



*PAHRUMP LODGE NO. 54  
F.&A.M. OF NEVADA  
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PAHRUMP NV 89060*

# *TRESTLEBOARD*



*May  
2025*





# *From the East*

*My Brothers,*

*Thank you for making the month of April a very successful and productive one!*

*May is going to be a very busy month as well, commencing with a few lodge visitations that we are going to do during the first weekend of the month. Then, at our Stated Meeting in May we are honored to receive and welcome our Grand Master, Most Worshipful Zakariah A. Gulling on his Official Visit to our Lodge.*

*As we continue our journey in the craft, I encourage you to remember the importance of upholding the principles and values of Freemasonry.*

*May the Great Architect of the Universe guide us in our endeavors as we continue to serve the craft.*

*I thank you, my Brothers for your dedication and commitment to our lodge's mission.*

*Happy Mother's Day!*

*Fraternally from the East,  
Vasile Cristian Gliga, WM*







# *From the West*

*Brethren,*

*As we step into the month of May, we are reminded of the enduring strength and unity within our Lodge. The work we do is not just within the walls of our Temple, but also through our actions in the community and with our brothers across the state. This month is filled with significant events that embody the spirit of Freemasonry, and I encourage each of you to be actively involved.*

*On May 2nd and 3rd, we will have the privilege of visiting two lodges. First, we will travel to Tonopah, a great opportunity to connect with our Masonic brothers in their own Lodge. Then, on May 3rd, we will journey to Montezuma Lodge for their Stated Meeting, Grand Master's Official Visit (GMOV), and Table Lodge. These visits are excellent opportunities to strengthen the Chain of Union and to engage with Freemasons from other areas, broadening our understanding of the Craft and enriching our own Masonic journey.*

*In addition to these visits, we have our monthly Poker Night, where we can unwind, enjoy fellowship, and support one another in an enjoyable, casual setting. It's always a great time to share in brotherhood outside the formalities of Lodge, strengthening the bonds that make our fraternity so special.*

*At our Stated Meeting, we will also welcome our Grand Master for his Official Visit. This is a momentous occasion for our Lodge and is an excellent time to reflect on our role within the broader Masonic community. The GMOV gives us a chance to reaffirm our commitment to the principles of Freemasonry, and to renew our dedication to the service of our Lodge and the Grand Lodge.*

*May is a time for reflection on the teachings of our Fraternity. We are reminded to continue our pursuit of knowledge and virtue. Just as the Mayflower brought settlers to a new world, let us also bring forth a new season of growth and discovery within ourselves. Let us strive to always embody the values of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth, ensuring that each interaction within our Lodge, our visits, and our community reflects the light of Masonry.*

*I look forward to seeing you at our events this month and working together to uphold the great traditions of our Lodge.*

*Fraternally from the West,  
Bill Cookston SW*



# *From the South*

*Brethren,*

*I hope that May finds you and your families in good health and high spirits. As spring blooms around us, it's a perfect reminder of the renewal and light we continually seek as Masons.*

*This month, we look forward to the Grand Master's Official Visit. I encourage all who are able to attend—it's a special opportunity to show our support, strengthen fraternal bonds, and represent our lodge with pride.*

*May also brings with it Mother's Day. Let us take time to honor and thank the women who helped shape our lives—whether mothers, grandmothers, or the maternal figures whose love and wisdom helped guide us to be better men.*

*In honor of Memorial Day, I'd also like to share a story from World War II that speaks to the power of our Masonic obligations. U.S. Army Air Corps 1st Lt. John L. "Jack" Springer was shot down over Europe and captured by German forces. Upon learning that Springer was a Freemason, German Luftwaffe officer Hauptmann Friedrich "Fritz" von der Heydte, himself a Mason, ensured that he was treated humanely and protected during his captivity. Even in the midst of war, the bond of brotherhood transcended the battlefield.*

*It's stories like this that remind us that being a Mason is more than ritual—it's a way of life that calls us to honor, compassion, and integrity no matter the circumstances.*

*Fraternally,  
Britton Heller JW*

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# Past Masters Word

Brethren,

Welcome to May. This year is rolling along, and we are almost to the summer break. For those with kids in school, they'll be getting out soon, and calendars will start filling with vacations, barbecues, and road trips. All of this makes May the unofficial start of summer.

At our Lodge, this season has brought some newer traditions, and this year is no different. We've got a full calendar of events ahead—some social, some rooted in our fraternal traditions, all built on Brotherhood. Of course, our annual Independence Day BBQ is a staple, but it's just one piece of what's shaping up to be a very memorable summer.

Remember, when it's 100+ degrees out, the Lodge is always a cool 80°, and the fellowship? That's the part that really beats the heat.

May is also a time of growth—think “April showers bring May flowers.” It's when we see the fruits of what's been quietly nurtured all spring. In the Craft, this is the moment to reflect: What seeds have you planted this year? What relationships are you tending? What Light are you reaching for?

Growth in Masonry doesn't always look dramatic. Sometimes it's in the quiet moment when a Brother asks for help—and is met with a hand on the shoulder. Sometimes it's in the commitment to open that ritual book one more time, or the courage to sit in a chair you haven't held before. Growth can be a new candidate entering the door... or an old friend returning after time away.

Just like the best gardens, growth in our Lodge requires intention, patience, and care. The nourishment comes from participation, the light from fellowship, and the warmth from our shared values. It's easy to coast through the busy months, but real growth happens when we choose to lean in.

So take a moment this month to look around—at the Brethren beside you, the work we're building, and the legacy we're leaving behind. Every degree, every handshake, every meeting adds a ring to the tree of our Lodge's life.

Let May be a month where we grow—not just in number or ritual precision, but in Brotherhood, compassion, and purpose. The roots we strengthen now will carry us through whatever heat the summer throws at us.

Fraternally,

W.B. Jeremy Turek, PM



## *From the Secretary*

*Brethren,*

*As we move further into the year, let us remain mindful of our obligations—both in word and in deed. Your continued support through Lodge dues sustains not only the operation of our Lodge but also the spirit of Brotherhood that binds us together.*

*If your dues remain outstanding, we humbly ask you to bring them current. And as always, if you are facing any personal hardship, please reach out in confidence. Freemasonry is a Brotherhood built on compassion, understanding, and mutual aid.*

*In the same light, we encourage all who are able to support our charitable efforts and the continued work on our Lodge fencing project. Whether through a monetary gift or the investment of your time and skills, your contribution strengthens the foundation upon which we stand.*

*Let us continue our labor with purpose, beautifying and protecting this sacred space—not only for ourselves but for all who will walk this path after us.*

*Fraternally,*

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

*Secretary*

*Grand Senior Deacon*





# *From the Treasurer*

*Brethren,*

*As the days grow longer and the warmth of spring settles upon our valley, so too does the Light of our fraternity continue to shine with renewed energy and purpose. I write to you once more, not only as the caretaker of our Lodge's finances but as your Brother, mindful of the collective responsibility we share in upholding the legacy of Pahrump Lodge No. 54.*

*Through careful accounting and the ongoing support of our members, we continue to meet the regular demands of operating our Lodge. However, the true measure of a Lodge is not merely found in balanced ledgers—it is found in the strength of its vision and the unity of its members in achieving it.*

*This month, I urge each of you to reflect on the lessons of the Craft: that Relief is not only a virtue we extend to those in need, but also a sacred trust we exercise in ensuring our Lodge is equipped to serve future generations. From scholarships to building improvements, from charitable outreach to the preservation of our Masonic home—these endeavors rely on more than goodwill; they require material support.*

*If your cable tow permits, I humbly ask that you consider making a financial contribution this month, whether large or small. Each gift, each offering, strengthens the foundations of our Lodge and affirms our shared obligation to be builders—not only of stone, but of hope, stability, and Light.*

*Let us continue to labor together, Brethren, with open hearts and steady hands—each of us a steward of this sacred trust.*

*With fraternal affection and appreciation,*

*Bro. Cameron McRae  
Treasurer*

# *Pahrump Lodge No. 54 F.&A.M. of Nevada*



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## **DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND LECTURER WORKSHOPS (DDGLW)**

District-wide workshops for all lodges within District 11 are scheduled to occur in January, April, August, and November at the Pahrump Masonic Memorial Temple, situated at 281 E. Gemini Rd, Pahrump, Nevada. Each lodge will have the responsibility of hosting one of these district-wide workshops. For further details, please refer to the accompanying schedule.

Lodges should plan for DDGLW in their calendars and advertise them in their trestleboards. Lodges are not to schedule degree conferrals or other activities at the times scheduled for DDGLW. Every officer should come prepared to do the work of his current or advanced office or station. At district-wide DDGLW, each office and station will likely rotate several times.

## **DISTRICT WIDE DDGLW – HOST LODGE DESIGNATION**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Host Lodge</u></b>	<b><u>Key Agenda Items</u></b>
April 19, 6025 (Saturday)	Sandy Valley Lodge No. 57	Discussion: Guarding the West Gate Rod Work, Carrying of the Flag and movements 50 Year Pin Presentation Calling up and back on different degrees Exemplification of the Second Degree Complete
August 16, 6025 (Saturday)	Robert Burns Lodge No. 59	Discussion: Candidate/Brother Education programs and Chambers of Reflection Open/Close Third Degree Rod Work and movements Exemplification of the Third Degree First/Second Section
November 15, 6024 (Saturday)	Pahrump Lodge No. 54	Discussion: 2025 Grand Lodge Actions Review Elections of Officers - Installation of Officers – Funerals – Lewis Jewel Presentation – Honorary Past Master Apron Presentation – Officer Orientation Course – Lodge Succession Planning

Faternally,

W.B. Gregory F. Curtin P.M.  
District Deputy Grand Lecturer  
District 12  
Grand Lodge F.&A.M. of Nevada





*To the Brethren All:*

*As builders united by the square and bound by the compasses, we continue to labor not only upon the spiritual temple within, but also upon the physical edifice that houses our sacred work. It is with that in mind that I write to share several important undertakings in the quarries of Pahrump Lodge No. 54.*

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### ***A Fence for Our Sanctuary***

*In recent times, we have been met with concerns over trespassers and theft upon our Lodge property. In keeping with our charge to preserve and protect that which is entrusted to us, plans are underway to construct a secure fence around our Lodge. This fence shall not only provide physical security but shall also serve as a symbol of the boundary between the profane world and our sacred space. Let us rally together, as Brothers ought to do, to support this endeavor for the safety and dignity of our Lodge.*

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### ***The Fire Pit Fellowship Project***

*In the spirit of Brotherly love and conviviality, we are excited to announce the development of a fire pit area on Lodge grounds. This space is envisioned as a gathering place under the canopy of heaven—where sparks of light and friendship may rise with the flames. We aim to have this project completed in time for our Fourth of July Barbecue, and for future gatherings where warmth, stories, and fellowship may be shared in the true spirit of Masonry.*

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### ***Ongoing Gun Raffle***

*Brethren are reminded of our Gun Raffle, currently featured on our trestleboard. This fundraiser serves not only to strengthen our Lodge's finances but also gives our supporters a chance to win a valuable prize while contributing to our noble cause. Tickets are still available—please assist in promoting this raffle and ensure its success through your participation and outreach.*

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### **40th Anniversary .999 Fine Silver Coin - Now Available**

To commemorate 40 years since our Charter and 25 years in our current Lodge building, we are proud to offer a limited edition .999 fine silver coin, each individually serial numbered and custom-designed to honor this dual milestone. These stunning keepsakes are available for \$150 each, with all proceeds directly supporting the work and future of our Lodge. This is not only a collector's item, but a lasting symbol of our shared legacy. Secure yours while supplies last.

## **Building the Temple of Light: A Reflection for May**

Brethren, as we stand at the threshold of May, let us renew our commitment to the Great Work that unites us all—the pursuit of Light through virtue, wisdom, and Brotherly love. Each day, we gather to share in the sacred bond of Freemasonry, and each task we undertake—whether grand or humble—is an opportunity to strengthen the foundation upon which our Lodge stands.

Let us remember that the true essence of our craft lies not just in the stone we lay, but in the spirit with which we labor. It is with enthusiasm and integrity that we build not only our temple, but our Brotherhood. Every Brother's efforts, no matter how seemingly small, contribute to the greater edifice of Truth, Justice, and Harmony that we are constructing together.

As we move through this month, may we be ever mindful that our working tools—both symbolic and literal—are not simply meant for the tasks at hand but are a reminder of our commitment to improving ourselves and the world around us. The Square, the Compasses, the Level, and the Plumb—all are constant reminders of the path we must walk: a path of balance, integrity, and self-improvement.

May we continue to be steadfast in our devotion to each other, remembering that every step we take as a Lodge is one towards a greater understanding of the mysteries of our craft. Let us remain vigilant in our studies, diligent in our work, and ever willing to lend a hand to a Brother in need. Through this, we become not just builders of stone and mortar, but architects of Light and Wisdom, guiding the way for those who seek it.

With faith in the teachings of our ancient Craft, let us enter this month with renewed purpose and enthusiasm. Let us be prepared, as always, to carry the working tools of our Lodge—not just to build, but to inspire and uplift each other in the eternal quest for Truth.

May the Great Architect of the Universe continue to bless and guide us in all our endeavors.

**Arcanum Initiatus**



# *THE LIGHT WE SEEK AND THE LODGE*

*We often speak of light in Freemasonry, a symbol of wisdom, understanding, and truth. Yet, it is not always the obvious light that we seek. There are shadows within us that only emerge when we turn away from complacency, when we reach beyond the ordinary, and when we truly engage in the workings of the Craft.*

*The Lodge, as we know, is more than just a building—it is a living entity, sustained by the energy and dedication of its members. But here is a truth that may not always be immediately clear: the more active we are in the Lodge, the more light we receive. Not the fleeting light of a passing moment, but the deeper, more enduring light that shapes our hearts and minds.*

*There is an ancient secret that Masons share. It is not enough to stand in the presence of the light—you must walk toward it, seek it, and work for it. A Lodge full of idle brethren may have a structure, but it is only through active participation that the Lodge breathes and truly shines. In this, we find that it is not the number of brothers who gather, but the depth of their engagement that determines the light we share as a Lodge.*

*So, what is this mysterious light we speak of? Is it the knowledge we gain through study, or the bonds we form through brotherhood? Perhaps it is something even more subtle—a deeper understanding that comes when we commit ourselves not only to attendance but to the active labor of the Craft. Each act of participation, no matter how small, adds to the illumination we seek. And in the darkest of times, it is this light, built from our collective efforts, that guides us forward.*

*The question, then, is not “Do we have enough light?” but rather, “Are we willing to seek it together?” The more we engage, the brighter our path becomes, and the clearer the lessons we learn. Let us not forget, brethren, that the true treasure of the Lodge lies not in what we passively receive, but in what we actively give.*



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# THE SILVER COINS ARE HERE. BUY THEM NOW.

## 40 YEAR AND 25 YEAR COIN

*Brethren,*

*We are coming up on two milestones for the lodge.*

- 40 year anniversary as a Lodge.*
- 25 year anniversary of our current building*

*We are having a anniversary coin being minted for this occasion.*

*It will be a special .999 silver 1 ounce coin minted for this special occasion. We will be selling the special anniversary edition coins and using the money for the building fund.*

*Their will only be 100 coins minted. We are taking reservations for these coins already. If you would like to buy a coin and would like a particular number between 11 and 100, send in a request and we will reserve your coin if it is still available. If you don't care about the number, then email us and tell us to give you a random number.*

*The first 10 coins will have a special raffle. They will still cost \$150 dollars, but you will have to buy a \$10 raffle ticket to win the option to buy one of the first 10 coins. They will draw a number in lodge and the order they are drawn will give you the option to buy the coin at that \$150 dollar price.*

*As always, email us and ask any question you may have.*

*To purchase a coin, click below*

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*Bill Cookston  
Junior Warden*



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

<i>Actual Birthday (May)</i>	
<i>W.B. David Darrow P.M.</i>	<i>Bro. Jerome Willinsky</i>
<i>Bro John Shewalter</i>	<i>Bro. Henry Neth</i>
<i>Bro. Harold Rubin-Smith</i>	

<i>Masonic Birthday (May)</i>	
<i>W.B. Cristian Vasile Gliga P.M.</i>	<i>7 years</i>
<i>Bro. Kent Storer</i>	<i>43 years</i>
<i>W.B. Gerald Keeney P.M.</i>	<i>51 Years</i>
<i>Bro. Mathew Christen</i>	<i>9 Years</i>
<i>Bro. Bill Cookston</i>	<i>4 Years</i>
<i>Bro Jeremiah L'Heureux</i>	<i>4 Years</i>

*Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nevada  
Most Worshipful Zakariah A. Gulling*



*Congratulations to all Grand Lodge  
Officers elected and appointed for the  
year 2025. More information and  
pictures can be found at the Grand  
Lodge website.*

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



# May 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	28	29 Breakfast Club Terible's Roadhouse 7:00 am	30	1	2 Visitation at Tonopah	3 Visitation at Montezuma #30 GMOV & Table lodge 10am. Sandy Valley 57 Stated Meeting @ 10am
4	5	6 Breakfast Club Terible's Roadhouse 7:00 am	7	8 Stated Meeting / GMOV Pahrump 54 6:00 Dinner 7:00 Meeting	9	10
11	12	13 Breakfast Club Terible's Roadhouse 7:00 am	14	15	16	17 Lodge Breakfast \$7 Open to the public 8am to 9:30am.
18	19	20 Breakfast Club Terible's Roadhouse 7:00 am	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 Breakfast Club Terible's Roadhouse 7:00 am	28	29	30	31

## 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:*

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Senior Warden - Elect	Bill Cookston
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Secretary	Greg Curtin P.M.
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Senior Steward	Joe Broadfoot
Junior Steward	Harold Rubin-Smith
Chaplain	Frank Heyer P.M.
Marshall	Rick Hall P.M.
Tyler	Jerome Willinsky
Historian	Bryan Pettengill P.M.
DGL	Bill Cookston
Master of Ceremonies	Dave Cook P.M.
Master of Ceremonies	Glen Schlaht

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## Past Masters

1985 - Hershel 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. Bowman*	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	2023 - Mike Cappa
* Deceased		2024 - Jeremy Turek

## Honorary Past Masters

2012 - Vaughn Rasmussen	2018 - Harry Smith *
2017 - Les Peterson	2024 - Cameron McRae

## Trustees

3 year Jeremy Turek P.M.
2 year Mike Cappa P.M.
1 year Darce Wilson P.M.

## Grand Lodge Officers



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