



EL FAROLITO

Official Newsletter of New Mexico Area 46 Assembly of Alcoholics Anonymous

AGENDA for AREA 46 ASSEMBLY

September 7 & 8, 2019 ■ District 3 – Belen
Belen Middle School ■ 314 S 4th st , Belen NM 87002

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Eat in and near
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FRIDAY

Middle School Cafeteria

7:30 pm

Meet and greet (with dessert potluck)
(No business will be conducted on Friday)
Speaker meeting
Hosted and presented by District 3

8:00 pm Southwest Regional Trustee Jimmy D

SATURDAY

Middle School Cafeteria

7:30 am Registration opens..Please gather in the main meeting room so the Assembly can begin on time

8:30 am **CALL TO ORDER**

8:40 am **COMMITTEE MEETINGS:** GSR Orientation, Accessibilities, Bilingual, Corrections, Finance, Website

9:30 am 10-minute break

9:40 am **COMMITTEE MEETINGS:** Bridge the Gap (BTG), *El Farolito*, Finance, Grapevine, Public Information (PI), Young People,

10:30 am 10-minute break

10:40 am **COMMITTEE MEETINGS:** Archives, , Cooperation w/ Professional Community, Area Forum, Literature, Treatment Facilities, Area 46 Convention

11:30 am 10-minute break

11:40 am **MEETINGS:** GSRs, District Committee Members (DCMs), Area Trusted servants, Past Delegates

12:30 pm Lunch Break By District 3

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

2:00 pm INTRODUCTIONS – Area trusted servants, Past Delegates, Districts (DCMs, GSRs & others), visitors.

2:45 pm SUMMARY OF MINUTES – March Assembly - District 9 Grants

2:50 pm TREASURER'S REPORT (while 7th Tradition basket is passed)

3:05 pm REGISTRAR'S REPORT

3:10 pm DELEGATE'S REPORT

3:25 pm ALTERNATE DELEGATE'S REPORT

3:40 10-minute break

3:50 pm **ANNOUNCEMENTS** (any A.A. event in or around New Mexico)

4:10 pm **OLD BUSINESS**

- 1) Area 46 Post-Convention Report: June 7,8 & 9 – District 2 Santa Fe
- 2) Area 46 Convention Report June 5,6 & 7, – District 7 Roswell
- 3) Area 46 Conveccion Hispana July 5,6 and 7 Albuquerque
- 4) Area 46 Assembly December 7& 8 2019 District 17 Albuquerque
- 5) Area 46 Assembly March 28 & 29, 2020 District 14 Taos
- 6) Area 46 Post Forum Report July Dist 18 Rio Rancho

4:35 pm **NEW BUSINESS***

- 1) Bids for Area 46 Assembly, September 12 & 13 ,2020
- 2) Presentation of 2020 Draft budget
- 3) Motion From Area Forum
- 4) Motion From Area Forum
- 5) Motion From Corrections n AA Literature /Discussion



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SATURDAY

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5:30 pm

Dinner Break

7:00 pm

Fellowship & Fun (Fun and games) – Hosted by District 3 and the Young Peoples' committee

7:30 pm

SHARING SESSION – Southwest Regional Trustee Report Jimmy D – Teresa J, Area 46 Delegate.

SUNDAY

8:00 am

CALL TO ORDER

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

8:30 am **ASSEMBLY MEETING REPORTS**** (includes Committee, GSR, DCM, Trusted Servant, and Past Delegate meetings)

10:00 am Ask It Basket and Sobriety Countdown

10:20 am 15-minute break

10:35 am **ELECTION** for position of Area Delegate, Area Alt Delegate, Area chair, Area Alt Chair, Area Treasure, Area Registra, Area secretary

12:00 Lunch by District 3

3:00 **Adjourned until December 7 & 8, 2019 – District 17 Albuquerque**

— *The Planning Meeting for the next Assembly will be held on October 19* —

* HOW TO MAKE A MOTION:

- 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 written out and given to the Secretary when the motion is made. (Include your name and voting position with the motion)
- 3) If your motion will require Area funding, include as part of the motion the costs and where the funding will come from (see Finance chair for help)

**** COMMITTEE CHAIRS WILL SUBMIT ASSEMBLY MEETING REPORTS TO THE EL FAROLITO EDITOR.** ➡ *Agenda in Spanish on page 4*

OFFICERS

Delegate

Since the last assembly, I've participated in the General Service Conference, Area 46 State Convention, New Mexico Spanish AA Convention, New Mexico AA Service Forum, Assembly planning meeting, and multiple meetings of an ad hoc committee regarding the books that were received last Spring. I've given nine separate delegate Conference reports to 11 districts plus a report at the Area Convention; and in doing so have driven over 1,900 miles just giving delegate reports. I only have two more delegate reports scheduled after the assembly. I hope the districts that didn't schedule reports this year will let me know why, so that we might better serve them in the future.

The September Assembly is extremely important for the simple fact that it is an election assembly. We will be choosing our leaders for

the 2020-2021 service rotation. I challenge all the voting members of our assembly to carefully consider the following: First, how are you willing to be of service in the next rotation? If you are interested in standing for a position, please read the AIP and talk to people who have held that service position in the past to find out if it really is something you want to do. Second, give some serious thought and prayer about who you think has served our Area well over this past rotation and who would serve us well in the next rotation. Area elections should not be a popularity contest (principles before personalities). Nor should votes be based on where a person lives and how many people from their district are present to vote for them. Also, it is not a given that people simply get moved along some imaginary line of succession.

Our co-founder, Bill W., cautioned that we must choose our leaders with great care. If you will be voting at the assembly, you have a great responsibility on your shoulders.

This assembly will also be exciting because our new Southwest Regional Trustee, Jimmy D., will be our special guest for the weekend. Jimmy will share his recovery story at the speaker meeting on Friday night and will give us a Trustee's Report on Saturday night. Please help me make Jimmy feel at home here in New Mexico. If you attend the assembly, introduce yourself to Jimmy. I think you will find he is a super nice guy.

See you in Belen!

In grateful service,

Teresa J., Area 46 Delegate

October Edition Editorial Deadline: **Monday, September 16, 11:59 p.m.**
Please email to elfarolito@nm-aa.org and to timmond@gmail.com

AGENDA PARA LA ASAMBLEA DE ÁREA 46
7 y 8 de septiembre, 2019 • Distrito 3 - Belen
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VIERNES

(Cafetería De La Escuela Secundaria)

(Ningún negocio se llevará a cabo el viernes)
 Anfitrión y Presentado por el Distrito 3

7:00 pm

Compañerismo y Comida del Postre

7:30 pm

Reunión con Orador (Jimmy D., Custodio Regional del Sudoeste)

SÁBADO

(Cafetería De La Escuela Secundaria)

7:30 am

El Registro se Abre – Por favor júntese en la sala principal de modo que la Asamblea pueda comenzar en el horario

8:30 am

LLAMADA DE ORDEN

8:40 am

REUNIONES de COMITÉS: R.S.G. Orientación, Necesidades Especiales, Bilingüe, Correccionales, Finanzas, Sitio Web

9:30 am

10-Minutos de Receso

9:40 am

REUNIONES de COMITÉS: Uniendo Las Orillas (ULO), *El Farolito*, Finanzas, Grapevine y La Viña, Información Pública (PI), Los Jóvenes en A.A.

10:30 am

10-Minutos de Receso

10:40 am

REUNIONES de COMITÉS: Archivos, Cooperación con la Comunidad Profesional (CPC), Foro del Área, Literatura. (Centros) de Tratamiento, Área 46 Convención,

11:30 am

10-Minutos de Receso

11:40 am

REUNIONES: R.S.G.s, M.C.D.'s, Servidores de Confianza, Ex-Delegados

12:35 pm

Almuerzo - Proporcionado Por Distrito 3

1:45 pm

LLAMADA DE ORDEN – Junta de Negocio

2:00 pm

INTRODUCCIONES: Servidores de Confianza del Área, Ex-Delegados, Distritos (M.C.D.'s, R.S.G.s y otros), visitantes

2:45 pm

INFORME DEL SECRETARIO: Resumen de Minutos – Asamblea de marzo, 2019 - Distrito 9 Grants

2:50 pm

INFORME DEL TESORERO (mientras la Séptima Tradición se pasa)

3:05 pm

INFORME DEL REGISTRADOR

3:10 pm

INFORME DE LA DELEGADA

3:25 pm

INFORME DEL DELEGADO SUPLENTE

3:40pm

10-Minutos de Receso

3:50 pm

ANUNCIOS – Cualquier evento de A.A. en o alrededor de Nuevo México

4:10 pm

VIEJO NEGOCIO

- 1) Área 46 informe de la pos Convención: junio 7,8 & 9, 2019 – Distrito 2, Santa Fe
- 2) Área 46 informe de la Convención: junio 5,6 & 7, 2020 – Distrito 7, Roswell
- 3) Área 46 informe de la Convención Hispana - 5,6 y 7 de julio de 2019, Albuquerque
- 4) Área 46 Informe Preliminar: Asamblea: 7 & 8 de diciembre de 2019 Distrito 17, Albuquerque
- 5) Área 46 Asamblea el 28 & 29 de marzo de 2020, Distrito 14, Taos
- 6) Área 46 Foro informe de julio de 2019, Distrito 18, Rio Rancho

4:35 pm

NUEVO NEGOCIO *

- 1) Ofertas para la Asamblea: septiembre 12 y 13, 2020
- 2) Presentación del Proyecto de Presupuesto 2020
- 3) Moción del Foro de Área
- 4) Moción de Correcciones y Literatura de AA / Discusión
- 5)
- 6)

5:30 pm

Cena

7:00 pm

Compañerismo, Diversión - Patrocinada por el Distrito 3 y el Comité de los Jóvenes.

7:30 pm

SESIÓN DE COMPARTIMIENTO –Informe del Custodia Regional del Sudoeste Jimmy D - Teresa J, Area 46 Delegada

DOMINGO

(Cafetería De La Escuela Secundaria)

8:00 am

LLAMADA DE ORDEN

8:10 am

VOTAR por las ofertas y mociones del día anterior

8:30 am

INFORMES DE REUNIONES DE LA ASAMBLEA ** Comités, R.S.G., M.C.D., Ex-Delegados

10:00 am

Preguntas de Canasta y Conteo Regresivo de Sobriedad

10:20 am

15-Minutos de Receso

10:35 am

ELECCIÓN para Area 46 Servidores de Confianza: Delegado, Sub. Delegado, silla de Area, Sub. silla de Area, Tesorero, Registrador, Secretario

3:00 pm

Asamblea se aplazó hasta: El 7 y 8 de diciembre de 2019 – Distrito 17, Albuquerque

— La Reunión de Planificación para la próxima Asamblea será sostenida el 19 de octubre, 2019 —



***HACIENDO UNA MOCIÓN:**

- 1) Cualquier miembro votante puede hacer un movimiento. Si usted necesita ayuda, ver a cualquier servidor de Confianza de Área, Delegado o MCD.
- 2) Las mociones deberían ser escritos y dados al Secretario(a) cuando la moción es hecha. (Incluya su nombre y posición con la moción de voto)
- 3) Si su moción requerirá la financiación del Área, incluya como la parte de la moción los costos y donde la financiación vendrá (ver al Coordinador de Finanzas para ayuda)

**** LOS COORDINADORES DE LOS COMITÉS ENVIARÁN LOS INFORMES DE LAS REUNIONES DE LA ASAMBLEA AL EDITOR DE EL FAROLITO.**

Delegada

Desde la última asamblea, participé en la Conferencia de Servicios Generales, la Convención Estatal del Área 46, la Convención Hispana del Estado de Nuevo México, el Foro de Servicios AA de Nuevo México, la reunión de planificación de la Asamblea y las reuniones múltiples de un comité ad hoc sobre los libros que se recibieron la primavera pasada. He entregado 9 informes separados de la Conferencia a 11 distritos más un informe en la Convención del Área; y al hacerlo, he recorrido más de 1,900 millas. Solo tengo 2 informes delegados más programados después de la asamblea. Espero que los distritos que no programaron informes este año me informen por qué para que podamos servirles mejor en el futuro.

La asamblea de septiembre es extremadamente importante por el simple hecho de que es una asamblea electoral. Elegiremos a nuestros líderes para la rotación de servicios 2020-

2021. Reto a todos los miembros con derecho a voto de nuestra asamblea a considerar cuidadosamente lo siguiente: Primero, ¿cómo está dispuesto a servir en la próxima rotación? Si está interesado en postularse para un puesto, lea el AFI y hable con las personas que han ocupado ese puesto de servicio en el pasado para averiguar si realmente es algo que desea hacer. Segundo, piense seriamente y ore acerca de quién cree que ha servido bien a nuestra Área durante esta pasada rotación y quién nos servirá bien en la próxima rotación. Las elecciones de área no deberían ser un concurso de popularidad (principios antes que personalidades). Los votos tampoco deben basarse en el lugar donde vive una persona y cuántas personas de su Distrito están presentes para votar por ellos. Además, no es un hecho que las personas simplemente se muevan a lo largo de una línea imaginaria de sucesión. Nuestro cofun-

dador, Bill W., advirtió que debemos elegir a nuestros líderes con mucho cuidado. Si va a votar en la asamblea, tiene una gran responsabilidad sobre sus hombros.

Esta asamblea también será emocionante porque nuestro nuevo custodio regional del sudoeste, Jimmy D., será nuestro invitado especial para el fin de semana. Jimmy compartirá su historia de recuperación en la reunión de oradores el viernes por la noche y nos dará un informe del custodio el sábado por la noche. Por favor, ayúdame a hacer que Jimmy se sienta como en casa aquí en Nuevo México. Si asiste a la asamblea, preséntese a Jimmy. Creo que encontrarás que es un tipo súper agradable.

¡Nos vemos en Belen!

En un servicio agradecido,

Teresa J., Delegada del Área 46

Alternate Delegate

The 2019 New Mexico AA Service Forum was held on July 20 in Rio Rancho. It was a great event with well over 100 attendees, 12 break-out sessions, 40+ speakers/presenters and moderators, and a Past Delegate's panel. Folks came from across New Mexico and from Colorado and Texas. Many thanks go out to the Service Forum Committee and all of the volunteers that helped! I look forward to the 2021 Service Forum. We had our final wrap-up forum committee meeting, and we had our last guidelines sub-committee meeting in August to finalize the motions to be submitted to the September Assembly.

What a summer filled with activity and fellowship across our state! Campouts, Founder's Day celebrations, State Convention, Service Forum, workshops, and picnics were all held. It is wonderful to see all of the participation and that you are still working hard to carry the message. Thanks to all our districts for their efforts. Area

46 remains strongly committed to carrying our message. Thank you.

This year's AA 201 Workshop in conjunction with the Delegate's Report, through August, has now been presented in Districts 4, 18, 11, 9, 12&13 combined, 14, 6, and 7&10 combined.

This rotation is coming to a close and it is time to begin to think about what positions we want to serve in for the next rotation. Rotate on, if you will, rather than rotate out. If you are wondering if you should stand for a service position in the upcoming elections, be it at the area, or in your group or district, I would encourage you to follow your heart. If you are on the fence, don't let fear stop you from standing. Remember, being willing to serve might include overcoming being scared to serve. We are all scared at the beginning of any rotation because we don't know the position yet. After the fear subsides, we find that God

gets us through every time. Being in service is one of the greatest joys and opportunities for growth that our program has to offer us. I love being in service, and I highly recommend it to anyone. I have enjoyed every service rotation that I have ever had -- from coffee maker and coffee cup washer on. I have also learned and grown in every service position. I can't say enough good about our third legacy of service and what it can do for our recovery. I can think of no finer example of gratitude than to serve the program that I love so dearly.

Expenses year to date: I was about \$200 below my budget for SWRDA in March. Travel to assemblies is on budget, and all other workshop expenses were covered by the host districts.

In Love and Service,

Bill L., Alternate Delegate

OFFICERS

Chair

Greetings Area 46,

I hope this report finds you in good health and spirit. This past July 20 we had our second ever Area 46 Service Forum. It was at Rio Rancho hosted by District 18. Besides members from Rio Rancho, there was not a large turnout. Special shout out to District 18 for doing a great job -- I only wish that more DCMs and GSRs

would have attended. Up next is the Area 46 September Assembly on the 7th and 8th in Belen, hosted by District 3. At this assembly is where we get to elect our new Trusted Servants, Delegate, Alternate Delegate, Area Chair, Alternate Area Chair, Area Treasurer, Area Registrar, and Area Secretary. Besides the election, we will do regular business, take

bids to host next year's September Assembly, new motions from the Forum Committee, and discuss the AA literature that came from the old Bernalillo County/Metro Jail in Albuquerque, I hope to see you all there.

Until then, stay safe and wish you another 24 hours.

Eloy M.

Treasurer

Greetings!

I am excited to see you all at the September assembly in Belen.

A total of 115 groups have sent in contributions this year which is nine more groups than in July of 2018.

Thank you to all the groups who have sent in contributions this year. Encourage your group to send what they can to support the Area. Your contributions help the Area facilitates 12 step services so please think about giving if your group can do so.

As of July 31, the amount of

contributions from groups is right on target with last year. We also received a contribution from Red Road and interest from savings and our bank CDs.

The only expense in July was for our annual insurance renewal.

We have spent about 9% more in expenses this year as compared to last year. Every year our budgets tend to grow as costs continue to climb.

Christoph and I are working on the proposed budget for the September assembly. As always, we encour-

age input.

It is honor to serve as your Area 46 treasurer. Thank you for allowing me to continue to serve in this capacity. You can always call or email if you have questions or feedback.

All accounting records as of 7/31/2019 have been reconciled to the bank statements and have been submitted to the Area Chair and Area Finance Chair for review.

In Love and Service,

Ally T., treasurer@nm-aa.org

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Finance

It's been a HOT summer... but hopefully we're all still sober! Thank you all for my sobriety!

The past few months the finance committee has been exploring the idea of Area 46 applying for non-profit status. This isn't the first time this question has been raised at the Area. Long timers tell me the Area has voted on this twice before, in the late 90s and around 2009. Seems to be on a ten-year cycle but I need to confirm with the Archives Committee. At any rate, there is a perhaps legitimate concern that as an "organization" operating in the U.S. that moves more than \$25,000 annually, the Area is not fulfilling requirements to report these financials to the federal and state governments. There is also concern that the Area is overpaying some expenses in the form

of taxes that could be eliminated if we had tax exempt status with the state of New Mexico. We have begun a dialog with other AA Areas who have (and have not) chosen to apply for this status as well as speaking with accountants and attorneys to become more informed. Many thanks to Laura S. for getting the ball rolling on this question and doing a lot of the leg work!

Of course our 2020 budget has been an ongoing project with some interesting twists and turns. We are applying our new formula for determining the prudent reserve (50% of four-year actual expense average) and we're coming up with a figure that seems more reasonable than in the past. Our even-year expenses (namely SWRAASA) have been difficult to balance. We are continuing to explore ways to level out

these even/ odd year expenses.

The Service Forum in July was great fun and I'd like to thank the committee for asking me to participate. I hosted an interesting panel with Ally (Area 46 Treasurer) and Julio (Finance Committee member) on the topic "Why is my contribution important?" We talked about how contributing can apply to AA service and where "money and spirituality mix."

As the current rotation is fleeting, I'm starting to look to individuals interested in serving as the Finance chairperson for 2020-21. If anyone is interested in serving, please let me know.

In service, Christoph

Chair Finance Committee

OFFICERS

Registrar

Hello All,

The September Area 46 Assembly which is fast approaching. I am looking forward to seeing you all there also. It is a voting election so it would be good for us all to show up.

There have been a couple of new

groups added to Area 46. It is nice to see this happening. Several other groups have had GSR changes which I have updated. I hope to meet you at the assembly.

If you have moved recently please update your information so that it can

be submitted to the *El Farolito* and to GSO. It helps us to get the information from our area and GSO to you without it being returned.

Yours in Love and Service,

Kurt K.

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Archives

Hello all,

As I write this report, our dear friend, David D., is undergoing an experimental cancer treatment at the New Mexico Cancer Center in Albuquerque. He was chosen to be part of a research trial for his quickly advancing cancer. On the drive from Roswell this morning, David spent most of his time expressing his gratitude for Alcoholics Anonymous and the close friends that he has made through service. While I wait for him to get out, feeling emotional, it seemed like a good time to write my *ELF* report. Please keep David in your thoughts and prayers.

Last month, along with Tony G., Corrections Chair; Carrie N., Treatment Chair; Ron N., Treatment from District 4; and David D., Bridge the Gap, I had the opportunity to participate in a service workshop in Farmington, District 8. They did an out-

standing job hosting the workshop. It was well attended and we enjoyed lots of good food and good fellowship.

At first, I pondered how Archives would fit in to the group. But, as I listened to the others share about their experience, strength and hope within their service areas, I realized that the connection between Archives and those carrying the message to the public is crucial. The primary purpose of Archives is to preserve our history, both past and present, and to ensure that the message of Alcoholics Anonymous is passed on exactly as it was given to us. Those charged, through service, to carry the message to the public, have a huge responsibility. The connection became very clear.

During my section of the workshop, I gave a brief report of the trips that I have been privileged to make during my rotation: to attend the International Archives Workshop in

Chicago, and to visit GSO in New York City to research archived materials from New Mexico. Our Delegate, Teresa J., Archivist, Debra K., and I attended both trips together. The experiences were highly educational and inspiring for all three of us!

Additionally, I gave an overview of the Archives Committee meeting at our last assembly. The committee continued its discussions regarding the need for us to establish and adopt a mission, scope and purpose for Area 46 Archives collection. Interest in Archives is growing and I am excited to be a part of it!

As the election assembly nears and I reflect on my rotation, I am deeply grateful to have had the opportunity to serve as your Archives Chair. If I can be of service to you, please let me know.

With gratitude in service,

Jennifer W., Archives Chair

Bridge the Gap

Greetings Area 46,

I missed my report last month so I have a lot of catching up to do. Bridge the Gap has been busy. Archives, Corrections, Treatment and I were blessed to get to do a workshop in Farmington last month. It went well, with a lot of challenging questions. Thanks District 8 for your

hospitality. Then we were blessed again to do a workshop in District 7. Thanks again Roswell for your hospitality.

Things are good with me both personally and with Bridge the Gap and mostly with Alcoholics Anonymous. I am looking forward to one of my favorite things and that is the

election assembly coming up in September. Hope to see all of you there.

As always if there's ever anything I can do for any of you please feel free to let me know, email text or call

David D.

Area 46 Bridge the Gap Chair

Places to Stay and Eat in Belen

Area Hotels

Baymont Belen*

(505) 861-5000*

*Negotiated rate @ Baymont in Belen. Ask for "AA State Assembly Rate" discount.

Super 8 Belen
(505) 633-1328

Travelodge Belen
(307) 222-0039

Days Inn Los Lunas
(505) 312-5062

Quality Inn Los Lunas
(505) 865-5100

Western Skies Inn & Suites
Los Lunas
(505) 865-0001

Super 8 ABQ Airport
(505) 445-1176

Ramada ABQ Airport
(505) 243-2244

Days Inn ABQ Airport
(505) 312-9856

Holiday Inn ABQ Airport
(505) 944-2255

Area RV Parks

La Vista RV Park
(505) 966-6585
2300 Camino Del Llano,
Belen

Cottonwood RV Park
(505) 440-2487
1703 Main St NE,
Los Lunas

Isleta lakes RV Park
11000 Broadway SE, ABQ

Area Restaurants

Pete's Café
105 N 1st St, Belen
1/2 mile 11a-8p Fri/Sat

Hondumex Restaurant
418 S Main St, Belen
1/2 mile 7a-9p Fri/Sat

Alejandro's Café
925 S Main St, Belen
1 mile 7a-3p Fri/Sat

Rutilio's New Mexican
455 N Main St, Belen
1 mile 7a-8p Fri/Sat

Casa De Pizza
1128 S Main St, Belen
1.2 miles 5p-9p Fri/Sat

La Dos Gringas
2100 Camino Del Llano, Belen
1.7 miles 11a-9p Fri/Sat

Penny's Diner
2101 Camino Del Llano, Belen
1.7 miles 24 Hours

Big Mike's Burgers
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CPC

On July 22, five districts in the Albuquerque area put on a presentation about AA to a group of brand new UNM medical students. District 13 hosted a similar presentation last year. The medical students are interested in community health issues and how they can better participate with resources (like AA) in the community to facilitate recovery and generally have healthier communities. What a wonderful commitment they have! The five districts – 3, 11, 12, 13 & 18 – met on conference calls, divvied up the various jobs, contributed money, and put on a very thorough and respectable presentation to these future docs. First there was an hour-long AA meeting with 25 people held at the Heights Club, which the students observed, followed by an hour of Q&A. The feedback was excellent and they sent us a very cute thank you letter. The director of that department requested they do it again next year. Janet A., District 18 CPC Chair, has a connection with

that director at the medical school and will discuss with her ways to have more of these, as there are many more medical students that have not had this exposure to AA. Thank you to the DCMs and CPC chairs of Districts 3, 11, 12, 13, 18 for your wonderful service, and Janet and Nancy for yummy goodies.

Athena, CPC chair for District 4, is out there in Las Cruces carrying the message to mental health professionals as she works in that field. She missed our last call because she was attending the memorial rally for the victims of the El Paso shooting. Thank you, Athena.

Coming up, District 2 CPC Chair Juliet and her team will participate in a Sobriety Rally on September 21 in Santa Fe. They plan to not just sit there and wait until people come to them, but to be attractive and active in interacting with those attending. You're an inspiration, Juliet.

Ron, CPC chair in District 8, will make a pitch to the judges in the Farmington area for an AA workshop in the Fall. Ron's been an unstoppable force for AA in Farmington for years. Thank you Ron.

And thank you to those who are in action that I did not mention. Sometimes people can't be on our monthly conference calls to let us know what's happening. By the way, the next call will be September 9 at 6:00 p.m. (not the 2nd as it's Labor Day). Contact me if you need call-in information. All are welcome.

If you have a need or see an opportunity to carry the AA message to professionals in your area and would like support, please don't hesitate to contact me. We're only touching the tip of the iceberg at this point. Let's keep it going.

Yours in service,

Sarah F., CPC Chair Area 46

cpc@nm-aa.org

Corrections

Hello Everyone:

It's been an interesting few months. I've attended a couple of district meetings to explain what's going on with salvaged books in storage, and explain the usage of Pink Can money. I attended two workshops at District 7 and District 8. Thanks to both districts for holding the workshops and alloying me to be of service. There is a need for volunteers for carrying the message behind the walls, for both county

jails and prisons in the Santa Rosa prison, District 1; Grants prison, District 9; Socorro County jail, District 3; and San Juan County (Farmington/Aztec) jails, in District 8. Lots of volunteers are needed for service work. Talk to your corrections chair for more info or text me or call me. I would love to help all I can to get meetings started in these institutions. I'm getting ready for the September Assembly in Belen, It's a voting assembly and I'm very excited

about that and can't wait to see everyone there, I will have a bank statement on the Pink Can and donations from home groups at the assembly so that everyone can take to your home groups, Thank you and be safe.

God Bless,

Tony G.,

Area 46 Corrections Chair

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Grapevine

In some ways it feels like fall may be around the corner, the September Assembly certainly is, and the Grapevine Committee was in attendance for the assembly planning meeting August 3.

We have \$77.00 in the bank and will be ordering "Take Me to Your Sponsor," Grapevine's newest book. "Our Great Responsibility," AA's other newest book, is a Literature item and can be obtained from our Literature committee.

We attended the Service Forum and we were asked to participate in the Traditions Workshop to be held by District 11 in October. It will still fall within our current rotation. One committee member was asked to tell their story in Carlsbad (District 10) on August 31 and will drive out from Albuquerque. Anytime, anywhere! District 3's Summer Picnic is September 14 at Danny Fernandez Park in Los Lunas. I hope to see you there.

Manuel P.

Area 46 Grapevine Chair

Web

Hello everyone!

As you are reading this we should be gearing up for the next assembly. I announced last month that I will be vacating my position early as I have some business that need to be taken care of in California. This assembly would be a good time to offer your

opinions as to what I could have done better and what expectations you have for my stand in.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the area.

Love and Respect,

Jason O.

Young People

Hi, Area 46

I hope to see all of you at the September Assembly in Belen. This summer we had our 6th Annual AA-ATHALON it was a great turn out with good food, games and fellowship. We have been handing out our meeting on-line cards. These are to help those in rural areas in New Mexico who need and want more meetings. We passed them out at the the State Convention, the Service Forum, and at meetings. We will be going out to Farmington on November 2 for a workshop. It will consist of three members speaking about their experience in service work as Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous.

We meet in Albuquerque on the third Sunday of the month for

a committee meeting. Anyone can participate and the call-in information is at the bottom of this message. It's already time to start planning the Three Legacies Workshop for January 25, 2020. So save the date. Thanks everyone for all the service work you do to keep this fellowship strong for our future young people. Keep trudging.

Information to be a part of the committee meeting on the third Sunday at 6:30 p.m.

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In Service

Michelle

Treatment

Greetings Area 46! I cannot believe that we are already into September and the end of summer is upon us! I'm looking forward to seeing everyone in Belen at the September area election assembly!

The past two months have been very busy for the Treatment Committee. On July 20, I helped to provide a Service Workshop which was hosted by District 8! Several topics on treatment were covered, including the opportunity to carry the message in the non-treatment setting, such as

nursing homes, the military, recovery houses, etc. Thank you, District 8, for giving us the opportunity to have this workshop and for the wonderful hospitality! Farmington is a great place to visit and the drive up was awesome! On August 10, we were invited to District 7 to have a service workshop. I want to thank District 7 for giving us this opportunity and for the great hospitality. I always enjoy visiting Roswell and having the opportunity to meet people in the district.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to be of service in your districts and the area. If you have any treatment-related questions or know of any treatment facilities that would like AA to take meetings in, please feel free to contact me anytime and we will try to accommodate them. Any DCMs or committee chairs that would like to have a treatment workshop in your district, please contact me.

In Love and Service,

Carrie N.

DISTRICT REPORTS

District 1 – PORTALES, CLOVIS, TUCUMCARI ...

Greetings from District 1! We welcome our new members and visitors! We are planning our late summer picnic, to be held at Oasis State Park (between Clovis and Portales), on Sunday, September 15, starting at noon. Meet us at the pavilion in the park, for fun, food and fellowship. Look for the AA sign when you drive in. Willow Group is planning the event, and invites you all to come. Meat will be provided; you are welcome to bring a side dish if you can. Bring your friends and family. Hope to see you there!

Tucumcari Meetings: Our AAs keep the doors open at the Unity Group, three nights a week. Come meet and join us! Monday, Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. First Christian Church, 1701 S. 4th Street, Tucumcari. Spread the word about our open meetings, and call if you have any questions: 575-461-7881.

We Care Group is a year old this September, and meets every Monday,

Wednesday, and Friday at noon. Bring your own lunch. All are open meetings, held at: Community Room, 718 Wyliecox Circle, Portales. Have questions? Call: 575-356-3255. Join us! We'd love to see you.

Clovis Fellowship Group hosts meetings every day of the week, at noon and also at 7:30 p.m. The last Saturday of the month is Sobriety Anniversary night. Remember that the Fellowship Group has Big Book Study meetings (Sunday evening), 12 x 12 study meetings (Tuesday evening, Thursday noon), and all are open meetings. We'd love to see you at Fellowship!

Lamplighters Group offers a later meeting in Portales, on Fridays and Sundays, 7:30 p.m. at the Church of Christ Student Center, 207 S. Ave. K. The Lamplighters Group is one of the longest-serving A.A. groups in Portales. We would be happy to welcome you!

Willow Group in Portales (1528 S. Main) has added six meetings each week, Tuesday through Saturday at 6:00 p.m. and Sunday at 4:00 p.m. Tuesday nights are book studies, both 12 Steps and 12 Traditions, and the Big Book. Join us!

Men's Meeting: Check out the Men's Group at the Church of Christ Student Center in Portales (207 S. Ave. K). They meet at 6:00 p.m. each Monday evening. Welcome!

Addresses: <https://nm-aa.org/districts/district1/>, P.O. Box 5511, Clovis, NM 88102

"It is the great paradox of A.A. that we know we can seldom keep the precious gift of sobriety unless we give it away." (from "Tradition Five," 12 Steps and 12 Traditions)

In gratitude and service,

Linda S.

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

Hello from District 3! We are looking forward to hosting everyone Saturday and Sunday September 7 & 8 at Belen Middle School for the Area Assembly!

We will also have our Annual District Picnic on Saturday, September 14 at Daniel Fernandez Park, 1103 NM-314 in Los Lunas. Our district meeting for the month of September will be held at 9:00

a.m. at the picnic.

The Isleta Club celebrated these birthdays in July:

Tino, 8 yrs.; Bellina, 33 yrs.; Dennis, 15 yrs.; David K., 17 yrs.; Steve S., 30 days; Richard, 6 yrs.; Stacy, 24 yrs.

Good job and keep coming back! We do it one day at a time.

In Service,

Dusty S.

The *El Farolito* address has changed! Send mail to:

P.O. Box 1242, Taos, NM 87571

DISTRICT REPORTS

District 2 – SANTA FE, CERRILLOS, MADRID ...

Greetings from District 2

If you were not able to attend the Area 46 State Convention held at the Santa Fe Convention Center, June 7-9, you missed a great event. Huge kudos go out to Lynn K. and her group of volunteers who so graciously gave of their time in being involved in the planning and execution required to insure a flawless production. The planning was done with such detail that nothing was overlooked. The venue, the AA and ALANON speakers, the hospitality food and beverage, the entertainment, the merchandise sales, the

silent auction, and the banquet food and service were wonderful. A big thanks to Lynn K. and all who assisted her with this project. All the seed money -- \$5,000 from Area 46, \$1,000 from District 2, and monies received from Central Office -- were repaid.

On Saturday September 21, the Sixth Annual Santa Fe Rally for Recovery will be held at the Midtown Campus previously known as the Santa Fe University and Design or the College of Santa Fe, from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m.

District 2 has a new Secretary. She is Kathryn D. (KD) who is replacing Megan O. Megan will be traveling to Central and South America over the next several months. We wish both women much success in their new ventures.

The Safety Workshop will be held on Saturday, October 5.

That is all for September.

In grateful service,

Fred D.

District 5 – ALAMOGORDO, RUIDOSO, CLOUDCROFT ...

District 5 had its last meeting on Sunday, August 18th at Cree Meadows Country Club in Ruidoso. Since the district decided to meet bi-monthly, the last business meeting of the year will be on Sunday, October 20 when elections will

be held for our two-year rotation. For business meetings, breakfast is at 10:00 a.m., speaker at 11:00 a.m., and the business portion is at 12:00 p.m. If anyone in the district is interested in stepping up

for a service position, please attend our district meeting!

In the Fellowship of the Spirit,

Kelsey F.

District 7 – ROSWELL, ARTESIA ...

District 7 hosted a workshop with a taco bar lunch. Tony G. from Corrections, David D. from Bridge the Gap, and Carrie N. from Treatment were our trusted servants and I would like to take this time to thank them for their tireless time and effort. Even though the turnout was small,

they had some awesome fellowship.

The committees are continuing work on the 2020 Convention and all is going well. The Early Birds and One Day At A Time groups are already gearing up for the Sober Halloween Event.

August Birthdays are: Ginger G., 1 yr.; James H., 33 yrs.

May God bless and keep you cool during this hot weather.

Sincerely in service,

Cheryl W., District 7 Elf Rep

District 8 – FARMINGTON, SHIPROCK, AZTEC ...

Greetings from the Four Corners and District 8,

News from our group conscience and GSRs

The district held a Service Workshop this month. We want to thank the Area 46 chairpersons; Tony G. from Corrections, Carrie N. from Treatment, David D. from Bridge the Gap, and Jennifer W. from Archives, for sharing their insights with the folks who showed up to learn about how to get more involved and work one of AA's legacies, SERVICE. A special thanks goes out to Melanie for organizing the workshop. One of the great things that came from the meeting was that Lance has taken on the job as our district archi-

vist and is moving forward to preserve District 8 history.

Our next District 8 speaker meeting is scheduled for October 19. Mike S. from California has been invited to be our guest speaker. The festivities will begin at 5:00 p.m. so bring your favorite desert. A 50/50 raffle will be held to continue supporting our bi-annual district speaker meeting. Mike will share his strength, hope and experience beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church on Dustin in Farmington.

Our district picnic was held on August 18. Everyone had a great time. Thanks to the cooks and the speakers for their service.

Group Highlights:

Birthdays: Congratulations to all who are celebrating their sobriety.

4th Dimension Group:

Summer R., 1 yr.; Mark M., 3 yrs.; Wade, 9 yrs.; Judy B., 32 yrs.

High Nooners:

Mike C., 3 yrs.; Dennis A., 9 yrs.; Donny C., 11 yrs.; Dana L., 37 yrs.

Privileged to Serve in Sobriety,

Bruce F.

District 10 – Hobbs, Carlsbad, Lovington ...

Hello all from District 10!

We are getting ready for our 39th Annual Tumbleweed Conference September 20-22 in Hobbs. Everyone is invited and encourage them to come share experience, strength and hope. Our speakers include Janet L. & James

L. from Florida, Steve C. and Alec P., from Oklahoma. It will be great fun with AA Workshop, BBQ, and raffles. Always great fellowship. See you there!!!

Love and peace,

Kendra C.

District 11 – West Albuquerque

Hello Area 46!

Wonderful time at the District 11 Jemez picnic! Great to see friends and friendly dogs from all over Area 46! Fresh air and fellowship! Thank you, Chris S. and DCM Jerry R. for being the heart-beat. Awesome team on the grill!

Hope to see YOU next year, and, way before that, in Belen September 6-8, for the next Area 46 Assembly. This will be an Election Assembly, an amazing process! It is a terrific opportunity for members to visit and experience the AA election process. Even if you are not a voting member, it is quite something to be there and see it happening. Very powerful. Thank you, District 3 for welcoming us!

Elections are coming up for District 11, too. Our longtime prayers for a Treasurer may be answered...stay tuned. Meanwhile, thank you again, Mike W. and Jerry R., for covering the Treasurer position! At the September District 11 meeting, nominations will be taken for DCM, Alternate DCM, Treasurer, and Secretary. Volunteers are requested for the District 11 Committee Chair positions for the next two year rotation. As Jerry K. said, "If you know of members who would like to participate...or don't know yet that they would like to participate" encourage them to come to the District 11 September meeting. Service keeps us sober. Plus, it's fun! Elections will be at the October District 11 meeting.

Planning continues for the Traditions Conference. The theme is "Rule 62," and Cherokee is the Chair. Meetings are at 6:00 p.m. the last Thursday at St. Michael's on Montañito NW. Come join us if you can follow Rule 62! The Traditions Conference will be Saturday, October 26, at St. Michael's. District 11 meetings are 9:00 a.m. the 2nd Saturday at Mesa View Church, 4601 Montañito NW. You are always welcome. Rule 62 practiced here, too.

With love and gratitude,

Beth B., District 11

El Farolito Rep.

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District 18 – PEÑA BLANCA, CORRALES, BERNALILLO, PLACITAS ...

Greetings from District 18. The summer has been a busy one for the district and myself. My apologies for not submitting a report for July; I was on vacation. The 2019 Service Forum held on July 20 that was hosted by District 18 has come and gone. There were about 112 in attendance with the event being enjoyed by those that were there. Our DCM and the Alternate Delegate will provide a report at the September Assembly in Belen. The Fall Workshop is set for October 5, starting at 1:30 p.m. at St. Tomas Aquinas Church in Rio Rancho. Janet reported the AA meeting and presentation for first-year UNM medical students was well received with good AA member attendance and there is an ongoing discussion with UNM for opportunities to share with their students what AA does.

District 18 GSRs reported most meet-

ings are going well with good attendance. Dean from There is a Solution group said the Emotional Sobriety workshop is being re-scheduled and he will let us know when it is. Clarence, our Corrections Chair, reported there are now meetings at Sandoval County Detention Center (SCDC) on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 7:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. If you are interested in taking the message behind bars please contact Clarence for more information. All service positions will be voted on at our next District 18

meeting in September -- if you are interested in being involved and benefitting from this awesome experience please attend....no experience is necessary, just a willingness to be of service. I hope to see you at the Area Assembly in Belen.

Our next district meeting will be held on September at United Methodist Church, 136 W. Calle Don Andres in Bernalillo at 10:30 a.m. (snacks provided). Please join us.

Susan D., District 18 ELF Rep.

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