

## **NAGSC Business Meeting**

**March 14, 2015**

South Reno United Methodist Church  
200 De Spain Lane, Reno, Nevada

**Meeting Opens:** Carol B opened the meeting at 1:10pm with the Serenity Prayer

Reading: Sources of Agenda Items - Service Manual

**Review Minutes:** Minutes of previous meeting (Dec. 6, 2014) reviewed,

Corrections: None

Motions to Accept:

1<sup>st</sup>: Yes

2<sup>nd</sup>: Yes

Vote: Yes

### **Treasurer's Report: Tinna O**

I want to thank our outgoing Treasurer Julie C. for all her guidance, input and help. It was very exciting to attend my first PRAASA last weekend. The entire weekend was full of learning new things.

One new bit of information was especially helpful. The huge box of NAGSC Treasurer Documentation, with documents as old as 15 years, will be turned over to our Archivist, Pat, for safe keeping. I will keep the records from 2013 to the present. A copy of the financial records for 2014 has been sent to Area 42 Treasurer, Vince, for tax purposes.

We have written checks for \$200 to Area 42 for tax preparation, and for \$1250 to offset the cost of the General Service Conference. We have begun to reimburse Officers, Committee Chairs, DCM's, and GSR's for PRAASA expenses; I expect more requests for reimbursement.

Our checking account balance is \$11,783.59 this morning. Group Contributions for the first Quarter of 2015 total \$2,851.36, down almost 24% from the first quarter of 2014.

Please feel free to contact me with any question you have.

Thank you for allowing me the privilege of serving.

NAGSC Financial status is as follows:

	<u>Jan 1 - Mar 14,</u> <u>15</u>
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
<b>Income</b>	
4001 - 7th tradition	211.08
4002 - Contribution Income	<u>2,908.91</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<u>3,119.99</u>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	3,119.99
<b>Expense</b>	
7004 - NAGSC Meetings	

Fuel Reimbursment	25.35
<b>Total 7004 · NAGSC Meetings</b>	<b>25.35</b>
<b>8000 · Standing Committee Expense</b>	
CPC Committee	107.00
<b>Total 8000 · Standing Committee Expense</b>	<b>107.00</b>
<b>8054 · Office expenses</b>	
Other	19.37
Treasurer	21.16
<b>Total 8054 · Office expenses</b>	<b>40.53</b>
<b>8056 · Tax Preparation</b>	<b>200.00</b>
<b>8090 · Travel</b>	
PRAASA	
Committee Chairs	763.19
DCMs	50.00
GSR	150.00
Officers	809.25
<b>Total PRAASA</b>	<b>1,772.44</b>
<b>Total 8090 · Travel</b>	<b>1,772.44</b>
<b>8500 · General Service Conference Fee</b>	<b>1,250.00</b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>3,395.32</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>-275.33</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-275.33</b>

Corrections: None

Motions to Accept:

1<sup>st</sup>: Yes

2<sup>nd</sup>: Yes

Vote: Yes

## Chair Report: Carol B

Welcome to the first Panel 65 NAGSC Meeting. As you know this is a GSC Agenda Presentation Round Table Meeting, and because of the time involved in the process, we shall not be going through the report reading procedure at this time. Your reports shall be included in the minutes of this meeting, so please see that Laura has a copy of your reports. Reports are to be submitted by the Officers, DCMs, and the Standing Chairs at all of the NAGSC meetings and the twice annually held Area 42 Assemblies. While submitting reports to the assembly, a copy of them needs to be sent to the Area Recording Secretary, Paul E. and Tony S. our area translator, also would like a copy as early as possible, so he shall be able to translate at home before the assembly. We shall need a scribe in each of the rooms to gather highlights of the feedback from each of the presentations. I will collect the notes from the people who volunteered to take the notes at the end of the presentations, as I will be giving a summation of remarks made today at the assembly. After the first two presentations, please take a 15 minute break, and then return to the room you were

in. Once we have completed the presentations, please return here to the Sanctuary room.

A Reminder from Mike M: Hello Carol and Jonelle: Below are the six additional topics we agreed on at our Saturday meeting. Please share these additional topics with our Area members Saturday 3/14 at our discussion. Carol, please ask Paul to email the 6 topics and/or summaries to the DCM's. On Saturday 3/28 (at the Assembly) we agreed on having the six items attached presented to the body in a panel discussion with one topic at a time then 20 minutes (+-) for open discussion with comments. The presenters are chosen by Carol and Jonelle and Phil will schedule the time as he sees fit for the agenda. In afternoon of 3/28 - Carol and Jonelle will read the feedback we received from the March 14 (four Topics) discussion. After they've read the feedback, please allow a few minutes for the body to discuss these topics after they've shared with their groups. After we have discussed the 10 items I'd like to have some open mic time for members to comment on any other items we've not discussed. This is tough to schedule on the agenda, because we may hear crickets or there could be 20 deep at the mic to talk about something they're passionate about. But, I'd really like to hear them – please. When the GSR's share this material with their groups – knowing their group is for or against a topic is NOT as valuable to as why. Please encourage the GSR to ask the WHY question with their group and share that with the assembly. Thank you! Mike

Agenda E: Discuss report on the Conference Agenda Process from the trustees' Committee on the General Service Conference.

Corrections A: Discuss the Corrections Correspondence Service (C.C.S.)

Grapevine B: Review Business plan for La Viña.

Literature C: Consider updating the pamphlet "A.A. and the Gay/Lesbian Alcoholic."

Literature E: Consider producing a book combining Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions with the Twelve Concepts for World Service.

Report and Charter A 6: Consider request to add text regarding reactivating districts or groups to the section "Stimulating Interest in General Service" on page S23

**Old Business** None to discuss

**New Business** None to Discuss

**Roundtable Discussions** held on Agenda Items Finance A; Grapevine D, 1,2 & 3; Literature D; Literature F. Minutes of these discussions recorded in each individual session.

## **DCM Reports**

### **District 2, Mary D**

No Report

### **District 4, Wayne H**

Happy Pi day from District 4. I would like to thank my district for giving me this opportunity to serve in my new position as DCM. We have a great mix of new and experienced GSRs actively participating in district events. I was fortunate enough to participate at this years PRAASA along with having great representation from the GSRs from district 4. PRAASA was a great learning experience as well as a time to meet new friends from across the west and to catch up with some old ones. The district has been off to a good start to the new year. We have been busy on several events already. We have been involved with the unity day event to encourage better communication, fellowship and general unity between the inter-group and general service members. We are also in the planning stages an event to help inform groups on the topic of meeting safety. It is still in the planning stages, but we will pass along information once the planning stage is complete. I would also like to thank Kathleen W., the previous DCM, for all her help in getting me off to a great start in my new position.

### **District 6, John F**

Things have kicked off very well for District 6. I am surrounded by amazingly committed and enthused group of AA members. In January we started the year off right by having the GS R trainer come and do a training for our incoming GSR's. This event was very well attended and I am pretty sure we didn't even scare anyone away from general service that day. Our District meets every other month on the even months at the Alano Club in Carson City. District 6 stretches all the way form South Lake Tahoe, down to Gardnerville, and out to Carson City and Dayton. We had our first District meeting last month. We filled the last of our officer positions, passed an annual budget and discussed all the upcoming General Service events. I was fortunate enough to attend my very first PRAASA as a District 6 representative. It was a surprise to me that the earth actually did not end after Reno and there is a highway all the way to Salt Lake City! I learned many things from other members on a wide variety of topics and I also attended a corrections and DCM roundtable. It was eye opening and refreshing to hear that members from Hawaii to Alaska have the same challenges ...like..." How do we get to those dark groups? " or " What is our role as a District in regards to helping with home group Tradition challenges ? " I plan on sharing the information and experience with my District and try further engaging our members in the wonderful world d of General Service.

### **District 8, Scott B**

I am privileged to be allowed to serve as the DCM for District 8. So far in this rotation the district has held two business meetings. Myself, along with some of our members attended PRAASA in Utah March 6 - 8, it was a wonderful event and

provided a lot of information about how AA as a whole works. A little general information about our district, District 8 is located in Eastern California. It is bordered to the west by the Sierra Nevada crest and the Nevada border to the east. It extends from Lone Pine to the south to Bridgeport in the north. The two largest groups in the district are the Mammoth Lakes group in Mammoth Lakes, and the High Sierra Group in Bishop. There are numerous smaller groups which are located in Lone Pine Big Pine, Benton, June Lake, and Bridgeport. The district sponsors a Unity Ride that sees members from the larger population centers of Bishop and Mammoth Lakes carpool to meetings in the more remote, less populated areas. This event is appreciated by all those who participate. The district also hosts an ongoing 12 Concepts study group that meets monthly and rotates between Bishop and Mammoth Lakes. The District holds its business meetings on the first Sunday of odd numbered months at 3:30 pm at the Crowley Lakes Community Center.

### **District 10a, Debbie H**

No Report

### **District 10b, Samantha G**

District 10B has \_\_\_ GSR(s) in attendance today. District 10B has four registered Groups and one not registered yet and we currently have active Groups in Battle Mountain and Winnemucca. We had gotten off our schedule with our district meetings, but we are back on track now. Also, we were able to fund some awesome workshops last year which drew our account balance down to \$360.00 so we've been discussing the principle of Tradition 7. I was requested as by one of the Groups to attend one of their business meetings to explain how the DCM is funded, what our district account balance is, PRAASA, and which service events is the DCM funded for. One Group has already increased their monthly contributions. We hope informing the Groups will encourage them to want to participate more. GSRs voted to contribute the 7th Tradition basket passed during District meetings to the district account, not the hosting Group. We had elected a district Secretary last fall, but they never showed up again. So we still need a secretary, treasurer and alternate DCM. At our last District meeting we discussed 3 of the agenda items with lively conversations. District 10B is planning a workshop on the "12 Concepts" on April 25<sup>th</sup> and Joyce Y. and Merl C. will be the presenters; flyers are on the table by the door and it's on our Area 42 website. I would encourage districts or groups in the planning stages of an event to email all DCMs to ask if there is already an event scheduled for that date. Maybe we could even put it on the Area website as "planning" to see if there's something on that date. This will decrease the chances of double-booking and therefore members won't have to choose between events planned on the same date and each event may have more participation. We're also trying to get Madeline P. to present on "How to keep the rooms safe" sometime this summer.

### **District 12, Ed L**

District 12 continues to grow in numbers and participation we are getting new GSR's every month. For the first time in recent memory we have alternates for every position. John A. and I attended PRAASA and enjoyed every minute of it. We drove to and from so we had a great chance to discuss what we heard and who we met on the way home. Currently we are working on a date and time for a secretary workshop. GSR's are asking for a list of participants before we get too far along. To

have three people show us to these events isn't fair to those who generously give of their time. We are all looking forward to the Round Tables some will be there for the first time. It is always so much fun to see how excited and involved a new GSR will get after going through the process of their first assembly. We will all have to leave by 4:30 p.m. on Saturday as our district business meeting and birthday speaker meeting was changed to the second Saturday to accommodate the new NAGS schedule. March has always been a busy month in AA and this March is no different.

### **District 14, Anne Y**

Everything is going well we only have one group without a GSR. We still need several district positions filled. We will be having our quarterly speaker meeting on April 18th at 7pm at Village Church in Incline Village NV. With a desert potluck. Our District Jamboree will be August 9th at the Truckee Regional Park in the lower pavilion. One of our groups has been having an issue with signing court cards so they got a stamp to use instead of people signing their names and phone numbers.

### **District 16, Catherine H**

I am Cathy, and I am an alcoholic. I am honored to be the new elected DCM for District 16. I was elected to this position in the January elections, Andrea B. is now the alternate DCM, our treasurer is still Sharon G and in the course of this year after her long time of service she wishes to step down and find a replacement. Barbara M has stepped up and volunteered herself as co-chair, Nate is now the District recording secretary, Stacy P was voted in as the new Christmas chair. Stacy has also stepped up to be the District liaison for NNIG. On December 6 the district held their 29<sup>th</sup> annual Christmas Affair. The Affair was, as always a good turnout. There were several panels that were very informative. Another wonderful turkey dinner with all the trimmings was served by Julie C. With such a beautiful, well-planned and organized day I was impressed that the deficit for the whole Affair was only \$50.02. I share this with all of you due to the fact that I know most of Northern Area 42 have been unable to attend due to the Christmas Affair is on the same day as the NAGSC meeting. This coming year will be the 30<sup>th</sup> year District 16 has put this Affair on and knowing of the conflict of scheduling for the Christmas Affair will be held on December 19, 2015. You are all welcome to come join us, so set the day aside! At January's meeting Merl C explained a little about Unity Day. Barbara M stepped up to attend the upcoming Unity Day meetings to keep us informed. While Merl C was there he gathered all the emails to include our district in the next concept study. There are already flyers out for the upcoming Unity Day this May. Unity Day will be an event of having fun and fellowship for all. Several districts in the Reno area along with NNIG will be hosting this event. "Looking back and looking forward: 80 years of AA unity." There will be a few panels and the topics of these panels will include unity and anonymity followed by a potluck dinner. At February's District 16 meeting Helen from NNIG along with Mike L the corrections facility chair for Northern Area 42 attended. Both Helen and Mike were happy to answer any and all questions we had about our local jails to carry the AA message into the facility. After the Roundtables I asked Carol B to attend our district meeting on March 17. Carol B is the Alternate Delegate of the State and Northern Nevada Area 42's Chair. She will be coming with Paul E, Area 42's secretary, to answer any questions about the Roundtables and/or

the Area assembly. Everyone is welcome to attend the meeting to become better informed.

### **District 20, Larry B**

This District remains largely stable in both attendance and donations. Service commitments at the district level have improved with a strong showing from Susanville Fellowship and Sunday Serenity. Chester group also continues a long time commitment to service. Our outreach efforts are in the early stages but see some positive responses. We have several active committees and some future events in the planning stage. Yours in service.

### **District 22, Henry B**

No Report

### **Officer/Standing Chair Reports**

**Chairperson, Carol B** (See report above)

**Treasurer, Tinna O** (See report above)

### **Secretary, Laura J**

I want to thank my predecessor, Roxann for allowing me to fill in at the last meeting of her rotation, this experience got me ready and able to jump right in to this, my 1<sup>st</sup> official meeting of my rotation. I want to thank the Northern Area for sending me to Praasa in Layton, Utah. I, along with about 1200 other service junkies spent the weekend learning and discussing our ideas on how to best carry the message. I attended the workshop held for recording secretary's, met other members with this commitment from around the region and got a few ideas about how to better fulfill my duties.

### **Registrar, Julie C**

As a result of the many questions, concerns and confusion generated at the January GSR training, Roberta L (past trustee) recommended that I contact Group Services at GSO. Tracy O, the Group Service Coordinator, provided answers to most of your concerns. Emily and I sent an email to all the DCMs documenting the process as we know it today. We are working diligently to get updated contact information from all the new GSRs. Emily and I send out a heartfelt thanks to all the DCMs and GSRs who called and emailed us letting us know when they received their packets. Please know that we are here to support you, but we continue to need your help. GSRs: Please let us know if you don't get your packets. We will contact GSO to see what happened and most importantly to get your packets to you as soon as possible. DCMs: Please follow-up with your GSRs and encourage them to complete the Group Change Forms. Let us know if there is anything we can do to help you get your groups information updated. I am grateful that I was able to attend PRAASA. At the registrar roundtable I learned that when GSO reports the % of groups contributing for our area, if we have inactive groups that are still listed as active that it skews our

% downward. The percentage of groups contributing is actually higher than reported because we *do* have inactive groups still listed as active. I also learned that in other areas many districts have their own registrars who help the DCMs keep up with group contact changes. I was very moved at PRAASA; the presentations were well thought out and touched my heart. I was brought to tears during the Past Trustee panel. My covers were blown with regard to rigidity. Have I perpetuated rigidity through sponsorship? Just because I was taught something doesn't make it so. Am I being inclusive to all, or just to those that I think about? Am I using my experience as an excuse to exclude people who are different? "It's not been my experience..." But I was also given hope; hope that I am not alone. Lately I have been struggling with my spiritual connection and my concept of a higher power. It has been a quiet struggle that I have been sharing with only my sponsor and a few close friends. I have had shame and questioned why and how this could happen after all these years. The past trustees and all the panelists showed courage in their convictions and willingness to tell the truth. Am I willing to be true to myself? Am I willing to share my vulnerabilities even at the risk of being hurt? Am I only thinking of myself and my own safety or am I thinking about the still suffering alcoholic who may have the same struggles, but hasn't yet learned our coping skills? I have much to digest. It was a profound PRAASA.

### **Archivist, Pat S**

I attended both Archives Round Tables at PRAASA held in Layton, Utah, last weekend and gained a lot of knowledge and ideas. I am proud of what Area 42 is able to do with its Archives. One thing that was reinforced is that District and Area minutes and financial reports should be filed with the Archivist. This is not just for their historical importance, but also for reference in the event of a legal issue or IRS audit. Archives should be the place to go when researching an issue that was previously discussed in the Area or District. So, DCMs please send copies of your minutes and financial reports to me. Hopefully you have these from the past. If not, now is a good time to start. We have several events on the horizon. Stay tuned for more info. I am still collecting photos of A.A. meeting places for a binder named "If Walls Could Talk," which came from the Grapevine. If you would like an Archives exhibit at any upcoming A.A. event, please let me know. Or a presentation on Archives. Consider whether you want only official A.A. items (historical) or if you'd also like to see collectables (event tee-shirts, medallions, posters, coffee mugs, etc).

### **Cooperation with Professional Community, Cheryl E**

I rotated in as the NAGSC CPC chairperson in January of this year. In an effort to avoid duplication as well as maintain unity between local AA services and AA general services in Northern Area 42, I also serve as the co-chair for the Northern Nevada Intergroup (NNIG) CPC committee. Joyce, Y., the chairperson for NNIG CPC, serves as my co-chair for NAGSC CPC. We meet on a regular basis and have been engaged in CPC activities. Below is a report on these activities:

- **University of Nevada Medical School, Reno:** Joyce and I, along with other CPC committee members meet with Dr. D, and 4-5 third year medical students. We provide the students with some appropriate pamphlets and central office meeting schedules and a short presentation on CPC. The students get an assignment from Dr. D. to attend a 12 step meeting and then they report back on their experience in about 6 weeks. We also attend the report backs. We meet with a new rotation of students every 6 weeks. This continues throughout the year. To date in 2015 we met on Jan. 14, Feb. 2, Feb. 23, and will meet on Mar. 16<sup>th</sup>.
- **University of Nevada, Sanford Center for Aging, Reno:** Met with Dr. Peter R., director of the center, back in Nov. 2014. He got us in contact with Dr. Sina W., director of Senior Outreach Services. Dr. W. inviting us to attend education talks that are held in the Laxalt Auditorium, Nelson Building of UNR, about 5 times per year. At these talks, we bring an AA literature rack an hour before the talk and are available to answer questions and provide information on AA. It also allows us to network with other providers and learn how we may reach the suffering alcoholic through their services. We attended talks on Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> and Mar. 10<sup>th</sup>. The next talk will be on April 14<sup>th</sup>. Dr. W. will also be introducing us to the appropriate contact person for the curriculum committee of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute to develop the possibility of adding a CPC presentation to the next semester curriculum.
- **Washoe County School District (WCSD), Reno:** Joyce and I, along with another CPC member met with Laura T., the Wellness Coordinator for WCSD. She is interested in having us do a CPC presentation to WCSD employees and retirees and the Health and Wellness department. We sent an outline of a proposed presentation. Laura is scheduling a date for Spring 2015.
- **Center for Spiritual Living, Reno:** Joyce and I met with Karen N., a reverend at the center, on Mar. 12<sup>th</sup>. Karen would like 3-4 CPC members to come and provide a presentation to 30 volunteer prayer practitioners at the center. The volunteers are assigned to attend one or more AA meetings during their volunteer time. They want to learn more about the alcoholic. The presentation is scheduled for April 1<sup>st</sup>.
- **CPC Presentation:** We are working on a basic presentation that can be used as a starting point for any CPC presentation. We are modifying the CPC presentation that GSO provided to accomplish this.
- **PRAASA:** I attended PRAASA in Utah March 6-8. I participated in the CPC roundtable there. There was sharing on 4 topics: Guidelines and Appropriate Information; CPC vs PI; How to gain interest in and guide CPC work; Examples of overcoming resistance from professionals. This sharing session provided me with some good ideas for CPC work in our geographically challenged area. For example: Put together packets for different professionals, i.e.: doctors, clergy, law, education, and take to meetings for members to take to their personal doctor, clergy, etc.

**Committee Members:** I would like to have NAGSC CPC committee members represent each of the larger populated areas in Northern Nevada and Eastern California. The goal would be to have these members know the CPC guidelines and be able to meet with professionals in their respective locations. I distributed a flyer at the Orientation meeting on Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> and sent an email to NAGSC DCMs and

Officers on Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> asking for help in identifying potential members from their districts. I will continue these efforts to broaden the CPC activities within the larger Northern Area.

### **Public Information, Lyle C**

Here is a quote from the PI Workbook: "What is Public Information Work and Why Should A.A.s Do It? Public Information (P.I.) in Alcoholics Anonymous means carrying the message of recovery to the still-suffering alcoholic by informing the general public about the A.A. program." The Northern Area PI Committee had a brief introductory meeting at the NAGSC Round Tables. The members are Amelita T from District 10a, Rick B from District 8, Jose B from District 6 and Julie C from District 20. I would love to have all Northern districts represented on the committee. If your district or group has a PI Chair or is interested in electing one, please let me know. I was able to attend PRAASA and participate in the PI Roundtables. Here are some ideas I heard which may help your district or group: 1) Ways to setup and man information booths at health fairs. 2) Spotlighting the use of Grapevines/LaVina for senior centers. 3) Volunteering to speak at DUI classes. More ideas from the PI Workbook are: 1) Place Public Service Announcements with radio and television stations. 2) Let the Fellowship know how to reach out to the hearing impaired. 3) Place a literature rack in every high school, college, police station, library and hospital in the district and keep the rack stocked with appropriate literature and meeting schedules.

### **Grapevine, Debbie S**

My name is Debbie, your Northern Area Grapevine Chair. I have received the Northern Area's supplies and miscellaneous stock from the outgoing chair. It is the responsibility of the North to set up a display table at the Area Assembly in March. I am looking forward to participating at the Area Assembly in this capacity. The Grapevine Magazine subscriptions and books make awesome reading material for you, your group, jail/prison inmates, etc. The Grapevine Magazine is always accepting your stories and photos. I am available for presentations, displays, workshops, events, etc. My contact information can be found on the Northern Area Committee Roster. For more information you can contact myself, or visit [aagrapevine.org](http://aagrapevine.org) online. Thank you for allowing me to serve in this capacity, I look forward to a fun and exciting term.

### **Corrections/Bridging the Gap, Mike L**

Hello everyone my name is Mike L and I am an alcoholic serving as NAGSC Corrections Chair. During my first three months the committee has managed to form a real committee. In the spirit of cooperation my co-chair is Helen G the Northern Nevada Intergroup corrections chair and I have become her co-chair for the Northern Nevada Intergroup corrections committee. Last month we visited district 16 answered questions about and the need to bring the AA message to the alcoholics in the corrections facilities. We hope to be able to visit every district in the North during this panel and bring more members on board to the committee from all over the North to be a more effective committee. Earlier this month I was very grateful to be able to attend PRAASA in Layton. The correction roundtable was so informative and

helpful. For me attending PRASSA is so spiritual and really motivates me to better serve. My contact information is on the roster and if your group or district would like the corrections committee to visit please contact me.

### **Special Needs/Remote Communities, Roberta B**

As Chair of the Special Needs and Remote Communities Committee I am gratified by the number of members who are willing to participate by keeping me apprised of what is happening in all corners of the Northern Area. Committee members are from South Lake Tahoe, Elko, Austin, Hawthorne, Reno, Stagecoach and Chester. I am still looking for volunteers from the Bishop/Mammoth area, Fallon/Fernley and Gardnerville. Please contact me if you are interested. I sent a short survey to all the DCMs and Committee Chairs to try to determine the needs of the Northern Area so the committee can focus its efforts on the areas with the most special needs or may need support because of the remoteness of the community. I went to Elko and spent some time with Amelita who is the Elko committee member and I look forward to visiting all of the other areas during this rotation. I spoke with the Special Needs desk at GSO prior to sending out the survey and learned that GSO sent out a survey and received less than a dozen replies. I have already received several replies and hope to get more at the Assembly, so yea Northern Nevada. At the end of March, I will tabulate the replies and then take a group conscious of the Committee to determine where to put our efforts for the rest of the rotation. Because of the distances involved, there will not be any regular committee meetings at this time, but we will communicate by e-mail and telephone. I welcome e-mails or phone calls from any AA member or group that has special needs or has problems because of the remoteness of the community.

### **Treatment Facilities, Gary S**

Good afternoon everyone, my name is Gary S. and I am an alcoholic. I am also your incoming NAGCS Treatment Chair. My home group is the ALOHA group, my sobriety date is April 1<sup>st</sup> 2008. God willing in just over 2 weeks I will Celebrate 7 years into this roller coaster journey we call sobriety. First I would like to say that I feel honored, not to mention a bit overwhelmed, yet excited, to be your standing treatment chair. I would also like to thank Carol B for nominating me and you all for confirming me as your treatment chair. I hope I will be able to live up to and fulfill the duties you have given me. In keeping with Carols wishes to foster unity with our NNIG counterparts, I have met several times and corresponded through e-mail with Joel B our NNIG treatment chair. Joel has been very active in meeting with several local treatment facilities as well as making presentations to the director and department heads at Renown hospital with follow up meetings planed in the near future. He also has a meeting planned for later this week at the Vitality center in Gardnerville that he has invited me to attend. Joel has also started a program of local A.A. groups adopting meetings at the local treatment facilities to allow members of the groups to be able to get involved in treatment work, with the members of the groups sharing the responsibilities of taking the meetings into the facilities, this allows members not able to commit to a meeting full time to still get involved. I have presented this idea at the district meetings that I have attended and hope to get the outlying districts involved when attending their district meetings

in the near future. I do understand the amount of time and level of commitment involved in taking on a weekly meeting as I have had the privilege of taking a weekly meeting into the Willow Springs Adolescent treatment facility for the last two years, it has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my time in sobriety. Not to mention what I have learned from them, and opening my eyes to what life is like and the problems facing our younger generation. Joel and I have also started compiling a list of people interested in chairing meetings in the facilities. If anyone would like to volunteer for this please see me on our next break. Last but not least, I am looking for a treatment co-chair as well as committee members. If anyone has the time and desire to get involved in treatment work, or even if you have any ideas of ways I can further serve you as your treatment chair, please see me on our next break or after the meeting.

### **Intergroup Liaison, Michael M**

No Report

### **GSR Survival Manual/Trainer, Ray G**

I am happy to hold this service commitment and am really looking forward to meeting new GSRs. A prescheduled training for District 6 was very well attended for Jan. 18<sup>th</sup> at the Carson City Alano club so I got my feet wet with the help of John F. and Carol B. I think I learned more than anyone there. Again I was very impressed by the, more than 20 there to participate. I also am freshly home from a fabulous weekend at PRAASA where I attended two GSR roundtables which were also very well attended. It felt extra good to be able to share information about our, Area 42s, GSR Survival Guide. It seems a majority of Areas do not have a tool like ours. I was able to talk with a few DCMs and will be contacting each District with an offer to be of service. Please feel free to contact me at any time and thank you for allowing me to be of service.

### **DCM Standing Committee Facilitator, Chris S**

At the March NAGSC meeting we had a good turnout. The topics we discussed included scheduling a NAGSC Chair to come and speak at your District meeting for 10 minutes to stir interest. Remember committees cannot be formed if we are not presenting information. NAGSC Chairs make contact with your intergroup counterparts especially if speaking at a District or holding a workshop. What ways can we help the GSR's hold meetings for their groups so they can be as fully informed to make a decision on the agenda topics? (Sharing sessions, presentations at business meetings, email list so all of the home group members have the info that you have). These are some of the suggestions presented. We also had a DCM who was contacted about a group not following traditions. We discussed possible solutions from past experience to help guide that DCM to a possible solution. All in all it was a wonderful meeting and hopefully we helped each other find some solutions through experience, strength and hope.

**7<sup>th</sup> Tradition** Collected - 222.67

**Important Dates/Next Nagsc Meeting**

Area 42 Preconference Assembly – March 27 – 29, 2015 in Tonopah Nevada

General Service Conference, New York City – April 19 – 25, 2015

**Next Nagsc Meeting:** Saturday, June 6, 2015

Hosted by District 16

Location: Sparks Christian Fellowship

510 Greenbrae Drive, Sparks, NV 89431

Time: DCM/Chair meeting – Noon

General Meeting – 1pm

**3:40pm Motion made to adjourn the meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> made, all in favor...**

**Meeting closed with the Responsibility Statement**

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