SAGSC Southern Area General Service Committee

(Notes from January 13, 2013) TIE CLUB - 329 N. 11th Street. Las Vegas

SAGSC Statement of Purpose: To facilitate General Service work in Southern Area 42 by;

- * Providing information from the, Area Committee; GSO, and AA as a whole to all Southern Area 42 groups through their General Service Representatives.
- * Provide a forum for, groups and districts, to share their experience, strength, and hope concerning service problems with each other.
- * Provide any other assistance needed by those in General Service in Southern Area 42.

The meeting was opened by the SAGSC Chair: Cherie N.

Serenity Prayer

Preamble

Introductions of New G.S. R.s and thanking them for being service

Approval of last meeting minutes

Special announcements

Treasures Report – Vince

Area 42 Officers Reports;

<u>Delegate</u>- Sophie; Delegate's Report: Greetings to all returning and newly-arriving trusted servants in Area 42. My name is Sophie K; I am an alcoholic. My sobriety date is Dec. 25, 1994; the High Sierra Group in Bishop, CA. is my home group. It is an honor and a privilege to serve you as your Area 42, Panel 63 Delegate to the General Service Conference.

At this point in every rotation I have been excited and scared. I have never really known exactly what I was supposed to do or how I was supposed to do it. That drove me nuts... until I realized that EVERYbody was clueless, excited, and scared. If you are feeling this way no worries. That's the spirit of rotation. We're not **supposed** to know exactly how to do what we have never done before! And we are all in this together.

What **I do** know about my position is that I, like you GSR's, am a conduit for communication. Concept 1 states that "The final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscious of our whole Fellowship." Our groups exercise this authority and assume this responsibility by connecting ourselves to the General Service Conference through our GSRs and our delegates. It's all about our Primary Purpose. Through the General Service Structure, we as a fellowship, constantly ask ourselves how can we be better carry our message of recovery throughout North America and, by example, through the world.

My committee assignment for Panel 63 is to the General Service Conference Committee on Policy and admissions. This committee concerns itself with matters of policy pertaining to the Conference itself as well as reviewing all requests for admissions to the annual meeting. For example, this committee would formulate and recommend guidelines for electronic device users at the conference, or whether or not alternate delegate X can attend in the place of delegate Y who was unable to attend. Additionally, The General Service Board of India might want to send an observer to our annual meeting. This is also a matter of admissions.

I have a secondary assignment to the Conference Committee on International Conventions and Regional Forums.

Soon enough, you will be informed about agenda items coming from many different conference committees. As a delegate, I prepare myself for the business of my assigned committee only; I will have input on business of other committees (i.e. Corrections or Public Information) only if that committee brings a recommendation to the conference floor. At that time I will have an opportunity to share Area 42's thoughts and, keeping Area 42's voice in my mind, vote my conscience. At all levels we trust our trusted servants to do the jobs we request of them – GSRs and Delegates.

Regarding agenda items; this is the last call for items to be considered for the 2013 conference. All agenda items must be submitted to the conference coordinator by Tuesday, Jan.15. Please contact me right away via the Delegate's link on the area website if your group wishes to submit an item.

It will be an honor to come to your group, district or event to give my conference report, or to participate in any General Service panel or workshop that you request. Please email or call me to schedule a visit. A Delegate's calendar can fill quickly, so the sooner you contact me the better.

For that matter, feel free to contact me at any time, for any reason. I am here to serve you. Thank you for our patience with me and my wordy report. I look forward to meeting you and serving A.A. together for the next two years and beyond.

A small part of the great whole, Sophie

<u>Alternate Delegate Report</u> / SAGSC Committee Chairperson; Cheri N.

Our delegate's Committee assignment this year is Policy and Admissions, and International Conventions/Regional Forums.

The SAGSC roundtables are **February 23, 2013**. Our delegate will receive the background material from New York on **Feb. 15**th and select items to be discussed and disseminate same to me.

We have an awesome team of volunteers to review the background material, and put it in a form to be discussed at the round tables in only 4 days. The summaries have to be to Alexis by Wednesday Feb. 20th, so as to be ready for the Roundtable presenters by **Feb. 23rd**.

If you want to volunteer or have already volunteered to be a summarizer please be sure that you are aware of the time constraints and if you still want to be of service, give LC your name, district# phone and e-mail address, and we will be in touch.

You GSRs will then have approximately three weeks to get the information through your DCM, to your group for a group conscious and get the information back to your DCM.

If your regular meeting doesn't fall within the "window", DCMs you may want to schedule a special district meeting to accommodate these agenda items, and the same with GSRs. Your groups business meeting may fall after the deadline, so as soon as you receive the material, you need to bring it up to your group's conscience.

We have to be ready to turn it over to be included in the packets for Tonopah no later than $March 17^{th}$.

Please jot down these dates.(above in bold print)

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to let me know.

My email address is area42alternatedelegate@yahoo.com

Other dates to remember;

SAGSC ROUNDTABLES; SATURDAY FEB. 23rd 2013 1:00pm – TIE CLUB

SAGSC MEETINGS – 1:15 PM – TIE CLUB

SUNDAY MAY 19th 2013 1:15 PM SUNDAY JULY 14th 2013 1:15 PM SUNDAY NOVEMBER 10th 2013 1:15 PM

PRAASA – PACIFIC REGION ALOCOHOLIC ANONYMOUS SERVICE ASSEBILY

MARCH 1, 2, 3, 2013 - BOISE IDAHO

AREA 42 ASSEMBLY - TONOPAH NEVADA

SPRING 2013 – APRIL 5-7 2013 FALL 2013 – SEPTEMBER 6-8 2013 SPRING 2014 – MARCH 28-30 2014 FALL 2014 – SEPTEMBER 5-7 2014

Cherie N.,

Panel 63 AREA 42 ALTERNATE DELEGATE/ SAGSC CHAIR Area42alternatedelegate@yahoo.com

Area Chairperson; Mike M.

The central subject for the March Assembly, April 5th-7th is the round table discussions for this years agenda items. Please attend the discussions of the agenda items on Feb. 23rd at the T.I.E. Club at 1:00p.m. This will give you a better understanding to take to your G.S.R.s, who in turn will pass that understanding onto their groups.

Area Secretary, Panel 63; Justin P.

Hello! Congrats to the new GSRs, DCMs, and committees!

We have lots of great support at our disposal with past and present trusted servants here to answer questions.

So far the secretary position has been eventful. With lots of ideas I have been working on an contract list including DCMs, area officers and area committee. I'm still missing a few DCMs and southern area committee spots, that is why the roster is not out yet. I am hoping to get with those people today here. And have a completed roster out in a week or so.

If you make it to the area assembly in April we will be putting rosters in every packet there. It will also be emailed to area committee and area officers. Our area website, nevadaarea42.org will also be updated with this info.

any questions? My email is alternatechairperson@nevadaarea42.org.

Thanks for letting me be of service

Committee Registrar- Emily C.

Area Webmaster- Scott B.

Area Treasurer- Carol B.

Archivist- Rhonda W. – Hello, my name is Rhonda and I am an alcoholic. I am your Current Area 42 Archivist and I am very excited to be a part of this great committee.

We held our first Archives meeting January 5th and 4 people showed up and one on accident looking for a 12x12 meeting. She stayed about half and hour before she told us she really just came to by a 12x12. I did get her phone number and email so we will see.

I have created a list of about 15 people who want to help us with the archives and a list of about 100,000 things to do. We will be meeting again on Saturday January 19th at noon to dive in and divvy up jobs.

I would like to extend Caroline's vision by attending your picnics, workshops, meetings and events. We would love to set up a display for you, or to talk to your groups or districts about Area 42 AA history.

If you are an outgoing GSR or outgoing anything, we would love to have your past records.

Thanks for letting me be of service.

And remember "Don't throw anything away."

Rhonda W.

Area Archivist

Alt. Archivist- Pat S.

Alt. Area Chair-

Reports from Standing Committees;

Accessibilities (special needs)- Sean T.; Special needs is responding to calls received by Central Office, and lately we have been receiving more and more calls for those AA members that are homebound.

Starting January 2013 Sean will be the new Special Needs chair.

Special needs plans to have a booth available at the upcoming at the upcoming H and I workshop scheduled for Feb. 2, 2013 at the Salvation Army facility located at 2900 Palomino Lane.

If anyone is interested in assisting me with special needs/accessibilities, please do not hesitate to contact me after the meeting, or give me a call.

Any questions?

Sean T.

sagscspecialneeds@nevadaarea42.org

SAGSC PI/CPC – Committee Report: We staffed an information booth at the Clark County Employees Health Fair on Thursday and Friday, Nov. 29th and 30th.

We staffed a booth at Project Homeless connect on Dec. 6th.

PI did a presentation for Palo Verde HS Dec. 12th.

CPC has completed the joint presentations with Al-Anon to the LVMPD officers. We have been invited to do the presentation on a yearly basis due to the interest expressed by the officers.

Upcoming;

- > Presentation is scheduled for Palo Verde HS in May
- ➤ Bishop Gorman HS will be scheduling a presentation during their Spring Semester.
- > CPC committee will be doing presentations to all Correctional Officers this year.
- ➤ PI/CPC committee meets at 6:00 PM on the 3rd Monday of the month at Central Office.
- ➤ The Sheriff's department is considering having an AA representative involved in the Homeless Outreach program.

Public Information-

Finance-

SAGSC Profit and Loss January through December 2012

Jan – Dec.2012

	<u>Income</u>
	8331.82
4003 - Literature Income	180.00
4004 - 7 th Tradition	179.32
Total Income	
Gross Profit	- 8691.14
Expenses	
7004 – SAGSC Meeting	100.07
Meeting Expense	109.87
Rent	400.00
Total - SAGSC	- 509.87
8000 - Standing Committee Expens	
IGR Liaison	450.00
PI/CPC Committee	<u>700.00</u>
Total – 8000	1,150.00
8050 - Bank Charges	51.00
8054 - Office Expenses	
1	351.43
Total - 8054 Office Expens	ses 351.43
8075 - New GSR Survival Kits 8090 - Travel	550.00
GSR Assemblies	1486.80
Officers Assemblies	
PRAASA	1818.16
Total - 8090 Travel	2,00.79 5305.75
Total - 8090 Travel	5305.75
8999 - Returned Checks	68.00
<u>Total Expense</u>	<u>7,986.05</u>
Net Ordinary Income	705.09
Other Income/Expense Other Income	
9000 – Interest Income	e 6.19
Total Other Income	6.19
Net Other Income	<u>6.19</u>
Net Income	711.2

Grapevine- Dean S.; The Southern Area Grapevine Committee meets the second Friday of each month at 6pm in the Las Vegas Central Office, <u>1431 E. Charleston Blvd</u>, <u>Suite 15</u>.

We are hoping to increase the number of Grapevine reps and I would ask each GSR to encourage their groups to elect one.

If you would like the Grapevine Committee to be present at an event please email us at sagscgrapevine@nevadaarea42.org

Thank you for letting me be of service, Dean S.

GSR Survival Trainer-

DCM Training- Rhoda W.

Today we had our first DCM training. We had 11 people in attendance. We handed out Packets about being DCMs. It was a great experience.

H and I-

Inter-Group- Bill F.; **Contacts:** Central Office received 950 information calls, 63 were 12-Step. The web had 160 hits per day, total monthly visits 4800.

Treasurer's Report: Beginning balance, \$13,473.76; total income \$10.307.37; total expenses \$12,149,12 reflecting a loss of \$1841.75. The new balance is \$10,452.71.

Hotline: The volunteer list has been updated. The hotline has openings for two captains, Tuesday and Friday. Anyone interested or wants to know what the duties of the captain arecall Billy.

The 12 Step list has been updated.

November Intergroup meeting; The group elected new committee chairs; Intergroup Chair Alan V., Treasurer Russ, GSR Liaison Bill F., Silver Streak Patty W. 12 Step chair Claudia, Hot Line Chair Billy, Special needs, Sean.

A special Steering Committee was called in December to discuss ways to increase revenue for Central Office. Some meetings are passing the basket again to donate to Central Office. Under discussion – to form committees to visit groups that are not contributing to Central Office and to explain the need for a Central Office.

Our Intergroup meetings are held at Central Office every second Monday at 6:00pm.

Service Festival: The 2013 Southern Area 42 and Intergroup Service Festival will be held at the TIE Club on Feb. 24, 2013 at 1:00 P.M.

For more information on any of our events or to contact any of our Intergroup Committees go to the Las Vegas Central Office website at www.lvcentraloffice.org or call 598-1888.

Submitted by Area 42 Intergroup Liaison

Reports from- Non Voting Committees

Bridging the Gap- Tim (New Chair); Had a total of 7 requests in December and all were placed with volunteers except for the 2 that were placed with volunteers except for the 2 that were turned in too late. Also had one request from female inmate for someone to sponsor her by mail and that was successfully placed as well.

Also had 1 male inmate correspondent that was released from California Federal Prison and paroled to Federal half-way house here in Vegas and he has made contact with his local correspondent and they will be meeting in person shortly. This connection was made through GSO corrections desk in November.

With panels being temporarily stopped here at CCDC we're anticipating the number of BTG requests to be quite low for a while. There still is a need for correspondence with inmates that will be incarcerated for longer periods of time and some of our BTG volunteers are willing to do that.

DCM Reports-

District 1- My name is Jake S., and I am the newly elected DCM for district 1. First I would just to say what an honor it is to serve my district elect me to this position. I served the last two years as alternate DCM with Emily C. It was a very easy position because she was at every meeting and every function we had, and I just want to give her a special thank you for all of her help to me personally and to her service to District 1. I want to thank all of our outgoing officers for district 1 for all of their hard work and service. We had some great times during the last rotation as well as some horrible tragedies but we got through them just like everything else in AA, we did it together. I am very proud to be part of District 1 and look forward to serving you as DCM for the next two years. We held elections for our new officers at our December meeting in Boulder City. Our new Alternate DCM is Charlie, new Treasurer is Kariene, new alternate treasurer is Lisa, and our new picnic chair is John. At our December meeting we made a decision to make the secretary and webservant a single position, and that position will be held by Lynn. Her alternate will be Irene. We got an idea at the last area assembly to have rotating workshop chairs. District 1 typically holds 3 or 4 workshops a year and we will elect a new workshop chair after every workshop. We are going to try this for the next two years and our first workshop chair will be Cherie. We elected Tony S. as our H & I and we are still looking for a alternate picnic chair, grapevine, intergroup, and PI-CPC liaison. I am very overwhelmed and I am sure in 2 years when it is time to rotate our of this position I will have it all figured out. If you are part of district 1 and not sure if your group is registered with GSO, your group service number, or you are not sure if you are registered as the GSR for your group with GSO please see me after this meeting and we will get you all taken care of. We will be holding our monthly district meeting as soon as this meeting is over right here in this room to my left. If there is anything I can do to help with anything in district 1 or any other district please let me know. My name is Jake my email is district1@nevadaarea42.org

Thank you for all of your time and attention.

<u>District 3</u>; Jonelle W.; District meeting was prior to SAGS meeting, 2 GSRs, treasurer, alt. DCM and me. Although we are a large district we have a lot of inactive groups. We reviewed our finances to make sure we could cover our expenses and we can! We discussed topics for our next workshop. We we will discuss them with the groups and set our date when we meet again for the roundtables.

We will continue to outreach other meetings in our district and encourage General Service participation. I am surely excited about the next two years. Thank you for letting me be of service.

<u>District 5b</u>- Michele P.; Held GSR meeting, 21 people total, visitors and GSRs. Approved minutes for Dec. 8 meeting, discussed old business, planned workshop in April on traditions; planning picnic, and Chili cook-off... Lisa read Concept 1... had a great time... archives-Gaynert, CPCPT-Vince, Central/Inter-group-Cindy, Grapevine-Tony, H&I-LC, Registrar- Lisa, Workshops-Peggy, Picnic-Dnar, Calendar-Lisa...closed with the Responsibility Pledge.

District 7- My name is Nelson, and I am your newly elected DCM for District 7. Elections for the District were held in November of last year. We had a celebration meeting in December and new GSRs were introduced. I want to say that the new GSRs are on fire and eager to participate in the business of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Stay tuned for our first service event coming soon. Also were are hosting the world famous chili cook-off!!! Incidentally District 7 holds the title.

We meet on the 3rd Friday of every month at the Serenity Club. You are all invited to attend, especially our service events.

Looking forward to PRASSA in Boise ID, March 1-3.

District 9- Bob P., DCM; At this time we are still working on our Dist. 9 Outreach. We had 8

people attend our meeting. Our meeting is held on the 3rd Sunday at 2:30 pm and is held at the Turning Point-21 California St. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

<u>District 11</u>- no report

District 13- Glenn W., I'd like to welcome all our incoming GSRs from Southern Area 42.

District 13 has 3 people in attendance today.

District 13 has approximately 33 groups that meet at the Triangle Club with about 20% participating at district events and contributions. I will be visiting all the groups in the coming months to explain the importance of group participation within the district and our fellowship.

District 13 held a service position workshop in November to explain and encourage our members of the different ways to get involved in service. We had many Intergroup chairpersons presenting presentations on their respective committee's and we explained the upcoming positions and duties for the district. We look forward to filling these positions at our upcoming January district meeting on the 28th.

We had some of our groups lead meetings at the Round-Up marathon meeting and I want to thank them for their participation and involvement in such a valued event.

District 13 facilitates a speaker meeting on the second Tuesday of every month. The meetings are hosted by one of our groups GSRs. Our next speaker meeting will be on February 12th, at 6:30pm in the Big Room at the Triangle Club.

As the incoming DCM for District 13, I look forward to assisting our GSR's with any Questions they have and to make myself available for any assistance at the area level

Thank you for letting me be of service.

Glenn W., DCM, District 13, Panel 63

District 15- Shannon, DCM; Good afternoon everyone, I am pleased to be here today giving my first report as the DCM. I am also very happy to see so many of the GSRs in my Dist. participating today, let's just pray that they show the same enthusiasm at the round tables. As I rotated in at the busiest time of the year, THE HOLIDAYS, I was definitely blessed with a luxury this year to be granted the duty of continuing the legacy of the Dist. 15 ALCATHONS for the CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS HOLIDAYS. We had a fabulous turnout for both of these events. Our dist, was able to keep food on the table throughout the entire 24 hour period and I was able to be in attendance for the majority of the Christmas marathon, but had to work during the NEW YEARS alacathon, and was very pleased with all of the willingness of several newcomers in my dist. who went above and beyond the expectations and helped out tremendously during my moments of panic. The alacathons afforded my district with some extra funds that will aid in sending me to PRAASA in March and for that I am truly grateful. Our past DCM Dave A. gave me a receipt for our first donation of the year to Central Office, which was his last decision as the outgoing DCM to donate everything that was above the suggested prudent reserve for a district which was \$365.37. I pray that my district will continue to flourish in the upcoming months as we have just rotated and several new commitments were accepted and we are all working together to help all of the entities and most of all our central office.

We have a new group in our dist. who is not yet actively participating as they have as they have not yet done their elections. But I would like to thank the, STRAY DOGS, group for all of the help and participation in all the alcathons.

In our last business meeting our group decided that we would host quarterly EAT AND SPEAK MEETINGS our first one will be held here at the Tie Club of Feb. 8th. It will be a

Valentines Day theme with a dance to follow. There will be a lot of food and fun and fellowship. It

is pot luck and the speakers will be Irene P. and Charlie H. There will be roses for the lady and a 50/50 raffle. All of the GSRs in my district will have tickets for sale for \$5. The dance and the dinner is free but donations will be accepted. If you would like a flyer please see me.

In closing I will say this; I am very grateful for this position as it is the nitch in my recovery that has thus far afforded me the ability to learn and grow in understanding and effectiveness, as well separating principals before personalities. This has also put me deeper into the process of A.A. as a whole, outside of just attending a meeting. As I embark on this phase of my development I am grateful for my service sponsor who definitely knows she is my sponsor... LOL. The concepts and bylaws are something I would have never even thought twice about had it not been for those of you who have lead the way for a girl like me.

District 17- Scarlett P., DCM; Christine R, Alt. DCM; 2 GSRs; Aly S. and Frank.

12 step list is being updated, we had our Alcothans on Christmas and New Years, the turn out was very good.

We are preparing for a workshop and could use help from people who like doing service. H&I; we have trouble with the 500 bed jail. They would like the meeting to be moved to 4pm due to not having enough employees at any other time. This has become a problem because our locals are lucky enough to work and do not get off early enough. Is anyone interested?

District 19- no report

<u>District 21</u>- DCM is Carlos L., Alt. is Miguel, Treasurer is Gabriel, Alt is Pablo, We meet on Thursday from 7-9pm. We have 18 groups. We are planning to visit all of them. We have P.I, Archive, H&I committees. We are also involved in La Vina. This committee will have our event in May. At the next meeting we will give you more information.

Thank you. (translated to the best of my ability, in Love and Service, Tony S.

Old Business-

New Business-

Thanks to District 9 for hosting

Host for Jan. 13th is District 3

Announcements;

-Next SAGSC meeting, T.I.E. club, ------12:30-New G.S.R.s, 1:15pm regular meeting

Close with the Responsibility Pledge

When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A.

To always be there. And for that: I am responsible

Revised by Ad Hoc Communications Committee for Anonymity Breaks in 2016.