Greetings Friends!

What a fantastic two year panel this has been and thank you so much for the opportunity to serve you.

We still have much to look forward to with PRAASA 2018 coming to Area 42 and I am certain this is going to be a wonderful Service Assembly we get to host.

I am really excited about the new panel that will be serving Area 42 for 2017-18 - what a terrific crew to serve our Area.

See you on campus as we dance the road to happy destiny.

Your trusted servant,
Mike M.
Area 42 Delegate

“See you on campus as we dance the road to happy destiny.”
Hello Area 42.

Well here we are moving into the last months of this rotation I have been so honored to have been able to serve in the position of Chair of area 42.

I have so many memories from these past 2 years. I am reminded of a story from my first few days of sobriety. A young man named Dave would come to the rehab I was staying at and one time told a story that intrigued me, he ended the story with a statement that if we stayed around we would end up with a very good group of friends.

At the time I didn’t know about the Promises of the 12th step that are written about in the 2nd paragraph of Chapter 7 of our Big Book. “Life will take on new meaning. To watch people recover, to see them help others, to watch loneliness vanish, to see a fellowship grow up about you, to have a host of friends---this is an experience you must not miss. We know you will not want to miss it. Frequent contact with newcomers and with each other is the bright spot of our lives.”

I have been on the road and plan to visit a few places in the next couple of months I hope to see you at one of the meetings or workshops that we are attending.

Keep on keeping on and share this message of Hope with those who might be needing. Thanks for allowing me to be part of this Fellowship and understand that We belong.

Phil W.
Area 42 Chair
Incoming Area 42 Delegate
Greetings Area 42!

So... As this is my final Newsletter blurb as your SAGSC Chair, I just wanted to start by saying thank you. Thank you for allowing me to serve you. Thank you for my sobriety. Thank you for my growth. Thank you for the lessons. Thank you for the challenges. Thank you for the mistakes. Thank you for the questions. Thank you for the answers. Thank you for the laughs. Thank you for the shares. Thank you for the hugs. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you!!!!

The last SAGSC meeting will be held Sunday, November 13, 2016 at the TIE Club in fabulous downtown Las Vegas at 1:15pm. Our GSR Trainer, Lisa, will meet with the new GSR’s in the back room at 12:15pm. We will do the first reading of 2017’s Southern Area budget and the first reading of the proposal to fund the GSR Trainer. We will hear reports from all the outgoing Area Officers, Southern Area Officers, DCMs and Standing Committee Chairs. We will also be voting on any of the SAGSC Officer positions that need to be filled. It will be a packed meeting, but when have they not been! Thank you for all you do and allowing me to do it with you.

In AA love and service,
Jonelle W.
SAGSC Chair
Incoming Area 42 Secretary

Hello and hola! As the Alternate Area Chair I’m grateful that there is a place for me in service. It always seemed to me that people involved in service stayed happier and usefully whole. Having a purpose and giving back my time is a great joy. Staying sober is the best gift I’ve gotten from service. Thank you Area 42.

I’m also grateful for our incoming Panel 67 Alternate Delegate, Rhonda for appointing me to be the southern Grapevine Chair. SAGSC Grapevine Chair, Jake S., has been an amazing example and he leaves big shoes to fill. I’ll do my best! On an interesting note, as Alternate Chair it was my duty to appoint southern Grapevine chair and I appointed Jake. How about that for serendipity? Take care and see you at PRAASA and the spring assembly!

Justin P.
Alternate Area Chair/Incoming SAGSC Grapevine Chair

Awesome Job!

I want to thank Panel 65 for a wonderful job and a special thanks to Mike M. for all of his hard work and kindness. I also want to thank Area 42 for the honor and privilege to be the incoming Archivist.

I was in Las Vegas in October and Rhonda W., Area 42 Archivist, was very kind to show me through the Archives. It was an awesome experience, and I look forward to seeing more and working with Gabriel.

Yours in Service,
Lyle C
Northern Area 42 Public Information Chair
Incoming Area 42 Archivist

Traditionally, rotation insures that service positions, like nearly everything else in A.A., are passed around for all to share. Many positions have alternates who can step into the service positions if needed.

To step out of an A.A. office we love can be hard. If we have been doing a good job, if we honestly don’t see anyone else around willing, qualified, or with the time to do it, and if our friends agree, it’s especially tough. But it can be a real step forward in growth - a step into the humility that is, for some people, the spiritual essence of anonymity.

Among other things, anonymity in the Fellowship means that we forgo personal prestige for any A.A. work we do to help alcoholics. And, in the spirit of Tradition Twelve, it ever reminds us “to place principles before personalities.” Many outgoing service position holders find it rewarding to take time to share their experience with the incoming person.

“The principle of rotation helps to bring us spiritual rewards far more enduring than fame. With no A.A. “status” at stake, we needn’t compete for titles or praise - we have complete freedom to serve as we are needed.”

Yours in Service,

Lyle C
Northern Area 42 Public Information Chair

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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Alt Registrar
Incoming Alt Area Chair/NAGSC Chair
Northern Area General Service Committee (NAGSC)

BEING MINDFUL

My name is Julie and I am humbled to be serving in the upcoming panel as your Alternate Area Chair. One of my responsibilities as Alternate Chair is to serve as your Northern Area Chair, as well.

As I begin my new rotation, I believe it is imperative that I keep in mind my first experience at an area meeting. My first area meeting was at a Northern Area Pre-conference Roundtable. I was a newly elected General Service Representative (GSR) and I had only been to one District 20 meeting. Our district was limping along and no one in the district had been to any area functions in awhile. Even though I was sober a little while, I was scared. Scared of people, of not looking good, of not knowing what was going on – I hope you get the gist. I was there with our newly elected District Committee Member (DCM) who only knew a little more than me and had never been to an area meeting either.

I distinctly remember two experiences. First the DCM from District 8 (Mammoth/Bishop district) made an effort to walk over to us and ask if this was our first meeting. He welcomed us and tried to quickly explain what was about to happen. That DCM is our incoming Delegate, Phil. Secondly, I remember being broken into small groups. This was one of Area 42’s first round tables and we, as an area, were trying to help prepare the GSRs and groups to be able to have informed group consciences on some of the agenda items that were going to be discussed at the annual conference in the spring. I vaguely knew there was an annual conference. I didn’t know what a delegate does. I didn’t know what a GSR did.

When we were broken into the small groups I was separated from the DCM and was now with all new people, strangers. I felt my fear of people, my desire to look good and my desperate need to feel a part of. As the presenters brought their agenda topics to the groups and we all began discussing the agenda items I had no idea what people were talking about. They used acronyms like CPC and PI, NAGSC and SAGSC, and NNIG. I didn’t feel comfortable asking questions because everyone else seemed to know what they were talking about. I felt left out and a part from.

As we begin our new rotation I must be mindful and first and foremost welcome everyone to our meetings. I must remember that there will always be someone brand new to General Service and regardless of their length of sobriety it is my job to help them feel included. I must try to always explain any acronyms I use like CPC means Cooperation with the Professional Community, PI means Public Information, NAGSC means Northern Area General Service Committee (the Northern part of our Area), SAGSC means Southern Area General Service Area (the Southern part of our area) and NNIG means Northern Nevada Intergroup. Again, I am humbled by the opportunity to serve you as your Alternate Area Chair and Northern Area Chair.

Julie C.
Area 42 Alternate Registrar
Incoming Alt Area Chair/NAGSC Chair
Dr. Bob’s Last Talk at the First International in Cleveland, Ohio on July 30, 1950

My good friends in A.A. and of A.A.,

I get a big thrill out of looking over a vast sea of faces like this with a feeling that possibly some small thing I did a number of years ago played an infinitely small part in making this meeting possible. I also get quite a thrill when I think that we all had the same problem. We all did the same things. We all get the same results in proportion to our zeal and enthusiasm and stick-to-itiveness. If you will pardon the injection of a personal note at this time, let me say that I have been in bed five of the last seven months and my strength hasn’t returned as I would like, so my remarks of necessity will be very brief.

There are two or three things that flashed into my mind on which it would be fitting to lay a little emphasis. One is the simplicity of our program. Let’s not louse it up with Freudian complexes and things that are interesting to the scientific mind, but have very little to do with our actual A.A. work. Our Twelve Steps, when simmered down to the last, resolve themselves into the words “love” and “service.” We understand what love is and what service is. So let’s bear those two things in mind.

Let us also remember to guard that erring member, the tongue, and if we must use it, let’s use it with kindness and consideration and tolerance.

And one more thing: None of us would be here today if somebody hadn’t taken time to explain things to us, to give us a pat on the back, to take us to a meeting or two, to do numerous little kind and thoughtful acts in our behalf. So let us never get such a degree of smug complacency that we’re not willing to extend, or attempt to extend, to our less fortunate brothers that help which has been so beneficial to us.

Thank you very much.

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Declaration of Unity

This we owe to A.A.’s future: to place our common welfare first; to keep our Fellowship united. For on A.A. unity depend our lives, and the lives of those to come.

Dr. Bob

July 1950

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Area 42 Newsletter

According to the Area 42 Guidelines, the Area 42 Newsletter is published four times per year: Feb. 23; April 30; Aug. 10 and Oct. 31. The deadline to submit items for consideration is two weeks prior to publishing. Please contact Anne K. the area_newsletter_editor@nevadaarea42.org for more information.
The idea is in the air that AA might adopt Thanksgiving week as a time for meetings and meditation on the Traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous. I heartily agree... and hope you will too.

Pre-AA, we alkies could sometimes achieve that dubious state called "sobriety, period." How bleak and empty this alleged virtue is, only God or a dried-up drunk can fully testify. The reason? Of course every AA knows it: nothing has taken the place of the victim's grog; he's still a man of conflict and disunity. Comes then the Twelve Steps of Recovery, bringing to him a "personality change." The shattered prospect feels reassembled; he now says he seems all one piece. We understand exactly what he means, for he describes the state of being "at oneness"; he is talking about personal unity. We know he must work to maintain it and that he can't stay alive without it.

Will not the same principle hold true for AA as a whole? Isn't it also a fact that the alcoholic is in no greater peril than when he takes sobriety for granted? If vigilant practice of sound principle is a matter of life and death for him, why isn't that equally so for the AA group, and for our far-flung Society itself?

Yet many of us still take the basic unity of Alcoholics Anonymous for granted. We seem to forget that the whole of modern society is on a dangerous and contagious "dry bender." Criticism is not intended, because our present attitude is natural enough. It stems from the fact that no Society in its infancy has ever enjoyed more providential protection against temptation and untoward happenings than has ours. Minor troubles we have had, but none serious enough to test our adult strength. It’s not strange that we are a bit complacent and self-satisfied. Surely there need be no counsel of fear, nor lack of faith in the prediction that a far greater time of trial may yet be ours. When we think our situation through, simple prudence and foresight will tell us that.

The Twelve Traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous are a distillate of our experience of living and working together. They apply the spirit of the Twelve Recovery Steps to our group life and security. They deal with our relations with the world outside and with each other, they state our attitudes toward power and prestige, toward property and money. They would save us from tempting alliances and major controversies, they would elevate principles far above personal ambitions. And, as a token of this last, they request that we maintain personal anonymity before the open public as a protection to AA and as proof of the fact that our Society intends to practice true humility.

For the information of the general public and for the instruction of new AA members, the Twelve Traditions have just been released in a much condensed "short form" which we hope will be as widely read and understood as the Twelve Steps of Recovery. Should this happen, our current growing pains will be lessened and we shall commence to lay up a great store of insurance for the years ahead.

What then could be more appropriate than to set aside Thanksgiving week for discussion of the practice and spiritual values to be discovered in our Tradition? We could thus reinforce our faith in the future by these prudent works;

Bill W.
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.
PO Box 2507
Dayton, NV 89403
(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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SELF-SUPPORT
The Seventh Tradition states: “Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.”

While contributions cover each group’s rent and other expenses, the Seventh Tradition is essential at every level of A.A. service. It is both a privilege and a responsibility for groups and members to ensure that not only their group, but also their intergroup/central office, local services, district, area, and the General Service Office remain self-supporting. This keeps A.A. free of outside influences that might divert us from our primary purpose — to help the alcoholic who still suffers.

Although the amount of our contribution is secondary to the spiritual connection that unites all groups around the world, we may want to remember that a dollar does not support as many Service Material from the General Service Office.

SOME THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

Some facts:
• Currently about 40% of groups contribute to the General Service Office.
• Costs of Services provided by G.S.O. (as of 2016) are approximately $7.15 per member per year.
• Gross profit from A.A. literature sales account for over 50% of G.S.O.’s income.
• Your contributions help ensure the future of our Fellowship worldwide.

Personal thoughts:
• What is the value of your sobriety?
• Does your group know that contributions may be made online at AA.org?
• Gratitude, expressed through contributions, reaches the still-suffering alcoholic.

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100 Main Street
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Jim Butler Inn
100 S. Main Street
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(775)482-3577

Best Western
320 Main Street
Tonopah, NV 89049
(775)482-3511

Tonopah Motel
325 Main
Tonopah, NV 89049
(775)482-3987

Clown Motel
521 North Main Street
Tonopah, NV 89049
(775)482-5920

Economy Inn
826 Main Street
Tonopah, NV 89049
(775)482-6238

National 9 Inn
720 Main Street
Tonopah, NV 89049
(775)482-8202

Tonopah Ramada
1137 N Main Street
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(775) 482-9777

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 Saturday monthly at
Reno Triangle Club
635 S. Wells Ave, Reno.
Email for information:
district12@nevadaarea42.org

District 13
3rd Sunday monthly 4pm
at Serenity Club.
This will change in March.
Email for information:
district13@nevadaarea42.org

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

District 15
3rd Sunday 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 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
March 24-27, 2017
Tonopah
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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