

SAGSC
Southern Area General Service Comm
November 13th, 2022

OPEN WITH SERENITY PRAYER
WELCOME NEW GSRs & DCMs

REPORTS

SECRETARY REPORT: CLAUDIA

Good afternoon, my name is Claudia, and I am an alcoholic and your outgoing Panel 71 SAGSC Secretary. I want to thank you all for allowing me to be of service to this group and hope that I served you well. I will be audio recording this meeting only so that I can make sure that the minutes are thorough. Your anonymity is tantamount, and all personal references will be kept out of the minutes and the recording will be deleted once the minutes are complete. I want to remind all of you who are giving reports and have not submitted them to me to please get them to me in time to have them translated so that I can easily create our final minutes in both languages. I am a fast typer, but not fast enough to capture what you are saying from the podium. Again, I want to thank you for letting me be of service.

APPROVAL OF JULY 2022 MINUTES _____x_____ **approved** _____ **not approved**

GSR TRAINER: GLENN W

I have been in service for 12 years and will ne moving on to service in other areas in my life. The meeting opened at 12 with the Serenity Prayer. We had both New GSRs and alt GSRs. We introduced the Area 442 website and some of its contents, GSR Kit from GSO, The Service Manual, Area 42 GSR Survival Guide, The Area 42 Composition, SAGSC Guidelines and we closed with the Responsibility Pledge.

DCM COORDINATOR: LISA T

No Report

SAGSC TREASURER: LIBBY

Hi, my name is Libby, and I am your alcoholic SAGSC Treasurer, and the Alternate Area 42 Treasurer. It has been my joy and honor to be your humble servant these past two years. I would say I shall miss you but I'm coming back as your SAGSC secretary. So, it seems you can't get rid of me that easily. Today is sort of an historic event. It is the last time there will ever be a SAGSC Treasurer report. As many of you know the SAGSC treasury is being rolled into the Area treasury. This will start come January 1st. Remember to tell your group treasurers not to send any money to SAGSC. Of course, please let them know your District, our Area and GSO are all still in need of your group contributions. I've heard rumors that SAGSC will no longer exist – this is incorrect. We will continue to work to keep the hand of AA always available for the Southern Area. I've also heard a rumor that districts won't need money – also incorrect. The only difference is you don't need to send money to SAGSC. Please spread the word and grab a flyer to share with all the groups you go to.

Thank you everyone who has been sending in 7th tradition contributions. Your money funds our committees and officers to do their work.

If your group, district, workshop committee or standing committee would like my help in any way reach out to me and I'll be there.

On a personal note, I want to thank everyone who has been so supportive to me during the past six months as I dealt with a personal health issue. It turns out I had stage 1 ovarian cancer. I'm now cancer free and finishing up my last chemo treatment. Thank God for AA. It has been carrying me.

Thank you again, for allowing me to serve and now I'll move on to my official financial reports. You should have gotten a Profit & Loss statement which would include the current bank balances and a Budget to Actual income and expenses report. I'll go through these as painlessly as I can.

Thank you for letting me be of service,

FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIR: ROBERT

They did not meet so that there was no report.

AREA OFFICER REPORTS:

DELEGATE: JULIE

Good afternoon. My name is Julie C and I have the distinct pleasure, honor, privilege, and joy to be your Panel 71 Nevada Area 42 delegate and incoming past delegate. I have postponed writing this report as it is my last one.

Here are a couple of snippets from the General Service Office (What's New on aa.org):

With an Eye to the Future: G.S.O. Staff Positions

The General Service Office is updating our file of applications from A.A. members who are interested in being considered for possible future openings for the position of G.S.O. staff member. G.S.O. staff people are A.A.s who carry out rotating assignments and correspond with A.A.s throughout the world on all aspects of recovery and service. Additionally, they represent G.S.O. at A.A. functions throughout the U.S. and Canada and provide the primary staff support for the General Service Board. Currently there are 11 staff members who cover a variety of assignments including: Public Information, Treatment/Accessibilities/Remote Communities, Literature, Cooperation with the Professional Community, Corrections, International and the General Service Conference.

Minimum qualifications include the following: a minimum of six years continuous sobriety; legally authorized to work in the U.S., a background in service at the group and district and area levels; business or professional experience; and excellent communication and organizational skills. Another consideration is a willingness to relocate to New York, if necessary. In addition, fluency in French and/or Spanish with excellent oral and written skills will be considered a plus for all candidates. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Director of Staff Services via email at directorstaffservices@aa.org or by postal mail at: Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163.

From Box 459, Fall Edition: This is available on aa.org under "What's new". Here are a few tidbits. The first article entitled **Saying "You Belong Here": Indigenous Translations of A.A. Literature** discusses the ongoing challenge of reaching non-English-speaking alcoholics within North America. "There are many indigenous populations throughout North America for whom the Big Book, the Twelve Steps, and other materials have not been translated. In some cases, literature is not even available to these communities, many of which are in remote areas with few resources."

In addition, you can meet your new Trustees. We have two new Class A non-alcoholic Trustees and three new Class B alcoholic Trustees. These are five of the twenty-one Trustees that make up our General Service Board. Since we are members of the General Service structure, these are people that we service Alcoholics Anonymous with. I love hearing who and why people want to serve on our board. One of the new Class B trustees is our own Pacific Region Trustee, Reilly K. Reilly is from Oregon. I have had the pleasure to serve on an ad hoc committee with Reilly. She is a kind, generous, and thoughtful person. She will be attending our Area assembly in April, where she will give her Trustee's report and be our Saturday night speaker.

For the past two years I have served on the Conference Committee on Cooperation with the Professional Community. We have a new Fall 2022 Edition of the "About A.A., a Newsletter for Professionals". In this edition we discuss the meeting app and the media library on aa.org. Access to PSAs is now a click away for any professional. Alcoholics Anonymous is aware that in order to reach professionals we need digital tools. This newsletter is available on What's New, as well.

Latest news: The 2024 Pacific Regional Forum will be held at the Westgate Resort in Las Vegas on July 12-14, 2024. Phil W, Panel 67 Past Delegate is our "Welcome" Contact. The General Service Office and General Service Board plan the entire weekend. As host we are responsible for welcoming our visitors. Over the next 18 months, Phil will be reaching out to you asking for volunteers. The purpose of the Forum is to bring GSO and our Trustees/Delegates to us. This is not only for General Service, but also for all AA members. Please invite your home group members to attend. It is free except the room, so free for us in Las Vegas.

I sent off our bid application for the 2035 International Convention to be held in Las Vegas. I tried very hard to add more information; to call the convention center; to arrange the lights and choreograph the stage. So, we have the support of our Area, both Las Vegas and Northern Nevada Intergroups. I asked our friends in the Pacific Region and several areas agreed to support us, if we are chosen. Three cities will be chosen in the first round. Jake will hear if we are in the top three in the early part of next year. I certainly hope that the new Raiders' stadium and the proposed rail to Southern California tips us over the top.

I can't imagine what life will be like as I rotate. I have heard that there is a huge sense of loss when my emails become silent. No more crises to wade through. No more lessons to learn in public (whew!). But I am so grateful to all of you continuing in service in Panel 73. We are in good hands. I am excited to see where the Area Conference Committees evolve. I will be here, hopefully sitting in the back waiting quietly (we'll see about that!) for you to ask. Keeping my mouth shut will be my new lesson. When I came to you, I needed to find my voice and now I need to support you in finding yours.

Thank you, Southern Area of Nevada, for providing virtual access to your meetings. I have been able to attend every SAGSC meeting over the past two years. I live ten hours from Las Vegas and coming in person to all your meetings would not have been feasible. Thank you all for your kindness, love and support. I am eternally grateful that you trusted me to carry our voice to the General Service Conference; that I was allowed the honor to serve you as your delegate. Thank you to all the Panel 71 officers, chairs, DCMs, GSRs and committee members for your service over the last two years. It has been a challenging time for all of us and Nevada AA has stayed unified and active. It couldn't have happened without all of you. You have given so much to me. My life is richer, and my heart is fuller. I love you all!

ALT DELEGATE: JAKE

My name is Jake- I'm alcoholic. I am extremely grateful to be serving as the area 42 Alternate Delegate. Serving as the alternate delegate for the past 2 years was the most educational service position I have ever had. I learned so much about Alcoholics Anonymous and how the conference makes decisions for AA.

I especially want to thank our current Area Delegate, Julie, for all of her hard work and all the help she has given me personally over the past 2 years.

I love Alcoholics Anonymous! I am 100% sure that without AA I would be dead by now- or at least certainly wished I were dead. I never wanted to get sober. I came to AA because I was in trouble.

Once I heard what your program of recovery was all about, I thought it was a joke and was 100% sure that it would never work for me. Thank God I was beaten into a state of reasonableness. I stayed around just long enough take some direction and become a member of this fellowship.

I was extremely lucky to become a member of a home group that put me into service immediately. "We need someone to clean up the room for the next 30 days. Jake will do it!" "We need someone to chair the meeting. Jake will do it!" "We need someone to be the GSR for the next two years. Jake will do it!"

When I figured out that being the GSR for my home group meant that two times a year I had to spend an entire weekend sitting in the Tonopah Convention Center with a bunch of AA nerds – well, let's just say that it made me bristle with antagonism. I cussed out my home group during the whole three-hour drive to Tonopah. I wasn't sitting in the Tonopah Convention Center for more than two hours before I realized that these people – these nerds - were doing more to help the alcoholic who still suffered than 90% of the people I had met up to this time.

A lot of people here who have been in service for a while have heard this story before. But today I realize the reason why I was so impressed with what was going on there was because of the work that was being done. The Area Chair called up the CPC Chair who reported: we went here, we went there, we had a table here, and we are working on this... Thank you. They called up the H&I liaison who would report: we are taking meetings here, we are taking meetings there, we are working on getting meetings into here, we are looking for volunteers to go there... Thank you. They called up the DCMs who shared: we are doing this, we are doing that, we have a workshop on this date, we are looking for a liaison to do that.

It was the work. The work of Alcoholics Anonymous. The work of a General Service Committee. Making sure that when anyone, anywhere who reached out for help that the hand of AA always would be there.

I love Alcoholics Anonymous. One of the biggest reasons why is that I don't have to explain to anyone in this room what it's like to be a slave to alcohol, to be a hopeless alcoholic. To have to do what alcohol says and when it says to do it. And with all of the pitiful and incomprehensible demoralization that comes along with that.

COVID 19 was a huge kick in the nuts to AA. Not only was it impossible for most all of our committees to do their work, but it also became literally illegal. A good thing that came out of this episode was that we all became online virtual meeting experts. Now that things are open again, I really hope we can get back to doing all of the amazing work that this committee is known for.

And at the same time not forgetting all of the great lessons we learned during the lock downs about using these virtual platforms to bring the north and south together in committees, and to discuss and summarize general service conference agenda items.

At the Fall Area Assembly, I was honored and privileged to be elected as the panel 73 Area 42 Delegate. I will be attending the General Service Conference for the next two years and doing everything in my power to carry the group conscience of Area 42 to the conference.

Someone asked me how I was going to vote on any particular item that comes up on the agenda. I told them I am going to carry the group Conscience of the area to the conference, and they told me that that was a political answer. I just want to make it clear that I absolutely do not believe that this is a political answer. I would never disregard the Area 42 group conscience to vote on any agenda item for myself. I feel it is a sacred responsibility for me to hear from as many groups as possible on as many items as possible and to bring that group conscience of Area 42 to the General Service conference and that it is never "as Jake sees it". And I pray that I can do that for the next 2 years.

Alcoholics Anonymous has saved my life and General Service has become a huge part of my program of recovery. Thank you all very much for being here today, thank you all very much for saving my life. I am so excited, and I am looking forward to the next two years of service together in area 42. The best area in the world!!

Thank you all very much- I love you all!!

REGISTRAR: JONELLE

Hi everyone! My name is Jonelle, and I am an alcoholic. Thank you so much for allowing me to serve as your Alternate Area Registrar/ SAGSC Registrar. I am so grateful to add another commitment to my service repertoire. I know a bunch of us say after every rotation in service "I have grown so much from this experience" please know that this is true! This position gave me the opportunity to meet pretty much every single person in general service in Area 42 attending the Area Assemblies in person. Even those who registered on site at the assemblies, I met you! And now that I have had words with everyone, some more than others, please know you have truly changed me. Personally, this rotation has been an "honest self-appraisal" journey for me. I have

swallowed some HUGE chunks of truth about me and have acted because I have been granted the courage to change what I can. I get to reflect on another two years of sobriety and service and know that because of the entire program of A.A. in my life, all that I get to do in it, and every single one of you, I can get through and live with anything I am given.

I am still your SAGSC Registrar until Dec. 31, 2022, at 11:59 pm. Please if I can assist you in any way, email me at jservice042@gmail.com. As of right now, Paul, our Area Registrar, is the only one that can register new GSRs and DCMs with GSO. This will change in the next rotation. Please use our Area 42 website - nevadaarea42.org.to access the forms needed for your transition into your service position - if you are a new GSR or DCM - I have some with me as well.

I look forward to being able to serve you as the incoming Alternate Area Chair. I am really excited about this new venture. I thank you for all you do and allowing me to do it with you!

ARCHIVIST: RONNIE D.

Hello everyone, my name is Ron Dillion and I am an Alcoholic. My sobriety date is December 10th, 1999. I am currently serving as the AREA42, SAGSC Archivist in the second year of a four-year term.

The Archives committee meets every Saturday from 9:15 to 11:15 in the morning here at Central Office. The last few months we have been sorting the audio tapes into bins by region, area42, NAGSC, SAGSC, AA history, and out of area, specifically out of the bounds of the pacific region. The audio tapes are in various media, cassettes, CD's, eight track, reel to reel, etc. We have thus far filled and sorted sixteen rather large bins on the top shelves of the archives. Caroline, Gaynell, Amanda, Heather and, I have been working on this task for several months.

Other projects moving forward are, building binders for PRAASA history, Silver streak, The Bracer from Northern Nevada, and sorting GSO audio/video media and PSA's from years past.

At the Area 42 Fall Assembly Archives was blessed with a Thousand Dollar increase in budget for the next year that will be used for a fireproof cabinet, file cabinets and suitable storage containers for the oldest and important books, letters, and artwork.

Archives will be at the Las Vegas Round Up this year during Thanksgiving weekend. We could use a hand from anyone seeking a service opportunity in Archives.

This concludes my report, thanks for listening.

TRANSLATION: DIANA and TONY

My name is Diana and I'm an alcoholic. I wanted to let you all know that our Area 42 has a very large Hispanic AA community. Maybe some of you are not aware of this but our Latinos have their own Central Offices, Intergroup Representatives, DCMs and GSRs. They have their own linguistic Districts – one up in the North and one right here in the South.

We have hundreds of Hispanic AA members who are attending meetings, doing service on the group level, and on the District & Area level. And they all pertain to Area 42 just like yourselves.

I serve as the Area 42 Co-chair of the Translation and Interpretation Committee. This committee is providing the ability for our Hispanic colleagues to receive and approach information at the same time as our English-speaking members. Through viable communication we get to embrace our Latinos in all matters relating to AA.

This committee has three bilingual members, one member who is just learning Spanish, and one who only speaks English. Yes, we do rely on our language ability to translate and edit but we also rely on computer generated translation which is making it possible for our Spanish-speaking and non-Spanish speaking members to become the translating superstars they are today. I am deeply grateful to have them working on this committee. But we can use more volunteers. I am happy to share our experience and resources for anyone interested.

If you would like more information and would like to volunteer for this Area committee, I can be reached at xxx-xxx-xxxx. Our business meeting takes place once a month via Zoom the third Thursday of the month at 5:30.

Zoom ID: 474 938 3601

Passcode: Rule62

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON REPORTS:

GRAPEVINE: JASON M

Hello, my name is Jason and I'm an alcoholic and your outgoing SAGSC Grapevine Chair and incoming Area Treasurer. The SAGSC Grapevine committee meets the last Friday of the month at 6pm via Zoom. The Zoom meeting information is as follows;

Meeting ID **973 0573 6838**

Password: 424242

The international monthly journal of Alcoholics Anonymous, will increase all books by \$2.49. The top 10 selling books' prices will increase on January 1, 2023, and other books' prices will increase as they go to reprint. Other ancillary items prices will increase on January 1, 2023 as well. A full list of the updated prices can be found at www.aagrapevine.org/news-release.

AA Grapevine is collecting up to 7-minute-long stories from the Fellowship in the form of audio recordings. Share as you would in a meeting—or pick a topic of your own choosing, from making amends to working a particular Step. If your audio story is accepted by the AA Grapevine editorial staff, Grapevine will publish it as a YouTube playlist or on another media platform. Grapevine

does not collect recordings from speakers at AA meetings.

DCMs and GSRs from the south, the Grapevine committee is in need of volunteers to help run the literature table at this year's Las Vegas round up. Anyone interested in volunteering can email me at sagscgrapevine@nevadaarea42.org.

If you are in the south and have an event coming up, before the end of the year, and would like a Grapevine table setup, let us know, we'd be happy to help.

Thank you for allowing me to serve!

CPC (COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY): ROBIN

My name is Robin, and I am an Alcoholic and CPC Chair. We had a table at the Clark County Employee Health Fair on October 19, 2022. Deb, Cynthia and my self maned the table. We had about 25 people stop by asking questions about Alcoholic Anonymous and taking some literature. One person that stopped by was Chief Judge Natalie Tyrrell Justice of the Peace, Department Two, North Las Vegas. She was very interested in having a presentation at her office but wants to wait until after the holidays, we will continue to follow up with her office. She did say that she would rather sentence someone to AA rather than jail.

We continue to work with our community partners, Homeless Alliance and PACT Coalition (Prevention Advocacy Choices Teamwork). These agencies have events during the year.

We have been contacted by United Methodist Church in Green Valley to participate in their health fair after the holidays, more details will follow.

We continue to look for a Group Secretary and more volunteers. Please come to our meeting and see what we are all about. We meet on the 2nd Monday at 4:30, both in person at Central Office and on Zoom. The Zoom ID: 88907357523 Passcode: Serenity.

R. PI (PUBLIC INFORMATION): JOHN H

No report.

ACCESSIBILITIES: CYNTHIA H

No report.

COMMITTEE LIAISON

H&I (HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS): ROBERT (CORRECTIONS)

My name is Andrew, and I am an alcoholic. H&I is doing well. Contributions have have been steady. Thank you all that contribute to the pink can. It allows us to carry the message to people that can't get out to a regular AA meeting. On the treatment side we are continuing to add facilities. So there is an opportunity for our fellows that are interested in H&I to carry the message. If you are interested we have a business meeting at Central Office on the third Tuesday of every month at 6:00 PM. 5:PM for new H&I members orientation.

On the corrections side most facilities have finally opened. We could use some of our fellows especially women to fill these panels. The state facilities require a background check, TB testing, and an orientation. The jails require a background check.

If you would more information you call me at xxx-xxx-xxxx or Email me at xxxxxxxxxxxxxx@xxx.xxx. Thank you for letting be of service.

LAS VEGAS INTERGROUP LIAISON: CAROLINE

Las Vegas Intergroup met on Monday, October 10th at Central Office with 21 Intergroup Reps present. The next Intergroup meeting is the day after SAGSC – November 14th.

Central Office

- We need a new Hotline Chair. If you are interested, please contact Judy, our Manager at 702-598-1888 (M-F 8-4).
- Judy was so impressed with the recent national conference for Central Office Managers that she is in the process of placing a bid to host the next one in Las Vegas in 2024. Stay tuned!
- Please help keep the meeting schedule up to date. Let's remember the newcomer and make it easy for them to find us! www.LVCentralOffice.org
- Hotline shifts are available Monday and Friday from 8am-noon and Thursday and Friday from noon-4pm. Backups are always needed (M-F 8-4).
- Remember: Central Office is open on Saturdays from 9 am-1 pm. Please spread the word! The Saturday office phone number is 702-780-4293.
- The Silver Streak (the Central Office newsletter) is always looking for articles on the Steps, Traditions, Meeting in the Spotlight, committee meetings, any information of use to our fellowship. 350 words is a good article length. Please send in your articles by the 25th of the month. Thank you, Michael L, for joining the Silver Streak as Co-Editor! Michael will become the Editor when Dave rotates out at the end of the year. Thank you, both!

- The Intergroup Outreach Committee is trying to boost attendance at Intergroup meetings. Please make sure your Group has an Intergroup rep and that they attend the monthly meetings at 6pm on the 2nd Monday of the month. It's an easy -and fun – service commitment. Just attend 1 meeting a month and report back to your group about what's going on. Sometimes there are items to vote on, but it is mostly just carrying information back and forth.
- We are so well unified that the Unity Chair is bored and will direct the Traditions Play at the Las Vegas Roundup over Thanksgiving Weekend. The cast has been rehearsing. It should be a lot of fun.
- Looking for a place to hold a meeting? Check out Central Office!

Board of Directors

- The Treasurer announced that as of September 30th, Intergroup has a year-to-date net profit of almost \$4,000. This figure is lower this month because we had 3 pay periods in September. The Prudent Reserve stands at \$92,000. Big thank you to all who contribute.
- Central Office has a large meeting / workshop space. The office is centrally located, so please consider using Central Office for your AA meetings and events.
- The Board is collecting resumes to fill 3 Board openings on January 1st. If you have non-profit organization experience, please consider submitting a resume. Contact Judy for details.

The Gratitude Ball was held October 8th at the Palace Station. The event was very successful. No word yet on the funds raised – next month. Next year's event will be October 7, 2023.

The Las Vegas Roundup is Thanksgiving weekend – November 24 – 27 - at the Tropicana Hotel. Pre-registration ends October 31st, so buy your tickets now. There will be entertainment, food, a 12 Traditions play, pickleball, walk/run, poker run, yoga, and daily meditations. The Roundup has also booked a block of discounted rooms. Please book a room and register for the event at www.LasVegasRoundup.org. The Roundup Committee meets at 1pm on the last Sunday of the month at the TIE Club. All are welcome!

If you're looking for a 2023 service position, at the November or December Intergroup meeting, the following 2-year positions will be filled:

- Chair and Co-Chair
- Secretary and Co-Secretary
- Founders Day Chair
- General Service Liaison (the position I currently hold)
- Intergroup Outreach Chair
- Unity Chair
- Confirm Silver Streak Editor (Michael L.)
- Confirm Men's Night Out Chair
- Hotline Chair
- Elect or Confirm 12 Step Chair

I have enjoyed serving as your liaison to Intergroup and Central Office. Thank you!

LVYPAA LIAISON: SAMANTHA

LVYPAA had their annual scavenger hunt on November 5th. There was about 40 people in attendance, and it was a huge success. We are currently looking for any district or committee to co host events, as we are trying to get more involved in our local area. LVYPAA meets every 1st Sunday of the month at Central office at 1:30pm.

Newsletter: Alfredo

Alfredo, outgoing newsletter editor. It comes out four times a year. The latest came out a few weeks ago. There is a lot of important articles in there. There were many different contributions. Editions are online and some have to do with the area conference committees.

LAVINA REPORT: LEO

I'm Leo an alcoholic. We do have the committee in area 21. We just had the event, and everything went well. I am the new chairperson for the committee. We do have an agenda we are working on and have new officers. District 21 has 18 groups and not all of them participate, about 14. We are planning on making this more informative. That is our goal and increase subscriptions and 12 step work and writing workshops. This is my third time here. I know that this is hard work. I am learning from others.

DCM REPORTS:

DISTRICT 1: MARTY

Hello and happy Sunday! I'm Marty B. and a sober member of Alcoholics Anonymous. I have had the privilege to serve as the DCM for District One for the past two years. It has been an amazing experience and has enhanced my life with incredible friendships. District One remains strong with great participation and enthusiasm.

We held the annual picnic in Boulder City but were unfortunately competing with the Gratitude Ball. Attendance was lower than anticipated but fun was had by all. We have made plans for next year so that it does not coincide with the Ball again.

We are planning another workshop on December 11th. It will be held here at Central Office. The speaker will be Billy N once again and the topic will be "Is AA Unity in Trouble". Food will be served, and the BBQ will start at 1:00 PM, and the speaker at 2:00PM. We believe this will be an informative and engaging workshop. We hope to see you there.

I attended the DCM virtual meeting with Lonnie, the DCM coordinator from the north. The objective was to discuss transitioning the new DCMs for Area 42. I was disappointed to see a low turnout in attendance from the south.

On a personal note, this will be the last SAGSC meeting for Claudia and me as we are moving to Western Washington. I want to thank you all for the guidance and support in this General Service journey. I have been truly launched into the fourth dimension.

DISTRICT 3: ANDRE

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 5B: ASHLEY

Good afternoon, my name is Ashley, and I am an Alcoholic. I am your DCM for District 5b. I write this with so much gratitude as this is the last report I will be giving as DCM, it has been such an honor and a privilege to serve as the DCM for district 5b, it has been a great learning experience, and we have such an awesome district. We held our workshop yesterday which went amazing. The topic was Happy Sober holidays, and each speaker spoke on all of the events that happen over the holidays and ways to be of service. I was able to talk about general service and how to become a part of it! And we had a great turnout, I would like to thank Heather and Pam for all of their hard work, you both did such an amazing job. We will be holding our monthly service manual step study next Saturday at 10am on Zoom and every third Saturday of the month. Meeting ID: 911 603 2610 and Passcode: Service, we would love for you to come and join us. Our monthly district meeting is held the 2nd Saturday of the month at choices fellowship at 1:15pm. I am so very grateful for the members in our district, they have made my work super easy. I am so happy to announce that starting in January I will now be serving as Alternate Area Chair of technology for area 42! Thank you for allowing me to be of service and please let me know if you have any questions about our meeting and thank you for allowing me to be of service.

DISTRICT 7: BROOKE

Hello, my name is Brooke, and I am the DCM for District 7. As a district we were able to resume our workshops this year, our final 2022 workshop on the concepts was in October, which was well attended. Thank you to everyone who volunteered and helped make the workshops a success this year. We will be holding district elections this month on November 18th at our business meeting, which starts at 7 pm, in room 103 at the Meeting Space. We continue to do outreach with meetings to connect groups to general service. New GSR's continue to join every month. This will be my last time giving a report as DCM. It has been an honor and privilege to serve in this position and I am grateful for the friends I've made and everything I've learned in the last two years. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

DISTRICT 9: DANO B.

Hola to all incoming and outgoing members of service. My name is Dano B, and I am the alcoholic DCM of district 9. Our elections will be next Sunday for the incoming cycle of service. Our district will be fighting for its own survival, while still setting the new standards of diversity and inclusiveness in AA

As the outgoing DCM my best interests lie in letting the district drive its own destiny while I take a back seat and only offer my sage guidance when asked or prodded. I wish them continued success and I hope they continue the small growth into something greater than we have gained already.

DISTRICT 11:

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 13:

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 15: THERESA

The scavenger hunt that we held was a success and I want to thank all of our GSRs. You have all been there for me. We will be

having an Alcolthon at the TIE Club for Christmas and New Year's. 12:00am on Christmas Day and 12:00 noon the next day. We need volunteers and all of the help that we can get. We could use help. I would like to thank you all for letting me be of service. I was not expecting this position and it has shown me what service is. I learned a lot and you will be seeing me again. Thank you for everything.

DISTRICT 17: FOXX

Hi, I am FOXX your alcoholic DCM for district 17 Pahrump. I wish to thank each and every one of you for being kind to me why I tried to learn what I was doing. It has been a challenge with the pandemic and rising gasoline, cost along with everything else. I have truly enjoyed the challenge of trying to help build unity among our groups in Pahrump. This thing works one alcoholic, helping another alcoholic. We voted in my friend Linn C. To become the new DCM for Pahrump. I wish her nothing but the best because I know she'll continue to work for unity. You guys are my tribe. I wish each and every one of you nothing but the best in the coming years.

DISTRICT 19: JIM

My last meeting as DCM. I want to thank you all for all the help that you have given me including Anne D. AA is alive and well in Ely Nevada. Thank you.

DISTRICT 21: FRANCISCO

Hello my friends of AA. Happy 24 hours. It is my honor and pleasure to attend this Southern Nevada AA SAGSC Reporting Meeting, today, November 13. My name is Francisco C., and I am the DCM of District 21 in Area 42.

Once again I inform you, the District 31 Area 42 Committee was formed for the Service period January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2024, and our new DCM is Roy and his home group is Fenix, as well as some committees. We will have a meeting on November 17, 2022, and you all are invited, to encourage our fellows so we can complete our committees. It is an honor for me to see that our District 21 marches with harmony, an atmosphere of Peace. We have attended our activities 100%

As District 21, on Mondays of each week we visit a different AA group with a study of a different tradition. On Wednesdays at our regular visits, with an AA group with a discussion of a topic and on Thursdays we meet at our Central Office.

1st Thursday of the Month = Meeting of Reports and agenda items

2nd Thursday of the Month = Agenda Items Meeting

3rd Thursday of the Month = One hour studying concepts or a tradition

4th Thursday of the Month = One of our traditions study and agenda items

5th Thursday off the Month = The conscience of District 21 decides what it will be studying.

On Sunday, November 6, 2022, we attended the 43rd Forum Hispanic AA General Services Area 5 of Southern California = Districts 33, 35, 49 and 50 and District 34 was the host and we had to share our Roundtables #5 with the topic "What is the Area."

- A. How does the Area work? It works through a committee that is represented by a delegate, elected by the GSRs and DCMs. The delegates in the committees have various responsibilities according to The Service Manual.
- B. What is the function of the Area in the district? Bringing reports from the General Service Conference to the districts through their DCMs and GSRs, finally reaching the groups.
- C. Function of the Area in the Conference? Bringing the agreements and disagreements of all activities to be discussed and analyzed and to help AAs to service as a whole.

Your DCM District 21 Francisco C. Thank you.

ELECTIONS:

CHAIR: New Chair: Caroline J.

Election: Andrew _____ 21 votes _____ Caroline _____ 24 votes _____

NEW BUSINESS:

**** JASON PROPOSAL FOR LA VINA – First Reading**

The La Viña Ad Hoc Committee proposes the creation of two (2) La Viña committees complete with Chair positions, one in the North and one in the South. The purpose of this proposal is to bring La Viña into parity with NAGSC and SAGSC Grapevine committees. The La Viña committee chairs' duties would be the same as the Grapevine chairs and will be to represent La Viña at Area, SAGSC and NAGSC events. The La Viña Chairs should be fully funded, voting members of the area committee. The newly formed NAGSC and SAGSC La Viña committees should be included in the Area budget process.

As our Area grows and matures it is time to recognize the value, passion and efforts of those who have been carrying the La Viña message and give them parity with the Grapevine committees efforts. The area Ad Hoc committee is tasked with recommending ways to create parity. To achieve this, we are proposing to both NAGSC and SAGSC to create La Viña committees complete with Chair positions and that the Area 42, NAGSC and SAGSC guidelines recognize the chair positions. Finally, that the new La Viña Committees and Chairs are financially supported by appropriate budgets.

History:

For several years dedicated individuals have been carrying the La Viña message to Area 42 with no support from the Area. They have put together story writing workshops. They have been bringing La Viña publications displays to our assemblies. And in general, carrying the La Viña message to the Area and beyond as they have also been active in promoting La Viña to the Pacific Region.

This is a first reading. This would just be a SAGSC Guidelines change. Should they be appointed before the approval of the guidelines. The answer to that was no.

****JONELLE GRAPEVINE DISCUSSION ON POSITION**

As alternate area chair, it is up to me to appoint the Grapevine Chair. Should they have autonomy to purchase and be responsible for purchasing literature. The Grapevine Chair restated the item. In conferences, the Southern Area collects all Grapevines and materials for assemblies at Central Office and sells their supplies. Southern Area has its own budget and I am asking you if the Southern Area Grapevine Chair should be a position that is fully sustainable by our committee. This is not about Central Office, but since we have a budget and we are a fully funded area committee wouldn't it work. The north fully supports their Grapevine chair, I would like to see a unification and have them be all one big happy family. I am asking for a motion, second and approval.

"The incoming Grapevine chair will be responsible for setting us up as an ordering entity for Grapevine literature and etc." This is not a Guidelines Chair. The monies will be recycled through the committee for literature. The Grapevine committee will use it to buy more literature. This does not include funding for the chair as they are already funded by the area. That is what I am asking. Since we have a budget we should have them buy the Grapevines.

Question: is this just for SAGSC. If a group wants to buy Grapevines for their group who would they purchase from. What does this cover. Answer: If we are to make ourselves a self-supporting Grapevine Committee than it should go through the Grapevine Committee. Q: How does Intergroup fit in? A: Whoever is Grapevine Chair would be responsible for the Grapevines. Central office would still be the source of the IOU system.

Jason thought he was responsible for literature, but he felt he was selling literature for Central Office. He serves the Area and not Intergroup. Wants to be responsible for inventory. Jonelle said that they should be autonomous, the committee..

Question as to whether this is going to be confusing for the Grapevine reps who sell it.

Question of since the alternate chair is responsible for literature. Should the Grapevine committee get subscriptions.

Should we consider this or bring it back? It will return in January.

****WEBSITE AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORT**

Hi, my name is Libby, and I am an alcoholic and a member of the Area Website Ad Hoc committee. I've been asked to give a brief report to SAGSC regarding our committee. Our task is to investigate if there is a need to revise the Area website. In pursuit of that goal the Ad Hoc Committee is going to be sending a link to a survey asking for your input about the current website.

Our plan is to send it to the Districts and have the Districts pass the link along to all the GSRs to take to their groups. We are opening the survey to anyone and everyone who is a member of AA and would like to share their opinions of the website and ideas on how to improve it.

Look for further information at the January SAGSC meeting. You can also reach out to me, and I'll be glad to share what information I have. Thank you for letting me be of service.

THANK YOU DISTRICT 17 FOR HOSTING... The next host will be 5b.

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