meeting at 8:00 pm. We plan on having these meetings on an ongoing basis for practice and getting comfortable with the virtual AA world. On Saturday, the 9th I went to District 17 service meeting and presented them with the work shop the Bilingual Committee is holding on Friday's starting January 15th and on every other Friday.

Our little Zoom log-in workshop took place and it had more success than I could have anticipated and eager to have more available to those interested in participating in Zoom meetings. A lot of ideas came at the end of the Zoom meeting and we had a discussion of what their thoughts were. My conclusion was not in favor but willingness to participate.

As it looks the Bilingual Committee has work ahead, before we are all together at the March Assembly. As a reminder to all DCM, GSR, Committee's, Trusted Servant and everyone that has an idea or a need from the Bilingual Committee join us in our monthly meeting or send us an invite to participate in yours thanks.

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Literature

Greetings Area 46,

Starting on January 20th there started to be a monthly Literature Committee meeting on Zoom. The time available is the 3rd Wednesday of each month starting at 7:00 pm. There is a link on the Area 46 website in the events listings. As the Literature Committee is about more than selling books, I am always looking for new information to share with

the area plus having something to talk about during the upcoming committee meetings. Has anybody heard about the proposed appendix to the Big Book that will be discussed at the next GSC conference?

At the AA.com website there is a new feature with a very extensive list of conference approved Ebook literature available in Apple books, Kindle and Nook formats most for

about \$6 or \$7. The list includes the Big book, Daily Reflections, Dr. Bob & the Good Oldtimers, Experience Strength & Hope and many more.

Please come join us on the third Wednesday of each month and find out what's new in the AA literature world.

Blessings to all,

Dave F.



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"It helps you to help others" Service Positions Available:

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Your District has open committee chairs, look on Area 46 webpage for more information <https://nm-aa.org/>

December Birthdays Cosmopolitan Group: newcomers: Patrick A., A.C.

Justin F. 3 mo.

Kimbo. 4 mo.

Stephanie W. 2 yrs.

Victor P. 31 yrs.

Manuel P. 33 yrs.

January Birthdays Sunrise Catchers Group: Jesus Z, 1-1-98 23 years- Julian B 1-2-19 2 years -Tomas C 1-7-00 21 years- AC 1-8-21 30 days- Richard S 1-15-11 10 years

Next District meeting is Sat. February 13th hosted (online) by the Cosmopolitan Group 600 Coors Blvd NW, Abq

<https://zoom.us/j/87159940428>

Meeting ID: 871 5994 0428

Dial in By Phone: Dial In+1 253 215 8782 or +1 346 248 7799

We do it one day at a time. Keep coming back! – Francine. M

District 6 – LAS VEGAS, RATON, MORA, CLAYTON, SPRINGER ...

Hello from Northeastern New Mexico, District 6. Our last meeting was held January 2, the first Saturday of the New Year, at 2:00 PM through Zoom. Our hopes are for a wonderful, Happy New Year for all!

Our meeting was conducted by District 6 DCM Paul G., Kristina F provided our district with an update of ADHOC.

District 6 is looking to fill several committee positions that currently do not have chairpersons. DCM Paul G. suggested that each GSR return to their group with information about each of the vacant committees and encourage participation as a way of serving in AA.

District 6 is excited to have been awarded the opportunity of hosting the 2021 December Assembly for Area 46. Cody M., Chair of the District 6 2021 December Planning Committee stated that the venue for the assembly has been secured with a deposit to the City of Raton, the owner/manager of the Raton Convention Center. A walk through was performed, and the Convention Center was deemed an appropriate size and space to hold the upcoming assembly. The Planning Committee will hold planning sessions via Zoom every third Thursday at 6:00 PM. Anyone interested in participating can contact Cody at codycmorrow@msn.com.

Congratulations to Julian S. from the District 6 Zooming Into Sobriety for being elected as our new Alternate DCM. Julian has 21 years of sobriety and is excited to be of service to District 6.

Pedro O., Literature and Web Chair, reported that several copies of our district's meetings times and places have been distributed to all of the communities in our district, except one, Cimarron, which will receive literature in the next trip. The group discussed possible options of each group being able to print their own copies in addition to those that were provided by the district. The consensus of the group is that we want to be able to provide information to everyone in print as well as through the website.

The various meetings are listed on El Farolito's District 6. There are a few items of interest. Highlands' Happy Hour has moved into their new meeting room at New Mexico Highlands University. The meeting room is located in the Sala De Madrid building. Please enter through the West part of the building. The meetings are held every Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at noon. Monday evening at 5:00 pm, Wednesday at 7:30 pm, and Friday at 5:30 pm. More meetings and a book study will be added to the schedule in the future.

Zooming Into Sobriety is holding a noon Zoom meeting every Monday through Friday at noon. The last Wednesday of each month is our birthday/speaker meeting. A book study meeting is every Tuesday at noon. Thank you, Julian S. for being our January speaker. Please follow Zoom link ID# 819 199 9486 Password 335434.

Early Birds continues holding a Saturday and Sunday 9 am meeting. Please email Rick B. at padres74@gmail.com.

[com](#) for an evite link.

Land of Enchantment is holding Zoom meetings every evening at 6:00 PM as it continues to hold meetings at the First United Methodist Church in Raton at 6:00 PM every Sunday, Wednesday, and Friday. When possible, the Zoom meetings join the in-person meetings as hybrid meetings. To join the Zoom meeting, please use ID 315 319 2329 passcode: 1234. Land of Enchantment holds its group conscience meeting at the church every first Sunday of the month at 5:30 PM and can be joined in person or by access with the aforementioned ID and passcode.

As the new El Farolito reporter for District 6, I am pleased to be of service to our district and to Area 46 and I want to express my sincere thanks to Kathleen V. for her service in that capacity. I only hope that I can continue in the excellent manner that she has displayed.

In sincere gratitude and service,

LauraLee B.

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DISTRICT REPORTS

District 4 – LAS CRUCES, HATCH, TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES...

Happy February Fellows!

District 4 has a lot to be excited about during the month of Hope!

VIRTUAL JAMBOREE 2021

February 12, 13 and 14th Join us for fellowship, history and recovery. For registration visit <http://aael-paso.org/jamboree>

For those wishing to experiment

with service or brush up on their skills, we have a new workshop: "HOW TO CHAIR A MEETING" Sunday, February 28 @ 12 following the District 4 business meeting.

In the spirit of Brotherly Love, we are excited to celebrate our February Anniversaries:

Jay G. 2/19/13 8 years
Sonora M. 2/6/2006 15 years

Cathy N. 2/29/2006 15 years

Rita M. 2/5/2005 16 years

Barry L. 1/18/88 33 years

Jane R. 2/11/1985 36 years

Be well,
Molly R.

District 9 – GALLUP, GRANTS, LAGUNA, ZUNI...

Oh heyyyy.

Greetings from Dist 9.

A lot of our meetings are still held on Zoom. With a few exceptions..

Laguna Group has their doors open on Monday & Tuesday evenings, meeting begins at 4 to 5 pm due to curfew times. If you are in the area, stop on in and say hello. The Wings of the Storm Group in Gallup also has their doors open. Check out our District 9 Web-page for the times.

Our District Meetings are held the 2nd Sunday of the month. Next meeting will be on February 14 at 1pm. This

will be held on Java Group's Zoom platform, you are more than welcome to join us.

✧ Babysteps Group celebrated their 1 year Anniversary on January 13th. Way to go



✧ Java Group will celebrate their 4th Anniversary on January 18th..

You've come a long way baby



Huge Shout out to The Spiritual Awakening Group from Arizona, thank you for carrying the message to

our local detox facility. Love you Vee for all your Service work.

District 9 will be hosting the Pre-Conference Assembly in March.

We are definitely looking forward to networking with everyone that'll be involved.

Sobriety Birthdays

Vee S. SAG Group,

7 yrs on Jan 11th

Love & Gratitude, Lennie H.

El Farolito Rep

District 11 – ALBUQUERQUE (N. OF CENTRAL, W. OF I-25)

A happy Valentine's Day greeting to you all from District 11. We meet the second Saturday of the month from 9:00-10:00 a.m. on Zoom. Zoom continues to be our format for the foreseeable future. There are still a few chair positions open: archives, accessibility, cooperation with the professional community/public information (CPC/PI), literature, and treatment.

Planning will soon begin on two events we always look forward to: the picnic in Jemez August 7 and the Traditions Conference held in October. In addition, we are looking into the possibility of observing, not participating, in the virtual General Service Conference April 18-24. Can we get permission to attend without being heard or seen? Will let you know what we find out. Boomers to Zoomers meets on Zoom

at noon Monday through Friday. The Meeting is listed on the Area 46 website. And finally, Central Office continues to offer curbside service. Be sure to call ahead with your order (505-266-1900). Interviews begin in early February for the Central Office coordinator position.

In gratitude,

Tylka

Red Road AA Convention Virtual Speaker Meeting

"There is only one key, and it is called willingness"

Virtual AA Speakers — Vicenta A. Rio Rancho NM — Mike T. San Felipe NM

March 13th 2021 • 7 p.m.-8 p.m.

Zoom ID: 818 0864 4721 — Passcode: RRC2BD

Phone: 1 346 248 7799 or 1 253 215 8782, Passcode 498459

"Trudge the Road of Happy Destiny" Convention update will be given at end of meeting.

District 13 – SE ALBUQUERQUE, TIJERAS, MORIARITY, MOUNTAINAIR...

Greetings from District 13! We meet on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 10:00 AM. We are in need of a Bridge-the-Gap Chair and a Young People Chair. If you are interested and available to serve in either of these positions, join us so you can be elected! Our next meeting is on Saturday, February 13. For the foreseeable future we will be meeting online via Zoom. Feel free to join through video or phone. Our Meeting ID is: 719-543-888 on the Zoom app or you can dial in: 1-346-248-7799, Access Code: 719-543-888.

District 13 is working on a bid to host the March 2022 Area 46 Assembly, and communicating with several

potential venues. It is our sincere hope that we are able to gather in person at that time.

I am also planning to begin visiting groups virtually to encourage GSRs and/or Group Contacts to attend monthly District meetings and quarterly Area Assemblies.

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

11134, Albuquerque, NM 87112. To contribute digitally, follow this link:

<https://venmo.com/?txn=pay&audience=private&recipients=district-13>, or send contribution in Venmo to user: district-13.

We hope to see you at our next virtual District meeting in February. Your participation and your vote are very important.

In love & service,

Laura S.

DCM, District 13

district13@nm-aa.org

District 14 – TAOS, RED RIVER, ANGEL FIRE, TALPA, QUESTA, PEÑASCO...

Happy New Year 2021 from Taos and surrounding areas. At the latest District 14 meeting, open chair positions were discussed. Most of our current Standing Chair positions are in the middle of their two-year rotation (with the term ending Dec. 2021), but the following chair positions are currently open: Grapevine, Literature and Corrections. The Secretary position was also open and Andy C. was elected. Thank you for stepping up, Andy! The next D14 meeting will be on February 20 @ 9:30am on Zoom.

Because of the coronavirus restric-

tions in our area, District 14 has not incurred as many expenses as usual, so was fortunate to be able to contribute \$1,000 to GSO in December 2020. Speaking of the pandemic, Taos County is still in the red, so in-person meetings need to be limited to five people or less according to the latest NM Health Order. There are a few small in-person meetings being held in Taos, but most meetings are still on Zoom.

There are some fun events being planned for Taos: The "There Is a Solution" AA group is planning on having an online AA Jeopardy game event. The

logistics of how to make this happen on Zoom are still being worked out, but it will no doubt be a lot of laughs. And planning is already underway for the Taos Mountain Fiesta conference, which we plan and hope to have in person this year on Sept. 17-19, 2021. There will be great speakers, panels, alcathons, as well as the all new *Grapevine* writing workshop. Stay tuned for more details. We look forward to you joining us in beautiful Taos in the Fall!

Yours in service,

Kelly O., District 14 El Farolito Rep.

District 18 – RIO RANCHO, BERNALILLO, JEMEZ PUEBLO, JEMEZ SPRINGS...

Greetings and Happy New Year from District 18!

Our district conducted our last meeting on January 9th virtually via Zoom. I believe most of our positions are filled. I would like to take the time to thank all the people that attended our district meeting Susan D., Matthew M., Janet A., Jeff B., Steve G., Andrew S., Amy C., Darin E., Brian R., Sarah F., Lorrie S., Peter F., and Laura B. It is this kind of people that are concerned about helping the next suffering alcoholic and at the end of the day, that is what makes AA the incredible program that it is. A special thanks also to Peter F. for heading up the lunchbox

group New Year Alco-thon, which started at 600 pm and continued to 700 am. The lunchbox group has been doing this for the last several years. I believe the most exciting thing about the Alco-thon is that it gives a newcomer somewhere to be if they do not want to be out drinking for New Year. The midnight meeting always seems to be a popular meeting because we do the New Year countdown. It was a great time. So, keep it in mind for next year! I know that we are still dealing with COVID and all the issues that come with it, but I am so proud to be a part of Alcoholics Anonymous and all the people that make it what it is. I also

want to take the time to congratulate Peter F. on his sobriety date, which is January 14th, 1985, 36 years! I personally know of a lot of people that Peter has helped and sponsored, myself included, so again congratulations Peter F.

Michael P.

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