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Official Newsletter of New Mexico Area 46 Assembly of Alcoholics Anonymous

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Delegate

GSO continues to need our support as a result of the impact of COVID-19. As was mentioned before in my May and September reports:

This is unprecedented time in the world and a pivotal moment for A.A. Now is the time for this generation of our membership to demonstrate what self-supporting really means.

While group contributions are up and the General Service Office is extremely grateful for that, it is still not enough to offset the absence of literature sales. As of October 2nd, the General Service board was required to take an additional 1.5M draw down from the Prudent Reserve. Please remind everyone that GSO is in critical need of our direct sup-

port. There is a letter to the General Service conference on the Delegate's page that you can review if you are interested in additional details.

Trustee At Large – US. Next year Newton P. rotates as Trustee At Large US at Conference 2021. Area 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. I need to have the resume forms returned to me prior to our nomination selection at the December Assembly.

Times have been busy this month. After our September Assembly, I presented on Concept 9 for a workshop in Area 46 SE New York on Sept 19th. On Sept 20th, I had the Conference Report for Districts 14 & 15. September 24th, I was part of the General Service Board Strategic Plan Meeting. Sept 27th was my Conference Report for Districts 7 & 10. Because of virtual technology, we have a wonderful opportunity to attend many different events and workshops all across the country. October 4th, I attended an Archives Workshop, The early days – Sister Judith Ann Karam, Class A, non-alcoholic Trustee presented a history of Sister Ignatia. Michelle Mirza, non-alcoholic Archivist at GSO provided a wonderful presentation of

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Delegado

La OSG sigue necesitando nuestro apoyo como resultado del impacto de Covid-19. Como se mencionó anteriormente en mis informes de mayo y septiembre:

Este es un momento sin precedentes en el mundo y un momento crucial para A.A. Ahora es el momento de que esta generación de nuestra membresía demuestre lo que realmente significa el auto-apoyo.

Mientras las contribuciones del grupo aumentan y la Oficina de Servicios Generales está muy agradecida por esto, todavía no es bastante compensar la ausencia de ventas de literatura. A partir del 2 de octubre, la Junta de Servicios Generales estaba obligada a tomar un extra adicional de 1,5 millones de la Reserva Prudente. Por favor, recuerde a todos que la OSG tiene una necesidad crítica de nuestro apoyo directo. Hay una carta a la conferencia de Servicios Generales en la página del Delegado que puede revisar si está interesado en detalles adicionales.

Custodio generales – US. El próximo año Newton P. gira como Custodios genérale en US en la Conferencia 2021. El Área 46 sostendrá nuestros nombramientos ante nuestra Asam-

blea del diciembre. Si desea presentarse como Custodio generales – US por favor vaya a la página web del Delegado y descargue el formulario de currículum vitae. El formulario debe ser completado y devuelto al Delegado – sólo el delegado puede enviar el currículum a los Custodios Nominando y la fecha límite para su presentación es el 1 de enero de 2021. Necesito que me devuelvan los formularios de currículum antes de nuestra selección de nominaciones en la Asamblea de diciembre.

Los tiempos han estado ocupados este mes. Después de nuestra Asamblea de septiembre, presenté sobre el Concepto 9 para un taller en el Área 46 se Nueva York el 19 de septiembre. El 20 de septiembre, tuve el Informe

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Chair

Hello All,

I hope everyone is well. This virus sure is stubborn and relentless. It sure has put a wrinkle in the way we do things. 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.

Again, I will be reaching out to

DCM'S to put in a bid for the 2021 State Convention. I do not know of anyone putting in a bid at this time. I know this pandemic that has brought us to isolate and a lot of Zoom meetings are taking place, but it is my hope by next year things will be looking differently. The state convention is something that we have been doing for quite some time now, and if a bid is not made, we may not have a convention in 2021. We could also just look at doing a virtual State

Convention again. District 7 was able to pull it off in short notice after putting in a lot of time putting it together for a in person convention.

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

Kurt K.

Area 46 Chairperson

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Ad Hoc Committee About the Books

Greetings, friends in Service.

We are making progress. In the last month we have zeroed in on two of best options from the past committee: Distribute the books proportionately among the districts and Distribute the books to the Area Committees which express a need for them. This does not, however, mean our work is over! Knowing that it may be months before we gather together again to discuss our recommendations to the

Area and to eventually move the books out into the world, we are now taking our time in an informed group conscience. How might we combine these options? As there are several thousand Spanish books and just two Spanish districts, how might we best distribute these? Are there options we haven't considered? Having taken a thorough inventory of the books themselves, we are now going slowly over all preferred and possible op-

tions until we can give you a clear and we hope, unanimous recommendation. We would also like to welcome Henrietta C who is serving District 17 as a liaison to AHCAB. Her voice will be very helpful in clarifying what's possible and what's best.

Will keep you posted as we move along. Thank you for your interest and prayers!

Kristina F.

Archives

I'm so grateful for the technology we have today to keep us connected in a way I never thought was possible. Grateful for AA and the tireless Trusted Servants who keep us connected.

The Archives committee met on the Area 46 Zoom account October 2 at 7:00.

I was able to get with Dennis T from District 16 to complete an Oral History with two 'Long-timers'. The history was recorded by Keri K., our Web chair and Michelle T, our Area Archivist. What a great experience hearing the stories and knowing they were being preserved.

The Archives committee page has been updated to include the Mission Statement approved September 2019. This is the guideline to use for archiving material.

More updates are coming with the 'Live' Group History form.

Our next meeting will be November 6, 7:00 p.m. on Zoom. In-

formation on the meeting is on our Area 46 website.

Please join In keeping our history available to all.

In Love and Service

Patience B.

Area 46 Archives Chair

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El Farolito is self-supporting through contributions. Groups are the primary source of support. Individual AA members and Inter-Groups are encouraged to contribute.

Treasurer

It's been a quiet month for the treasurer. Typically, September would see a flurry of expenses related to our assembly. This year that is not the case. And all the while, contributions from the groups to Area 46 continue to be received.

In a letter sent this month from Greg T., GSO General Manager, we have been informed that the AA General Service Board has authorized a drawdown of \$1.5 million from the

Reserve Fund to cover cash flow requirements in the 4th quarter of 2020. This will be the second drawdown of the year and it lowers the Reserve Fund to approximately 7.8 months of operating expenses (ideally, the GSB strives to maintain 12 months of operating expenses). This letter goes on to say that since May, when the first drawdown occurred, "the groups have responded with breathtaking generosity in their Seventh Tradition contributions." However publishing

revenue is still well below budgeted levels. This is of course what our prudent reserve is for- to provide cover in lean times. I believe our GSO will survive 2020 and not have to shut down. Still, I would encourage all of our groups and membership to examine their role in our 7th Tradition of self-support and stay informed about our current situation.

In service,

Christoph, Area 46 Treasurer

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Bilingual

Greetings Area 46.

Let me start by apologizing for missing my Committee report the last few publications. I realize the importance of a well informed Conscience and *El Farolito* is the melting pot of our Community.

I would like to thank Kerri K. our Web. Chair and her Tech. crew for keeping Area 46 moving forward during this Pandemic and in transitioning into perhaps a new way of doing our Service Committee Chairs.

In my first Committee Chair meeting during the virtual assembly I was joined by Tomas H., Ray R., Robin T., and Edwin L. Unsure of how to carry out a Committee meeting, we started by discussing what obstacles I had encountered during the current Pandemic. At first glance it seemed the main reason why I felt no progress was because no meetings were taking place. Ray R. suggested to focus on positive elements that the Bilingual

Committee. At that, point the meeting came life for me. I discovered the Committee has a couple of loyal trusted servants full of Gratitude, Willingness and a Desire serve and to see the Bilingual Committee be more influential in Area 46. In addition, the Committee has a hand full of Caring and Loving members that support it, and its needs. As the meeting took shape a VISION came to light, two cultures working as one Alcoholic Community in helping the still suffering Alcoholic that has not walked thru our doors. By the end of the meeting, the Bilingual Committee realized that it had made significant progress during this Pandemic by having acted and accepting being part of the Ad Hoc about the books Committee and the 2021 Service Forum. This was also possible by having a positive perspective on the virtual platform of service work offer to me by the Area 46.

The Bilingual Committee will be using these events as a building foun-

dation to make our VISION a reality, to help the newcomer find his/her way into our Community. The Bilingual Committee will be taking advantage of this new technology available to us and it will be having our monthly ZOOM Committee meeting on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm here is the link. <https://zoom.us/j/94096755530>

Meeting ID: 940 9675 5530

Dial in by phone +13462487799

This new way of communication can help us move forward in motivating our own culture on working as one Alcoholic community. I ask of you, if you have any ideas on how we can work together on a culture change, come join us and have some FUN in SOBRIETY while we do it!!!!

Bilingual future events: District 11, October 31. 30th Annual Traditions Conference Via Zoom 10a-2p

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Delegado

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de la Conferencia para los Distritos 14 y 15. El 24 de septiembre, fui parte de la Reunión del Plan Estratégico de la Junta de Servicios Generales. El 27 de septiembre fue mi Informe de la Conferencia para los Distritos 7 y 10. Debido a la tecnología virtual, tenemos una maravillosa oportunidad de asistir a muchos eventos y talleres diferentes en todo el país. El 4 de octubre, asistí a un Taller de Archivos, los primeros días – Sor Ju-

dith Ann Karam, Clase A, Custodio no alcohólica presentó una historia de la Hermana Ignacia. Michelle Mirza, archivista no alcohólica de la OSG, proporcionó una maravillosa presentación de Cartas escritas por el Dr. Bob. El 6 de octubre, asistí a una reunión de oradores con Joan S, con 63 años– se puso sobria en 1957.

Cuando esto es impreso, habré asistido a la 71ª Planificación de la Conferencia de Servicios Generales que Me encuentra en 10/15. Además, sirvo de un oficial del Comité SWRDA como la Silla del Delegado alter-

na. Los oficiales celebraron una reunión de planificación el 10/17 para discutir el SWRDA 2021. Como Coordinador del Comité 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, Custodio no alcohólico sobre Tratamiento y CCP Peter Luongo antes y después de la Reunión de la Junta Directiva de octubre.

En el amor y el servicio

Bill L., Delegado del Área 46

Delegate

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Letters written by Dr Bob. On Oct 6th, I attended a speaker meeting with Joan S, with 63 years – she got sober in 1957.

By the time this is printed, I will

have attended the 71st General Service Conference Planning Meeting on 10/15. Additionally, I serve as an officer of the SWRDA Committee as alternate Delegate Chair. The officers had a planning meeting on 10/17 to discuss SWRDA 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 the October Board Meeting.

In Love and Service,

Bill L., Area 46 Delegate

CPC

Buenos Dias le de Dios/may your higher power grant you good days. Happy to report the CPC Committee met on October 5th and had a presentation by our Area 46 Web Chair, Kerri K. on "Making it easier to find AA in NM and How to reach those who need AA but do not know about AA." It was very helpful to understand how individual can search for AA via Search Engine Optimization (SEO) in efforts to seek help or find an AA meeting here in New Mexico.

Other discussions at our monthly meeting included Sim'on and Jerry discussed PSAs available from GSO on www.aaa.org/pages/en_us/publicinformation_committee. Sim'on would like to provide AA-approved PSA copy to media outlets. Janet A

reported that she had provided the summary and virtual copy of the GSO pamphlet on CPC to the UNM School of Medicine and will seek to do the same for the New Mexico Medical Society.

Food for thought: Many individuals often encounter the suffering alcoholic, and despite public awareness, many simple do not know what to do for the drunk and those with drinking problems or how to assist them in connecting with AA - this is where we strive to be of service. Committees on the area (State) or local level (Intergroup) actively seek ways to contact the public and professional communities and set up programs to increase knowledge and understanding of Alcoholics Anony-

mous. History shows clearly how cooperation with the professional community has been an integral part of the Fellowship since our beginnings. Alcoholics Anonymous might never have gotten off the ground, or progress would have been much slower, without the help of non-alcoholics such as Dr. Silkworth, Sister Ignatia, and the Reverend Sam Shoemaker.

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 the early days of fall. 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).

I got the idea from the Bridge the Gap card we use in treatment facilities. The AAMC lists local group or meeting names, the meeting address

and the meeting times for the area where they are going to be living. No names are used on the card so we keep our contacts anonymous.

The idea is that the District DCM distributes the card template to their Corrections Chair who fills in the blanks with the necessary meeting information and gets the completed card(s) to the chaplain of the Correctional Institution.

THE AAMC can be given to an inmate at their release and they can then go to a listed meeting. A draft

of the AAMC cards was sent in an email to all Area DCMs in mid-October and I would like your feedback on the idea. I am open to any suggestions about the AAMC.

I look forward to seeing all of you at our virtual December Area Assembly. Wishing all of you a very blessed and happy Thanksgiving!

Gratefully yours in service,
Jimmy F.
Area Corrections Chair

**Tradition
of the
Month**

ELEVEN

Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio and films.

Grapevine/La Viña

I am hoping that everyone is enjoying a lovely fall!

This month has been a less than busy month, however the Committee has acquired a couple new GV/LV Repts and this is encouraging.

On September 20th I attended a Grapevine Workshop hosted by District 18 and 19 in Massachusetts. Very interesting and informative. Jon W. the Senior Editor of the *Grapevine* in NY was a guest speaker and I learned a great deal about our meeting in print. Please visit the website: www.AAGrapevine.org and see the new website.

I also attended a virtual GSO/*Grapevine* workshop on Friday September 25th. Hosted by Area 11 Connecticut, with speakers from GSO. This too was an excellent tour of GSO and *Grapevine*. Although it is not an in person tour, it is very interesting to learn about what is happening in the NY offices. October 4th, Area 79 BC/Yukon hosted an Archives workshop "The Early Days of AA". One of the speakers was Sister Judith Ann Karam, Class A Trustee of the same religious order as Sister Ignatia. She presented a most wonderful

history on Sister Ignatia and Akron Hospital, and her early work with Dr. Bob.

One positive that has come from all this pandemic, is the availability of workshops around the US and Canada that can be attended on virtual platforms. How blessed are we to have all this wonderful technology in times of such tragedy.

As always, everyone is encouraged 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.

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 awesome service position!

In Love and Service,
Maddy L, Area 46

Grapevine/La Viña Chair

Public Information

Greetings All!

Well, we got through our District 9 Sobriety Gathering and other events of the past month. We've had some interesting webinars regarding both PI and CPC, with Kerri and Theresa presenting and participating, in the workgroup that is being started up. This is being established in order to bring up more exposure to the AA Fellowship and Area Websites to carry the AA message further.

In this effort as well, I will be participating in the CABQ Employee's

Virtual Health and Benefits Fair: Better Health Maskerade on Friday, October 30, 2020.

And for the next PI Committee meeting on Thursday, November 5, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. The link is: <https://zoom.us/j/96049830688> and the dial-in by phone number is: +1 699 900 6833.

Have a great rest of the month and Happy Halloween!

Yours In Service, Jerry F.

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Web

Meeting Changes

Thank you to those who have sent meeting updates recently. Since Zoom now requires either the waiting room or a password many meetings have made changes.

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.

Website Committee Teams

What to help? Consider joining

Send meeting changes to meetings@nm-aa.org.

How best can Area 46 support AA's primary purpose by meeting the changing technology needs of our area?

one of the following teams:

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

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

Your Input is Needed

Area 46 has begun to rely more heavily on technology to conduct the business of Area 46. All of this

reliance on technology contributes to the primary purpose of carrying the message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

Area 46 currently does not have a committee to fulfill the technology needs of the area, so it has fallen to the website committee.

If you have thoughts or ideas you would like to share regarding this topic, please email me at webchair@nm-aa.org.

In Gratitude and Service,

Kerri K.

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

THANK YOU!

Rcvd. Group	Amount	Rcvd. Group	Amount
Oct. Keep It Simple (Waterflow)	\$ 20.00	Oct. Dawn Patrol (Albuquerque)	\$ 15.82
Oct. Westside (Albuquerque)	140.00	Oct. Beginners (Las Cruces)	20.00
Oct. El Grupo Del Valle (Mora)	27.00	Oct. District 8	200.00
Oct. Boozers in Bathrobes (Santa Fe)	11.17	Oct. There Is A Solution (Taos)	77.47
Oct. Singleness of Purpose (Carlsbad)	25.00	Oct. Early Birds (Roswell)	20.00
Oct. Happy Valley (Los Lunas)	33.00	Oct. Daybreak (Farmington)	12.28
Oct. Las Mujeres (Las Cruces)	10.00	Oct. Foothills (Albuquerque)	14.40
Oct. Isleta Group	62.88	Oct. Sunday Serentiy (Silver City)	50.00
Oct. Albuquerque Central Office	25.00	Oct. Ruidoso Arid Group	10.00

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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!

We need a new editor!

Looking for a service position? Interested in editing and producing the monthly *El Farolito* newsletter or coordinating the "business" side of the publication (postage, mailing, printing, etc.)? We're looking for one or two New Mexico Area 46 members to take over these responsibilities starting in 2021. Contact Tim M. @ 410-905-7615 or elfarolito@nm-aa.org to learn more.

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

District 3 wishes everyone a Happy Halloween!

“It helps you to help others” Service Positions Available: Accessibilities – CPC - *El Farolito* – *Grapevine* – Treatment. Visit the Area 46 webpage for more information <https://nm-aa.org/>

District 3 will be having the next Area 46 2021 Service planning meeting in December. Please join us in planning and supporting the 2021 Forum. If you have any questions, please contact Kerri our website chair: <https://nm-aa.org/webchair@nm-aa.org>

Link for ALL Area 46 Service Forum Planning Meetings

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/665864074>
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Meeting ID: 665 864 074

Birthdays!

Isleta Group September--Hawk 26 years---Victoria 3 years--Lisa Q 7 years---Tonya 2 years Emilio 9 months.

Downtown Lunchbunch Group --- Tomas 32 years.

Happy Valley Group --- Ray 42 years—Caroline 4 years

Next District 3 meeting will be Hosted (online) by the Sunrise Catchers Group 1829 Isleta Blvd SW, Abq NM 87105

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/878229628>
Meeting ID: 878 229 628
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We do it one day at a time. Keep coming back! –

Francine M.

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District 8 – FARMINGTON, SHIPROCK, WATERFLOW...


Greetings from District 8!

Our district continues to meet for their regular monthly meetings via Zoom. We have several district positions open and available now. These positions include: Alternate DCM, Secretary, Jail Rep, Juvenile Rep, Bridge the Gap Rep, and *El Farolito* Rep. For more information about these service positions, you can email Melanie K at District8@nm-aa.org.

Our DCM, Melanie K shared her

story at District 9's: 7th Annual Sobriety Gathering online last month. District 9's theme was titled "Virtual Language of the Heart" and this event included many inspirational speakers from around the state. District 9 should be proud for putting on this great event that brought in many people in and out of the state to come together online.

We wish everyone a safe yet enjoyable month!



Area 46 Virtual Assembly December 5-6, 2020

We have made a few minor changes to improve the online assembly experience for all of us. The main changes are briefly listed below.

- 1

Registration

The assembly will still be on Zoom but we have moved to the EventBrite platform for registration. This will allow our registrar and her team to actually check-in attendees at the event. Moving to EventBrite will ensure we have a solid count of eligible voters for voting on Sunday morning. *Everyone will need to go the Registration Breakout Room to check-in* when they enter the assembly for the first time.
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Moving in and Out of Breakout Rooms

Great news! You will be able to *move yourself* in and out of breakout rooms. Zoom has added this feature. *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 the September assembly.
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Renaming

Since Attendees will be checked-in by the registrar there is no need to be renamed.
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Voting

The "Voting on Zoom" procedure handout will be more clear and will more accurately reflect the Area Information Pamphlet (AIP) Guidelines.
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Link to Assembly and the Assembly Quick Reference PDF

On Dec 1 you will receive an email that includes the Zoom link for the assembly and the *updated* Assembly Quick Reference Guide. We suggest you print the Quick Reference Guide to have it handy during the assembly.

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

<https://tinyurl.com/A46Dec2020-2>

DISTRICT REPORTS

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

Greetings from Northern New Mexico. Our district conducted our last meeting on October 3, 2020 at 2 pm via Zoom we also held our Fall Picnic at Springer Lake. A huge thank you to Rick G. and Pete O. for organizing our Fall Picnic at Springer Lake. We also held our district meeting at the lake. For our members who could not participate in person due to Covid 19, we also held the District Meeting via Zoom.

Our district is planning on putting in a bid for an Area Assembly in 2021. Land of Enchantment in Raton will be setting up the committee and exploring the different options required to submit a bid to Area #46. We also voted with unanimous decision for Cody from LOE to be our chairperson for the Area #46 Assembly Committee. We also want to recognize Laura B. and Vangie from LOE who are also helping to organize the District #6 groups to rally the support and participation needed for a successful assembly. We invite all our groups to bring ideas and suggestions to our next meeting on November 7, 2020.

Rick G. our events coordinator for the district is working on a plan to hold

an Alco-Thon on December 31, 2020 to ring in the New Year. More information will be announced soon.

On Saturday November 14, 2020 at 6 pm. Paul G. will be conducting a workshop. The workshop will be on Sponsorship. This workshop will be on Zoom and everyone is welcomed to attend. If you would like to receive an evite please send an email to kathleenvassalli@yahoo.com. If you are currently on our email list an evite will be sent the day of the workshop.

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.

Zooming Into Sobriety is our newest group in Las Vegas, NM. We are excited to be part of District #6 and look forward to serving our community. We 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 October 28, 2020 at noon. Our speaker will be Bethany L.

who is celebrating 2 years of sobriety. Our meetings are listed on the Area #46 website or enter through zoom.

Our Early Bird's 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 padres74@gmail.com.

Las Vegas is also holding in person meetings at 310 Mills Ave. Mask are required and Highlands Happy Hour participants are following Covid 19 guidelines. 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.

District #6 meetings are every FIRST Saturday of the month at 2:00 pm via Zoom. Our next meeting will be Saturday November 7, 2020. We encourage all District #6 groups and GSR'S to join our meeting. If you would like to receive an evite please email Rick B or Kathleen V. at padres74@gmail.com or kathleevassalli@yahoo.com.

In Grateful and Loving Service,
Kathleen V.

District 10 – CARLSBAD, HOBBS, LOVINGTON...

Howdy District 10! We hope everyone is enjoying the fall weather! Our virtual October District 10 Business Meeting went very well with several members in attendance from both Hobbs & Carlsbad. Due to continuing health concerns with COVID-19 it is with sadness that I must report our November Gratitude Gathering has been cancelled this year. On a lighter note we will be hosting the virtual December Area Assembly, more details will be forthcoming. Interested in some virtual service work? WE NEED YOUR HELP HOSTING THE DECEM-

BER AREA ASSEMBLY! Please contact our District 10 DCM Dagmar and volunteer your time and talents, it's easy and gets you involved with fellow members from across the Area. District 10 upcoming November events: Hobbs Original Group has started a "Friday Fire" meeting at 6pm, come "Fire Up" your recovery; on the 14th Speaker, potluck and raffle 6 to 8pm, and on the 26th is birthday night at 8pm. New Life Group, on the 21st,

Speaker and potluck meeting at 8pm, birthday night on the 27th at 7pm. In Carlsbad, the Singleness of Purpose Group has started a Traditions Study, Saturdays at 5pm, the Carlsbad Group is hosting a Thanksgiving Fellowship and potluck meeting on the 26th from 11:30am to 3pm. Wishing all of you a very blessed and happy Thanksgiving! Gratefully yours in service

Jimmy F., District 10 ELF Rep.

District 14 – TAOS, TALPA, QUESTA...

Greetings friends,

District 14 and 15 held a combined Delegate report on September 20 and were grateful to receive the information. Also, District 14 is welcoming Rick H. who is filling the Hotline Committee Chairperson's position. And a huge thank you to Bruce K. for stepping up and filling the vital Alternate

DCM Chairperson seat.

And finally, the Taos AA group "There is a Solution" presented a well-received virtual panel of Old-Timers and Newcomers exploring sobriety together on October 24.

Be kind and stay healthy.

Kelly O., District 14 *El Farolito* Rep.

Send financial contributions for *El Farolito* to:

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

DISTRICT REPORTS

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

Greetings from District 13! We meet on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 10:00 AM. We are in need of a Bridge-the-Gap Chair and a Young People Chair. If you are interested and available to serve in either of these positions, join us so you can be elected! Our next meeting is on Saturday, November 14, 2020. For the foreseeable future we will be meeting online via Zoom. Feel free to join through video or phone. Our Meeting ID is: 719-543-888 on the Zoom app or you can dial in: 1-346-248-7799, Access Code: 719-543-888.

District 13 is 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 Al-

coholics 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.

Please consider including District 13 when your group makes quarterly distributions. It is through your gen-

erous 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 November. Your participation and your vote are very important.

In love & service,

Laura S.

DCM, District 13

district13@nm-aa.org

District 16 – SILVER CITY, BAYARD, DEMING, GILA, COLUMBUS...

We are deeply grateful to everyone who attended the Area's first full virtual assembly in September; it was a huge success. We hope that in the future we can welcome you in person to our beautiful Southwest NM area. We'd also like to give an especially HUGE THANKS to Kerri K., Melissa S., and the entire Tech Team for pulling this thing off!

All meetings in District 16 are currently meeting virtually through Zoom, and there is at least one AA meeting each day. The Board of the 180 Club met in October to consider reopening the clubhouse. They decided that the Club will remain closed for now.

We started a new Zoom meeting in June; the Noon Newcomers meets on Saturdays at 12:00 pm, and is an open Beginners' Discussion meeting. The Sunday Serenity Group meets virtually at 10:00 am each Sunday, and hosts a Speaker meeting on the first Sunday of each month. The group has welcomed speakers from Panama, Mexico, and states around the US! The Bayard Group holds its meeting every Monday at 6:30 pm -- a CLOSED topic discussion meeting -- and the second Monday of each month, is a Grapevine meeting. The Morning People Group meets on Wednesday mornings only, at 8:00 am. Many thanks to Teresa J. & Kerri K. for getting these and other meetings updat-

ed on the Area 46 website!

District 16 held a virtual Quarterly District meeting on September 19th. 7th Tradition contributions are accepted by mail to our Treasurer, Rose Mary Shumaker, PO Box 99, Gila, NM 88038, made payable to "District 16." There are many opportunities to be of service at the district level, beginning January 2021. Open positions include Literature Rep, CPC/PI Rep, and others. The next District meeting will be in December -- come and join us!

Yours in gratitude & peace,

Paula S.

District 16, *El Farolito* Rep.

District 18 – BERNALILLO, PENA BLANCA, CORRALES, CUBA ...

Hello from D-18 and I hope this report finds every one hanging in there. We have continued to hold monthly district meetings via Zoom with the exception of October, our September group conscience made the decision to forgo the meeting as there was not much going on. Our D-18 monthly meeting attendance has declined with only about 12-14 people in attendance with some groups reporting in person and some remaining online. Last

month our DCM stepped down and we now have three open positions; DCM, Alt. DCM and ELF representative. Please consider attending the D-18 meeting in November if you are interested in any of these positions or just being of service. We are all looking forward to the D-18 Fall Workshop on October 24th via Zoom, I'm not including details as this will already have happened by the time of publication, but I am sure it was amazing. Please con-

sider attending out D-18 meeting next month, we need more participation from the groups and appreciate any input from your groups to achieve that as we continue to carry the message.

Hope to see you in November,

Susan D.

D-18 Secretary