

# Sandy Valley Lodge No.57

Free and Accepted Masons

## Trestle Board



Most Worshipful David E. Bechtel

Grand Master of Masons in Nevada

Next Stated Communication

Saturday, January 10, 2026 @ 10am

Location: 281 Gemini Drive, Pahrump, Nevada 89048 (<https://maps.app.goo.gl/9xJDVTRgfJecY8Xz5>)

December 2025 A.D. / 6025 A.L.

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

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

# Celebrating Our Brothers



## February Birthdays

Gary D Boozer	2/03/1947
Daniel S Crowe, P.:M.:	2/10/1974
Matthew Hernandez	2/16/1993
Tarek R. Schoner	2/04/1969



## February Masonic Birthdays

Martin W Maxey	2/15/1978
Curtis L Mattke	2/17/1987
Jeffry L Chambers	2/10/1990
Buzz D Ingram	2/08/2012
Steven M Benjamin, P.:M.:	2/18/2012
Mathew M McCarthy	2/18/2012
Albert A Navarro II, P.:M.:	2/14/2014
Charles H Coleman	2/19/2015
Adrian Goins	2/22/2025
Daniel D Young Jr.	2/22/2025

# The Master's Calendar - 2026

(Subject to Change)

**NOTE:** ALL DEGREES ARE TO BE HELD ON STATED MEETING DATES, WHEN POSSIBLE. ANY OFFICIAL VISITS, WORKSHOPS, OFF-SITE FELLOWSHIP, ETC. WILL BE ADDED TO THE CALENDAR AS THEY ARE SCHEDULED.

**NOTE:** 1ST AND 3RD FRIDAY EVERY MONTH AT 7:45 AM, VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME FOR SANDY VALLEY KEYSTONE PANTRY WORK.

## February

February 7<sup>th</sup>: Stated Communication. Master's Goals and Message to be given at Lodge. All Committees will be finalized by this date.

February 21<sup>st</sup>: "Garage Lodge" to be held at 5pm at 7808 Observation Peak Street, Las Vegas, NV 89166.  
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/MAtPuzC7PhyMxPdLA>

## March

March 7<sup>th</sup>: Stated Communication.

## April

April 4<sup>th</sup>: Stated Communication.  
Tentative Month for Masonic Charity Shooting Competition

NOTE: 1st and 3rd Friday at 7:45 AM volunteers for Sandy Valley Keystone Pantry.

## May

May 2<sup>nd</sup>: Stated Communication.

NOTE: 1st and 3rd Friday at 7:45 AM volunteers for Sandy Valley Keystone Pantry.

## June

June 6<sup>th</sup>: Stated Communication. Report on the progress of the Silver State Award.

## July (Dark Month)

## August (Dark Month)

## September

September 5<sup>th</sup>: **No Stated Communication due to Holiday.**

September 12<sup>th</sup>: Stated Communication. Discuss plans for the fall season.

## October

October 3<sup>rd</sup>: Stated Communication.

## November

Nov 7<sup>th</sup>: Stated Communication. Step Up for ALL Officers. Senior Warden to Open/Close and run the meeting.

## December

December 5<sup>th</sup>: Stated Communication. Election of 2027 Officers.

December (TBD) Sandy Valley Installation of Officers for 2027.



## From the East

Brethren et al,

We had a rough year losing Brethren. My message to you is this:

Let's speak with each other on the level, treat each other with respect and honesty. When we do this, I can see at least two things happening. One, is we will hopefully retain membership, and two, spur more fellowship within the Lodge.

I go back to a conversation I had with WB Michael Kurcab, where he said (this was a while ago, so I am sure this is not an exact quote), that men join this fraternity for mostly three reasons, not the only reasons, but these three are the main ones. First, Philosophy, Ritual, and History; Second, Fellowship and Brotherhood. Third being Charity.

Please remember that we joined for different reasons, and we should respect the other reasons that the Brethren joined for. Ask the Brethren why they joined and why they stayed, and I am willing to bet that the reasons will differ from Brother to Brother. Let's respect that and make this Lodge what we ALL want it to be.

Fraternally yours,

Carl Agbayani

Senior Warden

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# The Master's Goals for 2026

- **PROMOTE FELLOWSHIP WITH MONTHLY EVENTS.**
  - **Events will be published in the calendar.**
- **EARN SILVER STATE AWARD.**
- **RAISING AS MANY MASTER MASONS AS THE LODGE CAN.**
- **CONTINUE ASSISTING THE KEYSTONE PANTRY.**
- **RAISE FUNDS VIA DONATIONS FOR THE SANDY VALLEY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.**
- **CONDUCT A MASONIC CHARITY SHOOTING MATCH FOR DONATIONS TO THE LODGE.**
- **SPONSOR UP TO THREE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SANDY VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS.**



## From the West

Greetings from the West,

Greetings from the West. I hope to see everyone at the Super Bowl Party at the Lodge in Pahrump on Sunday, Feb 8. Scottish Rite is on Thursday, the 5th, and the Scottish Rite Reunion is coming up on April 10-11. If you're interested in expanding your Masonic experience by joining the Scottish Rite, contact me. Shriners LOH meeting is on the 15th. The Zelzah Shriners meeting is on the 17th. The Zelzah Shriners Clowns Unit has been revived. If you're interested in being a clown for the parades, contact Zelzah Shrine. On the 18th, there is a Las Vegas York Rite meeting at Vegas 32. Please get involved in these

appendant bodies.

BE a Mason, don't just wear the shirt.

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## From the South

Brethren,

Hopefully everyone had a good start to their 2026. I look forward to seeing everyone. For our meal this meeting, we will be having chili and some tasty sides to go with it.

Justin Rittenhouse

Junior Warden

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## From the Treasurer's Desk

Brothers,

The Finance and Charity Committee will continue to seek ways to enhance our Lodge's financial well-being. In collaboration with the Lodge Trustees, we will develop a new strategy to optimize our funds, ensuring greater financial stability and more responsible use of resources.

Fraternally,

Albert A Navarro II, P.:M.:

Treasurer

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## From the Secretary's Desk

Brethren,

The February 2026 Edition of the Grand Lodge Newsletter is now available for viewing on the Grand Lodge Website (<https://www.nvmasons.org/newsletter>). Both a video and a PDF version are available for download. The newsletter contains a lot of information on upcoming special events and programs. I will provide a formal review during our Stated Communication.

As a reminder, the 2026 dues cards have arrived. Sandy Valley Lodge is now accepting payments via Zelle, Cash, or Check. If you prefer to pay by check, please mail it to:

Ken O'Neill  
527 Alacate St.  
Henderson, NV 89015

For those who need assistance with Zelle, the following steps and information are provided. You may also contact your financial institution for guidance on setting up the service.

### Step-by-Step Guide to Using Zelle

1. Check if Your Bank Supports Zelle: Most major U.S. banks and credit unions offer Zelle through their mobile apps or websites. If your bank supports Zelle, you can use it directly through their app.
2. Download the Zelle App (if needed): If your bank does not offer Zelle, download the Zelle app from the App Store or Google Play. You will need to link a U.S. debit card to use the app.
3. Enroll with Your Email or Phone Number: Sign up using your U.S. mobile number or email address and link your bank account or debit card.
4. Send Money: Choose a recipient using their email or mobile number ([payments@sandyvalley57.com](mailto:payments@sandyvalley57.com)). Enter the amount and hit send. The recipient will receive a notification and can accept the money, usually within minutes.

### Things to Keep in Mind

- There are typically no fees, but your bank may have limits on how much you can send.  
On a business note, the Lodge continues to accept 2026 dues via cash, check, or our new electronic payment options.

**PAYPAL.** If you prefer to use PayPal, you can scan the QR code in this message or the one at the Secretary's desk at the lodge.

2026 Dues Payment



In November, I will send out a lodge-wide communication with the Zelle information and PayPal/Venmo QR code. Please note! If you choose to pay via PayPal, the dues amount is \$104.00. According to policy, the lodge is charged a \$3.00 fee

for PayPal/Venmo transactions. This fee is non-negotiable, and the lodge cannot under any circumstances absorb or divert this expense. Zelle is free, and your total charge will remain at \$101.00 for the yearly dues.

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.

**GRANDVIEW.** As a reminder, please check your GrandView accounts to ensure all your information is current and accurate. Instructions for accessing your account are provided below if needed.

**Step-by-Step Guide to Using GrandView.**

*From your browser, type in [nvmasons.org](http://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.

Fraternally,,

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Secretary

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From the Lodge Communications Mason

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

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

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/sandyvalley57>

Respectfully,

Adrian Goins

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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 Michael Kearns, P.:M.:*

Member 2: WB Albert Navarro, P.:M.:

Member 3: WB Montana Williams, 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: TBD (York Rite)

### **By Laws Committee:**

*Chairman: WM Carl Agbayani*

Member 2: Brother Tarek Schoner

Member 3: Brother Justin Rittenhouse

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

*Chairman: Brother Adrian Goins (Web Master)*

Member 2: WB Brian Boles, P.:M.:

Member 3: WB Albert Navarro, P.:M.: (Trestle Board)

### **Finances and Charity Committee:**

*Chairman: Brother Ped Palmer*

Member 2: WB Albert Navarro, P.:M.:

Member 3: WB Michael Kearns, P.:M.:

### **Investigation / Degree Progression Committee:**

*Chairman: Brother Justin Rittenhouse*

Member 2: Brother Reginald Winbush

Member 3: Brother Ped Palmer

### **Sickness and Distress Committee:**

*Chairman: WM Bill Cookston*

Member 2: WB Michael Kearns, P.:M.:

Member 3: Brother Marcus Cantoneru

### **Masonic Education Committee:**

*Chairman: Brother Tarek Schoner*

Member 2: WB Montana Williams, P.:M.:

Member 3: Brother Justin Rittenhouse

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

*Chairman: WM Carl Agbayani*

Vice Chairman: WB Michael Kearns, P.:M.: (MM)

Member 2: Brother Tarek Schoner (FC)

Member 3: Brother Charles Mallard (EA)

Member 4: Brother Russ Gray (Funerals)

Member 5: WB Brett Williams, P.M. (DGL)

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

*Chairman: Brother Justin Rittenhouse*

Member 2: Brother James Valera

Member 3: Brother Jon Reed

Member 4: Brother Ped Palmer

### **Instruction "Redbook" Committee:**

*Co-Chairman: WB Albert Navarro, P.:M.: & WB Brian Boles, P.:M.:*

Vice Chairman: WB Greg Curtain, P.:M.:

Member 2: WM Bill Cookston

Member 3: Brother Dennis Williams

Member 4: WB Kenneth O'Neill, P.:M.:

Member 5: Brother Justin Rittenhouse

### **Scholarship Committee:**

*Chairman: WM Carl Agbayani*

Member 2: WB Troy Schneiderman, P.:M.:

Member 3: WB Kenneth O'Neill, P.:M.:

Member 4: WB Michael Kearns, P.:M.:

## From Your Board of Trustees



Brian Boles  
Past Master 2023  
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Michael Kearns  
Junior Past Master 2025  
Three-Year Trustee  
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On behalf of your Lodge Trustees, we sincerely thank you for your trust and ongoing support. I also wish to take this opportunity to inform our new members of the Board of Trustees' responsibilities and authority.

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 perform these duties with Masonic integrity, guided always by the benefit of the craft and lodge.

I hope to see you all in attendance this year.

Fraternally,

*Brian Boles*  
One-Year Trustee

*Brett Williams*  
Two-Year Trustee

*Michael Kearns*  
Three-Year Trustee



From the Editor's Desk

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### PHYSICAL LOCATION

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## To Our Fellow Lodges Throughout Southern Nevada:

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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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2025 LODGE OFFICERS		PAST MASTERS	
Carl Agbayani	Worshipful Master 619-301-0910	Donald Daum George W. Odell	UD 2001 2002
Tarek Schonert	Senior Warden 702-684-3633	Ted Johnson Bill Katz ( <i>Unfinished Term</i> )	2003 2004
Justin Rittenhouse	Junior Warden 702-540-7947	Swannie Swenson ( <i>2004</i> ) Al Opegard	2005 2006
Albert Navarro II, P.: M.:	Treasurer 702-218-5060	Troy Schneiderman Michael L. Rodgers	2007 2008
Kenneth O'Neill, P.: M.:	Secretary 702-237-2259	John Pennington Mike Barry	2009 2010
Adrian Goins	Senior Deacon 725-577-4512	Wade Schneiderman ( <i>10yr Anniversary-UD</i> ) Fred Horne ( <i>10yr Anniversary</i> )	2011 2012
Justin Sobota	Junior Deacon 702-480-2482	Mark Tavarez John Pennington	2013 2014
Russell Gray	Chaplain 303-901-7044	Michael Kurcab Dwain Rittenhouse	2015 2016
Dennis Williams	Tyler 702-596-3104	Mathew McCarthy Kenneth L. O'Neill Jr.	2017 2018
Jon Reed	Senior Steward 775-721-1801	Steven Benjamin Dave Sims	2019 2020
Ped Palmer	Junior Steward 702-301-1856	Albert A Navarro II ( <i>20yr Anniversary-UD</i> ) Robin "Montana" Williams ( <i>20yr Anniversary</i> )	2021 2022
Charles Mallard	Marshall 702-430-0962	Brian Boles Brett Williams	2023 2024
Justin Sobota	Historian 702-480-2482	Michael Kearns	2025
Adrian Goins	Web-Mason 725-577-4512		
Brett Williams	Deputy Grand Lecturer 206-939-7767		
TRUSTEES		AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS	
3-Year	Michael Kearns, P.: M.:	David Owens	
2-Year	Brett Williams, P.: M.:	Fred Horne	
1-Year	Brian Boles, P.: M.:	*George Gilbert	
HONORARY MEMBERS		Terry Baker	
	*Jim Cook, P.: M.:	Fred Robinson	
	Harry Christopher, P.: M.:	Harold Scalzo	
	Frank Merica, P.: M.:	Richard Hunker	
		*Clifford Wiltse	
		*Dave White	
HONORARY PAST MASTERS		Greg Curtain	
*Parke Potter	2007		*Deceased
2025 LODGE OFFICERS		PAST MASTERS	

