From the Delegate...

The focus for the up-coming Area 42 Assembly in Tonopah Sept. 7-9 is set—elections of Area 42 servants to fill Panel 63 slots who will serve for 2013 and 2014. I hope we have a great turnout and that everyone comes with an open heart and the thought clearly in mind that it is not about getting elected, it’s about offering to serve!

In addition to reports and any proposals that might come forward, Carol B, Area Chair, has put one other important item of business on our agenda. You will be asked to provide your ideas for a self-support effort to help AA become truly self-supporting through member contributions. So…bring ideas from your Group, District, and Committee, and of course yourself. I will summarize the input for feedback to the Trustees Finance Committee.

So you know, my travel schedule is fairly full through October. Sunday, Aug. 19 I am hoping to attend the District 7 event at Mt. Charleston, NV, and then the weekend of Aug. 24-26 I will be giving my Delegate report and speaking at the Sierra Cascade Campout in Canyon Dam, California and yes, this is indeed a glorious part of our Area 42. Following our Tonopah Assembly Sept. 7-9, I will be representing Area 42 at the Pacific Region Forum in Fairbanks, Alaska Sept. 14-16. With a really quick turn-around required, I accepted an invitation to speak at the Round-up in Plymouth, California Sept. 22-23 (part of Area 07) and then finally Oct. 18-21 I make my annual personal trip to Minnesota for my yearly treatment center reunion. While my schedule is pretty full, let me know if I can represent Area 42 at one of your District functions—Together we will do our best to try and fit it into to my schedule.

Look forward to see you in Tonopah.
Yours in service,
Byron F.
From the Chair...

I would like to tell each of you who have been participating here with us during these last two years, that it’s been a pleasure and an honor to serve as your Chairperson and I want to also thank you for your patience and tolerance. I truly hope that while encountering for yourselves, you also have been able to share with others some of what goes on in Alcoholics Anonymous beyond the level of the Group Meeting.

Because we have only two assemblies per year, there is quite a bit of business that we need to fit into our weekends here in Tonopah. This upcoming September gathering is the Area 42 Election Assembly. There shall be 12 separate positions we will be filling for panel 63. That means we could possibly have as many as 60 ballots to be counted along with the candidate nominating and their short presentations to fit into the Saturday daytime Area 42 business.

If at all possible, as time allows; we will hear area reports during ballot counting and conduct business when it’s deemed timing appropriate, so we don’t overload the Sunday Morning agenda.

Plan on enjoying the Grilled Tri-Tip Buffet the Tonopah Elks have been preparing for us several times now. Our Saturday Night Dinner includes: Ranch style beans, diced potatoes w/bacon, Pasta salad, Rolls and Desert. District 11 will supply us with sodas and water in available in the back corner. District 5B has the volunteered to take on the hosting duties this September.

Our General Service Weekend Guest, Saturday Night Speaker and Sunday Morning Ask-it-Basket participant, is someone most of you know, our most recent past Delegate; Jason C.

I look forward to seeing you all next month; September 7,8,9, 2012.

Sincerely,
Carol B.

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Our Third Legacy: How It Works

In AA, choosing our trusted servants can be one of the most inspirational, spiritual experiences imaginable.

In Area 42, we are guided by our “Third Legacy Procedure,” as detailed in the AA Service Manual. Let’s take a look at how it works:

There is no electioneering. All persons eligible and available for the first four elected positions (Delegate, Alt Delegate, Chairperson, and Alt. Chairperson) shall be given the opportunity to go to microphones as they are called, to give a short report on their general service background experience. There are no nominations from the floor, unless there are less than two people standing for the position at the time when the vote is ready to be taken.

Nominations may be accepted from the floor for the remaining area officer positions, which are open to all members of the area assembly, past or present that have served a full term and are in attendance.

After it is decided who will make themselves available for a position, secret, written ballots are cast. If anyone has two thirds of more of the eligible votes, that person is elected. If not, a second ballot is taken.

Voting will continue until somebody has at least 2/3 of the votes cast, or has been chosen by drawing a name from the hat.

If after two votes there is no clear “winner,” all those receiving less than 1/5 of the total vote is withdrawn.

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ASSEMBLY AGENDA

Friday, September 7, 2012

Registration is closed while assembly is in progress.

Please register early so the election participation numbers are correct

4 till 6 Registration Desk Open

6:00 Assembly opens
  Moment of silence, Serenity Prayer
  Preface and reading
  Chair's welcome and overview of weekend

6:10 Brief Area Committee Meeting in the Blue Room

6:30 3 (20 min. each) Presentations in Main Room
  • Conference request for feedback: Self Support Slogan
  • Conference request for feedback: Eleventh Tradition
  • Internet Technology: Digitize Area 42 Archives?

6:30 DCM Workshop in the Blue Room

7:30 Break - Registration Desk Open during the break

7:45 Explanation of Election Process

8:00 Service Positions: descriptions from and questions for the outgoing officers

9:00 Adjourn for the evening

Saturday, September 8, 2012

7:00 Open A.A. meeting

7 till 8:30 Registration Desk Open

Please register early so the election participation numbers are correct

8:30 Assembly opens
  Preface and reading
  Approval of minutes
  Planning for Spring '13 Assembly Weekend

8:45 Delegate's Conference Report

9:35 Break
  Registration Desk Open During break

Note: Area Committee Member Reports (2 min. max.) will be given during the counting of ballots on Saturday.

9:50 Finance Business - 2013 Area 42 Budget Presentation

10:20 Election for Area 42 Delegate

The following procedure will apply to each elected service position:
  Introductions from the eligible and willing (2 min.max)

1st Ballot

If second ballot is required:
  2nd Ballot, etc.

11:15 Break

11:30 Elections continue

Noon Registration is closed for the weekend

12:30 – 2:00 Lunch

2:00 Elections continue as necessary

3:15 Break

3:30 Elections continue as necessary or Area Business

4:30 Adjourn for the afternoon. Please leave no trace.

6:00 Banquet

7:30 Sobriety Countdown

8:00 AA Speaker Meeting

9:00 Close for the evening

Sunday, September 9, 2012

7:30 Open A.A. meeting

9:00 Assembly opens
  Announcements
  Area Business
  Ask it Basket (30 min.)

10:00 Break

10:15 Continue all Business

11:30 Adjourn
Tonopah Motels*

Elections Assembly is Sept. 7 - 9, 2012

Hi-Desert Best Western (775) 482-3511
$115.53 single/$126.43 double (includes tax)

Ramada Tonopah Station (775) 482-9777
$64.86 all rooms single and double (includes tax)

Jim Butler Motel (775) 482-3577
No vacancy this weekend

Economy Inn (775) 482-6238
$46.87 all rooms (includes tax)

The Clown Hotel (775) 482-5920
$39.79 single/$43.06 for two/$46.33 for three (includes tax) (pet friendly)

Tonopah Motel (775) 482-3987
$41.45 single/$44.70 double (includes tax, includes WiFi)

National 9 Inn (775) 482-8202
$44.99 single/$49.99 double/$39.99 seniors (plus tax)

Mizpah Hotel (855) 337-3030
Queen $102.46  King $113/36 (includes tax)

* (Rates were updated August, 2012, and are subject to change)

Area 42 Officers (2011 - 2012)

Delegate ......................... Byron F.
Alt. Delegate ......................... Sophie K.
Area Chair ......................... Carol B.
Alt. Area Chair ..................... Andy K.
Treasurer ......................... Cherie N.
Alt. Treasurer ....................... Phil W.
Secretary ......................... Kevin B.
Alt. Secretary ....................... Rich W.
Registrar ......................... Michele B.
Alt. Registrar ...................... Jeannette B.
Archivist ......................... Paul E.
Alt. Archivist ..................... Caroline TJ.

Find contact information for all officers at www.nevadaarea42.org
District Business meetings

District 1: 2nd Sunday in April, 10 AM, at the Lost & Found in Boulder City, NV. Email for information: district1@nevadaarea42.org

District 2: 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m., Reno Triangle Club, 635 S. Wells, Reno NV. Email for information: district2@nevadaarea42.org

District 3: 2nd Sunday in January, May, July, and November at 12 noon, Las Vegas Central Office. Email for information: district3@nevadaarea42.org

District 4: 1st Thursday of the month, 7 p.m. Reno Triangle Club 635 S. Wells Ave, Reno. Email for information: district4@nevadaarea42.org

District 5b: 2nd Saturday of the month at 1:30 p.m. 5715 Alexander, Suite 145, Las Vegas. Email for information: district5b@nevadaarea42.org

District 6: 2nd Sunday of EVEN numbered months. Email for information: district6@nevadaarea42.org

District 7: 3rd Friday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Serenity Club, 3990 Schiff Drive, Las Vegas. Email for information: district7@nevadaarea42.org

District 8: First Sunday of ODD months. Email for information: district8@nevadaarea42.org

District 9: 3rd Sunday of the month, 2:30 p.m., Turning Point, 21 E. California St., Las Vegas Email for information: district9@nevadaarea42.org

District 10A: 3rd Sunday of odd numbered months, 6:30 p.m., 680 River St., Elko, NV. Email for information: district10a@nevadaarea42.org

District 11: Email for information: district11@nevadaarea42.org

District 12: 1st Saturday of each month at 5 p.m. at Wolf Center, 457 Esmeralda St., Fallon, NV. Email for information: district12@nevadaarea42.org

District 13: Last Monday of the month at 5:00 p.m. Triangle Club small room, 4600 E. Nellis Blvd, Las Vegas. Email for information: district13@nevadaarea42.org

District 14: 3rd Tuesday of each ODD month at 7 p.m. Email for information: district14@nevadaarea42.org

District 15: 1st Friday of the month 6:30 p.m., T.I.E. Club, 329 North 11th Street, Las Vegas. Email for information: district15@nevadaarea42.org

District 16: 3rd Monday of the month at a member’s office. Information: dist16area42@gmail.com

District 17: 1st Wednesday of the month, 6:30 p.m. at 360 S. Lola Ln, Pahrump, NV (basement training room). Email for information: district17@nevadaarea42.org

District 19: 2nd Friday of EVEN months at 2 p.m. Email for location: Email for information: district19@nevadaarea42.org

District 20: 3rd Saturday in January, March, May, August and October, 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. at 44 1/2 Gay St., Susanville, CA. Email for information: district20@nevadaarea42.org

District 21: Every Thursday at 7 p.m. 3111 S Valley View Suite B-212. Email for information: district21@nevadaarea42.org

District 22: Every Wednesday at 6 p.m. 1479 S. Wells Ave, Suite 2, Reno, NV. Email for information: pabloaa@gmail.com
Upcoming Service Events

Election Assembly, Sept. 7-9, 2012, Tonopah

SAGSC meeting   Sunday, Nov. 11, 1:15 p.m.
329 N. 11th St., Las Vegas, NV (The TIE Club)

NAGSC meeting, Aug. 11, 2012, Elko, NV


PRAASA, March 1-3, 2013, Boise, Idaho

Area 42 Pre-Conference Assembly, TBA, Tonopah, NV

Area 42 Current 7th Tradition
Contribution Addresses

Ask your DCM for the District Treasurer’s address to send Group 7th Tradition Contributions.

Area 42 Current 7th Tradition Contribution Addresses:

General Services Office (GSO)
PO Box 459
New York, NY 10163
(Make Checks to General Fund)

Area 42 (All Nevada)
PO Box 70171
Las Vegas, NV. 89170-0171
(Make checks to Area 42 Treasury)

SOUTHERN CONTRIBUTIONS
Southern Area General Service Committee (SAGSC)
Make checks to GSR Fund of SO NEVADA
Southern Area Treasurer
PO Box 71804-1804
Las Vegas, NV. 89170-1804

Las Vegas Intergroup
Las Vegas Central Office
1431 E. Charleston Blvd. Suite 15
Las Vegas, NV. 89104
(Make checks to Las Vegas Intergroup)

NORTHERN CONTRIBUTIONS
Northern Area General Service Committee (NAGSC)
For address, contact:
Nagsctreasurer@nevadaarea42.org
(Make checks to Northern Area 42 Treasury)

Northern Area Intergroup
436 South Rock Blvd.
Sparks, NV 89431
(Make Checks to N. Nevada Intergroup)
AA’s Big Book named by Library of Congress as one of the ‘books that shaped America’

(NEW YORK) – It’s never been on The New York Times Best Seller list. Yet the “Big Book,” A.A. members’ fond name for the book Alcoholics Anonymous, is now designated by the Library of Congress as one of the 88 “Books That Shaped America,” and is included in the library’s new exhibition.

While we cannot know what impact A.A.’s basic textbook, Alcoholics Anonymous, has had in shaping America, we do know that the Big Book has helped millions of men and women throughout the world, and in all walks of life, find a new and satisfying way of life without alcohol. The Big Book describes the A.A. program of action for recovery from alcoholism. It has offered convincing evidence to relatives and friends that alcoholics can recover; and has furnished revealing insights to physicians, psychologists, members of the clergy and other professionals who work with alcoholics.

Although no author is listed, it is common knowledge that the initial draft of the Big Book was written by A.A. co-founder Bill W. when he was not quite four years sober. But he did not complete it alone. Alcoholics Anonymous was a collective creation, since each chapter was “edited” by A.A. members in Akron, Ohio and New York City—all of them sober less time than Bill. This cooperative effort, reflecting the shared experience and consensus of the small Fellowship as a whole, set in motion the democratic process of decision-making that characterizes A.A. today.

The book provided the name for a small movement with nearly 100 members. It took 36 years to sell the first million copies. Yet today, every year approximately one million copies of the Big Book are distributed in the English language alone (it is translated into 67 languages), and A.A. membership has grown to over two million with a presence in more than 170 countries. In 2010, the thirty-millionth copy was presented to the American Medical Association, which declared alcoholism an illness in 1956.

The fourth edition of Alcoholics Anonymous is available in a variety of formats and can be read online at www.aa.org.

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After the third vote, all those receiving less than 1/3 of the ballots casts is withdrawn.

After a fourth ballot is taken, the person receiving the least number of votes is withdrawn, except the top two candidates remain. The Chair asks the Assembly if it wants to go to a fifth ballot. If not, the “winner” is in God’s hands and is chosen by drawing a name “from the hat.”

If there is a fifth ballot and still no clear winner by one candidate receiving at least a two-thirds majority, the winner is chosen by drawing a name from the hat.