

AREA 42 NEWSLETTER

A confidential AA document

From the Delegate...

Nothing really to report to you all this Newsletter. Assembly was very well attended and we had a great weekend of discussion--somewhere approaching 240 participants. Of course I just know it was all because of me---just kidding, I continue to work on right sizing and progress comes slowly. Thanks to all who made the trip to Tonopah and thanks to Sophie K and all her helpers for putting together the information for the Round tables. Also, thanks to Carol B for chairing the Assembly and special thanks to the Round table facilitators for all their effort.

I am off to the General Service Conference in New York the week of April 23. I look forward to giving my report on the Conference first to SAGSC May 13 at the TIE Club and then to NAGSC in Genoa June 10. If you are interested in my giving a report at your District function, let me know and we will try to get it on the schedule.

Thank you all for giving me the opportunity to represent Area 42 as your Delegate. It is indeed an honor and a privilege.

Yours in service,

Byron F

Area 42 Delegate, Panel 61

**BOOK YOUR ROOM EARLY FOR
THE SEPTEMBER ASSEMBLY!**

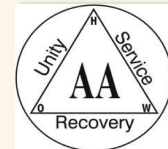
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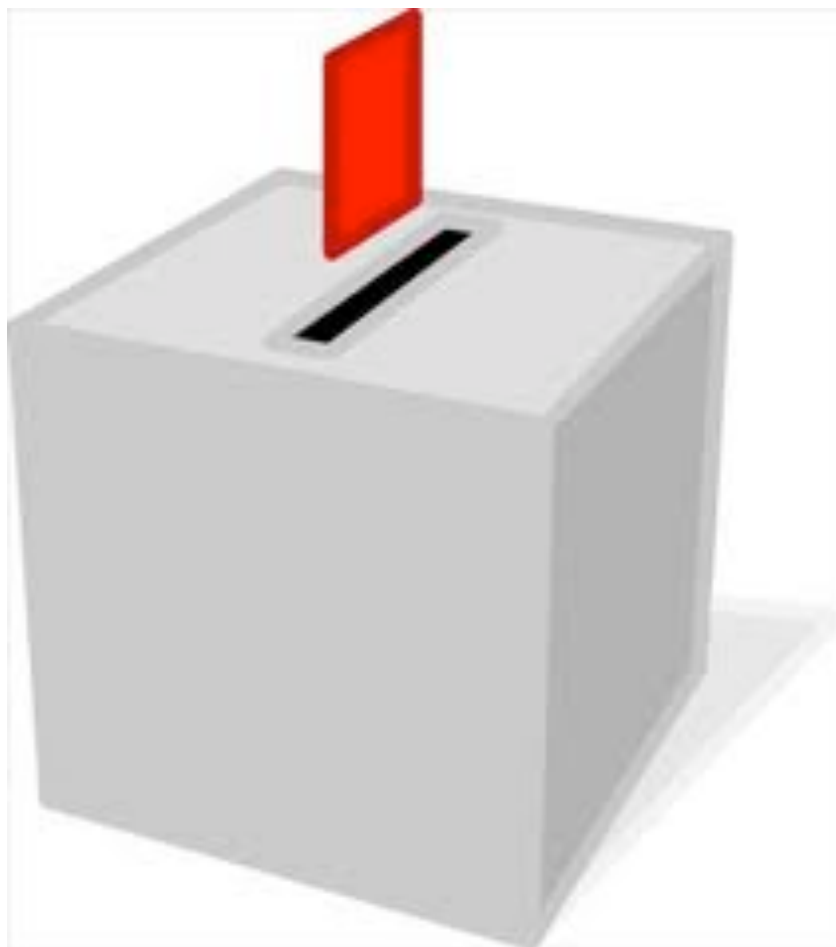


Election Assembly Sept. 7 - 9

Tonopah, NV



Get ready to vote!



Area 42 Elections Assembly is Sept. 7-9

My first PRAASA

Lisa T. of Las Vegas attended her first PRAASA (Pacific Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly) in Bellevue, WA in March. Following is her first-person account:

My name is Lisa, I am a very grateful alcoholic, I am the GSR for Southwest Sobriety, District 7, Area 42. I have been to Assemblies & Forum's in the past, but never to PRAASA. The sense of so many people coming together with one purpose in mind is always almost overwhelming.

It is a credit to the organizers of the event that all went as smoothly as it did, from check-in to each presentation.

The numbers of panels and discussions to attend were so many, it was like an AA marathon overload. The energy levels were positive and invigorating, the amount of information absorbed took me days after to fully process.

I truly appreciated the thoroughness with which the topics were researched and presented.

Of particular interest to me was Panel 6, Safety in AA Our Common Welfare. The presenters as well as those who spoke from the floor gave me much food for thought. This is a topic which my group is addressing at some of our discussion meetings. In October it will also be the subject of one of four Service Events District 7 hosts.

Each time I participate in any AA event, from a small meeting of six

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AREA 42 GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY FINANCE GUIDELINES

Adopted 9.11.10 (effective 1.1.11)

Finance Committee Mission Statement: To define fiscal responsibility and standardize procedures in Area 42

1.0 Area 42 Finance Committee

1.1 Membership

The current area treasurer, and alternate, NAGSC and SAGSC treasurers and immediate past area treasurer shall automatically be members of the committee. In addition, two at-large members will be elected, one residing in the north and one residing in the south. The immediate past area treasurer shall be a non-voting member. In the event there are 6 members on the committee, the alternate treasurer shall be a non-voting member.

1.2 Elections

Election of at-large members shall be held at the fall area assembly on odd numbered (non-election) years. Eligible candidates shall have 2 years of experience in Area 42 service prior to election. At-large finance committee members may not hold other positions that are subject to area budget considerations.

1.3 Officers of the Committee

The immediate past Area Treasurer will act as Finance Committee Chairperson.

1.4 Replacement

If a member of the finance committee is unable to complete the rotation, the treasurer and finance committee chair will select a replacement to be confirmed by the finance committee. The replacement assumes duties immediately.

1.5 Meetings

Finance committee meetings shall be held at least four times per year: twice per year at area assemblies and at least twice per year by teleconference.

1.6 Funding

If not otherwise funded, finance committee members shall be reimbursed for costs associated with attendance at finance committee meetings.

2.0 RESPONSIBILITIES of COMMITTEE MEMBERS

2.1 Responsibilities of the Area Treasurer

- A. Carries out all banking responsibilities.
- B. Records and deposits all funds received.
- C. Prepares and records all payments for expenses.
- D. Maintains financial and bookkeeping records.
- E. Ensures that the accounting for the area is performed in QuickBooks or similar accounting program.

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- F. Prepares and presents financial statements to the area assembly.
- G. Assembles documentation for tax preparer of federal and state filings.
- H. At the end of the rotation, and after review by the finance committee, turns over the original financial documentation to the Area 42 Archives.
- I. Files annual list of officers with the State of Nevada.
- J. Provides copies of bank statements and reconciliations to finance committee chair.
- K. Provides Back Up of QB File to alternate treasurer monthly.
- L. Provides P&L, Balance Sheet & proposed budget in packets for Fall Assembly.

2.2 Responsibilities of the Finance Committee

- A. Drafts financial guidelines policy.
- B. Present annual budget at the Fall Assembly for approval.
- C. Reviews requests for additional funding.
- D. Provides recommendations to the assembly on financial matters.
- E. Establishes per diem rate for travel, incidentals, and mileage reimbursement.
- F. Performs annual review of income and expenses for previous year at each Spring Assembly.
- G. Maintains an inventory of assets. Inventory items include software, equipment and archives.
- H. Maintains minutes of meetings.

3.0 CHECK SIGNING AUTHORITY

- 3.1 Checks can be signed by any one of the following: area treasurer, delegate or finance committee chair.

4.0 PRUDENT RESERVE

The prudent reserve is to ensure that, after all obligations are paid, enough funds are held to conduct Area business. Experience has shown that, for any given year, a reserve equal to 1/3 of the previous year's expenses will ensure that the assembly will be able to meet its financial obligations. A . majority vote of area officers is necessary to draw upon our prudent reserve.

5.0 THE BUDGET PROCESS

- 5.1 Prior to July 1 of each year, area officers, alternates and persons appointed to Area positions by the delegate or area chair are responsible for preparing a budget for his/her position. The Area Chairperson will prepare the budget(s) for any vacant position(s). Each budget is submitted to the finance committee chairperson.

- A. Finance Committee receives budget requests, compiles them into a single Assembly-wide budget using data from August 1 of the prior year thru 7/31 of the current year, establishes per diem rate for travel, incidentals, and mileage and presents them to the Area Committee at the Fall Assembly.
- B. The Area Committee reviews the budget approves it as submitted, or recommends revisions.
- C. The Assembly reviews and adopts the budget by a 2/3 majority vote.

- 5.2 No officer/chairperson is to exceed their approved budget without prior approval. If additional funds are needed that exceed the budgeted amount, the officer/chairperson must submit a request to the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee may approve any such request that does not exceed 20%

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of the approved budget for that position. If such a request is in excess of that, it will be submitted to the Area Committee for a decision.

6.0 REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES

6.1 Expense Authorization and Submission

A. The treasurer is responsible for the reimbursement of all expenses incurred on behalf of the assembly submitted with receipts within 45 days of occurrence.

6.2 Area Committee and Assembly Meetings

A. The Area officers, alternates, and those persons appointed to Area positions by the delegate or chairperson, are eligible for reimbursement for travel expenses.

B. DCMs can seek assistance from Area, funds permitting.

C. GSRs can seek assistance from Area, funds permitting.

6.3 PRAASA/FORUM

A. The Area officers or their alternates and those persons appointed to Area positions by the delegate or Area chair are eligible for reimbursement for travel expenses to PRAASA.

B. The delegate, alternate delegate and Area chair or alternate are funded to attend Forums in the Pacific Region.

C. All airfare will be reimbursed at coach rate.

D. The delegate will receive full funding for the banquet and delegates' luncheon.

6.4 Reimbursement for Use of Personal Auto

The rate of reimbursement will be reviewed annually during budget preparation.

6.5 Advances/Prepayments

Advances or prepayments will be considered by the finance committee on a case by case basis. Submit requests to the finance committee chair.

1. To review federal travel guidelines. Go to: www.gsa.gov/perdiem

Important reminder:

Area officers need to submit budgets for 2013 to the Finance Committee Chair prior to July 1. (sdkservice@gmail.com)

Tonopah Motels*

Elections Assembly is Sept. 7 - 9, 2012

Hi-Desert Best Western (775) 482-3511
\$115.53 single/\$126.43 double (includes tax)

Ramada Tonopah Station (775) 482-9777
\$64.86 all rooms single and double (includes tax)

Jim Butler Motel (775) 482-3577
No vacancy this weekend

Economy Inn (775) 482-6238
\$46.87 all rooms (includes tax)

The Clown Hotel (775) 482-5920
\$39.79 single/\$43.06 for two/\$46.33 for three (includes tax) (pet friendly)

Tonopah Motel (775) 482-3987
\$38.15 single/\$44.45 double (includes tax)

National 9 Inn (775) 482-8202
\$43.59 single/\$49.04 double (plus tax — senior rates available)

Mizpah Hotel (855) 337-3030
Queen \$94 King \$104

* (Rates were updated April, 2012, and are subject to change)

Area 42 Officers (2011 - 2012)

Delegate Byron F.
Alt. Delegate Sophie K.
Area Chair Carol B.
Alt. Area Chair Andy K.
Treasurer Cherie N.
Alt. Treasurer Phil W.
Secretary Kevin B.
Alt. Secretary Rich W.
Registrar Michele B.
Alt. Registrar Jeannette B.
Archivist Paul E.
Alt. Archivist Caroline TJ.

Find contact information for all officers at www.nevadaarea42.org

District Business meetings

District 1: 2nd Sunday in April, 10 AM, at the Lost & Found in Boulder City, NV.
Email for information:
district1@nevadaarea42.org

District 2: 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m., Reno Triangle Club, 635 S. Wells, Reno NV. Email for information:
district2@nevadaarea42.org

District 3: 2nd Sunday in January, May, July, and November at 12 noon, Las Vegas Central Office.
Email for information:
district3@nevadaarea42.org

District 4: 1st Thursday of the month, 7 p.m. Reno Triangle Club 635 S. Wells Ave, Reno. Email for information:
district4@nevadaarea42.org

District 5b: 2nd Saturday of the month at 1:30 p.m. 5715 Alexander, Suite 145, Las Vegas. Email for information:
district5b@nevadaarea42.org

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

District 7: 3rd Friday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Serenity Club, 3990 Schiff Drive., Las Vegas
Email for information:
district7@nevadaarea42.org

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

District 9: 3rd Sunday of the month, 2 p.m., Camel Club.
Email for information:
district9@nevadaarea42.org

District 10A: 3rd Sunday of odd numbered months, 6:30 p.m., 680 River St., Elko, NV. Email for information:
district10a@nevadaarea42.org

District 11: Email for information:
district11@nevadaarea42.org

District 12: 1st Saturday of each month at 5 p.m. at Wolf Center, 457 Esmeralda St., Fallon, NV. Email for information:
district12@nevadaarea42.org

District 13: Last Monday of the month at 5:00 p.m. Triangle Club small room, 4600 E. Nellis Blvd, Las Vegas. Email for information:
district13@nevadaarea42.org

District 14: 3rd Tuesday of each ODD month at 7p.m. Email for information:
district14@nevadaarea42.org

District 15: 1st Friday of the month 6:30 p.m., T.I.E. Club, 329 North 11th Street, Las Vegas. Email for information:
district15@nevadaarea42.org

District 16: 3rd Monday of the month at a member's office.
Information:
dist16area42@gmail.com

District 17: 1st Wednesday of the month, 6:30 p.m. at 360 S. Lola Ln, Pahrump, NV (basement training room). Email for information:
district17@nevadaarea42.org

District 19: 2nd Friday of EVEN months at 2 p.m. Email for location:
Email for information:
district19@nevadaarea42.org

District 20: 3rd Saturday in January, March, May, August and October, 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. at 44 1/2 Gay St., Susanville, CA . Email for information:
district20@nevadaarea42.org

District 21: Every Thursday at 7 p.m. 3111 S Valley View Suite B-212. Email for information:
district21@nevadaarea42.org

District 22: Every Wednesday at 6 p.m. 1479 S. Wells Ave, Suite 2, Reno, NV. Email for information:
pabloaa@gmail.com



Upcoming Service Events



Area 42 Election Assembly Sept. 7- 9, 2012
Tonopah Convention Center
301 Brougner Ave, Tonopah, Nevada 89049



Next SAGSC meeting May13. 1:15 p.m. (GSR Training 12:30 p.m.)
329 N. 11th St., Las Vegas (The TIE Club)



Next NAGSC meeting June 10, 2012
At District 6 Picnic starts 1:30 p.m., Genoa Park, Genoa

Pacific Regional Forum



September 14 - 16, 2012

Fairbanks, Alaska



Area 42 Current 7th Tradition Contribution Addresses

Ask your DCM for the District Treasurer's address to send Group 7th Tradition Contributions.

Area 42 Current 7th Tradition Contribution Addresses:

General Services Office (GSO)
 PO Box 459
 New York, NY 10163
 (Make Checks to General Fund)

Area 42 (All Nevada)
 PO Box 70171
 Las Vegas, NV. 89170-0171
 (Make checks to Area 42 Treasury)

SOUTHERN CONTRIBUTIONS
 Southern Area General Service Committee (SAGSC)
 Make checks to GSR Fund of SO NEVADA
 Southern Area Treasurer
 PO Box 71804-1804
 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)
 For address, contact:
nagsctreasurer@nevadaarea42.org
 (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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My First PRAASA ...

persons to something as large as PRAASA, I always get flooded with emotions. To think that I have blessed to share in the celebration of recovery with all of my alcoholic sisters & brothers is truly a Spiritual Experience. I thank all who have come before me blazing the path of recovery & service to maintain our Singleness of Purpose.

In Love & Service
Lisa T

Note:
**The Summer Newsletter will be
our special pre-election edition!**

FROM THE EDITOR

If you would like to submit a service-oriented article for the Area 42 Newsletter, . Submit to:
area42newsletter@gmail.com.

MEETING MINUTES

Links to minutes of Area 42 Assemblies, NAGSC and ISAGSC meetings can be found online at:

www.nevadaarea42.org