

AREA 42 NEWSLETTER



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Message from our Delegate

Hello area 42. I write this article as I arrive home after our pre-conference Assembly in the sobriety capital of the world, Tonopah, Nevada. I am absolutely overwhelmed with gratitude! When I first saw the agenda for the 73rd General Service Conference, I was concerned about what that would mean for our Spring Assembly. The agenda items had a ton of “review and discuss” items, many that we had already talked about in Area 42. Our Area did not even blink an eye!! Everyone show up with new information, interesting questions, and loving discussion on every one of the agenda items. I felt the passion and gratitude for AA running all through the Tonopah Convention Center. It is so important that I hear from as many voices as we can on as many agenda items as possible for the informed group conscience to emerge. When I left Tonopah today, I had many new discussion points and questions that I will ask on behalf of Area 42 when I attend the Conference. I cannot express how important I feel this work is for our Area as well as for AA as a whole. Thank you so very much for showing up and doing your part to keep Alcoholics Anonymous unified and saving lives.

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At the 7am Alcoholic Anonymous meeting, a member expressed their concern about the declining participation of AA members and groups in the U.S. and Canada. I share that concern and believe the way to turn those numbers around is to get the message out about the importance role General Service plays in AA as a whole. If we work together to show the passion, enthusiasm, and love that I saw this weekend then I know we will get more participation from our Area. I challenge our DCMs to bring at least one new GSR to our Fall Assembly. I challenge the Standing Committee Chairs to come back with one new story of how you were able to carry the message of General Service to our members. You all continuously inspire me. I am grateful and lucky to be able to participate with you on Area 42’s General Service Committee. Thank you for saving my life and allowing me to participate on our program off action inside Alcoholics Anonymous.

Jake S., Area 42 Delegate
delegate@nevadaarea42.org

Did you know??? Area 42 has GSR Trainers and DCM Coordinators!!
GSRs and DCMs, if you have questions about how to be effective in your commitment,
Nagsc and Sagsc have experienced members ready to help.

NAGSC GSR Trainer – Pat S. nagscgsrcsurvivalmanualnorth@nevadaarea42.org

SAGSC GSR Trainer – Dan B. sagscgsrcsurvivalmanualsouth@nevadaarea42.org

NAGSC DCM Coordinator – Phil W. nagscdcmmcoordinator@nevadaarea42.org

SAGSC DCM Coordinator – Ed F. sagscdcmmcoordinator@nevadaarea42.org

Message from our Area Chair

Hello Area 42, Thank you for an amazing Pre-Conference Assembly. The presenters and summarizers did an amazing job. Our members were very engaged with lots of feedback from the microphones. I hope holding reports to two minutes gave most people a chance to speak.

We had so much help from our wonderful servants; from setup to clean up. District 1 brought snacks, chaired our meetings and setup for our banquet. District 2 took care of the drinks and coffee. All worked very hard and thank you all! What some might not know is that the banquet people came with only one person to set up and serve the food. Jonelle W. and I asked for volunteers and people jumped into action - no questions asked. Such givers.

“New GSRs please make sure you are able to attend one or both in-person or virtually so that you can bring back the Conference’s actions to your groups.”

Our Alternate Delegate, Paul E., recommended having an area inventory. He heard at PRASSA (Pacific Region AA Service Assembly) of areas taking regular inventories. We discussed the idea of an inventory in the Area Committee meeting and then brought it to the Area 42 body, where it passed overwhelmingly. I have created an ad-hoc committee which will be chaired by our Alternate Secretary, Libby G.

I am looking forward to the Delegate Report in both the South and North, beginning in May. New GSRs please make sure you are able to attend one or both in-person or virtually so that you can bring back the Conference’s actions to your groups. I look forward to seeing you there!

Lyle C., Area Chair
chairperson@nevadaarea42.org

Scheduling a Zoom Meeting on the Area 42 Account

If you are a DCM, Committee Chair or hold an Area Service Position you can use the Area 42 Zoom account to schedule a Zoom meeting for your service commitments and Committees. Please give a 48 hour notice when requesting a meeting by email, you should receive a response within 24 hours.

Follow these instructions: Send an email to: nevadaarea42tech@gmail.com

Include The Following Information:

- a. Title for your meeting
- b. Date for your meeting
- c. Time and duration of your meeting
- d. Is it a recurring meeting?
- e. The password you would like to use

You will received the follow information:

- a. The link for your meeting
- b. The password for your meeting
- c. A Host Key
- d. How to use a Host Key instructions

Message from our SAGSC Chair

Our Delegate heads to the Conference and the rest of us get to collapse back into our lives after a very hectic March. Whew! Let's find ways to make the pre-conference process easier – and funner. Maybe a couple of workshops on what to expect in March, how to carry the Conference message to and from our groups, and how to deliver meaningful and lively agenda topic presentations? I am always open for suggestions.

I thoroughly enjoyed attending both the NAGSC and SAGSC Roundtables this year. It was my first time at a NAGSC meeting. Dano and Foxx conducted the first-ever (that I know of) SAGSC Crash Course on what we were trying to accomplish. I think everyone who attended benefitted.

We heard 5 topics each in the North and South, then 5 more topics at the Assembly, for a total of 15. We had some great topics – and great presentations - this year. I enjoyed the discussion about the “A Member’s Eye View” pamphlet. When I was new in sobriety, there was an “old” guy with a gravelly voice in my home group who would sometimes read from that pamphlet in our meeting. When he read, it sounded like poetry to me. I also learned more about how Grapevine and La Vina are using Instagram to carry our message. There have been so many Agenda topics (in part because of the pandemic) that were set aside because there wasn’t the time or the people to fully address them. One of those is “A Message to Teenagers”. I was especially moved by Samantha’s share about the importance of reaching out and carrying our message to teenagers. They are so vulnerable right now. Another sidelined topic is anonymity on social media.

One of the best parts of this Assembly for me was meeting and hosting Reilly, our Pacific Region Trustee. I had the honor and pleasure of being her airport transportation, hostess, and transportation to and from the Assembly. She is such a hoot! Libby rode with us and we had a lot of fun and a lot of sharing. Thank you, Reilly & Libby! Reilly’s talk about the “crack in the sidewalk” gave a lot of us food for thought. There is talk about doing Area, NAGSC, and SAGSC inventories to help us find our “cracks in the sidewalk”.

Please come join us at our next SAGSC meeting on May 21st. ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND. All meetings are hybrid: live at the Las Vegas Central Office and on Zoom. We will use the same Zoom info for each meeting. Here’s our schedule:

May 21 -- SAGSC

GSRs & DCMs meet at noon

The General Service Meeting is from 1-3ish

July 9th – SAGSC (same as May 21st)

September 8-10 – Area 42 meets online and in Tonopah

November 12th – SAGSC – ditto July 9th

All meetings are live at Las Vegas Central Office

And on Zoom Meeting ID 876 2363 7945 Password: sagsc

At the May meeting, we will have a report from our Delegate, and news from our DCMs and Standing Committee Chairs – we are entering workshop and picnic season! Yeah! Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve you. If there is anything I can do to help you in your service work, please reach out to me.

Love in Service,

Caroline J., SAGSC Chair

SAGSCChair@NevadaArea42.org

Message from our Alternate Delegate and NAGSC Chair

Hi Area 42, I'm Paul, your Alternate Delegate and NAGSC Chair. Area 42 just had a wonderful Assembly, where we heard a lot of information on some agenda items and heard feedback from the NAGSC and SAGSC roundtable meetings. We also heard from you, the GSRs, who shared the conscience of your groups. Your voices and messages have been carried with Jake, our Delegate, to the General Service Conference. I would like to thank all who took time to fill out the survey on the agenda items, I know it was very long, so thank you. I would also like to thank all of you that participated

On one of the Area Conference Committees. This made the whole process of summarizing and presenting the agenda items so much easier and is much appreciated. The next NAGSC meeting will be Saturday, June 3rd, in Battle Mountain, Nevada. Everyone is welcome to attend. The meeting will be hybrid and we will hear Jake give his Delegate report from the General Service Conference.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Paul E. Alternate Delegate/NAGSC Chair

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"Storytelling is an integral part of A.A. history"

Don D., Spring Assembly

"La Vina" and the "Grapevine" magazine, our fellowship's meeting in print, wants to hear your story. In the early years of Alcoholics Anonymous, Bill used the Grapevine magazine to communicate his thoughts to the fellowship. You have that same opportunity. Get in touch with your "La Vina" or "Grapevine" chair in the North and in the South and ask how easy it is to submit your story. It's time to "tell your story!!"

SAGSC La Vina Chair - Leo M. NAGSC La Vina Chair – Teresa B.

SAGSC Grapevine Chair – Heather L. NAGSC Grapevine Chair – Sober Sue

**Message from our Area Alternate Chair**

What an Assembly, huh!? Thank you from every ounce of my being for allowing me another spiritual experience. Thank you for including me, introducing yourself to me, for spending time with me, for supporting me and allowing me to support you, and everything else that challenged me, frightened me, opened me, and changed me. Thank you for participating and informing our Delegate so that he may do us proud this week (I am writing this on April 22nd). I am so excited for him and cannot wait for

the post-conference report! As the summer approaches, please know that we are already discussing the Fall Assembly, the agenda, banquet, speakers and presentations and all the other fun stuff that goes into planning. I love being such an itchy bitsy part of this amazing whole! Thank you for all you do and allowing me to do it with you!

Jonelle W., Area 42 Alternate Area Chair

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Message from our Area Alternate Secretary

It's time for another edition of the Newsletter and I scratch my head trying to think about what to write. The biggest event of the season is the Spring Area Assembly. It was my first time being in charge of the Area literature. It seems it is right down my alley. It's about organizing and tracking things. First was to take an inventory of what we have. Well, I have a lot of years taking inventory so that part wasn't too bad. I now have two lovely spreadsheets. Soon to be color coded. The really interesting part was trying to figure out the titles of the Spanish literature. Some of them were easy to translate, others not so much. In the end though it was fun. Next was ordering replacements for missing books and pamphlets. All of that wasn't too bad.

*I'm going to have a
LITERATURE FESTIVAL
on Saturday June 24th at the
Central Office from 2 to 4
pm. There will be
refreshments of course and
some prizes. I've invited the
Grapevine to bring their
literature.*

Then came the really fun part, trying to figure out how to transport all the materials. I received the literature in totes and could barely pick them up. I transferred the literature to large suitcases with four wheels and a handle. That worked better except it took two of us to get them into the car. I'd like to get it organized so that I can lift them myself. Although I'm not against asking someone younger and stronger to help.

I had all kinds of help setting up at the Assembly. Selling the books and pamphlets was actually really fun too. Everyone was so nice. Some things sold more than others; I sold all 20 service manuals by Saturday afternoon. I expected that, you know, I was at a service event. Also, I sold a ton of Sponsor Pamphlets. That didn't surprise me too much either. What did surprise me, was how many people came up asking for Big Books. I'll be ordering several of all the sizes for the next Assembly. If anyone has anything they know they are going to be looking for you should let me know about a month or so ahead of time so I can have them for you.

I've been reading various service pieces about literature committees and such and one of them suggested I host a literature workshop. It seemed like a good idea so I'm going to do it. I'm going to have a LITERATURE FESTIVAL on Saturday June 24th at the Central Office from 2 to 4 pm. There will be refreshments of course and some prizes. I've invited

the Grapevine to bring their literature. I'll also be reaching out to others to help. More details and a flyer to follow. I'm thinking next year I'll host one in North; I think I'd love to take a trip up there and visit all my service friends.

Well, I guess that's it for the exciting world of Area 42 Literature. I can't thank everyone

enough for the opportunity to service Area 42. In love and service,

Libby G., Alt. Area Secretary/SAGSC Secretary
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**Area 42
LITERATURE
FESTIVAL**

**Saturday
June 24, 2023
2:00-4:00pm**

**AA Books • Pamphlets • Free Literature
FOOD • FUN & GAMES**

**To Be Held at Cental Office
1515 Tropicana Ave - Suite 710
Las Vegas, NV 89119**

**For more info contact Libby
alternatesecretary@nevadaarea42.org**

Alcoholics Anonymous International Convention

**Make plans to attend the 2025 A.A. International Convention
scheduled in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada**

July 3 - 6, 2025, at the Vancouver Convention Centre and BC Place Stadium.

[International Convention | Alcoholics Anonymous \(aa.org\)](https://www.aa.org/convention)

Every five years, members of Alcoholics Anonymous from all over the world come together in one city to join hands for the biggest AA meeting in existence. The four day weekend long event usually kicks off Friday night with a flag ceremony featuring contingents from all the participating counties. Over the weekend, there will be big meetings in the BC Place stadium, then smaller meetings and workshops on varied topics in other location venues. The schedule will include over 250 meetings in over 10 languages including American Sign Language. Attendees also enjoy live music, dances, and hospitality rooms.



The first International Convention was held in 1950 in the city of Cleveland, Ohio. That year, 3000 members attended. The last time the Convention was held in person was in 2015 in Atlanta, Georgia with an estimated attendance of 57,000 members.

In 2025, the International Convention will be held in the beautiful city of Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. This will be the fifteenth time the Convention will meet in person. In 2020, the Detroit Convention was cancelled and the event was held virtually due to the pandemic. In 2025 the Convention will coincide with AA's 90th anniversary which is reflected in the theme, "90 Years – Language of the Heart."

Registration and hotel information will be available on the International Convention webpage in early 2024. Actual registration site links, forms, and hotel booking links will be communicated to the Fellowship in August/September of 2024. Now is the time to start making plans!

**See the next page for information on restrictions and regulations
affecting border crossings and travel to Canada.**

Frequently Asked Questions About the 2025 International Convention & Travel to Canada

Are there any restrictions or regulations affecting travel to Canada in 2025?

Yes. The U.S. and Canada each have restrictions and regulations that apply to citizens and visitors who travel from one country to the other. Border crossing into Canada has significantly changed, particularly in the last two years. (For more information: access links to Canada Border Services Agency website (CBSA) provided below question #6)

Who will have to process forms and applications to gain admission to Canada?

It is suggested that those who believe they have some past legal incident, such as a DUI or felony that could inhibit their attendance at the 2025 International Convention, seek assistance/information by accessing the CBSA links provided below question #6.

What Canadian travel information is currently available?

The International Convention assignment at GSO is not yet up-and-running. However, below is a resource to aid members in making plans to attend the 2025 International Convention (most questions can be answered by connecting to the links below). Also, a good travel book on Canada will provide valuable information on needed documents and border crossing requirements, as well as vacation tips.

Information for those who may have entry issues due to past criminal history:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/immigrate-canada/inadmissibility/overcome-criminal-convictions.htm>

<https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/corporate/contact-ircc/offices/international-visa-offices.html>

For general information members may also access <https://www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/menu-eng.html> or contact the Border Information Service (BIS) at CBSA by calling:

Within Canada

Toll-free

1-800-461-9999

TTY (for those with hearing or speech impairments)

1-866-335-3237

Outside Canada

Long distance charges apply

1-204-983-3500

1-506-636-5064

Press “0” to speak to an officer during regular business hours – Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. (local time) excluding holidays.

District Meetings

District 1: 3rd Sunday monthly, 10:15am
Lost & Found Rm, 544 Ave. H, Boulder City
district1@nevadaarea42.org

District 2: 2nd Thursday monthly at 6:30pm
Central Office at 436 S. Rock, in Sparks.
district2@nevadaarea42.org

District 3: 1st Sunday, ODD months at 2pm
district3@nevadaarea42.org

District 4: 1st Thursday monthly at 7 pm,
Zoom ID: 876 7717 4234 PW: District4
district4@nevadaarea42.org

District 5B: 2nd Saturday monthly 1:15 pm
Zoom ID: 911 603 2610 PW: Service
district5b@nevadaarea42.org

District 6: 2nd Sunday, EVEN mths , 1:15pm
Carson City Alano Club, 1800 E. Williams St.
district6@nevadaarea42.org

District 7: 3rd Friday monthly at 6:30 pm
Zoom ID: 853 2460 1973 PW: LVD72021
district7@nevadaarea42.org

District 8: 1st Sunday of ODD mths, 3:30 pm
Crowley Lake Community Center
district8@nevadaarea42.org

District 9: 3rd Sunday, monthly at 12:30pm
Central Office, 1515 E Tropicana, #710
district9@nevadaarea42.org

District 10A: 3rd Sunday, ODD mths at 1:30
680 River Street Elko, NV
district10a@nevadaarea42.org

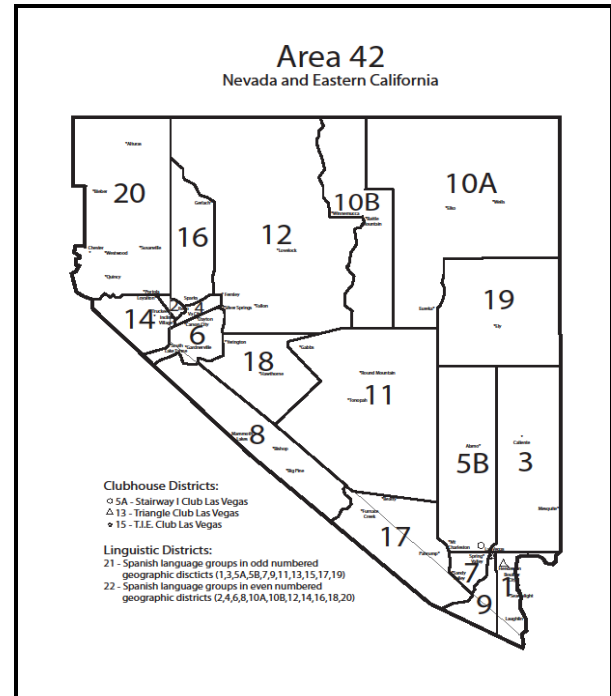
District 10B: Inactive
Email for information:
district10b@nevadaarea42.org

District 11: Inactive
Email for information:
district11@nevadaarea42.org

District 12: 2nd Saturday monthly 5 pm
Wolf Center 457 Esmeralda St, Fallon
district12@nevadaarea42.org

District 13: 2nd Sunday Monthly
Triangle Club, 4600 S Nellis Blvd, Las Vegas
district13@nevadaarea42.org

District 14: 3rd Wednesday, ODD mths 6pm
Zoom ID: 996 1383 9165 Passcode:886 983
district14@nevadaarea42.org



District 15: 2nd Sunday at 10 am
TIE Club, 329 North 11th Street, Las Vegas
district15@nevadaarea42.org

District 16: 3rd Tuesday monthly at 6 pm
Sparks Christian, Greenbrae Dr, Room 206
district16@nevadaarea42.org

District 17: 1st Wednesday monthly 6:30 pm
1230 South Loop Road, Pahrump
Zoom ID: 999 9679 0173 Passcode: Unity
district17@nevadaarea42.org

District 18: Inactive
Mineral County
district18@nevadaarea42.org

District 19: 1st Wednesday, Odd Months, 6pm
Shoshone Education Center, Ely, NV
district19@nevadaarea42.org

District 20: 3rd Saturday in Jan, Mar, May, Aug,
& Oct, 10:30am
Zoom ID: 878 5508 2374 PW: 20
district20@nevadaarea42.org

District 21: Every Thursday at 7 pm
3m S. Valley View Blvd., Suite #A-208
district21@nevadaarea42.org

District 22: 1st Thursday, monthly at 6:30pm
Central Office at 436 S Rock, Sparks
district22@nevadaarea42.org

District One - Annual Fellowship Picnic

Saturday - October 14, 2023 from 12pm to 4pm at
Broadbent Park
 1301 5th Street, Boulder City, NV 89005



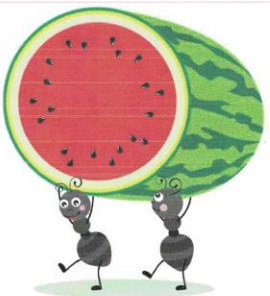
Speaker Meeting 2pm
 Speaker: Dick H - Former Delegate
Hamburgers, Hot Dog & Beverages
Bring a chair. Provide a side dish to share.
Games • Face Painting
50/50 Raffle • Live Music



Sorry No Dogs Allowed
City Regulation



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
for Grilling, Set-Up, Clean Up and General Help
Email for more information: District1@nevadaarea42.org



CampNic 2023

JULY 21-23

HOSTED BY DISTRICT 19


Featuring SAGSC Grapevine Writing Workshop and campfire story telling

**...we are not a glum lot... We absolutely insist on enjoying life... we think cheerfulness and laughter make for usefulness.*
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The third annual District 19 CampNic!

Check in at Ward Mountain Campground starts at 3 p.m., Friday, July 21. (Camp spots available on a first come, first served basis.) Fellowship opportunities throughout the weekend include: horseshoe tournament; speaker panel, 11th Step morning hike, GRAPEVINE WORKSHOP Saturday, 1:30 p.m., Saturday Weekend Warrior Speaker Meeting 7pm; 50-50 raffle and lots more.

(Please use QR code below to get to registration or search District 19 CampNic on EventBrite. More information on elyaa.org)



***WE ARE NOT A GLUM LOT!**

Grapevine Writing Workshop
Saturday 1.30pm

Horseshoes
Fellowship
Hiking
Food

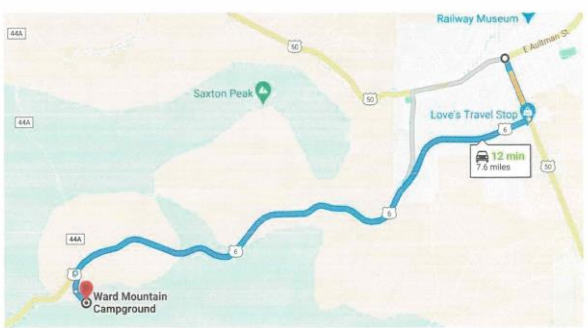
Weekend Warriors
Friday Meeting 7pm
Saturday Speaker Meeting 7pm

DISTRICT 19
CAMPNIC 2023
WARD MOUNTAIN
www.elyaa.org


CampNic 2023

Hosted by District 19
 Where: Ward Mountain Campground, Murry Summit, White Pine County When: July 21-23, 2023
 What: A weekend of fun and fellowship
 Info: www.elyaa.org

Directions from Ely, NV: Head west on Route 6. Take a left at the Ward Mountain Campground turnoff to get to the group picnic area.



Please arrive prepared to follow group camping and forest safety protocol and guidelines set forth by the US Forest Service, White Pine County and State of Nevada.
 Children welcome
 Leashed pets welcome. (The USFS is serious about the leash.)
 For a summary of US Forest Service Campsite regulations and guidelines, please visit <https://www.recreation.gov/camping/campgrounds/234207>

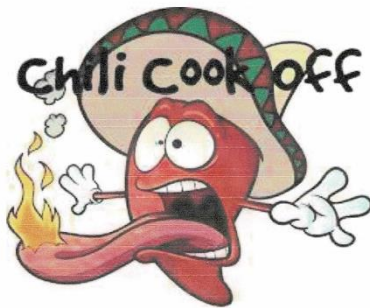


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**DISTRICT 8 PRESENTS
ITS FIRST PICNIC OF THE YEAR!**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 25, 2023
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

If you are available to help, come at 10:30.
Come celebrate your sobriety with
family, friends, fun, food and fellowship!



- **DELEGATE'S
GSC REPORT BY
JAKE S.**
- **CHILI COOK OFF &
PIE CONTEST**
- **POT LUCK**

DIRECTIONS:
IZAAK WALTON PARK
3600 W. LINE ST., BISHOP

Our Area 42 delegate
Jake S. will join
us to share his
experience of the
2023 General Service
Conference in New
York

What to bring: Your best chili recipe and/or pie for
judging. Side dish and/or dessert. Burgers, hot dogs,
water and soda will be provided.

For more info, contact aadistrict8dcm@gmail.com



**SAVE THE DATE
AUGUST 25-27, 2023**

**HIGH SIERRA CAMPOUT
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SOUTHWESTERN AREA CONFERENCE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN AA
AUGUST 17 - 20 ALBUQUERQUE, NM

Double Tree Hilton & Convention Center
Room Rate: \$135 Per Night - Room Rate Cutoff Date: July 25th

Join Us for an Experience You Must Not Miss!
Pre-Register Now for \$25 Before Price Increases!!!

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Book Room Online Now!
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Or Call 800.584.7058 and
Use Reference Code: SWA

Pre-Register Now!
Scan the QR Code >>
Or Register Online at
www.swacypaa9.org