



Sandy Valley Lodge No.57
Free and Accepted Masons

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Most Worshipful Michael R. Giles
Grand Master of Masons in Nevada



Next Stated Communication

Saturday, September 10, 2022 @ 9am

Location: Pahrump Lodge No. 54, 281 Gemini Drive, Pahrump, Nevada 89048

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From the East

Greetings from the East,

Summer is fast approaching, and we continue to make huge strides as a lodge. Two weeks ago, along with our teammates from Pahrump, we conferred another Master Mason's degree and by all accounts set a new standard in the performance of ritual. Our Senior Warden did an outstanding job conferring and we have found our new King Solomon in our current Junior Warden. As a result, we have raised another Master Mason; our fourth in the last six months. Congratulations to Joseph Tyler Wayland Walker on his attainment of the Sublime Degree of

Master Mason.

This month, I want to take a couple of minutes to discuss HARMONY. As many of you are aware, Masonry in many parts of the country, to include Southern Nevada is facing a "Crisis of Harmony" in our lodges and it has caused stress across our valley. The lodge room is where one can put aside the strife of life and enter an atmosphere where all is quiet and orderly, where each officer has his prescribed duty, and each brother works together with perfect ease and confidence. In the lodge, our members meet and get to know one another and share common hopes and ideals. It is this philosophy of life that Freemasonry has given me and others that has governed our attitudes and actions in life.

Peace and Harmony, seemingly this should be a simple concept. In the aspect of "within Lodge" peace and harmony starts with the abstention from conversations related to politics and religion. This is a good start as these topics generally have deep-rooted beginnings, which are instilled by our parents and others that we hold as pillars in our lives. Even the most educated and fact-based position can and most likely will be taken as an attack against oneself. Also in Lodge, we are supposed to maintain a "Brotherly" discord when discussing all matters. Should the Brethren of the Lodge fail to subdue their passions, the gavel and word of the Worshipful Master is the final word.

Peace and Harmony in Lodge is also a pillar of the degree work. If you look at the teachings of all three degrees, you will find that topic repeated, either directly or through ritual and symbolism. The more "Peace & Harmony" we as Masons and Men can spread, the more solid our base becomes from which to build ourselves. Even if time does lessen the pain, the damage is there forever. With the most abundant attempts at reconciliation, that scar can never be repaired. Much like attempting to make a precision chisel in a stone. Sometimes you take away more than you intended or created a crack that can only be patched. When we make personal decisions about what we are going to do regarding the way we live our lives, the same damage can be done if we do not have the ability to subdue our passions. Thus Harmony is the foundation upon which our lodge is built.

To that end, I continue to remind everyone of the following health and safety protocols that have been established until further notice for all Sandy Valley masonic activities:

1. If you are experiencing any COVID-like symptoms, the flu, a bad cold, or have recent contact with someone diagnosed with or experiencing symptoms of COVID-19—STAY AT HOME, we will see you at our next meeting or event.
2. Brethren and guests are to use common sense regarding their personal health and protect themselves accordingly during all Sandy Valley 57 masonic activities.

Fraternally Serving You,

R. Montana Williams
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From the West

WE ARE BACK~!!!

Where did the summer go? The air will be starting to cool soon (not soon enough), the kids are back in school, and it's getting darker sooner. All this points to us coming back from being dark and returning to our labors and the business of the Lodge.

The end of the year always goes so fast, and I suspect will be even faster this year as we have much to do. We have our GMOV (Grand Masters Official Visit) scheduled for our October meeting, and I would like to see as many of the Brethren there as possible and have a great Sandy Valley Lodge showing. We also have the annual Grand Lodge Communications meeting up in Reno in November. Finally, we have some hard-working Brothers working on proficiencies and preparing to advance to being raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason, expect a special called meeting or two before the year ends for degree work.

On Aug 20th we held a 20-year reunion dinner at the Orleans to celebrate our Lodge. This event was a huge success and I look forward to keeping this event going forward and having a yearly formal dinner for all the Brothers and their families in a new lodge tradition.

Fraternally from the South,

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From the South

Brethren!

I'm excited to be resuming labors and closing out the year with you! I'm happy to report that multiple of our lodge members and officers participated in several additional extracurricular activities over the summer including Masonic educational workshops and volunteering to help with the Masonic Memorial Temple beautification projects.

The Anniversary Dinner was also a success and many thanks to those involved in the planning and execution! If you are interested in participating in future projects, please reach out to me – as this year's Chieftain of the Royal Order of the Thistle of the Knights of St. Andrew, I can help find you activities to do!

SEPTEMBER'S MENU:

Turkey Chili with Beans

Chili Accoutrements

Cornbread

Snacks and fresh fruits

Sincerely and Fraternally,

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From the Treasurer's Desk

Brethren,

I hope you enjoyed the summer break. Welcome back to the lodge!

I will take this opportunity to congratulate all the masonic members of Sandy Valley Lodge for the 20th Anniversary, and I wish all brothers a very long and happy Masonic career.

We step on the other half of the masonic year with fresh energy to contribute to enjoyable educational meetings and degrees. Thank you for your contribution to the annual membership dues and donation.

Fraternally,

Vasile Cristian Gliga

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From the Secretary's Desk

Brethren

It is good to be returning to Lodge after a long summer break. I have a couple of announcements regarding dues.

Our Lodge passed a bylaws amendment that will increase our dues for 2023. The new dues amount for 2023 is \$65.00 plus the Grand Lodge per Capital/George Washington Masonic Memorial of \$36.00 for a total of \$101.00.

This bylaws amendment has been conditionally approved by the Most Worshipful Grand Master and will be voted on by the Grand Lodge in November. **WE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTING DUES FOR 2023 UNTIL AFTER THE GRAND LODGE SESSION.**

For those members who are still in arrears please get in contact with us. Your back dues are not impacted by the change and will remain the same. If you have fallen on hard times and need help, please reach out.

We are in the home stretch of the year and autumn will be "falling" upon us soon. I am looking forward to finishing out this great year led by Worshipful Montana and the officers on a high note.

*"The safest way to make laws respected is to make them respectable."
— Frédéric Bastiat*

Sincerely & Fraternaly,
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From the Lodge Social Media Manager & Webmason

Brothers,

I hope this message finds you well! I am happy to announce that you can now pay your annual dues on our website.

On the Home Page, please scroll down to the bottom and you will see the word "Dues" with a drop-down below it. You may choose either \$74 for one year or \$1,550 for a Lifetime Membership. The amounts are higher than normal due to fees associated with PayPal.

Thank you and have a Blessed Day!

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

Social Media

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

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

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

Respectfully,

Carl Agbayani

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Annual Masonic Education



Sandy Valley #57 2022 Masonic Education Lesson Plan

<i>January 2022</i>	Robert Burns
<i>February 2022</i>	George Washington
<i>March 2022</i>	Local Masonic Organizations
<i>April 2022</i>	Masonic Youth
<i>May 2022</i>	Masonic Community Programs, Charities, and Scholarships
<i>June 2022</i>	Further Education Resources
<i>July 2022</i>	DARK
<i>August 2022</i>	DARK
<i>September 2022</i>	The Entered Apprentice
<i>October 2022</i>	The Appointees – Officers Appointed to their Positions
<i>November 2022</i>	The Elect – Officers Elected to their Positions
<i>December 2022</i>	The Governing Bodies

Approved By:



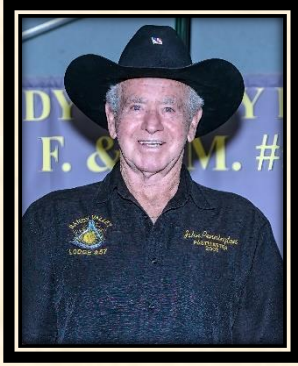
R. "Montana" Williams
Worshipful Master, 2022

Monthly Education Lecture—June 2022

Provided by Sandy Valley No. 57 Masonic Education and Leadership Committee

June's Education Lecture is unavailable due to a technical issue.

From Your Board of Trustees



John Pennington Jr
Past Master 2009 & 2014



Dave Sims
Past Master 2020



Albert A Navarro II
Junior Past Master 2021

As your Junior Past Master and on behalf of your Lodge Trustees, I would like to thank you for your trust and continued support. Additionally, I would like to use this opportunity to educate our newer members on the Powers & Duties of the Board of Trustees. In accordance with Section 5.246 Powers, Duties of Board of Trustees of the Masonic Code of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Nevada:

1. As provided in the Nevada Revised Statutes the corporate powers of a Lodge are vested in its Board of Trustees.
2. The Board of Trustees shall:
 - (a) Have charge of all real and personal property belonging to the Lodge and shall transact all business relative thereto as provided in the Nevada Revised Statutes.
 - (b) Complete the form reports concerning audits and return the same to the Grand Secretary as required by Section 4.310.
 - (c) Perform such other duties as are required by the Constitution, regulations of the Grand Lodge, and the bylaws of the Lodge.

To this end, rest assured that your Trustees will carry out these duties to the best of our abilities and always with the benefit of the craft and lodge as its guide.

I hope to see you all in attendance this year.

Fraternally,

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JUNE

LEGEND	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
SHRINE				1 WEEPAP SHRINE CLUB	2 SCOTTISH RITE	3 VEGAS 32 LODGE 7:30 PM	4 INDIAN SPRINGS LODGE 10:00 AM
SHRINE CLUBS / UNITS				MT. MORIAH LODGE 7:30 PM ACACIA LODGE 7:0 PM	DHAHRAN DAYLIGHT LODGE 12:00 PM		SANDY VALLEY LODGE 9:00 AM Fund Raiser - Distillery
MASONS							
Q							
SCOTTISH RITE							
YORK RITE							
LOS							
NILE							
AMARANTH							
BEAUCEANT							
OES							
OTHER SHRINES							
JOBS DAUGHTERS							
RAINBOW							
Outside Organization Events Held at Shrine							
	5 DAYLITE LODGE 12:00 PM OASIS LODGE 7:00 PM	6 HENDERSON SHRINE CLUB NELLIS LODGE 7:00 PM BOULDER CITY LODGE 7:30 PM	7 FLIVVERS	8 Rainbow, Daylite #22	9 SILVER CORD LODGE 7:30 PM PAHRUMP LODGE 7:30 LOS	10 CLOWNS KING SOLOMON LODGE 7:00 PM	11 Idaho Grand Chapter - OES
	12 AVIATION YORK RITE - Hiram YORK RITE - Boulder	13 Rainbow, Boulder #8 Rainbow, Vegas #9	14 YORK RITE - Keysone BEAUCEANT ROBERT BURNS LODGE 7:00 PM	15 YORK RITE - Melita DHAHRAN DAYLIGHT LODGE 9:30 AM LOS OV @ Shrine	16 HILLBILLIES	17	18
	19 LOH - HILLBILLY BINGO BASH	20 TACO TUESDAY 4:30 - 7:30	21 Rainbow, Daylite #22	22 BOULDER CITY SHRINE CLUB Q	23 Vegas 32 Family Dinner	24 AMARANTH	25
	26 ROADRUNNER SHRINE CLUB	27 BOD STATED SHRINE CHAIRMAN CLUB Rainbow, Boulder #8 Rainbow, Vegas #9	28	29	30		

Announcements and Events

September Masonic Birthdays

Jeffry L. Chambers 7/09
 Michael J. Kurcab, P.M. 7/14
 Curtis L. Overton 8/18
 Troy A. Schneiderman 8/18
 Gerald L. Cook 9/09
 Mathew M. McCarthy 9/10
 James Porter 9/19
 William A. Cookston Jr. 9/24

July Birthdays

Curtis L. Overton 7/05
 Concetta Bronowitz 7/11
 (Widow of Brother Michael Bronowitz)
 Bobby G. Smith 7/11
 Roger L. Blankmeyer 7/13
 Michael G. Barry 7/18
 Dwain A. Rittenhouse 7/28

August Birthdays

David P. Sims 8/01
 William A. Cookston 8/02
 Carl L. Banks, P.G.M. 8/11
 James E. Lytner 8/26

September Birthdays

Albert A. Navarro 9/01
 Veronica Domingo-Mallard 9/02
 (Spouse of Brother Charles Mallard)
 Howard "Sonny" Martell 9/02
 Brian E. Boles 9/09
 Vasile Cristian Gliga 9/14
 Julie Knox-Williams 9/19
 (Spouse of R. Montana Williams)
 Robin "Montana" Williams 9/23
 Michael R. Kearns 9/25
 Charles Mallard 9/28
 David D. Smith 9/28
 Gerald L. Cook 9/29

158th Annual Communication of
The Grand Lodge of Free & Accepted Masons of Nevada

For your awareness, the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Nevada will have its 158th Annual Communication at the Grand Sierra Resort in Reno. Registration links on the Grand Lodge Website are not available yet; however, you can register for your room with the hotel.

Hotel Details can be found at <https://www.grandsierraresort.com/>

However, call their reservations office @ 775-789-2000 or Toll-Free @ 800-501-2651

USE CODE: NVMLD for the group rate

The Worshipful Master will let us know when the registration form for this event is posted on the Grand Lodge Website.

Clark County / Southern Nevada Pandemic Resources

COVID-19 VACCINE LINKS

Clark County: https://www.clarkcountynv.gov/top_services/covid19/vaccine_information.php
Southern Nevada: <https://covid.southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/vaccine/>
VA Vaccine Self-Scheduling: https://www.lasvegas.va.gov/LASVEGAS/features/Self_scheduling_vaccine_tool.asp
VA: <https://www.va.gov/health-care/covid-19-vaccine/>

COVID-19 LINKS

Clark County: https://www.clarkcountynv.gov/top_services/covid19/all_about_covid-19.php
Southern Nevada: <https://covid.southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/facts/>
VA: <https://www.publichealth.va.gov/n-coronavirus/index.asp>

COVID-19 TESTING LINKS

Clark County: https://www.clarkcountynv.gov/top_services/covid19/testing_locations.php
Southern Nevada: <https://covid.southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/testing/>
VA: <https://www.myhealth.va.gov/mhv-portal-web/ss20201214-covid-19-test-basics>

MENTAL HEALTH LINKS

Clark County: https://www.clarkcountynv.gov/top_services/covid19/mental_health.php



GENERAL HEALTH LINKS

Clark County: https://www.clarkcountynv.gov/top_services/covid19/health_safety.php
Southern Nevada: <https://www.southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/>
VA: https://www.va.gov/find-locations/facility/vha_593GG

ADDITIONAL COVID-19 LINKS

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 Editor's Desk

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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*

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R. Montana Williams	Worshipful Master 702-743-7143	Donald Daum	UD 2001
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Buzz Ingram	Marshall 702-800-1388	John Pennington	2009
Charles Mallard	Senior Steward 702-430-0962	Mike Barry	2010
John Stelsel	Junior Steward	Wade Schneiderman	2011
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		Dwain Rittenhouse	2016
		Mathew McCarthy	2017
		Kenneth L. O'Neill Jr.	2018
		Steven Benjamin	2019
		Dave Sims	2020
		Albert A Navarro II	2021
TRUSTEES		AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS	
3-Year	Albert A Navarro II, P.M.	David Owens	
2-Year	Dave Sims, P.M.	Fred Horne	
1-Year	John Pennington, P.M.	*George Gilbert	
		Terry Baker	
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	*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