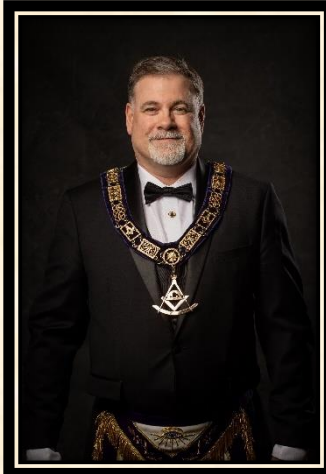


Sandy Valley Lodge No.57

Free and Accepted Masons

Trestle Board



Most Worshipful Zakariah A. Gulling

Grand Master of Masons in Nevada

Next Stated Communication

Saturday, June 7, 2025 @ 10am

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

May 2025 A.D. / 6025 A.L.

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

Celebrating Our Brothers



May Birthdays

Donald G Daum, P.:M.:	6/02/1933
Charles H Coleman	6/22/1942
Harold T Johnson, P.:M.:	6/29/1953
James Porter	6/04/1955
John L Stelsel	6/19/1969
Mathew M McCarthy, P.:M.:	6/11/1970
Troy A Schneiderman, P.:M.:	6/21/1972



May Masonic Birthdays

C Mike Cappa, P.:M.:	6/22/1987
David G Harvey	6/26/2014
Frank F Heyer, P.:M.:	6/14/1963
Richard P Hunker	6/02/1972
Ian W Johnson	6/16/2012
Ped W Palmer	6/01/2024
Harold Scalzo Jr, P.:M.:	6/16/2009

This year's George Odell Scholarship was awarded to Miss Chasey Burek of Sandy Valley High School by our Worshipful Master, Mike Kearns. Miss Burek has been accepted to Southern Utah University, and this scholarship will assist her with book expenses and other costs, allowing her to focus on her education.



The Master's Calendar

(Subject to Change)

JUNE 2025.

- June 7th Stated Communication. Report on the progress of the Silver State Award.
June 14th – 19th 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 30th – July 4th Shriners Imperial Sessions in Atlanta, Georgia.

JULY 2025. (Dark Month)

- July 13th – 26th 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 12th District-11 DGL Workshop with Pahrump 54 and Robert Burns 59. RB59 is hosting.

SEPTEMBER 2025.

- Sept 6th Stated Communication. Discuss plans for the fall season.
Sept 20th (OPEN) Possible degree work.
*Friday AM volunteers for Sandy Valley Food Bank.

OCTOBER 2025.

- Oct 4th Stated Communication.
Oct 10th Official Visit to King Solomon 58. Meeting 7pm.
Oct 18th (OPEN) Possible degree work.
*Friday AM volunteers for Sandy Valley Food Bank.

NOVEMBER 2025.

- Nov 1st Stated Communication. Senior Warden to Open/Close and run the meeting.
Nov 9th-11th Grand Lodge Sessions in Reno, Nevada.
Nov 15th 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 22nd (OPEN) Possible degree work.
*Friday AM volunteers for Sandy Valley Food Bank.

DECEMBER 2025.

- Dec 6th 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:

Well, we are quickly approaching our summer break. I want to thank all of you for your hard work during the first half of the year. We accomplished a lot of good work, and I believe we are entering this period in great shape.

We still have a little more to do. On May 31st, we will hold a Master Mason degree for two of our Brothers. This will give them the summer to learn their proficiencies. We are also initiating our newest Entered Apprentice at our June Stated Meeting. This will give him the summer to work on his proficiency as well.

We are in a strong position regarding the Silver State award. One thing we need to focus on is having a good turnout for the Grand Lecturers workshop on June 28th. I will address this important event at our June 7th State Meeting.

By the time this Trestle Board is published, we will have awarded the George Odell Scholarship to Miss Chasey Burek. This young lady has worked incredibly hard and truly deserves this scholarship. It also warms my heart that she is pursuing a career in nursing, and we're able to support her in this journey. Finally, my brothers, I hope you all enjoy a well-deserved break over the next few months. However, if I see the need to call a meeting, I will do so after giving you all adequate notice. Use this summer break to recharge, enjoy time with your families and friends, and be prepared to hit the ground running in September.

Respectfully & Fraternally,

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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,

My apologies for the shortness of my cable tow recently. I've been dealing with parental surgeries and the passing of an uncle who was very close to me. If anyone has ever had to bury someone in California, then you know that the process is not quick. I'll be traveling back and forth to California over the next couple of weeks.

Brother Vrable has graciously stepped up to take over the May 31st MM Degree and Practices planning. The good news is that all the roles and backups have been filled.

I will have more updates on the Charity Committee soon. Get some rest while we are Dark.

Fraternally,

Carl Agbayani

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From the South

Greetings from the South,

All is well in the South. Enjoy your summer.

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Monthly Education Lecture - May 2025

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

Researched by Brother Jeffrey Vrabel

THE HOODWINK

My Brothers, today we turn our attention to an element of our ritual that, while simple in its form, is profound in its meaning. A seemingly unassuming piece of cloth that plays a vital role in our ceremonies, acting as a potent symbol that speaks volumes about our journey in Freemasonry and beyond: the hoodwink.

Consider the moment when the candidate first encounters the hoodwink. It is a moment of deliberate obscuration, a masking of the physical senses. In that instant, the world as he knows it fades away, replaced by a state of darkness and uncertainty. This is no accident, my Brothers. It is a carefully orchestrated step, designed to impress upon the candidate the importance of humility and reliance upon guidance. He must trust his brethren and the ritual process. This act symbolizes the importance of faith. Faith in the tradition, in the ritual, and in the guiding principles of Masonry. We must surrender our preconceived notions and trust the process.

In the second section of the Fellowcraft Degree, much is made of the five senses of human nature. We owe the elaboration of this, and the language, to William Preston's Illustrations of Masonry which is father to much exoteric ritual in the United States.

Of sight, Worshipful Brother Preston wrote:



"Seeing is that sense by which we distinguish objects, and are enabled in an instant of time, without change of place or situation, to view armies in battle array, figures of the most stately structure, and all the agreeable variety displayed in the landscape of Nature. By this sense we find our way in the pathless ocean, traverse the globe of earth, determine its figures and dimensions, and delineate any region or quarter of it. By it we measure the planetary orbs, and make new discoveries in the sphere of the fixed stars. Nay, more; by it we perceive the tempers and dispositions, the passions and affections, of our fellow-creatures, when they wish most to conceal them, so that though the tongue may be taught to lie and dissemble, countenance will display the hypocrisy to the discerning eye."

The hoodwink serves as a powerful reminder of the limitations of our physical senses. How often do we rely solely on what we can see and touch, neglecting the inner voice, the intuition, the spiritual understanding that lies within? By temporarily depriving us of sight, the hoodwink encourages us to look inward, to cultivate the inner eye, the "single eye" of virtue and truth that our ancient brethren spoke of. Plato said that "the ignorant suffered from ignorance, as the blind man from want of light".

In this state of physical blindness, the candidate is compelled to rely on other senses: the sound of the Tyler's warning, the guiding hand of the conductor, the voices of the brethren. This teaches us a fundamental truth: that in our journey through life, and indeed through Freemasonry, there will be times when we cannot see the path ahead clearly. At such times, we must learn to trust in the wisdom and guidance of those who have traveled before us, those who have the light we seek.

The temporary blindness of the hoodwink is symbolic of the deprivation of intellectual light. The Masonic candidate, therefore, represents one immersed in intellectual darkness, groping in the search for that Divine light and truth that are the objects of a Freemason's labor.

In spite of the ritual, only a very literal-minded man can imagine that the hoodwink is for the purpose of concealing the Lodge and the brethren from the initiate until he is obligated. The architect who designed the building, the workmen who

erected the walls, the laborers who laid the carpet, the electricians, the painters, the craftsmen of the altar and chairs, and most often the candidate himself have all have seen the Lodge without taking an obligation. The Entered Apprentice is hoodwinked before he enters a Fellow Craft Lodge, the Fellow Craft is again hoodwinked before he enters a Master Mason Lodge; yet he has seen the room in his first degree. Therefore, his hoodwink is not to conceal a lodge, but is a symbol.

In all systems of initiation, darkness has been a symbol of ignorance and light knowledge. Hence, ritual that the heart might conceive before the eyes behold the beauties of Freemasonry. In the Ancient Mysteries, the aspirant was always shrouded in darkness as a preparatory step to the reception of the full light of knowledge. Among the Druids of Britain, the period was nine days and nights; in the Grecian Mysteries, it was "three times nine days"; while among the Persians, it was an almost remarkable period of fifty days of darkness, solitude, and fasting.

Before the unveiling in the Entered Apprentice degree, darkness is emphasized: there is "darkness upon the face of the deep. And the spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. And God said, 'Let there be light!' And there was light." A further ritual reference to darkness is found in the account of the situation of the Temple of Solomon, on the northern walls of which the sun at meridian never shone. The North is therefore, Masonically, a place of darkness. East, of course, is the place of light; the Northeast corner, a "place of beginning" because it is halfway between the radiance of light in the East and the North from which the sun never shines.

Aside from the symbolism of the hoodwink, there are two excellent psychological reasons for depriving the candidate temporarily of sight. A man has only a certain amount of power to receive impressions; if this power be divided between eye and ear and feeling, it is less strong for many, than if some senses are temporarily in abeyance. The blindfold emphasizes the words heard; there is more attention possible to important ritual when all, not a part, of attention is given to the use of one sense.

Second, a candidate is more impressed when he is a part of the action of a degree. The more he becomes of it, the greater the impression. Hoodwinking the candidate singles him out from the rest. He is in a different situation from his brethren-to-be. He is immediately made dependent. He can no longer defend himself. He must rely upon a friend. He is made different and because he is different he becomes, for a time, in his own thoughts, more important.

On removal, the hoodwink does not create eyesight. The lodge, the lights, the altar, the brethren are not made by removal of a hoodwink, they are but revealed. The perfect ashlar is made by a process of taking away, not adding to. The gavel and chisel remove roughness to leave smoothness, remove angles to leave square and level planes. The perfect ashlar from the rough, the sight to the hoodwinked, are thus revelations, not creations. Masonic light is not created anew for each initiate. It is always with the Fraternity, awaiting but the opportunity. Just as the perfect ashlar is within all stones awaiting the chisel of the master, sight and knowledge are within the Lodge and its ceremonies awaiting only the removal of the hoodwink signifying the uncovering of truth, the opening of the eyes to divine and moral realities, and the awakening of the soul to higher understanding.

In the Old Testament, and in many other ancient documents, religions, and philosophies darkness is symbolic not only of ignorance, but of sin, evil, wrong. This is not so of the Masonic darkness of the hoodwink. There is no thought in any Masonic degree that a candidate is or does evil. The hoodwink is not voluntary. The candidate submits to the hoodwink because the degree requires him to do so. It is a requirement to emphasize ignorance now, and knowledge to come, not sin now, and redemption to come. A Freemason's darkness indicates only a helpfulness to emphasize the worth of knowledge; in a Lodge it is not used to emphasize a moral regeneration. Candidates for Freemasonry are already moral men, or they could not be candidates.

Furthermore, the hoodwink symbolizes the veil of ignorance that shrouds human understanding from which we are drawn towards the light of Masonic knowledge. Just as the physical eyes are covered, so too is the mind, as the candidate stands at the threshold of a new understanding. The removal of the hoodwink, therefore, becomes a powerful moment of illumination, a symbolic awakening to the principles and tenets of our Craft. It is a visual representation of the progress we make as we learn and grow in Masonic light.

Think, my Brothers, of the world outside our Lodge. How many are walking through life with self-imposed hoodwinks, blinded by prejudice, by dogma, by a refusal to see beyond their own limited perspectives? Freemasonry teaches us to remove these metaphorical hoodwinks, to seek truth with an open mind and a willing heart, to embrace the light of knowledge and understanding from whatever source it may come. The hoodwink signifies an inner journey each Mason undertakes. It is an emblem of the spiritual blindness that must be lifted through self-examination, moral introspection, and the pursuit of virtue. Removing the hoodwink is akin to awakening the inner light, our true self, hidden beneath layers of ignorance and vice.

My Brothers, the hoodwink is far more than just a blindfold. It is a potent symbol of humility, trust, reliance on guidance, the limitations of our physical senses, the journey from ignorance to enlightenment, the importance of seeking truth with an open mind, a powerful emblem of our spiritual journey. It signifies the transition from darkness to light, ignorance to knowledge, and the importance of trust and humility on the path of enlightenment. As we witness the candidate's experience with the hoodwink, let us also reflect upon the metaphorical hoodwinks in our own lives, and strive to continually remove them, seeking ever greater light and understanding in our Masonic journey. Let us remember that the removal of the hoodwink is not merely a ritual act but a symbol of our ongoing quest to seek truth, acquire wisdom, and embody virtue. May we always walk with clear vision, guided by the principles of our ancient and honorable Craft for there is power for good in darkness, and a blessing in temporary withdrawal of sight.

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From the Treasurer's Desk

Brothers,

We aim to complete the connections that will enable digital payments and donations to the Lodge before we return from our summer break.

The Finances and Charity Committee continues to explore more effective and efficient strategies for managing the Lodge's finances. Our goal is to ensure that our funds are used optimally, thereby improving the overall financial health of our Lodge. We need to make our money work for us.

Fraternally,

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Treasurer

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From the Secretary's Desk

Brethren,

I hope this message finds you all in good health. I am pleased to announce that the lodge is in the final stages of being able to accept Paypal and Zelle for financial transactions such as dues, donations, etc. If you haven't already done so, please ensure that you have signed on with GrandView. I have included instructions below for those who need assistance.

Fraternally.

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 nvmasons.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:

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Fraternally,,

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Respectfully,

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Sandy Valley No.57 Committees 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
Member 3: 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



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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

Brian Boles
Two-Year Trustee

Brett Williams
Three-Year Trustee



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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