



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, November 5, 2022 @ 9am

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

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From the East

Greetings from the East,

My brothers, what an emotional month October was. We started out on high note with a very successful GMOV. The lodge performed exceptional ritual, the GM's message was a favorite topic of mine—education and development of our newest brethren, and finally we had an exceptional meal of BBQ brisket and chicken with all the fix'ins supplied by our Junior Warden.

After that I was personally riding on "cloud nine", I took a few days and headed up north to get the Montana lake house winterized, then on Thursday 13 Oct 22 at 0230 in the morning we got a call from my daughter stating that our lodge icon, two-time past master, and my father-in-law John Pennington, Sr. was be rushed to the hospital via ambulance due to a significant coronary event. Julie and I scrambled to find a fastest flight home, while at the airport at about 0930 we were told by my mother-in-law (Dana) that John was not going to survive the day. However, if you pray hard enough sometimes the Lord above grants miracles or he just wasn't ready for let John lay down his working tools. Amazingly, by 2200 hours that evening, John was off live support, and he was sitting up talking. The hospital staff stated numerous times that we had witness a miracle. He remained in the hospital recovering for the next 10 days and after getting a pacemaker installed, this past Sunday 23 October he was allowed to head home, and of course he is ready to get back to some of the basics and ready to see everyone again. He is restricted to very light labors from now on. He will be at our upcoming meeting and states unequivocally that he will be attend the Annual Communication in Reno in a couple of weeks. Thank you all for all your prayers and well wishes, our entire family appreciates you all so much.

This episode really was a test of Faith for me, and as my emotions took me in all different directions, I started to do some serious reflection. I thought deeply and realized beyond any doubt, that Faith is a foundational component of our masonic ritual and virtues. These past few weeks have re-educated my on the fundamentals of FAITH. As Masons, we are continually encouraged to look to that Sacred Book (the Holy Bible) on our Alter and study it, we faithfully direct our steps through life by the Light (e.g., Faith) we find through it , we pray over our new candidates so they may dedicate and devote their lives to God's service and become true and faithful brothers among us and to seek divine wisdom, we practice every moral and social virtue, with the everlasting assurance of a blessed immortality.

We as men must hold on to our faith through our believe in God, for his goodness and grace must shine through us as we do everything to illuminate the world with masonic light: end ignorance, indue love, rid intolerance, demonstrate an abundance of hope and charity across our communities, and endeavor to make good men, better men. Our faith is key to all of this.

Fraternally Serving You,

R. Montana Williams
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From the West

Brethren,

November is a month to think of others, especially during Thanksgiving. The Lodge and Fraternity have much to be thankful for with the great news on John Pennington's amazing recovery!!! Keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

We are entering our busy time of the year as we try to close out the year while at the same time preparing for next year.

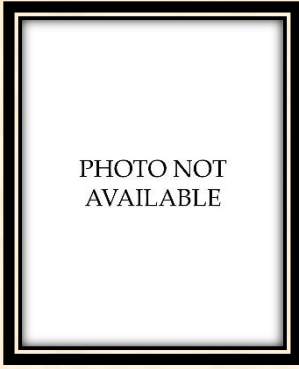
- Grand Lodge 158th Annual Communications up in Reno on Nov 13-15
- Upcoming Elections in December
- Installation of our new Officers on December 17th
- Proficiencies from our EA/FC
- Holidays!

I would like to also congratulate all the Brothers and Officers on a very successful GMOV last month as we hosted the Grand Master and his corps of officers who made their annual visit to our Lodge. Our ritual was on point and you all made me very proud. We all enjoyed fellowship and Brotherly love following the meeting.

November does start the colder time of year, so break out those Sandy Valley Lodge coats, and if any Brother would like to order a Lodge coat or shirt let us know and we will get them ordered for you.

Fraternally from the South,

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From the South

Brethren,

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Sincerely and Fraternally,

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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



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,

Michael J. Kurcab, P.M.

Secretary

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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

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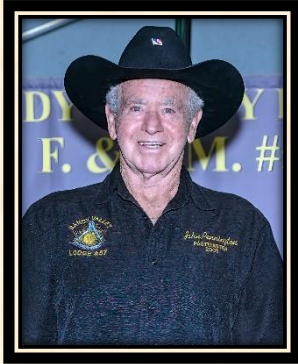


R. "Montana" Williams
Worshipful Master, 2022

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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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

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		Steven Benjamin	2019
		Dave Sims	2020
		Albert A Navarro II	2021
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*Parke Potter	2007		*Deceased