# Sandy Valley Lodge No.57

Free and Accepted Masons

### Trestle Board





Most Worshipful Zakariah A. Gulling Grand Master of Masons in Nevada Next Stated Communication

# Saturday, April 5, 2025 @ 10am

Location: Pahrump Lodge No. 54, 281 Gemini Drive, Pahrump, Nevada 89048 March 2025 A.D. / 6025 A.L.

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# Celebrating Our Brothers



April Birthdays

David G Harvey
Charles M Cappa, P∴M∴
Martin W Maxey, P∴M∴
Justin A Sobota

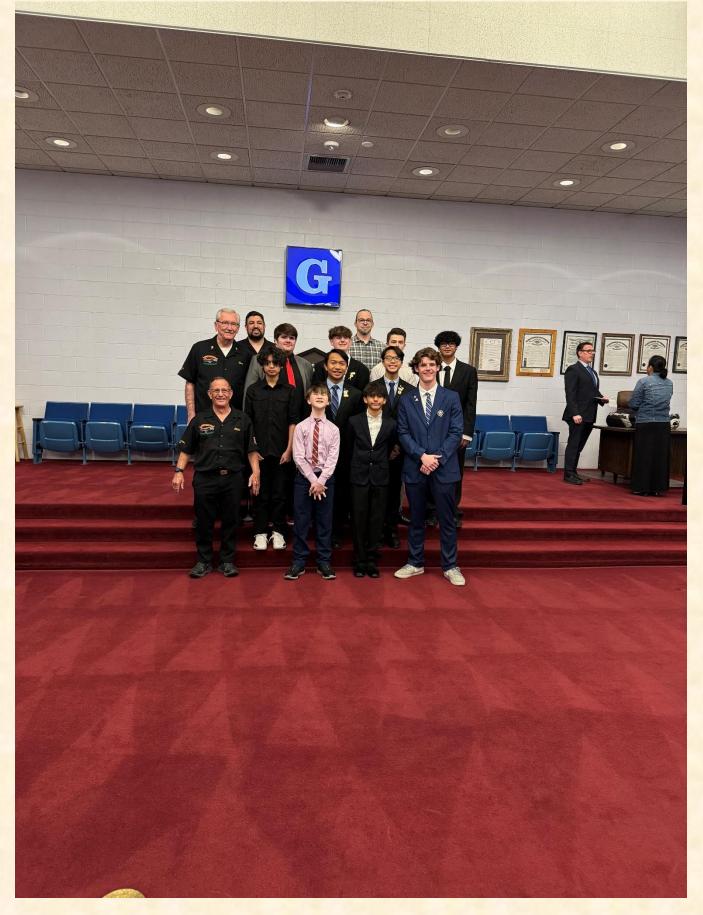
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# April Masonic Birthdays

Chester M Gordon	4/17/1968
Donald G Daum, P∴M∴	4/27/1981
Alfred T Oppegard, P∴M∴	4/12/1985
Wilton G Swenson Jr., P∴M∴	4/30/1987
David D Smith, P∴M∴	4/17/2004
Brian E Boles, P∴M∴	4/20/2018

### 2025 Sandy Valley Official Visit to DeMolay



### 2025 Sandy Valley Official Visit to Vegas Lodge No.32



## The Master's Calendar

(Subject to Change)

### APRIL 2025.

April 5 <sup>th</sup>	Stated Communication. Scholarship program update.
April 8 <sup>th</sup>	Official Visit to Silver Cord 51. Dinner 6pm Meeting 7pm
April 12 <sup>th</sup>	(OPEN) Possible degree work.
April 19 <sup>th</sup>	District-11 DGL workshop with Pahrump 54 and Robert Burns 59. SV Hosting.
April (TBD)	Work with entertainment committee to setup event for past Sandy Valley Masters.
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\*Friday AM volunteers for Sandy Valley Food Bank.

#### MAY 2025.

May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Stated Communication. Finalize picks for Sandy Valley HS scholarships.				
May 17 <sup>th</sup>	(OPEN) Possible degree work.				
May (TBD)	Sandy Valley Scholarship's awarded.				
*May 20 <sup>th</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup>	Zelzah Shriners Potentate's trip to New Orleans.				
*Friday AM volunteers for Sandy Valley Food Bank.					

JUNE 2025.

June 7 <sup>th</sup>	Stated Communication. Report on the progress of the Silver State Award.	
June 14 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup>	Daughters of the Nile Supreme sessions. National conference. Work with Grand Lodge and Vegas	
	32 to Co-host a Table Lodge for visiting Masons.	
*June 30 <sup>th</sup> – July 4 <sup>t</sup>	*June 30 <sup>th</sup> – July 4 <sup>th</sup> Shriners Imperial Sessions in Atlanta, Georgia.	

JULY 2025. (Dark Month)

July 13<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> My trip to Spain, Portugal, and Morocco.

\*\* Although we are dark during July and August, we can still do degree work if we fall behind. Also, I want to continue our volunteer work at Sandy Valley Food Bank.

### AUGUST 2025. (Dark Month)

Aug 12<sup>th</sup> District-11 DGL Workshop with Pahrump 54 and Robert Burns 59. RB59 is hosting.

SEPTEMBER 2025.

- Sept 6<sup>th</sup> Stated Communication. Discuss plans for the fall season.
- Sept 20<sup>th</sup> (OPEN) Possible degree work.

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### OCTOBER 2025.

Oct 4<sup>th</sup> Stated Communication.

Oct 10<sup>th</sup> Official Visit to King Solomon 58. Meeting 7pm.

Oct 18<sup>th</sup> (OPEN) Possible degree work.

\*Friday AM volunteers for Sandy Valley Food Bank.

### NOVEMBER 2025.

Nov 1<sup>st</sup> Stated Communication. Senior Warden to Open/Close and run the meeting.

Nov 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> Grand Lodge Sessions in Reno, Nevada.

Nov 15<sup>th</sup> District-11 DGL Workshop with Pahrump 54 and Robert Burns 59. P54 Hosting.

- Nov (TBD) Official Visit to an LV valley lodge or a social event. To be arranged by Senior Warden.
- Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> (OPEN) Possible degree work.

\*Friday AM volunteers for Sandy Valley Food Bank.

### DECEMBER 2025.

- Dec 6<sup>th</sup> Stated Communication. Election of 2026 Officers.
- Dec (TBD) Sandy Valley Installation of Officers for 2026.

Dec (TBD) Strongly consider arranging an Official Visit to another lodge.

\*Friday AM volunteers for Sandy Valley Food Bank.



### From the East

### Brothers:

Greetings from the East. Well, another busy month has come and gone. This month, we had a productive stated meeting. Highlights included holding a ballot for a new candidate for the degrees of Masonry. His name is Jeffrey Allen Barth, and the ballot was Fair, Clear, and Bright. He will be initiated as an Entered Apprentice at the upcoming April Stated Meeting. The other good news is that Adrian Goins took his proficiency for Master Mason in open lodge, and it was perfect. Congratulations, Adrian, well done.

Brother Goins also discussed his proposal that he has worked on with Worshipful Brother Al Navarro to institute an online method to pay lodge dues. This proposal was emailed to all the brothers of Sandy Valley Lodge so we can discuss it and vote on it at the April meeting. The other highlights of the month were a couple of visits that I was proud to lead. The first was my mission to retrieve our traveling trophy from Vegas 32. I was proud to lead that charge along with eleven of my other Sandy Valley brothers. The trophy now resides safely back in Sandy Valley. The other visit I was honored to lead was a visit to the DeMolay chapter here in Las Vegas. Four other Sandy Valley brothers and I visited their chapter and were honored to witness an initiation of their newest member. I wish to personally thank all the brothers who accompanied me and made these visits special.

Sandy Valley Lodge 57 also had the sad duty to hold a Masonic funeral for one of our founding members, Worshipful Brother Wade "Lefty" Schneiderman. Thanks to Worshipful Brother Mike Kurcab for leading this duty. I also wish to thank my brothers who assisted Worshipful brother Mike Kurcab with the funeral service as well as the brothers who folded and presented a U.S. Flag to Honored Lady Bonnie. Special thanks to Worshipful Brother Bernard McKeehan, the sitting Worshipful Master of Wade's home lodge Nellis 46, for bringing a contingent of brothers from Nellis to present Honored Lady Bonnie Schneiderman with a plaque and a widow's pin.

I wish to remind all my Sandy Valley brothers that we still need volunteers to assist on Fridays at the Sandy Valley Food Bank. We have had at least one volunteer each month this year. Let's keep up this good work. April will be a busy month as well.

In addition to our stated meeting, Sandy Valley Lodge will be hosting our District DGL meeting on Saturday, April 19th. More to follow at the April stated meeting on this function. We are swiftly coming to our summer months and our period of darkness. We still have quite a bit of degree work to do before we go dark. These details will also be shared at the April meeting. My hope is to have all this done before we go dark so we can get some rest before the fall.

I wish to thank all my Sandy Valley brothers for the trust you put in me as your Worshipful Master. While it is a great responsibility, it has also been a lot of fun. Let's all keep up the good work. Finally, I have the sad duty to report that Illustrious Sir Billie McMahan, the past Potentate of Zelzah Shriners in 1988, passed away on the evening of March 30th. Illustrious Sir Billie was still an active member of the Zelzah Shriners Legion of Honor. Please keep Illustrious Sir Billie McMahan's family in your prayers during this difficult time. Once the family has funeral arrangements, I will pass them along.

Fraternally,

Michael Kearns Worshipful Master Sandy Valley Lodge No. 57 F.: & A.:.M.: 720-425-6330 (Cell) <u>mrkearns25@gmail.com</u>



## The Master's Goals for 2025

#### **RECRUITMENT.**

- Work with the Sandy Valley Officers, all Sandy Valley brothers, and the Grand Lodge of Nevada on a recruitment program. It is critical that we involve our younger members in this process and give them advice on how best to promote freemasonry to their peers.
- Work with our youth group committee chairman to schedule a time to visit with the DeMolay youth as part of the month of the Grand Lodge's March youth groups. It is critical that these young men see that Masons are interested in their group and what they are working for. This will also allow us to talk to these young men and give them advice on how to best recruit members to their organization.

### **RETENTION.**

- Work with the entertainment committee to set up at least two social events this year. Those events would be open to all brothers, their families, and any guests they wish to invite.
- I would like one of these events to be fun, such as going bowling. The other event I envision doing is one that honors all the past masters of Sandy Valley Lodge No.57. They have been a vital part of the lodge's development, and I want to honor their commitment to the lodge and Masonry.
- Work with the leadership of our brothers in Pahrump Lodge No.54 to beautify the areas of the lodge that Pahrump Lodge No.54 has given to us. For instance, post pictures of all this year's Sandy Valley officers. Also, please post photos of all our past masters to honor them.
- Most importantly, perform timely degrees for the candidates and brothers going through the various degrees. It
  is essential that we don't fall behind in this process. When we do, we can often lose perspective, Master Masons.
  My goal is that no one should wait more than two months before being elected to take the degrees or pass a
  proficiency before moving on to the following degree. Of course, this will take a concerted effort from the team.
- Finally, work with the brothers completing their degrees to pass their various proficiencies. We all have the responsibility to offer this assistance. However, the primary persons who should be driving this are those brothers who are first—and second-line signers.

### **RE-ENGAGEMENT.**

Formulate a process to reach out to those members we don't see often at meetings. While their dues are vital, it is even more vital, in my opinion, to have a lodge where more members participate in the stated meetings, degree work, and social functions. Find out those members' barriers to participating in meetings and work with those brothers to find ways to eliminate those barriers.

### EDUCATION, DEGREE CONFERRALS, AND CEREMONIES.

- Take part in all District 11 DGL training opportunities. Dates for these are 1/18/25, 4/19/25, 8/12/2025, and 11/15/2025. These are all great opportunities for learning and improvement. We will also need maximum participation in the Nevada Grand Lecturers workshop date to be announced.
- Work with appropriate committees to set up team members to take roles in the various degrees of masonry, especially the Master Mason degree's second section. Work with members to learn multiple roles.
- Junior Warden will open/close a meeting of Entered Apprentices and confer an EA degree. Senior Warden will open/close a meeting of Fellowcrafts and confer a Fellowcraft degree.
- Work with appropriate committees to work on our funeral degree. Do at least one practice this year of the funeral degree.
- We will continue conducting monthly education during our stated meetings. My vision is that various officers will take turns performing the monthly education. I will work with the education committee to accomplish this goal.
- We will invite a brother from one of our sister lodges to do one of the monthly educations and offer to conduct education at that lodge when we make an official visit.
- Work with the education and ritual (Hi-twelve Committee) to set up practices for opening and closing a lodge, all the various degrees, balloting, and special presentations such as the GMOV.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND INVOLVEMENT WITH OTHER MASONIC LODGES.

- We will continue our practice of official visits to other Masonic lodges. We will take that opportunity to learn best practices from our brothers at these lodges.
- Special project that I want us to be involved in. Work with the Grand Lodge of Nevada, Vegas Lodge No.32, and other lodges to do a Table Lodge during the Daughters of the Nile Supreme Session in June. Many Masons from

all over the United States will attend with their spouses. When I attended last year's sessions in Boise, Idaho, the Idaho Grand Lodge and an area lodge hosted a dinner, and the Grand Lodge officers did the second section of a Master Masons degree. I want to do the same here in Nevada.

• Additionally, work with the Entertainment Committee to try to set up a joint summer function involving as many area lodges as possible. My suggestion would be a picnic lunch and lawn games. Invite as many brothers, family members, and guests as possible. Show everyone that Masons like to have fun.

### CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES.

- We will continue to provide food donations to the Sandy Valley Food Pantry and work with the Charity Committee to develop a plan for at least one donation this year.
- Assist the Sandy Valley food pantry by volunteering at least one Friday a month this year to help hand out food to those who need it.
- Work with the Charity Committee to consider raising funds to buy turkeys to hand out at the Sandy Valley Food Pantry in November 2025.
- Work with the Charity Committee to discuss how we can assist the Sandy Valley Activities Center. This is a center where area kids can go after school. When I asked how Sandy Valley could help, they told me we could provide recreation equipment such as soccer balls, etc.
- We will continue to work with the Scholarship Committee to award deserving students the George Odell Scholarship.

### FINANCIAL SECURITY.

- Work with the Finances Committee and the Trustees to set up appropriate tax-deductible opportunities for Sandy Valley Lodge. This may be a way for members to contribute to Sandy Valley Lodge as a tax-deductible item.
- Work with the Finance Committee and the Trustees to see if there are any opportunities to invest our monies in investments that might earn us more capital. Of course, we must do this within the bounds of the Nevada Masonic Code.
- Work with Pahrump Lodge No.54 leadership to try and set up a fundraiser to assist in building maintenance, security, and beautification.

### **APPENDANT BODIES.**

- We will continue to have the members of the Appendant Bodies Committee report on various activities occurring at those bodies.
- As stated before, participate in as many youth events as possible. Invite youth group members and appendant body leadership and members to any social events we plan.
- If possible, pick a time for appendant body leadership to visit a Stated meeting and talk to us about their various activities and opportunities.



### From the West

Brethren,

This is the month that we mourn the passing of our Worshipful Brother Lefty. Hopefully, you were able to attend his Masonic Funeral with us.

I would like to thank the Brethren that continue to support Keystone Pantry! Please let me know if you can help on Friday mornings by assisting Keystone with the help they need.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the next Stated Meeting. Take care!

Fraternally,

Carl Agbayani Senior Warden Sandy Valley Lodge No. 57 F.: & A.: M.: 619-301-0910 (Cell) <u>carl.agbayani@gmail.com</u>



### From the South

Greetings from the South. I will not be at the April communication. I will be with my family for my wife's birthday. It's been a very busy beginning of the year, as usual. Additionally, there have been funerals for our Brothers that have laid down their working tools. That brings me to the point: enjoy each day, hour, minute, and moment we have with each other. Smell the Roses, enjoy a sunset, pet a dog. Stay peaceful, everyone. I'll see you in May.

Tarek Schoner Junior Warden Sandy Valley Lodge No. 57 F.:& A.:.M.: 702-684-3633 (Cell) <u>brothertschoner@yahoo.com</u>

# Monthly Education Lecture - March 2025

Provided by Sandy Valley No. 57 Worshipful Master & Masonic Education and Leadership Committee NV Grand Lodge Short Lecture Series Researched by R. Montana Williams, P .: M .:

### **MASONIC YOUTH GROUPS**

The history of Freemasonry in the United States is as old as the country itself. One of the most impactful chapters of that history happened between 1919 and 1922. In that short span, the United States saw the creation of what we today call the Masonic youth groups. Masons created DeMolay, Job's Daughters, and The International Order of the Rainbow for Girls.

While the story, teachings, and membership requirements are different for each organization, they all strive to pass on Masonic values to the next generation and have become vital parts of Masonic culture not just in the United States, but around the globe.

### DEMOLAY INTERNATIONAL

The first of the Masonic youth groups started in the summer of 1919 under the guidance of Frank S. Land, 33°. Brother Land was a Scottish Rite Mason and an avid proponent of service in all forms. Brother Land was working as secretary for the Kansas City Scottish Rite when he was approached by a young man named Louis Lower who was looking for a job to help support his family after his father had died in World War I. With his father having been a Mason, Louis hoped the Scottish Rite could help. Land was so impressed with Lower that he not only offered him a job but encouraged him to bring his friends with him to the Rite in order to start an after-school club. Louis came back with eight of his friends and after Land recounted to them the story of Jacques DeMolay, the boys were inspired and named their new organization after the martyr in honor of his fidelity to his obligations and the loyalty he showed to his Brothers.

Brother Land asked his good friend and fellow Scottish Rite Mason, Brother Frank A. Marshall to write ritual for the boys. Brother Marshall, while initially declining, became inspired and wrote the entire ritual for DeMolay in a night. The ritual has remained largely unchanged and even served to inspire other Masons to start their own Masonic Youth Groups. Today DeMolay is a strong international organization with Chapters across the world. The membership requirements are:

- To be a young man between 12 and 21 years of age
- Believe in a Supreme Being, and
- Be of good moral character

DeMolay describes itself as "the premier international youth leadership organization, striving to shape young men into leaders of character". By epitomizing timeless values, and accepting the challenge of leadership – both of character and of action – the young men of DeMolay transform themselves into citizens of the highest caliber.

Each young man takes ownership of his DeMolay experience. From generating ideas, planning events, coordinating logistics, and executing their plans, each DeMolay Chapter is responsible for defining their success. All of this is accomplished under the mentorship of trained Advisors, selected from the local community, enabling each Chapter to be uniquely tailored to support the interests of its members.

### JOB'S DAUGHTERS INTERNATIONAL

While DeMolay was forming and refining itself in Missouri, another group was in development in Nebraska. Ethel Teresa Mick had a passion for education and the development of young people. While Ethel had her passion for children, her husband, Brother William H. Mick, had a love for Freemasonry that he had found after joining a military Lodge in World War I. These passions had combined to create the idea in their minds of a group for the children of Masons. Growing up, Ethel's mother would read her different biblical stories before bed. One that left a lasting impression on her was the Book

of Job, particularly the 42nd chapter, 15th verse: "And in all the land were no women found so fair as the Daughters of Job; and their Father gave them inheritance among their brethren".

In biblical times, women did not have many rights. They couldn't own or inherit land; they couldn't be self-sufficient. Job, however, in his wisdom, realized his daughters were very special. They were fair, kind and good, not only in looks but most importantly, in character. From this, he gave them inheritance (his vast estates, lands, and wealth) shared equally among their brothers. This allowed the daughters of Job to be independent, confident women that could hold their own in society which is something for which all strive.

Ethel used the story of Job as inspiration and, with the assistance of the Nebraska Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, the Micks' vision came to fruition in 1920 with the first meeting of the executive council of Job's Daughters. The first bethel would follow a year later.

Ethel wrote a large part of the ritual herself, but three others are credited with helping write substantial parts of it as well: Brother LeRoy T. Wilcox, Lillian Gould Faber, and Virginia V. Catlin all helped shape the ritual that the organization uses to this day. As opposed to DeMolay that seemed to form overnight, Job's Daughters took years of planning and dedication from multiple people to take off but still stands strong today, even establishing an international presence. While originally the organization was heavily Christian, membership today allows for girls between 10 and 20 with any belief in a higher power and are related to or sponsored by a Master Mason.

#### THE INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF THE RAINBOW FOR GIRLS

Christian Minister Mark Sexson encountered DeMolay for the first time during the organization's formative years. Brother Sexson was an extremely active and dedicated Mason. He was a 33° Scottish Rite Mason, Grand Master of Oklahoma, and Grand Patron of Oklahoma. Brother Sexson was incredibly impressed with DeMolay and felt strongly that girls also needed an organization that taught Masonic truths. So in 1922, with the support of South McAlester Chapter No. 149, Order of the Eastern Star, Brother Sexson set out to write the ritual for The International Order of the Rainbow for Girls. Drawing on his ministry experience, Brother Sexson named the new group Rainbow after a passage in Genesis, 9:13-16: "I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth. Whenever I bring clouds over the earth and the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will remember my covenant between me and you and all living creatures of every kind. Never again will the waters become a flood to destroy all life. Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth."

By the end of the year, the ritual was ready and the first group of Rainbow Girls was initiated. Membership to the group was originally reserved for the daughters of Masons, but Rainbow now accepts any girl between 11 and 20 who has a belief in a Supreme Being and is sponsored by a Mason. The Order of the Rainbow for Girls is now an international organization that continues to fulfill Sexson's dream of spreading the Masonic values of Faith, Hope, and Charity to the next generation. The foundation behind every lesson supports 3 basic teachings:

- Faith in a supreme being and in others.
- Having hope in all that you do.
- Charity toward others.

The Masonic youth groups continue to grow and have become integral parts of Freemasonry in the U.S. While pursuing further careers in the Masonic world is not a requirement for these three youth organizations, many senior members of these youth organizations do so, becoming some of the most ardent supporters of Freemasonry. They continue to hold Masonic values as a lifetime commitment. It is not unheard of to hear of these senior members going on to hold some of the highest offices within Freemasonry.

### From the Treasurer's Desk



### Brothers,

The Finances and Charity Committee, in coordination with the Worshipful Master, continues working towards modernizing our dues collection and event donation process. We have received a proposed solution and course of action, and the Committee will confer with the Trustees for approval. Two proposed ballots will be called: one for the approval of covering all routine operating expenses for the year 2025, and the other for the approval to proceed with modernizing the proposed dues collection and event donation process. As previously stated, this should make our collection efforts more efficient and accessible to everyone,

especially those members who live outside the Southern Nevada area.

Additionally, the Finances and Charity Committee continues to collaborate with our Worshipful Master to develop more effective and efficient strategies for managing the Lodge's finances. Our aim is to ensure that our funds are utilized optimally, thereby enhancing the overall financial health of our Lodge. We must make our money work for us.

Fraternally,

Albert A Navarro II, P.: M.: Treasurer Sandy Valley Lodge No. 57 F.: & A.: M.: 702-218-5060 (Cell) <u>navarroa@cox.net</u>

## From the Secretary's Desk



### Brethren,

I hope this email finds you well. I want to take a moment to remind everyone that we will be voting this month on updating our lodge operations to accept electronic payments. If we move forward after a favorable vote, I intend to have us up and running in 30 days or less.

To shore up any administrative lodge issues, I would ask that you sign up for GrandView as soon as possible. This is a national administrative program used by many lodges across the country and will most likely be the standard across the board.

I have included instructions below for those of you needing information to sign up. For all other brethren, please check your personal info to ensure it is correct. I'm still getting at least 8 emails returned for a bad address, and some dues cards have been returned due to no forwarding information.

If you wish to mail a check, please mail it to:

### Ken O'Neill 527 Albacate Street Henderson, NV 89015

I will mail your dues card to the return address listed on your check or envelope. Please note that we still have members who need to update their contact information as soon as possible.

I have included instructions for GrandView access for your convenience.

For those of you still needing assistance signing up with GrandView, I have included the instructions below.

**GrandView** Instructions: From your browser, type in nymasons.org. Once the page opens, click the resource link in the upper right-hand corner using the dropdown menu. Click on Grandview and follow the instructions listed below.

- 1. Please read the following instructions; the registration link is at the end.
- 2. Enter the information carefully:
  - a. Lodge Number:

Enter home/primary NEVADA lodge number only. ONLY numeric characters. For example, if you were a member of Lodge #3, enter a 3

b. Member ID:

This should be the number in the corner of your current dues card.

c. Last Name:

Enter last name (CASE SENSITIVE). Most names are capitalized in the common fashion. If your last name has multiple capitals or names, you may have to try other combinations of capitals. For example, try "Mcc" and "McC". If you have several last names, try the very last one first.

### d. Hit "Check Membership Status"

- 3. If successful in verifying membership, it will prompt you for an email and password set-up.
  - a. Email:

Please use a personal email that you would like the Grand Lodge to use as a contact for you. DO NOT use a lodge email as "Secretary" status is granted in the system (i.e., choose an email that will stay with you, not your position.) Please note that this email will be used by the Grand Lodge and/or Lodge(s) to communicate with you. However, you may designate your preferred contact method in your profile.

b. Password / Check Password:

Choose a password of AT LEAST 8 characters. No other complications are required, but a complex password is recommended (as always).

- 4. Future visits will be through the standard login portal.
- 5. Once logged in, please explore your profile and update your contact information and any other information you would like to provide your Secretary and the Grand Lodge. If you cannot change something (Degree dates, etc.), please inform the secretary of the correction.
- 6. Go to this link: Nevada Grand View Registration Page

### Questions should be directed as follows:

- Code & Masonic Law questions should be directed to the Grand Secretary.
- Basic system help can be found (once logged in) under the Help Desk tab.
- For the access code (for Brothers in specified Lodges), consult the Lodge Secretary.

I want to remind everyone that all checks and official lodge information must be sent to me directly to the Lodge address on file with the Grand Lodge. That address is:

> Ken O'Neill, P.M., Secretary Sandy Valley Lodge # 57 527 Albacate St Henderson, NV 89015

> > Fraternally,,

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## From the Lodge Communications Mason

### 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,

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## Sandy Valley No.57 Commíttees at a Glance

### **MANDATORY COMMITTEES:**

#### **Cognizance Committee:**

Chairman: WB Kenneth O'Neill, P.M. Member 2: WB Dwain Rittenhouse, P.M. Member 3: WB Brian Boles, P.M.

#### **Delinquency Committee:**

Chairman: WB Albert Navarro, P.M. Member 2: WB Montana Williams, P.M. Member 3: WB Dave Sims, P.M.

#### **SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

#### **Appendant Bodies Committee:**

Chairman: Brother Russ Gray (Shriners) Member 2: Brother Buzz Ingram (Youth Groups) Member 3: WB Brett Williams, P.M. (AASR) Member 4: Brother Cyril Bradshaw (York Rite)

#### **By Laws Committee:**

Chairman: Brother Michael Kearns Member 2: Brother Carl Agbayani Member 3: Brother Tarek Schoner

# Membership/Marketing/Community/Communications (M2C2) Committee:

Chairman: Brother Justin Sobota (Web Master) Member 2: WB Brian Boles, P.M. Member 3: WB Albert Navarro, P.M. (Trestle Board)

#### Finances and Charity Committee:

Chairman: WB Albert Navarro, P.M. Member 2: WB Cristian Gliga, P.M. Member 3: Brother Carl Agbayani

#### Investigation/ Degree Progression Committee:

Chairman: Brother Justin Rittenhouse Member 2: Brother Reginald Winbush Member 3: Brother Ped Palmer Sickness and Distress Committee: Chairman: Brother Bill Cookston Member 2: WB John Pennington, P.M. Member 3: Brother Marcus Contoneru

#### Masonic Education Committee:

Chairman: Brother Jeffrey Vrabel Member 2: WB Montana Williams, P.M. Member 3: Brother Justin Rittenhouse

### Ritual and Hi-Twelve (Third Degree) Committee:

Chairman: WM Michael Kearns Vice Chairman: Brother Tarek Schoner (MM) Member 2: Brother Daniel Young (FC) Member 3: Brother Justin Rittenhouse (EA) Member 4: Brother Cyril Bradshaw (Funerals) Member 5: WB John Pennington, P.M. (DGL)

#### **Refreshment / Entertainment Committee:**

Chairman Brother Tarek Schoner Member 2: Brother Reginald Winbush Member3: Brother Ped Palmer Member 4: Brother Bill Cookston (Formal Dinner)

#### Instruction "Redbook" Committee:

Co-Chairman: WB Albert Navarro, P.M. & WB Brian Boles, P.M. Vice Chairman: Brother Greg Curtain Member 2: Brother Bill Cookston Member 3: Brother Dennis Williams Member 4: WB Kenneth O'Neill, P.M. Member 5: WB Harry Smith, Honorary P.M.

#### Scholarship Committee:

Chairman: WB Wade Schneiderman, P.M. Member 2: WB Troy Schneiderman, P.M. Member 3: WB Kenneth O'Neill, P.M. Member 4: Brother Jeffrey Vrabel

### From Your Board of Trustees



Robin "Montana" Williams Past Master 2022 One-Year Trustee 702-743-7143 (Cell) montana.williams@gmail.com



Brian Boles Past Master 2023 Two-Year Trustee 702-296-8653 (Cell) brian@boleskerr.com



Brett Williams Junior Past Master 2024 Three-Year Trustee 206-939-7767 (Cell) emailbrettwilliams@gmail.com

On behalf of your Lodge Trustees, I would like to thank you for your trust and continued support. I would also like to use this opportunity to educate our newer members on the Powers and duties of the Board of Trustees.

Per 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, always with the benefit of the craft and lodge as their guide.

I hope to see you all in attendance this year.

Fraternally,

Robin "Montana" Williams One-Year Trustee

Two-Year Trustee

Brian Boles

Brett Williams Three-Year Trustee

## 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

## **#VEGASSTRONGER**

2025 LODGE OF	FICERS		PAST MASTERS	
Michael Kearns	Worshipful Master		Donald Daum	UD 2001
	720-425-6330		George W. Odell	2002
Carl Agbayani	Senior Warden		Ted Johnson	2003
	619-301-0910		Bill Katz (Unfinished Term)	2004
Tarek Schoner	Junior Warden		Swannie Swenson (2004)	2005
	702-684-3633		Al Oppegard	2006
Albert Navarro II	Treasurer		Troy Schneiderman	2007
	702-218-5060		Michael L. Rodgers	2008
Kenneth O'Neill, P.M.	Secretary		John Pennington	2009
	702-237-2259		Mike Barry	2010
Jeffrey Vrabel	Senior Deacon 702-527-2744		Wade Schneiderman(10yr Anniversary-UD)Fred Horne(10vr Anniversary)	2011
lustia Dittanhausa				2012
Justin Rittenhouse	Junior Deacon 702-540-7947		Mark Tavarez John Pennington	2013 2014
Russell Gray	Chaplain		Michael Kurcab	2014
hussell dray	303-901-7044		Dwain Rittenhouse	2013
Dennis Williams	Tyler		Mathew McCarthy	2010
	702-596-3104		Kenneth L. O'Neill Jr.	2017
Reginald Winbush	Senior Steward		Steven Benjamin	2019
5	702-460-1130		Dave Sims	2020
Ped Palmer	Junior Steward		Albert A Navarro II (20yr Anniversary-UD)	2021
	702-301-1856		Robin "Montana" Williams (20yr Anniversary)	2022
Bill Cookston	Marshall		Brian Boles	2023
	775-253-0159		Brett Williams	2024
Juston Sobota Historian	& Communications Mason 702-480-2482			
John Pennington Sr., P.M.	Deputy Grand Lecturer 702-355-0154			
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TRUSTEE	ES		AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS	
3-Year	Brett Willams, P.M.		David Owens	
2-Year Brian Boles, P.M.			Fred Horne	
1-Year Rob			17.4.1	
HONORARY MEMBERS			Terry Baker	8 / C
*Jim Cook, P.M.			Fred Robinson	
Harry Christopher, P.M.			Harold Scalzo	
Frank Merica			Richard Hunker	
			*Clifford Wiltse	
			*Dave White	
HONORARY PAST	MASTERS		Greg Curtain	
*Parke Potter	2007			*Deceased