Greetings Friends in Area 42!
Another great year is upon us and, wow, is it beginning to fill up.
The Area:

First priority will be to get the agenda items to your group. Carol and Jonelle have put together a committee of Area members to help summarize the items in a condensed format – make simple to read.

Then we’re all going to meet in the respective North or South to learn about these selected items. Please take this information to your groups for their thoughts and feedback. We will meet at the Assembly on April 1 to discuss these items at length and I’m anxious to hear your thoughts and experience on the topics.

See Area 42 Chair Page 2

From the Area 42 Delegate
### Responsibility Declaration:

I am responsible when anyone, anywhere reaches out for help. I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that: I am responsible.

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### Area 42 Delegate

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The General Service Office:

Under AAWS financials for 2015, gross sales were about $12.7 million, which is about $2.1 million less than budgeted. Contributions were about $7.1 million, which is about $157,000 greater than budgeted. Expenses were about $15.1 million, which is about $1.5 million less than budgeted. Net profit for the year was about $233,000, which is about $220,000 more than the revised mid-year 2015 budget. The good news is that contributions are up slightly. The chair of AAWS reported that this was the first year we ever took in more than $7 million in contributions, and that December, 2015, was the first time we ever took in $1 million in one month. This good news is tempered somewhat, however, by concern on the part of the GSB treasurer that expenses are projected to increase slowly but steadily, and literature profits are declining.

Under AAGV financials for 2015, total gross profit was about $1.9 million, which is about $32,000 more than budgeted. Costs and expenses were about $1.7 million, which is about $228,000 less than budgeted. Adding interest earned, net profit was about $245,000, compared to a budgeted loss of about $15,000. It’s expected that after the audit of the 2015 financials is performed, there will be a transfer from AAGV to the Reserve Fund of about $260,000. In spite of the good year that AAGV had in 2015, the 2016 AAGV budget includes a deficit of about $146,000. This is primarily due to projected cost increases and an expected decline in revenues. The finance and budgetary committee noted that the subscription liability fund is overfunded at the moment by about $70,000 and agreed that those funds can be utilized if AAGV actually realizes the budgeted deficit. If the actual deficit does end up exceeding the $70,000, as budgeted, AAGV will share with the treasurer and assistant treasurer of the GSB so that they can share this with the trustees’ finance and budgetary committee.

La Viña gross profit for 2015 was about $63,000, compared to a budgeted profit of about $57,000. Costs and expenses were about $220,000. The shortfall was about $147,000, compared to a budgeted shortfall of about $159,000. The 2016 budget projects a shortfall of about $153,000.

Please remember that the Conference has agreed that La Viña will be maintained as a service to the Fellowship and that the shortfall is covered by the General Fund.

Thank you.

Mike M. Area 42 Delegate
Congratulations to everyone! We made it through the first panel of our rotation, and you trusted servants have done wonderfully in fulfilling; not only your duties, but also the commitments to panels, workshops, and reports to your districts and groups have been exemplary.

We now have our pre-conference excitement ahead of us for the next few weeks. Hopefully by the time you read this, the Summaries of all the final GSC agenda items for 2016 will be close to completion. GSR’s will have the opportunity to hear some conference item presentations on March 12th. At both north and south area committee meeting locations. This should leave over two weeks for the groups to hear a synopsis and voice their opinions to GSR’s on these items, which shall be considered, reviewed, or discussed at the General Service Conference. Then while at the Area 42 Pre-conference Assembly on April 1-3 we will have additional presentations on more of the conference agenda items.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your participation and patience with the readings and upcoming discussion, amending and voting on the proposed Area 42 Guideline changes at this Pre-conference assembly.

In Loving Service
Carol B. NAGSC Chair, Alternate Area 42 Delegate

Greetings Area 42,
I hope everyone had a safe and sober holiday season. Can you believe it has been a year for most of us in this rotation?! Time does fly when we’re having fun!!! We have held two SAGSC meetings since our last newsletter. On Nov. 8. We had a jam packed agenda due to the first reading of the proposed budget for 2016, a one – time request to send an Alt. Area position to PRAASA (which passed!), and a first reading for the DCM Coordinator position to be a voting member of SAGSC and funded for the two Area Assemblies. During our Delegate’s report, Mike made mention that our Area Registrar, Emily C., is now a published author. Her beautiful article on sponsorship was in the November issue of the Grapevine. He also brought us the Conference Reports, which are always a great read!

We held our first SAGSC meeting of 2016 on January 10. Another jam packed agenda! The 2nd readings of the November proposals were read. It was decided that the SAGSC budget was to be voted on via email votes submitted by Jan. 31. The budget passed. The DCM Coordinator position passed as well. We were graced by our Alt. Area Delegate, Carol B. who gave a brief hello. Our Delegate, Mike touched on the Agenda Items he will be receiving on or around Feb. 15 and the process that follows… Speaking of the process, the summarizers will be assigned, the presenters will be selected and the Southern Area will have their Roundtables/ Agenda Items Presentations at the T.I.E. Club at 1:30pm on Saturday, March 12. There will be a GSR Training prior at about 1:10pm to explain the process to the new GSR’s or to refresh anyone who may need it!

I look forward to seeing you all (or whomever is attending) in Spokane! Thank you for all you do and allowing me to do it with you!

In AA Love and Service,
Jonelle, SAGSC Chair

Hello and happy 2016.
You are reading the Winter 2016 edition of the Area 42 Newsletter. As always - I hope you are finding it entertaining and informative.

The Spring Area 42 Newsletter is set to come out on April 30. Please submit your district events by April 10 if you would like them published. There’s always plenty of room in the event column.

Looking forward to seeing more of you in 2016.

Thank you for letting me be of service.

Anne K. Newsletter Editor
Area 42 Chair

As we enter the second year of this rotation I am reminded that our eleventh Tradition gives us a understanding that “our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion.”

I kind of think this is what we can do in General Service. One of the ways we can do that would be to bring a guest to check out our assembly.

We have been working on our next assembly and will be enjoying District 21 and 22 being our hosts. We also will have Bob W., our US Trustee at large as our guest at our Spring Pre-conference assembly the weekend of April 1st through the 3rd.

Please tell your friends this will be a good assembly to bring other folks to. It should be very interesting hearing about how our Message of hope is being carried around the World. We will be going over a few agenda Items that Michael has chosen for us to discuss, also some business that Area 42 needs to do.

The new committee chair meeting on Sunday at the last assembly was good and we will be doing that again.

Our Grapevine chair from the North, Debbie S. will be doing A.A. Jeopardy, along with many other fun things to keep us going for the week end. Please don’t forget to reserve a room.

Once again I want to mention I really like to travel around our wonderful area, and would welcome a chance to visit your District or Group.

Thanks for allowing me to serve our Area and A.A. in this capacity.

Phil W. Area 42 Chair

Information for New Trusted Servants

HOW DO I GET LISTED AS A NEW G.S.R., D.C.M., OR COMMITTEE CHAIR?

Your Area 42 registrar can update G.S.O.’s records with your contact information. You may also update your information directly with G.S.O. through our Records Department. Visit http://www.aa.org for more information.

DO I GET A KIT AND/OR WORKBOOK?

Once you’re listed with G.S.O. we’ll automatically send you the appropriate materials in a few weeks to help you in your service position.

You can review service workbooks and the contents of various service kits by visiting the specific resource pages for each service area. These materials are sent to new trusted servants at no charge, thanks to contributions to G.S.O.

New G.S.R.s, and D.C.M.s will receive a kit to help them get started.

Area committee chairs for committees on Cooperation With the Professional Community, Corrections, Public Information, Special Needs-Accessibilities, and Treatment receive a committee kit.

Please visit www.aa.org for more information.

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AREA 42 SPRING ASSEMBLY ONLINE REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Registration for the Spring Assembly in Tonopah from April 1-3 and banquet tickets for April 2 are also available.

Please visit www.nevadaarea42.org or email Area 42 Registrar, Emily C. shimmer_lv@msn.com for more information.
Area 42 Seventh Tradition
Contribution Addresses

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

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: S.A.G.S.C.)
Southern Area Treasurer
PO Box 71804
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)
C/O Will L.
For the mailing address please email nagsctreasurer@gmail.com
(Make checks to: Northern Area 42 Treasury)

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

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Area 42 Nevada Pre-Conference Assembly
Tentative Agenda

Friday April 1, 2016
4pm Registration opens
6:00 Welcome—Opening Announcements
6:15 Secretary report / Committee reports
8:00 GSR Orientation
8:00 Area Committee meeting

Saturday–April 2, 2016
7:00 AM AA Meeting - Host: District 21, 22
7:30 Registration Opens
8:00 Open Assembly
8:05-8:45 Delegate Report
8:45-9:45 Trustee Presentation
9:45 Choose Host District for Fall Assembly
10:00 Break
12:00 Agenda Item Presentation and Discussion
Noon Lunch (90 Minutes)
1:30 Agenda Item Presentation, Discussion
2:45 Break
3:00 DCM reports
4:30 Adjourn: “Please Clear Room Quickly”
6:00 Saturday Night Banquet
7:30 Speaker Meeting Host District 21, 22

Sunday – April 3, 2016
7:00 AA Meeting
7:30-8:30 DCM workshop (blue room)
7:30-8:30 Committee Chair workshop
8:30 Assembly opens, officer reports
PRAASA report, 2nd Reading of propose changes to Area Guidelines/discussion
10:00 Break
New Business What’s on your mind & Ask it Basket
Thank you District 21, 22
Close with Responsibility Pledge

Next Assembly, September 9-11, 2016
This is a Preliminary Agenda and is subject to change.
Proposal to Update Area 42 Guidelines

First Reading Fall 2015

Proposed changes are in a bold larger font. Clarification Statements are in italics, not to be included in the guidelines.

1.0 AREA ASSEMBLY

This addition is suggested because the Webmaster is not included as a member of the Area Assembly.

1.1 Membership:

The following shall be members of the Area Assembly:

C. Liaisons, NAGSC/SAGSC Committee Chairs, Area Webmaster, Area Newsletter Editor, and any other NAGSC/SAGSC officer not already an Area Assembly/Committee member.

1.4 Area Officer Duties:

B. Duties of the Alternate Chairperson:

4) The local Special Needs Committee Chairperson shall notify the Alternate Chair and Area Treasurer, and Special Needs Service Committee Coordinator as soon as the interpretation assistance is requested so that any necessary arrangements can be made.

5) The local Special Needs Committee Chairperson, in coordination with the Special Needs Service Committee Coordinator, shall obtain from the interpreter(s), in writing, a quote for the hourly fee for services to be provided, or for a set fee for the Assembly or meeting.

2.0 AREA COMMITTEE

2.1 Membership:

This policy has not been followed for several years, if at all. Do we want to follow it this way? The Group Change forms turned into the interpretation forms.

This proposal is attempting to add Committee Chairs & Liaisons to the Area Committee. In other words, the area committee (people listed on the 5 Area Officers) consists of the Area Assembly members, minus the GSR’s. Perhaps we could also switch E with D.

2.2 Area Committee Meetings:

A. The Area Committee shall meet at least twice a year (normally the Friday evening before of each Area Assembly).

3.0 AREA ELECTIONS

3.1 Area Officer Elections:

B. The appointed election person will record the names, of all those present and eligible that wish to stand for the Area offices. Those who wish to withdraw their names for any of these officers may do so.

This is the General Service Manual suggested format for elections, Area 42 has not followed this, probably because it is quite time consuming

5.0 AREA DISTRICTS

5.3 District Elections (qualifications and election procedure per Service Manual)

B. The outgoing DCM and DCMC shall notify in writing the Delegate, Alternate Delegate, Area Chairperson, Alternate Chairperson, Area Secretary, and Area Registrar of the name, address, and phone number of their replacements, and the alternates.

C. The DCM shall notify, in writing, forward to the Delegate, Alternate Delegate, Area Chairperson, Alternate Chairperson, Area Secretary, and Area Registrar of the name, address, phone number, and group of each GSR at least once a year and as changes occur. Group Change Forms as they are turned in.

This policy has not been followed for several years, if at all. Do we want to follow it as stated or as we have been doing it? The Group Change forms turned into the Registrar replace item C instructions.

These proposals carry no financial impact.

To become effective: immediately upon adoption

Carol B. Alternate Delegate
Proposal to Update Area 42 Finance Guidelines
First Reading Fall 2015

June 20, 2015
From: Carol B.
Finance Committee Chair

Proposed changes are in a **bold** font.
Clarification Statements are in *italics*, not to be included in the guidelines.

**Background:** Because of the proposal passed in March 2015, there are changes necessary to the finance guidelines addendum to the Area 42 Guidelines, and a couple items that I hope to also address:

**First item to be located at the very end of the current area 42 guidelines; this shall precede the Finance Committee guidelines addendum section.**

1. **1.0 AREA 42 FINANCE COMMITTEE**
   1.1 **Membership**
   The current Area Treasurer, and alternate, NAGSC and SAGSC Treasurers, and immediate past treasurer shall automatically be members of the committee. In addition, two at-large members will be elected, one residing in the North and one residing in the South. In the event there is an even number of members on the committee, the **Alternate Treasurer Chairperson** shall be a non-voting member.

4. **1.4 Replacement**
   If a member of the Finance Committee is unable to complete the rotation, the Treasurer and Finance Committee Chair will select a replacement to be confirmed by the Finance Committee or replaced at the next regularly scheduled Area Assembly. The replacement assumes duties immediately.

5. **2.1 RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**
   B. Drafts and submits proposals to financial guidelines policy/amendments for consideration by the Area Committee and the Assembly.

   Because there has not been a prudent reserve equivalent to 1/3 of previous annual expenses, this probably should be reworded. This is up to you (not the Finance Committee) to leave it as is or change it.

6. **4.0 PRUDENT RESERVE**
   The Prudent Reserve is to ensure that, after all obligations are paid, enough funds are held to conduct area business. We shall strive to attain a savings account. Experience has shown that, for any given year, a reserve equal to 1/3 of the previous year’s expenses, will to ensure that the Assembly will be able to meet its financial obligations. A 3/4 majority vote of area officers is necessary to draw upon our prudent reserve.

7. **6.0 REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES**
   This requested addition to 6.2 is the definition of “funds permitting”, directly from, and as stated in the Area 42 Guidelines before the 2014 revision.

6.2 **Area Officers Funding**
   H. Some travel expenditures are authorized on a “funds permitting” basis. A “funds permitting” condition exists when $1,000.00 or more, in addition to the prudent reserve, will remain in the account after the expenditure

These changes carry no financial impact.
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 10B
4th Sunday of ODD months
at 10 am
Location rotates between the groups.
Email for information: district10b@nevadaarea42.org

District 11
Email for information: district11@nevadaarea42.org

District 12
2nd Tuesday monthly at
Sparks Christian Church
Greenbrae & Pyramid 6pm
Room 204a
Email for information: district12@nevadaarea42.org

District 13
Last Monday monthly at
5:00 pm
The Serenity Club small room
4600 E. Nellis Blvd
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
Sparks Christian Church
Greenbrae & Pyramid 6pm
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 18
2nd Friday of EVEN months
2 pm
Email for location & information:
district18@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 Oct 10:30am to
12:30pm
50 Weatherlow, Susanville
(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
Last Saturday of the month
at 7pm
625 Margrave Dr Reno, NV
Email for information:
district22@nevadaarea42.org

Area 42
Spring Assembly
April 1-3, 2016

Fall Assembly
Sept 9-11, 2016
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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