

Yesterday was the last day for candidate filing in District 2 which comprises the west side of Socorro, the Magdalena area and Alamo Res. The election will be on November 9th at the Alamo Navajo Wellness Center (the site was suggested by Don Wolberg and approved by the Board). Voting and registration 1 to 3 pm; Business meeting 3 pm. The candidates are Manny Marquez who was a trustee back in the days of unlimited trustee expenditures and little transparency and Charlie Wagner, the current trustee who brought awareness of trustee costs, uneven representation, the need for transparency and other abuses to the SEC membership. Mark your calendars and be ready to attend this important election and business meeting. If you cannot possibly attend, you may request a mail in ballot by email [emarquez@electionpeople.com](mailto:emarquez@electionpeople.com) or telephone – 505-891-6534 by mail Automated Election Services, POBox 44607, Rio Rancho, NM 87174 (Attn: Ernie Marquez) Do this quickly as you need time for the ballot to be mailed and for you to mail the ballot back to Automated Elec. Ser. The deadline for the returned ballot to be received in ABQ is Nov, 1, 2013. This is only 3 weeks for request of ballot, ballot sent to reach you and your return of ballot for counting. Postcards from the SEC announcing the District 2 meeting have been mailed and should have been received.

District 3 election and business meeting is scheduled for Nov. 16th at Finley Gym. Voting and registration 1 to 3 pm; business meeting 3 pm. Candidates are Melissa Amaro, Leroy Anaya, Prescilla Mauldin and Don Wolberg but with a week left to file there may be additional candidates. Melissa Amaro is far and away the best candidate as she has vast knowledge of the workings of the SEC Cooperative. The records of the other three candidates leave a great deal to be desired. They may attempt to claim Reform status but any reform they have sponsored is not to the benefit of the members. Watch for the postcard from the SEC announcing the District 3 election and dates for mail in ballots.