



Sandy Valley Lodge No.57  
Free and Accepted Masons  
**TRESTLEBOARD**



**Most Worshipful Kevin P. McCans**  
Grand Master of Masons in Nevada

Next Stated Communication

Saturday, January 7, 2023 @ 10am

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

December 2022 A.D. / 6022 A.L.

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

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## From the East

Brethren,

For those of you who were not able to join us for our Joint 2023 Installation of Officers with Pahrump Lodge on December 16th, we had an amazing night and packed the Lodge with over 50 Brethren, friends, and family in attendance. Thank you to everyone

To the Members of Sandy Valley Lodge – THANK YOU - I am honored and humbled by your trust and confidence in me to lead this Lodge. I will always try to do my best to earn your continued respect and support and will continue to move this Lodge forward.

To our Brothers from Pahrump Lodge, we cannot thank them enough for their continued hospitality and for making us feel welcomed and at home here in the Lodge. I think this move has been great for both of our Lodges in growing the Fraternity and cementing us in Brotherly love.

Worshipful Montana, I want to congratulate you on an amazing year and I personally want to thank you for all your guidance, dedication, and Brotherly Love you have shown me and for your Love of this Fraternity and Love for this Lodge. You have helped set the Lodge on solid footing for the future. It was an honor to present you with your Past Masters Apron; it is an emblem of innocence and the badge of a Past Master – THE DISTINGUISHED badge of a Past Master. As No Master is chosen by his seniority but is elected by his merit. From the ranks you arose, and to the ranks you shall return.

And lastly Brethren, I want to recommit our dedication to Sandy Valley. In the last couple of years, we have faced huge challenges in finding a new home, relocating our Lodge, and even changing our By-Laws. Through the leadership of our Past Masters, we have tackled all those challenges, but the time has long passed and so in addition to awarding our annual George Odell High School Scholarship to worthy students of Sandy Valley High School, we will also be re-establishing the annual fundraiser in raising funds for the Sandy Valley Volunteer Fire department and we will 'STUFF THAT BOOT'. We will also be reaching out to the local food bank in Sandy Valley in seeing how we can help donate time and money to help their worthy cause of feeding the needy.

Worshipful Montana held a formal dinner last year with our family and friends to celebrate our 20-year reunion of this Lodge and it was such a huge success that I plan to keep this going and host another formal dinner. This formal dinner will also serve as a fundraiser to bring in school supplies for Sandy Valley.

We never know what the future holds, and there could be a day when the opportunity presents itself for us to relocate back to Sandy Valley, but until that day this Lodge is in great hands and we will press on, regardless.

Fraternally from the South,

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## From the West

Brothers,

Brethren it is my extreme pleasure to greet you upon this new year and it is my hope that the holiday seasons treated your families and communities well. I'm looking forward to the upcoming year together with you and continuing to serve the Craft however I can. As we are at the start of the year, let us each take time to reflect on what we can do to help serve and advance the Craft and our communities.

We have some candidates and petitioners in waiting and some brethren who will hopefully be ready to take their degrees. As head of High-Twelve, please reach out if you are interested or able to take part in the degrees or the preparation/logistics for them.

I look forward to many more adventures together.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

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## From the South

Brother's,

I wanted to thank you all for your confidence in me electing me to the position of Junior Warden. I will work very hard to make this a very good year at Sandy Valley 57 and will continue to do all I can to recruit new members to the Lodge. One of my goals this year is to work with incoming brothers on their journey through the degrees. I am always available to help Brothers prepare for their proficiency work. Please just reach out to me if you need this assistance. I also wanted to congratulate Junior Past Master Montana Williams on the great year he had leading the lodge in 2022. Also my congratulations to Brian Boles for being elected as Worshipful Master of Sandy Valley Lodge. I have no doubt he will lead us to a fantastic 2023. Finally, congratulations to all the brothers who were elected or appointed to positions in the Lodge. Let's have a great year and have some fun.

Respectfully,

Michael Kearns  
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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

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

Social Media

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

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

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Respectfully,

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# Annual Masonic Education

## Monthly Education Lecture—January 2023

*Provided by Sandy Valley No. 57 Worshipful Master & Masonic Education and Leadership Committee*

### **What is Harmony?**

The dictionary defines musical harmony as “the combination of simultaneously sounded musical notes to produce chords and chord progressions having a pleasing effect”

Musical harmony doesn't mean that every musician is sounding the same note at the same time. Instead, harmony means that different musicians play different notes yet still produce a pleasing end result when all the notes are played together. To do this, each musician must understand what the other musicians are doing if the group is to play in harmony.

In Masonry, harmony isn't the state of full agreement by all parties on every detail.

We hear the Senior Warden at every lodge meeting say “Harmony being the support of all institutions, especially this or ours” and the Worshipful Master saying “I now declare the Lodge open at the time strictly forbidding any un masonic conduct whereby harmony of the same might be disturbed”

As Masons, we are taught to strive for harmony in the lodge. We are to work together to produce a pleasing end result.

However, harmony doesn't mean we are to stay silent about important issues for fear of offending someone, nor does maintaining harmony require us to stay silent when someone says or does something we believe is detrimental to the lodge, to another Mason, or to the speaker himself. In fact, as Masons we are required to speak up in those situations.

So what is harmony? Harmony is the ability to speak, to listen, and to disagree without being disagreeable.

When we speak, we should attempt to temper our words as much as possible, especially if the subject at hand is one on which the speaker and listener might disagree. We should be clear in our speech, yet avoid inflammatory language. When offense is given inadvertently, we should be quick to recognize that and make such amends as we can.

As listeners, we should pay attention to the content of the speech, and do our best to ignore harsh words that may be unintended, or said in the heat of the moment. It's always better to ask for clarification than to assume ill intent.

The best motives can often be hidden by a poor choice of words, or often by using words that have different meanings for the speaker and the listener. Just as it is incumbent upon a speaker to recognize that offense has been given, it is just as important for the listener to realize that not all offense is intentional, and to try and forgive those who trespass against us.

Today, before we take offense, let us at least pause long enough to ask ourselves “Just what did the other person mean by that?”. If need be, ask for clarification.

In other words, let us stop, think, and measure the situation and the intent before we stop, think, and measure our response. That way, like the musicians, maybe we can speak and act in harmony in our lodges and in our lives.

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*Worshipful Brother Richard Stevens*

*Ebenezer Lodge #76 - Grand Lodge of Mississippi*

<https://www.msgrandlodge.org/what-is-harmony/#:~:text=In%20Masonry%2C%20harmony%20isn't,produce%20a%20pleasing%20end%20result>

## From Your Board of Trustees



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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,

*Dave Sims*  
One-Year Trustee

*Albert A Navarro II*  
Two-Year Trustee

*Robin "Montana" Williams*  
Three-Year Trustee

# Announcements and Events

DATE SC = Stated Communication	EVENT
January 7 <sup>th</sup> (SC)	Stated Meeting / Overview of 2023—Committee Assignments
February 4 <sup>th</sup> (SC)	Stated Meeting / George Washington Observance
February 7 <sup>th</sup>	Boulder City Lodge 37 Visit
March 4 <sup>th</sup> (SC)	Stated Meeting / Special Speaker Brother Jean-Louis de Biasi
March 6 <sup>th</sup>	Oasis Lodge 41 Visit
April 1 <sup>st</sup> (SC)	Stated Meeting / Youth Group Observance: De Molay; International Order of the Rainbow for Girls; Daughters of the Nile; Job's Daughters International
April 13 <sup>th</sup>	Pahrump Lodge 51 Visit
May 6 <sup>th</sup> (SC)	Stated Meeting GMOV ?
May (Tentative)	Sandy Valley High School/Public School Observance - Plan with School Official Present Scholarship
June 3 <sup>rd</sup> (SC)	Stated Meeting /Special Speaker WB Jorge Castex
August 19 <sup>th</sup>	SV Annual Formal Dinner (SV School Supplies)
September 9 <sup>th</sup> (SC)	Stated Meeting
September 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Fire Department Fund Raiser "Fill the Boot"
October 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Daylight Lodge 44 Visit
October 7 <sup>th</sup> (SC)	Stated Meeting
November 4 <sup>th</sup> (SC)	Stated Meeting / Senior Warden Day (open/close)
November 13 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup>	GRAND LODGE ANNUAL COMMUNICATION
December 2 <sup>nd</sup> (SC)	Stated Meeting / Election of Officers
December ?? (Installation)	SV57 Installation of Officers

## January Birthdays

Jeffrey 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

## January Masonic Birthdays

David Owens	12/10
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From the Editor's Desk

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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*

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Brian Boles	Worshipful Master 702-296-8653	Donald Daum George W. Odell	UD 2001 2002
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2-Year	Albert A Navarro II, P.M.	Fred Horne	
1-Year	Dave Sims, P.M.	*George Gilbert	
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*Jim Cook, P.M.		Fred Robinson	
Harry Christopher, P.M.		Harold Scalzo	
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		*Clifford Wiltse	
		*Dave White	
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*Parke Potter	2007	*Deceased	