“Supporting Our Future”

Hi to all of you.

I’m very excited that the New Year is moving along. I had a few different things to talk about in this first newsletter of the new rotation.

“Rotation of Service” - it is one of our main traditions. We pass on our favorite tasks to the next generation of trusted servants coming up and let that new group take on those tasks.

A new year brings with it a new theme for our conference: “Supporting Our Future.” I think this is a great time to have this as our theme for the year. The discussion and presentation topics for the year are also very thought provoking.

A. Growth:
   1. Diversity-Outreach and Attraction
   2. Safety-An important Consideration
   3. Communication- Today, Tomorrow

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Upcoming Events

**NAGSC Roundtables**  
Feb. 25 1-4pm  
Sparks Christian Fellowship  

**Northern Nevada Inter Group**  
**Family Game Day**  
March 4 12-6pm  
Reno, Idlewild Park, California Building

**Reno Spring Festival**  
March 17-19  
Harveys

**Stagecoach Friends Potluck Speaker**  
March 3 6-9pm  
Stagecoach Community Center

**SAGSC Roundtables**  
Feb. 26 1:30 -3pm  
T.I.E. Club

**SAGSC Chili Cook off**  
Feb. 25 1 -3pm  
Lakes Lutheran Church

**Las Vegas Inter Group**  
**Gratitude Ball**  
April 1, 4-9 pm  
WestGate Las Vegas

**District 7 Service Workshop**  
April 8, 11am-1pm  
Serenity Club

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B. Participation:  
1. Fellowship vs. Membership  
2. Leadership: ‘I am Responsible…”  
3. Is your voice Heard?  

C. Contributions:  
1. Spirituality and Money  
2. Fully Self-Supporting Our Obligations  
3. Apathy and Power of the Purse

I am very excited that our Trustees approved a new service piece on ‘Safety in AA’. We worked to get this out to you as soon as it was approved. It is also available on AA.org in the ‘What’s New’ section.

We now are getting ready for our pre-conference assembly in Tonopah. I’m hoping every group in our area can have a voice at this assembly. I know that our Chair Emily has a really nice guest and Rhonda and her team are putting a good review and presentation of agenda items. I’m looking forward to seeing everyone in Tonopah March 24-26.

Area 42 Delegate,  
Phil W.  
delegate@nevadaarea42.org

**Area 42 Chair**

Hello all.

We are fast approaching our Area 42 Spring Pre-Conference Assembly in Beautiful downtown Tonopah, NV! I am excited to be sharing my first assembly as chair with one of my favorite people in the fellowship Greg M. from Half Moon Bay, CA. For those of you that may not be familiar with Greg, he has had the opportunity to serve our fellowship in many capacities including Past General Service Office Manager retired in 2008. Greg was one of the first very first people in AA to get me really fired up about General Service and making sure that I carry the message and do my part to keep our fellowship sustainable for future generations. Greg will be sharing with us on conference items and he will be the speaker at our Banquet Saturday Evening.

On the topic of the banquet… As we all know prices are on the rise and it is so in Tonopah as
Alternate Area 42 Delegate

SAGSC Chair
Southern Area General Service Committee (SAGSC)

Hello Trusted Servants,

Panel 67 is off to a great start. I am loving all of the participation and the communication from the North and the South.

Today Julie and I are gathering the agenda items and creating the final documents for our area round tables and assembly.

I am overwhelmed with gratitude and love for AA as a whole. My revelation came as I was preparing a talk for our Las Vegas Young Peoples Service Assembly. As I reviewed the information about GSO, World Services and assemblies I was overwhelmed with Gratitude for AA, not for me, but for AA.

I think it has taken me 23 years to realize that its not about me. As I sit on my office floor crying, I’m thinking about the work we do here and how important it is to us. How every agenda item, every meeting, every person who travels to Cambodia to carry the message has one purpose. To carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic.

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! for allowing me to be a part of this incredible, beautiful, tragic Journey.

In Love and Service
Rhonda W.
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Alternate Area 42 Chair
NAGSC CHAIR
Northern Area General Service Committee (NAGSC)

NEW GSRS AND THE AGENDA ITEMS

We offered an orientation to the new Panel 67 (2017-2018 rotation) in the North on January 28th. We had a wonderful turnout. Joyce Y., past delegate, spoke about the difference and similarities between Northern Nevada Intergroup and Northern Nevada General Service Committee. Our past delegate and past general service trustee, Roberta L., gave an overview and introduction to AA World Services, the General Service Board and the General Service Office. Panel 67 delegate, Phil W., spoke directly to our new GSRs about some practical hints regarding attending Area 42’s assemblies, the Pacific Regional AA Service Assembly (PRAASA), February 25th’s round tables and other Northern Area meetings. He provided a handout from Oregon Area 58 with valuable ideas on how to give a GSR report.

Here are some highlights for reports:

1. Keep it simple
2. Be brief
3. Report things that interest to listeners

I don’t know about you, but when I was a new GSR I had no idea what to do with the Conference Agenda Items after the February round tables. Here are a few suggestions that new GSRS may find helpful. As a new GSR I was very fortunate to have a group that was thirsty for information. We had two and three hour long business meetings and went over all the agenda items that were presented at the round tables. However I have heard of groups that only want to spend a specific amount of time discussing the agenda items - perhaps only one hour. If your group has some interest you may:

• Present your group with the choice of discussing all of the items briefly or
• Ask your group to choose the items they are most interested in or
• Maybe your group is willing to stay and discuss all the agenda items in detail (which could take awhile)

If your group is not interested in discussing the agenda items, one way to spark interest that I used was mentioning snippets.

Here is an example of a snippet that could have been made during announcements after a meeting. “One of the agenda items that our General Service Confer-

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“Supporting Our Future”
Area 42 Nevada Pre-Conference Assembly
Tentative Agenda

Friday March 24, 2017
4pm Registration opens
6:00 Welcome—Opening Announcements
6:15 Secretary Report / Committee reports
8:00 GSR Orientation
8:00 Area Committee meeting

Saturday-March 25, 2017
7:00 AM AA Meeting - Host: District
7:30 Registration Opens
8:00 Open Assembly
8:00-10:00 Delegate Report & Agenda Item Presentation and Discussion
10:00 Break
10:15 - 12:00 Agenda Item Presentation and Discussion
12:00 Lunch (90 Minutes)
1:30 Agenda Item Presentation, Discussion
2:45 Break
3:00 Choose Host District for Fall Assembly & DCM reports
4:30 Adjourn: “Please Clear Room Quickly”
6:00 Saturday Night Banquet
7:30 Speaker Meeting

Sunday – March 26, 2017
7:00 AA Meeting
7:30-8:30 DCM workshop (blue room)
7:30-8:30 Committee Chair workshop (Archives room)
8:30 Assembly opens, officer reports PRAASA report, 1st reading Proposed Amendments to the Financial Guidelines, New business.

10:00 Break
New Business What’s on your mind & Ask it Basket
Thank you to host District
Close with Responsibility Pledge

Next Assembly, September 8-10, 2017
This is a preliminary agenda and is subject to change

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well. The banquet price this year is $20 per person and we will be having only one option which will be Tri-Tip with Green Beans, Roasted Garlic Potatoes with Bacon, Salad, Cake and Brownies. I realize that there are members that will be attending that may have food allergies, (I fall into that category). Feel free to bring something that you can eat and join us or join us for the Speaker only! I will be sitting in the corner eating a take-out salad from the Mizpah and wishing I could eat the banquet myself…

Restaurants in Tonopah can be tricky but if you need advice see one of us that look like we know what we are doing (we might be faking it though) and feel free to ask for pointers! Safe Travel and see you in Tonopah!

Yours in love and service.
Emily C.
chairperson@nevadaarea42.org
Markings on the Journey
I would like to let Area 42 know about the DVD “Markings on the Journey”. Here is a statement from A.A.W.S.: FOR A.A. MEMBERS ONLY: This newly revised DVD depicts nearly 80 years of A.A.’s history using rare material from the General Service Office Archives. It explores A.A.’s pioneering days and growth in the United States and Canada, as well as around the world. The DVD is available through A.A.W.S’s online store.

I was invited to show Markings on the Journey in Gardnerville, NV. at a special event. The DVD was a wonderful walk through the early years of AA, if you have the opportunity to watch it, please do. I loved it.

I want to Thank Pat S for inviting me to help with the DVD event, and to Rhonda W for her continuing support with Archives. I’m amazed how much I love being involved with Area 42 Archives.

Lyle C., Area 42 Archivist
archivist@nevadaarea42.org

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.

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ence is considering in April is whether to publish a plain language Big Book. One of the pros is to reach people in remote areas who don’t have sponsorship resources to walk them through the Big Book. One of the arguments against publishing a plain language Big Book is that our original Big Book has worked for all these years - don’t fix what isn’t broken.

If you want your voice heard please come talk to me. Note this is JUST an example of a past agenda item. Please don’t use this for your report.

A wise friend once told me to bring my enthusiastic self. Enthusiasm is contagious. I don’t need to cover everything. I don’t want to force my group to discuss all the agenda items if they don’t want to. I need to remember to have fun. We are all new to our positions and are learning. I am positive that I will make mistakes, get confused and not know the answer. As long as I am willing to correct my mistakes, clarify my confusion and ask for help all will be well.

Julie C.
Alternate Chairperson, NAGSC Chair
nagscchairperson@nevadaarea42.org
Proposed Amendment to Area 42 Guidelines
Submitted by Area 42 Treasurer

In accordance with the Area 42 Guidelines, the following proposal is included here. First reading scheduled for the Spring 2017 Area 42 Assembly

Proposed Amendments to the:

Area 42 General Service Assembly Finance Guidelines

Current:

2.0 Responsibilities of the Area Treasurer


Proposed:

2.0 Responsibilities of the Area Treasurer


   1) Secures profit & loss reports from SAGSC & NAGSC after all prior calendar year income and expenses have been recorded.

   2) Assists Accountant with all documentation and information needed to file federal income taxes on or before May 15th each year.

Current:

2.0 Responsibilities of the Area Treasurer

   I. Files annual list of officers with the State of Nevada

Proposed:

2.0 Responsibilities of the Area Treasurer

   I. Files annual list of officers with the State of Nevada through the State’s online SilverFlume portal after June 1st and prior to July 31st each year.
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
Tonopah, NV 89049
(775) 482-3030

**Jim Butler Inn**
100 S. Main Street
Tonopah, NV 89049
(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) 482-5920

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

**Tonopah Ramada**
1137 N Main Street
Tonopah, NV 89049
(775) 482-9777

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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 4pm
T.I.E. Club
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 5pm
Wolf Center
Greenbrae & Pyramid 6pm Room 204a
Email for information:
district12@nevadaarea42.org

**District 13**
Last Monday monthly at 5:00 pm
The Serenity Club
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**
3rd Sunday of the month
4:30 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
Lutheran Church
650 Blagg Road
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**
3rd Saturday in Jan, Mar, May, Aug Oct 10:30am to 12:30pm
Rotating Location
Email for information:
district19@nevadaarea42.org

**District 20**
2nd Saturday of the month
7pm
625 Margrave Dr Reno, NV
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
7pm
625 Margrave Dr Reno, NV
Email for information:
district22@nevadaarea42.org

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**Area 42 Spring Assembly**
March 24-26, 2017
Tonopah

**Fall Assembly**
Sept 8-10, 2017
Tonopah

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**TIME IS NOW!**
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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