

# AREA 42 NEWSLETTER

## Notes from our Delegate

# Let the journey begin

My journey as your Delegate has just begun and already my emotions run high. From enthusiasm and anticipation of all that lies ahead to fear of not knowing exactly what or how I am supposed to do it. So....I ask for your patient support, pray for guidance from my HP and remind myself that I have only been given a license to practice, not a certificate of accomplishment.

My schedule already includes PRAASA in March, attending a District 8 event in Bishop in late January, several SAGSC committee events, the General Service Conference the first week of May in New York City and, of course, our March Assembly in late March.



Preparations for the March Assembly are already well underway. Focus at this Assembly and roundtable sessions, held in both the North and South prior to our Tonopah Assembly will be to inform the Area 42 Fellowship about the agenda items being discussed at the General Service Conference I attend in New York on your behalf. As your representative at the Conference, I can be armed with your input from the roundtables and Assembly at the discussions in New York.

I am available to represent Area 42 at District events or Committee activities, so please feel free to contact me by e-mail on the Area Website or call me.

Yours in service,

*Byron F. (Area 42 Delegate)*

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# NAGSC/SAGSC pre-conference

## Roundtable topics for 2011

General Service volunteers in Area 42 are still sober!!

At least 20 members jumped onto the merry-go-round called hurry up and summarize the final Conference Agenda Items - 65+ items in 4 days. A few more volunteers checked it all over, formatted it and sent it to the Area 42 Committee Members. DCMs and GSRs had less than 36 hours to discuss the items and choose their "top 8" for presentation and discussion at the Pre-conference Roundtables on the weekend of Feb. 26/27.

Twelve of the twenty one districts reported back with their selections.

The eight roundtable topics for presentation and discussion on Feb. 26 in Las Vegas and on Feb. 27 in Reno will be:

### III. Corrections [These two items are combined into one single presentation]

A. Review progress report from trustees' Committee on Corrections on revising the pamphlet "It Sure Beats Sitting in a Cell."

B. Consider adding references to the Big Book in the pamphlet "A.A. in Correctional Facilities," including a proposed section describing Big Book studies as a possible meeting format.

### IV. Finance

B. Consider two alternative suggestions of ways to revise the pamphlet F-3 "Self-Support: Where Money and Spiritually Mix" forwarded from the trustees' Finance Committee.

C. Consider a request "that the trustees' Finance Committee develop a Finance Workbook, a draft of which is to be made available for the 2012 General Service Conference, to assist group, intergroup/central offices, district and area service workers in carrying the message of our shared responsibility for

the Seventh Tradition."

E. Discuss the list forwarded from the 2010 Conference Finance Committee for additional ways to communicate about self-support:

1. Birthday Plan
2. Seventh Tradition Pamphlet
3. Box 4-5-9 or Grapevine Articles
4. Finance Workbook/Tool Kit
5. Report Costs of Services to Members
6. Discuss Effects of Inflation
7. Add Additional Financial Information to the

Web site

### VI. Literature

F. Consider a request to develop an item similar to the Self-support or "green card" to help promote the use of our literature as a Twelfth Step tool.

H. Consider a request to include the A.A. Preamble in the front inside pages of the Big Book

### VIII. Public Information

C. Consider approval of the General Service Board "Policy on Actors Portraying A.A. Members or Potential A.A. Members in Videos Produced by the General Service Board or its Affiliates."

D. Public Service Announcements (PSAs).

2. Consider production of new television PSA(s).

### *SAGSC Special SAGSC Roundtable*

*Meeting February 26, 2011 1:30 p.m. at the T.I.E Club 329 North 11<sup>th</sup>, LV*

### *NAGSC Meeting/Roundtables February*

*27, 2011 Noon – 4 p.m. at the Grand Sierra Resort & Casino Nevada Room Foyer (downstairs)*

*(Article by Sophie K., Area 42 Alternate Delegate)*

# Greetings from Area 42 Chairperson

We are responsible for A. A.'s future – Let it begin with us

This is the theme for the 2011 General Service Conference. Workshop topic for the GSC is "How to Increase Participation in A.A. --Striving for Self Support in all our Affairs." This topic opens the door for us to look at ourselves, as a fellowship, motivated to stay as strong and as healthy as possible. Phyllis H., now our General Manager at the General Service Office, said at the GSC, when rotating out of the Pacific Region Trustee position in 2006; "The Seventh Tradition is about participation and participation is the key to unity. The simple act of contributing is an action taken in gratitude for our life. It is a way we can be a part of -- a spiritual and financial payment of what we have been so freely given".

Our Delegate has requested we all become aware of the many GSC Agenda Items up for: **Consideration,**

**Review, Discussion,** and possibly even **Approval,** this Pre-Conference Assembly.

First thing Saturday morning at 7:30, the Assembly will resume with the General Service conference workshop and the DCM Orientation:

- A General Service Conference Agenda Item Workshop for the Presenters.
- A DCM Orientation Panel. Plan to bring your DCM, questions, thoughts, and talents.

There will be breakfast snacks available for everyone to enjoy. You won't need to get up at 6:00 a.m. for a restaurant meal in order to make the 7:30 a.m. events.

Please utilize the Area 42 Service Website to stay aware of the most recent updates ([www.nevadaarea42.org](http://www.nevadaarea42.org))

... Carol B.



## 7<sup>th</sup> Step Prayer

*"My Creator, I am now willing that you should have all of me, good and bad. I pray that you now remove from me every single defect of character which stands in the way of my usefulness to you and my fellows. Grant me strength, as I go out from here, to do your bidding."*

(From Page 76 of the Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous.)

## Step 7

*"Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings."*

# Tonopah Motels

**Spring Assembly is March 25, 26, 27**

**Hi-Desert Best Western (775-482-3511)**  
**\$108.99 single/\$119.89 double (includes tax)**

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

**Jim Butler Motel (775-482-3577)**  
**\$48.14 single / \$56.14 double (plus tax)**

**Economy Inn (775-482-6238)**  
**\$39.00 all rooms single double (plus tax)**

**The Clown Hotel (775-482-5920)**  
**\$37.61 single/\$39.79 double (includes tax)**  
**Prices are subject to change.**

## NOTES:

- *Jim Butler Motel is usually pretty well booked.*
- *The Best Western is can sometimes accommodate "walk-ins."*
- *Please note, the Silver Queen Hotel is no longer available.*
- *(Prices updated January, 2011)*

## 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](http://www.nevadaarea42.org)***



# Area 42 Pre Conference Preliminary Assembly Agenda

March 25-27, 2011

*NOTE: All times are approximate/schedule of events subject to change*

## Friday, March 25, 2011

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|-----------|--|----------------|--|
| 4 p.m.    | Registration & Area Archives open at Convention Center | 2:05-2:45 p.m. | Preparing our Delegate for New York with Report-backs/sense of the Assembly. |
| 6:30 p.m. | Assembly opens with Serenity Prayer<br>Opening remarks | 2:45-3 p.m.    | Break  |
| 7 p.m.    | DCM/Committee Chair reports                            | 3 p.m.         | Preparing our Delegate for New York with report-backs/sense of the Assembly  |
| 8 p.m.    | GSR orientation with past Delegates/Trustees           | 5 p.m.         | Adjourn (Please clear room quickly for banquet setup, thank you)             |
| 8 p.m.    | Area Committee Meeting<br>Area 42 discussion           | 5:50 p.m.      | Seating for Banquet (time approximate)                                       |
|           |  | 7:30 p.m.      | Speaker meeting begins with Sobriety Countdown                               |

## Saturday, March 26, 2011

- 7:30 a.m. Registration & Area Archives open at Convention Center
- 7:30 a.m. Pre-Conference – Agenda Item Presenter Workshop
- DCM/Alt. DCM Orientation Panel - Blue Room
- 8:45 a.m. Assembly opens  
Opening Remarks
- 9 a.m. Preparing our Delegate for New York - Byron F.
- 9:20—10:30 a.m. Three Roundtable Presentations (20 minutes each)
- 10:30 a.m. Break
- 11:55 a.m.—1:15 p.m. Lunchtime (Off site local restaurants)
- 10:45-11:55 a.m. Three Roundtable Presentations (20 minutes each)
- Optional - Lunchtime - Self-directed open AA Meeting (Blue Room)
- 1:15-2 p.m. Two Roundtable Presentations (20 minutes each)

## Sunday, March 27, 2011

- 7:30 a.m. Self directed open AA meeting
- 9 a.m. Assembly opens with Serenity Prayer.  
Approval of minutes
- 9:15 a.m. Area Treasurer report  
Complete any old business  
New business  
Officer reports
- 10:15-10:30 a.m. Break
- 10:30 a.m. Ask-it basket w/esteemed Feather Dusters (past delegates & trustees)
- 11:15 a.m. Announcements
- 11:30 a.m. Adjourn

Thanks to all of you for your participation  
Keep coming back!

### FROM THE EDITOR

*If you would like to submit a service-oriented article for the Area 42 Newsletter, the deadline for the next edition is April 11, 2011. No last names or personal address, phone numbers or email addresses. Submit to:*

[area42newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:area42newsletter@gmail.com)

# 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:district4@nevadaarea42.org)

District 5b: 2nd Saturday of the month at 1:30 p.m. Email for location:

[district5b@nevadaarea42.org](mailto:district5b@nevadaarea42.org)

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District 6: Meeting held the second Sunday of EVEN numbered months. Email for information:

[district6@nevadaarea42.org](mailto:district6@nevadaarea42.org)

District 7: 3rd Friday of the month at 6:30 p.m. St. Rose Dominican Hospital.

Email for information:

[district7@nevadaarea42.org](mailto:district7@nevadaarea42.org)

District 8: First Sunday of ODD months.

Email for information:

[district8@nevadaarea42.org](mailto:district8@nevadaarea42.org)

District 9: 3rd Sunday of the month, 4 p.m. at Serenity Club. This will change in March.

Email for information:

[district9@nevadaarea42.org](mailto: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](mailto:district10a@nevadaarea42.org)

District 11: Email for information:

[district11@nevadaarea42.org](mailto:district11@nevadaarea42.org)

District 12: 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at Resurrection Church, 4120 Hwy 50, 5 miles east of Fernley. Email for information:

[district12@nevadaarea42.org](mailto: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](mailto:district13@nevadaarea42.org)

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

[district14@nevadaarea42.org](mailto: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](mailto:district15@nevadaarea42.org)

District 16: 3rd Monday of the month at a member's office.

Contact [district16@nevadaarea42.org](mailto:district16@nevadaarea42.org) for information

[district16@nevadaarea42.org](mailto:district16@nevadaarea42.org)

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](mailto:district17@nevadaarea42.org)

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

[district19@nevadaarea42.org](mailto:district19@nevadaarea42.org)

District 20: 3rd Saturday in January, March, May, August and October, 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. at 50 Weatherlow, Susanville, CA (Susanville Fellowship Hall). Email for information:

[district20@nevadaarea42.org](mailto:district20@nevadaarea42.org)

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

[district21@nevadaarea42.org](mailto:district21@nevadaarea42.org)

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

[district22@nevadaarea42.org](mailto:district22@nevadaarea42.org)



# Area 42 Current 7th Tradition Contribution Addresses

Ask your DCM for the District Treasurer's address to send Group 7<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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)



## Responsibility

"Our spiritual way of life is safe for future generations if, as a Society, we resist the temptation to receive money from the outside world. But this leaves us with a responsibility — one that every member ought to understand. We cannot skimp when the treasurer of our group passes the hat.

"Our groups, our areas, and AA as a whole will not function unless our services are sufficient and our bills are paid. When we meet and defeat the temptation to take large gifts, we are not only being prudent. But when we are generous with the hat we give a token that we are grateful for our blessings and evidence that we are eager to share what we have found with all those who still suffer."

*Bill W., November 1957*

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## A.A. World Services: publication sales are down in 2010

*Following is part of a newsletter from World Service ("A.A.W.S. Highlights" Dec. 17, 2010):*

"The Publications Director reported that total distribution of all books for the eleven months ending Nov. 30, 2010, was 1,568,493 units, down 501,522 units, or 24.2% from the distribution of units in the same period in 2009, 2,070,015. The eleven month total of A.A. purchases amounted to 1,330,606 units. Non-A.A. purchases accounted for 237,887 units or 15% of of total units distributed through the end of November 2010. In 2009, non-A.A. purchases represented 30.6% of total units distributed as the result of large non-A.A. orders received prior to the July 1, 2009 price increase. In both 2007 and 2008, non-A.A. purchases represented 19% of all unit distributed. Through November, we distributed 818,006 units of all editions of the Big Book, compared to 1,152,781 units in the same period in 2009."

### MEETING MINUTES

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

[www.nevadaarea42.org](http://www.nevadaarea42.org)

## Area 42 Artifacts Meetings



**Who:** You!

**What:** Monthly AA History Meetings

**When:** Saturdays: March 19, April 23,  
May 14, June 25

**Where:** Area 42 Archive Las Vegas Central Office  
1431 East Charleston Boulevard

**How:** Our Artifacts Meeting is to share the  
History of AA in Area 42 & Support our  
Area's Archives (that's all of us!)  
12:30 p.m. - Lunch (\$5)  
1 – 2:30 p.m. Panel Discussion

**Why:** *"We are trying to build up extensive records which will be of value to a future historian... It is highly important that the factual material be placed in our files in such a way that there can be no substantial distortion... We want to keep enlarging on this idea for the sake of the full length history to come... Every one of the new and unexpected developments in A.A. has, lying just underneath, an enormous amount of dramatic incident and experience—stories galore.... It isn't hard to prepare a fact sheet of what happened—that is, dates when people came in, groups started and so forth. The hard thing to lay hold of is the atmosphere of the whole proceedings and anecdotal material that will make the early experience alive."*

— Bill W., 1957