



EL FAROLITO

Official Newsletter of New Mexico Area 46 Assembly of Alcoholics Anonymous

AREA 46 ASSEMBLY AGENDA

December 5 & 6, 2020 • District 10 – (Host)

Virtual Assembly

FRIDAY

7:00 pm Speaker meeting (Sue M. Lake Johnson, Tx).

(No business will be done on Friday)

SATURDAY

7:15 am **Registration Open** – Please gather in main meeting room by 8:15 am so that the Assembly can begin on schedule.

8:30 am CALL TO ORDER

8:45 am Move to Breakout Room (please be patient)

8:55 am **COMMITTEE MEETINGS:** GSR Orientation, Bilingual, Corrections, Finance, Grapevine, Website

9:45 am Move to Breakout Room (please be patient)

9:55 am **COMMITTEE MEETINGS:** Cooperation w/ Professional Community (CPC), *El Farolito*, Finance, Treatment, Literature, AA Service Forum

10:45 am Move to Breakout Room (please be patient)

10:55 am **COMMITTEE MEETINGS:** Archives, Bridge the Gap (BTG), Public Information (PI), Accessibilities & Remote Communities (ARC), Young People, Ad Hoc Committee about the Books

11:45 am Move to Breakout Room (please be patient)

11:55 am **MEETINGS:** GSRs, District Committee Members (DCMs), Area Trusted servants, Past Delegates

12:45 pm **Lunch Break** — on your own — *(please stay logged in)*

1:45 pm **CALL TO ORDER** – Business Meeting

2:00 pm INTRODUCTIONS

2:10 pm SECRETARY'S REPORT: Summary of Minutes – September 13, 2020 Assembly - Virtual

2:15 pm TREASURER'S REPORT

2:30 pm REGISTRAR'S REPORT

2:35 pm DELEGATE'S REPORT

2:45 pm ALTERNATE DELEGATE'S REPORT

2:55 pm *10-minute break (please stay logged in)*

3:05 pm ANNOUNCEMENTS

3:20 pm OLD BUSINESS

1) Assembly Report: March 27 & 28, 2021 – District 9, Gallup

2) NMAASF Report: July 2021

3) Ad Hoc Committee About the Books Report

3:45 pm NEW BUSINESS*

1) Present YPAA Chair and El Farolito Chair for disapproval

2) Bids for Area State Convention June 4, 5, & 6 2021

3) Bids for December Assembly December 4 & 5, 2021

4) Presentation of 2021 proposed budget Julio R., Finance Chair

5) Two motions to be presented by Web Chair (Kerri)

6) Other New Business

5:00 pm *Dinner Break (please stay logged in)*

6:00 pm **SHARING SESSION** – Bill L., Area 46 Delegate, "A Taste of SWRAASA"

SUNDAY

7:30 am **Registration Opens**

8:00 am CALL TO ORDER

8:10 am **VOTE** on previous day's bids and motions

8:30 am **ASSEMBLY MEETING REPORTS**** Committees, GSR, DCM, Trusted Servants, and Past Delegates

10:00 am Ask It Basket and Sobriety Countdown

10:30 am **THIRD LEGACY ELECTION (South West Region Trustee At large Nominee)**

11:00 am **Adjourned until March 27, 2021 – District 9, Gallup**

— The Planning Meeting for the next assembly will be held on February 20th, 2021

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1) Any voting member can make a motion. If you need assistance preparing a motion see any Area trusted servant, past Delegate, or DCM.

2) Motions should be emailed or texted to the Secretary when the motion is made, ideally before Assembly. (Include your name and voting position with the motion)

3) If your motion requires Area funding, include as part of the motion the costs and where the funding will come from (see Finance chair for help)

**** COMMITTEE AND TRUSTED SERVANTS' MEETING REPORTS WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF EL FAROLITO.**

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AGENDA DE LA ASAMBLEA PARA LA ZONA 46

5 y 6 de diciembre, 2020 • Distrito 10 – (Anfitrión)

Asamblea Virtual

Viernes

7:00 pm Reunión de Oradores (Sue M. Lake Johnson, Tx).

(Ningún negocio se hará el viernes))

Sábado

7:15 am **Se Abre el Registro** – Por Favor, reunase en la sala de reuniones principal a las 8:15 am para que la Asamblea pueda comenzar a tiempo.

8:30 am LLAMA PARA ORDENAR

8:45 am Muevete a la sala de descanso (tenga paciencia)

8:55 am REUNIONES DEL COMITE: Orientación GSR, Bilingue, Correcciones, Finanzas, Grapevine,, Sitio Web

9:45 am Muevete a la sala de descanso (tenga paciencia)

9:55 am REUNIONES DEL COMITE: Cooperación con Comunidad Profesional (CPC), El Farolito, Finanzas, Treatment/Tratamiento, Literatura, Foro de Servicios AA

10:45 am Muevete a la sala de descanso (tenga paciencia)

10:55 am REUNIONES DEL COMITE: Archivos, Cerrando la Distancia (BTG), Información Pública (PI), Accesibilidades y Comunidades Remotas (ARC), Gente Jóvenes, Comité Ad Hoc sobre los Libros

11:45 am Muevete a la sala de descanso (por favor sea paciente)

11:55 am REUNIONES DEL COMITE: GSRs, miembros del Comité Distrital (DCM), servidores del área de confianza, delegados anteriores

12:45 pm Almuerzo — *por su cuenta* — **(por favor, permanezca conectado)**

1:45 pm LLAMA PARA ORDENAR – Reunión de Negocios

2:00 pm INTRODUCCIONES

2:10 pm INFORME DEL SECRETARIO: Resumen del Acta – 13 de Septiembre de 2020 - Virtual

2:15 pm INFORME DEL TESORERO

2:30 pm Informe del REGISTRADOR

2:35 pm Informe del DELEGADO

2:45 pm Informe del Delegado

2:55 pm *10 minutos de descanso (por favor, quédese conectado)*

3:05 pm **ANUNCI**

3:20 pm NEGOCIO ANTIGUO

1) Informe de la Asamblea: 27 y 28 de marzo, 2021 – Distrito 9, Gallup

2) Informe de la NMAASF: Julio 2021

3) Comité Especial sobre el Informe sobre los Libros

3:45 pm NEGOCIO* Nuevo

1) Presentación Presidente de YPAA y Presidente de El Farolito para desapruebo

2) Ofertas para la Convención del Estado de Zona 4, 5 y 6 de junio de 2021

3) Ofertas para la Asamblea de Diciembre 4 y 5 de diciembre de 2021

4) Presentación de 2021 propuestas de presupuesto Julio R., Presidente de Finanzas

5) Dos mociones que presentará el Presidente de la Web (Kerri)

6) Otros nuevos negocios

5:00 pm *Cena (por favor, quédese conectado)*

6:00 pm SESIÓN DE USO COMPARTIDO – Bill L., Delegado de la zona 46, "Un sabor de SWRAASA"

Domingo

7:30 am **Se Abre el Registro**

8:00 am LLAMADA A LA ORDEN

8:10 am Votación de las ofertas y mociones del día anterior

8:30 am INFORMES DE REUNIONES DE LA ASAMBLEA** Comités, GSR, DCM, Servidores de Confianza y Delegados Anteriores

10:00 am Canasta de Preguntas y Cuenta regresiva de sobriedad

10:30 am ELECCION DEL TERCER LEGADO (Fiduciario de la Región Suroeste en gran candidato)

11:00 am **Aplazado hasta el de marzo, 2021 – Distrito 9, Gallup**

— La reunión de planificación para la próxima asamblea se celebrará el 20 de febrero de 2021



1) Cualquier miembro con derecho a voto puede hacer una moción. Si necesita ayuda para preparar una moción, consulte a cualquier servidor de confianza del área, al delegado o al DCM.

2) Las mociones deben enviarse por correo electrónico o vía mensaje de texto al Secretario cuando se haga la moción, idealmente antes de la Asamblea. (Incluya su nombre y posición de voto con la moción)

3) Si su moción requiere financiamiento del área, incluya como parte de la moción los costos y de dónde provendrá la financiación (consulte al presidente de Finanzas para obtener ayuda)

**** LOS INFORMES DEL COMITÉ Y DE LA REUNIÓN DE SERVIDORES DE CONFIANZA SE PUBLICARÁN EN EL PRÓXIMO NÚMERO DE EL FAROLITO..**

Delegate

As we approach the end of a difficult and challenging year, let us keep our focus on Gratitude, Love, and Service to others. The very core of what we do here in A.A. Love and Tolerance is our code and carrying the message is our primary purpose. Let us not be distracted from those exquisite pillars of value. Let us stay focused on how we can reach the newcomers in this new and different time of trying to carry the message under our current circumstances, restrictions, and conditions that are being driven by the Pandemic. While we must accept the things we cannot change, we are also encouraged to change the things we can. I think that to further develop our outreach to newcomers and those who cannot get out to meetings is of utmost importance. Let us do everything we can so that no suffering alcoholic is left behind.

On December 19th there will be a Virtual Regional Forum for the Areas of Western US and Western Canada. The one-day event will feature participation from Pacific, Southwest, West Central, and Western Canada Regions. As with traditional Re-

gional Forums, the day will include workshops, presentations, Q&A's, General Sharing, and much, much more! Registration is open and can be accessed at www.aa.org.

Since SWRAASA 2020 was cancelled, I thought that it would be fun to bring "A Taste of SWRAASA" to Area 46. Typically, the Friday night presentation at SWRAASA is to have all of the Twelve Traditions presented. To bring a little of that to our Area, the Saturday Night Sharing Session will be 12 presenters from Area 46, each providing a short presentation on each of our Traditions. Please join us.

I attended the 71st General Service Conference Planning Meeting on 10/15. On November 2, the General Service Board has voted to hold the 71st General Service Conference on a Virtual Platform again. It will be held as originally scheduled April 18 – 25, 2021. Additionally, I serve as an officer of the SWRDA Committee. SWRDA 2021 will be held Virtually as well on March 12-14, 2021. As Chair of the Conference Committee on Treatment and Accessibilities, I

held our Treatment and Accessibilities Committee Meeting on 10/17. I also have meetings with the Class A, non-alcoholic Trustee on Treatment and CPC Peter Luongo before and after each Board Meeting. I was invited to share Experience, Strength, and Hope in a virtual meeting on 11/25. It is always a pleasure and honor to serve our Fellowship.

Trustee At Large –46 will hold our nominations at our December Assembly. If you would like to stand for Trustee at Large – US, please go to the Delegate's web page and download the fillable Resume Form. The form must be completed and returned to the Delegate – only the delegate can submit the resume to Trustees Nominating and the deadline for submission is January 1, 2021.

GSO continues to need our support as a result of the impact of Covid-19.

I look forward to seeing you all (virtually, of course) at our December Assembly in a few days.

In Love and Service,

Bill L., Area 46 Delegate

Delegado

A medida que nos acercamos al final de un año difícil y desafiante, mantengamos nuestro enfoque en la Gratitude, el Amor y el Servicio a los demás. El núcleo mismo de lo que hacemos aquí en A.A. Amor y Tolerancia es nuestro código y llevar el mensaje es nuestro propósito principal. No nos distraigamos de esos exquisitos pilares de valor. Concentrémonos en cómo podemos llegar a los recién llegados en este nuevo y diferente momento de tratar de llevar el mensaje en nuestras circunstancias actuales, restricciones y condiciones que están siendo impulsadas por la Pandemia. Si bien debemos aceptar las cosas que

no podemos cambiar, también se nos alienta a cambiar las cosas que podemos. Creo que para seguir desarrollando nuestro alcance a los recién llegados y a los que no pueden salir a las reuniones es de suma importancia. Hagamos todo lo posible para que no suframos el sufrimiento de la gesta alcohólica.

El 19 de diciembre habrá un Foro Regional Virtual para las Áreas del Oeste de Estados Unidos y el Oeste de Canadá. El evento de un día contará con la participación de las regiones del Pacífico, Suroeste, Centro Oeste y Canadá Occidental. ¡Al igual que con los Foros Regionales tradicionales, el

día incluirá talleres, presentaciones, preguntas y respuestas, compartir en general y mucho, mucho más! La inscripción está abierta y se puede acceder a la www.aa.org.

Desde que SWRAASA 2020 fue cancelado, pensé que sería divertido llevar "A Taste of SWRAASA" al Área 46. Típicamente, la presentación del viernes por la noche en SWRAASA es tener todas las Doce Tradiciones presentadas. Para llevar un poco de eso a nuestra Área, la Sesión de Compartimiento de la Noche del sábado será 12 presentadores del Área 46, cada uno de los que ofrece

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Alternate Delegate

Greetings Area 46,

I hope this report finds you well and in good health. Well the North America Alt. Delegate Committee is off and running. We usually start with an introduction of members who have not had the chance to introduce themselves or are joining for the first time. Then we go on to discuss matters that areas are dealing with. For instance one area in New York State asked if any Areas have had an Area Virtual Conven-

tion. And there were a lot of replies including mine, as I shared on our Area Convention. Another item that has really been a Hot Topic around North America AA is outside issues due to this past election. Remember our Preamble. I will share more about it on my Assembly report. In the Southwest Region we have an Alt. Delegate Meeting coming up on November 22. Again I will report more in my Assembly Report. Staying in the Southwest Region, all of

the Areas that have elections on odd years have had them virtually during their assemblies. I know some of my Alt. Delegates stood for Delegate and were blessed with being voted in as Delegate. My final item for the Southwest region is that SWRDA has been set to be Virtual this year but the hotel has been tentatively set up for 2022. That's it for now. See you at the December Assembly

Grateful in Service

Eloy M.

Chair

Hello Area 46,

I hope everyone is well. I sure do miss getting together with all of you.

I still do not have a District that is putting in a bid for the 2021 State Convention. At this point I believe that this virus will still be going because the vaccine still will not be available to many of us. It would be nice if I were wrong and we all could be getting back together. If I do not get a bid, then we may not have a convention this year. I will bring this up at the Area 46 Trusted Servants

meeting at the assembly and see if they would be looking at doing a virtual convention again and how we would go about doing that.

I have reached out to a few members to see if they would be interested in being the *El Farolito* chairperson/editor. It has been no from each of them. I should have reached out to all the group GSRs six months ago by email, but I did not. It got away from me. I am still reaching out for someone to step up to this position so that the newsletter will continue with regularity.

The December assembly will be a virtual assembly hosted by District 10. Information for registering is on the web site. Again, we are looking for everyone to preregister. It is a little different from the last assembly. Be sure to check it out.

I encourage all the groups to practice what the CDC and the governor's mandates are. Let us do this so that we stay protected and we also protect others.

Kurt K.

Area 46 Chairperson

**Tradition
of the
Month**

TWELVE

**"Anonymity is the spiritual
foundation of all our Traditions, ever
reminding us to place principles
above personalities."**

Did you know *El Farolito* is paid for almost entirely through Area 46 AA group contributions? Please consider contributing at your next group conscience.

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Delegado

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una breve presentación sobre cada una de nuestras Tradiciones. Por favor, únase a nosotros.

Asistí a la 71a Reunión de Planificación de la Conferencia de Servicios Generales el 10/15. El 2 de noviembre de 2020, la Junta de Servicios Generales ha votado a favor de celebrar de nuevo la 71a Conferencia de Servicios Generales sobre una Plataforma Virtual. Se llevará a cabo como se programó originalmente del 18 al 25 de abril de 2021. Además, sirvo como oficial del Comité SWRDA. SWRDA

2021 se llevará a cabo Virtualmente también el 12-14 de marzo de 2021. Como Coordinador de la Comisión de Tratamiento y Accesibilidad de la Conferencia, celebré nuestra reunión del Comité de Tratamiento y Accesibilidad el 10/17. También tengo reuniones con la Clase A, Custodios no alcohólico de Tratamiento y CCP Peter Luongo antes y después de cada Reunión de la Junta. Me invitaron a compartir Experiencia, Fortaleza y Esperanza en una reunión virtual el 11/25. Siempre es un placer y un honor servir a nuestra Comunidad.

Custodio General – 46 llevará nuestras nominaciones en nuestra Asamblea de Diciembre. Si desea

presentarse a Custodio General – US, vaya a la página web del Delegado y descargue la Forma del Curriculum vitae fillable. El formulario debe ser completado y devuelto al Delegado – sólo el Delegado puede enviar el CV a la Nominación de los Custodios y la fecha límite para la presentación es el 1 de enero de 2021.

OSG sigue necesitando nuestro apoyo como resultado del impacto de Covid-19.

Espero verlos a todos (virtualmente, por supuesto) en nuestra Asamblea de Diciembre en unos días.

En Amor y Servicio,

Bill L, Delegado de la Área 46

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Ad Hoc Committee About the Books

Well first let me invite you to come to our Assembly Committee meeting at 10:55 a.m. on Saturday, December 5. In that meeting we will be asking the districts to imagine how they might respond to what is a proportional distribution of the 6,000 pieces of literature we received in March 2019 from MDC. Proportional, meaning the larger your district, the more books you would receive. We will have the proposed numbers available and we really would like to have a sense of how you might be able to use those books to benefit alcoholics who are not yet in our fellowship.

One of the principles we have seen surface in our work as a committee is "These books came from the world and need to go back to the world. They are not just for our current membership: we didn't buy them – they

are something we can and must give away." This means we really would invite all our Area to imagine who might best use free literature: libraries, schools, police departments, jails, prisons, treatment centers, homeless shelters, hospitals, etc.

Our question this assembly is, "Would your district like to receive any or all the books which could come to you if the Area accepts a proportional distribution?" Followed by, "Can you help us think through how to distribute these books out to the world?"

We do not yet have a firm recommendation to offer the Area. Your conscience on these questions will help us so much as we continue our work.

In love and service, Kristina

Archives

The Archives committee has been meeting once a month for the past four months on Zoom. This past meeting was Friday, November 6. There were seven members representing six districts. Every district has some archives work going on. That's exciting to hear. Meeting once a month has kept us connected, accountable to, and grateful.

We are continuing to update our webpage. The "Live" Group History form is still coming soon.

An updated list of most recent Group histories is being emailed to

all DCMs along with a downloadable Group History form. The newest form includes some questions on how we are carrying our message during the Pandemic.

The next meeting will be December 5 at the Area Assembly on Zoom. We are looking for District Archives members. Please Join us in preserving our Area 46 AA history.

In love and gratitude,

Patience B.

Archives Committee chair

Cosmopolitan Group/Albuquerque 36th Anniversary

January 8, 2021
8pm MST
(on Zoom)
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Bilingual

Happy Holidays Area 46.

Things have gotten interesting for the Bilingual Committee since my last report. In the virtual Zoom world I'm moving right along learning but in-person meetings it looks like I was finally going to have the opportunity to visit groups and motivate members to join our committee, but as it looks restrictions are back and there goes the in-person meetings idea, good thing for Zoom meetings.

In the past month, I along with Stephen V. from Bridge the Gap Committee, visited Jovene's New Mexico A.A. recovery group/treatment home. The experience was better than expected, both times a newcomer was present, and the meetings were held in a bilingual way, meaning I and another member from that group translated for the speaker. On

October 31, the Bilingual Committee was present for the 30th Tradition's Convention hosted by District 11. I also got the honor to share on Tradition 10 at the last minute. I was part of a Subcommittee meeting of the Ad Hoc about the Books Committee to make a report to the full Committee of our findings, let me tell you what a learning experience. The Bilingual Committee continues to be part of the Service Forum 2021. The biggest step the Bilingual Committee took this past month was having its first Committee meeting via Zoom, which took and will continue to take place on the first Tuesday of the month. In our first meeting I was joined by Ray R. and Stephen V. from Bridge the Gap Committee and a lot of great ideas were shared and gave me literally, a lot of homework till our next Committee meeting, which will be at

our December Assembly.

I plan to use this next few weeks to get in touch with as many DCMs as I can, to see if they know of anyone in their Districts who would have the smallest Idea of joining the Bilingual Committee to reach out to me or join our Committee meeting at the Assembly this coming month.

To anyone reading this article I ask if you know of anyone or if you would like to join come join us in December or just call or text I will be waiting.

Al G.

Bilingual Committee Chair

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In Love and Service.

CPC

Greetings from Taos! Wishing all AA Members Safety and Health during these challenging times. I thank my Higher Power for the AA Program to help us walk through this global pandemic crisis, One Day At A Time.

I would like to encourage CPC Committee members to provide presentations to professionals during the coronavirus pandemic. CPC Committee Members can be available to speak via Zoom, Google Meet, and

other online platforms at schools, local businesses, parole/probation offices, DUI classes, health fairs, art festivals, churches, civic groups, community centers, medical centers, treatments facilities and anywhere the AA message can be useful. We also distribute AA literature, point to our free Meeting Guide app and to the AA main website, as well as the local AA website. For more information, please contact me.

Looking forward to the Virtual Area 46 Assembly, scheduled for

December 5-6. I would like to invite you to participate in the CPC Committee meeting at 9:55 a.m. Please go to the Area 46 Website (*www.nm-aa.org*) to register. For more information on CPC, I welcome you to join the Area 46 monthly CPC Committee via Zoom on the first Monday 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.

Corrections

Hello Area 46,

I hope everyone is in good health and you are enjoying our cooler weather. After discussing the frustrations we've been experiencing in establishing contact with our incarcerated brothers and sisters prior to

release, I have created an AA Meeting Card (AAMC). A draft of the AAMC cards was sent in an email to all Area DCMs in mid-November, please check your DCM email account. I would like your feedback and any suggestions on the idea.

Wishing all of you a very blessed and happy Holiday Season!

Gratefully yours in service,

Jimmy F.

Area Corrections Chair

Assembly Quick Reference Guide



HOST

If you cannot get your question answered by anyone else, the HOST is your “go-to” person.

HOST will move some into **breakout rooms for committee meetings**. You can move yourself if you update Zoom on your computer.

Spanish Translation

Spanish translation available through a free conference call.

Call (425) 436-6326
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Llame al (425) 436-6326
Código de acceso: 696294

Registration Room Co-Host

Every attendee **must** visit the registration room to check-in for the assembly.

The registration room co-host is available to assist with registration.

If you cannot move your self to the room, contact the HOST via chat for help.

Room open:
Sat 7:15AM-5PM
Sun 7:30AM-9AM

Tech Admin

This person is responsible for **admitting people from the waiting room**.

Contact **Tech Admin** via chat for assistance.

Tech Support

This is your best friend when you **need tech help**. For example: if you can't get your sound or video to work, they can help you.

Contact **Tech Support** via chat for assistance.


Breakout Room Co-Host

Each committee breakout room will have a Zoom co-host to assist the committee chair as needed.

Contact the **Breakout Room Co-Host** via chat for assistance during the committee meeting.

Moderator Host

This person will share slides for the chair or alternate chair and **mute/unmute participants** when appropriate.

 Raise your **virtual blue hand** to get in line to make a comment (during appropriate times only).

The **Moderator Host** will unmute you when it is your turn.

Point Zoom Opp

During the assembly to make a:
point of order
point of clarification
point of information

Send your point IN **CHAT** to the **Point Zoom Opp** (Operator).

The Point Zoom Opp will inform the session chair (by voice) regarding the point to be made.

You will be unmuted when recognized by the chair.

Ask It Basket

If you have a question you would like answered during the assembly **send the question in CHAT to “Ask it Basket”**. The area chair and co-chair will do their best to answer your questions on Sunday morning.

Call-In Participants

*6 unmute
*9 raise hand
*9 to vote YES

Move Yourself In and Out of Breakout Rooms

Great news! You will be able to move yourself in and out of breakout rooms. You MUST update to the latest version of Zoom in order to move yourself. If have not updated your Zoom client, then the host must manually move you like at the September assembly.

Information on how to update your Zoom client can be found on zoom.us or click [here](#).



Raise Hand

Click on Participants > Click on Raise Hand (located under names)

El Farolito

THANK YOU!

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

<i>Rcvd. Group</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Oct. Dawn Patrol (Albuquerque)	\$ 7.64
Oct. Boozers in Bathrobes (Santa Fe)	27.30
Oct. Serendipity (District 11)	8.75
Oct. Foothills Group (Albuquerque)	87.20
Nov. Singleness of Purpose (Carlsbad)	25.00
Nov. Hobbs Original	132.69
Nov. Sunrise Catchers (Albuquerque)	40.00
Nov. Upon Awakening (Tijeras)	75.00
Nov. Boozers in Bathrobes (Santa Fe)	33.90

In November, *El Farolito* received a generous contribution from the **How It Works Group in Taos of \$1,007.77.** Thank you for your generous contribution to your Area 46 newsletter. Every contribution is welcomed and very much appreciated!

<i>Rcvd. Group</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Nov. Ruidoso Arid Group	\$ 10.00
Nov. Early Birds (Roswell)	20.00
Nov. District 11	145.44

Did your group make a contribution that has not been acknowledged? Did you send a check that hasn't cleared? Please let me know by e-mailing elfarolito@nm-aa.org. Thanks!

Please send contributions to:

El Farolito
P.O. Box 1242
Taos, NM 87571

Hello New Mexico!

It's been quite a couple of years in Area 46, now hasn't it?

It's been my honor to serve as your *El Farolito* chair for the 2019-2020 rotation. This is my last official issue as chair, and I want to say "thank you."

I want to thank all the *El Farolito* committee members who have attended assemblies – in person and virtually – including those planning on being at the December Assembly ELF meeting on Saturday, December 5 at 9:55 a.m. Please attend! All December Virtual Assembly attendees are welcome.

Thanks to DCMs, District *El Farolito* Reps, Committee Chairs, Officers and others who submitted articles and updates each month. It's your content that makes this newsletter so valuable and popular.

Thanks also to the various groups and districts that have supported ELF financially through your contributions, and who held mailing parties to help get the *El Farolito* ready to mail each month. In particular, I want to thank the Taos area AA community of District 14. The How It Works Group in Taos supported many mailing parties before the pandemic and has been a leading

financial contributor to *El Farolito* as well. I also want to give a shout out to two of the most giving people I've ever met. Thank you, Ellen and Bob R., for your help in preparing nearly every issue I worked on. You are a shining example of what "Service in AA" means.

Challenges remain as we look to 2021, of course. We all may not agree on how we cope during these difficult days, but we can agree that we know what the solution is and continues to be for us every day in this program.

As of this writing, we're still looking for a new editor to fill this important role in 2021-2022. Please reach out to Kurt K., Area 46 Chair, at chair@nm-aa.org, if you're interested in serving as editor/committee chair, or as mailing/business office coordinator. This can be one position, or service can be provided by two people. I will do everything I can to help make the transition an easy one.

Again, thank you for letting me be of service. Happy Holidays! And, please, be safe. The mask you wear today can keep you and those around you healthy and virus-free tomorrow.

See you at the Assembly!

Tim M.

Area 46 Assembly (Online) Area 46 Assembly (en línea)

December 5-6, 2020
5-6 de Diciembre de 2020



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<https://tinyurl.com/A46Dec2020-3>

Grapevine/La Viña

Greetings!

I look forward to seeing everyone in a few days at the December Assembly. The *Grapevine/La Viña* Committee meeting is during the first session on Saturday December 5, starting at 8:55 AM. Please stop in if you are interested.

I have not been as busy this past month as I have been in the past few months. I did attend the Assembly Planning Meeting on October 24. It is always rewarding to attend the Area 46 Planning Meeting and the Assemblies.

I also attended the District 11 Traditions Workshop on October

31, and as always it was informative. Good job, D-11! I have been invited to three virtual *Grapevine/La Vina* workshops during November and December. *Grapevine/La Viña* is a busy committee throughout the country. It is great that we can attend virtual workshops in other areas. If you are interested in the workshops, either contact me or look at the Area 46 website (www.nm-aa.org) on the *Grapevine/La Viña* page and I will have them posted there. My contact information is on the inside front page of the *El Farolito*.

I encourage everyone to write and submit their stories, cartoons or photographs to *Grapevine* and *La*

Viña. Information about the guidelines in submitting those to the *Grapevine* is on the website. www.AAGrapevine.org.

Grapevine has a promotion for 2020 about Carrying the Message. Please consider giving *Grapevine* or *La Viña* subscriptions as gifts. It could be a paper copy subscription or an online subscription.

Thank you for allowing me to serve in this vital service position!

In Love and Service,

Maddy L., Area 46

Grapevine/La Viña Chair

Public Information

Greetings Everyone!

I'm hoping and praying that everyone is well. After all, these past weeks have spiked in COVID-19 cases, and causes me concern for y'all. I have also seen a rise in the alcohol-related mortality rate here on the Laguna Reservation and hope that's not the case in your neck of the state. This makes me question whether the Health & Wellness Departments around the state are seeing any of their clients. So, I am asking for help in the area of working the 5th

Tradition and the Twelveth Step.

So far as making life easier in finding AA here in Area 46, Kerri K., and Teresa J. have been doing a bang up job with the Search Engine Optimization (SEO) and putting the links on the web for the meetings in the area and PSAs to be put on the area website as we did for the CABQ Employee's Virtual Health and Benefits Fair last October 30.

In a push for more information gathering and exposure online, I am

extending an invitation to all who are interested in doing P.I. service work and posting a link to a P.I. Workshop hosted by Area 11 on Saturday, December 12 at 8:00 a.m.(MDT).

Zoom meeting ID: 893 6573 3119; Passcode: 230395; Access by Phone: 929-205-6099. No registration needed. Simply Join Us!

Yours In Service,

Jerry F., Area P.I. Chair.

Treatment

Greetings.

Thank you to those District Treatment Representatives and DCMs who have kept me informed of their activities. There has been some success in establishing Zoom meetings in some facilities. Internet based meetings may be a way of allowing more members to become involved in service work – those who may not normally have

such opportunity. While we have often thought of those members who have physical or practical limitations to travel as a "need," they may very well be instead an "opportunity" for service volunteers. A person so situated may have the time and willingness to serve and just needs the opportunity. I am looking forward to the Assembly in December to discuss with participants what success they have

had in bringing in electronic meetings to treatment centers and hear what suggestions the committee may have moving forward. In other words, rather than try and wait out the virus and see if it is fact an opportunity that we can exploit. Hope you participate in the Assembly.

In Service

Jeff B.

Web

Meeting Editor

Our committee has a new meeting editor who is responsible for making meeting updates on the website. She is currently adding district information to each meeting listing so that meetings can be searched by district as well as by city (region).

Website/Email Host Migration

In mid-October the Area 46 website and email accounts were migrated to a new hosting company. This change was made because our old host was not providing quality support. Their level of service has been declining for years. The migration process took over 40 hours to complete. However, the benefits have already far outweighed the resources used to make this change.

Immediate Benefits

Albuquerque and Santa Fe meeting feeds have been restored!

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Yahoo! and AOL emails addresses are now receiving emails from the Area 46 domain. This has been an ongoing issue for several years.

As with anything new, there will be new challenges that come up. If you have an Area 46 email address and are having any problems, please visit the online tutorial at <https://nm-aa.org/email-mgmt/> or contact the website committee at webchair@nm-aa.org.

Meeting Feeds Restored!

Meetings for districts in the Albuquerque area and for District 2 in Santa Fe are updated through the central office websites. The Area 46 website receives a feed from each central office website to populate the meeting lists for those districts. These feeds were broken for a period of time. Once we moved to a new webhost I was able to use available

tools to troubleshoot and find the problem.

Website Quality – project launched in Oct 2020

Zoom Tech – ongoing needs for assemblies and training others

Tech Tools – includes researching tech tools to help Area 46

Website Committee Meetings

The website committee meets at 7PM on the third Monday of each month (except for assembly months). Please join us on Zoom at <https://zoom.us/j/92963734742> | Meeting ID: 929 6373 4742.

Email Kerri at webchair@nm-aa.org or come to a monthly committee meeting to express your interest.

In Gratitude and Service,

Kerri K.

Area 46 Webchair

DISTRICT REPORTS

District 6

Greetings from Northern New Mexico. Our district conducted our last meeting on November 7, at 2 pm via Zoom.

Congratulations to Michael W. who is now our District #6 Alt DCM. Michael has been in the program a long time and brings a lot of experience to the position. Michael has a great team work ethic and will shine a bright light on our district. Thank you for your service.

Congratulations to Pedro O. who is our new Literature and Web Chair. We are excited as a district to have Pedro O. on board. His enthusiasm and outreach to other Alcoholics is unstoppable. Thank you for your service.

Cody M. from Land of Enchantment will be presenting our bid at the December Area Assembly on the 5th & 6th. We are excited as a district for this opportunity to possibly host an Area #46 Assembly and look forward to the challenge. Thank you, Cody for your service.

On Saturday November 14, at 6 pm.

Paul G. conducted a Sponsorship workshop. Thank you for the valuable information and your service. Thank you, Paul G. for your continued service and representation at the December Area Assembly.

Zooming Into Sobriety will host a virtual speaker/bday meeting the last Wednesday of each month. Please join our noon Zoom meeting. ID# 819 199 9486 Password # 335434. Our next Zoom birthday/speaker meeting will be Wednesday December 30 at noon. Our speaker will be Julian S. with 22 years of Sobriety. Our meetings are listed on the Area 46 website or enter through Zoom. Thank you, Michael W. for being our November speaker.

Our Early Birds group is holding a zoom meeting beginning at 9:00 am until 10:00 am 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.

Land of Enchantment will be changing their meeting time on Wednesday and Friday to 6 pm. Their Sunday meeting will remain at 6:00

pm starting December 1, 2020.

Las Vegas is also holding in person meetings at 310 Mills Ave. Masks are required and Highlands Happy Hour. These meetings are held Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at noon. A Monday evening at 5:00 pm and Friday at 7:30 pm. HHH meeting room will be changing to a new location. The site will be NMHU. We will announce more information soon.

Please send your 7th tradition donation to Tom C. our District #6 Treasurer. The funds collected support district events and committee cost. Please send donations to Tom C., P.O. Box 38, Las Vegas, NM. 87701.

District 6 meetings are every FIRST Saturday of the month at 2:00 pm via Zoom. Our next meeting will be Saturday December 5. We encourage all District 6 groups and GSRs to join our meeting. If you would like to receive an evite please email Rick B. or Kathleen V. at padres74@gmail.com or kathleenvassalli@yahoo.com.

In Grateful and Loving Service,

Kathleen V.

DISTRICT REPORTS

District 10

Howdy Area 46!

We hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving. Our virtual December Area Assembly hosted by District 10 is expected to be well attended by members from all over our great state. Good information will be gathered and further information will be forthcoming. Thank you to everyone who volunteered for the Assembly, especially to the Technical Support folks who make it all possible, your dedication and commitment to AA help everyone to be able to enjoy a great assembly business meeting.

District 10 upcoming December events: Hobbs Original Group: Speaker, potluck and raffle 6 to 8pm on 12/12;

District 3

District 3 wishes everyone a Safe Grateful Thanksgiving!

"It helps you to help others"

Service Positions Available:

Accessibilities – CPC - *El Farolito* – Grapevine – Treatment

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

District 3 will be having the next Area 46 2021 Service Forum planning meeting on December 5 at 9:55 AM at the Area Assembly. You must register for the assembly to attend the meeting in December. <https://nm-aa.org/>

Sobriety Birthdays!

Sunrise Catchers Group, November--Gary. J, 11 years--Francine .M, 11 years--Michele. B, 9 years--Jason. G, 8 years--Arthur 4 years.

Next District 3 meeting will be at 2pm on Sat, December 12 hosted online (Zoom) by the Happy Valley Group 628 Los Lentos Rd Los Lunas, 87031

Join Zoom Meeting

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

Meeting ID: 665 864 074

Dial in by phone: 1 669 900 9128

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

on 3rd Wednesdays Local Speaker, no potluck; and the Women's Meeting has been moved to Saturdays at 7:30pm; birthday night is on 12/31 at 8pm. New Life Group is hosting a potluck/speaker meeting 6pm to 8pm on 12/19, birthday night is 12/25 at 7pm. In Carlsbad, the Singleness of Purpose Group has birthday night the last Friday of the month; the Carlsbad Group is hosting a Christmas Fellowship and potluck meeting on 12/19, and a New Year's Eve Snack party followed by a midnight meeting on 12/31. The Twelve Squared Group has not yet resumed in-person meetings. Wishing all of you a very blessed and happy holiday season!

Gratefully yours in service,

Jimmy F., District 10 ELF Rep.

The call for shared experience, strength and hope for updating the pamphlet, "**A.A. for the Older Alcoholic**" has been extended until December 15.

For more information, or to submit your experience in audio or written form, contact access@aa.org or visit:

<https://tinyurl.com/y3hdsyo2>

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Steering Committee Position Available

Central Office Coordinator

Qualifications for Office:

The Coordinator must have at least five (5) years of continuous sobriety, be a member of a listed AA Group, have previous experience with Intergroups or Central Offices, and an understanding of the mission of the office as it relates to the fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous. A strong background in general service informed by the spirit of the Twelve Traditions and interpersonal communication skills utilizing that spirit and background are also required. Facility with current information technology and knowledge of laws and agencies governing the operation of non-profit corporations will be needed.

Duties of Office:

The Coordinator shall keep the telephones of Central Office staffed at all times-making sure that, insofar as possible, a "live" alcoholic answers the phone who is able and willing to share his/her experience, strength and hope with the suffering alcoholic who calls for help.

The Coordinator will have the authority to make decisions on all matters of immediate importance pertaining to the smooth and efficient operation of the Central Office and will establish guidelines for desk and twelve step workers as well as keep an up-to-date list of twelve step workers and their phone numbers.

The Coordinator shall keep an inventory of literature on hand, order new literature and chips as needed, compile records of the number of phone calls received and their nature, and make regular reports to both the Steering Committee and the Intergroup's Representatives, and perform such other duties as necessary to maintain a businesslike and orderly office.

The Coordinator shall serve as a voting member of the Steering Committee in all matters excepting those pertaining directly to his/her job performance or salary.

To apply for this position:

Typed resumes should be received at Central Office no later than January 5, 2021. Qualified applicants will be notified by the steering committee for an interview to take place at a time and place to be determined.

Start Date:

March 1, 2021

For more information, visit albuquerqueaa.org.

District 13

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, December 12. 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.

Sarah celebrated 5 years in November. Congratulations!

District 13 is continuing to focus

efforts on providing more of a Public Information presence during the COVID-19 health crisis. Our goal is to communicate to the public that Alcoholics Anonymous is here, both online and in person, if they, or someone they know needs help with a drinking problem. We currently have GSO-approved public service announcements airing on a free broadcast, podcast and streaming radio platform, and are working on submitting similar information to local newspaper outlets.

District 13 intends to put together a bid to host the December 2021 Area 46 Assembly, however we are conscious that many venues are not yet communicating about booking space for large gatherings. Regardless, we are working diligently to find a hosting venue.

We are also planning to begin vis-

iting 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 December. Your participation and your vote are very important.

In love & service,

Laura S., DCM, District 13

district13@nm-aa.org

District 14

Greetings from Taos and surrounding communities,

Taos AA is continuing to hold most of their meetings via Zoom. The few meetings that had previously begun to slowly open up in person are once again shutting down. Taos AAs are continuing to do their best to get the AA message to folks that are still suffering. These are strange and unprecedented times for sure. Fortunately, many newcomers are finding their way to the AA Zoom meetings.

We really enjoyed having so many of you from around our state attend the virtual Taos Mountain Fiesta back in September. Kudos to the amazing committee that rallied and put on an inspired group of speakers, talent show entries, panel discussions and workshops. Plans are already in the works and we hope to see you all in person in 2021.

And finally, one of our sober members reminded us of this Big Book quote: "We try not to indulge in cynicism over the state of the nations, nor do we carry the world's troubles on our shoulders." May you all have a healthy and happy Thanksgiving.

Yours in gratitude,

Kelly O., District 14 El Farolito Rep.

Zoom Bayard Holiday Party

Monday December 21st, 2020 6:30 - 8:00 PM

Special Viewing of:

Markings on the Journey

A Brief Video History of AA by G.S.O.

Followed by a Special Guest Speaker - Jimmy D., Southwest Region Trustee - at 7:00 PM

Sharing and Fellowship until 8:00 PM

This is an open meeting and all are welcome.

Zoom ID: 954-728-029 Password: 719406

District 16

Greetings from District 16!

I continue to be grateful that we've not only been able to survive the past nine months, but have actually been able to thrive through the Grace of our Higher Power and Alcoholics Anonymous!

District 16 meetings continue to be

District 18

I'm writing this report as we head into another shutdown and I am so grateful to be a part of AA and D-18, the predictable part of my life. Although this does not mean any changes to our D-18 meeting, for some our groups this means a return to virtual meetings, at least we all know what we're doing now. Last month I reported we had many vacant positions in D-18. I am pleased to report at this moment all service positions are filled. Our new DCM is Susan D., Alt. DCM is Peter F., Secretary is Amy C., and our ELF Rep is Michael P. I am so humbled to serve D-18 as your DCM and I appreciate everyone else who stepped up to fill the other positions I can't wait to see where this takes us in our sobriety.

The D-18 Fall Workshop on October 24th was as amazing as I thought it would be, and raised \$100 to be split between GSO and Central Office. Our GSRs shared they are making the best of the virtual meetings, enjoying having attendees from all over the world and appreciating the regular locals too. Steve G. reported the Tues. 12 & 12 group is still not meeting, but will soon make a decision if they will move to virtual. Meetings are still being taken into Four Winds via Zoom, and it was reported that someone from there even chaired the meeting recently. Next item on the horizon is the December Area Assembly, hope to see you there.

Yours in Service,

Susan D., D-18 DCM

January Edition
Editorial Deadline:

Tuesday, December 15

@ 11:59 p.m.

Send to elfarolito@nm-aa.org.

held virtually and we've been blessed to be joined occasionally by folks who'd previously left the area and are now able to rejoin us via Zoom. We have so much to be thankful for!

The Bayard Group's Annual Holiday Celebration and Meeting will be held on Monday, December 21st at 6:30 pm (regular meeting time). This is traditionally an open speaker meeting with lots of food and fellowship. However, since that won't be possible on Zoom, the group will show a short film, "Markings on the Journey," a GSO produced film which explores AA's archives and history. After that, we're excited to introduce a very special speaker – Jimmy D., our Southwest Region Trustee – who will share his Experience, Strength, and Hope with us. All are in-

vited to join via Zoom: Meeting ID: 954-728-029, Password: 719406

On October 19, the Turkey Creek Group, which meets in Gila, NM, celebrated its 29th year! Rose Mary S., an original founder of the group, celebrated 29 years of sobriety on that date as well.

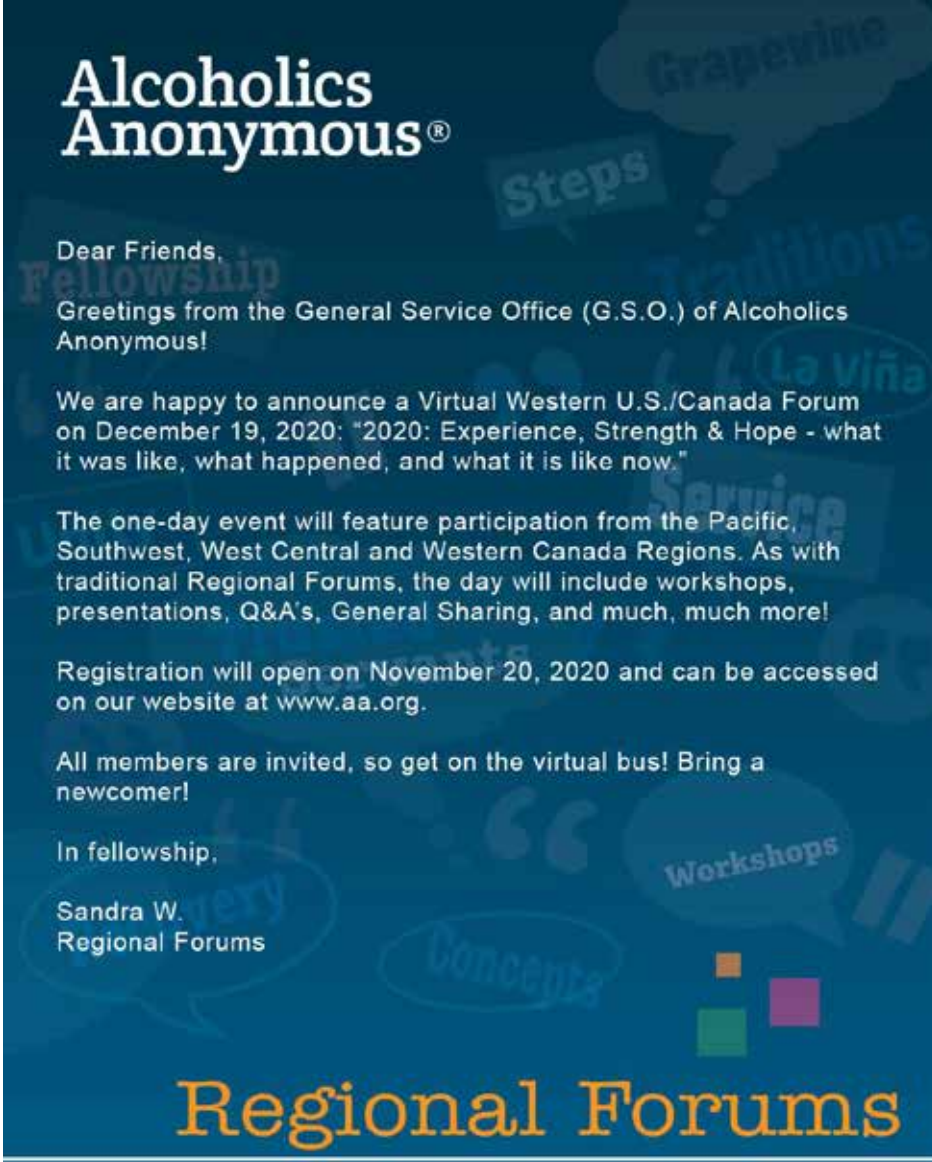
Other birthdays in District 16 included Connie C. with 38 years of sobriety on October 10. CONGRATULATIONS CELEBRANTS!

Wishing you all Joy and Peace as we celebrate this season of Light....

Yours in gratitude & peace,

Paula S.

District 16, *El Farolito* Rep.



Alcoholics Anonymous®

Dear Friends,

Greetings from the General Service Office (G.S.O.) of Alcoholics Anonymous!

We are happy to announce a Virtual Western U.S./Canada Forum on December 19, 2020: "2020: Experience, Strength & Hope - what it was like, what happened, and what it is like now."

The one-day event will feature participation from the Pacific, Southwest, West Central and Western Canada Regions. As with traditional Regional Forums, the day will include workshops, presentations, Q&A's, General Sharing, and much, much more!

Registration will open on November 20, 2020 and can be accessed on our website at www.aa.org.

All members are invited, so get on the virtual bus! Bring a newcomer!

In fellowship,

Sandra W.
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