



EL FAROLITO

Official Newsletter of New Mexico Area 46 Assembly of Alcoholics Anonymous

September Assembly & Elections

AGENDA for AREA 46 ASSEMBLY - September 12 & 13 2015 District 3 - Belen - Belen Middle School, 314 S. 4th Street, Belen, NM 87002

SATURDAY

- 8:30 am **CALL TO ORDER**
- 8:40 am **COMMITTEE MEETINGS:** Cooperation w/ Professional Community (CPC), Correctional Facilities, Website, GSR Orientation, **Special Needs (ad hoc), Fun Committee (ad Hoc).**
- 9:30 am *10-Minute Break*
- 9:40 am **COMMITTEE MEETINGS:** Bilingual, Finance, Literature, Public Information (PI), Treatment Facilities, Grapevine
- 10:30 am *10-Minute Break*
- 10:40 am **COMMITTEE MEETINGS:** Archives, Bridge the Gap (BTG), Finance, Convention 2016, El Farolito, Young People
- 11:30 am *10-Minute Break*
- 11:40 am **MEETINGS:** General Service Representatives (GSRs), District Committee Members (DCMs), Area Trusted Servants, Past Delegates
- 12:30 pm **Lunch - For those staying for the Delegate's report, lunch will be served.**
- 12:45 pm Delegate's Conference Report – Jen Noonan
- 1:45 pm **CALL TO ORDER**
- 2:00 pm **INTRODUCTIONS:** Visitor from SW Regional Trustee, Past Delegates, Area Trusted Servants, Districts with DCMs and GSRs, and Visitors
- 2:30 pm **SUMMARY OF MINUTES:** March 2015 Assembly – District 11 Albuquerque
- 2:40 pm **TREASURER'S REPORT** (while seventh tradition is passed)
- 3:00 pm **REGISTRAR'S REPORT**
- 3:10 pm **DELEGATE'S REPORT**
- 3:25 pm **ALTERNATE DELEGATE'S REPORT**
- 3:30 pm **NMCYPAA**
- 3:35 pm **COMITÉ DE PRO-CONVENCIONES**
- 3:40 pm *10-Minute Break*
- 3:50 pm **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 4:00 pm **OLD BUSINESS**
- Area 46 Assembly Report: December 5th and 6th 2015 - District 8 Farmington
- Area 46 Assembly Report: March 5th and 6th 2016 - District 14 Taos
- Area 46 2015 Post Convention Report: June 5,6,7 - District 10 Hobbs
- Area 46 2016 Convention Report: June 3,4,5 - District 15 Espanola
- 4:40 pm **NEW BUSINESS ***
- Bid: Area 46 Assembly September 10th and 11th 2016
- 2) Presentation of Draft Budget Proposal for 2016
- 3)
- 4)
- 5:30 pm *Break until Sharing Session*
- 7:30 pm **SHARING SESSION:** SW Regional Trustee - Yolanda Flores.

SUNDAY

- 8:00 am **CALL TO ORDER**
- 8:10 am Vote on previous day's bids and motions
- * **COMMITTEE REPORTS** - as this is an Election Assembly, Committee reports will be posted on the Web site
- * **Ask it Basket** questions will be answered in the October ELF.
- 9:00 am The Assembly meeting is adjourn until **December 5th and 6th 2015 - District 8 Farmington**
- Assembly planning meeting for the December Assembly will be Saturday, October 24th 2015**
- 9:15 am **Area Elections for 2016-2018 rotation**

* WHEN MAKING A MOTION: 1) Only voting members can make motions. 2) Motions should be written out (including your name and voting position) and given to Secretary when motion is made. 3) If funding is required should your motion pass, that information (cost to the Area and where the funding comes from) should be included in motion. **ALL COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS ARE TO PROVIDE WRITTEN REPORTS OF ACTIVITIES AND EXP**

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AGENDA for AREA 46 ASSEMBLY
12 & 13 de Septiembre, 2015 Distrito 3 - Belen
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SÁBADO

- 8:30 am **LLAMADA de ORDEN**
- 8:40 am **REUNIONES de COMITÉS PERMANENTES:** Comité de Cooperación con la Comunidad Profesional (CCP), Comité de Correccionales, Comité del Sitio Web, Orientación del RSG, Necesidades Especiales (*ad Hoc*), Diversión Comité (*ad hoc*)
- 9:30 am *10-Minutos de Receso*
- 9:40 am **REUNIONES de COMITÉS PERMANENTES:** Comité Bilingüe, Comité de Finanzas, Comité de Literatura, Comité de Información Pública (IP), Comité de Facilidades (Centros) de Tratamiento, Comité de La Viña
- 10:30 am *10-Minutos de Receso*
- 10:40 am **REUNIONES de COMITÉ PERMANENTES:** Comité Uniendo las Orillas (BTG), Comité de Finanzas, Convención 2016, Comité del Farolito, Comité de Los Jóvenes
- 11:30 am *10-Minutos de Receso*
- 11:40 am **REUNIONES de:** Representante de Servicios Generales (RSGs), Miembros del Comité del Distrito (MCDs), Comité del Área, Delegados Pasados
- 12:30 pm **Almuerzo**
- 12:45 pm **INFORME DE LA CONFERENCIA POR NUESTRA DELEGADA – Jen Noonan**
- 1:45 pm **LLAMADA de ORDEN**
- 2:00 pm **INTRODUCCIONES:** Invitado del SW Región Suroeste, Los Delegados del Pasado, Sirvientes Confiados de Área, MCDs, RSGs, y Visitantes
- 2:30 pm RESUMEN DE MINUTOS de Asamblea del marzo - Distrito 11, Albuquerque
- 2:40 pm INFORME DEL TESORERO (MIENTRAS LA SÉPTIMA TRADICIÓN SE PASA)
- 3:00 pm INFORME DEL REGISTRADOR
- 3:10 pm INFORME DEL DELEGADO
- 3:25 pm INFORME DE LA DELEGADO SUPLENTE
- 3:30 pm NMCYPAA
- 3:35 pm COMITÉ DE PRO-CONVENCIONES
- 3:40 pm *10 minutos de Receso*
- 3:50 pm **ANUNCIOS**
- 4:00 pm **VIEJO NEGOCIO***
Área 46 Informe de la Asamblea: 5 y 6 de diciembre, 2015 Distrito 8 Farmington
Área 46 Informe de la Convención: 5 y 6 de marzo, 2016, Distrito 14 Taos
Área 46 2015 Publicar Convención Informe: 5,6 y 7 de junio Distrito 10 Hobbs
Área 46 Informe de la Convención de 2016: 3,4 y 5 de junio, Distrito 15 Española
- 4:40 pm **NUEVO NEGOCIO ***
Oferta por Área 46 Asamblea 10,11, septiembre, 2016
Presentación del Proyecto de Presupuesto para 2016 Propuesta 3)
3)
4)
- 5:30 pm *Receso hasta la Sesión de Compartimiento*
- 7:30 pm **SESIÓN COMPARTIDA:** Custodia del Suroeste Región - Clase B - Yolanda Flores.

DOMINGO

- 8:00 am **LLAMADA de ORDEN**
- 8:10 am Votar en las ofertas y propuestas del día anterior
***INFORMES DE LOS COMITÉS COMITÉS** - Como esta es una Asamblea de la Elección por favor fije sus informes en el Sitio Web
***Pregúntele las preguntas** de la Cesta serán contestadas en la edición de octubre.
- 9:00 am Aplazar hasta el 5 y 6 de diciembre, 2015 - Distrito 8 Farmington
Reunión de planificación de la Asamblea de la Asamblea de diciembre será Sábado, 24 de octubre 2015
- 9:15 am Elecciones de la zona para 2016-2018 rotación

*** AL HACER UN MOCIÓN:**

Sólo miembros que pueden votar pueden hacer mociones.
Mociones deben ser escritos (inclusive su nombre y posición electoral) y dados al Secretario cuando movimiento es hecho.
Si financiación es requerida debe su paso de movimiento, esa información (cuántos \$ y de donde) debe ser incluido en el movimiento.

TODOS COORDINADORES DE COMITÉS PROPORCIONA REPORTES ESCRITOS DE ACTIVIDADES Y GASTOS.

Area Trusted Servants Reports

Delegate Report

I'll have two items to give out at the September Assembly: the 2015 Conference Report and the Conference Inventory Report. I'll be giving packs of these to DCMs to distribute within their districts. There are some great reads in the Conference Report this year. I particularly want to recommend J. Gary L's keynote address, Bob W's report on the 23rd World Service Meeting, held in Poland last October, and Billy N's report on A.A. World Services.

The Inventory Report is a summation of the 3-year conference inventory process. Like any inventory, it only has value if we put it to use. Now that the inventory is completed, it is our job to assess where we need to go from here.

I've been pretty busy since the March Assembly. After attending my second (and final!) General Service Conference, I've travelled around New Mexico giving my report and hearing feedback from A.A. members, including at our Area Convention in Hobbs and NMCYPAA in Roswell. It has been a real joy to serve the area in this capacity. If you haven't yet heard my report and had the chance give your input, come join me during lunch at the September Assembly in Belen.

A new delegate will be elected at this assembly. So, the next few months will be a time of transition, not just for me but for most of the trusted servants in our area. We will be passing along what we've learned to the incoming trusted servants and giving them a chance to put their own spin on each of our service positions. I have great respect and admiration for everyone who stands for a position for their willingness to be of service!

Delegate Expenses: My year-to-date service expenses (mileage, copies, lodging) total \$724. General Service Conference travel and incidentals: \$300. Travel and lodging for SWRDA (Southwest Regional Delegate's Assembly): \$655. Travel to assemblies and planning meetings: \$143. Total: \$1,822. These figures included estimated travel and copy expenses for the September Assembly. Please let me know if you have any questions or would like further clarification on any of these expenses.

In grateful service, Jen N

Delegado Informe

Voy a tener dos elementos para dar a conocer en la Asamblea de septiembre: el Informe de la Conferencia 2015 y el Informe de Inventario de la Conferencia. Voy a estar dando paquetes de éstos a los MCD para distribuir dentro de sus distritos. Hay algunos grandes lee en el Informe de la conferencia de este año. En particular, quiero recomendar la dirección de J. Gary L inaugural, el informe de Bob W en la 23a Reunión de Servicio Mundial, que se celebró en Polonia en octubre pasado, y el informe de Billy N en AA Servicios Mundiales.

El informe de inventario es un resumen del proceso de inventario conferencia de 3 años. Al igual que cualquier inventario, que sólo tiene valor si lo ponemos de usar. Ahora que el inventario se ha completado, es nuestro trabajo para evaluar dónde tenemos que ir desde aquí.

He estado muy ocupado desde que la Asamblea de marzo. Después de asistir a mi segunda (y última!) Conferencia de Servicios Generales, he viajado alrededor de Nueva México dar mi informe y retroalimentación escuchar de AA miembros, incluyendo a nuestra Convención del Área de Hobbs y NMCYPAA en Roswell. Ha sido un verdadero placer para servir a la zona en esta capacidad. Si usted todavía no ha escuchado mi informe y tuvimos la oportunidad darle a su entrada, únete a mí durante el almuerzo en la Asamblea de septiembre en Belén.

Un nuevo delegado será elegido en esta asamblea. Así, los próximos meses serán un momento de transición, no sólo para mí sino para la mayoría de los servidores de confianza en nuestra área. Estaremos pasando a lo largo de lo que hemos aprendido de los servidores de confianza entrantes y dándoles la oportunidad de poner su toque personal a cada uno de nuestros puestos de servicio. Tengo un gran respeto y admiración por todo el mundo que representa una posición por su voluntad de estar al servicio!

Gastos de delegado: Mis gastos de servicio del año hasta la fecha (el kilometraje, copias, alojamiento) en total \$ 724. Servicios Generales viajes Conferencia e imprevistos: \$ 300. Viajes y alojamiento para SWRDA (Asamblea del suroeste Delegado Regional): \$ 655. Viaja a asambleas y reuniones de planificación: \$ 143. Total: \$ 1,822. Estas cifras incluyen los gastos de viaje y de copia estimados para la Asamblea septiembre. Por favor, hágamelo saber si usted tiene alguna pregunta o desea más aclaraciones sobre cualquiera de estos gastos.

En servicio agradecido, Jen N

Chair

I want to welcome you to the September 2015 Assembly. It seems so long since we have met, with March to September being the longest stretch between Assembly meetings. Be assured that the business of Alcoholics Anonymous in New Mexico continues to be alive and well.

- Jen, our Area Delegate has been delivering her Delegate report traveling throughout the state.
- Jay, our El Farolito Editor, has been a powerhouse of timely information by informing us of Area events, reports from other districts and workshops.
- Area Committee Chairs have been conducting and offering workshops and acting as a resource to districts for ways to inform our communities about AA.
- If you haven't noticed our new web face at nm-aa.org, please take some time to do so. Our Web Committee has done a great job and spent a great deal of time in training the Trusted Servants. Please let the Web Chair know of corrections that may still need to happen through email as it ended up starting earlier than and basically the "beta trial" is now.
- We have the ongoing Special Needs Ad Hoc Committee that could use constructive support to follow through with their plan to build a Special Needs Tool Box. This is to offer Districts and groups a resource to serve their Special Needs that arise in their groups and districts.
- We have a new Ad Hoc committee that is called the Fun Committee that is identifying ways to encourage new comers to come and stay into service at the area level of AA fellowship.

If this is your first Area 46 Assembly, I want to welcome you. If this is your first Election Assembly, I am excited for you to have the opportunity to see how your Elected Trusted Servants stand and our Third Legacy Procedure in action. It means allowing the entire service structure to operate with a Higher Power leading the way through the expression in our group conscience. Be sure to pick up the *The Third Legacy Procedure* that will be at the front table at the Assembly on Sunday that will help inform you of how our elections are conducted.

The Area 46 Election will be for the next two year rotation 2016-17. This will be for our Area Delegate, Area Alternate Delegate, Area Chair, Area Alternate, Area Treasurer, Area Secretary and Area Registrar. All members of the Area Committee are customarily eligible to stand, if present at the Assembly, if not previously elected to a term in that office. This includes the immediate past ELF Chair that rotated out in this current service rotation. Any past DCM and any member of another AA Area may also stand if they have completed at least six months Service in Area 46. If there is only one person that stands for an elected position, then nominations are then customarily taken from the floor.

I know there will be careful soul-searching with humility as to those willing to stand and offer a leadership that can allow a Higher Power to lead the way.

GRATEFUL!! Teresa F Area 46 Chair chair@nm-aa.org

	Budget	Spent	Remaining
Service Expenses	50	15	35
Discretionary Fund	500	121	379
Travel to Assemblies	500	33	467
Travel planning mtg	55	36	19

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Trusted Servant Reports

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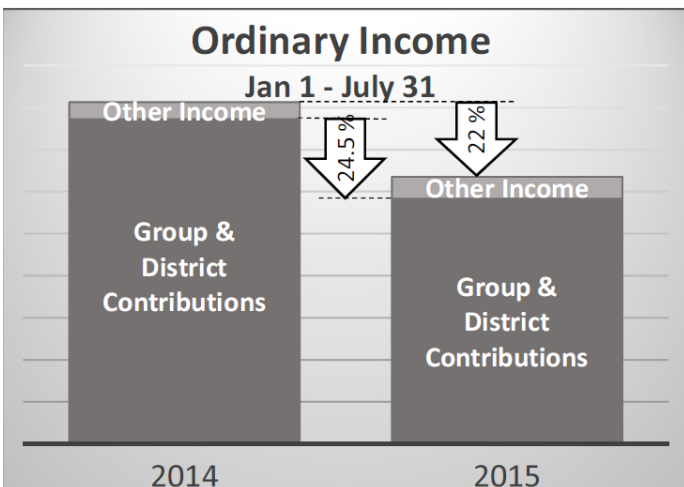
For those of you attending the September Assembly, please pick up a copy of the Treasurer's report at the Assembly. The Treasurer's report supplied at the Assembly will contain the most current information available at that time. If you cannot attend the Assembly, ask your GSR for a copy of the Treasurer's report. The following report contains data through the end of July only.

July was our most active month so far this year with 47 groups making contributions to the Area. Even with this amount of participation, we are still behind where we would hope to be for total contributions. Group and district contributions are 24.5% lower this year compared to the same time last year. Total ordinary revenues are 21.9% lower. At the current pace we will not receive enough in contributions this year to pay all of our expenses using only ordinary revenues. This will also severely impact our budget for next year.

In July, the 2015 Convention Committee (District 10) returned the convention seed money that was provided to them by the Area and a little extra they realized from the Area 46 Convention (i.e. overage). The committee sent a check for additional overage but it wasn't received until after July 31st, so the additional overage isn't included in this report. The total overage will be reported at the Assembly and in the next issue of *El Farolito*.

Expenses in July included reimbursing the travel expenses of the Grapevine, Literature and Bilingual chairpersons as well as two bilingual translators to attend the Area 46 Convention. Expenses for the Delegate to give the Delegate's report to Districts around the State and at the Convention were reimbursed. The balance of the contract for the programming of the new website was paid in full. Liability insurance, to cover the next three Assemblies and the Area Convention, was paid. Rent was pre-paid for the Assembly planning meeting. Finally, I purchased checks and deposit slips.

My expenses year-to-date are as follows: Travel to Assemblies \$0, Service expenses \$48, Banking charges \$56...Hope to see you in Belen!
In grateful service, Teresa J.



Area 46 Financial Reports		
January 1 - July 31, 2015		
Revenues and Expenses		
	July	YTD
Ordinary Revenue/Expense		
Revenues		
Group & member contributions	2,306	11,656
Assemblies & planning mtgs	-	743
Conventions (NMCYPAA)	-	250
AIP Self-support	-	29
Other - interest income	15	31
Total Revenues	2,322	12,708
Budget Expenses		
• Twelve Step services		
Special project - rebuild website	50	50
12th Step - Other	-	760
Total Twelve Step Services	50	810
• Area-wide services		
Travel to Area Convention	1,100	1,100
Liability insurance - convention	219	219
Area-wide services - Other	-	1,813
Total Area-wide Services	1,319	3,132
• Delegate related expenses		
Delegate's service expenses	402	402
Delegate fee to GSC	-	1,600
Delegate related - Other	-	1,555
Total Delegate-related expenses	402	3,557
• Assemblies		
Planning meeting rent	45	90
Liability insurance - Assemblies	657	657
Seed money	-	2,000
Assemblies - Other	-	1,563
Total Assemblies	702	4,309
• Operations		
Banking fees - checks	56	56
Total Operations	56	56
Total Budget Expenses	2,528	11,864
[A] Total Ordinary Gain/(Loss)	(207)	844
Other Revenue/Expense		
Non-budget Revenue		
Convention seed money returned	5,000	5,000
Area 46 Convention overage	155	155
Archivist travel trust	-	356
Total Non-budget Revenue	5,155	5,511
Non-budget Expenses		
Convention seed money out	-	5,000
Voluntary contribution to GSC	-	5,400
Website programming contract	1,100	2,250
Total Non-budget Expenses	1,100	12,650
[B] Total Other Gain/(Loss)	4,055	(7,139)
Net Gain / (Loss) [A+B]	3,848	(6,295)
Cash Statement		
Beginning Balance January 1		32,199
Net Gain/(Loss)		(6,295)
Ending Balance July 31		25,904
Reserve funds		
Prudent Reserve		14,112
Convention Seed Money		5,000
Translation Equipment Fund		3,500
2015 Area 46 Convention overage		155
Archivist's travel trust		356
Total reserve funds		23,123
Total cash above/(below) reserves		2,781

Trusted Servant & Committee Reports

Registrar

You'll be reading this right before the Election Assembly in Belen Sept 12 and 13. Just as Labor Day signifies the end of summer so does this Assembly signify the start of the upcoming rotation not only at the Area level but also at District and Group level. Many of you will be holding District elections for DCM and other positions. Many groups will also be electing new GSRs. I will be talking to many of you at the Assembly and shortly afterwards I will be sending out Group Change Forms to assist you in getting your information to all the right places.

When you send the information to the Area Registrar it is immediately entered into the GSO database so that new GSRs can receive their GSR kit and start receiving information from GSO such as *Bax 459*. This database also is shared with the *El Farolito* editor to insure that each group receives a copy of our Area publication. The information is also used to prepare the Area Directory and the Regional Directory prepared by GSO which aids folks in locating meetings. There are many ways of getting the new information to me. You can mail it to me at 6100 4th St NW #321 Albuquerque, NM 87107. You can pick up the phone and call me at 505 280 0489 or email me at registrar@nm-aa.org. So when you start hearing from me asking for new information remember it's all a part of rotation. We don't rotate out...we rotate on.

Envelopes Returned in August

Daily Reprieve Group - Las Cruces
Share The Legacy Group - Albuquerque
Sponsorship & Growth Group - Albuquerque
Estancia Valley Group - Edgewood
Downtown Group - St Augustine
Trinity Site Group - Alamogordo
Cloudcroft Group - Mayhill
Tired Of The Bus Stop Group - Gallup

I look forward to seeing all of you in Belen. Until then keep on trudging!

Ad Hoc Committee

Area 46 has a new Ad Hoc Committee: ASSEMBLY DEVELOPMENT AND FUN-RAISING !!!!

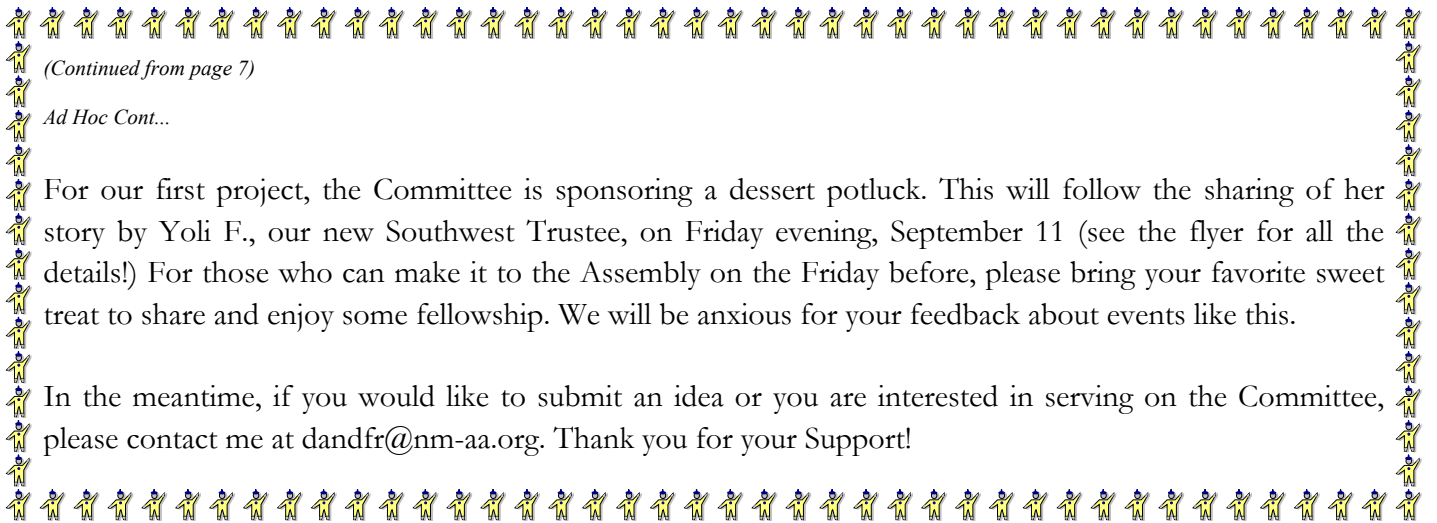
By Jaclyn S., Committee Chair

Area Chair, Teresa Flanagan, has formed a new Ad Hoc Committee. The purpose of this committee is to identify ways to make area assemblies more productive, informative and enjoyable. The hope is that by making assemblies more attractive, those who attend will become more committed to general service and they will be, directly or indirectly, as ambassadors for general service in their districts and groups. The committee also hopes to improve unity and fellowship at our area assemblies.

The Committee has met several times to brainstorm ideas and we have a number of exciting proposals to present during our committee meeting at the September assembly. That meeting is scheduled on Saturday, September 12 at 8:40am. We want to hear your reaction as well as your ideas for assembly development and fun. We will also have a suggestion box available in the general meeting room so that you can submit your ideas during the assembly whenever those ideas come to you!

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Service Committee Reports



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Ad Hoc Cont...

For our first project, the Committee is sponsoring a dessert potluck. This will follow the sharing of her story by Yoli F., our new Southwest Trustee, on Friday evening, September 11 (see the flyer for all the details!) For those who can make it to the Assembly on the Friday before, please bring your favorite sweet treat to share and enjoy some fellowship. We will be anxious for your feedback about events like this.

In the meantime, if you would like to submit an idea or you are interested in serving on the Committee, please contact me at dandfr@nm-aa.org. Thank you for your Support!

Archives Committee

The Archives Committee has been through quite a number of changes, and a lot of activity since the beginning of the rotation. We started with the motion to create the Archivist position separate from the Archives Committee Chair position in March of 2014. Since then a new Archives Chair person was named, and the Archivist has been busy organizing and taking care of the physical holdings of the Area Archives. The archives committee received a donated computer and scanner to use to beginning the process of digitizing our archives collection.

The Archives Committee updated the traveling display and created a slideshow to be used as part of display. A past paper version of an AA JeopAArdy game was resurrected, modernized and made electronic to be presented with PowerPoint. To date there are a total of three separate JeopAArdy games now available for presentation. The committee has also created seven PowerPoint Presentations for use by the Area. These presentations cover AA History, Workshops, and Entertainment. Please feel free to visit the Area 46 website archives page www.nm-aa.org for a listing of presentations available.

We have had the opportunity to set up our display at both State Conventions, both NMCYPAA State Conventions. Workshops were held in D18 and D14, and are scheduled to be held in D12 and D4 later this month, and at the D11 Traditions Conference October 31. Thank you to all who have requested Archives presence at your events. It is an honor to serve.

Later this year the Archivist will attend the 19th National AA Archives workshop in Cleveland. Attendance to this workshop was partially funded by the Area, and the Archives Committee held several events and raised additional travel funds.

If your District has an event coming up and would like an Archives presentation, or want to have fun with JeopAArdy, please contact Area 46 Archives Chair at ArchivesChair@nm-aa.org.

I would like to take a moment and thank our Area Chair, Teresa F, for offering me the opportunity to continue to be of service to Area 46 as the Archives Chairperson. I always cherish any opportunity to give back to this program which has given me my sobriety and so very much else.

I look forward to upcoming opportunities to be of service. Total Expenses since March have been \$38.50

In Love and Service, Bill L, Area 46, Archives Chair

Bi-Lingual Committee

Comité Bilingüe

El día 8-1-2015, me presente en la iglesia de la Montano y 4 Street para planificación para la asamblea en Septiembre en Belén. El comité bilingüe tiene servicio con Distrito 17 taller de correccionales el día 8-22-2015 a las 1 p.m. hasta 6 p.m. Tiene servicio el día 31 octubre en la iglesia natividad para el conferencia de las tradiciones. Y estaremos en la asamblea para diciembre esperando cual va hacer el próximo coordinador bilingüe. Primero Dios nos estamos viendo en Belén.

On 8-1-2015, I went to the church at Montano & 4 Street to help plan for the September assembly in Belen. The Bilingual committee has service at the District 17 Corrections Workshop on 8-22-2015 from 1 - 6 p.m. On October 31 we will be translating at the Nativity Church for the Traditions Conference. And we are looking forward to the December assembly to find out who will become the next Committee Chair. But first, God will see us on our trip to Belen.

Oscar R, Bilingual Committee Chair

Finance Committee

The assembly is fast approaching and I am now in the process of putting together the draft budget for 2016. I would like to thank those that have reached out and gave me input about budget items. It has been helpful since this is quite a challenge for me. I am still asking anyone for their input on what they have seen in the past and might want it to look like in the future. If you have any questions or concerns feel free to get in contact with me so that we can discuss it.

Below is a rundown on the expenses I have incurred so far for the year 2015: Service Expenses: \$22. Travel to Assemblies: \$120 Travel to planning meetings: \$36

We will see you soon. Yours in Service, Kurt K.

Upcoming Area Events

Area Assembly December 5,6 District 8; Farmington
Area Assembly March 5, 6 District 14 Taos

YPAA Committee

I look forward to seeing you all at the September assembly in Belen.

I'm so grateful for this opportunity to serve AA, it has allowed me to grow, learn, and give back to the fellowship that has given me my life and it was a privilege to be of service. I want to first thank all of those on the Young People committee whose willingness and enthusiasm for service is contagious. The Ypaa committee work over the last two years has only been possible because of the great district reps and Ypaa committee members who contributed to carrying the message.

Our first task was to get representatives in as many districts as possible and to find out what the needs of Area 46 were so we could be of service. We mailed out letters to each DCM encouraging the creation of a district Ypaa chair and we are now represented at Districts, 2,5, and 11,12,13,15,18. Thank you all for helping us bridge the communication gap.

Other examples of committee work included, a three legacies workshop that we hope becomes an annual event. Participation in PI/CPC workshops, handing out Young People literature to members that take meetings into adolescent treatment centers, and compiling a current young people meeting list as well as offering help to members who wanted to start a young people meeting. Our final project was to complete the best practices document with our experience and a PowerPoint districts can use as a service tool or to better inform others about how YPAA can best serve their districts and groups. This was sent out to all trusted servants, DCM's, and area committee chairs.

In love and Service,
Ally T Young People's Chair

Expenses: Committee Expenses \$38 of \$45 budget and Travel to Assemblies: \$0

PI Committee

The PI committee attended the August workshops for districts 17 and 12. A good time was had by all. PI expenses to date are zero budget and about \$50 for workshop/12 step expenses, so we are running lean.

We continue to provide books and literature to people and places where the AA message can be carried. I look forward to the Sept assembly where I will distribute some new materials and discuss the recently released PSA by GSO. Take a look at PI Committee page http://www.aa.org/pages/en_US/public-information-committees and click on video to the right. As always, it is a pleasure to serve.

In loving service of AA, Tom C

Literature Committee

I just purchased and received \$758.10 worth of books and pamphlets. That leaves a balance of \$20.11 in my treasury. The State Convention in Hobbs this summer was outstanding as far as literature sales.

Thanks to all. My Area 46 Literature Budget Y-T-D is as of 8/13/15 is: Committee Expenses Budget \$45- Spent \$5- Remaining \$40 / Travel to Assemblies Budget \$525 Spent \$150- Remaining \$375 / Travel to Conventions Budget \$250- Spent \$250- Remaining \$0 / Travel to Planning Meeting Budget \$150- Spent \$50- Remaining \$100 / I want to thank Teresa Jacks for compiling this data for me to share with you. See you in Belen in September. Stop by....browse....buy.....read....pass it on.....buy some more and do it all over again!

TYFLMBOS, John T.

Treatment Committee

Greetings from Taos! In reporting budget expenditures for our Committee year-to-date is \$55 dollars with a remainder of \$625. I foresee staying within budget this year. So far this year we have completed two workshops. I want to thank Carrie N., Alternate Chair of the Treatment Committee for taking the lead on two workshops this year (Las Cruces and Silver City). I am looking forward to participate in two August workshops hosted by District 17 at the Isleta Club on August 22nd and District 12 at St. Mary's Episcopal Church on August 29th. A big thanks to both Districts for holding these workshops in efforts to carrying the message to the suffering alcoholics. The purpose of a Treatment Committee is coordinate the work of individual AA members and groups who are interested in carrying our message of recovery to alcoholics in treatment facilities, and to set up the means of 'bridging the gap' from the facility to an AA group in the individual's community. If you are interested, you can inquire with your local District for service opportunities. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me. Hope to see you at the September Area Assembly!

In the spirit of service, Lawrence M.

CPC Committee

The Area 46 CPC Committee will be participating in the District 17 Corrections Workshop on Saturday August 22nd, from 2PM to 5PM at the Isleta Club in Albuquerque. The Area 46 CPC Committee will participate in the District 12 "I Am Responsible" workshop on Saturday, August 29th from 2PM to 5PM at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Albuquerque. The Area 46 CPC Committee will be participating in the Commission on Lawyer Assistance Program Conference (COLAP) on October 20th, 21st and 22nd. Please attend the CPC committee meeting at the Area 46 Assembly in Belen on September 12th at 8:40AM if you are interested in participating in Area 46 CPC activities.

Brian V., Chair

District Reports

District 3 - Belen, Los Lunas, Socorro

Greetings Area 46! The September Assembly – hosted by District 3 is getting near. Thank you for this opportunity to host this assembly. We have been meeting and planning, taking into account all the details that go into hosting an assembly for quite a few months now. We have a lot of district 3 volunteers ready to pitch in and volunteer. Thank you District 3 members! Your participation is greatly appreciated.

If you come into town early, there will be a Friday night Speaker meeting – hosted by the Rio Amigos Group in Belen at 7:30 pm. There is a flyer for this in this issue. The “Eagle Center” that is printed on the flyer is actually the “Belen Community Center”, 305 Eagle Lane, Belen. It is located directly north of the Belen High School, which is near I-25 and can be seen from I-25. We will be hearing from “Yolanda”, our new Southwestern Regional Trustee” and we will have a dessert potluck after the meeting. Please come join us. This will be a great way to kick off the assembly.

On Saturday, at the Assembly, District 3 will host a lunch. This will give Jen. N. our Area 46 Delegate, an opportunity to give her Delegate’s report. Also, since this in a voting Assembly, we will have some food items, snacks, etc...on Sunday so that our voting members don’t get too hungry before the Assembly finishes.

Thank you, to all the District 3 members who not only volunteered to be Chairpersons in the Planning Committee but to just be a part of the many areas that we needed volunteers for. Thank you so very much. Last, but not least, our District Committee Chairs and groups that take meetings into Turquoise Lodge, and Correctional Facilities continue to carry the message and stay involved in service work. Thank you to these Committee Chairpersons, groups, and volunteers as well.

In closing, we hope everyone travels safely to the Belen/Los Lunas area and we are looking forward to this great opportunity to host an Assembly. Thank you all, once again. We will see you soon! In gratitude and service,

Carmen O. – District 3 ELF Rep

**OUR NEW SOUTHWESTERN
REGIONAL TRUSTEE**

WILL SHARE HER STORY

**7:30PM - BELEN COMMUNITY CENTER
305 EAGLE LN. BELEN, NM 87002
(LOCATED NORTH OF THE BELEN
HIGH SCHOOL) DIRECTIONS SEE
FLYER ON WEB PAGE**

**DESSERT POTLUCK
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE
MEETING
(PLEASE BRING A SWEET TREAT TO
SHARE!)**

This evening presented by:

Rio Amigos Group
District 3

The Area 46 Assembly Development and
Fun-Raising Committee

**Area 46 Assembly Sept 12 -13 2015
Belen Middle School
314 S 4th St Belen NM
(2 blocks east of Main St)**

Traveling South to Belen on I25 take exit 191 for Camino Del Llano for the Assembly Site and Holiday Inn Express and Super 8.

Traveling North to Belen on I25 take exit 190 (toward I-25 bus/Belen) then continue North on I-25 bus/NM314 Turn right on Baca (at the Pizza Hut)

For Holiday Inn Express take Exit 191 and turn left on Camino Del Llano. **RV Park** is near the Holiday Inn Express in Belen “**Top Spot 191-RV Park**” (505) 864-1919 Nightly Rate is \$35 for 30 Amp site and \$45 for 50 Amp site Showers/Laundry facility

For more detail on motels, see full flyer on web page.

District Reports

District 2 - Santa Fe

Happy summer from Santa Fe! As happens in the summer, things have slowed down a bit in District 2. I heard reports from folks that attended the State Convention in Hobbs and the International in Atlanta; always exciting to hear when Alcoholics Anonymous get together. Jen visited District 2 this month and shared her experience at the General Service Conference. We had a lively discussion and she had an enormous wealth of information to share with us.

As for the committees: Stephanie, Archives chair, was handed possible workshops by Area, as well as working on organizing another "long-timers" Q&A; Jerry, chair of Bridge the Gap, got a shot in the arm with GSRs turning in quite a few sign-up sheets of volunteers; Don, our Corrections chair attended an orientation with eager volunteers and has re-found his enthusiasm for the service work to be done; our Fun-Raiser, Kit, has been busy, but I'm sure he will have something up his sleeve for the near future; Grapevine chair, John, stands ready to help anyone anywhere sign up for a Grapevine or La Vina.

Kristina, Alt DCM, is organizing a "7th Tradition Workshop" to be held in October, as well as continuing her work with CPC/PI; new GSRs are being welcomed with a packet, and registered, of course!, by Tess, Registrar. Our Treatment Chair, Andy, is making the rounds to the facilities to verify meetings are being held and literature needs are met. Joe, our very enthusiastic Young People Chair, has been organizing rides to events in the area but out of Santa Fe proper. All of our GSRs have been encouraged to attend Area in a few weeks – I look forward to seeing them and all of you there, too!

Michelle B – District 2 DCM

District 5 - Alamogordo, Ruidoso

Here's the report from District 5. Another exciting month in recovery. Our delegate, Jen N. came down to our district meeting on the 19th and gave her report. Always glad to hear her stories about New York. Group 63 has speaker meetings on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month at 7:30pm. Usually a packed house. Lots of new recovery. Lots of hope. Serenity has a speaker meeting on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 8:00. Lots of recovery there too.

On the 28 Roger D and I visited the NU Beginnings group in Tularosa. It is a small group and they welcome visitors. Their address is Tularosa Community Church, Central and Fairview. Meeting is at 7:00 Tuesdays. Start making plans to attend the 18th Annual FULL MOON MADNESS Saturday October 24. 6pm to 10pm at WHITE SANDS NATIONAL MONUMENT. Meat and drinks provided. Please bring a covered dish. Overnight camping available. More info on our area website. \$3.00 National Park Fee per person

See ya next month. Grateful to be of service. Patience

District 8 - Farmington

Our District 8 picnic was a great success; great food; great speaker (Guy S.) and great fellowship. The 2nd Edition Big Book was raffled off and was won by.....Charlotte A., the picnic host chairperson. (Who says service work doesn't pay dividends?).

Our District is gearing up for the December 2015 Area Assembly with planning meetings every month at The Well Recovery Club. Check our website at fourcornersaa.org for the next meeting. We need help in all positions from set-up to tear-down. Contact our DCM Mikel W. at (505) 947-5778 to get involved. The next planning meeting is set for our walk through at St. Mary's Parish Hall on August 22nd at 10am.

We are also working on our Christmas Banquet to be held on Saturday evening 6-12 at St. Mary's Parish Hall December 19th. Debbi M. is chairing up the banquet and says she has collected \$365 in group donations and is selling \$5 raffle tickets for the 1st Edition Big Book. Bring your raffle items to the Well. Clancy Dan is catering the banquet and tickets will be available soon for \$20; children under 8 are free. Contact Debbi M. at (505) 592-1112.

TYFLMBOS, John T.

District 9 - Grants, Gallup, Zuni

Our District has had a busy summer. We sponsored a workshop series shared by 3 of our groups: Laguna hosted a workshop on Sponsorship (with some fabulous stews and Laguna bread); Wings of the Storm in Gallup hosted a workshop on Service; and Spiritual Awakening, our adopted group from Fort Defiance, Arizona, hosted a workshop on the Twelve Traditions. We hope to continue our District workshops and are always appreciative when other groups come out to visit us and offer their support.

The Uranium Capital Group in Grants hosted a special potluck and AA meeting for the Fire and Ice Motorcycle Rally in July. They needed to rent a larger room to house the 27 attendees and what a great addition to the weekend.

Our annual summer District 9 picnic was again held at the Veteran's Park in Chichiltah on July 12. It's a beautiful setting with lots of great potluck and picnic food. Thanks to the more than 75 people in our District who came out and to our Area Delegate, Jen N. for a great day. Part of the day's discussion included helping with the Navajo translation of the Big Book. Please contact Jen N. if you are able to assist in this much needed and very worthwhile project. Many folks in our district are really looking forward to this translation.

The Laguna Group celebrated their group's birthday on July 18th with another great potluck and speaker meeting. The Home Group on Gallup's north side celebrated their one year anniversary July 17. The Spiritual Awakening Group in Fort Defiance also celebrated their group's birthday with their First Annual Trail Ride and Campout at Wheatfields Lake the first weekend in August.

Coming up September 25 to 27 is the second annual Gallup Gathering begun last year by several exuberant AA s from Oklahoma and California. This year, we will have two California speakers, a Saturday afternoon workshop on Step 4 and our own speakers Brian Z. from Sanders, AZ and Johnnie B. from Zuni. The Gathering will be in the Sacred Heart Elementary School Cafeteria, west of the gym. Please check out www.GallupGathering.com for more information.

Birthday celebration: Darryl L of the 4th Dimension Group in Zuni is celebrating 4 years on August 17th. Congratulations Darryl!

In Service and Gratitude, Beverly T., District 9 El Farolito Rep.

District 11 - West Albuquerque

This year's District 11 Traditions Conference "A Design For Living", is coming along well. The date for the Conference has been finalized...October 31st from 8:30am – 2:00pm! The next planning meeting will be held on Thursday, September 10th at 6:00pm at Nativity Church at 9502 4th St. NW. The rest of the scheduled planning meetings are as follows: September 24th and October 8th and 15th b o t h at 6:00pm

What a great opportunity for younger sponsees to become better acquainted with service work! Please contact Miguel V at (505) 328-0768 if you are interested in helping out. Elizabeth reports that Central Office has filled several of the open positions to answer the phones, but could still use some help. Six months of sobriety is required. The topic for this month's Pass It On is: "What Tradition has meant the most to you?" Elizabeth will edit your article...just send it in to evemerson@comcast.net Elizabeth is looking for ways to encourage people to become Faithful 5ers or Trusted 10ers. Central Office always needs donations. Signers are not cheap.

Joseph received an email from CYFD says the chaplains were consolidated and they want to know exactly who is coming in to volunteer. Contact Joseph if you are interested in going through orientation. Corrections chair is still open we need a chair. Dismas house always looking for speakers. Elaina A. has stepped up and accepted the role of District 11 Bilingual Rep. Welcome aboard Elaina, and thank you for your service!

District 11 has several open service positions, and could use your help in carrying the message. Service is a vital component to staying sober, and helping others. I am grateful for that opportunity.

Yours in service, Kevin C.

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District Reports

District 12 - East Albuquerque

Dog Days of summer greetings from Dist. 12, we are kind of sweating out the recent heat wave after a cool July with plenty of rain showers.

We in District 12 want to again thank Alice M. and the numerous volunteers from around the district who helped put together the Albuquerque Central Office Speaker Meeting and Raffle in late July. The event went well and raised some much needed revenue to keep the central office running. The district will also have held the "I am responsible" seminar featuring panel discussions on sponsorship and service on the last Saturday in August.

In other District news, we have gathered the troops for the September Assembly in Belen and we look forward to a great event hosted by District 3. We are continuing the tradition of District 12 volunteers hosting the Heights Club Thanksgiving Feast, look for details on the flyer to be posted on the Albuquerque AA website.

Yours in service, Milt B.

District 14 - Taos

Greetings from Northern New Mexico. If you are reading this before September 18, 2015, we welcome you to join us for the 32nd Annual Taos Mountain Fiesta. If it's after that date, please put it on your calendar for next year! You can register and/or find more information at taosmountainfiesta.org. The Fiesta committee wants you to know there are still plenty of service positions!

New AA Meetings in our district will be starting at Vista de Taos Treatment Center and at the Butterfly Treatment Center at Taos Pueblo. Keep an eye on the schedule for specifics. Outreach folks have also met with Rio Grande Treatment Center and Agave. The phone numbers on the back of the schedule were due to be changed in August, so please help us get them distributed around the District.

The Turn it Over Early group has a lot of newcomers and they have developed a newcomers packet - so they're a good place to send newcomers right now. (M-Saturday, 8am, Presbyterian Church in Taos.) The Humble Pie young people's meeting at St. James Church has folded. That notice has been sent to the Taos News, but please help spread the word.

Several additional District AA groups will be using stamps to verify court-ordered attendance. The DUI authorities have verified that this will work for them as proof of attendance. A motion passed at the July District meeting that the meeting brochure will not state which meetings have stamps. This motion, to not state which meetings use stamps to verify attendance, was approved because District members thought that doing so would violate AA traditions.

Our District needs more volunteers for corrections, especially men. Please see Carolyn B. if you can help or if you know members looking for service opportunities. The next meeting for the District Handbook Committee is 8/31/15 at 5:15 at Tri-County ACT office. Much progress is being made on this project to write-down job duties, goals, etc. for district positions and procedures. 10/31/15 is the El Farolito mailing party. Stay tuned for more details.

Thanks for letting me be of service and we hope to see you at the Taos Mountain Fiesta!

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El Farolito

PO Box 35876

Albuquerque, NM 87176

Send group contributions

for the Area to:

Area Treasurer

PO Box 35785

Albuquerque, NM 87176

District 16 - Silver City, Deming

The District mtg. will be held on September 15th at the Duster Group in Deming. The address is 118 E. Spruce St. at 10:30am. Look for the AA symbol above the door. This meeting is for nominations for District trusted service positions. Elections will be in December. Come out and see how you District operates and consider being a part of service. This is a potluck so please bring a side dish. Thank you.

In Service, Jan W.

El Farolito Committee

From the Editor

Well, this was my first Assembly issue and I discovered that space is a real problem. So...took things in order of importance and thus there are no birthdays or flyers this month. Also District reports are in 10 point so break out the reading glasses!

I will publish what I did not have room for in the print version and run all of the birthdays next month.

We will be voting on the ELF Budget at the committee meeting and making a recommendation for the annual subscription price to the finance committee. See everyone in Belen.

**October Deadline:
Friday September 18th**

REVENUE/EXPENSE SUMMARY 2015	
Total Revenue	3,557.35
Total Expenses	3,869.37
NET GAIN / (LOSS)	(312.02)
BALANCE SHEET	
Beginning Balance	3,456.39
Net Gain / (Loss)	(312.02)
Bulk Mail Account & Stamps	325.01
Ending Balance	3,469.38
Above / (Below) Prudent Reserve	969.38

**Schedule a mailing party!
Booked through
10/31**

Contributions since the last issue: \$643.07

We send a thank you post card with each contribution that also acts as a receipt. We believe that the amount of the contribution is not as important as the fact a contribution is being made. A \$5 contribution for one group can be as much of a sacrifice as a \$50 contribution from another. We are deeply humbled and grateful for your support.

1326	Westside AA	Albuquerque	68.45	1432	Sober at Sunrise	Las Cruces	25.00
3114	White Rock AA Group	Los Alamos	35.00	9012	Jemez Springs	Jemez Springs	15.41
1368	Daybreak Group	Farmington	23.46	1681	Too Much for Us	Tijeras	25.00
1668	Wings of the Storm	Gallup	80.22	1028	In the Book	Rio Rancho	40.00
MO	Ft Bayard Group	Silver City	26.00	2133	Lunch Bunch	Roswell	40.00
146	Spiritual Awakening	Las Vegas	10.00	25877458	Brown Baggers	Albuquerque	25.23
752	Cloudcroft Group	Cloudcroft	24.48	1295	Serenity Group	Albuquerque	78.51
1282	Ruidoso Arid Group	Ruidoso	10.00	3390	Dawn Patrol	Albuquerque	12.51
1236	Twelve Squared	Carlsbad	25.00	1291	Ruidoso Arid Group	Ruidoso	25.00
1823	Sunday Night Step Study	Albuquerque	18.99	4378	Questa Crossroads		12.50
6289	Foothills Group	Albuquerque	22.31				



***DRINK
COFFEE***

**Happy
Labor Day**

Sober Up!

A vintage-style illustration of a woman with dark, wavy hair, wearing a red top and a pearl necklace. She is smiling broadly and holding a white coffee cup with a floral pattern. The background is a solid yellow color.