

New Mexico FFLA Chapter Report 2018

March 11, 2019

Membership: 12 (+2) = 14

Carry forward: \$ 484.61

2018:

- Unfortunately 2018 was not a productive year for the New Mexico Chapter except it looks like we added two new members. I think the main problem is that I am a full time Forest Service employee and cannot serve the entire State of New Mexico.
- A general note for those interested in communicating with Forest Service personnel going forward, USDA is going with a USDA One email address scheme. This means that in the near future all @fs.fed.us email addresses will be gone in favor of an @usda.gov address. It should be easier to find a person as all addresses will be generally first name "." last name. This will not be true for individuals who share their name with other USDA employees where a middle initial may be used or other forms of distinguishment. Currently both the old and new addresses will reach the individual.

Goals for 2019:

- Search for another person interested in becoming a Chapter Director to cover northern New Mexico. Any help in this area from leadership would be much appreciated.
- Jeremy Kulisheck (Cibola National Forest, Forest Archaeologist, Jeremy.kulisheck@usda.gov), is outreaching to anyone who has recently done a National Register determination of eligibility for a CL-100/106 series fire tower lookout. If anyone has a generic write-up, please contact Jeremy.
- In the past few years I have had requests by volunteers to man our towers. We, here on the Lincoln NF have not had a volunteer lookout program. In fact, I don't believe any New Mexico forest has one. I have been trying for a number of years now to get one started, but we have not had a stable District Ranger staff on the Forest to get one started. I will continue to work on this.

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