



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, December 3, 2022 @ 9am

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

November 2022 A.D. / 6022 A.L.

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From the East

Greetings from the East,

WOW, how time has flown by, I write this final Master's message...my farewell to our great lodge. I am a man who is truly blessed. I have been blessed with a family, a great career of service to my country and my community. At the center of my blessings rests my four great "Fs": FAITH, FAMILY, FRIENDS, and my FRATERNITY. A faith in a loving GOD whose forgiveness is provided through his son and my savior Jesus Christ. An incredible family, my wife Julie, five children, four grandchildren with another arriving in just a few short weeks, they provide that much need grounding. Great friends who have inspired me and continue too every day. Finally, a fraternity that has rekindled that deep need of brotherhood and service that I missed following my military retirement. During my masonic journey, the men who have guided me have been the chisels that have begun to smooth out this very rough ashlar that was raised 6 years ago. My father-in-law and the finest mason I know, WB John Pennington has been my inspiration and chief chisel. To all, my sincerest gratitude. Without those in my life, I am not sure I would have gained such blessings to have had the opportunity to serve every in chair from appointed to elected in our great lodge.

Having the honor of being elected to the highest chair—Worshipful Master—as every mason who joins this fraternity should strive for; has been an honor and I thank each of you for bestowing on me. Serving Sandy Valley #57 as Worshipful Master has been a great joy and a privilege which I will cherish for the rest of my life. I have worked very hard to listen to all our brethren and always do my very best to be a servant leader, with an eye on moving the lodge forward. Together this year-long journey has been an incredible success. Through the work of our elected and appointed officers, committees, and brethren we have accomplished many of our goals and make significant progress on others. I want to thank my Wardens, Trustees, Treasurer, Appointed Officers, and most importantly our incredible Secretary (WB Michael Kurcab) for their time, work, and guidance during 2022. As a master you must seek the wise counsel of your past masters, wardens, and secretary, I did and I listened, I would not have succeeded without that guidance, so thank you all from the bottom of my heart.

Your trust and election to serve Sandy Valley #57, is now at an end and in a couple of weeks I step down from the East with immense gratitude. To be called Worshipful Master, and most importantly called me brother has been one of the greatest privileges of my life.

In transitioning to the sidelines, I do so knowing that the lodge is in good hands and trust that we will continue our contributions to the craft, our community, and to humankind as a whole. I will remain very active and serve the lodge in anyway future leadership asks of me.

Finally, I do apologize for missing this December stated meeting, as must present at a seminar at UNLV on Saturday morning. I made every attempt possible to change the time, but alas to no avail. You all will be very much on my mind.

Fraternally Serving You,

R. Montana Williams
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From the West

Brethren,

Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and Season's Greetings from the West!

As the sun is in the West at close of day, so stands the Senior Warden in the West to assist the Worshipful Master in opening and closing the Lodge. This will be my last message from the West.

I first would like to congratulate our newest member Glen Front, who was initiated as an Entered Apprentice on November 5th. A Special thanks to our Degree team who put on an amazing degree led by our Junior Warden (Brother Brett Williams) who conferred his first EA Degree.

Do not forget to come to our December stated meeting as it is elections time as we elect our new officers.

'Tis the season for traveling and I, along with some of our fellow Brothers recently traveled to Reno to take part in the 158th Annual Grand Lodge Communication. This was my first time attending Grand Lodge and I encourage all Masons to attend if you get a chance. The hospitality and meals were amazing as we got to meet so many of our Brothers from the other 37 Lodges in Nevada. We also elected and installed Most Worshipful Kevin P McCans as our new Grand Master of Masons in Nevada.

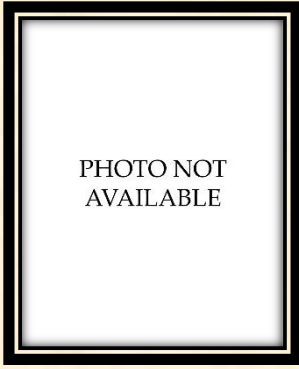
As the Holidays approach, let us not forget our Brothers that we have lost, their families, and anyone that may be in a destitute situation. The holidays are stressful enough. It's not always emotionally easy to reach out to others, sometimes we need to reach out to them. A simple kind word or gesture can go a long way.

And finally Brethren, I would be amiss if I didn't take a second and thank our Worshipful Master, Robin 'Montana' Williams for the amazing year he had. Through his leadership, we successfully were able to change our By-Laws, which is no small gesture, continue our ongoing proficiencies in our Ritual as we confer all 3 degree's now, as well as a huge success in our first formal Dinner night out with our ladies with our 20yr Reunion Dinner, I fully plan to continue this next year with another formal dinner, the awarding of two scholarships to worthy students at Sandy Valley High School, and we were also awarded our first ever Silver State Award for the Lodge.

Worshipful Montana I appreciate all your guidance, dedication, leadership, patience, and the Brotherly Love you have shown me. I look forward to watching your Masonic journey continue.

Fraternally from the South,

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From the South

Brethren,

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Sincerely and Fraternaly,

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From the Treasurer's Desk

Brethren,

I am happy to say that our meetings and degrees are extremely enjoyable and educational. Thank you for your contribution to the annual membership dues as well as your donations.

Also, we encourage any additional program that could complement our financial sustainability.

Fraternally,

Vasile Cristian Gliga

Treasurer

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From the Secretary's Desk

As you may recall, Sandy Valley Lodge voted to amend our bylaws to allow for dues increase to offset the costs of having to move to Pahrump and inflation.

The new dues for 2023 are now \$65.00 plus the fees for the Grand Lodge per capita/George Washington Memorial. This brings the dues owed for **2023 to \$101.00.**

As a reminder, only Master Masons are required to pay dues.

Life Memberships will be available at the old rate of \$1,491.00 until December 31st, 2022. On January 1st, the Life Membership rate will increase to \$2,121.00.

To help us ensure a successful year in 2023, I kindly ask that you pay your 2023 dues as soon as possible so that we have an accurate accounting for our operating budget next year. The Lodge Leadership team has some great events and programs planned for the upcoming year and we look forward to having you be a part of it.

Please note that our mailing address is also changing. Please remit payment to:

**Sandy Valley Lodge #57
P.O. Box 1367
Pahrump, NV 89041**

Finally, It has been truly a pleasure and an honor to serve you as Secretary the past couple of years. I am so happy to see the Lodge growing and accomplishing more. Unfortunately I will not be able to serve as Secretary moving forward. I will really miss serving as Secretary. I have thoroughly enjoyed it and I hope that I have served you well.

Thank you again for your support of Sandy Valley Lodge #57. May your holiday season be filled with Peace, Harmony, and Brotherly Love and may 2023 bring you Health, Prosperity, and Happiness.

*"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:

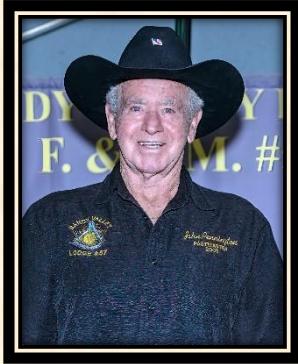


R. "Montana" Williams
Worshipful Master, 2022

Monthly Education Lecture—November 2022

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

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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DECEMBER

LEGEND	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
SHRINE						1	2
SHRINE CLUBS / UNITS						SCOTTISH RITE	INDIAN SPRINGS LODGE 10:00 AM
MASONS						DHAHRAN DAYLIGHT LODGE 12:00 PM	SANDY VALLEY LODGE 9:00 AM
Q						DAYLITE OES 12:00 PM	JOBS DAUGHTERS
SCOTTISH RITE							BOULDER CITY CHRISTMAS PARADE
YORK RITE							
LOS							
NILE							
AMARANTH							
BEAUCEANT							
OES							
OTHER SHRINES							
JOBS DAUGHTERS							
RAINBOW							
Organization Events Held							
	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	DAYLITE LODGE 12:00 PM	HENDERSON SHRINE CLUB	WEEPAH SHRINE CLUB	SILVER CORD LODGE 7:30 PM	CLOWNS		
	OASIS LODGE 7:00 PM	NELLIS LODGE 7:00 PM	MT. MORIAH LODGE 7:30 PM	PAHRUMP LODGE 7:30	KING SOLOMON LODGE 7:00 PM		
	DESERT OES 7:30 PM	BOULDER CITY LODGE 7:30 PM	ACACIA LODGE 7:0 PM	NORTHSTAR OES 7:30 PM			HENDERSON CHRISTMAS PARADE
		STARDUST OES 7:30 PM	SANDY VALLEY LODGE 7:00		Shrine Holiday Party		
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
HILLBILLIES	AVIATION		FLIVVERS	DHAHRAN DAYLIGHT LODGE 9:30 AM			JOBS DAUGHTERS
	SOUTHGATE OES 7:30 PM		PARK OES 7:30	DAYLITE OES 12:00 PM			Children's Holiday Luncheon
		SUNRISE OES 7:30 PM	Rainbow, Daylite #22	NILE			
		Rainbow, Boulder #8					
		Rainbow, Vegas #9					
	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
LOH		BOD	YORK RITE	BOULDER CITY SHRINE CLUB	Vegas 32 Family Dinner		AMARANTH
		STATED SHRINE	BEAUCEANT	Q			
	DESERT OES 7:30 PM	STARDUST OES 7:30 PM	ROBERT BURNS LODGE 7:00 PM	NORTHSTAR OES 7:30 PM			
		CHAIRMAN CLUB					
	25	26	27	28	29	30	
ROADRUNNER SHRINE CLUB							
	SOUTHGATE OES 7:30 PM	SUNRISE OES 7:30 PM	PARK OES 7:30				
		Rainbow, Boulder #8	Rainbow, Daylite #22				
		Rainbow, Vegas #9					

Announcements and Events

Joint Installation of Officers for Sandy Valley and Pahrump Lodges

Saturday, December 17th @ 1100 (11am)

Pahrump Lodge

(See announcement below)

November Birthdays

Jeffry L. Chambers	12/5
Robert Novotny	12/26
Thomas Joseph O'Boyle Jr	12/21
Alfred T. Opegard	12/13
Dominic A. Pandolph	12/8
Harold Scalzo Jr.	12/3
Wade A. Schneiderman	12/30
Joseph Tyler Wayland Walker	12/8

November Masonic Birthdays

David Owens	12/10
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From the Editor's Desk

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If you would prefer NOT to receive 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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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*

2022 LODGE OFFICERS		PAST MASTERS	
R. Montana Williams	Worshipful Master 702-743-7143	Donald Daum	UD 2001
Brian Boles	Senior Warden 702-296-8653	George W. Odell	2002
Brett Williams	Junior Warden 206-939-7767	Ted Johnson	2003
Cristian Gliga	Treasurer 626-354-9670	Bill Katz (Unfinished Term)	2004
Michael Kurcab, P.M.	Secretary 818-259-6124	Swannie Swenson (2004)	2005
Cyril Bradshaw	Chaplain 702-610-2507	Al Oppegard	2006
Michael Kearns	Senior Deacon 702-425-6330	Troy Schneiderman	2007
Carl Agbayani	Junior Deacon 702-375-8709	Michael L. Rodgers	2008
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
Russell Gray	Tyler 303-901-7044	Fred Horne	2012
Tarek Schoner	Historian & Aid to the Secretary 702-684-3633	Mark Tavarez	2013
John Pennington, P.M.	Deputy Grand Lecturer 702-355-0154	John Pennington	2014
Carl Agbayani	Communications Mason 702-375-8709	Michael Kurcab	2015
		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	
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