

SUMMER 2016

AREA42 Newsletter

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Greetings!

I am really excited to see you soon at our Area Assembly in a few weeks.

One big thing I plan on asking you is how you feel about bringing a Forum to Area 42. At the 2017 General Service conference - the Pacific Region Delegates will be selecting a host Area for the 2020 Forum. This would be a great thing for the Area and I am hoping you have an interest.

In a few short weeks we are going to elect a new panel of Area Officers. Please take a moment and look at the positions that are coming available on your side of the Area (See Page 5). If you have an interest in serving the fellowship, please consider making yourself available.

There are some GREAT things coming our way. See you soon!

Mike M. delegate@nevadaarea42.org

MY HOME GROUP

The Area Assembly Then & Now



Area 42 - 2016 Fall AssemblySept. 9-11, 2016

MEETING MINUTES Meeting Minutes

Links to Minutes

Can be found online at: www.nevadaarea42.org

IMPORTANT REMINDERS



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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

Dec. 3 Silver Springs Senior Ctr

District 16 30th Christmas Affair

Dec. 16

Sierra NV Fall Roundup

Sept. 2-4 Peppermill Hotel

Lake Tahoe Fall Fest

Sept. 30-Oct 2 Harveys

2016 Gratitude Dinner

Nov. 12, 4:30-9pm Eldorado Hotel

New Year's Eve Gala

Reno-Sparks Area

SAGSC

Nov. 13, 1:30 pm T.I.E. Club

District 1Fourth Step Workshop

Aug. 20, 2-4pm GVG Club

Annual Picnic

Oct. 1 Boulder City

District 5B Annual Picnic

Oct. 9

District 7 Mt. Charleston Picnic

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

Service Workshop

Nov. 5, 11am-1pm Serenity Club

District 13 Anonymity Workshop

Aug. 13, 2-3:30pm Three Legacies Aug. 22 2-3:30pm Triangle Club

District 15 Grapevine Workshop

Sept. 24, 1:30-3:30pm T.I.E. Club

Las Vegas Roundup

November 23-27 Westgate Las Vegas





Area 42 Chair

Hello Area 42.

I am so happy that we are living in a day and age that there is an answer to the old question "How Can I live without Alcohol?"

I do have an answer and it is really more than that. Today I get to have a life beyond my wildest dreams. We've all read these words in our Big Book that Bill W. wrote back in the 1930s with the help of the fellowship at the time.

So today those of us in General Service have a job to do. It's stated in the A.A. Service Manual that we "carry the message in ways that are impossible for the local groups—such as publication of a uniformed literature and public information resources, helping new groups get started, publishing an international magazine, and carrying the message in other languages into other countries." Communication stands at the top of our priorities. When we communicate as members in our group, District and Area, we are able to help those still suffering alcoholics that are still out there asking that Question.

I love this Fellowship and wonder sometimes if there isn't something more I could be doing to help carry the message. I do understand we have some dark and dim spots in our area and I wonder how we can move in such a way as to bring light back into these spots. I do understand that sometimes we can band together and visit the smaller enclaves so as to stimulate interest in General Service. This is written about in our Service Manual (See "Stimulating Interest in General Service" reprinted on page 7). Also there are a few examples of things other areas have done to grow that interest in General Service.

I've been working on our Fall Assembly agenda (Page 5) and am hoping to see all of you there in Tonopah Sept. 9-11. It should be a hoot and get us fired up to go out and help carry this message of Hope to all who still suffer from this deadly malady. I love you all and look forward to seeing you very soon.

Phil W.

Area 42 Chair chairperson@nevadaarea42.org

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

Hello Area 42.

Hopefully everyone is enjoying the summer. I have been most fortunate, in having the opportunity to spend some social time with old and new A A friends on several occasions these past few weeks.

September brings us to the end of another panel of service. It's exciting because we shall be rotating and hopefully moving into various service positions. Some will be at their first election assembly and others; shall be participating in the excitement and commitment of making themselves available to serve as one of six officers and their six alternates being selected to serve. This shall be the 30th Area 42 Assembly that I have had the privilege to serve in. You have allowed me to learn so much more about this fellowship than I ever dreamed possible. At nine years of sobriety I became a GSR, and have not slowed down yet. This Alt. Delegate job has been a wonderful opportunity to gather up insight, knowledge, and enjoy the special camaraderie with the other 14 Alternate Delegates also serving in the pacific region. Thank you for these productive opportunities to allow me the experience and confidence to stand to continue serving next month. I look forward to participate in area 42 in the years to come.

As the past Area Treasurer, I am currently chair of the Finance Committee, I have gathered budget requests from the officers, and along with the committee, have created the 2016-2017 fiscal year budget, which has hopefully been forwarded to everyone. Please take the time to peruse and possibly share with your Home Groups. When I present this budget to the body at the assembly for passage, you shall have the opportunity to question, suggest and comment. This is your 7th Tradition contributions' at work here, and it's your right to know and share in everything we are requesting to do with it.

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





SAGSC Chair Southern Area General Service Committee (SAGSC)

Greetings Area 42!

This year is moving way too quickly! I can't believe that this rotation will be a distant memory (and a new addition to my A.A. story) in the next five months...Crazy!

On July 10, the Southern Area held it's SAGSC meeting at the fabulous T.I.E. Club. I must admit, I was really surprised at how well attended the meeting was. I thought that since it was summer and everyone has super exciting lives and are vacationing in exotic places, that it would be me, some donuts, Phil and Carol - cause they told me they were coming down from the North, Mike- cause I asked him to present something, Glenn, Edie, and maybe a few other folks! We were packed! According to our GSR Trainer, Lisa, there were 11 new GSR's at her training. That's awesome!

Mike did a little spiel on "What to expect at the voting Assembly in September" and we were able to hear reports from all of our Southern Area and Area Officers, Standing Committee Chairs and DCMs. I love listening to all the work everyone is doing to carry the message of Alcoholics Anonymous. Your passion and commitment does not go unnoticed. I think it is important to hear that once in awhile. When we take on any position, it is never a "oh, all it is is this, this, and this..." It is so much more... It is weekends, it is monthly meetings- sometimes several monthly meetings, it is workshops, it is tons of emails (like, TONS of emails), it may be ad hoc committees, it is problem solving, it is ego deflation and esteem building, it is time, time, and more time. It is sitting in a room on a 105 degree day in July, somewhat quiet and paying attention... Gosh! Thank you doesn't even cut it. (I will stop here for now. I am getting super emotional...sniffle, sniffle).

There are a bunch of wonderful events in the next few months and I am excited to attend as many as I can...I look forward to seeing yous all in September!

Thank you for all you do and allowing me to do it with you. In AA love and service,

Jonelle W.

SAGSC Chair

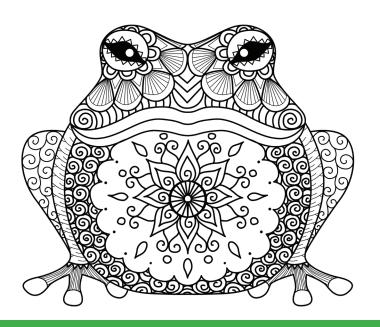
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Responsibility Declaration:

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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Area 42 Seventh Tradition

Contribution 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)



"Celebrating 80 Years of Recovery, Unity and Service — The Foundation of Our Future."

Friday-Sept 9, 2016

4:00 Registration opens

6:00 Welcome – Opening Announcements

6:30 Presentations

8:00 GSR Orientation

8:00 Area Committee meeting

Saturday Sept 10, 2016

7:00 AA Meeting

7:30 Registration Opens

8:00 Open Assembly

8:10 Delegate Report

9:00 Elections and Reports

10-10:15 Break

Noon Lunch (90 Minutes)

1:10 Elections and Reports

2:30 Area 42 Finance committee Report and Budget

4:30 Adjourn: "Please Clear Room Quickly"

6:00 Saturday Night Banquet

7:30 Speaker Meeting

Sunday - Sept 11, 2016

7:00 AA Meeting

7:30-8:30 DCM workshop (blue room)

7:30-8:30 Standing Committee Chair get together (Archive room)

8:45 Assembly opens

9:00 PRAASA Report

10:00 Break

Old Business: Continued 2nd reading of Guidelines

New Business:

What's on your mind & Ask it Basket

Thank you District 5B — Chose Host District for Spring 2016

Close with Responsibility Pledge

*** Please note, this is a tentative agenda and all times are subject to change. Check your packet at the Assembly for the most up to date Agenda.

Area Committee Fall 2016 Election

Delegate North Secretary South
Alt. Delegate South Alt. Secretary North

Chair South Registrar North Alt. Chair North Alt. Registrar South

Treasurer North Archivist North *Four Year Term
Alt. Treasurer South *Alt. Archivist South *Four Year Term

Dr. Bob's Last Talk at the First International in Cleveland, Ohio on July 30, 1950

My good friends in A.A. and of Δ

I get a big thrill out of looking over a vast sea of faces like this with a feeling that possibly some small thing I

did a number of years ago played an infinitely small part in making this meeting possible. I also get quite a thrill when I think that we all had the same problem. We all did the same things. We all get the same results in proportion to our zeal

and enthusiasm and stick-toitiveness. If you will pardon the injection of a personal note at this time, let me say that I have been in bed five of the last seven months and my strength hasn't returned as I would like, so my remarks of necessity will be very brief.

There are two or three things that flashed into my mind on which it would be fitting to lay a little emphasis. One is the simplicity of our program. Let's not louse it up with Freudian complexes and things that are interesting to the scientific mind, but have very little to do with our actual A.A. work. Our Twelve Steps, when simmered down to the last, resolve themselves into the words "love" and "ser-

vice." We understand what love is and what service is. So let's bear those two things in mind.

Let us also remember to quard that erring member, the

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Dr. Bob

tongue, and if we must use it, let's use it with kindness and consideration and tolerance.

And one more thing: None of us would be here today if somebody hadn't taken time to explain things to us, to give us a pat on the back, to take us to a meeting or two, to do numerous little kind and thoughtful acts in our behalf. So let us never get such a degree of smug complacency that we're not willing to extend, or attempt to extend, to our less fortunate brothers that help which has been so beneficial to us.

Thank you very much.

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Declaration of Unity

This we owe to A.A.'s future: to place our common welfare first; to keep our Fellowship united. For on A.A. unity depend our lives, and the lives of those to come.

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The Area Assembly Then & Now

Submitted by Ruth J. Past Delegate Area 42

Background

Prior to 1972, the Nevada Area of Alcoholics Anonymous held area assemblies only on even-numbered years. The site of these assemblies, which were convened for the purpose of electing an area delegate to the General Service Conference in New York, alternated between Las Vegas and Reno.

A past Delegate recalls that when time for the assembly arrived, ten or twelve members from one end of the state would travel nearly 500 miles to the designated assembly site. In those days members paid their own way, and no more than a dozen people could afford to make the trip. With only 15 or so local members joining the visitors, the assembly size did not exceed 25-30 people, he added.

Pacific Region records show that the first delegate Nevada sent to New York was Larry N. of Reno who served on Panel 5, 1955-1956.

The 1968 Assembly was held at the Mapes Hotel in Reno in 1970 at the Fremont Hotel in Las Vegas. In a compromise, the 1972 assembly was staged in Tonopah. That year, the Tonopah location was recognized as being mutually acceptable to both northern and southern Nevada groups. A decision was made to hold, on a trial basis, an annual Assembly at that location in 1973. Annual Assemblies have since been held in Tonopah in early September.

As the Nevada Area grew and sought more involvement in the General Service Conference process, a decision was made to hold a second yearly meeting. In 1992, a March meeting in Tonopah was held, on a trial basis for the purpose of discussing the agenda items for the forthcoming General Service Conference in New York. The March weekend has evolved into a two-day event with agenda items being discussed on Saturday and a meeting of the Area Committee held on Sunday.

In both the September and March assemblies, the General Service Representatives (GSR) are a most important part of the process. They provide the critical link between the individual members in groups and the rest of the General Service structure.

Fall Assembly

During even-numbered years the primary purpose of the Area Assembly is to elect a new Delegate to the two subsequent General Service Conferences and to elect Area Officers. Elections are conducted by Third Legacy Procedures described in the Service Manual. The 'election weekend' usually includes: area business meetings; ask-it-baskets, officer and DCM reports and a Saturday night dinner meeting featuring a service-oriented speaker. Non-election year assemblies have agendas which may devote more time to panel discussions and workshops focusing on either service topics or issues of current concern to the fellowship. In recent years, the Friday night agenda calls for an Area Committee Meeting being held concurrently with roundtable or panel presentations for the GSRs. These sessions are designed to familiarize GSRs with the General Service basics and acquaint them with activities within the Area, Region and General Service Conference. The Fall Assembly, with a voting body to provide a group conscience, is the only occasion when Area conscience, policy or decision may be determined.

March Assembly

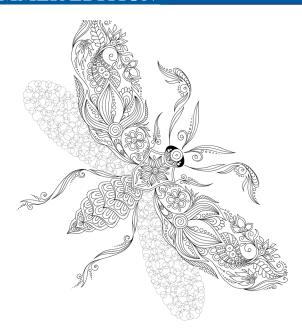
Initiated in 1992, the primary purpose of the March Assembly is to provide the Delegate with a sense of how groups and individual members feel about agenda items scheduled for discussion at the April General Service Conference in New York. Although there may be some items such as the need for a new Edition of the Big Book, about which the groups are knowledgeable, many of the agenda items are not widely known until January. During the intervening weeks until the March Assembly, background information is collected from any sources, including the Pacific Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly (PRAASA) held during the first full March weekend. Although the event may stretch out for two days, many GSRs attend only Saturday in an effort to minimize group expense. Saturday is devoted to a discussion of agenda items in the presence of the Delegate. With this information and 'sense' of the Area, the Nevada Area Delegate goes to New York to seek additional input from the Conference and the exercise the 'right of decision.' Area Committee meetings are also conducted during this weekend, but in the absence of a voting body from the groups to voice their conscience, the meetings do not result in Area policy or decisions.



General Service Representatives (GSR)

The General Service Representative has the job of linking his or her group with A.A. as a whole. The GSR represents the voice of the group conscience, reporting the group's thoughts to the District Committee Member and to the Delegate, who passes them on to the Conference. This communication is a two-way street, making the GSR responsible for bringing back to the group Conference Actions that affect A.A. unity, health and growth. Only when a GSR keeps the group informed and communicates the group conscience, can the Conference truly act for A.A. as a whole.

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Stimulating Interest in General Service

Most A.A. members are primarily interested in their groups, in their own sobriety, and in helping other drunks one-on-one And that is how it should be. While the work of general service has precisely the same objective - carrying the message to the alcoholic who still suffers- the connection is not always direct or obvious. Some stimulators are usually needed to get the attention of A.A. members - to show them that service can add a rich dimension to their sober lives and Twelfth Step work, and that their participation is vital to the future of A.A.

Good communication is of vital importance. In personal Twelfth Step work, there is no end to communication. The sponsor talks with the drunk; speakers share their experience; we share with each other. But when it comes to general service work, communication has a tendency to break down. It can take hard work to get the attention of alco-

holics, but with a creative approach phase of their new lives. Once A.A. members are well informed about service, they often want to become involved and take on their own service responsibilities.

In many areas, the delegate and area committee make themselves available to visit group or district meetings and talk about general service. Workshops on Traditions, Concepts, or other aspects of service are often an effective way of spreading the word of service. Sometimes two or more districts will work together to sponsor a service event.

Here is the experience of two areas: "We let committee members be responsible for running sharing sessions in their districts, then reporting on them at the monthly assembly. We created as many jobs as possible for GSRs and committee members and encouraged visitors to our assemblies, so they could see what was being done."

The Principle of Rotation

Traditionally, rotation insures that service positions, like nearly everything else in A.A., are passed around for all to share. Many positions have alternates who

can step into the service positions if needed.

To step out of an A.A. office we love can be hard. If we have been doing a good job, if we honestly don't see anyone else around willing, qualified, or with the time to do it, and if our friends agree,

it's especially tough. But it can be a real step forward in growth - a step into the humility that is, for some people, the spiritual essence of anonymity.

Among other things, anonymity in the Fellowship means that we forgo personal prestige for any A.A. work we do to help alcoholics. And, in the spirit of Tradition Twelve, it ever reminds us "to place principles before personalities."

Many outgoing service position holders find it

"Rotation helps to bring us spiritual rewards far more enduring than fame. With no A.A. "status" at stake, we needn't compete for titles or praise we have complete freedom to serve as we are needed."

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rewarding to take time to share their experience with the incoming person. Rotation helps to bring us spiritual rewards far more enduring than any fame. With no A.A. "status" at stake, we needn't compete for titles or praise - we have complete freedom to serve as we are needed.

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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

Sept 9-11, 2016

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

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

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

(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

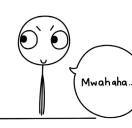
District 21

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

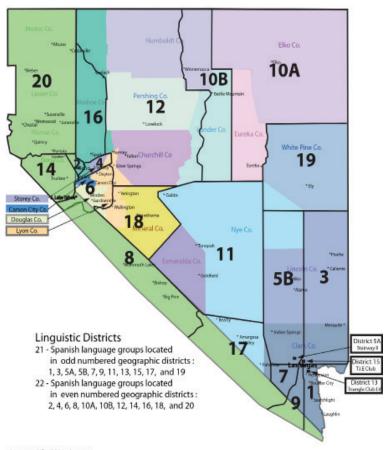
District 22

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





Area 42 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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