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Official Newsletter of New Mexico Area 46 Assembly of Alcoholics Anonymous

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Delegate

On July 5, we lost one of our valued long-time trusted servants here in Area 46. David D. served Area 46 for a number of years from DCM in District 10, to Area Corrections chair, to Area Bridge the Gap chair. David was one of the good guys in this fellowship and his ever-present enthusiasm will be missed. Personally, he was a good friend of mine, as I know that he was a good friend to many. May he always enjoy the big Meeting in the Sky. We will miss you, our dear friend.

Conference reports are the order of the day this time of year. July saw conference reports in District 6, District 9, and in Districts 12/13. Coming up will be August 8 in District 18, August 15 in District 3, and August 30 in District 4. DCMs, please consider scheduling a conference report. They can be live or virtual. Please feel free to contact me at any time. I

have a delegate's calendar posted on the delegate's page so you can see what time slots are available.

We had our first Virtual Area Assembly on May 30. On June 5-6-7, we had our Area 46 State Convention for the first time ever on a virtual platform. We will have our September Assembly on a virtual platform as well. Independent of the need for all of this virtual communication, let us not forget that our primary purpose is to carry the message of Alcoholics Anonymous to the alcoholic who still suffers. I salute all of the groups that have done such a wonderful job of making our message available via virtual meetings. Additionally, I encourage all of our area committees to explore virtual avenues to communicate and conduct area business. Area 46 has Zoom availability, and Free Conference Call is still available for all to utilize, both in voice conference

call format as well as virtually with video. There are many ways to get your committee in place and carrying our message.

As our groups all navigate how to conduct 7th Tradition collections, please consider making additional contributions to GSO. The health crisis has had a major impact on our General Service Office, and they can use our support. Individually, there is a birthday plan where we can express our gratitude for our sobriety with a direct contribution to GSO. You can look for details on aa.org. Over the years, there have been invitations to contribute a nominal amount, usually around the amount equal to GSO expenses per person. In recent years, this has been around \$8 or so.

In Love and Service,

Bill L., Area 46 Delegate

Delegado

El 5 de julio, perdimos a uno de nuestros valiosos Servidores de Confianza desde hace mucho tiempo aquí en el Área 46. David D. sirvió al Área 46 por un número de años desde MCD en el Distrito 10, Coordinador de Correcciones de Área al Coordinador del Comité Uniendo Las Orillas. David fue uno de los buenos Compañeros en esta Comunidad y

su entusiasmo siempre presente se echará de menos. Personalmente, era un buen Amigo mío, ya que sé que era un buen Amigo para muchos. Que siempre disfrute de la gran reunión en el Cielo. Te echaremos de menos, nuestro querido Amigo.

Los informes de la Conferencia están a la orden del día en esta época del año. En julio se vieron los Informes de la Conferencia en el Distrito 6, el Distrito 9 y en los Distritos 12/13. Próximamente será el 8 de agosto en el Distrito 18, el 15 de agosto en el Distrito 3 y el 30 de agosto en el Distrito 4. MCD'S, por favor considere la programación de un Informe de la Conferencia. Pueden ser vivos o Virtuales.

Por favor no dude en ponerse en contacto conmigo en cualquier momento. Tengo un Calendario de Delegados publicado en la página del Delegado para que pueda ver qué hora las ranuras están disponibles.

Tuvimos nuestra primera Asamblea de Área Virtual el 30 de mayo. El 5-6-7 de junio, tuvimos nuestra Convención Estatal de Área 46 por primera vez en una Plataforma Virtual. También tendremos nuestra Asamblea de Septiembre en una Plataforma Virtual. Independientemente de la necesidad de toda esta comunicación virtual no olvidemos

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Alternate Delegate

Greetings Area 46,

I hope this report finds you all well and in good spirits, especially in these trying times we are all living in. As I write this report I have been in a few meetings with the Southwest Region alternate delegates and the Area 66 Northwest Texas SWRAASA Committee. It has been to discuss the upcoming SWRAASA in Amarillo this October 9-11. We were scheduled to meet again on July 19 and I asked Kerri K., Area Webchair, to install a survey on who is planning to attend SWRAASA to help me make

a good report when I meet with the Alternate Delegates and SWRAASA committee again. It has to do with COVID in Texas we don't know how it is going to be in October and they might decide to make it virtual. Of course all of this will be worked out and I will report more on it in the coming months. Also we have started meeting for the Area 46 2021 Service Forum. The meetings are being held on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 3:30 p.m. You can contact Kerri K., Area Webchair, or me for more information and if you would

like to serve on the committee. I went to the District 17 monthly meeting and invited them to join us. They are excited to be part of the forum. I am looking forward on working with the District 3, District 17 and the Forum committee in putting this event on. Well that is all from me at this time until next time stay safe.

Gratefully,

Eloy M.

Alternate Delegate Panel 70

Chair

Greetings Area 46,

I hope everyone is well. It sure seems like this social distancing and staying at home is here for some time yet. I know it is tough to do but I believe that our Higher Power will keep us safe and protected.

Recently we held an area committee meeting after being informed District 16 would not be holding the September Assembly because of

the virus that is still very much going around. It was decided that we would hold a virtual assembly that same weekend, September 12-13. At this time, we are looking for individuals that are tech savvy that would like to help us put this assembly on. If you are interested in being of service, you can contact me.

The area planning meeting for the September Assembly is still sched-

uled for August 1. At this time, we do not know if it will be a virtual meeting or if it will be in person. More will be revealed in the future.

Stay safe, stay healthy. Hope to see you all soon.

Yours in service,

Kurt K.

Area 46 Chairperson

Delegado

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que nuestro Propósito Primordial es llevar el Mensaje de Alcohólicos Anónimos al alcohólico que aún sufre. Saludo a todos los Grupos que han hecho un trabajo tan maravilloso de hacer que nuestro mensaje esté disponible a través de reuniones virtuales. Además, animo a todos nuestros Comités de Área a explorar vías virtuales para comunicar y conducir negocios de Área. El Área tiene disponibilidad de Zoom, y la Llamada de Conferencia Gratuita sigue estando disponible para todos, tanto en formato de conferencia de voz como virtualmente con video. Hay mu-

chas maneras de poner en marcha su Comité y llevar nuestro mensaje.

A medida que nuestros Grupos navegan por cómo llevar a cabo colecciones de la Séptima Tradición, considere hacer contribuciones adicionales a la OSG. La crisis de salud ha tenido un impacto importante en nuestra Oficina de Servicios Generales, y pueden utilizar nuestro apoyo. Individualmente, hay un plan de Cumpleaños donde podemos expre-

sar nuestra Gratitud por nuestra sobriedad con una Contribución Directa a la OSG. Puedes buscar detalles en AA.org. A lo largo de los años, se han hecho invitaciones para contribuir con una cantidad nominal, generalmente alrededor de la cantidad igual a los gastos de la OSG por persona. En años recientes, esto ha sido aproximadamente \$8.00 más o menos.

En el Amor y El Servicio

Bill L., Delegado del Área 46

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Treasurer

It's been a fairly quiet month financially speaking. I haven't had to do much but continue to check the P.O. box and record your generous contributions. One interesting transaction in this month's report is the return of the seed money from District 14 for the March Assembly that was canceled. District 14 had one expense for about \$18 and returned a check for \$1,182. Because the assembly seed

money is not expected to be returned it is considered a budgeted expense for Area 46. Therefore receiving the money back cannot be considered as income. Instead it is recorded as a negative expense and is subtracted from the total we will spend in 2020 on assembly seed money. I scratched my head over that one too, but it seems to make sense.

This month I have also renewed

our liability insurance policy. Typically when we renew the provider asks for a schedule of our events to be insured, including dates and locations. Considering the current pandemic situation, I had to list "To Be Determined" for most of our upcoming events.

Be safe and pray for serenity.

Christoph, A46 Treasurer

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Ad Hoc Committee About the Books

Greetings folks who are following our progress at the Ad Hoc Committee About the Books. We had three gatherings since I last wrote....a special subcommittee engaging our Spanish speaking members in District 17 and beyond, a subcommittee meeting looking at "Option Three: Distribute the Books Equally among the Districts," and a full committee meeting.

I am so happy to report that our Spanish speaking members are in full participation with this committee. This is so important as there are about 2,600 Spanish language books

in the inventory. I am grateful to Alejandro V., DCM for District 17, who corrected my mistake about the Second Edition Spanish books' printing....they are actually from 1990, not the same as the English version which was from 1955 and therefore more current and useful than if they were from 65 years ago.

In our full committee meeting we received an excellent report on Option 3. This looks like the least workable option as there is such a difference in our districts' sizes, equal distribution would overload the small districts and be very insuf-

ficient to the large ones. Though it's the easiest option to implement, we don't usually do things the easy way in AA!

I hope you are all enjoying your new world sobriety and the benefits and challenges it gives us. Our literature is still the basic way we share our language of the heart, and rest assured we will find the very best recommendation to share with you when our work is done.

Be well and more next month!

Kristina F.

THANK YOU!

...to these groups for their recent contributions to *El Farolito*

Rcvd. Group	Amount
June Dawn Patrol (Albuquerque)	22.58
June Central Office (Santa Fe)	6.92
July Hobbs Original Group	65.59
July Hill Top Group (Gallup)	50.00
July Singleness of Purpose (Carlsbad)	25.00
July Isleta Group	20.64
July Circle of Love (Albuquerque)	155.00
July Live and Let Live (Questa)	20.00
July There Is A Solution (Taos)	35.74
July BYOL (Los Alamos)	60.00
July Early Birds (Roswell)	20.00
July Foothills Group (Albuquerque)	31.00

SPECIAL THANKS....

The **How It Works Group in Taos** contributed \$994.87 to *El Farolito* in July. New Mexico AA members thank you! No matter how large or small, every contribution is appreciated.

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REOPENING MEETING SPACES IN NM: GROUP CONSIDERATIONS & CONCERNS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 1-3 PM



ZOOM MEETING ID: 908 941 9752

The purpose of this workshop is neither to encourage groups to nor discourage them from holding in-person meetings at this time. We respect that each A.A. group is autonomous. We are simply offering information & resources so that each group might make *informed decisions* about reopening their meeting space in light of COVID-19.

CO-HOSTED BY DISTRICTS 12 & 13

Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC)

Greetings from Taos!

Recently an issue came up regarding court mandated individuals attending online Zoom meetings. I was notified that individuals are taking screen shots of the meetings to provide verification to their probation and parole officers for their attendance. The pictures include faces of others who are in attendance, thus violating the anonymity of other attendees in the meetings. After our Area 46 CPC meeting and reaching out to GSO, the below is some valuable information:

Professionals — A CPC and/or Corrections Committee can reach out to local and state probation offices and see if you all can do an online presentation about AA and focus on anonymity, and how attendance is being handled at AA groups who choose to verify attendance.

At the AA Group — For the AA meeting itself, your group conscience can come up with a statement about anonymity, and announce up front who the “attendance slip signer” is. Your group can decide on what works best. “Anonymity is important to us. Since we are not affiliated with any court or DUI programs, we don’t keep attendance/case histories of AA members, or provide photographs or screen shots of AA members’ faces or names. However, we do

try to cooperate. Please see X for verifying attendance...” For that group, I believe they turn off the chat during the meeting, but open it up half way during the secretary announcements and the 7th Tradition.

Some groups/meetings have also used text to provide verification after the meeting or at the break (if they have one). Here is an example, <https://www.onlinegroupaa.org/attendance-proof/>. To avoid using a personal phone number, some groups decide to use a Google Voice number, as a way to provide professionals with a consistent contact number. It might be useful if a group decides to use text for verifying attendance. Following rotation, easy to forward number. Calls/text are mostly free in the U.S. and Canada with some exceptions. Texts sent using voice will use Wi-Fi or your mobile data.

Here are some other groups who have been online for years:

Step Chat Group: <http://stepchat.com/aa.htm> <<click O, A, CH >> Step Chat O=Open, anyone may attend, A=Regular, CH Chat (text) Meeting. For your protection, our chat rooms require registration and a password, but you can use an alias to register. <http://stepchat.com/confirm.htm> <<click for information for confirmation of attendance.

NoNameYet Group: <https://nonameyet.org>

To receive confirmation from NoNameYet, follow the instructions via this link: <https://nonameyet.org/our-online-meetings/nonameyet-guest-chat>

OnlinegroupAA: www.onlinegroupaa.org/. Please register with the group, then follow their direction Note: Please check with the person requesting verification to make sure that online meetings can be used to meet your ‘specific’ requirements. Some jurisdictions/organizations do recognize online meetings, but others do not.

Zoom meeting best practices and sharing: To look at best practices for online meetings in general, some intergroups have put together some neat resources. Here are a few examples: <https://lacoaa.org/zoom-meeting-best-practices/> and <https://www.nyintergroup.org/>. I also saw a couple of videos on the AAGV YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/c/aagrapevine>.

For more information on CPC, I welcome you to join the Area 46 monthly CPC Committee via Zoom on August 3 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. If you are interested in attending, please contact me at cpc@nm-aa.org.

In the Spirit of Service,

Lawrence M.

**Tradition
of the
Month**

EIGHT

“Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers.”

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Grapevine/La Viña

Greetings!

I am grateful to have had the opportunity to attend so many AA meetings and AA events and to be a part of Alcoholics Anonymous as we grow and change during the COVID-19 pandemic. Members of Alcoholics Anonymous go to any length to stay sober and pass it on.

On June 13-14, I attended the Virtual Akron Founders Day tour. I enjoyed the speakers and the information passed on to me. Then on Sunday, June 28, I was invited to a Zoom *Grapevine* writing workshop hosted by Area 58 (Oregon). This was extremely helpful to me and I really appreciated the invite. I encourage all AA members to write their story and submit it to the *Grapevine*. The *Grapevine* and *La Viña* are written by alcoholics FOR alcoholics. I also encourage all district and home group GV/LV reps to host writing workshops. Contact me and we can discuss working together on a writing workshop!

On Sunday July 19 I held a Zoom meeting for the Area 46 GV/LV Committee. *Grapevine/La Viña* is a wonderful way to give back to the program that has saved our lives and I am pleased to hold this vital position.

On July 25 District 3 was to have a virtual service workshop and I was invited to provide a presentation about the GV/LV Committee. I was looking forward to participating at this event.

Remember, if you need a great

gift for an AA member, a newcomer, a sponsee or want to purchase a subscription for a corrections facility or treatment facility, *Grapevine* is a fine idea! You may purchase a subscription online at www.AAGrapevine.org. *Grapevine* is an awesome way to keep plugged in with AA while we are staying home during the COVID-19 virus. There are so many uses for the *Grapevine* and *La Viña* and I am learning more and more about the value and purpose of our meeting in print. I thought after having a subscription for many years that I might know something about it! There is always so much more to learn. ALWAYS!

If you are a District or Home Group GVR/LVR, please register as one at www.aagrapevine.org. That way *Grapevine* has your information and can send you newsletters and any other information pertinent to the *Grapevine*. Also, please let me know as I would like to include you in my emails.

If you have questions or are interested in being a member of this committee, please contact me or attend the GV/LV Committee meeting at the Assembly in September being held virtually on September 12 and 13th. The *Grapevine/La Viña* Committee breakout session will be Saturday morning.

In Love and Service,

Maddy L,

Area 46 *Grapevine/La Viña* Chair

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Public Information

Hello Everyone!

I hope all is well with each and everyone in the area! The needs and goals of the P.I. Committee are well known, it is the number of people we have available to get the job done that we are lacking here. Since the pandemic has been in the U.S., the effect has hindered our efforts to not only inform our fellowship in the

area, but also to communicate with the public and professional organizations alike. Therefore, I am appealing to the DCMs to see to it that we get the needed help of doing this most valuable Twelfth Step work within their districts. I will be available for any help or questions you may have to get started.

I have recently been participating

with the CPC Committee in their efforts as well, in meetings and at the group and district levels while performing other trusted servant duties in those areas. So please join us in our monthly committee meeting on the first Wednesday of the month (August 5th) via zoom.com.

Take care you all, and hope to see you all again soon IRL!

Web

You can find a list of online meetings in the red banner at the top of every page at nm-aa.org.

Need a meeting? Try one online. See meeting days and times.

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Hello Area 46!

September Virtual Area Assembly – September 12-13, 2020

We have a virtual assembly coming up in September. This will be a full assembly. You will need to register just as we did for the first virtual assembly.

Assembly Registration link: <https://tinyurl.com/A46Sep2020>

Dial-In by Phone (Registration):

If you do not have access to the Internet or an Internet-enabled device, you can call in to the assembly by phone. Please contact Jim H. at 575-706-2950 to register before the event and obtain the dial-in number.

Area Committee Meetings will be held during their regular time at the virtual assembly. To help this process run smoothly we are asking everyone to select which committee meet-

ings they wish to attend. There will be the opportunity to make changes the day of the assembly, but it will help greatly if most of this is decided before the event.

Virtual committee meetings are a great way to participate in a committee that matters to you. For a list of Area 46 Committees visit <https://nm-aa.org/committee-list/>.

Planning for Virtual AA Events

As stay-at-home orders and reopening plans continue to be in flux, it can make planning AA events challenging. We all must ask ourselves questions like should we cancel our event, or hold it virtually? If we plan it in person how many people will come? Happily, many have chosen to move forward with annual events in an online format. These time-honored events mean so much to so many of us.

If you are planning a virtual event but do not know where to start, reach out to the Website committee. We have a team of people who can walk you through the technical aspects of hosting a virtual event on Zoom.

If you have questions, need tech help or need to update your group's meeting listing contact me at webchair@nm-aa.org.

In Gratitude and Service,

Kerri K.

Area 46 Webchair



DISTRICT REPORTS

District 3 – SW ALBUQUERQUE, BELEN, LOS LUNAS, SOCORRO ...

District 3 wishes everyone Peace and comfort during this pandemic. District 3 still has plenty of service positions and committee chairs available.

Open- 1.- CPC- 2.- Accessibilities- 3.- Grapevine- 4.- Treatment - see Area 46 webpage for more information at <https://nm-aa.org/>

Service work is a great part of Recovery!

District 3 Service Workshop

The workshop was scheduled to be held on July 25th through Zoom and was about giving members the opportunity to learn about the committee positions in District 3. Information avail-

able on the Area 46 website at <https://nm-aa.org/events/district-3-service-workshop-2020/>

Will be having our next 2021 Forum planning meeting on August 8 at 3:15 p.m.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/665864074>

Dial in By Phone: +1 253 215 8782

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June 2020, Birthdays

Isleta Club

Henry P., 32 years

Daniel G., 19 years, June 10

Joe Q. Sr., 35 years

Justin Truck Driver, 10 years, June 13

Mary Jane, 1 Year, June 21

Please come join us at our next District meeting on Saturday, August 15 hosted (online) by the Cosmopolitan Group 600 Coors Blvd NW, Albuquerque. Meeting starts at 2:00 p.m. Please come join us.

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

Meeting ID: 871 5994 0428

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

– Francine. M

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

Greetings from Northern New Mexico. We have come together as a rural district to make sure we are supporting each other during the COVID-19 pandemic. Our district conducted our last meeting on July 4 at 2:00 p.m. via Zoom. Tom C., our district treasurer, is asking groups to please send donations to P.O. Box 38 Las Vegas, NM. 87701.

Our Early Birds group is holding a Zoom meeting beginning at 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. every Saturday and Sunday. If you are interested in joining this virtual meeting please send Rick B. an email so he can invite you to the meeting at padres74@gmail.com.

Highlands Happy Hour has a daily Zoom meeting Monday through Fri-

day at noon. We have started a women's meeting every Wednesday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.: ID# 589 887 038; password 006367.

Zoom is a free virtual meeting site and it's a user-friendly application. You must be able to download the Zoom app onto your iPhone, Android, or desktop computer. Please email Kathleenvassalli@yahoo.com or call 505-429-2213 for questions regarding Zoom meetings. Our meetings can be found on the Area 46 Website, nm-aa.org.

Highland's Happy Hour has started in-house meetings on Monday at noon and 5:00 p.m., Wednesday at noon and 7:30 p.m., and Friday at noon.

On Saturday July 11, Land of Enchantment hosted our summer Round Robin in Raton. Bill L., our Area 46 Delegate, was the speaker. Thank you, Bill L., for the great presentation and LOE for hosting this event.

We are pleased to announce a new group in Cimarron. They are having meetings every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

District #6 meetings are every FIRST Saturday of the month at 2:00 p.m. via Zoom. Our next meeting will be Saturday August 1. We encourage all District 6 groups and GSRs to join our meeting.

In Grateful and Loving Service,

Kathleen V.

District 8 – FARMINGTON, AZTEC, BLOOMFIELD, SHIPROCK, KIRTLAND ...

Greetings from Four Corners' District Eight!

Unfortunately, many meetings on the Navajo Nation have been canceled due to COVID-19 restrictions and curfews. Most meetings in San Juan County are now back to live, in-person gatherings, but some Zoom meetings remain available.

We're happy to announce that

Charlie C. from Fourth Dimension group is expected to make a full recovery after an unfortunate accident.

Donnie C. was celebrating 12 years of sobriety in July. Additionally, Cassie S. was celebrating one year of sobriety in July. Congratulations!

Many of us were looking forward to traveling to Cortez, Colorado for a special speaker – Craig C. from Las Ve-

gas, Nevada – on Saturday, July 25.

The area delegate is scheduled to meet with District Eight in early August, via Zoom.

Wishing everyone the best, and hoping to be able to gather together soon –

District Eight

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

Greetings ya'll from District 9

Java Group, No Half Stepping, Babysteps, & WOTS are still meeting online. Physical meetings are put on hold until further notice.

Laguna Group still meets physically but only to the members of the Pueblo due to the pandemic. Social distancing is practiced faithfully.

We also have a new AA LGBT group that started up recently. More details in our next meet up at District 9's Meeting of the Minds via Zoom

style. We hold our business meetings the 2nd Sunday of the month so stay tuned.

We had a very special guest join us at our online District Meeting on July 12. Thank you to our delegate Bill L. for your excellent service and presentation. Very informative information.

Our district is working on our 7th Annual Gallup Gathering, which is held the first weekend of October, and right now we're leaning to a virtual event, due to restrictions of COVID, so

be on the lookout for more info on the District 9 webpage. You're gonna love our new look for the t-shirts.

Stay Safe.

In love and Service Gallantry K,

El Farolito rep.

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

Hello NM recovery friends,

Some of our Taos AA meetings recently started trying to open back up slowly, limiting the number of people and requiring masks/social distancing. The in-person meetings seem better able to attract newcomers. But it is obviously a time of great flux and uncertainty and we are trying to navigate these strange times as responsibly as possible. Fortunately many meetings are still on Zoom and are well-established. We enjoy seeing old friends who have moved all over the country, and meeting new friends in recovery. Consider joining us here in Taos virtually at one of our meetings.

The Taos Mountain Fiesta is the annual convention held in Taos. This year's circumstances are unprecedented so the 2020 Fiesta will be held virtually (on Zoom) from Saturday, September 26 through Sunday, September 27. Registration is only \$1 and is open now. Check out the new and improved website and sign up now at www.taosmountainfiesta.org.

Our District 14 meetings are held once a month on the third Saturday and are currently held via Zoom. For more information, email District14@nm-aa.org.

Keep on trudging the road of happy destiny,

Kelly O.,

District 14

El Farolito Rep.

**2020 New Mexico Virtual
A.A. Women's Sobriety Fest**
with Al-Anon participation, ASL interpretation, and
real-time Spanish translation



Saturday, September 26, 2020

Registration (no cost) SOON via
WWW.NMAAWSF.COM

- Conference begins at 9 and ends around 4.
- We will offer a short guided meditation at the end of the conference.
- Merchandise will be available for purchase from the website.
- There will be a virtual basket to honor the 7th Tradition.
- All other information (Program & Speakers, Zoom code, password, etc.) may be obtained at our website soon.

District 10 – CARLSBAD, HOBBS, LOVINGTON...

Howdy from District 10!

We hope everyone is enjoying the summer and you are following safe distancing guidelines and wearing masks when you need to.

Our June District 10 business meeting went very well. We are still using Zoom to communicate with one another but at this time it is the safest means to keep our interactions safe. There was some discussion about the December Area Assembly and more details will be coming out soon.

Some, but not all, of our district groups have opened their doors for face-to-face meetings and we will continue to adhere to recommendations for social distancing and/or facial coverings.

Singleness of Purpose Group in Carlsbad has returned to meetings as usual Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday @ 7:00 p.m. The birthday night celebration was a huge success with a lot of friendly and happy folks in attendance. One of our beloved members celebrated 35 years of serenity and sobriety!

The Summer Sunday Picnic Series will be held Sunday, August 16 starting at 3:00 p.m. at Carlsbad Park on the corner of Blodgett & Riverside Dr. Hamburgers and hot dogs are provided, please bring food to share and a smile!

The ALANO Club also continues to hold meetings at 12 noon Monday through Saturday and Sunday morning at 10:30 as well as evening meetings most nights at 7:00 p.m.

The Twelve Squared Group has not yet resumed any meetings at this time. Up in Hobbs, the New Life Group and the Hobbs Original Group are slowly returning to a normal meeting schedule with meetings most nights at 7:00 p.m.

Gratefully yours in service,
Jimmy F.

District 13 – SE ABQ, MORIARTY, TIJERAS ...

Greetings from District 13! We meet on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. 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, August 8. 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.

At our July meeting, we voted to co-host a virtual workshop with District 12 about reopening meetings safely during COVID-19 to be held Sunday, August 2. Please keep an eye on our District 13 webpage for updated information and flyer as we anticipate this event coming together quickly (*also see page 5*).

Districts 12 & 13 co-hosted a virtual delegate's report from the 70th General Service Conference on July 25 via Zoom. Thank you to Bill, our delegate, for taking the time to present this information to us, and to everyone who attended and supported this event!

District 13 continued to discuss the need for more of a public information presence during the COVID-19 crisis. Our District 13 Public Information chair has been hard at work communicating with local radio and newspaper outlets that Alcoholics Anonymous is here, both online and in person, if they, or someone they know needs help with a drinking problem.

Our district presented a motion regarding substantial unanimity at the Area 46 Assembly in May. We look forward to hearing the group conscience on this matter at the next assembly in September. Please visit <https://nm-aa.org/districts/district-13/>

for links to the written motion and background information, pages from the General Service Conference communications kit: How the conference operates, area comparison sheet, and definitions of policy vs. procedure. Feel free to distribute the information found in the links to GSRs and your groups. If you have any questions, please email us at district13@nm-aa.org.

District 13 intends to put together a bid to host a 2021 or 2022 Area 46 Assembly, however we have tabled discussion until venues are open to communicating about booking space for large gatherings. In the interim, if you have any suggestions for a hosting venue in Albuquerque (S. of I-40 & E. of I-25), Tijeras, Moriarty, McIntosh, Willard, Mountainair, or Corona, please email district13@nm-aa.org.

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 AA community. Checks can be made to District 13, and mailed to P.O. Box 11134, Albuquerque, NM 87112. We are also now able to receive digital contributions via a smartphone app-based payment platform. 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 August. Please attend and see what we do! This is your district. Your participation and your vote are very important.

In love & service,

Laura S.

DCM, District 13

THE 37TH ANNUAL TAOS MOUNTAIN FIESTA WILL BE HELD SEPTEMBER 26-27.

The 2020 Fiesta will be held virtually (on Zoom) from 9:00 a.m. Saturday, September 26th through 1:00 p.m. Sunday, September 27th.

Taos Mountain Fiesta's primary purpose of joining in fellowship is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

For more information and to register, visit taosmountainfiesta.org