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2023



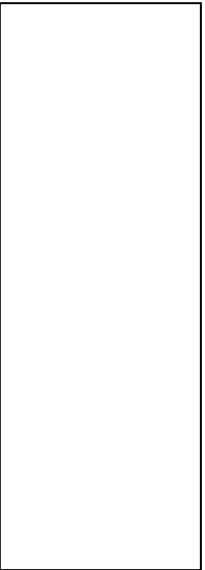
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Pahrump Lodge #54 Trestle Board

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#54 F. & A.M

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## Officers

Worshipful Master	Mike Cappa (Inge)
Senior Warden	Jeremy Turek
Junior Warden	Cristian Gliga (Elena)
Treasurer	Cameron McRae (Sue)
Secretary	Greg Curtin PM (Maria)
Senior Deacon	Chuck Coleman (Terri)
Junior Deacon	Bill Cookston (Sue)
Senior Steward	James McRae
Junior Steward	
Chaplain	Frank Heyer P.M. (Lois)
Marshall	Harry Smith
Tyler	Neal Snyder
Historian	W.B. Dave Smith P.M. (Barbara)
DGL	Harry Smith

Due to the problems we are having with scammers., We are eliminating the contact info for the officers. If you want to contact one and need their contact info, you can call us or email us at: [inquiry@pahrumpmasons nv.org](mailto:inquiry@pahrumpmasons nv.org)

## Past Masters

1985 - Hershgel Trucks UD*	1998 - George Bunch*	2011 - James Webb
1986 - Floyd Neth	1999 - Dave Stundon*	2012 - Philip Bertuglia
1987 - Harvey Rakestraw*	2000 - Dave Stundon*	2013 - Fred Beeman*
1988 - Harold Dolan*	2001 - Wade Peterson	2014 - David B. White*
1989 - J.D. Bowman*	2002 - George Stofferan*	2015 - John D. Wehrly
1990 - David Hall	2003 - Ed Robinson*	2016 - Gregory F. Curtin
1991 - Steve Kirker	2004 - Bruce Patterson*	2017 - R. Darce Wilson
1992 - Harold Waltz	2005 - Dave Hall	2018 - David Darrow
1993 - Paul Lunsford	2006 - Ray Raffety*	2019 - Michael Burkintas
1994 - Robert Clark	2007 - J.D. Bowmen*	2020 - Dave Cook
1995 - Bobby Hurst*	2008 - Richard Willey	2021 - Fred Beeman*
1996 - Ira "Red" Copass*	2009 - Sam Davis, Jr.	2022 - Thomas O'Boyle
1997 - Robert Clark	2010 - Jerry Keeney	* Deceased

## Honorary Past Masters

2012- Vaughn Rasmussen\*    2017- Leslie Peterson  
 2018- Harry Smith \*Deceased

## Trustees

3 year	Dave Smith P.M.
2 year	Harry Smith H.P.M.
1 year	Dave Cook P.M.

## Grand Lodge Officers



W.B. Greg Curtin P.M., Grand Junior Deacon



### Actual Birthday (January)

Bro Howard Wick Jr	Bro Dan Coil
Bro Bryan Gentry	Bro Paul Sindorf

### Masonic Birthday (January)

W.B. Jeffry Thornhill	44 Years
Bro Michael Davis	11 Years

## Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nevada

### Most Worshipful Kevin McCans



**Congratulations** to all Grand Lodge Officers elected and appointed for the year 2023. More information and pictures can be found at the Grand Lodge website.

[www.NVMasons.org](http://www.NVMasons.org)

## Upcoming Events

- Jan 7<sup>th</sup> Sandy Valley Stated Meeting 10 am
- Jan 12<sup>th</sup> Pahrump Stated Meeting 6:00 pm dinner  
7:00pm lodge
- Jan 21<sup>st</sup> Pahrump 54 Lodge 8:00 am to  
Breakfast - open to public 10:00 am
- Jan 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> 6am  
Breakfast Club  
At Terribles Casino

For a list of more events, go to  
our website at:  
[www.pahrumpmasons54.org](http://www.pahrumpmasons54.org)



## From the East

Bretheren,

Greetings from the east. 2022 whipped by us in a fast moment. With the New Year ahead of us we will be returning to our labors. I want to thank all of the brethren for the support they have given to the lodge in the past year. In this upcoming year we would like to see a few extra hands on deck for the various functions that will be taking place during the next few months. (1) We could use some help in the kitchen preparing the monthly breakfast. (2) We need to have a hand with some sweeping and dusting of the building. (3) Our sign at the end of the road is in need some light so the community knows where to find us. If any of the lodge members are able to help with some of these tasks your help will be greatly appreciated. These items will only take up an hour or two of your time. And don't require you to be in a meeting, just a little help from the members on your time line. If you are able to help please contact me or any of the officers so we can get your schedule.

We have lots of events coming up, please look at our event list and the calendar.

In February we will be doing a George Washington Degree in costume should be a lot of fun come join us.

Hope all had a good holiday season and are healthy.

“There are no strangers in Freemasonry, only friends you've yet to meet.”

By the Square  
W.B. Mike Cappa  
Worshipful Master

## Chance

### Trestle-Board Sponsorship

We will continue offering this program and hope to receive more personal and business sponsors each year. Prices will remain the same, \$25.00 for personal sponsorship and \$50.00 for a business. If you know of a reputable business that would like to advertise in our Trestle-Board, please contact:

W.B. Gregory F. Curtin P.M. @ (702)237-0883

### Trestle-Board Sponsors

W.B. Greg & Maria Curtin, W.B. Harry Smith, W.B. Frank Heyer, W.B. Dave Cook and W.B. Harold and Janice Scalzo.



## From the West

Brethren,

First, I want to thank you for the trust and confidence you have reposed in me by electing me Senior Warden, I am extremely humbled. I hope I will be able to meet and exceed all your expectations in the office.

Secondly, I would like to reach out to as many members as possible this year, especially those who have not attended in a while. If there is anything we can do to help you attend, I would like to know about it. We would like to see as many different faces as possible this year. I also would like to know anything that is possibly needed that we as a lodge can do to assist you. We are always willing to stretch forth a hand to aid a brother.

Speaking of Brethren who have not attended in a while always makes me think of an old (but relevant) Masonic story. The Worshipful Master of a lodge visits a brother at home who stopped attending earlier that year. The brother greets him and shows him into the study, and they sit by the fire in silence. The Master then takes the fire tongs and removes one coal from the fire and sets it aside. The coal starts to cool and dim from being outside of the fire and eventually goes out. The Master then takes the tongs again and replaces the coal in the fire, where it starts to glow and becomes alive again. The Brother finally breaks the silence by tearfully telling The Master that his message has been received and he will be at the next lodge meeting.

While I may not have told the greatest version of this story, I ask all of you to remember the lesson of it. We are a stronger fire together and will be able to help our craft and community better as a whole instead of as individuals. Only as one can we assist Worshipful Cappa in making this year a success.

Finally, I want to remind everyone to be on the lookout for potential new brethren. Remember that there is a common misconception in the world about being asked if one wants to join us. While we know this is not true, many in our community do not and continue to wait for their invitation. Even though we cannot ask someone if they would like to join, we can ask them to dinner before stated meeting or to our monthly breakfast. This brings them into our house where we can explain 2B1ASK1 directly. You never know who you will meet next, I have met some of my best friends through the craft and continue to make new friends all the time.

On the Level,  
W.B. Jeremy Turek  
Senior Warden



## From the Secretary

Brethren,

It is time again to pay your dues for the next year. Please watch your email and mail. You can pay by mail or online. Follow the link in the email you receive.

[sec@pahrumpmasons54.org](mailto:sec@pahrumpmasons54.org)

Fraternally,

W.B. Gregory F. Curtin P.M.

Secretary  
Grand Trustee



## From the Treasurer

Brethren,

Would just like to report that we are doing fine with our funds thanks to prompt dues payments to the secretary and other donations. Books are reconciled to the penny, and I can prove it.

Bro. Cameron McRae  
Treasurer



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# Civil War Masons

It was a time not long after Fort Sumter and The War of Northern Aggression was well under way. The Yankees, as they are still wont to do, had promptly flocked to Hilton Head and Tybee Islands, the barrier islands on opposite sides of the mouth of the Savannah River. The Savannah Folks didn't mind much that the Yankees had stolen the good beaches, for the water was still a bit cool for Southern preferences and, besides, they knew the gnats and mosquitoes would teach the Yankees a lesson they'd never forget. So, the Southerners, as Southerners are wont to do sometimes, just waited.

They didn't have to wait very long before the Yankees on Hilton Head sent out a messenger under a white flag.

It seemed that the Yankees had among them a young fellow who had passed through the Fellow Craft Degree before shipping out. The Yanks were just sitting around slapping gnats when it occurred to one of them that, just maybe, there was a nearby lodge that could test him in the Fellow Craft Degree and raise him to that of a Master Mason.

As luck would have it, there was indeed a lodge in Savannah that would soon be having a Masters Degree.

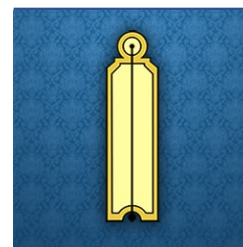
One morning, not too many days later, a detail of Confederate Cavalry slipped across the Savannah River into South Carolina and traveled through Bluffton to the shore opposite Hilton Head Island.

From there they escorted one Fellow Craft Mason and, I believe, a number of Master Masons of the Northern Persuasion, safely through the Confederate Lines and back through about 35 miles of Confederate defenses to Savannah where the candidate and his witnesses were delivered into the lodge.

The records note that this Brother was indeed proficient in the Fellow Craft Degree and he was raised to the Degree of a Master Mason.

That night another detail of Confederate Cavalry, no doubt Brothers to a man, slipped back across the Savannah River and safely escorted their Brothers back to Hilton Head.

Anyway, I have loved this story since the first time I heard it. It clearly demonstrates that, at the darkest period in our Nation's history, when brothers were killing brothers, Brothers could still be Brothers.



## From the South

Brethren,

Happy Holidays!

First of all, I would like to congratulate all newly installed elected and appointed officers! Congratulations Worshipful Master Mike Cappa!

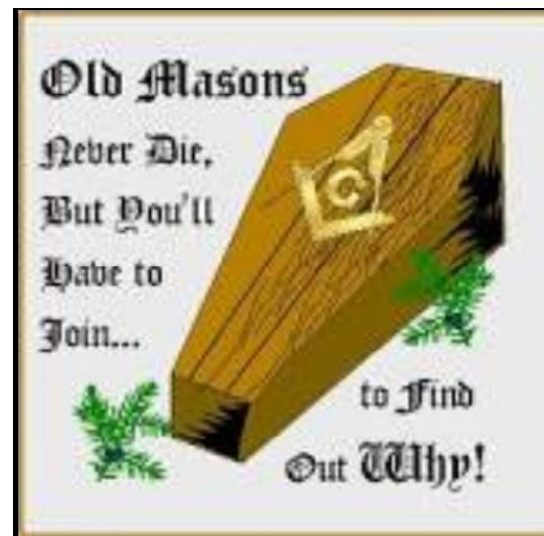
It is an honor for me to serve our lodge as Junior Warden. In terms of refreshments, the emblem of our dinners this year will be the soups, but be also prepared to enjoy tasty dishes from the international cuisine.

Together we will bring out the best of 2023.

Looking forward to an excellent year!

Happy New Year!

Brother Cristian Gliga  
Junior Warden



# January 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Breakfast Club Terible's Roadhouse 6:00 am	<b>4</b> Weepah/Flivers Meeting 6pm dinner 7pm Meeting	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Sandy Valley stated Meeting 10:00 am Meeting
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Breakfast Club Terible's Roadhouse 6:00 am	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Stated Meeting Pahrump 54 6:00 Dinner 7:00 Meeting	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Breakfast Club Terible's Roadhouse 6:00 am	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Lodge Breakfast \$5 Open to the public 8am to 10am
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Breakfast Club Terible's Roadhouse 6:00 am	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> Breakfast Club Terible's Roadhouse 6:00 am				