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SANDY VALLEY LODGE #57

Free and Accepted Masons

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Most Worshipful Stephen V. Robison, Jr.

Grand Master, State of Nevada



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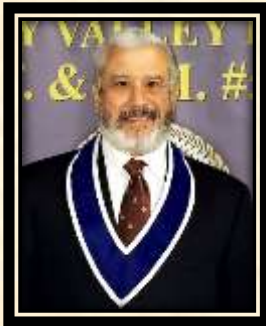
Saturday, January 5, 2019 @ 9AM

Located at 808 Saratoga Ave, Sandy Valley, NV 89019

December 2018 A.D. / 6018 A.L.

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From the East

Brethren,

I hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and a joyous holiday for those that I am forgetting. I hope we all have a very happy, healthy, fulfilling, and prosperous New Year.

As I move to the seat in the East, I can't help but think about the Three Great Lights of Masonry and how they should never be blocked from shining on the Worshipful Master. It is a powerful reminder of the ancient legacy that has been preserved and handed down to us throughout the centuries. To think that George Washington and possibly even Jacques de Molay uttered the same words we do today causes me to take the responsibilities of the station I now temporarily occupy very seriously. We should not forget that some of our forefathers had to survive serious and sometimes death-defying travail to pass the Craft down to us. I thank every one of you again for voting me into the Worshipful Master seat. I will do my very best to do a good job for you and to take good care of the Lodge.

I also want to thank several other Brothers that have helped us recently. My personal thanks go to Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of Masons in Nevada, Carl L. "Bud" Banks for installing me and the rest of our Corps of Officers. As always, Most Worshipful Bud did a wonderful job. Brother Al Navarro was installed on Thursday, December 20 at Dharan Daylight Lodge No. 55 in Henderson. M.W. Bud Banks conducted the installation. I want to thank Most Worshipful Bud Banks as well as the Worshipful Master and other Brothers at Dharan Daylight for allowing us to use their Lodge and for hosting a very fine installation.

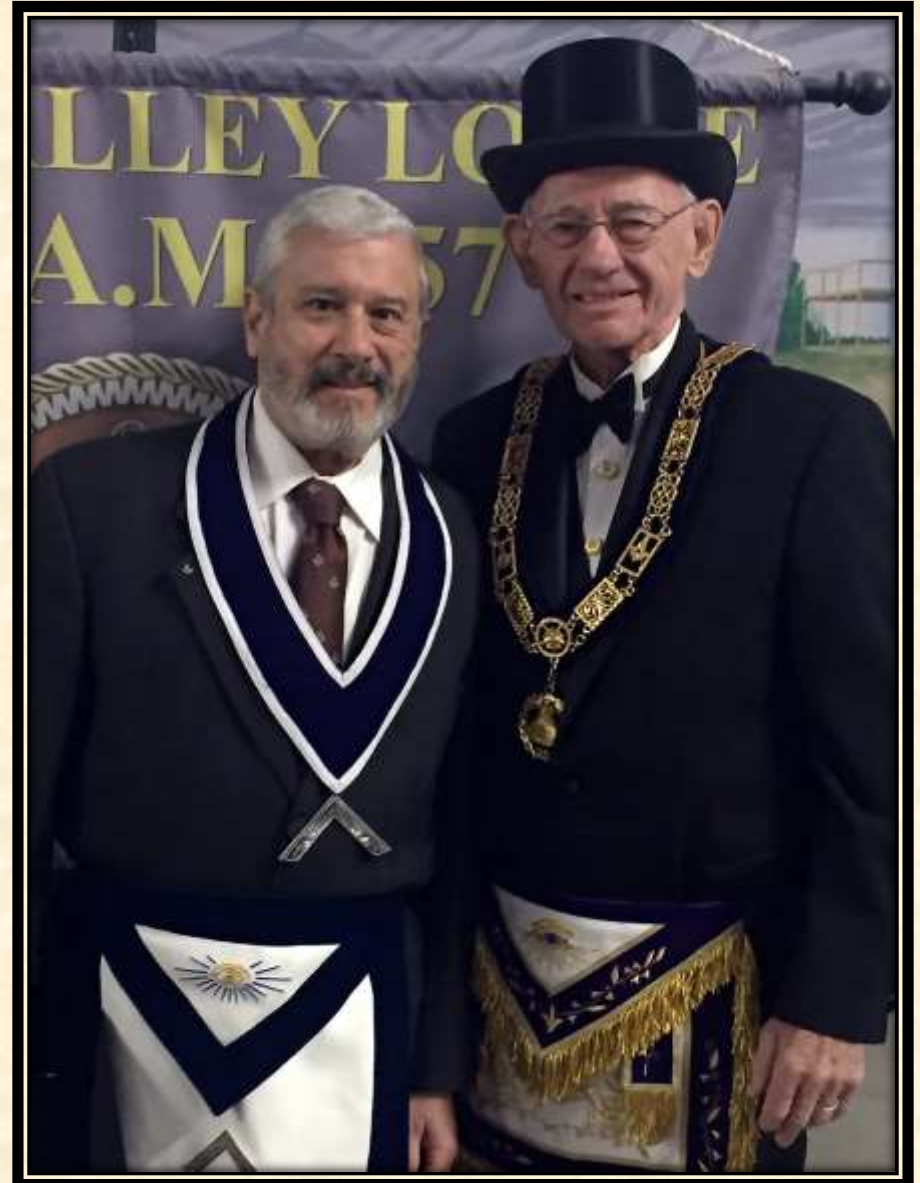
I am hoping that we will be able to add to our stated meetings a word or two about our heritage and about the deeper meanings of being a Freemason. I think some of the newer Brothers should participate in this activity. I will find some appropriate Masonic literature we can use. Also, I am looking forward to scheduling some activities outside of Lodge to promote comradery and fellowship. I am open to suggestions. Bowling? Poker Night? More ideas?

I look forward to a meaningful and fun year!

Fraternally from the East,

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From the West

Brothers,

As always, I am humbled and honored to be elected by my Brothers to continue in my masonic journey to a seat in the West. The solemn pride is mine and I will do all I can to uphold the integrity of my office. I thank you all for your faith and trust. I would like to personally thank

Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of Masons in Nevada, Carl "Bud" Banks for his continued support and friendship with Sandy Valley. It is always a pleasure and honor to see Most Worshipful Bud and I appreciate his assistance with our recent officer installation. Finally, congratulations to our new WM, Steve Benjamin. I am excited for the future of our lodge with him at the helm!

I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season and have a safe new year celebration. I look forward to seeing you all on Jan 5th, 2019!

Fraternally from the West,

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From the South

Brothers,

First let me start by expressing my deepest thanks to Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of Masons in Nevada, Carl "Bud" Banks and Worshipful Master D. Travis Nordyke, P.M., and our dear Brothers at Dhahran Daylight Lodge #55 for assisting with my installation as Sandy Valley Lodge #57's Junior Warden. I cannot tell you how humbled and honored I am by your continued confidence in my contributions to our great Lodge.

This year comes with many challenges, which we have already begun to address. I will do my best to uphold the standard set by all who have come this way before me and to continue to move this Lodge forward.

Finally, I want to thank all of you who have helped me along my Masonic travels, I look forward to your wise mentorship and continued friendship. I trust you all had a very Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, very joyous holiday season, and Happy New Year. Onward and forward!

Fraternally from the South,

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The Master's Trophy

It is with great excitement and honor we announce our re-capture of the Master's Trophy from Dhahran Daylight Lodge #55.



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From the Secretary's Desk

Thanks to all of the Brothers for giving me this new job for Sandy Valley I will do my best. Congratulations to all of the new officers. I want all to know we will be doing some new things to help us. Let me know if you have questions or such. My cell number is 702-807-8889. Keep an eye out for our website to be updated and improved.

Peace and Blessings,

Troy Schneiderman

Secretary, Master Mason

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MASONIC EDUCATION PLAN

Coming Soon

The Influence of Biblical Verse in Freemasonry

DECEMBER 2018

Sandy Valley #57 Monthly Masonic Education Lecture

Prepared By: R. "Montana" Williams, Junior Deacon, Master Mason, 32o, Sir Knight

At all stated meetings; we as brother masons hear our worshipful master state:

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard, that went down to the skirts of his garments; as the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life forevermore. Psalms 133

How many of you have taken a second to internalized and ponder exactly what the Worshipful Master is saying and why did the great fathers of masonry choose this biblical passage as key ritualistic words to set the stage for each meeting of brothers on the level?

What is King David speaking of and how is it the center of piece of our masonic ritual today?

Verse 1 of the psalm is a brief praise relating to unity and brotherly love, which, in today's world there seems a vast deficiency among men, communities, nations, and culture; it reminds us to forever strive to set a persuasive example that all people should strive to live together in peace. Many believe that David penned this psalm upon occasion of the union between the tribes when they all met unanimously to make him king. It is a psalm of general use to all societies, smaller and larger, civil and sacred. It promotes a philosophy that happiness of brotherly love is achievable if brethren dwelling together in unity, not quarrelling, and devouring one another, but delighting in each other with mutual endearments, and promoting each other's welfare with mutual services. For brethren to dwell together and so to dwell in unity, to dwell even as one, as having one heart, one soul, one interest. It is good in itself, agreeable to the will of God, the conformity of earth to heaven. It is good for us, for our honor and comfort.

Verse 2 of the psalm: It is like the precious oil upon the head: In the ancient Middle East it was common to anoint one's head with oil, sometimes as a greeting entering a home (Luke 7:46). This was done to refresh the one receiving the oil, and to give a good smell from the fragrance that came from the perfumed oils. Among God's people, unity refreshes and makes a pleasant atmosphere for all.

STATED MEETING of SANDY VALLEY LODGE #57

December 1nd, 2018, A. L. 6018

PRESENT

Bro. Kenneth O'Neill	WM	Bro. Cyril Bradshaw	CHA
Bro. Steven Benjamin	SW	Bro. Wade Schneiderman PM	TRE
Bro. David Sims	JW	Bro. Aaron Sharp	SEC
Bro. Albert Navarro	SD	Bro.	MAR
Bro. Montana Williams	JD	Bro. Russel Gray	TYL
Bro.	SS	Bro. Sonny Martel	JS
Bro. Montana Williams	HIS	Bro.	MC

Running down on the beard, the beard of Aaron: The picture in words shows that unity is a rich and abundant blessing—as this oil overflowed the head and came down the beard. his is a unity of holiness. That anointing oil, poured upon Aaron, was the oil of consecration, and symbolized his separation from all evil; it was the oil of holiness. The beard of Aaron: The oil upon the priest's head was good as an instrument of refreshing and greeting, as it would be for anyone else. Yet for Aaron (as high priest), it also was part of his consecration to priestly service (Exodus 29:7), which led to so many other good things.

- Service unto God and His people.
- Atonement of sins.
- Offerings of peace, fellowship, and thanksgiving.
- Compassionate ministry to the people of God.

Running down on the edge of his garments: What an abundant blessing unity is! It is like oil poured out so richly that it flows from the head, to the beard, down to the very edge of the priest's garments.

Verse 3 of the Psalm: It is like the dew of Hermon, descending upon the mountains of Zion; For there the LORD commanded the blessing—Life forevermore. It is like the dew of Hermon: King David used a second word picture to show how wonderful unity is among the people of God. It is also like the rich dew that covers Mount Hermon, making it green and moist. It is an almost complete contrast to the dry wilderness found in other parts of Israel. Unity among God's people makes life thriving and healthy. The dew was ever the agent of renewal, of refreshment, of fertilizing force: that out of which life was maintained in strength. It refreshes the thirsty ground and quickens vegetation; so fraternal concord, falling gently on men's spirits, and linking distant ones together by a mysterious chain of transmitted good, will help to revive failing strength and refresh parched places. This dew is not to be taken literally, for the falling of the dew availed very little to the refreshment or improvement of the hills of Zion and Moriah, especially as now they were filled with buildings; but allegorically, for the favor or blessing of God, which is frequently called and compared to the dew, as Proverbs, Isaiah, Hosea, and Micah. The LORD commanded the blessing—life forevermore: The blessing of unity is something God commands, something the previously cited New Testament passages teach (e.g., John, Ephesians, and Romans). Since we will have life forevermore with the people of God, we should work hard to enjoy unity with them now. Mankind must continue to strive for the day when all division shall cease, and enmity be done away; when people of all societies and cultures are united in a bond of eternal charity,

24 members brethren were present at the opening. The Worshipful Master called the Lodge to order and opened in the First Degree in form at 09:00 A.M. Past Masters were asked to introduce themselves. Present were, Wade Schneiderman PM, Troy Schneiderman PM, George Odell PM, Al Opegard PM, and Cliff Wiltse PM. 50+ years Masons George Odell PM, and Ed McCracken. (flag west of Altar)

November minutes were accepted

Favorable ballot Plural membership for Br Jeffrey Chambers.

Petition for Degrees Ronald Blackwell was voted on favorably.

Investigation Committee for Ronald Blackwell: Br Albert Navarro, Br Curtis Mattke, Br Montana Williams

Br Montana give a presentation on Bible verses good and pleasant, and Psalms 133

WM Kenneth gave gifts to 2018 Lodge Officers

Elections for 2019 Lodge Officers:

WM Steven Benjamin

SW David Sims

JW Albert Navarro

Tre. Wade Schneiderman PM

Sec. Troy Schneiderman PM

Three Trustee: Kenneth O'Neill

Sickness & Distress:

Br Albert's little sister Lisa has lupous
Br Butch has bad back pain
Br Roger has bad back and shoulder pain

Sunshine:

Br Mike and Russel had a great time visiting Arlington Shrine
Br Cliff's shoulder surgery went well
Br WM Kenneth is a new uncle

Checking: \$9179.33
Building CD: \$6736.96

There being no further business to come before the lodge, the purpose of the communication having been fulfilled, peace and harmony prevailing. The Lodge was closed in due form at 10:30 AM.

(closed in short form)

Fraternally submitted
Aaron Sharp
Secretary, Sandy Valley #57

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

Lodge Dues

Once again, it's time for us to pay our dues to the Lodge. Please ensure you contact our Secretary to secure payment.

Social Media

Connect with your Lodge Brothers and stay up-to-date on all that is Sandy Valley Lodge #57, F.&A.M.

Click the link below and become a part of our digital Brotherhood through our Website:

www.sandyvalley57.org

and

Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/sandyvalleylodge57/>

From the Editor's Desk

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TO ALL RECIPIENTS

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TO OUR FELLOW LODGE'S THROUGHOUT SOUTHERN NEVADA:

If you would prefer NOT receiving our monthly Trestle Board electronically, please notify me at the email below and you will be removed from our monthly TB mailing. Barring any requests to unsubscribe, enjoy our TB.

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SANDY VALLEY LODGE MEMBERS

PLEASE CONTINUE TO UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

Once again, it's time to ensure we have your updated contact information. Please provide the following:

LAST NAME / FIRST NAME / ADDRESS / HOME PHONE / WORK PHONE / CELL PHONE / FAX NUMBER / EMAIL ADDRESS / BIRTHDATE

Fraternally,

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"Then I heard the voice of the LORD saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!" -- Isaiah 6:8

2019 LODGE OFFICERS		PAST MASTERS	
Steven Benjamin	Worshipful Master 702-612-9234	Donald Daum	UD 2001
David Sims	Senior Warden 702-203-0917	George W. Odell	2002
Albert A Navarro II	Junior Warden 702-218-5060	Ted Johnson	2003
Wade Schneiderman, P.M.	Treasurer 702-204-4721	Bill Katz (Unfinished Term)	2004
Troy Schneiderman, P.M.	Secretary 702-807-8889	Swannie Swenson (2004)	2005
Cyril Bradshaw	Chaplain 702-610-2507	Al Oppegard	2006
R. Montana Williams	Senior Deacon 702-743-7143	Troy Schneiderman	2007
Aaron Sharp	Junior Deacon 702-XXX-XXXX	Michael L. Rodgers	2008
Curt Mattke	Marshall 702-232-3268	John Pennington	2009
Brian Boles	Senior Steward 702-XXX-XXXX	Mike Barry	2010
Buzz Ingram	Junior Steward 702-800-1388	Wade Schneiderman	2011
Curtis Overton	Tyler XXX-XXX-XXXX	Fred Horne	2012
R. Montana Williams	Historian 702-743-7143	Mark Tavarez	2013
John Pennington, P.M.	Deputy Grand Lecturer 702-355-0154	John Pennington	2014
		Michael Kurcab	2015
		Dwain Rittenhouse	2016
		Mathew McCarthy	2017
		Kenneth L. O'Neill Jr.	2018
TRUSTEES		AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS	
1-Year	Dwain Rittenhouse, P.M.	David Owens	
2-Year	Mathew McCarthy, P.M.	Fred Horne	
3-Year	Kenneth L. O'Neill Jr., P.M.	*George Gilbert	
		Terry Baker	
HONORARY MEMBERS		Fred Robinson	
	*Jim Cook, P.M.	Harold Scalzo	
	Harry Christopher, P.M.	Richard Hunker	
	Frank Merica, P.M.	Clifford Wiltse	
		Dave White	
HONORARY PAST MASTERS		Greg Curtain	
*Parke Potter	2007		*Deceased