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Area 42 Delegate

Hello,

It is a wonderful and exciting time to be sober in AA. This spring went by so fast and yet sometimes I think time just creeps along and then all of the sudden everything is due right now. I have been busy this spring with reports and visits to loved ones near and far. As we move towards the late part of summer I need to remember those folks who still have not heard of our wonderful way of life.

Recently I have been able to be at a few meetings where the subject of serenity and peace of mind came up. It always brings to mind the plaque defining humility that Dr. Bob had on his desk it read, “Perpetual quietness of heart. It is to have no trouble. It is never to be fretted or vexed, irritable or sore; to wonder at nothing that is done to me, to feel nothing done against me. It is to be at rest when nobody praises me, and when I am blamed or despised, it is to have a blessed home in myself where I can go in and shut the door and kneel to my Father in secret and be at peace, as in a deep sea of calmness, when all around and about is seeming trouble.” (See P. 2)

Something I am really happy about is the Yellow Card which is a safety statement that can be used by groups if they wish. (See P. 7) I’m also looking forward to having

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Upcoming Events

Area 42 Fall Assembly
Sept. 8-10, 2017 Tonopah

Area 42 Spring Assembly
March 23-25, 2018 Tonopah

Pacific Region AA Service Assembly
PRAASA 2018
March 2-4, Sparks, Nevada

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our Agenda background Items translated into Spanish and French. I have a friend on the Treatment and Accessibilities Committee who is Canadian and speaks also reads French. I sat next to him in our deliberations and got to be part of communication with the French language. I also am waiting for the word that the U-Tube channels are on line.

We now have an anonymity protected digital version of the 67th General Service Conference Final Report available on the password protected page of Nevada Area 42 website. (nevadaarea42.org)

I hope to see you all at our Fall Assembly in Tonopah from Sept. 8-10.

Phil W.
Panel 67, Area 42 Delegate
delegate@nevadaarea42.org

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“We perpetual quietness of heart.
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to wonder at nothing that is done to me,
to feel nothing done against me.
It is to be at rest when nobody praises me,
and when I am blamed or despised,
it is to have a blessed home in myself
where I can go in and shut the door
and kneel to my Father in secret
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as in a deep sea of calmness,
when all around and about is seeming trouble.”

...from a plaque that sat atop Dr. Bob’s desk

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Dr. Bob and Bill W.
Area 42 Chairperson

Hello.

I’m excited to see you all in less than a month in Tonopah when we meet for our Fall Assembly. We are putting our area agenda item topics to use as we prepare ourselves for our upcoming PRAASA, (See P. 7) in an informative PRAASA-styled assembly!

We will be hearing from our PRAASA committee members and discussing topics of importance to the area. Banquet tickets will be limited and are available online and in advance for $20 each. Make sure and pre-register for the assembly, see you in Tonopah!

Yours in service,
Emily C.
Area Chair
chairperson@nevadaarea42.org

Why Do We Need a Conference?

The late Bernard B. Smith*, nonalcoholic, then chairperson of the board of trustees, and one of the architects of the Conference structure, answered that question superbly in his opening talk at the 1954 meeting: “We may not need a General Service Conference to ensure our own recovery. We do need it to ensure the recovery of the alcoholic who still stumbles in the darkness one short block from this room. We need it to ensure the recovery of a child being born tonight, destined for alcoholism. We need it to provide, in keeping with our Twelfth Step, a permanent haven for all alcoholics who, in the ages ahead, can find in A.A. that rebirth that brought us back to life.

“We need it because we, more than all others, are conscious of the devastating effect of the human urge for power and prestige which we must ensure can never invade A.A. We need it to ensure A.A. against government, while insulating it against anarchy; we need it to protect A.A. against disintegration while preventing overintegration. We need it so that Alcoholics Anonymous, and Alcoholics Anonymous alone, is the ultimate repository of its Twelve Steps, its Twelve Traditions, and all of its services.

“We need it to ensure that changes within A.A. come only as a response to the needs and wants of all A.A., and not of any few. We need it to ensure that the doors and halls of A.A. never have locks on them, so that all people for all time who have an alcoholic problem may enter these halls unasked and feel welcome. We need it to ensure that Alcoholics Anonymous never asks anyone who needs what his or her race is, what his or her creed is, what his or her social position is.”

*Editor’s note: A nonalcoholic trustee can be identified by first and last name.

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Alternate Area 42 Delegate
SAGSC Chair
Southern Area General Service Committee (SAGSC)

Hello Area 42,

It has been an exciting summer! Anne K. and I travelled to Ely, NV to try and make a connection in District 19. We were successful, so to speak, we did meet some people and get an email address and phone number. We are hoping to at least get them the information we are discussing in our Area. We did get lost one night searching for a meeting and ended up driving for a couple of hours out in the middle of nowhere…we did not see any UFO’s but we did see an amazing sunset across our great state.

Phil W. visited Las Vegas and Pahrump this summer to give his Delegates report. I tagged along to District 21 and was fed carne asada. Kudos to District 21 for making us non Spanish speaking members feel welcome. We also attended a couple of workshops (District 7) “The Three Legacies” and (District 13) “Dr.’s Opinion” Both were very well attended and a lot of fun.

I have received a few calls on the new Safety in AA card (See P. 7) and I am glad that most of us in Area 42 are concerned with education rather than witch hunting.

Jake S. and I have been trying to help the women in District 21 start a woman’s meeting. (See P. 6) There has been some contention about tradition breaking. I personally like the women’s meetings that I attend but I do have to ask myself, if a man walks in, how do I treat him? Do I ask him if he wants to stay? Do I yell at him to get out? It is after all a meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous and we are all inclusive. So the debate continues.

The Southern Area had some extra money in the bank so we voted to help fund Area 42 members to PRAASA 2018. (For more see P. 7) We are hoping that everyone who wants to go, gets a chance.

I can’t wait to see you all in September!!!

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

Using the Informed Group Conscience:

By the time this is published the Northern Area will have held our August NAGSC meeting. The focus of the meeting was to prepare the GSRs and DCMs in providing the Area with agenda topics for the Fall Assembly.

I am very grateful for the enthusiasm that the districts and groups have shown and their willingness to participate. I am confident that this will better inform the DCMs, GSRs and groups about the conference process. Next year when the spring assembly rolls around our DCMs and GSRs will have the understanding and confidence to be able to lead group discussions and gain informed group consciences to prepare our delegate, Phil W., for his second General Service Conference.

It took a village to put the August NAGSC meeting together in order to prepare our members from the North for our mock PRAASA. It is always a joy and privilege to work as a team. At the August NAGSC meeting we broke into smaller groups where a number of people volunteered to model leadership skills to our DCMs and GSRs so that they could go back and lead their respective districts and groups in coming up with an group generated agenda topic using the informed group conscience process.

I want to thank the presenters and facilitators from the bottom of my heart for your generous gift of time and leadership. If anyone missed the NAGSC meeting and would like assistance in getting a topic from your group, please don’t hesitate to ask anyone on the Northern Area rosters.

Thank you for the privilege of serving,
Julie C.
Alternate Chairperson, NAGSC Chair
nagscchairperson@nevadaarea42.org
Area 42 Treasurer

Hello, fellow members of Area 42.

I hope your summer is going well. You should be receiving a copy of this coming years (2017-18) budget proposal. If you have not received this please contact your DCM. This will need approval at the upcoming Fall Area 42 Assembly. I would like to thank all of the Groups that have sent in contributions this past fiscal year, our fiscal year runs from August 1st thru July 31st.

Please have your Group Treasurer send a note with an email address for me to send your receipt. If your treasurer does not have email access someone in your Group probably does and there are plenty of places where you can create a free email account for your Group. This would make it easy for your Group to get information not only receipts but information for your DCM, NAGSC or SAGSC, Area 42, and GSO. These are password protected so that only members of your Group will be able to see the information you just give the password to your home group members.

Thanks,
Paul E.
Area 42 Treasurer
treasurer@nevadaarea42.org

Area 42 Archivist

I was available to attend the Spring Festival in Reno with Dawn and Charlie, two of our archive committee members. The Festival was a three day event at the Nugget. With help from Pat S. our past Alt. Archivist, I gathered some archives from the NAGSC collection (currently stored in my home office) and was able to display them in the nice case Paul E. made when he was the Area Archivist.

Leslie S., the Central Office Manager in Reno, came by our archives display and gave us a second edition of the Big Book from a friend that had recently passed away. I believe this to be such a heartfelt gift from her.

Rather than have the Big Book hidden in her drawer, raffled off as a fundraiser or any other of the options she had, she chose to donate it to Area 42 where we can love, honor and display it.

Speaking of displaying your archives, we would love any opportunity to display your Area 42 archives. We will be at the October Lake Tahoe Fall Festival. If you are able to attend please be sure to stop by our display.

Yours in Service,
Lyle C.
Area 42 Archivist
archivist@nevadaarea42.org

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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SAGSC Intergroup Liaison
Southern Area General Service Committee (SAGSC)

As Intergroup Liaison I have the unique opportunity to disseminate information between Intergroup, Area 42 and SAGSC. One of the many services our Intergroup provides is the Hotline. The Hotline service is ALWAYS looking for volunteers, see www.lvcentraloffice.org if you have questions or would like to volunteer. For the month ending May 2017 there were 432 information calls and 130 twelve step calls. The website had an average of 182 hits per day for an average of 5,800 web visits. The Intergroup Treasurer reported a total bank balance for the month ending May 2017 of $19,005.57.

Thank you all for participating and supporting the recent Central Office events, the Gratitude Ball donated $2,000 and Founders Day donated $1,781. The money supports the services that Intergroup provides to all members of our community.

Upcoming events:
Area 42 Fall Assembly is September 8-10, 2017 in Tonopah NV. Tickets can be purchased at www.eventbrite.com/e/area-42-fall-assembly-tickets.
The Oct-Soberfest to benefit Central Office will be held October 14, 2017 from 11:30am – 2:30pm at the Lakes Lutheran Church on Sahara Blvd. Flyers are available and ticket are $10.00.
The Pacific Region AA Service Assembly (PRAASA) 2018 will be held on March 2-4, 2018 at the Nugget Hotel in Sparks, NV.
At your Service,
Kellie M.
SAGSC-Las Vegas Intergroup Liaison

NAGSC Intergroup Liaison
Northern Area General Service Committee (NAGSC)

So there are a lot of good things happening at Central Office and your Northern Nevada Intergroup. In June the elections were held for all the 20 positions that needed to be filled. Of all those positions, only one was not filled and that was taken care of at the July business meeting. Good job to all who participated. Talk about service work to be had and if there’s something to do you can find it there. For the last few months contributions have been up except for June. One good thing to mention is that last year NNIG was running in the negative but this year everything is in the positive.

Thank you to all the groups involved. Total phone calls into Central office totalled 538 for the last 3 months. Central office is still open from 10am to 2pm on Saturdays also. If you would like to purchase New Year’s Eve Gala tickets you can contact Central office at nnig.org or call them at (775) 355-1151. It will be a Roaring Twenties theme at the National Automo
Thank you for allowing me to be of service,
Chris S.
NAGSC- Northern Nevada Intergroup Liaison

Area 42 Alternate Registrar

“What is an A.A. Group?”
As the long form of Tradition Three clearly states, “Our membership ought to include all who suffer from alcoholism. Hence we may refuse none who wish to recover. Nor ought A.A. membership ever depend upon money or conformity. Any two or three alcoholics gathered together for sobriety may call themselves an A.A. group, provided that, as a group, they have no other affiliation.”

Shared experience suggests that a special interest meeting’s function is not to keep the alcoholic seeking help with a drinking problem out, but, rather, to create a space where the alcoholic can in fact find help.
The function is inclusiveness not exclusiveness. In A.A. we are much more concerned with results not methods and shared experience shows that these groups work. If these groups can be a tool that can help one A.A. member then the miracle of A.A. will be alive.

“What about the group that seems to impose extra requirements, beyond “a desire to stop drinking”? This might be a ‘special interest’ group or collection of groups in which, for example, each member must be a physician—or a young person, a man, a woman, a priest, or a law enforcement officer. By their own account, those attending special interest groups consider themselves A.A. members first. They attend general-membership meetings as well as those that fill their other individual needs, and they remain devoted to A.A.’s primary purpose.

“These ‘special interest’ groups offer only one instance of the diverse and inclusive membership within our Fellowship. Our Traditions allow unparalleled freedom, not only to every A.A. member, but to every A.A. group.

I am proud to announce that in Area 42, District 21 has approved the first District 21 A.A. women’s Spanish speaking group. It has been approved for 90 days.

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Hi Gang,

PRAASA 2018 is in motion. Pete, Marita and I met with the banquet manager at the Nugget Hotel to walk the property and make our meal selections. Our program chair, Marita, has completed our program. Our schedule for the PRAASA weekend is done but we won’t have the topics until February – when we receive from GSO after the board weekend.

Our Area 42 Chair, Emily, has asked the PRAASA committee to give a report at our fall Assembly. We are excited to share with you our progress. Please bring your questions – we’ll do our best to answer them all. Looking forward to seeing you in Tonopah! Warmest Regards,
Mike M.
PRAASA 2018 Committee Chair, Area 42 Delegate Panel 66

Now is the time to make your hotel reservations at The Nugget in Sparks. Book a room at (800) 648-1177. Mention Code: G-PRAASA for the negotiated rate. The Reno-Sparks area is also flush with RV parks and other lodging. The PRAASA host committee is going to be looking for volunteers as the weekend draws closer. Please be sure to check in with your Area 42 Committee members for more.

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to see how it goes by District 21. Please come check it out and support it in anyway you can. It meets Fridays, 5-6:30 p.m. at 1200 S. Eastern Avenue, LV.

We know of special interest groups which have been met with disfavor by certain members of A.A., including Spanish-speaking women’s meetings. While any disfavor to an A.A. group can definitely present challenges to the group’s efforts to carrying A.A.’s message, collective experience suggests most members and groups favor and support each other’s efforts. Keep in mind, by reflecting on shared experience and expressing guiding principles, A.A.’s Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions offer spiritual guideposts rather than legalistic brick walls. The ideal is for sharing and the emergence of an informed group conscience to arrive at what is the most effective decision at any given time for A.A.’s to carry the message to still suffering alcoholics.

Jake S.
Area 42 Alternate Registrar
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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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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) 482-6238

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

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

Area 42

Fall Assembly
Sept 8-10, 2017
Tonopah

Spring Assembly
March 23-25, 2018
Tonopah

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

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

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

District 9
Quarterly following the
SAGSC meeting at the
T.I.E. Club.
Email for information:
district9@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 10A
3rd Sunday of ODD months
at 6:30 pm
680 River Street Elko, NV
Email for information:
district10a@nevadaarea42.org

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

District 10B
4th Sunday of ODD months
at 10 am
Location rotates between
the groups.
Email for information:
district10b@nevadaarea42.org

District 5B
2nd Saturday monthly 1:15pm
KCB Club
5715 W. Alexander Rd
LV, NV
district5b@nevadaarea42.org

District 11
Email for information:
district11@nevadaarea42.org

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

District 12
2nd Saturday monthly 5pm
Wolf Center
457 Esmeralda St, Fallon
Email for information:
district12@nevadaarea42.org

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

District 13
Last Monday monthly at
5:00 pm
Triangle 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
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 & informa-
tion:
district18@nevadaarea42.org

District 19
3rd Saturday in Jan, Mar,
May, Aug Oct 10:30am to
12:30pm
Rotating Location
Email for information:
district20@nevadaarea42.org

District 20
Every Thursday at 7pm
3111 S Valley View Suite
B-212
Email for information:
district21@nevadaarea42.org

District 21
Last Saturday of the month
at 7pm
625 Margrave Dr Reno, NV
Email for information:
district22@nevadaarea42.org
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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