



## SANDY VALLEY LODGE #57

Free and Accepted Masons

Trestle Board

Most Worshipful Louis J. Castle, II

Grand Master of Masons in Nevada



Next Stated Communication

**May 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting - CANCELLED**

Located at 808 Saratoga Ave, Sandy Valley, NV 89019

April 2020 A.D. / 6020 A.L.

[www.sandyvalley57.com](http://www.sandyvalley57.com)

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



## From the East

Brethren,

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and his responsibilities as a key First Responder, Worshipful Dave has found his cable-tow shortened. He looks forward to seeing everyone at our next Stated Communication.

Fraternally from the West,

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## From the West

Brothers,

Another month has passed since we last met as Brothers & friends, but it feels like a lifetime! We've been blessed as a Lodge having none of our Brothers infected by the COVID-19 virus, but our community has been directly impacted.

Nevada has had a total of 4,898 COVID-19 cases reported with 225 deaths, and with God's blessing, 2,774 recovered. Clark County alone has accounted for 3,793 cases, 186 deaths, and again with blessing 2,414 recovered as of this writing. While our numbers are low in comparison to other states and cities, these were OUR friends and neighbors. I hope some of the information and links I have provided some comfort and ground-truth for all of you.

Your elected & appointed Officers will continue to provide you with pertinent information and reach out to you periodically with welfare checks to ensure your continued health, and make sure you aren't in need of any assistance. Please do not hesitate to contact any one of us should the need arise.

It continues to be out of an abundance of caution we again must cancel this month's State Communication, I look forward to our meeting in June, should we be able to again meet.

*"Stay safe, be responsible, consider others...be Masons!"*

Fraternally from the West,

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## From the South

Brothers,

As "social distancing" continues, we must make every effort to keep ourselves, our families, and our brethren safe. It's important to finding new ways to exercise our masonic values and traditions. As we remain apart, I'm resolved to look at this positively, believing we have just moved from "labor to refreshment". Fraternally, labor & refreshment are defined as:

We are only temporarily closed, with the intention of soon again resuming labor, the intermediate period is called a time of refreshment, and the Lodge is said not to be closed, but to be called from labor to refreshment. The phrase is an old one and is found in the early rituals of the eighteenth Century. Calling from labor to refreshment differs from closing in this, that the ceremony is a very brief one, and that the Junior Warden then assumed the control of the draft, in token of which he erects his column on his stand or pedestal, while the Senior Warden lays his down. This is reversed in caging on, in which the ceremony is equally brief.

This is just today's "new normal" a time of refreshment; hopefully soon to resume our labors. In the meantime, we can still mingle and engage with each other using the technology of today...telephone, Facetime, Zoom, Skype...with our brothers and loved ones. It is important to engage each other, stay positive, and assist those in need whether brothers, family, friends, or neighbors. I believe we are starting to see the light at the end of the tunnel, it seems the COVID curve is flattening and the amount of new cases are trending down, and more people are recovering. Stay positive, stay safe, and most important STAY AT HOME.

### May Masonic History

- ❖ In 1851, US President Andrew Johnson received his 1st degree
- ❖ In 1865, US President William McKinley received his 1st degree
- ❖ In 1901, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill received his 1st degree
- ❖ In 1959, US President Harry S. Truman received his 50-year Mason Award

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## From the Secretary's Desk

Brothers,

Please continue to update your personal information with our Senior Warden and myself.

The information required is:

Name / Address / Cellphone / Home Phone (optional) / Email / Date of Birth

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,

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**NO STATED MEETING of SANDY VALLEY LODGE #57 was conducted in April 2020, A.L. 6020 as a result of COVID-19 restrictions, as such, no Minutes were recorded.**

# MASONIC EDUCATION PLAN



## Sandy Valley #57 Monthly Masonic Education Lesson Plan

<i>January 2020</i>	Robert Burns
<i>February 2020</i>	George Washington
<i>March 2020</i>	Masonry and Modern Culture
<i>April 2020</i>	Appendant and Youth Organizations
<i>May 2020</i>	Entered Apprentice Working Tools (I)
<i>June 2020</i>	Entered Apprentice Working Tools (II)
<i>July 2020</i>	DARK
<i>August 2020</i>	DARK
<i>September 2020</i>	Fellowcraft Working Tools (I)
<i>October 2020</i>	Fellowcraft Working Tools (II)
<i>November 2020</i>	Fellowcraft Working Tools (III)
<i>December 2020</i>	Master Mason Working Tools (I)

**Scope of the Program:** The education officer will prepare the lectures for delivery. It is recommended that the recently raised master masons (e.g., last five years), participate in the program, to deliver the 5-10 min lecture during each monthly meeting. Lectures are encouraged to research the lesson and provide additive content or subjective personal meaning or interest in the lecture topic.

Approved By:

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David Sims  
Worshipful Master, 2020

# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

The May Stated Communication has been cancelled.

## FROM THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION RE: COVID-19:

### KNOW HOW IT SPREADS

- There is currently no vaccine to prevent coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).
- The best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus.
- The virus is thought to spread mainly from person-to-person.
- Between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet).
- Through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes.
- These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or possibly be inhaled into the lungs.

### TAKE STEPS TO PROTECT YOURSELF

- Illustration: washing hands with soap and water
- Clean your hands often
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds especially after you have been in a public place, or after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.
- If soap and water are not readily available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. Cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Illustration: Woman quarantined to her home

### AVOID CLOSE CONTACT

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Put distance between yourself and other people if COVID-19 is spreading in your community. This is especially important for people who are at higher risk of getting very sick.

### TAKE STEPS TO PROTECT OTHERS

- Stay home if you are sick, except to get medical care. Learn what to do if you are sick.
- Cover coughs and sneezes
  - Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze or use the inside of your elbow.
  - Throw used tissues in the trash.

- Immediately wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not readily available, clean your hands with a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- Wear a facemask if you are sick
  - If you are sick: You should wear a facemask when you are around other people (e.g., sharing a room or vehicle) and before you enter a healthcare provider's office. If you are not able to wear a facemask (for example, because it causes trouble breathing), then you should do your best to cover your coughs and sneezes, and people who are caring for you should wear a facemask if they enter your room. Learn what to do if you are sick.
  - If you are NOT sick: You do not need to wear a facemask unless you are caring for someone who is sick (and they are not able to wear a facemask). Facemasks may be in short supply and they should be saved for caregivers.
- Clean and disinfect
  - Clean AND disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily. This includes tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, and sinks.
  - If surfaces are dirty, clean them: Use detergent or soap and water prior to disinfection.

Website links for your situational awareness on current information regarding COVID-19 (Coronavirus).

### LOCAL.

<https://www.southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/coronavirus>  
<https://nvhealthresponse.nv.gov/news-resources/press-releases/>

### NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL.

<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019>  
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>  
<https://www.publichealth.va.gov/>



## From the Lodge Social Media Manager & WebMason

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

Click the links below and become a part of our digital Brotherhood through our Social Media platforms and

Website at:

Lodge Website

[www.sandyvalley57.com](http://www.sandyvalley57.com)

Social Media



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



Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/sandyvalley57/>



Twitter: <https://twitter.com/sandyvalley57>

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## From the Editor's Desk

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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**

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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*

2020 LODGE OFFICERS		PAST MASTERS	
David Sims	Worshipful Master 702-203-0917	Donald Daum	UD 2001
Albert A Navarro II	Senior Warden 702-218-5060	George W. Odell	2002
R. Montana Williams	Junior Warden 702-743-7143	Ted Johnson	2003
Michael Kurcab, P.M.	Treasurer 818-259-6124	Bill Katz (Unfinished Term)	2004
Troy Schneiderman, P.M.	Secretary 702-807-8889	Swannie Swenson (2004)	2005
Dennis Williams	Chaplain 702-596-3104	Al Oppegard	2006
Brian Boles	Senior Deacon 702-296-8653	Troy Schneiderman	2007
Buzz Ingram	Junior Deacon 702-800-1388	Michael L. Rodgers	2008
Curt Mattke.	Marshal 702-232-3268	John Pennington	2009
Brett Williams	Senior Steward 206-939-7767	Mike Barry	2010
Charles Mallard	Junior Steward 702-430-0962	Wade Schneiderman	2011
Russell Gray	Tyler 303-901-7044	Fred Horne	2012
Albert A Navarro II	Historian 702-218-5060	Mark Tavarez	2013
John Pennington, P.M.	Deputy Grand Lecturer 702-355-0154	John Pennington	2014
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		Dwain Rittenhouse	2016
		Mathew McCarthy	2017
		Kenneth L. O'Neill Jr.	2018
		Steven Benjamin	2019
TRUSTEES		AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS	
3-Year	John Pennington, P.M.		David Owens
2-Year	Kenneth L. O'Neill Jr., P.M.		Fred Horne
1-Year	Mathew McCarthy, 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		<b>*Deceased</b>

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