

AREA42 Newsletter A Confidential AA Document



From the Area 42 Chair

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

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Hello, Area 42.

As we move into the warmer months I want to look back at our area's movement through the past few months. I have really come to believe that we are more united in our unity now than in any time in our recent past, we have just had a visit from our US Trustee at large, and what a visit it was. Bob showed us a very special treat on how our AA dollars are used around the world. I believe that having a current Trustee was really special as Bob was able to help us understand things that are happening right now.

I want to relay a little of what I believe about being an attraction to our wonderful fellowship. A few years back actually on the day I call my sobriety date I walked up to a house that was to be my residence for the next 30 days, and

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MY HOME GROUP



RUTH J. shares her home group experience

AREA ASSEMBLY



Area 42 - 2016 Fall Assembly Sept. 9-11, 2016

MEETING MINUTES



Links to Minutes

Can be found online at: www.nevadaarea42.org

IMPORTANT REMINDERS



District Meetings Schedule

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Upcoming Events

Pacific Regional Forum Sept. 30-Oct 2, Kona, Hawaii

Area 42 Fall Assembly

Sept. 9-11, Tonopah

Pacific Region AA Service Assembly

March 3-7, Sacramento, California

NAGSC

June 4, 1-3pm The Nugget, Sparks

District 6Founder's Day Picnic

June 4, Genoa Park, Genoa

District 8 Summer Chili Cook-off

June 25, 11am-3pm Mill Pond Park, Bishop

District 10A Serenity in the Rubies

July 22-24 Elko Area

District 12 Annual Campout

June 11-13 Silver Springs

29th Annual Campout

July 22-24 Kingston Canyon

District 16 30th Annual Christmas Affair

Dec. 16

Founder's Day

June 11 Idelewild Park

Serenity in the Sierras Campout

July 7-10 Bear's Den, Lake Tahoe

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June 2-5 The Nugget, Sparks

SAGSC

May 15, 1:30 pm T.I.E. Club

District 1Annual Picnic

Oct. 1 Boulder City

District 3 Service Festival

May 7, 1:30-3:30 pm Mesquite AA Group

District 7 Service Workshop

June 18, 11am-1pm Serenity Club **Mt. Charleston Picnic**

Aug. 21, 10am-3pm Foxtail Picnic Area

District 13 Grapevine Workshop

May 21, 1:30-3:30pm Triangle Club

District 15 Pre-AA History

June 18 1:30-3:30pm T.I.E. Club

District 21 Service Event

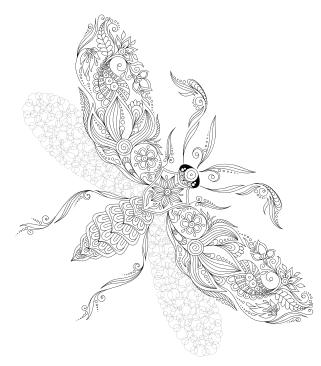
July 2 Freedom Park

Founder's Day

June 11, 7am-3pm Christ Church Episcopal

Las Vegas Roundup

November 23-27 Westgate Las Vegas



Area 42 Chair

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as I got to the front of the house a young man came out and greeted me with a hug and a kind word that they had been waiting for me. I was surprised but what had happened was that I began to feel comfortable. And in the next few days and weeks I began to greet folks as they came up to that house. When I went back to my home town and became one of the members of the group in Mammoth Lakes I became someone who greeted everyone I didn't know. I learned to reach out my hand to folks in meetings that I went to when I was out of town; it helped me to feel as if I belonged. Today I still try to introduce myself to anyone I don't know for two reasons: one is to help the other person feel comfortable; and the other is to help me feel as if I belong to this fellowship.

I do believe in the inclusiveness of AA as Bob kept reminding us in his talk. Anybody who has a desire to not drink should feel comfortable coming into AA

As I write this I am turning 64. When I was younger I believed that I would not be alive to see this age I want to say I really enjoy the love you all show me, and I know I owe my life to AA.

I'm really looking forward to the summer and getting to visit around the Area as I love to drive the back roads of Nevada Area 42 and that can mean driving on the east side of California. Please call or write me.

Phil W

Area 42 Chair chairperson@nevadaarea42.org

NAGSC Chair, Alternate Delegate Northern Area General Service Committee (NAGSC)

Hello, Area 42.

I wish to once again, to thank you for your tolerance and patience during the Sunday Morning business of Area 42 Guideline proposal reading and voting.

As the current Finance Committee Chair, I needed to address language in the section of guidelines pertaining to finance (which was attached as an addendum to the area guidelines in 2015). I saw the need for Area 42 Guideline upgrading, as the area chairperson in 2012, and I appointed the AD-HOC Committee to prepare the guideline proposed changes, which were voted on and accepted in 2014. I noticed a few items that were not addressed at that time so they had been included in this proposal.

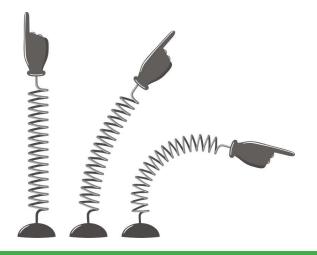
As for the time consuming item regarding the Area Committee Members, I am saddened to see the confusion, my suggested six-word addition obviously played a part in that perplexity. In retrospect I should have used less complicated language. Well, We live and we learn. My goal was to recognize the omitted trusted servants who contribute so much to Area 42 accomplishments, as Area Committee Members.

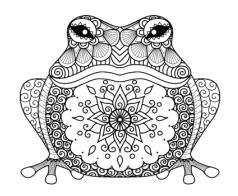
We still have a few changes to address, mostly pertaining to wording in the finance section. I shall attempt to make this as smooth and concise as I possibly can, to insure a speedy process in wrapping this up.

Thank you so much. I truly honor the duties and pleasures you have allowed me to enjoy, and I look forward to continuing service in the future.

Carol B.

Alternate Delegate NAGSC Chairperson Finance Committee Chair alternatedelegate@nevadaarea42.org





SAGSC ChairSouthern Area General Service Committee (SAGSC)

Greetings Area 42.

Yay! Spring has sprung... What an exciting and rejuvenating couple of months it has been! First and foremost, thank you to the Southern Area for funding me to PRAA-SA. Although the flu decided to travel with me, we made the best of it. I attended most of the panel presentations, which were so good. My favorite was the past trustees's panel on Sunday morning. The topic given was "If AA would (or could??) only..." I love that my ears still hear new and challenging ideas and beliefs. I like things that make me go hmmm...

I attended both Area Chair/Alt. Area Chair Roundtable discussions. What a great group of trusted servants! I felt humbled to be in that room. It is easy to become overwhelmed by the amount of experience and passion generated from these Roundtables. Speaking of Roundtables...

On March 12, both the North and the South held their Roundtables/Agenda Item Presentations. Thank you to Bryce, Vickie, Sean and Joan for the awesome jobs you did! And to Glenn and Alison for being such studious note takers! The discussion on the plain language Big Book and the ACA member attendance to the GSC seemed to be the "hot" topics in the South!

The upcoming months are filled with a bunch of District events, Standing Committee workshops, the Service Festival and the Post-Conference report SAGSC meeting on May 15, 2016 at 1:15pm at the Tie Club. I look forward to attending as much as I can and seeing all of you as well! (Ok... Maybe not ALL of you, but a bunch!)

Thank you for all that you do and allowing me to do it with you.

In AA love and service, Jonelle W. SAGSC Chair sagscchair@nevadaarea42.org

66th General Service Conference April 15-23, 2016 Excerpts from Area 42 Delegate Mike M.'s emails from New York

Arrived in New York - April 15

Hey - How yoo do'n?

I made it alive and well to New York City.

Arrived around 4 p.m., Friday. Met with four Delegates for a bite to eat and to catch up with fellowship.

Calling it an early night – because we're all meeting at 8:30 am to tour Stepping Stones, Bill and Lois W's final home. Can't wait to tell you all about it.

I'll be thinking about you and the trust you've given to me.

Stepping Stones - April 16

Hello!

Today was a special day. The entire conference went to Bill and Lois' house. The photo of the small cottage is called "Wits End". It is a place where Bill did his writing. Lois chose the name, so when people would ask, "Where's Bill"? She could reply, "He's at his Wits End". Often Bill would get caught up in the moment of his writing and forget he had a lit cigarette on the desk – appears that happened many times.

The kitchen table and chairs – are the actual table and chairs Bill and Ebby sat at – when Ebby attempted to help Bill with religion.

Can't find words to describe how wonderful of an experience this was today. I'll never forget this!

Thank you!

Day One - April 17

Hev!

Day one is complete. Everyone was accounted for at roll call - all Delegates, Trustees and GSO Staff members.

It's such an wonderful sound hearing your name and Area when the GSO General Manager is taking roll call.

Just about everyone teared up – I did!

The Report and Charter committee met today for the first time. Everyone seems to be a great fit. Looking forward to working with these folks. At the end of the day I was talking with two GSO staff members. Both were telling me how important this week is to them and how nervous they both qet preparing for it.

Easy to think it's just a job to them – but they really care to the point they feel anxiety in preparing for the conference members work. If I had a Genie in a bottle that could take me

anywhere and do anything – I would want to be here, right now! I'm thinking of you every day.

Stay tuned – more to follow.

Thank you!

Nevada was discussed today - April 18

Hello

Nevada was discussed at the Report & Charter committee today. Area 42 has a topic on the Conference Agenda and the committee spoke about it. We read the agenda item a couple of times and had the Archive Manager come in and discuss in more detail. I'll tell you all about the meeting when I see you next. The photos I have shared are of the Report and Charter committee room, the window in the background is of Broadway. The other is the Conference room – I took in while we were on Dinner break and I wanted to you see the rooms we're spending our time in. Tomorrow afternoon – the entire Conference is headed to GSO on the Subway.

Rhonda, our Area 42 Archivist told me to bring something back from Nevada history to share with you at any cost to my values.

I am thinking about you!

Committee work is complete - April 19

Happy Tuesday!

The Report and Charter Committee has thoroughly completed our task. Wow – is this a great group of people and they feel like family.!

The afternoon session was at the General Service Office. Please, please put this on your list of things to do – totally worth the effort.

The filing cabinet is at the GSO Archives. Today I saw handwritten notes from Bill W. Note paper in his own handwriting. Bill had beautiful handwriting, large cursive writing and added notes on the side of the paper and above/below sentences. I saw it for about 20 seconds and then the folder was closed. There are tons and tons of Bill's writings in the AA Archive.

The table is in the AA Grapevine/LaVina office. This is where they put Grapevine / LaVina packets together for new reps – Staff wants to make it perfect.

Today was a special day.

Once again - I can't say this enough (THANK YOU)...!!

Wednesday - April 20

Hello from Times Square!

Today was terrific – can't find a better word to describe this day.

All 13 Committees have completed their work and three of them have completed their

report to the General Service Conference. This is where you see, hear and feel the passion members have for our fellowship.

Just about every moment for the rest of the week will be discussing and voting on agenda.

week will be discussing and voting on agenda items on the Conference floor. This conference is just about the same size as our Assembly in Tonopah. There are 134 voting members and a few staff members available to questions and reference – so it's smaller than our gathering, but just as loving.

I ran into our guest at our spring assembly and happy to hear he's still sober. Area 42 assemblies are effective – picture is proof.

One day you'll be sending a note like this telling us of your day's experience – I can't wait to read it!



The report and charter committee (the committee I serve on) has presented our agenda items and we're finished. "Thank you little baby Jesus".

The pick I sent you is at Rockefeller Plaza – I was thinking of my people in Area 42.! Wow, am I exhausted. I am going to bed.



Hello:

I am arriving Saturday Night @ 11:PM 4/23.

Is anyone available for a ride at the airport? I live in Green Valley.

It's Complete - April 23

It's over and I can't believe it!

We completed the 66th General Service Conference. I saw on the agenda this AM that the rotated Delegates would be saying goodbye and the end of the day.

I shared with the Conference what a special experience this has been, some of the most memorable lessons I've learned – but I really drove home how much love I have for the Members of Area 42 and trust Area 42 has given me. I'm Crazy about our Area.!

I am headed home tomorrow - THANK YOU.!

(I have a ride from the airport)

Mike



New York 2016





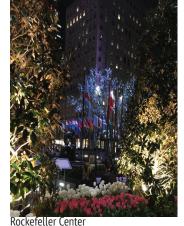








Bill's desk at Wit's End



All of the above images from in and around New York City were provided to Area 42 courtesy of Delegate, Mike M.



Area 42 Seventh TraditionContribution Addresses

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

General Services Office (GSO)

P.O .Box 459 New York, NY 10163 (Make Checks to: General Fund)

All Area 42

(All Nevada & California)
P.O. Box 70171
Las Vegas, NV 89170-0171
(Make checks to: Area 42 Treasury)

Southern Contributions

Southern Area General Service Committee (SAGSC) (Make checks to: S.A.G.S.C.)
Southern Area Treasurer

PO Box 71804 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) C/O Will L. PO Box 2507 Dayton, NV 89403 (Make checks to: Northern Area 42 Treasury)

Northern Area Intergroup 436 South Rock Blvd.

Sparks, NV 89431 (Make Checks to: N. Nevada Intergroup)



My Home Group by Ruth J.

My home group is the Second Edition Group in Las Vegas. It meets seven days per week at 6:45 a.m.. I have been a member of this group for the last 13 of my 45 years sober.

New comers are welcome and a regular occurrence at our home group, a sign of a healthy group. We welcome any new face, visitor or newcomer, by noticing a new face and going up immediately to welcome them. We have "newcomer" packets for men and women (pamphlets and meeting list) which they get.

We keep a tool box in the middle of the meeting and invite anyone to borrow any book or CD "tool" they may want or need, and return it when finished (except Grapevines or pamphlets which they may keep).

We have "cards" with our group address and some of the AA "prayers" we give them also. After the meeting either men or women surround the person, talk with them, maybe ask them to go for coffee, give them our phone number and just as important ask for theirs.

Remember, newcomers and returning AA's don't always feel comfortable calling us.

My group also doesn't "help readers" – or "respond" to readings i.e. "what's the point" or chant after the closing prayer, which may be the Lord's Prayer or Serenity Prayer or Responsibility Statement – chairperson's choice. I hope you look at how your group welcomes, or not, newcomers. If they are not sure what they are i.e. "alcoholic and addict", or maybe just "addict", or don't want to identify as anything – we have no membership requirements other than Tradition 3! Talk with them afterward and explain what AA is and isn't, maybe direct them to the correct fellowship.

Remember AA's PIC and CPC (Public Information Committee and Cooperation with the Professional Community Committee) go to courts, judges, social workers, doctors etc. to tell them they can send their clients to us. They may have a sheet that needs signing to prove they attended. We sign with first name and initial only – not full name.

It is my experience since 1970 that there are fewer and fewer "pure Alkies" especially among younger members. I would far rather have one non-alcoholic come to AA than to ever exclude one. Let's give them a chance to figure out what they are. Most, out of respect for AA, will identify themselves as only alcoholics, eventually.

Know the difference between a group and a meeting – a group has meetings; meetings don't necessarily need to be groups (AA Group pamphlet for more – or the Area Officers).

Ruth J. of Las Vegas is a Past Class B Trustee, Pacific Region

Tradition 3: (Long Form)

Our membership ought to include all who suffer from alcoholism. Hence we may refuse none who wish to recover. Nor ought A.A. membership ever depend upon money or conformity. Any two or three alcoholics gathered together for sobriety may call themselves an A.A. group, provided that, as a group, they have no other affiliation.

This is AA Jeopardy created by Jake S., SAGSC, Grapevine Chair

Round One	Round Two
1. The 12 and 12 says this is the step that separates the men from the boys	1. An anthology of 56 retired stories from the first three editions of the Big Book
2. The number of delegate areas in the US and Canada	2. Pamphlet that was originally published as the foreword to the A.A. Service Manual
3. This event is hosted by the General Service office every other year in the Pacific Region, where staff, trustees, and directors come to us to share what they do	3. The 3 legacies of Alcoholics Anonymous
4. This pamphlet has the subtitle "May be the most important	4. This book is a biography of Bill W. and tells of the development of the fellowship and was published in 1984
job in A.A." —————————————————————————————————	5. Pamphlet that includes stories from A.A.'s in recovery who are a clergyman, a Jew, an atheist, and an agnostic
5. This book tells the story of how A.A. started, how the steps	

6. This is the most popular feature on aagrapevine.org

7. This book is a collection of cartoons and jokes from the A.A.

the Midwest.

Grapevine

- 8. 16 1/2 minute DVD video that explains the principles of A.A., what it is and isn't, sponsorship, home group, steps and traditions.
 - 9. This warranty makes sure that the General Service conference place none of its members in a position of unqualified authority over others

6. 1980 biography of Dr. Bob and recollections of early A.A.'s in

10. This concept states that participation is the key to harmony, this is done by allowing a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge

10. Year the 12 concepts of world service were adopted by the General Service conference

and traditions evolved, and how the fellowship grew overseas

7. The name of the joke and cartoon section in the A.A. Grape-

office. includes information about A.A. service. literature.

9. Concept that says every service responsibility should be

events, and sharing from groups.

matched by an equal service authority

Answers:

Round One 1. Step 6, Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions 2. 93 3. Pacific Regional Forum 4. GSR General Service Representative 5. AA Comes of Age 6. Sobriety
Calculator 7. At Wit's End 8. Box 459 9. Concept X 10. 1962 Round Two 1. Experience, Strength & Hope 2. AA Legacies of Service 3. Recovery, Unity, Service 4.
Pass It On 5. Do You Thnk You Are Different? 6. Dr Bob & The Good Oldtimers 7. Rabbit Walks Into a Bar 8. Hope 9. Three 10. Concept IV

TONOPAH LODGING

Mizpah Hotel

100 Main Street Tonopah, NV 89049 (775)482-3030

Jim Butler Inn

100 S. Main Street Tonopah, NV 89049 (775)482-3577

Best Western

320 Main Street Tonopah, NV 89049 (775)482-3511

Tonopah Motel

325 Main Tonopah, NV 89049 (775)482-3987

Clown Motel

521 North Main Street Tonopah, NV 89049 (775)482-5920

Economy Inn

826 Main Street Tonopah, NV 89049 (775)482-6238

National 9 Inn

720 Main Street Tonopah, NV 89049 (775)482-8202

Tononah Ramada

1137 N Main Street Tonopah, NV 89049 (775) 482-9777

AREA 42 District Business Meetings

District 1

2nd Sunday monthly, 10 AM Lost & Found Club Boulder City, NV Email for information: district1@nevadaarea42.org

District 2

2nd Tuesday monthly 7pm Reno Triangle Club 635 S. Wells, Reno NV Email for information: district2@nevadaarea42.org

District 3

2nd Sunday in Jan, May, Jul and Nov at Noon Las Vegas Central Office Email for information: district3@nevadaarea42.org

District 4

1st Thurs monthly at 7pm Reno Triangle Club 635 S. Wells Ave, Reno. Email for information: district4@nevadaarea42.org

District 5b

2nd Saturday monthly 1:30pm Email for location: district5b@nevadaarea42.org

District 6

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

District 7

3rd Friday monthly at 6:30pm The Serenity Club Email for information: district7@nevadaarea42.org

District 8

1st Sunday of ODD months Email for information: district8@nevadaarea42.org

District 9

3rd Sunday monthly 4pm at Serenity Club.
This will change in March.
Email for information:
district9@nevadaarea42.org

District 10A

3rd Sunday of ODD months at 6:30 pm 680 River Street Elko, NV Email for information: district10a@nevadaarea42.org

District 10B

4th Sunday of ODD months at 10 am
Location rotates between the groups.
Email for information:
district10b@nevadaarea42.org

District 11

Email for information: district11@nevadaarea42.org

District 12

2nd Saturday monthly 5pm Wolf Center 457 Esmeralda St, Fallon Email for information: district12@nevadaarea42.org

District 13

Last Monday monthly at 5:00 pm
Triangle Club small room 4600 E. Nellis Blvd
Email for information:
district13@nevadaarea42.org

District 14

3rd Tuesday of ODD months 7pm Email for information: district14@nevadaarea42.org

District 15

3rd Sunday of the month 6:30 pm, TIE Club 329 North 11th Street, Las Vegas Email for information: district15@nevadaarea42.org

District 16

3rd Tuesday monthly at Sparks Christian Church Greenbrae & Pyramid 6pm Room 204a Email for information:

district16@nevadaarea42.org

District 17

1st Wednesday monthly 6:30 pm 360 S. Lola Ln Pahrump, NV

(basement training room) Email for information: district17@nevadaarea42.org

District 19

2nd Friday of EVEN months 2 pm Email for location & information: district19@nevadaarea42.org

District 20

3rd Saturday in Jan, Mar, May, Aug Oct 10:30am to 12:30pm 50 Weatherlow, Susanville (Susanville Fellowship Hall) Email for information: district20@nevadaarea42.org

District 21

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

District 22

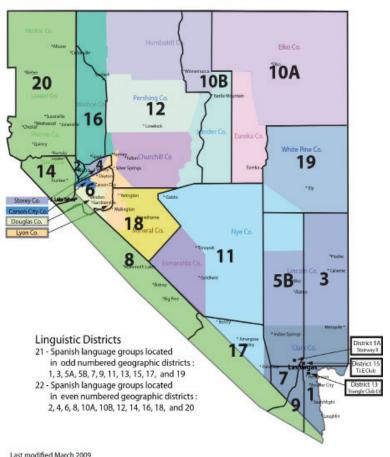
Last Saturday of the month at 7pm 625 Margrave Dr Reno, NV Email for information: district22@nevadaarea42.org

Area 42 Fall Assembly

Sept 9-11, 2016 Tonopah



Area 42 Map



Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism.

The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for A.A. membership; we are self supporting through our own contributions. A.A. is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization or institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy, neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

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