

Area 46, District 4

February 2020



March Area 46 Assembly- @Taos (Dist 14) Charter School. March 28-29. Will continue discussion of the AA literature listed below. All groups will have the ability to vote on the disposition by sending their GSR or group representative to the Assembly. The agenda should come out in February.

2/27/2019: Bernalillo County employees were assigned to remove all recovery materials (including AA, NA and other treatment books) from the basement of the old Metropolitan Detention Center (BCMDC) and take them to the county dump. One of the county employees assigned to this job happened to be a member of A.A. and thought someone n A.A. might like to have the books. So, this employee/A.A. member called another A.A. member (to be referred to as R.2.) who then got in contact with the Area 46 Alt. Chairperson.

Area 46 Storage Inventory

Inventory taken 4/2/19

English Books

Inv. #	Language	Description	Full Cases ¹	Loose Books	Total
B-2	English	12 & 12, hard cover	85	8	1,708
B-6	English	<i>Came to Believe</i>		19	19
B-7	English	<i>Living Sober</i> (case = 50 books)		1	1
B-15	English	12 & 12, soft cover	34	257	937
B-17	English	12 & 12, pocket edition, soft cover		12	12
B-20	English	<i>Experience, Strength & Hope</i> , hard cover	2	36	76
B-30	English	Big Book, soft cover, 4th ed.	39	5	795
Total English Books			160	348	3,548

Spanish Books

Inv. #	Language	Description	Full Cases ¹	Loose Books	Total
SB-7	Spanish	<i>Living Sober</i> (case = 50 books)	1	38	88
SB-13	Spanish	<i>A.A. In Prison: Inmate to Inmate</i>	24		480
SB-15	Spanish	12 & 12, soft cover	22		440
SB-17	Spanish	12 & 12, pocket edition, soft cover		18	18
SB-18	Spanish	<i>As Bill Sees It</i>	4		80
SB-21	Spanish	"De las tinieblas hacia la luz", hard cover ²	8		160
SB-30	Spanish	Big Book, soft cover, 2nd ed.	22	50	490
SB-30	Spanish	Big Book, soft cover, 3rd ed.	37		740
Total Spanish Books			118	106	2,496

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Language	Description	Full Cases	Loose Books	Total
English	Total English Books	160	348	3,548
Spanish	Total Spanish Books	118	106	2,496
Total Books		278	454	6,044

¹Full cases contain 20 books each unless otherwise noted.

²"De las tinieblas hacia la luz" translates to "From the darkness to the light."
This book is the equivalent to *Experience Strength & Hope*.

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The Shape of Things to Come

By Bill W.

In the book Alcoholics Anonymous there is a chapter called "A Vision for You". Wandering through it recently, my eye was caught by this startling paragraph written a short five years ago. "Someday we hope that every alcoholic who journeys will find a Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous at his destination. To some extent this is already true. Some, of us are salesmen and go about. Little clusters of twos and threes and fives of us have sprung up in other communities through contact with our two large centers---" Rubbing my eyes | looked again. A lump came into my throat. "Only five years," I thought. "Then but two large centers—little clusters of twos and threes — travelers who hoped one day to find us at every destination." Could it be that only yesterday this was just a hope—those little clusters of twos and threes, those little beacons so anxiously watched as they flickered, but never went out. And today—hundreds of centers shedding their warm illumination upon the lives of thousands, lighting the dark shoals where the stranded and hopeless lie breaking up—those fingers of light already stretching to our beach heads in other lands. Now comes another lighted lamp—this little newspaper called "The Grapevine". May its rays of hope and experience ever fall upon the current of our A.A. life and one day illumine every dark corner of this alcoholic world.

Step Two

"Come to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity."

THE moment they read Step Two, most A.A. newcomers are confronted with a dilemma, sometimes a serious one. How often have we heard them cry out, "Look what you people have done to us! You have convinced us that we are alcoholics and that our lives are unmanageable. Having reduced us to a state of absolute helplessness, you now declare that none but a Higher Power can remove our obsession. Some of us won't believe in God, others can't, and still others who do believe that God exists have no faith whatever He will perform this miracle. Yes, you've got us over the barrel, all right—but where do we go from here?"

Tradition Two

"For our group purpose there is but one ultimate au-thority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern." Where does A.A. get its direction? Sole authority in A.A. is loving God as He may express Himself in the group conscience. Formation of a group. Growing pains. Rotating committees are servants of the group. Leaders do not govern. they serve. Does A.A. have a real leadership? "Elder statesmen" and "bleeding deacons." The group conscience speaks.

Group News
Brown Baggers (Arid Club) Last Friday is birthday party for the month

Arid Club Speaker Meetings:

Saturday 10:30 AM February Sunday 7:00 PM February

1st	Kathleen	2nd	Ty
8th	Rita	9th	Ron N.
15th	Janis	16th	Kathy
22nd	Matt	23rd	Dorian
29th	Open		

District 4 officers and Committe Chairperson

DCM	Mike K
Alt DCM	Andy T.
Secretary	Matt S.
Treasurer	Athena H.
Accessabilities	Open
Archives	Open
Answering Service	John F.
Bridge the Gap	Carrie N.
CPC	Terry E.
Crier	Teresa V.
ELF Rep.	Irene
Grapevine	OPEN
Literature	Chris C.
Men's Corrections	Jack M.
Women's Corrections	Jen N.
Newsletter	Tom H.
Public Information	Rita M.
Schedules	Jean H.
Treatment	Ron N.
Webmaster	Robin B.
Young People	Kenneth

GSR

AA @ 12:15	
AA & Meditation	
Beginners	Terry E.
Brownbaggers	Tom H.
Downtown	Bob E.
Happy Hour	Chris C.
Ladies Night	Amanda B.
Las Mujeres	Rita D.
Los Mesilleros	Tim F.
Men's Stag	Mike K.
MVH Meeting	
The Next Right Thing	
Primary Purpose	
Roadrunner	Jean H.
Six O'Clock Solution	Ron N.
Sober at Sunrise	Wayne
Sunshine	
T or C Meetings	Norm B.
Young People in Recovery	Hojae C.