

**Secretary Minutes from September 10, 11 & 12, 2010**  
**Fall Area 42 Assembly**  
**Tonopah, Nevada**

**Friday September 7, 2007**

Assembly Opened with the Serenity Prayer at 6:30 PM. Area Chairperson Byron F. asked Carol B. to read the Twelve Traditions. District 13 is hosting the Assembly. Madeleine P. (past Regional Trustee) is our guest Speaker this weekend. Banquet tickets are on sale @ \$15.00. The meal is being provided by the Tonopah Elks. This weekend we are having a panel consisting of past General Service people conducting an "Artifacts Presentation" at lunchtime Saturday. Byron recognized Diane from the Tonopah Convention Center, Bill and Trent D. our tapers, and Lurdes M our transcriber and translator.

**Emily F. Alt. DCM District 1**

We are happy to announce that we were able to repay our loan to the southern area in full at the last area assembly. Also, the district was able to send 2 representatives to the Pacific Regional forum, of which I was lucky enough to be one... I got lots of great information and hope to make it useful to the district. Currently, we are gearing up for our District Picnic in Boulder City on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of October. We hope you will all come and join us. We are planning to hold a District workshop on the topic - Anonymity in the Digital Age. It will be held on the first Saturday in November, please watch the Silver Streak for further details. Thank you.

**Tim W. DCM District 2**

District 2 is comprised of about 25 groups in the city limits of Reno, west of Virginia St. Our major activity this summer was to host a panel discussion meeting on August 8<sup>th</sup> with two themes: (1) our primary purpose and (2) anonymity in the digital age. Three local members who represent a good cross section of the fellowship served on the panel. and great discussion from the audience – 81 people attended. We kept minutes of the meeting and at the request of our Area Delegate and forwarded them to the GSO who was particularly interested in the anonymity topic. In addition, the DCM moderated another panel discussion at the Reno/Sparks Fall Roundup on the topic of service. Thank you.

**Russ C. DCM District 3**

District #3 is self-supportive and has five GSR's in service, all in attendance this Assembly. I have reached out to other groups in District #3 in hopes of gaining further participation in Area service. I attended the Stray Dogs Group business meeting and the group declined to participate at this level in favor of carrying the message to newcomers at the meeting level. District #3 had a "We Absolutely Insist on Having Fun" meeting and fellowship event, which was well attended by alcoholics from all over the valley. We will hold our District elections in November. Thank you for allowing me to serve District #3 and Area 42.

**Darryl N. DCM District 4**

District is reporting good attendance and the 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition is up in most cases.

Attendance at District 4 Meetings are up, we have 2 groups with new GSRs. Not a Glum Lot (a Young Peoples group) has moved into the district from District 2 and New Freedom is the new Gay and Lesbian & gay friendly group at the Triangle Club. Both GSRs are here this weekend, along with Cornerstone and 4<sup>th</sup> Dimension. New Alt. DCM Britany D. is ready to serve the district and we are happy to have her in service.

**John C. DCM District 5B**

The boundaries of District 5B are shown on the Area 42 map. Included within the district area is; LV Piute Indian reservation, Indian Springs, Ash Springs, Hiko, and Rachel. These locations have no registered groups. There are 124 meetings a week in District 5B. Some of the groups from the dark District 5A have migrated into 5B and also into District 7. The GSRs in the district have been acting as liaisons for Archives, PI/CPC, Grapevine, H&I, Intergroup, Registrar, and Finance Committee along with Area 42 and GSO to their groups. District 5B has an October Picnic and a November Secretaries Workshop scheduled. We are

recruiting GSRs and registering new groups into the district, which is currently active with 22 GSRs and 4 Alt. GSRs participating.

**Chris S. Alt. DCM District 6**

Dave M. stepped down as DCM capping a remarkable unbroken run of AA service due to a hectic work schedule. Elections were held for our 2011/2012 district officers at the August District 6 meeting and filled all positions. We added two new chairs in 2009, PI/CPC and C&T/H&I. Commitment to district service remains strong. In the year to come, we will initiate a survey of all groups in our district in our ongoing effort to encourage more group participation through GSRs. We're planning to hold a GSR Workshop in December to help orient and inform incoming GSRs for our district. Also, the Minden Gardnerville Group is hosting a PI/CPC Workshop on September 25<sup>th</sup>, fliers are on the table. Lee H. current District 6 DCM.

**Eddie D. Alt. DCM District 7**

District 7 has 17 active groups and meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday at 6:30pm at St Rose Dominican Hosp. On Warm Springs. Average attendance 17 – 20. In April we elected Alt. Treasurer and in August we elected Alt. DCM. April we hosted Working with Others, service event and in May Mike M. joined us. August 15<sup>th</sup> was the Mt. Charleston 25<sup>th</sup> annual Picnic. We have new and excited GSRs/alternates in service, they are taking on various commitments helping the district carry the message to their groups, and volunteering with the district picnic and other events. We will be holding our District 7 election shortly.

**Carri C. DCM District 8**

Please welcome the new GSR Pam, from Lone Pine. One of the members thought there was a real need for a Benton meeting. We decided to have a potluck -AA meeting. Well 30 or more members came from the district including 8 from Benton. They now have a Thursday 6 pm meeting with 8-13 attending. Mammoth Lakes had their annual camp-out, which is always a good sober time. District Unity ride still strong supporting the groups from Lone Pine -Bridgeport. Mammoth Lakes, the Bishop group and the High Sierra groups are bringing meetings into the Jails and Juvenile hall. The district will be putting on a Service Workshop in the next few months allowing members to be informed of what positions are available and what they do.

**Rich W. DCM District 9**

Struggling with support, looking forward to up-coming elections. I am hoping someone will stand for the DCM position. District inventory is struggling. Workshop will be planned in the next few months.

Thank you.

**Laurie B. Acting DCM District 10A**

I am the District 10A Treasurer and acting as DCM for this assembly. District is doing well with no changes to active groups and a slight increase of meetings. Serenity in the Rubies was a success in July. District 10A holds a Gratitude Dinner with a speaker in the fall. District elections will be held also this fall. There is a Speaker group in Elko, which holds meetings each Friday, and are always looking for out of town speakers. Anyone interested in speaking at this meeting, please feel free to approach me during the assembly any time. Thank you.

**Norma W. DCM District 11**

New groups are in Austin on Wednesdays and Goldfield on Mondays. I was able to attend the Forum last Month, gained a wealth of information to pass on to our large area/small groups. New GSRs: Smokey Valley ~ Tommy, Alt Joe. Goldfield ~ Tony, Alt. Meagan. Tonopah ~ Teddy, Cindy and their alternates. Eureka, Austin, Kingston, Smokey Valley, Tonopah and Goldfield are all active.

The women take a Thursday meeting into the Tonopah Jail. We now have one of them, who is so excited about recovery, in our meeting with 5 months sobriety, and she is getting her children back. The men take meetings on Wednesday and Thursday into the same jail. District 11 is grateful to the assembly and the folks for purchasing the drinks from us. This goes to the district

**Doreen H. DCM District 12**

Doreen stepped in as DCM 6 months ago when Carol Ann D. moved .I will be rotating out in January. We meet the second Tuesday of the month and have 15 in attendance. District supports a monthly Birthday Speaker Meeting in Fallon, and Silver Springs hosts a potluck Speaker Meeting on the last Saturday of each month. We will host the December NAGSC Meeting @ Senior Center in Silver Springs. Two Camp-outs this summer were well attended. Yerington is small but active in General Service. Hawthorne held a Sober Bash and 30 attended. Flyers are on the table for a Speaker Meeting in Yerington. We are gearing up for annual Gratitude Dinner the Monday before Thanksgiving, and our Christmas Alcathon. Thank you.

### **Justin P. DCM District 13**

Dist 13 has 32 active AA groups. We have 17 GSRs. 11 GSRs attended our last Dist. Business Meeting, where Mike M. presided over our Dist election. Don S. GSR for Misfits will be taking over for me as DCM in January, Glenn as Alt DCM. Welcome to Karen D. New GSR for Women's Night Out, first time here. Thanks to Byron, Michelle, Caroline, and Jason who came to our business meetings over the past few months to answer questions and do presentations. Flyers are on Table for Speaker Meeting October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 2-4pm at the Triangle Club Las Vegas. Our monthly Speaker meeting meets the second Tuesday @ 6:30pm and the business meeting is the last Monday @ 5pm. Taking a line from our Government; "DCM is the toughest job you'll ever love" And I look forward to serving in whatever capacity God sees fit.

### **Norman S. Reporting for Lonnie M. DCM District 14**

July 17<sup>th</sup> we had the 56<sup>th</sup> anniversary of AA on the North Shore of Tahoe. August 8<sup>th</sup> we had our Annual District 14 Jamboree. Both events had a great turnout. October 10<sup>th</sup> we are doing a Workshop on General Service positions in our district, to describe the duties of each position, to help create a better interest in General Service. Thank you.

### **Dave A. DCM District 15**

Silver Queen in Tonopah is changing to monthly rental Kitchenettes, this is the last assembly we will be able to stay there. We have 9 representatives here today from District 15. Two groups (4<sup>th</sup> Dimension & The Lunch Bunch) have rejuvenated a Speaker Meeting that was taking place at the Silver Nugget once a month and have brought them to the TIE Club last Sunday of the month. They will rotate locations quarterly. We had 75 people show up last month. We hosted 5 weeks of a Traditions Workshop that went over very well. Third Sunday of every month we have the Archives, "Artifacts Meeting" at the TIE Club

### **Ed O. DCM District 16**

District 16 covers: Golden Valley, Hungry Valley, Lockwood, Sparks, Stead, Sun Valley and Sutcliff. Last weekend we had a successful 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Fall Roundup "Keep Coming Back, It Works". In May we sponsored a Mother's Day Retreat and are planning another next year. We will be having our annual Christmas Affair on December 11<sup>th</sup>. It's a thank you party for everyone that has done service in work in AA the last several years. We have an AD-HOC Committee trying to contact groups that are without GSRs in our district, it is ongoing. Thank you for allowing me to serve the last 2 years.

### **Dale B. DCM District 17**

Pahrump has 31 meetings & 2 Jail meetings. Death Valley has 2 meetings now. Beatty, Tecopa, Sandy Valley, Amargosa Valley, and Spring Valley each host 1 meeting a week. District meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30. We are having our elections for all positions in October. There is interest to serve in General Service this year. We had an Artifacts Meetings, a Preamble Workshop, a BBQ/Picnic and the upcoming elections also Alcahons in December 2010 Website is working well. Check us out at [www.aadistrict17pahrump.org](http://www.aadistrict17pahrump.org) Thank you

### **Lyle C. DCM District 20**

This is my final report as DCM for District 20. Thank you to everyone. The district reaches from Alturas at the Oregon border to Graeagle. Last district meeting was held 08/28/10 at the district campout with four GSR's or Alt's attending. Chester Fellowship hosted the District 20 campout, which was held Aug 27-29. The campout had three wonderful speakers and everybody had a good time. District 20 is sponsoring a speaker/potluck on October 23<sup>rd</sup> - Jason will be our speaker. We have added another H&I fire camp meeting at Antelope Camp. Plumas county and Lassen county are becoming more connected to H&I as a whole. We lost Sam H. this year. His sons surrounded him at this death. He has helped many of us in District 20 and Area 42. Thank you Sam.

### **Eduardo L. DCM District 21**

May 10<sup>th</sup> District 21 celebrated its 8<sup>th</sup> annual Foro (Spanish Forum) for General Services. We have worked with our auxiliary committees, H&I, La Vina, and PI. We have 19 groups, and we visit 2 per week, as we grow in unity. These are our activities for the present time. Wishing you a happy 24 hours and thank you.

### **Pablo . DCM District 20**

We are keeping busy in Northern Nevada. We have 11 groups, we just added one in Carson City. South Lake Tahoe and Incline Village each have a Spanish speaking AA meeting. The district is going to start bilingual meetings at SLT. We will see how this will work, because we want to be as united with you guys as possible. You always help us and we want to try to be better. October 17 at 2PM is our first meeting at the South Shore Group.

## **Area Officer and Area Committee Reports**

### **Edie D. SAGSC Secretary**

Since our last assembly, SAGSC has held meetings in May and July. At our May meeting, Byron reminded us of the guidelines for the elections of the new area offices taking over in January of 2011 and requested all resumes for anyone interested in standing for a position be emailed to me by July 5<sup>th</sup>. I forwarded all resumes received to Carol B. in the North. Carol forwarded copies of the North resumes to me to be made available at our July meeting. We also had a Delegate's Report from Jason on the 60<sup>th</sup> General Service Conference and DCM reports were given and all seems well with the SAGSC area.

### **Caroline T. Alt. Archivist**

We met on Tuesday mornings at Central Office in Las Vegas. Last week we sorted through 6 decades of Grapevines, please come join us. We are having a special treat here this weekend at Noon on Saturday, during the Lunch break, Ruth J. has assembled a panel of All Stars to share about Area 42. Next regularly scheduled Artifacts meeting is at the TIE Club. We would like to do a panel about Tonopah and Goldfield history. We are accepting invitations to other part of the area. Please invite us to bring Archives to your AA related events. We receive donations through Artifacts meetings and a can at Central Office.. Thank you. If you wish to donate historical articles specifically related to our Area or volunteer your time and talent please call me. We have a real need for people with audio expertise.

### **Michelle B. Alt. Registrar**

Hi, I'm Michele, the Alt. Registrar for area 42. In the past 6 months I have had the opportunity to visit many individual district meetings in the South to discuss the importance of having up to date information listed with the GSO for GSR's and DCM's. I was also able to attend Prassa in Los Angeles and the Forum in Torrance, CA. Both were very informative and inspiring. If there are any new GSR's or DCM's here today, please see Kevin or myself so we can get your information. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

### **Tim H CPC Cindy M. PI Report read by Caroline T.**

#### Recent Events:

03/30-31/10	Bishop Gorman High School presentations, Freshman Health Classes in conjunction with Al-Anon and Alateen. Four youngspeakers.
04/12/10	Presentation to Prestige Assisted Living
05/21/10	Palo Verde High School presentation, five health classes
05/26/10	South Continuation School, five classes
05/28/10	Coral Academy (Henderson) one presentation of fifty students, five young speakers.
06/04/10	Welcome Home Veterans event 10am-2pm at the GoldCoast Casino
06/24/10	Orientation for Project Homeless Connect
06/24/10	Literature table @ Everest College in Henderson
06/29/10	Project Homeless Connect @ Cox Pavilion
08/19/10	Donated 5 Spanish Big Books, 5 Spanish 12x12's to District 21 in their efforts to place books in schools and library with high Hispanic population.

#### Upcoming Events:

09/26/10	Literature table @ T.I.E. Club End of Month Speaker Meeting
10/13-10/16/10	Association of Journalists - Literature Display @ Planet Hollywood
11/10/10	Project Homeless Connect, Cashman Center
11/14/10	United States Postal Service Health Fair @ Henderson Convention Center
12/10/10	Palo Verde High School presentation, five health classes

Ongoing Activities: We have taken literature to Nevada Parole and Probation Office in Las Vegas and will continue to monitor pamphlet levels. We have recently sent mailings to the Clark County Court Administrators, which included a letter from GSO entitled, "Alcoholics Anonymous as a Resource for Drug & Alcohol Court Professionals". We have offered to make presentations to staff and are will be following up to offer our services. We have also been asked by Al-Anon Family Groups to assist in their efforts to inform AA's of their services. Al-Anon has asked that our groups be given a letter to make available to members for their friends and families. We will bring this up at the Inter group level.

**Rich B. NAGSC CPC Chair**

I talked with Judges and probation officers from El Dorado County, CA. We went over AA members writing reports on behave of court referrals and probation people. We had a friendly conversation and all parties understood the importance of protecting our membership. I will be participating in a workshop in Gardnerville, Nv. It will be held on Sept. 25th from noon to 2pm with a potluck.

**Cynthia L.SAGSC Grapevine Chair**

Activities in the South: Past, Founders Day at Mt. Charleston Picnic. Current; Native American Conference is this weekend. Future; Picnics are in Boulder City and District 5B. End of month is Speaker Meeting at TIE Club. We meet the second Friday of the month at 6:00PM in the Central Office. We have about 15 active GVRs, half of them attend the Grapevine meetings. We will be having elections at the end of the year. Thank you.

**Michael W.SAGSC ~ LVYPAA Liaison**

I am the GSR for the Straight Pepper Diet Young Peoples AA Group. We meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of each month at 3 PM at the TIE Club at 11<sup>th</sup> Street and Stewart Ave. We're hosting the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Scavenger Hunt this month. Surrounding YP committees are co-hosting ANNYPAA Arizona, California and WACYPAA. We are wrapping up our bid package for WACYPAA in December located in Yosemite, CA

**Carolyn C.SAGSC ~ Central Office Liaison**

Thanks to the groups who have been supporting CO, they are doing much better these days. CO has been receiving calls from groups regarding singleness of purpose, they are reminded to inform members of the 12 Traditions and read the "Blue Cards". Birthday Contribution envelopes are available at the CO. Founders Day was a huge success and donated \$ 2,000 to Central Office, as did the Gratitude Ball. Gratitude Ball Committee is looking for volunteers, they meet the first Wednesday of the month at CO at 6:00PM. Las Vegas Round up registration is now available online. Thank you.

**Leslie D.SAGSC Special Needs Chair**

Special Needs is responding to requests from our Central Office to visit those that are homebound. We pass out literature and Special Needs is available. We're in conjunction with Gerald & H&I in bringing a meeting into the Freemont Residential Home in L V, every Tuesday from 9:20am-10:20am New Co-Chair, Chris R. We have printed flyers and passed them out to numerous meetings explaining what Special Needs has to offer. We have an ad in The Silver Streak that Special Needs/ Accessibility is here to assist. Special Needs is working closely with our area Public Information, plus we will have a link on lvcentraloffice.org explaining our services for the thousands that visit the site. Finally we have turned in our budget and requested to attend PRAASA in 2011. Thank you.

**Before we took the 7:45 break, Byron informed the assembly of the passing last May of one of our trusted servants, Sam H. from District 20. Sam held many of the service positions Area 42 has to offer, while continually taking meetings into the California prison system and representing that area for H&I in California.**

**Before we assemble at 8:15 tomorrow, there is an AA meeting held in this room at 7:00AM Saturday, also at 7:30 AM Sunday. Tonight after this break the Area 42 GSRs will be given orientations by Past Officers focusing on the election process ahead. The Area Officers, and Area Committee members shall adjourn to the "Blue Room" for the Friday Night Area Committee Meeting. Please up-date your contact information for e-mailing and put your questions in the "Ask It Basket" all weekend.**

**8:00 PM**

**Area 42 Committee Meeting:**

Present at the Committee Meeting ~ Sign-in sheet included:

<b>Kathy S</b>	<b>Dale B</b>	<b>Stephen V</b>	<b>Lyle C</b>	<b>Justin P</b>	<b>Chris S</b>	<b>Mike L</b>	<b>Paul E</b>
<b>Sophie K</b>	<b>Cynthia L</b>	<b>Byron F</b>	<b>Leslie D</b>	<b>David A</b>	<b>Doreen H</b>	<b>Carolyn C</b>	<b>Emily F</b>
<b>Michele B</b>	<b>Caroline T</b>	<b>Cherie N</b>	<b>Marion T</b>	<b>Phil W</b>	<b>Rich W</b>	<b>Edie W</b>	<b>Carri C</b>
<b>Darryl N</b>	<b>Lauri B</b>	<b>Jeannette B</b>	<b>Kevin B</b>	<b>Russ C</b>	<b>Tim W.</b>	<b>Rich B</b>	<b>Ralph</b>
<b>Don S</b>	<b>Norma W</b>	<b>John C</b>	<b>Carol B</b>				

After opening with the Serenity Prayer, Byron passed around copies of a past Area 42 history he had received from Ruth J. Byron requested discussion on the proposals to be presented tomorrow.

1. **Summarize: Newsletter Proposal ( Editor, Mike L.)** This guideline changing request looks to change the June edition to August to ease up on various deadlines before the Fall Assembly. Q. There were two questions regarding the timing being enough for the area committees and groups to have information in advance of assembly. A. The August edition will be available a month before the September assembly.
  
2. Treasurer (Sophie K.) requested the groups to get an e-mail address for General service business, including the Treasurer being able to send receipts to them instead of using the USPS (saving the area about \$300 a year.) **Summarize: Finance Committee request to approve recommendation document. Treasurer (Sophie K.)** made typo correction on the document. This Finance Committee document is not a proposal, it is standardizing advisory procedures for monitoring finances. The committee is looking to see if the Area body wants the committee to proceed with a set of Finance Committee Guidelines.
  - Q. Is this an Area 42 Guideline change?
  - A. No. This is a completely separate document, independent of the current area finance guidelines. The committee is now asking you to look at this and see if you would recommend it to be approved by the area.
  - Q. If the document is expanding the duties of the treasurer, aren't the duties of the treasurer outlined in the guidelines?
  - A. Not to this extent, and those guidelines are not correct, not inclusive of what the treasurer actually does. This responsibility of the treasurer is exactly what the treasurer is supposed to do.
  - Q. Wouldn't we need to bring the area guidelines to coincide with this document?
  - A. No, because they are two different documents. This is not the time to worry about that separate document. We just want you to look at this and see if you will recommend it to the assembly. Discussion followed for a total of 25 minutes. The area committee supports the recommendation of this item to the assembly.
  
3. Discuss need to establish Area 42 Communication Committee (Marion T.) **Proposal is to form a Communications Committee to facilitate the coordination of information, translation, and communication within Area 42. (Phil W.)** read the proposal document.
  - Q. Are all the members of this committee funded by another entity already?
  - A. Yes, all the members we have shown in this document, are to be a trusted servant being funded to attend the assembly.
  - Q. Is this committee going to rotate every 2 years? You will have a bunch of people coming on with no history, there is no continuity.
  - A. Yes. We are thinking that the technical advisor could not have a term, they could serve at the pleasure of the committee as long as they were willing to work on the committee indefinitely. Once the committee is in place, they could make the guideline changes that would provide continuity.
  - Q. Is this a guideline-changing proposal?
  - A. Not at this point, it will affect the NAGSC, SAGSC and Area guidelines eventually, but before we do guideline amendments, we need to see if we want to have this committee.
  
4. The next Area Committee Conference Call is scheduled for **Sunday 5:00PM January 16, 2011.**

Byron asked for any Old or New Business, there was none.  
At 9:05 pm the Area Committee meeting was adjourned.

### **Saturday Morning September 11, 2010 8:15 AM**

Meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer. Jason announced that the Final Conference Reports are here from the 60<sup>th</sup> General Service Conference, there are 240 in English and

100 in Spanish. There are 2 surveys requesting input from the body. Please fill them out and return them to Jason before the end of the weekend.

Byron had the 21 of the first time attendees introduce themselves. He then introduced the past delegates and past trustees present The March assembly minutes were approved as amended by the recording secretary. Ruth J. and Julian R. explained to the assembly the background of the area election procedure. 212 are in attendance at this assembly. 166 registered eligible voters during election.

Delegate: Byron F. was elected after 5 ballots, from the hat.

Alt. Delegate: Sophie K. was elected on the 2<sup>nd</sup> ballot.

Area Chair: Carol B. was elected on the second ballot.

Alt. Chair Andy K. was elected on the 3<sup>rd</sup> ballot.

Treasurer: Cherie N. was elected on the first ballot.

Alt. Treasurer: Phil W: was elected on the 2<sup>nd</sup> ballot.

Secretary: Kevin B. was elected on the first ballot.

Alt. Secretary: Rich W. was elected on the 2<sup>nd</sup> ballot.

Registrar : Michelle B. was elected on the 1<sup>st</sup> ballot.

Alt Registrar: Jeannette B: was elected on the 2<sup>nd</sup> ballot

### **Tim R.SAGSC ~ H&I Chair**

Current Balance \$8550.57, including a \$1000 prudent reserve. Year to date contributions total \$17,176.64 Currently supporting 51 meetings in jails, prisons, Hospitals, detoxes, Salvation Army, St. Vincent's and Rescue Mission.

January 22, 2011 is a Corrections Workshop with Harold L former inmate panel and volunteer panel at the Salvation Army 2900 W. Palomino.

Breakfast and lunch 7AM to 5 PM. \$5.00 registration does not include meals. Theme is I AM Responsible. We meet 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 6:00PM at the LV Intergroup, Central Office.

### **Andy K. SAGSC ~ Chairperson**

I got in late last night. We're doing well, hope you guys have a good weekend, and welcome to the newcomers.

### **Carol B. NAGSC ~ Secretary**

Part of my job as your Alt Secretary includes the literature that is in the back, and I have some volunteers that I am very grateful for, back there handling that this weekend since I am up here. I didn't order the usual amount of General Service Manuals because they haven't printed the 2010-2011 editions. They will be available after October 2010. All is going well with NAGSC. We are getting ready for the rotation, and we're hoping to possibly have put together helpful service guides for the incoming Standing Chairs. It's been a pleasure and I hope to continue to serve Area 42. Thank you very much.

### **Phil W.NAGSC ~ Treasurer**

NAGSC has a Finance Committee in place and they have us set up now with a \$1000

CD prudent reserve and another \$1000 working reserve, working with the Quick Books program, our new way of dealing with this is: 09/11/10

Balance at start of year	12,177.99
Contributions in 2010	5,756.89
Expenses in 2010	6,444.44
Prudent reserve CD	- 1,000.00
Balance	10,490.44

### **Kevin B.NAGSC ~ Area Registrar**

I wanted to start by thanking everyone for sending me their group updates and to the DCM's who have worked hard to straighten out their district databases. I especially want to thank Michelle for her tireless effort in the south. Here are the latest stats for Area 42.

We have a total of  
18853 Members  
1000 total groups  
473 Active Groups

7 Pending Active  
352 Inactive Groups  
12 Incomplete Groups  
60 Merged Groups  
96 Unknown Groups  
96 California Groups  
902 Nevada groups

I have lists for the DCM's of their districts and encourage them to review the unknown and incomplete groups. The inactive groups will remain on the district list for historical purposes. DCM's should review new groups to see if they come close to a currently inactive group to see if they would like to resurrect the former group. Inactive groups cannot be renamed or changed, but they can be resurrected. I have the district lists available electronically to be emailed with far more information for district use. I have group update forms on my laptop and can update your group during the breaks. Thank you.

**Paul E. ~ Area 42 Archivist**

Please go back to your home groups and talk to the long timers to get the history of your Group. I have blank forms if anyone would like them. I am continuing to collect flyers from all of the events that I have seen in the Northern Area. Please, please when you put the date on your flyer please add the year, with a complete date (month, day, & year). Also if you know which district or group is hosting the event please add that to the flyer as well. If anyone has any from their district please save me two, for the binders in the North, and the Area 42 binders. I am always looking for group histories. I am still working on the Long Timers' project. This is to interview and record long timers' histories (experiences) with 40+ years. I am looking for a couple of more members to help out with this project. There is a couple in Carson City who both have 50+ years of sobriety that I am planning to do a recording of together. Anyone knowing of someone in the Area with 40+ years please let me know. I have also made a recording of Dr. John Chappel past class A trustee, where I was able to ask him about his experiences working with A.A. as a trustee and the CPC committee in Northern Nevada.

**Roger R. NAGSC ~ Correction Facilities**

There are approximately 15 Correctional facilities in the NAGSC area. All of the facilities are having AA meetings that AA members host. With all these various facilities there is a need for new volunteers. Both men and women are needed. Some form of literature is being worked on that will address the problems of jail and prison rules. NAGSC is fortunate in that we have such dedicated men and women who take AA meetings into the various facilities. Thank you, it's been a real pleasure working with you all, and I will see you in while serving in some other capacity.

**Jeannette B. NAGSC ~ Grapevine Chair**

I would like to remind everybody that we still have the Grapevine survey to be filled out and turned in to Jason this weekend. I was unable attend as many campouts this summer as I did last summer because of work. I will be at the District 20 Speaker Meeting in October. If you would like me to bring the Grapevine display to an event your group or district is having through the end of the year, please let me know. Thank you.

**Kevin B. NAGSC ~ GSR Survival Trainer**

December 12, 2010 we are going to do a workshop in Carson City with District 6, I am looking to set it up in the Alano Club. So if you are in the area and want to attend a GSR Survival Training Workshop, come join us there.

**Kathy S. NAGSC ~ Public Information Chair**

Being surrounded by 54,000 members of AA at my first international convention was a dream come true for me. I was able to hear our own Ruth J one of over 500 members with over 40 years, share a little and laugh as usual, I am so blessed to know her from our area. I realize in doing service for Public Information that the more I learn, the less I know. At the June NAGS I received \$100 from this body upon which I purchased pamphlets, literature and books from central office in Reno. They are being distributed, with the help of John G., all through the jails, libraries, and motels within the area. We are in contact with doctors to distribute literature throughout medical facilities, also Naval Air Station Fallon DAPPA has been to a meeting and received literature. I will pass along the contacts and information to the next PI Chairperson. Thank you for my life and for allowing me to be of service.

**Stephen V. NAGSC ~ Special Needs Chair**

First off, I'd like to thank this body for allowing me to serve the Northern. Area 42 in the capacity of special needs chair. I feel that my health has affected the way I

performed this last year especially. I have learned a great deal about myself in this service position and I know now that a committee of one doesn't work very well. If allowed to serve again as a committee chair I know only too well to ask for help. My sobriety depends on spiritual growth, which involves reaching out to others and trying to help meet their needs and I need to let others in more than I have. Thank God for AA.

#### **Ralph C. Area 42 ~ Webmaster Report**

It's been a fascinating journey serving in this capacity. I was appointed by Jason C. in the fall of 2008. By June 2009 I was ready to quit, throw in the towel, I was in way over my head. Our website was in bad need of repair, upgrades, updates and even a new design, none of which I had the skills for. Jason C. talked me into staying with it a while longer. In September of 2009 at our area assembly, I asked our area committee chairs for help (the blue room). A website ad-hoc committee was formed of which I am part of 5 members. Our first task was to do an on line survey of our existing website (to get an idea of what the area thought of it, and which direction to go). The results were few in numbers but very helpful. We decided to build a new website. The transformation was unbelievable thanks to all the website adhoc committee members and our HP. One of the members in our committee is a technical expert (I think we know how that works), going to PRAASA turned out to be a great asset as well. The overall cost associated with building a website and maintaining it, with or without a technical person is overwhelming. Asking for help is what worked and it didn't cost a dime. Take a look at your website and judge for yourself [www.nevadaarea42.org](http://www.nevadaarea42.org)

#### **Mike L.NAGSC ~ Treatment Facilities Chair**

Recently there been some exciting growth of meetings in the Reno area at Bristlecone and Willow Springs. The coordination with AANNYPAA the meetings for young alcoholics at Bristlecone have been invaluable. The combined committees of Northern Nevada Intergroup; Treatment Facilities, Corrections, and Bridging the Gap meet monthly on the third Tuesday at the Sparks Alano Club at 6:30 working together to bring the message to the facilities. With nearly 30 meetings in treatment facilities in North, communications with meetings has greatly improved. It has really amazed me how much literature is being distributed monthly. I am working with the new Intergroup Treatment Facilities chair, Craig R, that we can bring a workshop to the Veterans Hospital. Thank you so much for letting me serve.

#### **Dan NAGSC ~ANNYPAA Liaison**

We had the pleasure of having the H&I committee from NNIG actually show up to our business meeting, so we are now attending their business meeting to cooperate and better get into our outreach with the area. We had our 5<sup>th</sup> annual area campout in Jackson Meadows, which had a good turnout. We had an outreach table at the Fall Roundup. **Jared T.GSR~TTYPAALiaison** The young AA members in our Tahoe Truckee area are busy getting into service by forming the Tahoe Truckee Young People AA. We just had our first event and over 50 people supported it. We are having business meetings and keeping ourselves busy carrying the message. Thank you.

#### **Cherie N.SAGSC ~ Treasurer**

\$5675.20 is the total YTD contributions. Which is 9.3% (\$6219.00) down from last year during the same 2009 time period. Current balance in the Savings Account is \$15,000.00. \$6458.00 in the Checking Account, which gives us a total of \$21,458.70.

#### **Marion T. Website AD-HOC Committee Report**

In working toward comprehensive improvements to the Area 42 website, the Website Ad Hoc Committee identified several important goals. These were to better organize the content of the site, make the site easier to update, provide for both English and Spanish translations, and improve long term maintainability. The first task was to organize the existing site content better. The result was the groupings that are seen on the main menu of the current site. This was done by producing a prototype static site with an HTML authoring tool using the existing content and creating an appropriate menu hierarchy.

Next, the committee looked for technical solutions to the remaining goals and discussed website development with other AA webmasters. Quotes for professional assistance were obtained and were considered expensive given the Area's budget. The committee investigated the possibility of recreating the site using a Web CMS (Content Management System). Two widely used CMSs, Drupal and Wordpress were identified as candidates. The criteria that they met was compatibility with the Area's existing website hosting service and their widespread use.

Both of these web content management systems provide user-friendly administrative sections for editing the site and 3rd party translation extensions. It was considered important that updates could be made through an administrative interface because with inexperience it is easy to render the site unreadable with incorrect edits. With both identified CMSs it is possible for a translator to work directly with the same administrative tools that are used to author the original content.

While a CMS is definitely more complicated than the static markup that was used previously, the committee believes the advantages outweigh that. Ultimately migrated to each. The result was the sites appeared equivalent to a visiting user but the administration section of the Drupal site was much more complex. The committee settled on Wordpress and produced the site that appears today.

Outstanding technical issues that were not directly addressed include the possibility of allowing update access to different people and giving each access to a separate part of the site. While access statistics are maintained in log-files provided by the web host, no tools are used to analyze these to date. Also a solution for long term consistent backups has not been identified. Outstanding non-technical issues include Spanish Language translation for anything and everything posted in English to the website.

In anticipation of the upcoming rotations in January, the committee produced a comprehensive step-by-step guide for uploading files to the website.

The website ad-hoc committee suggests that Area 42 form a standing Communications Committee to assist with Spanish language translation, file uploads, website technical issues, and website updates. We suggest the Communications Committee consist of the following members:

Area 42 chair, the chairpersons and/or secretaries of NAGSC and SAGSC or their appointed representatives, the Newsletter Editor, the Area Webmaster, the Area 42 Secretary, and a hands-on Technical Assistant selected by the Communications committee.

#### **Area 42 Treasurer's Report**

Thank you to all groups for sharing your gratitude and hope for the AA message with Area 42. Your participation at the Area level means that we are able to:

- ❖ Support our Delegate and to fulfill our responsibilities to the General Service Conference.
- ❖ Provide financial assistance to GSRs and DCMs who would otherwise be unable to represent their groups and districts at these assemblies.
- ❖ Provide workshops and trainings to trusted servants in your districts and to non-alcoholic professionals in your towns and cities.
- ❖ Educate one another on how to work together to better serve AA – at the home group, in the district, at the area level and ultimately worldwide.

Since our spring assembly, the area finance committee has been working on area finance guidelines and the budget for 2011 that I am about to present to you. We meet via email and teleconference. The teleconferences are the most fun.

The financial reports are in your packets. The pages are printed on both sides. You should have the current balance sheet, a year-to-date profit and loss statement and the proposed budget for 2011 as recommended by your Area Finance Committee.

Taxes, 2009. We didn't owe any. We spent \$350 for document preparation.

All of your money is there – accounted for, in the bank.

I am here for your questions. Thank you for allowing me to be of service, Sophie K.

*Secretary Notation [Treasurers Report was approved as read. No questions were asked]*

**Proposed 2011 Budget ~ Sophie K.**

Approved 9.11.2010  
Becomes effective 1.01.2011

*The 2011 Proposed Budget, was not printed and available in the packets. Budget was projected onto the wall while Sophie went through the items. There were a couple of questions. Q .What is the underlying assumption based on the numbers from NAGSC and SAGSC? A. Last year we approved \$11,000 from SAGSC and \$10,000 from NAGSC, This time I am just being conservative, based on the economy, this is low. Q. What comprises the \$9000 for expenses? A. That is for travel specifically for PRAASA. There was a minority opinion. It is too much information in too short a notice with no time to examine it. There is no comparison to a previous year, no way to know if this is big, small or indifferent. No one wished to change his or her vote. [This budget report was approved with substantial unanimity. To see this in its entirety, see 9/11/2010 assembly passed proposals and recommendations attachment].*

**Newsletter Proposal ~ Mike L**

Approved 9.11.2010  
Became effective 9.11.2010

**Guideline changing Amendment to move the June Newsletter edition to August:**

Change in Area 42 General Service Committee Guidelines.

Article 1.4 E. 3. Page 5 Area Officer Duties: The duties of the Secretary

Article 1.4 J. 1. Page 7 Area Officer Duties: The duties of the Newsletter Editor

Article 7.1 Page 15 Submission of Proposed Amendments

Article 7.2 Page 15 Notification to Area Newsletter

*[Secretarial Notation: This proposal was unanimously passed without discussion or questions. To see this in its entirety, see 9/11/2010 assembly passed proposals and recommendations attachment].*

**Website AD-HOC Committee ~ Marion T.**

**Proposal to Form a Communications Committee**

Approved 9.11.2010  
Became effective 9.11.2010

A non-guideline change proposal

*Secretary Notation [This proposal was passed with substantial unanimity. Minority opinion has some concern over all the people included on the committee and the funding of appointees. To see this in its entirety, see 9/11/2010 assembly passed proposals and recommendations attachment].*

**Report and recommendation of the Finance Committee~ Sophie K**

**AREA 42 GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY FINANCE GUIDELINES  
AS PRESENTED TO THE ASSEMBLY**

Approved 9.11.2010  
Becomes effective 1.1.2011

*Secretary Notation [Motion to pass this Finance Committee recommendation passed without a voiced minority opinion. To see this as amended, in its entirety, see 9/11/2010 assembly passed proposals and recommendations attachment].*

**Marion T. Area 42 Alt Chair Report**

NAGSC Chair report is all is going will, we are looking forward to an orderly rotation in December. District 12 is hosting the December NAGSC Meeting at the Senior Center on December 5, 2010 at Noon. Also, I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you all for allowing me to be of service to area 42. I will be leaving, I am moving back home to Texas. It's been a pleasure to serve you and it's been a wonderful experience for me. I am an e-mail away if I can be of help to anyone. Thank you.

**Mike M. Area 42 Alt. Delegate Report**

I have been asked to sit in a couple of group meetings, to talk about General Service & the importance of the GSR. I was asked to attend the election meeting for District 13. It was absolutely wonderful to visit with them and go through their book and answer the questions. Jason and I were invited by GSO to attend the Native American International AA Convention this weekend 9/ 9&10/2010 in Las Vegas. Madeleine P.

flew in Friday in time to join us at the event. We were invited to participate in a panel on Friday. We were asked to sit in on a couple panels with the people that were putting this conference together, where we had the opportunity to discuss bringing General Service into the structure of their meeting. They really have their own unique set of circumstances that are quite new to us, as they were talking about issues they are doing outside of AA that are related to politics and sovereignty. We very lovingly, brought it all back to the primary purpose of carrying the message to the alcoholic who still suffers, in all nations. Thank you.

The Saturday afternoon assembly adjourned at 3:30 PM. ~ Banquet seating at 6:00 PM, Sobriety Countdown at 7:30 PM, and Speaker (Madeleine P.) Meeting at 8:00 PM tonight.

### **Sunday Morning September 12, 2010 9:00 AM**

Byron F. Opened the Assembly with the Serenity Prayer.

Any last minute "ask it basket" questions go in the basket. Please put Name badges in box on your way out. Las Vegas Roundup over Thanksgiving weekend has 3 Dog Night as the entertainment this year. Be sure to register for that event. Thanks to Madeleine P. for her sharing last night, and to the Rusted Servants, who are always here for us. There is leftover food today please help yourselves. Byron acknowledged and thanked, Dave A and District 15, Lurdes M, District 13, District 11, the Elks, Bill Dolan, Diane and Manny from the Convention Center. Thanks to everyone who served in helping to make this weekend as special as it was.

Byron turned over the baton to Carol B, incoming panel 61 Area 42 Chairperson

#### **Old Business**

There was none

#### **New Business**

There was none

District 12 is going to host the March 25, 26, & 27, 2011 Assembly. District 11 will provide the sodas.

#### **Ask it Basket**

Ruth J. and the past Trusted Servants entertained us with an enjoyable and informative panel.

To see it in it's entirety, please open the attachment and look on the last 3 pages. Or contact Bill D. For copies of any part of the weekend you would like to listen to.

#### **Outgoing Delegate Report ~ Jason C.**

I have a few business items I want to share with you and some last thoughts.

PI: Utilize a variety of means (workshop, panels, Newsletter reports, Delegate reports, area websites, etc to stimulate member's discussion on "How to maintain anonymity with online media such as social networking. Please forward any collected ideas to Mary C. at GSO at [publicinfo@aa.org](mailto:publicinfo@aa.org) I have a suggested workshop format in both English and Spanish for you to utilize, if you want to participate.

PRAASA 2011: Registration is open. Dates are March 4 – 6 2011 in Honolulu, HI The PRAASA committee has sent us information on rooms and flights, which has been forwarded to many of you.

*[Treasurer Notation: Area funded people. Check with Sophie before you make reservations for PRAASA]*  
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE: Is looking for submissions for a Conference Theme, workshops, panel topic items. If you want to contribute suggestions or ideas, please get them to me ASAP.

GRAPEVINE SURVEYS: Thank you for turning them in to me. I will get them to the appropriate people.

ELECTRONIC DELIVERY OF AA LITERATURE SURVEY: Thank you for turning those in too.

I was able to welcome the Native American National/International Conference to our great area. Madeleine P, Mike M, and I attended two days of the convention before we had to leave to come up here at 4:00AM Saturday. We were impressed as we participated in a productive panel that turned into a great discussion.

I would like to welcome the new committee. I am not quite sure how I am feeling right now. I feel a little sad, I feel excited. My wife called this morning. She said "you didn't take another position, did you"?

It's been exciting to be a part of this election process. We now have a whole crew of different people, in the positions; we will see how they work together. They will serve you well. Nobody rotates out and AA falls apart. I wouldn't allow my ego to fool me like that. We will serve the remainder of our terms till December. I'm grateful. I am so deeply grateful for allowing me to serve. I really feel that deep in my heart. What a blessing to be a part of this process and once more to let ego die down a little bit.

At the conference I didn't vote in the manner the majority of you asked me to vote. I really had a gut feeling. I was troubled, I wasn't sure if we would be able to handle the type of information that would go into a pamphlet like that. I spoke from my heart and it became very real how a relationship with a Higher Power in my own personal recovery, is so important for me to be at my best in general service. I learned

how we as AA members have an effect at a much bigger place then Tonopah, NV. Thank you for the opportunity to stand for delegate and to let that process work, and let our Higher Power be a part of that process, and to be able to serve for this last year and 9 months. Thank you.

Receipts from the SAGSC Treasurer are in the basket here.

The Guidelines state that the Delegate and the Area Chair are responsible to appoint the Webmaster and the Newsletter Editor, from their respective sections of the area. JD B. from the South has offered to fulfill the Webmaster duties for the next two years. Chair is requesting anyone who would consider committing to the Area 42 Newsletter Editor position, to please submit resume, no later then the NAGSC December 5, 2010, to allow for time to appoint and announce before the end of the year. Thanks to the outgoing DCMs, Chairs, and Officers. It has been a real pleasure serving with you, welcome to the new incoming people, we will see you March 25, 26, & 27, 2011.

Assembly closed at 10:03 a.m. with the Responsibility Pledge.

Respectfully Submitted  
Carol B  
Area 42 Secretary

#### AA Related Announcements

November 14, 2010 TIE Club SAGSC Meeting ~ 1:15 GSR Training ~12:30

December 5, 2010 Silver Springs NAGSC Meeting ~Noon

March 4-6, 2011 PRAASA ~ Ala Moana Hotel ~ Honolulu, Oahu HI

March 25-27, 2011~Area 42 Pre-Conference Assembly, Tonopah NV

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