Hello trusted servants

in Nevada and Eastern California,

In the winter of 1994 I was surly and full of chaos and despair. I had been wishing for years that I were dead, but I was resigned to my pointless existence for fear of botching a suicide attempt. On Christmas Eve, I was cut off at one beer; on New Year’s Eve I was sitting in my first meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous. All I knew when I left was that somebody had pointed to their head and said, “This is a bad neighborhood” and that I had washed coffee cups and ashtrays. Before long, I had a sponsor and was working our 12 Steps.

I didn’t know that that group had been in existence for 20+ years and that it still had the letter from our General Service Office welcoming it into the fellowship. It would have meant nothing to me to learn that the group had had an active GSR for all those years. I didn’t know where the books and pamphlets came from or anything about the conference-approval process that created them. I didn’t know that there was someone in the room who found AA in jail – let alone what it took for AA to be able to hold meetings in that facility. I didn’t need to know any of that.

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From our Delegate  
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I just needed you to show me how you got sober and how you stayed that way.

We can do the face-to-face 12th step work because the conference process provides the tools and resources for us. The area delegates, together with the Trustees, Directors and GSO staff, do what’s necessary behind the scenes to ensure that the message of AA stays clear and consistent and is available in many languages and formats to the Fellowship, in our communities and around the world.

We, the Fellowship, express our collective conscience through the conference. We are the conference and all of the services it provides. As a newcomer I didn’t need to know that, but as a member I’m grateful to know what I’m a part of. My sobriety has been enhanced through participating not only in committee work and area service but also through participating in our 7th Tradition. I contribute to my group, and my group contributes, when it’s able to, to our General Service Office. As an individual member I have come up with a personal 7th Tradition plan for contributing online to our GSO. I’ll never be able to share in measure with my gratitude, but I’ll chip away at it, one day at a time.

In my home group we’re not due to review our 7th Tradition disbursement plan for some months, but we will share our blessings with Alcoholics Anonymous in mid-November. The groups in my town will come together for a simple gratitude dinner – the first such event we’ve had in some years. The planning committee shared that this time we will have a place setting for the anonymous alcoholic who still suffers, and a basket will be placed there for contributions that will go directly to our General Service Office.

Thank you, Area 42, for the opportunity to serve you and A.A. as a whole.

Sophie K.

AA Grapevine & Special Needs

The Grapevine is looking for stories of experience by special needs AA members or people involved in special needs-accessibilities service.

We are looking for stories by members who are wheelchair bound, blind, deaf, ill or with any kind of special need. Share stories about your own personal journey or your group’s.

The submissions must be received by December 1, 2013.

Visit Grapevine’s website at www.aagrapevine.org/contribute to send in your story, or you can email it to gveditorial@aagrapevine.org

AAGRAPEVINE
seniorEditor@aagrapevine.org

Chairman’s Report

I have put together four ad hoc committees with 11 people to review our Inventory of the Area, completed in the fall assembly.

The Inventory review committee will be giving their report in the Spring at the Assembly.

In addition to that the PRAASA website is ready to take your registrations, visit http://praasa.org/2014/ to make your arrangements.

Thank you, Mike

“Honesty with ourselves & others gets us sober, but it is tolerance that keeps us that way.”  
Bill Wilson
News and Updates
from our General Service Office, A.A. World Services and the A.A. Grapevine, Inc.

(From AAWS Highlights July and Sept., 2013; GSO Quarterly Report, Aug. 2013; and memos to delegates)

Finance
For the seven months ended July 31, 2013, contributions from A.A. groups and members of $3,845,796 were $57,700 over budget. Gross profit on literature sales of $4,801,540 was $281,400 over budget. Total operating expenses of $8,883,998 were $16,400 over budget. Net loss totaled $236,347, compared with a seven month budgeted loss of $557,888.

The 75th Anniversary Edition of the first edition, first printing of Alcoholics Anonymous will be published in April, 2014 and will be priced at $12.00. Advance sales will begin on Nov. 15, 2013. See the online store www.aa.org for more information.

Pricing on e-books: Alcoholes Anonymous World Services (A.A.W.S.) recommended that the price of e-book versions of A.A.W.S. literature be kept below their print version equivalents.

New Big Book format pending: A.A.W.S. also recommended that a soft-cover, abridged, large-print edition of Alcoholics Anonymous be produced in early 2014. This comes as a result of continual and increasing requests from inmates.

New from the Grapevine - No Matter What: Dealing with Adversity in Sobriety. Visit the store at www.aagrapevine.org or call (800) 631-6025 or fax to (818) 487-4550 to order.

E-mail news from GV & LaViña: GSRs or group contacts can opt-in to receive news and updates directly from the Grapevine. (If you are a GSR or group contact and have not yet heard from the GV to opt-in, please contact the delegate via the link on our www.nevadaarea42.org website)

Feel free to contact me through the “Delegate” link on our area website (www.nevadaarea42.org) if you would like more information on any of these items. I also welcome your comments and questions on all topic that interest you. Please contact me if I can be of service to your group, district or committee.

Tag you’re it, Irene P.

Sophie K.

Finance
For the first six months of 2013 total costs and expenses (GV Magazine and other publishing items) of $825,897 were approximately $97,580 less than budgeted and $2,871 less than last year as well. After subtracting the costs and expenses from total income, the result is a $129,592 profit for the period, compared with a $2,155 budgeted profit and a $138,120 profit for the first six months of 2012.

Emal your submission to
area42newsletter@gmail.com

Tag you’re it, Irene P. Your Newsletter Editor
Hello,

Because our business is all about insuring that the alcoholic still out there on the street corner has a welcome thriving fellowship, please encourage your groups to participate to so we may continue our work at the area level. Your contributions shall greatly improve the opportunity for the area to continue being in a “funds available” position to financially assist the underfunded GSR and to reimburse committee/officer travel receipts.

We sincerely appreciate all the contributions that groups send to the area and realize that the economy has affected everyone.

Thank you, Carol B. Area Treasurer

Upcoming Events

NAGSC Meeting
Dec. 7th at Noon 12 pm 2945 Fort Churchill Street, Silver Springs, NV. 89429

SAGSC Meeting
Nov 10 @ 1:15pm Las Vegas, Nevada
TIE Club
*New GSR’s are invited to attend
GSR Training at 12:30pm

PRAASA
Mar 7 - 9, 2014 San Diego, California
Town and Country Resort and Convention Center in Mission Valley

SPRING ASSEMBLY
Mar 28 - 30, 2014
Tonopah Convention Center

General Services Office
(GSO)
P.O. Box 459
New York, NY 10163
(Make Checks to: General Fund)

All Area 42
(All Nevada & California)
P.O. 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
P.O. Box 1033
Chester, CA 96020
(Make checks to: Northern Area 42 Treasury)

Northern Area Intergroup
436 South Rock Blvd.
Sparks, NV 89431
(Make Checks to: N. Nevada Intergroup)
TONOPAH HOTELS

**Mizpah Hotel**
Queen $94  King $104  
100 Main Street  
Tonopah, NV  89049  
(775)482-3030

**Jim Butler Inn**
100 S. Main Street  
Tonopah, NV  89049  
(775)482-3577

**Best Western**
$115.53 single/$126.43 double (includes tax)  
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**AREA 42 District Business Meetings**

**District 1**
2nd Sunday monthly, 10 AM  
Lost & Found Club  
Boulder City, NV  
Email for information:  
district1@nevadaarea42.org

**District 2**
2nd Tuesday monthly 7pm  
Reno Triangle Club  
635 S. Wells, Reno NV  
Email for information:  
district2@nevadaarea42.org

**District 3**
2nd Sunday in Jan, May, Jul and Nov at Noon  
Las Vegas Central Office  
Email for information:  
district3@nevadaarea42.org

**District 4**
1st Thurs monthly at 7pm  
Reno Triangle Club  
635 S. Wells Ave, Reno.  
Email for information:  
district4@nevadaarea42.org

**District 5b**
2nd Saturday monthly 1:30pm  
Email for location:  
district5b@nevadaarea42.org

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

**District 7**
3rd Friday monthly at 6:30pm  
The Serenity Club  
Email for information:  
district7@nevadaarea42.org

**District 8**
1st Sunday of ODD months  
Email for information:  
district8@nevadaarea42.org

**District 9**
3rd Sunday monthly 4pm at Serenity Club.  
This will change in March.  
Email for information:  
district9@nevadaarea42.org

**District 10A**
3rd Sunday of ODD months at 6:30 pm  
680 River Street Elko, NV  
Email for information:  
district10a@nevadaarea42.org

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

**District 12**
2nd Tuesday monthly 7pm  
Resurrection Church  
4120 Hwy 50, 5 miles east of Fernley  
Email for information:  
district12@nevadaarea42.org

**District 13**
Last Monday monthly at 5:00 pm  
Triangle Club small room  
4600 E. Nellis Blvd, Las Vegas  
Email for information:  
district13@nevadaarea42.org

**District 14**
3rd Tuesday of ODD months  
7pm Email for information:  
district14@nevadaarea42.org

**District 15**
1st Friday of the month  
6:30 pm, TIE Club  
329 North 11th Street, Las Vegas  
Email for information:  
district15@nevadaarea42.org

**District 16**
3rd Tuesday monthly at 6pm  
Sparks Christian Church  
Greenbrae & Pyramid  
Room 204a  
Email for information:  
district16@nevadaarea42.org

**District 17**
1st Wednesday monthly  
6:30 pm  
360 S. Lola Ln Pahrump, NV  
(basement training room)  
Email for information:  
district17@nevadaarea42.org

**District 19**
2nd Friday of EVEN months  
2 pm Email for location & information:  
district19@nevadaarea42.org

**District 20**
3rd Saturday in Jan, Mar, May, Aug and Oct 12:30pm to 3pm  
50 Weatherlow, Susanville, CA  
(Susanville Fellowship Hall)  
Email for information:  
district20@nevadaarea42.org

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

**District 22**
Every Wednesday at 6pm  
1479 S Wells Ave, Suite 2, Reno, NV  
Email for information:  
district22@nevadaarea42.org

From the Editor
If you would like to submit a service-oriented article for Area 42  
Submit to:  
area42newsletter@gmail.com
Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism.

The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for A.A. membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. A.A. is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization or institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy, neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

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