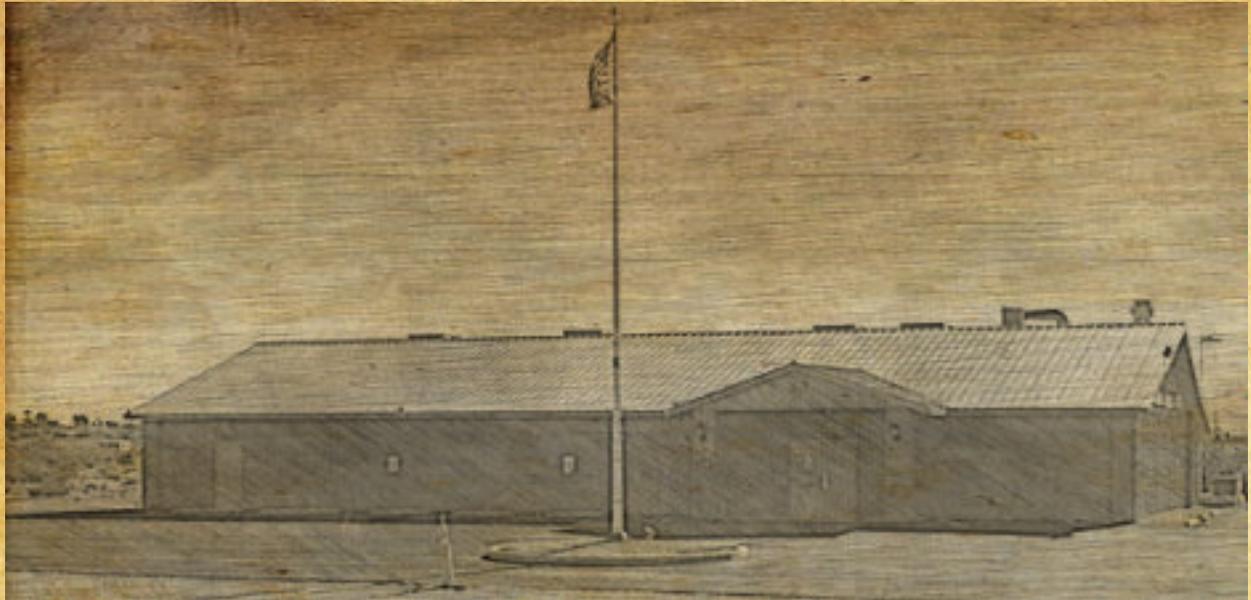


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# *TRESTLEBOARD*



*March  
2024*





# From the East

Brethren,

Welcome to March. The year is starting to speed by. Our Cabs and Colors event was a success, and a good time was had by all. Hopefully this will become an annual event and those who missed out this year can make it next year.

Coming up before our March Stated Meeting we will be having our Grand Master's Official Visit. This will be combined with Sandy Valley Lodge on March 9<sup>th</sup> and will be a Festive Board. 'Tis but a scratch out of our schedule as we give it a theme of Monty Python and the Quest for the Holy Grail. Come out for a good time with the Grand Lodge Officers and our partner lodge.

March is an interesting month historically as well. It is the month of St. Patrick and also famous for the Ides of March. Both take place in the middle of March and are both associated with the death of someone. St. Patrick's Day is associated with the believed day of his death. The Ides of March are when Cesar was assassinated during a meeting of the Roman Senate. The Ides are normally somewhere between the 13<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of March, while St. Patrick's Day is always the 17<sup>th</sup>.

March 21<sup>st</sup> will also be the first day of Spring. It will also be the first day of the Cherry Blossom Festival which is celebrated in both Washington DC and throughout Japan. There will also be a special display at the Bellagio Conservatory celebrating the festival. If you have never seen them in bloom, I highly recommend it.

As always my brothers, I am available at almost any time when someone wants to hang out. If you do not have my number, contact around and someone will have it to be able to give it to you. I thoroughly enjoy spending time with brothers, either at the lodge or elsewhere. Please do not hesitate to give me a call if you need someone to be around for a little while outside of the house.

Fraternally,  
Jeremy Turek  
Worshipful Master 2024



# *From the West*

*Brethren,*

*From the first signs of Spring to Daylight Savings, March is a month full of new beginnings.*

*The Entered Apprentice degree is a candidate's first experience with the ceremonies of our Fraternity and serves as an introduction to Masonry. Congratulations to our new Brother, Joseph! Welcome to our beloved Fraternity!*

*Happy St. Patrick's Day!*

*Fraternally,  
Vasile Cristian Gliga  
Senior Warden*





## *From the South*

*Brethren,*

*Hopefully the meals have been up to a standard that you want to come back for more. If you have suggestions, feel free to let me know and we can see if they can be worked in.*

*In honor of our newest Brother, Joe Broadfoot, I want to list some of the United Kingdom Monarchs that were masons:*

- James VI – Fellowcraft Freemason (Lodge Scoon and Perth No. ...)
- George IV – Grand Master of the Premier Grand Lodge of England (1790-1813)
- William IV.
- Edward VII – Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England (1874-1901)
- Edward VIII.
- George VI – Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Scotland (1936-1937)

*Fraternally,  
Bill Cookston  
Junior Warden*





## *From the Secretary*

*Brethren,*

*It is time again to pay your dues for the next year. You can pay by mail or online. Go to:*

*<https://pahrumpmasons54.org/index.php/pay-your-dues/>*

*Or pay by Venmo or Paypal with the email below:*

*sec@pahrumpmasons54.org*

*Fraternally,*

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



## *From the Treasurer*

*Brethren,*

*As we continue to move forward this year we have seen a rise in some of our everyday expenses (electric, trash, and insurance).*

*If you have not yet done so, please bring your dues contribution up to date, also if you can continue to give extra.*

*Bro. Cameron McRae  
Treasurer*

# A Short Talk to an Entered Apprentice

*Initiation is an analogy of man's advent from prenatal darkness into the light of human fellowship, moral truth, and spiritual faith.*

*From the Latin "initium" a beginning, a birth, a coming into being. It is a very common human experience. We are initiated into a new world when we first go to school, adolescence is initiation into manhood, we undergo an initiation when we plunge into business or our professions' marriage is an initiation into a new experience, a new way of living, a new outlook on life' the acceptance of a religious experience is an initiation' a new book may initiate us into a new interest. Initiation is everywhere and in one or another form comes to every man.*

*THE first, or Entered Apprentice degree of Masonry, is intended, symbolically, to represent the entrance of man into the world, in which he is after wards to become a living and thinking part. Coming from the ignorance and darkness of the outer world, his first craving is for light—not the physical light, but the moral and intellectual light which emanates from the primal Source of all things—from the Grand Architect of the Universe—the Creator of the sun and of all that it illuminates. Hence the primary object of the first degree, is to symbolize that birth of intellectual light into the mind, and seeking for the light which is to guide his steps and point him to the path which leads to morality.*

*A candidate for the Entered Apprentice Degree who is not sincere will have a very disagreeable time in Freemasonry. But the hidden meaning of the rite is perhaps even more important than the explained meaning. The initiate must possess his soul in patience. He is not yet wholly admitted to the temple which is Freemasonry. He is not permitted to do as Master Masons do, or to know what Master Masons know. For the whole Masonic significance of the rite he must wait until it is his privilege to receive the Sublime Degree of Master Mason.*

*The b f represents the inability of the candidate to learn the secrets of Freemasonry in an improper way. Essentially it represents a state of ignorance. In the first degree it is removed after the candidate declares his wish to seek the 'light' of Freemasonry. A further significant teaching of this symbol is its introduction to the idea of dependence. Masonry teaches us, simply but unmistakably, at the first step as at the last, that we live and walk by faith, not by sight; and to know that fact is the beginning of wisdom. Since this is so, since no man can find his way alone, in life as in the lodge we must in humility trust our Guide, learn His ways, follow Him and fear no danger.*

*The preparations to which the candidate must submit, before entering the Lodge, serve allegorically to teach him, as well as to remind the brethren who are present, that it is the man alone, divested of all the outward recommendations of rank, state, or of riches, which Masonry accepts, and that it is his spiritual, or moral worth alone, which can open for him the door of the temple.*

*The c t is representative of the bond to the fraternity. In early Freemasonry it was used as a symbol representing the candidates submission to the authority of Freemasonry, humility, servitude and even a possible penalty should the candidate betray the trust placed upon him.*

*The initiate takes an obligation of secrecy; if he will carefully consider the language of that obligation, he will see that it concerns the forms and ceremonies, the manner of teaching, certain modes of recognition. There is no obligation of secrecy regarding the truths taught by Freemasonry, otherwise it would not lawfully have been written.*

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# A Short Talk to an Entered Apprentice

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*Sometimes the question is asked by people, "Why have any secrets? If what you know and teach is worth so much, why not give it to the world?" Secrecy is a common fact of everyday life. Our private affairs are ours, not to be shouted from the housetops. Business secrets are often of value in proportion to the success of keeping them. Diplomacy is necessarily conducted in secret. Board meetings of companies, banks, business houses, are secret. A man and his wife have private understandings for no one else to know. From all of us some things are secret and hidden that might be open and known - if we would take the trouble to learn. Fine music is a secret from the tone deaf. Mathematics is a secret from the ignorant. Philosophy is a secret from the commonplace mind. Freemasonry is a secret from the unworthy - and for the same reasons!*

*The secrecy of Masonry is an honorable secrecy; any good man may ask for her secrets; those who are worthy will receive them. To give them to those who do not seek, or who are not worthy, would but impoverish the Fraternity.*

*It is sometimes suggested that Freemasonry pretends to possess valuable secrets merely to intrigue men to apply for them through curiosity. He who seeks Freemasonry out of curiosity for her secrets must be bitterly disappointed. In school the teacher is anxious to instruct all who seek the classroom in the secrets of geometry, but not all students wish to study geometry and not all who do wish have the inclination. Freemasonry is anxious to give of her secrets to worthy men fit to receive them but not all are worthy, and not all the worthy men seek enlightenment.*

*Freemasonry has been aptly described as "the gentle Craft." Its teachings are of brotherly love, relief, truth, love of God, charity, immortality, mutual help, sympathy. To the initiate, therefore, the penalty in his obligation comes often with a shock of surprise and sometimes consternation. The only punishments ever inflicted by Freemasons upon Freemasons are reprimand, suspension, and expulsion from the Fraternity. The initiate who violates his obligation will feel the weight of no hand laid upon him. He will suffer no physical penalties whatever. The contempt and detestation of his brethren, their denial of the privileges of Freemasonry, are the only Masonic penalties ever inflicted.*

*There are three lights of Masonry the VSL, the Square, and the Compass. The VSL, our Great Light in Masonry, is opened upon our altars. Upon it lie the other Great Lights - the Square and the Compass. Without all three no Masonic lodge can exist, much less open or work. Together with the warrant from the Grand Lodge they are indispensable.*

*The charity taught in the lodge is charity of thought, charity of the giving of self. The brotherly hand laid upon a bowed shoulder in comfort and to give courage is Masonic charity.*

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# A Short Talk to an Entered Apprentice

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## *SUMMARY*

*In the Entered Apprentice's Degree the initiate is taught the necessity of a belief in God; of charity toward all mankind, "more especially a brother Mason"; of secrecy; the meaning of brotherly love; the reasons for relief; the greatness of truth; the advantages of temperance; the value of fortitude; the part played in Masonic life by prudence, and the equality of strict justice.*

*He is charged to be reverent before God, to pray to Him for help, to venerate Him as the source of all that is good. He is exhorted to practice the Golden Rule and to avoid excesses of all kinds. He is admonished to be quiet and peaceable, not to countenance disloyalty and rebellion, to be true and just to government and country, to be cheerful under its laws. He is charged to come often to lodge but not to neglect his business, not to argue about Freemasonry with the ignorant but to learn Masonry, from Masons, and once again to be secret. Finally he is urged to present only such candidates as he is sure will agree to all that he has agreed to.*

*The above talk was given by me in Lodge Kohinoor #139 on 23 Feb 2011, Wednesday. I am not the author of this piece but have taken bits and pieces of various articles of many renowned masonic experts and joined them together. All errors are entirely mine.*

*Posted by **Lodge Kohinoor 139***

# Events and Pictures

## *Cabs and Colors Event:*



## *Stated Meeting - George Washington Observance*



## *EA Degree for Bro. Joseph Broadfoot*



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

<i>Actual Birthday (March)</i>	
<i>Bro. Roland Benton</i>	<i>Bro. Timothy Curtin</i>
<i>W.B. Gregory Curtin P.M.</i>	<i>Bro. Stephen Larson Jr.</i>
<i>Bro. Jeremiah L'Heureux</i>	<i>W.B. Frank Heyer P.M.</i>
<i>Bro. Peter Gazsy</i>	<i>Bro. Patrick Selvy</i>

<i>Masonic Birthday (February)</i>	
<i>Bro. John Shewalter</i>	<i>28 years</i>
<i>Bro. Edward Underhill</i>	<i>12 years</i>
<i>W.B. James Webb P.M.</i>	<i>59 Years</i>
<i>W.B. Harold Rubin-Smith</i>	<i>52 Years</i>
<i>W.B. William Delahunte P.M.</i>	<i>19 years</i>
<i>Bro. Bryan Gentry</i>	<i>7 Years</i>
<i>Bro. Franklin Merica</i>	<i>46 Years</i>
<i>W.B. Jeremy Turek P.M.</i>	<i>24 Years</i>
<i>Bro. Trevor Meade</i>	<i>17 Years</i>
<i>W.B. Philip Bertuglia P.M.</i>	<i>18 Years</i>
<i>Bro. Danial Kelly</i>	<i>18 Years</i>
<i>Bro. Jerome Willinsky</i>	<i>5 Years</i>
<i>W.B. Arcangelo Cocco P.NM.</i>	<i>19 Years</i>

*Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nevada  
Most Worshipful Ted P Bendure*



*Congratulations to all Grand Lodge Officers elected and appointed for the year 2024. More information and pictures can be found at the Grand Lodge website.*

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

## March 2024

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

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# April 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b> Breakfast Club Terible's Roadhouse 6:030 am	<b>3</b> Weepah/Flivers Meeting 6pm dinner 7pm Meeting	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Sandy Valley stated Meeting 10:00 am Meeting
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## Officers

Worshipful Master	Jeremy Turek (Stacey)
Senior Warden	Cristian Gliga (Elena)
Junior Warden	Bill Cookston (Sue)
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Junior Deacon	James McRae
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DGR	Harry Smith

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2018- Harry Smith

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