Ever since I got involved in General Service, spring time has always been my favorite time of the year. This is when the agenda process starts. This is when we get the background information on the agenda items and start to discuss what it all means. This is the time when we get to have discussions at our group level and at the round tables about what is going on in AA now and also about the future of AA. Then we all come together at Spring Assembly and we discuss it all over again! In this way our Area prepares the Delegate to carry our group conscience onto the General Service Conference.

In the past, this is where my involvement ended and I got to turn the process over to powers greater than myself. Last year and again this year I am grateful to be the one who continues our Area business at the Conference level.

As your Delegate, I will take all of the information that we discuss now through Assembly and I will attend the Conference. Working within the Conference Committee process I and the other Delegates will spend several days once again, discussing the agenda items before we send our conclusions.
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to the Conference Floor where we will, guess what???? Yes we will once again discuss these agenda items.

We often call our discussions “debate” but they are done with love and with tolerance, and hopefully we come to some decisions during Conference week. Once decisions are made concerning the agenda items we, the Delegates, return to our Areas and pass the information back to the groups, which is where all of this started back at the beginning our the agenda process.

As General Service representatives, it is important that we communicate with our local groups and members to let them know how this process works and the important role they have in participating in the process. Every member of AA has a say in how AA works and every member of AA has the right to be heard at the General Service Conference. It is through the Conference process that this happens but it is only as effective as our willingness to participate in the process.

This year will be the first year that all the background material is being completely translated into Spanish and French. When I receive those translations it is my intention to post all of the background material on our password-protected page of the Area 42 website. This way anyone who wants to look at information on agenda items that we don’t have time to discuss will be able to access the background information and have a conversation about those items within their groups. It is my hope that they will then bring their thoughts to me as their Delegate at the Spring Assembly.

I am really looking forward to the next few weeks and then the Conference itself, but mostly I am looking forward to hearing how your groups feel about the Agenda items.

I really love all of you and I’m looking forward to seeing you soon.

Phil W.
Area 42 Delegate, Panel 67
Alternate Area 42 Delegate
SAGSC Chair
Southern Area General Service Committee (SAGSC)

Hello All,

I can’t believe we are already revving up for the Spring Assembly. Our Delegate Phil has sent out a list of the agenda items and we are starting to prepare the Round Tables. My personal favorite is the 12x12x12. I would love to see all of these in one place. I’m excited to see if Phil picks this to discuss. I love to hear the other side of every agenda item.

I hope that everyone will join in the conversation and know that your voice is valuable. This has been a great winter for me, speaking at meetings on Traditions and Concepts. Enjoying picnics and great food with our fellowship. February and March are full of service opportunities. The Service Festival, The Southern Area Chili Cook off, and Old timers Rock are a few of the events I will be attending. I am really excited to be a part of the Host Team for PRAASA this March and look forward to Volunteering in Sparks.

See you all in Sparks for PRAASA and then at the Area 42 Assembly in Tonopah!!!

In Love and Service,
Rhonda W.
Alternate Delegate Area 42
Southern Area Chair
alternatedelegate@nevadaarea42.org

Why Do We Need a General Service 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 unmasked 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.

The PRAASA (Pacific Region AA Service Assembly) weekend will begin with some of our friends from the South coming in on Wednesday to put the packets together and set-up for the weekend.

Then on Thursday afternoon (Mar 1st) registration will open at 4pm. There will be volunteers from Area 42 and other areas to help people register in both English and Spanish.

We have a room dedicated to Archives, Literature and AA Grapevine / LaVina. Please come by and see what your PRAASA committee has organized. The assembly will begin Friday at noon and end Sunday at noon.

If you haven’t registered by Feb 25th, you will need to do so in person.

Hopefully, you all will have attended our Roundtables in both the North and South on the previous weekend (NAGSC - Feb 24th and SAGSC - 25th).

At PRAASA, there will be presentations on many of the General Service Conference agenda topics. You will have the opportunity to hear the views of many others from all over the Pacific Region.

You may be able to bring some of those ideas back to your home groups. If this is your first PRAASA, don’t miss out on going to the GSR Roundtable.

I learned many great ideas from other GSRs that helped me give more interesting and dynamic GSR reports and to grow in my position as GSR. There will be two roundtables for each position/topic, so you will be able to attend a different roundtable on Friday and Saturday. Consider attending a roundtable for a position you are interesting in standing for in the Fall.

The enthusiasm of members from both the North and South of Area 42 for helping with hosting PRAASA at the Nugget in Sparks has been tremendous.

Behind the scenes, we have incredible volunteer service on the following committees: registration, cashiers, greeters, information, archives, literature, AA Grapevine/La Vina, program presentations, roundtable moderators and Spanish translation and interpretation, as well as obtaining and working with the venue at the Nugget.

As always it is an honor to serve with you. You continually show me how hard you work for Alcoholics Anonymous with grace and dignity. You demonstrate what a privilege it is to serve with all of you.

Thank you for the privilege to serve as Nevada Area 42 Alternate Chair and Northern Area Chair.

Julie C.
Alternate Chairperson,
NAGSC Chair
nagscchairperson@nevadaarea42.org

Yours in Love and Service,
Lyle C.
Area 42 Archivist
archivist@nevadaarea42.org
**SAGSC Intergroup Liaison**  
**Southern Area General Service Committee (SAGSC)**

Did you know that the Las Vegas Central Office has a newsletter? The Silver Streak is the local newsletter published by the Las Vegas Central Office of Alcoholics Anonymous. The monthly publication provides current information about new meetings, upcoming AA-related events, and articles of interest submitted by local members. It also includes a monthly financial report of contributions by the AA groups in the Las Vegas valley and the business minutes from the Intergroup meeting.

The Silver Streak is always interested in publishing new articles relevant to our local membership. In the spirit of our singleness of purpose, we ask that all articles are focused on the solution of recovery with the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous.

To get the Silver Streak to your inbox for free every month or submit an article, please go to http://www.lvcentraloffice.org/silverstreak-signup or search Las Vegas Central Office.

At your Service,
Kellie M.

SAGSC Intergroup Liaison
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**NAGSC Intergroup Liaison**  
**Northern Area General Service Committee (SAGSC)**

For the last six months at Central Office in Sparks has received 885 phone calls. Those calls are split between information for 12 step calls, meeting schedules, central office business, AA events and calls for the director of Central Office. The volunteers have given 512 hours of help. Volunteer positions are always needed so if you have some time, give them a call. The Halloween Bash, Gratitude Dinner, and New Year’s Eve Gala all came out on top and did not lose any money at the end of 2017. Good job to all of those individuals that made those events possible.

Leslie S, Executive Director of Central office gave her resignation at the end of 2017, and January was to be her last month. A committee was formed to hire someone for that position. Tinna O the Area 42 Finance Committee Chair was hired for that position and she started the first week of February. Congratulations Tinna.

We were informed at the last Central Office Business meeting that all the officers of the Central Office Business meeting will be in attendance at PRASSA this year and a couple of committee chairs will have tables. Looking forward to seeing everyone at PRASSA this year.

Chris S.
NAGSC Intergroup Liaison
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**Area 42 Seventh Tradition**

Contribution Addresses

Ask your DCM for the District Treasurer’s address to send Group 7th Tradition Contributions.
Please include Group No. & email address with contributions.

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Southern Area Treasurer  
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**Northern Area Intergroup**  
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436 South Rock Blvd.  
Sparks, NV 89431
Information for New Trusted Servants

HOW DO I GET LISTED AS A NEW G.S.R., D.C.M., OR COMMITTEE CHAIR?
Your area 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 March 23-25 and banquet tickets for the Pre-conference Spring Assembly in Tonopah are available now. Please visit www.nevadaarea42.org for more information.

Responsibility Declaration:

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

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“We are people who normally would not mix. But there exists among us a fellowship, a friendliness, and an understanding which is indescribably wonderful.”

From “Alcoholics Anonymous”, Chapter Two, “There is a Solution.”

We are average Americans. All sections of this country and many of its occupations are represented, as well as many political, economic, social, and religious backgrounds. We are people who normally would not mix. But there exists among us a fellowship, a friendliness, and an understanding which is indescribably wonderful. We are like the passengers of a great liner the moment after rescue from shipwreck when camaraderie, joyousness and democracy pervade the vessel from steerage to Captain’s table. Unlike the feelings of the ship’s passengers, however, our joy in escape from disaster does not subside as we go our individual ways. The feeling of having shared in a common peril is one element in the powerful cement which binds us. But that in itself would never have held us together as we are now joined.

The tremendous fact for every one of us is that we have discovered a common solution. We have a way out on which we can absolutely agree, and upon which we can join in brotherly and harmonious action. This is the great news this book carries to those who suffer from alcoholism.

An illness of this sort - and we have come to believe it an illness - involves those about us in a way no other human sickness can. If a person has cancer all are sorry for him and no one is angry or hurt. But not so with the alcoholic illness, for with it there goes annihilation of all the things worth while in life. It engulfs all whose lives touch the sufferer’s. It brings misunderstanding, fierce resentment, financial insecurity, disgusted friends and employers, warped lives of blameless children, sad wives and parents - anyone can increase the list.

We hope this volume will inform and comfort those who are, or who may be affected. There are many.

Highly competent psychiatrists who have dealt with us have found it sometimes impossible to persuade an alcoholic to discuss his situation without reserve. Strangely enough, wives, parents and intimate friends usually find us even more unapproachable than do the psychiatrist and the doctor.

But the ex-problem drinker who has found this solution, who is properly armed with facts about himself, can generally win the entire confidence of another alcoholic in a few hours. Until such an understanding is reached, little or nothing can be accomplished.

That the man who is making the approach has had the same difficulty, that he obviously knows what he is talking about, that his whole deportment shouts at the new prospect that he is a man with a real answer, that he has no attitude of Holier Than Thou, nothing whatever except the sincere desire to be helpful; that there are no fees to pay, no axes to grind, no people to please, no lectures to be endured - these are the conditions we have found most effective. After such an approach many take up their beds and walk again.

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  100 S. Main Street
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  (775)482-3511

- **Tonopah Motel**
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  Tonopah, NV 89049
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- **Economy Inn**
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  (775)482-5920

- **National 9 Inn**
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- **Spring Assembly**
  March 23-25, 2018

- **Fall Assembly**
  Sept. 14-16, 2018

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