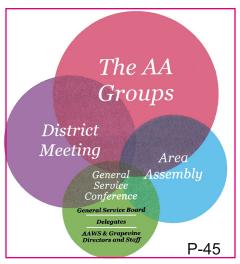


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Circles of Love and Service



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How A.A.s work together to help the alcoholic who still suffers. This leaflet is based on *The A.A. Service Manual, A.A. Comes of Age*, and the pamphlet "G.S.R.- Your group's link to A.A. as a whole." P-19 www.aa.org/assets/en_us/p-19_gsr.pdf

Area 42 Guidelines Preamble:

Ever mindful that the reason for the General Service Structure is to be of service to the fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous, this body shall always observe the spirit of the Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions, and Twelve Concepts for World Service.

The Area 42 Newsletter is published 4 times annually in February, April, August and October.

Newsletter Submissions/Changes should be sent to: area newsletter editor@nevadaarea42.org

A WONDERFUL ASSEMBLY

Message from Area Chairperson:

Hello Area 42!

We had a wonderful Assembly over the weekend of March 26-28th. We are still abiding by the CDC guidelines, which means we spent three days together virtually rather than at our traditional Tonopah sweet spot. We had over 100 in attendance, and lots of participation from all of you. As the Nevada Area 42 Chair I have the job of creating the assembly agenda and sticking to it during the planned time. I get to see all of your beautiful faces, I get to hear all of your voices. And what a blessing that we all can be together during this time of physical separation.

This assembly we had a lot to cover. Friday we heard reports from all of the districts and standing committees. Saturday we had a day filled with the agenda topics that the delegate had chosen to get specific feedback. Many of you presented and gave feedback and it is such an honor to facilitate the process of getting that feedback for Julie, our delegate, to take to the General Service Conference (GSC) for our Area. We had presentations regarding the possibility of hybrid meetings, treasury unification, and some first readings of guidelines changes to clarify and unify our area. We wrapped up our day with our lovely Pacific Region Trustee Kathi F. sharing her experience, strength and hope.

Sunday we began our morning with an open discussion AA meeting. What a treat to get to feel

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A WONDERFUL ASSEMBLY

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the spirit of AA from our own living spaces, and be so far apart yet feel so very together. The heart and love for general service and love for AA was palpable and brought many of us to tears. Truly one of the greatest gifts of my sobriety is to feel the love pouring from your hearts when we experience the gratitude of serving each other.

A proposal to help our Area be self supporting by looking into having our own Zoom account was read, discussed, voted on, and accepted. I realize there are some that are not fans of the virtual meeting, but in light of the current situations the virtual platform has allowed many to gather where we would have not only been isolated but truly solitary. We do not intend to replace person-to-person meetings, just allow those unable to attend in person the choice to still participate. Our Area Conference Committees shared what they learned by going through the conference agenda Items. What began (and possibly a little bit still) as a strained new process is gaining traction and our Area is becoming more informed about how the GSC operates and the vast expanse of topics that are covered by the delegates and trustees to keep AA accessible to anyone who would like it.

Sunday ended with our beautiful past delegates answering questions from the ask-it-basket. We welcomed a past delegate who is new to our area, and heard the perspectives from the others about if the Conference Committees are working, if we need more technology support for this quickly growing need to expand our communication efforts, and the process of how AA works, and how our voices are heard from every avenue. Lots of good history and perspective, and unity was maintained as the guiding force for the entire assembly.

What a treasure to be in front of you all, learning new things (all of us!), keeping order while remaining flexible, and most importantly,

showing my gratitude in action by participating in service work. I do hope that the state guidelines allow us to meet in person in the fall. We made it work, but there are some parts that are lost by not being in person. I miss your hugs and your snacks. I miss making new friends, and meeting up with old friends. It will make our being together oh-so-much-sweeter knowing what it means to truly gather if we are able. Much love and gratitude for the process and the growth. Next Assembly September 10-12, in Tonopah. Get your rooms reserved! Get your people together to drive there.

See you there!!

With love and gratitude,

Lisa I. chairperson@nevadaarea42.org

A.A. Acronyms:

AA - Absolute Abstinence, Altered Attitudes, Altruistic Action, Adventurers Anonymous, Attitude Adjustment.

AAWS - Alcoholics Anonymous World Services; one of the operating corporations of A.A. which oversees the operations of the General Service Office and serves as the publishing company for Conference-approved literature.

BTG- Bridging the Gap; committee whose purpose is to facilitate the transition of inmates or patients of residential treatment facilities to A.A. on the "outside".

CD — Closed Discussion Meeting for anyone with a drinking problem. continued...

G.S.O. Financial Results (excerpt)

The committee reviewed G.S.O. unaudited financial results for 2020...Gross Profit from literature was \$6,315,675 and represented a 72.00% Gross Profit Percentage.

Contributions for 2020 are a record breaking \$10,304,185...(\$8,863,480 was received from the Fellowship in 2019). The committee expressed its gratitude to the Fellowship for the continuing Seventh Tradition support.

Quarterly Report - January 2021

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How many alcoholics does it take to change a light bulb? ONE- He/she holds the bulb up and the whole world revolves around them.

<u>Area Conference Committee Report</u>-Literature:

Hi, my name is Claudia B., and I am an alcoholic. First, I would like to thank Julie and Jake for the opportunity to be of more service by asking me to Chair the ACC Literature Committee. This was a very easy task thanks to the dedicated members of the committee. Literally everyone completed their assignments within 48 hours. The summaries were great, and I was actually expecting this to be a daunting task. It really was not.

Next, I have come to the stark realization that we in AA are not fond of change. Literature changes at the pace of sleepy snails. This is my experience as I delved a bit into the issues that face the Literature Conference Committee.

To begin with, about 1/3 of the 28 items on the agenda were already summarized from last year which only left 19 items to summarize. These included items M (1) and M (2) through AA (1,2,3, and 4). These were very interesting ones, too. Meaty, even. Some very controversial. I explained to the committee that it was very important that they answered the question contained within the Agenda Topic. The example that I used was that when I was teaching, I would tell me students that when I asked them to tell me the colors of apples, I was not asking for the history of apple growing in Washington state. I often got the latter. So, for the most part, I received the colors of apples.

Some of the writeups of summaries were quite lengthy and some succinct. I learned more about the AA World Services, Inc Policy on Publication: Keeping Literature Current. There were agenda items that were drafts, changes and/or updates on

The Twelve Traditions Illustrated pamphlets (and the recommendation that we also keep the original one), the Concepts Illustrated pamphlet, the 12 Steps illustrated and a new pamphlet on the 3 legacies. Other updates and change recommendations include the topic of safety in Living Sober and the Sponsorship pamphlet, updates on Young People in AA and the future of the pamphlet "Too Young," and the pamphlet "The AA Group." Other agenda items include updates of the pamphlet for Native North Americans and the updates of the pamphlet for Spanish-speaking women.

Two major pieces of our literature were also addressed. First the suggestion that we put the long form of the traditions before the Traditions in the 12 x 12. And, more controversially, the topic that seemed to receive attention at PRAASA and in the background info was the discussion about figuring out if there is a common solution to the cultural, accessibility, relatability, gender identity and reading level questions presented by different members of the AA community. In addition, there are items regarding a 5th edition and additions to the Big Book in the new edition. Always a lively discussion getter.

And, finally, I want to thank you all for allowing me to be of service.

Claudia B. - ACC Literature Chair

CITF- A committee in some areas that deals with Corrections. Institutions and Treatment Facilities

CPC- Cooperation with the Professional Community. This committee shares our program with professional groups and individuals who have contact with alcoholics.

DCM- District Committee Member serves as the leader for the District's GSRs, and facilitates communication between the groups and the area committee.

GSB- General Service Board. The 21 trustees, both alcoholic and non-alcoholic, who oversee the General Service Office, A.A.W.S. and the Grapevine.

GSC- General Service Conference is the annual meeting (held each April) of the Area Delegates, the Board of Trustees and the GSO staff.

GSO- General Service Office; coordinates the wide array of activities and services for all A.A. groups in the United States and Canada.

GSR- General Service Representative. Provides the primary communication link between the group and AA as a whole. A GSR is elected by his/her home Group to represent that Group's opinion in discussions at the District and Area levels, and keeps the Group informed of important decisions, discussions and events occurring within A.A.

GVR- Grapevine representative – facilitates the subscription sales for the Grapevine.

H&I- Hospitals and Institutions committees are usually part of an intergroup committee whose purpose is to facilitate A.A. meetings in correctional and treatment facilities.

NAGSC- Northern Area General Service Committee. Due to the large geographic size Area 42 is divided into Northern and Southern Area Committees to facilitate meetings other than the Area Assemblies.

OD- Open Discussion meeting. For anyone interested in A.A. or alcoholism.

PCA-Pre-Conference Assembly. The Pre-Conference Assembly's primary purpose is to discuss the agenda items of the current GSC and inform the delegate of the Area's group conscience, thoughts and experience on the Agenda items that will be before the Delegates at that year's conference.

PI- Public Information Committee. The goal of the Committees is to facilitate public understanding of the A.A. program and to prevent misunderstanding.



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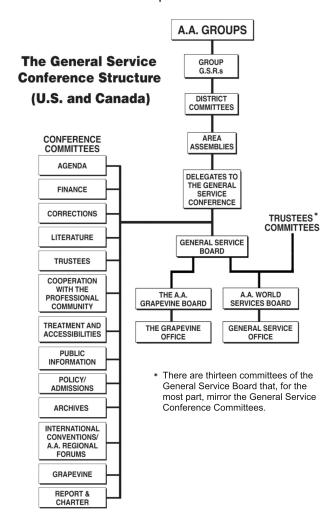
Just ONE...okay TWO...maybe

THREE...might as well make it

FOUR.....

Conference Committees:

Service Manual- Chapter 8



"Without committees, it is doubtful that any Conference would be able to function effectively. Most questions suggested for the Conference agenda are assigned to a committee, where items can be discussed in a small group before they are forwarded for discussion to the full Conference body... Most Conference committees work closely with a corresponding committee of the General Service Board."

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COMING SOON – IN LATE APRIL – 2 NEW BOOKS!



Free on the Inside: Stories of AA Recovery in Prison features powerful stories by sober members of Alcoholics Anonymous who have experienced AA in prison—while either currently serving, formerly incarcerated, or as outside AA members carrying the message inside. Great for alcoholics looking for recovery in prison and for those who want to help them. Item #GV43



Women in AA (Spanish-language) is a collection of stories taken from the pages of Grapevine and La Viña. The first two chapters were translated from Grapevine's *Voices of Women* and are by or about women who contributed to the development of AA in its early stages. The stories taken from La Viña for the remaining chapters were written by Spanish-speaking members of AA from around the world. Great to use for meetings.

Item # SGV37

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Southern Area Intergroup

News You Can Use

13 April 21

Greetings!

My name is Caroline and I am your alcoholic liaison between General Service and Las Vegas Intergroup. We had some lively discussions at last night's Intergroup meeting. It was our first hybrid meeting, with some people at Central Office and others on Zoom. Las Vegas Central Office has a beautiful 50-person capacity meeting room equipped for Zoom conferencing.

Meeting highlights include:

The End of the Month Speaker Meeting meets on the last Sunday of each month at 7 pm on Zoom. ID 676 836 0940 Passcode:AA

Our first ever Hybrid Founders' Day is Saturday, June 12th from 10-2. Up to 50 people will meet live at Central Office (tickets are \$5) and the rest of us will meet on Zoom (contributions, please). This year's event will feature an online silent auction, live raffle, AA history trivia, countdown, morning speaker, oldtimer panel, and afternoon speaker/ panel.

Men's Night Out will be holding its Central Office fundraiser at the Palace Station on August 28th.

The Gratitude Ball is scheduled for October 2nd.

The Las Vegas Roundup is back live this Thanksgiving weekend (November 25-28)! Yeah! They just signed the contract with the Tropicana Hotel. This year's theme is "Sobriety is a Journey" and will feature 4 speakers and 6 workshops. One of our past-Delegates and Very Trusted Servants will talk about the history of the Roundup. You can learn more at the website LasVegasRoundup.org. Online registration is coming soon.

We talked a lot about establishing a Central Office Venmo account. More will be revealed next month. We also talked a lot about Central Office selling chips. This item was tabled until next month. Please talk to your homegroup Intergroup Rep for details.

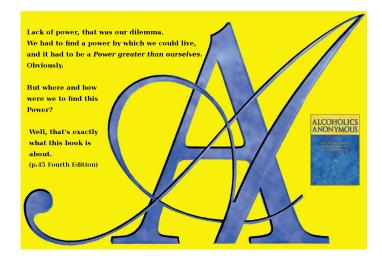
Finally, we talked a lot about moving the monthly Intergroup meeting from the 2nd Monday of the month...After much, much discussion, we decided to stay on Zoom indefinitely and keep our current date and time.

All are welcome to attend!

ID: 845 2256 3005 Passcode: 509081

Love in Service, Caroline J.

SAGSCIntergroupLiaison@NevadaArea42.org



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Las Vegas Central Office

1515 E. Tropicana Avenue, Suite #710 Las Vegas, NV 89119 Mon.- Frid. 8am-4pm (702) 598-1888 www.LVCentralOffice.org

Northern Nevada Central Office

436 South Rock Blvd. Sparks, NV 89431 Office Hours: Mon.- Frid. 9am – 5pm, Sat. 9am-1pm (775) 355-1151 www.NNIG.org

Area 42 District Business Meetings

Contact your DCM for the most up to date info.

District 1: 2nd Sunday monthly, 10:30 am

Email for info.

districti@nevadaarea42.org

District 2:

Email for info.

district2@nevadaarea42.org

District 3:

Email for info.

district3@nevadaarea42.org

District 4: 1st Thursday monthly at 7 pm,

Email for info.

district4@nevadaarea42.org

District 5B: 2nd Saturday monthly 1:15 pm

Email for info.

district5b@nevadaarea42.org

<u>District 6</u>: 2nd Sunday of EVEN months at 1:15 pm

Email for info.

district6@nevadaarea42.org (eminutes@gmail.com)

District 7: 3rd Friday monthly at 6:30 pm

district7@nevadaarea42.org

District 8: 1st Sunday of ODD months, 3:30 pm

Email for info.

district8@nevadaarea42.org

District 9: TBD

Email for info.

district@nevadaarea42.org

<u>District 10A</u>: 3rd Sunday of ODD months at 1:30, 680 River Street Elko, NV Email for information:

district10a@nevadaarea42.org

<u>**District 10B</u>**: Inactive Email for information:</u>

district10b@nevadaarea42.org

District 11: Inactive

Nye County

district11@nevadaarea42.org

District 12: 2nd Saturday monthly 5 pm Wolf

Center 457 Esmeralda St, Fallon district12@nevadaarea42.org

District 13: Inactive

Triangle Club, 4600 S Nellis Blvd, Las Vegas

district13@nevadaarea42.org

District 14: 3rd Wednesday of ODD months 6 pm

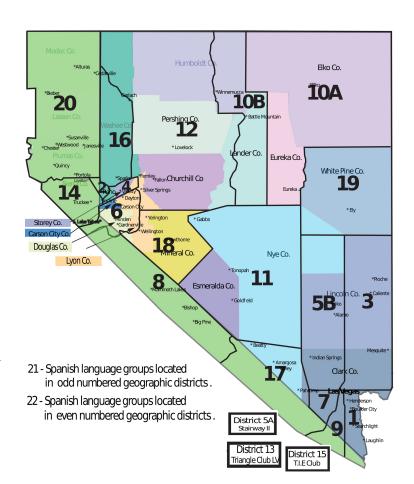
Email for info.

district14@nevadaarea42.org

District 15: Inactive

TIE Club, 329 North 11th Street, Las Vegas

district15@nevadaarea42.org



<u>District 16</u>: 3rd Tuesday monthly at 6 pm, Sparks Christian Church, Greenbrae Drive, Room 204a district16@nevadaarea42.org

<u>District 17</u>: 1st Wednesday monthly 5:30 - 7 pm Email for info.

district17@nevadaarea42.org

District 18: Inactive

Mineral County

district18@nevadaarea42.org

District 19: 2nd Friday of EVEN months at 2 pm

Email for location&info

district19@nevadaarea42.org

District 20: 3rd Saturday in January, March, May,

August & October 10:30am to 12:30pm

district20@nevadaarea42.org

District 21: Every Thursday at 7 pm, 3111 S. Valley

View Blvd. Suite #A-208

district21@nevadaarea42.org

District 22:

Email for info:

district22@nevadaarea42.org

Alternate Area 42 Chair NAGSC Chair Report

Hello Area 42,

First, let me thank all who helped make the Spring Assembly a success. The enthusiasm and level of participation from all members made for thoughtful and passionate discussions on the agenda topics. I especially appreciated the respect shown to those speaking at the Zoom mic's, allowing them to speak from the heart. Let's keep our Area's involvement going as we get busy with our summer plans.

The Communication Committee has been tasked with finding Area 42 a new Zoom account for June. The Zoom account Area 42 is currently

using will not be available to us in mid-June. Thank you in advance for your service and research. I'm looking forward to our Delegate's report at NAGSC June 5 th, noon to 4 pm. I know how hard Julie has worked with the help of the Area Conference Committees and Area 42 to be prepared.

The NAGSC June 5th meeting will be virtual, and the NAGSC August meeting maybe a Hybrid meeting. I have started conversations with members about the possibilities. I will ask the NAGSC body if they concur.

Lyle C.- Alt. Chairperson/ NAGSC Chair nagscchairperson@nevadaarea42.org

Quote Of The Day:

"I slept and dreamt that life was joy.

I awoke and saw that life was service.

I acted and behold, service was joy."

-Tagore

7th Tradition Contribution Addresses



Ask your DCM for the District Treasurer's address to send your group contributions. *Please include your Group No.* & *email address with contributions.*

General Service Office (GSO):

(Make checks to: General Fund)

P.O. Box 459 New York, NY 10163

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Las Vegas, Nevada 89119

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(NAGSC): (Make checks to: Northern Area 42 Treasury) 3250 Retail Dr Ste 120 PMB30, Carson City, NV 89706

Northern Nevada Area Intergroup:

(Make checks to: N. Nevada Intergroup) 436 S. Rock Blvd., Sparks, NV 89431



Secretary Report

April 23, 2021

Hello, Area 42 types.

Today, I finished the Area 42 Pre-Conference Assembly minutes and I couldn't be more thankful for all the love and support I've received from the Area 42 team both past, present and (fingers crossed) future. The minutes are now off to our Spanish translation team who will do their word magic before I send out both versions to you by the end of June. We'll be approving the Spring minutes at the Fall 2021 Hybrid Assembly in September.

Keep an eye open for emails from me for important messages from our Panel 71 Area 42 Officers who will be sending all kinds of AA information and their instructions on Fall registration. Most everything I send is meant to be shared with your districts, committees, GSRs etc.

I'll also be sending out a gentle reminder with information on submitting your Fall Assembly reports in mid July.

In the meantime, please reach out if you ever have any questions or need help with anything 'recording secretary.' I am here to serve. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Yours in love and service,

Anne D.

Secretary@nevadaarea42.org

Upcoming Event

Fall 2021 Hybrid Assembly

September 10-12th

If going to Tonopah make sure that you get your room reserved! Remember that if you ride and room with friends you can keep the costs friendly for your group. Also, if your group cannot fully fund you to go to Tonopah, many Districts, NAGSC and SAGSC, and our Area have allotted partial funding to help you go and participate.

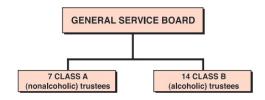
Congratulations!

Area 42's Marita R. is our newly elected Trustee-At-Large - US



Apr. 2021

There are eight regional trustees, (6 from the U.S. and 2 from Canada) and two Trustees-at-Large (1 from the U.S. and 1 from Canada). For more information about the position see the Service Manual, Ch.9 - The General Service Board.



Did You Know?

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"News and Notes from the General Service Office of A.A.®

Originally debuted in May 1956 as "The A.A. Exchange Bulletin" the name was changed in the Holiday 1966 issue to "Box 459" and comes from GSO's mailing address:

PO Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163.

71st General Service Conference Message from our delegate:

My dearest Nevada Area 42 family,

First let me express my deepest gratitude to you for giving me the honor and privilege to attend the annual General Service Conference on vours and Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole's behalf. There were a total of 132 voting members, slightly less than normal due to some open positions on the board, the General Service Office, and the AA Grapevine. We were scheduled to meet for eight days; one more than normal due to all the agenda items that were forwarded from last years' shortened G.S.C. Additionally, we normally have a joint meeting between the Conference (delegate's) committees and the trustees' committees on the first day of the G.S.C. This year, all the joint meetings for the primary committees met by early April. We knew we had a tremendous amount to cover and so they extended our already packed schedule. Add to this that we were all meeting virtually from our homes, offices or hotel rooms, the daily schedule was daunting to say the least. I will be attending both SAGSC and NAGSC virtually to give my delegate's report back from the conference, but in the meantime to tickle your curiosity, here is a short summary.

Greetings from the 71st General Service Conference, our second (and hopefully last) virtual Conference. The Conference was scheduled from April 17th through April 24th. Without spilling the beans before the SAGSC and NAGSC Delegate report, let me tease you with a few tidbits.

Ø It was scheduled to have one extra day of business (8 days) to help get through all the items forwarded from last year. Tease... We



actually crept into a day nine.

- Ø We had two items where the minority opinion changed the outcome (Chill bumps...).
- Ø The new U.S. Trustee-at-large is one of ours. (love, love, love)!
- Ø We had one recommendation pass unanimously which caused one of the delegates on the Pacific Region group text to exclaim "had to turn my video off for an ugly cry".

Ø We had a floor action pass, unanimously. The floor action was created because one agenda item was slated to be forwarded to next year's conference just because their committee ran out of time. But a delegate felt there was an urgency that we shouldn't wait yet another year. He was so passionate that he created a floor action so that the Conference could still discuss it.

Ø Our non-alcoholic chair had to take a two-minute break to regain her composure.

So, if any of these teases intrigue you, please come to the SAGSC or NAGSC meetings to hear my report and find out what really happened. I would love to attend district meetings and area events so that even more people can hear what happened at the Conference. Thank you again for the



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Monthly Speaker Meeting
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Speaker at 7:00 PM
Limit of 200 Persons in Person
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May 8, 2021

Host Group – Jay Walkers

SpeakerChris G. (Reno NV)

June 12, 2021

Host Group –

RTC Almost Heaven

Speaker
Xochitl N. (Santa Monica CA)

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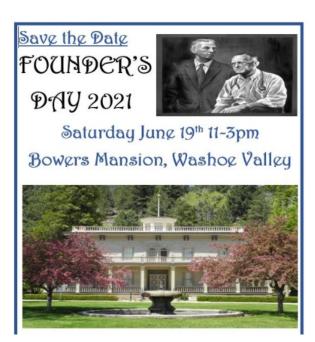
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Register: https://cutt.ly/ulCCcKH

Join us for a <u>Hybrid</u> celebration as AA turns 86!
Saturday, June 12th 10am to 2pm

LIVE EVENT AT LV AA CENTRAL OFFICE

Masks required. Social distancing protocol enforced. Space limited.

Tickets \$5

VIRTUAL EVENT ON ZOOM
Free





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www.LVRoundup.org

Sobriety Is A Journey - Not A Destination



Area 42 Translation

& Interpretation

Committee



BILINGUAL SPANISH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to help translate Area minutes, emails, guidelines, etc. Any proficiency level, or none! Northern or Southern Area!

Every 3rd Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m. PST Apr 15, May 20, Jun 17, Jul 15, Aug 19, Sep 16, Oct 21, Nov 18, Dec 16, 2021

Zoom ID: 871 0631 7547

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We welcome all those interested and just curious!

Questions? Call the Las Vegas Central Office

(702) 598-1888 and ask that someone from this Committee contact you.

