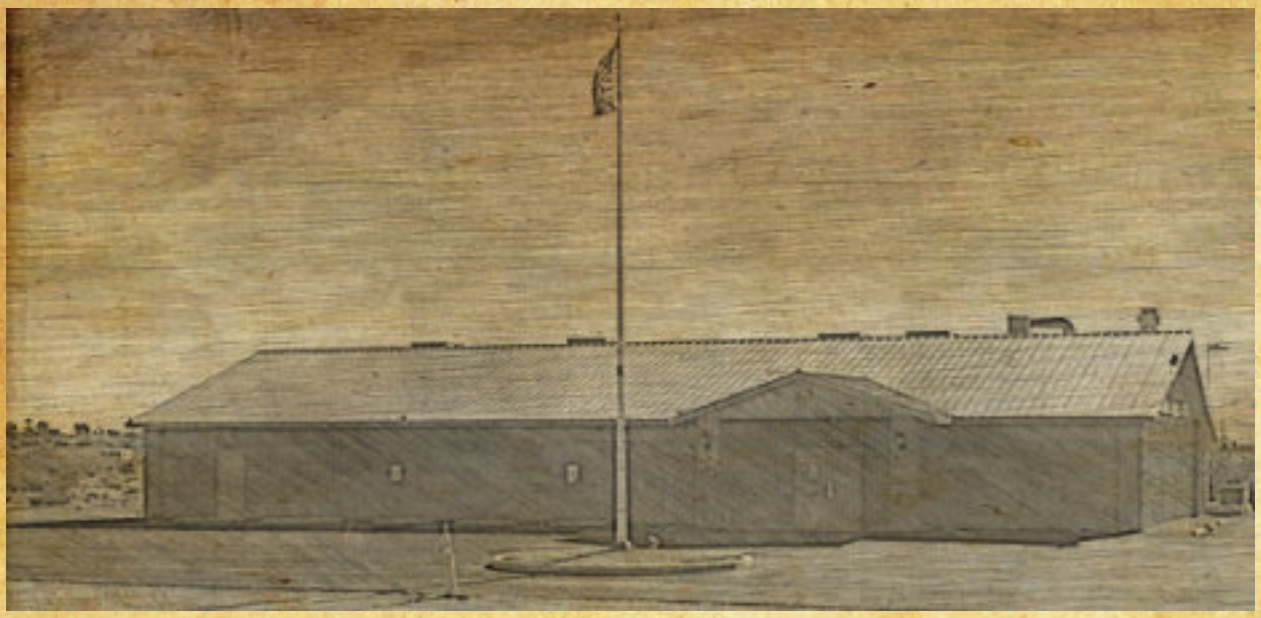
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June 2024

FAMILY



From the East

Greetings Brethren,

Welcome to June!! As we move into our summer break, I want to urge everyone to watch your calendars and emails. Unlike past years, we will be having events this summer beyond our Annual 4th of July party. We even moved our Annual Table Lodge to the day our Dispensation from Grand Lodge was signed to commemorate that day.

As summer comes and the lodge moves dark, it only means we are dark for stated meetings. As stated before, we will be having planned events this summer, and many of our members are also open to unplanned events as well. We are open to adding events to the calendar as the year progresses. All you need to do is contact one of our elected officers and we can have the event added.

Unfortunately, the dark months have been ingrained into our lodge. I personally believe more in not allowing the brothers to get out of the habit of coming to lodge. Lodge is not only a blessing for me, but it is also a habit, I need lodge in my life like a cigarette, a drink, or a drug. I want to make lodge the same for each and every one of you.

I believe that everyone can reach out to one member that has not come to lodge for a while, to get them back into the fold of this amazing lodge. Our lodge has become more active over this last year, and will continue to become more active over the years to come. Come be part of the fellowship and let us hear your voice for our future event planning. Catch the lodge bug again.

Lodge can be equated to a virus or a drug. If you look at it as a virus, lodge must spread to survive. If you look at lodge as a drug, it is an addiction, one you need to have in your life to survive. This is the feeling we should all have towards lodge. We must get everyone who is involved "addicted" to lodge. I have found this "addiction", as have many others. Ask these brothers how their lodge "addiction" has benefited their lives, you will be surprised at the answer.

Brothers, coming into summer, I encourage everyone to come to one event before the end of November. You will be surprised and the strides our lodge has made, and you will become just as addicted as I have become.

Fraternally,
Jeremy Turek
Worshipful Master



From the West

Brethren,

Nothing submitted.

Fraternally from the West,
Vasile Cristian Gliga, SW





From the South

Brethren,

I think our meal went over well last stated meeting. We had about 28 people order the ribeye steak and around 7 for the spaghetti. Everyone I talked to enjoyed the meal. Please let me know what you may like for the future meals.

We have one more stated before the dark summer. I am going to try to get a prime rib for the premium meal. I will email everyone about a week before with the menu items and take the orders.

During the dark summer we will still have our Breakfast each month on the third Saturday. Please come out and give us a hand and enjoy some Brotherhood.

There is also a DGL Workshop at MMT on June 8th at 9am. Please let us know if you would like to go. We will be doing a carpool into Vegas.

Thank you to the Brothers that have come out and helped.

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

WHY IS ST. JOHN THE PATRON SAINT OF FREEMASONRY?

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST AND JOHN THE EVANGELIST ARE KNOWN AS THE PATRON SAINTS OF FREEMASONRY. BUT WHY?
By John L. Cooper, PGM (California)

Freemasonry has many unexplained mysteries in its ritual, one of which is the reference to the "Holy Saints John." It comes in the monitorial lecture of the Entered Apprentice degree. Candidates are told that Masonic lodges are dedicated to Saint John the Baptist and Saint John the Evangelist. Together, they represent the patron saints of Freemasonry.

To this day, Masons all around the world continue to recognize these two figures as the patron saints of Freemasonry. In fact, the closest thing we have to a Masonic holiday are the feast days of the two saints. St. John the Baptist's feast day is celebrated in the summer (June 24), and St. John the Evangelist's is in winter (December 27). Masons and Masonic lodges mark these days with their own celebratory dinners or other events. They are two of the most important dates on the fraternal calendar.

The reasons for this connection go back centuries—and remain shrouded in mystery. What we know for certain is that it isn't strange that there would be a patron saint of Freemasonry. During the Middle Ages in England and Scotland, many societies and guilds were dedicated to a particular saint. That figure received special devotion from the members of the society, and, in turn, he would offer its members special protection and favor.

St. John, the Patron Saint of Freemasonry
In the calendar of the medieval church, there were two saints named John who were associated with Jesus.

One was the "forerunner" of Jesus, John the Baptist. The other was the apostle John, the brother of James. He is commonly known as John the Evangelist because of his supposed authorship of the Gospel of John in the New Testament. At some point, these two saints became known as the patron saints of Freemasonry. When and where that happened remains a mystery.

Now, Freemasonry isn't and has never been a religious organization. It has always been open to members of all religions and faiths. However, the world into which it was born, in Enlightenment-era Europe, was a largely Christian one. As a result, many of the symbols of Freemasonry reflect Christian iconography—including the connection to the two Saint Johns in Freemasonry.

Duality and the Two Saint Johns
From the Masonic perspective, we can understand the balanced dualism of John the Baptist on one side and John the Evangelist on the other. Together, they represent two sides of a coin: the passionate zeal of the baptist and the knowledge of faith of the apostle. A Masonic lodge dedicated to the two patron saints of Freemasonry can be seen as a space to both reflect on and channel our passion. Taken as an abstract compilation of symbols, they represent a well-balanced path toward enlightenment. Even more, their feast days are closely associated with the summer and winter solstice—underscoring the symbolic duality of the two figures.

But why are St. John the Evangelist and St. John the Baptist associated with Freemasonry in the first place? How did they become the patron saints of Freemasonry? Masonic scholars claim that the custom came from the practice of new Masons taking their obligations on a Bible opened to the first chapter of the Gospel of John. The "John" who was the supposed author of that gospel was, of course, John the Evangelist.

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.

Bill Cookston
Junior Warden





HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Actual Birthday (June)	
W.B. Robert Clark P.M.	W.B. Frederick Hall P.M.
Bro. Shawn Vogann	Bro. Shane Hodge
W.B. Wayne Boling	Bro. Jeffrey Beavers

Masonic Birthday (June)	
W.B. Harry Smith H.P.M.	40 years
Bro. Walter Loper P.M.	55years
W.B. Frank Heyer P.M.	61 Years
W.B. Harold Scalzo Jr. P.M.	15 Years
W.B. Mike Cappa P.M.	37 years
Bro. Clifford Bourne	37 Years
Bro. David Harvey	10 Years
W.B. Wade Peterson P.M.	28 Years
Bro. Patrick Selvy	5 Years

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

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Sandy Valley stated Meeting 10:00 am Meeting MM Degree after meeting
2	3	5 Breakfast Club Terible's Roadhouse 6:030 am	5 Weepah/Flivers Meeting 6pm dinner 7pm Meeting	6	7	8
9	10	5 Breakfast Club Terible's Roadhouse 6:030 am	12	13 Stated Meeting Pahrump 54 6:00 Dinner 7:00 Meeting	14	15 Lodge Breakfast $5 Open to the public 8am to 10am
16	17	5 Breakfast Club Terible's Roadhouse 6:030 am	19	20	21	22
23	24	5 Breakfast Club Terible's Roadhouse 6:030 am	26	27	28 Poker Night for members. 6pm start	29
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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	Cristian Gliga (Elena)
Junior Warden	Bill Cookston (Sue)
Treasurer	Cameron McRae (Sue)
Secretary	Greg Curtin PM (Maria)
Secretary Emeritus	Frank Heyer P.M. (Lois)
Senior Deacon	Britton Heller
Junior Deacon	James McRae
Senior Steward	Rick Hall
Junior Steward	Neal Snyder
Chaplain	Shane Hodge
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@pahrumpmasonsnv.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 - I.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 - I.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	2023 - Mike Cappa

* Deceased

Honorary Past Masters

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

Trustees

3 year Mike Cappa P.M.
2 year Darce Wilson P.M.
1 year Harry Smith H.P.M.

Grand Lodge Officers



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