# TRESTLEBOARD



Amity Lodge #4 Celebrating 153 years



### April 2016

## FROM THE EAST

My Brethren:

### DATES TO REMEMBER

### • June 2nd Stated Meeting Dinner - 6 pm Meeting 7 pm

### • June 18th Fun Night 2016

- September 1st Stated Meeting Dinner - 6 pm Meeting - 7 pm
- October 6th Stated Meeting Dinner - 6 pm Meeting - 7 pm





Amity Lodge No. 4 was opened on the Third Degree on April 7th, 2016 at 7:00 pm for our stated communication and for the purpose of receiving and welcoming Most Worshipful Mark L. Mancha Grand Master of Masons in Nevada.

A fine Mexican style meal of Tacos and all the fixings was prepared and served by the Rainbow Girls of Sparks Assembly #3 IORG, many complements to the Rainbow Girls and their adult advisors for a great meal.

The Rainbow Girls presented a program on Public Education which was well received and it was interesting to get the young ladies perspective on our public school system.

I was honored to have the pleasure to present our Grand Master on the occasion of his official visit to Amity No. 4. We also had on hand his Corps of officers and one Past Grand Master John L. Buffington all of whom were presented and introduced in due form. All of the Past Masters present introduced themselves and we thanked them for their continuous support and service to Freemasonry.

The minutes from our March stated meeting were read and approved. The bills were reviewed, voted on and approved for payment.

Brother Bob Behling gave us a full report on the proposed repair to the rear of our Lodge building. Unfortunately, I learned today that the Comstock Historical Commission has turned down our request to repair the back of our Lodge Hall by stucco overlay. So it's back to the drawing board for the repairs/replacement. More discussion to follow at our May stated meeting.

Brother Ernie Zebal has the tickets available for our June 18th "Fun Night" and with some encouragement we were able to sell a few. Please remember to purchase your tickets as soon as possible and sell as many as you can before the stated meeting in June so that we can have an accurate accounting for our vendor Famous Dave's.

The Grand Master presented his message of "Have a Little Heart" which was well received by all. He also presented me with the Grand Masters tie that has the heart emblem of his Pin embossed in the cloth. I was very honored to receive such a special gift from the GM.

Please take due notice that our annual roll call will be on May 5th during the stated meeting. I hope to see you all then.

Fraternally, Mike Cushing, W.M.

<sup>•</sup> May 5th Roll Call & Stated Meeting Dinner - 6 pm Meeting - 7 pm

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## 60 YEAR MEMBER ROBERT UNSWORTH



On Tuesday April 19th Bob Behling, Ernie Zebal, Doug Boyd, Lee Cross all Past Masters and S.W. Bob Ely, Chaplain Charles Sewchok, Sr. Steward Tony Martinez met for lunch at the Coney Island Bar with a brief appearance by Jim Henry. The purpose of the luncheon was to present Bro. Bob Unsworth with his 60 Year Masonic pin and certificate.

Bro. Unsworth began his Masonic career in Ely at the age of 14. He joined the Order of DeMolay and later became Master Councilor of his Chapter. Upon reaching the age of 21 he joined the service and served 4 years in Korea. After returning to the U.S. at the age of 26 he petitioned Ely Lodge #29. He was initiated an E.A. on June 22, 1955, passed to the degree of F.C. on September 14, 1955 and raised a Master Mason on degrees in Ely.

November 5, 1955. He also went through the York Rite degrees in Ely. Bro. Bob moved from Ely to Reno in 1958 and after working for several electric companies, he formed

his own business, Unzy Electric in 1975 and still runs the business today at the very young age of 87 years.

Bro. Bob, his wife and daughter also joined Adah Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star and were involved in the Rainbow Girls. His daughter is a successful attorney in Reno. When his son Bob, Jr., who has since passed away, decided to join Amity #4 as a Life member, Bro. Bob wanted to become a plural member with Amity Lodge and was accepted on June 6, 1974. He stated that he expects to get his 70 year pin and I believe he will be there! Congratulations Bro. Bob.

## 65 YEAR MEMBER RAY PETERSON, JR

A special meeting of several Brothers of Amity convened in Fallon for the purpose of presenting Brother Ray Peterson Jr. with his 65 year pin and certificate. Present were Doug Boyd PM Secretary Emeritus, George Armstrong PM, Bill Dillwith PM, and Bob Behling PM Secretary.

We met at Ray's house at noon on April 25, 2016 in Fallon. Ray has a nice home. Richly appointed by 3 nice Ram's heads, one of which appears in his photo. Conversation centered around Doug and Ray working at the Lumber yard, hunting, and Ray's contribution to the construction of the dining area below the Lodge. He was initiated an E.A. into Escurial #7 on June 19, 1949, passed to the degree of F.C. on August 6, 1949 and



raised a Master Mason on August 18, 1949. He joined Amity #4 on December 5, 1974 as a plural member. Ray also discovered that Bill Dillwith PM was a neighbor and Bill hopes to get Ray to Lodge for a future meeting. Bob Behling PM Secretary made the presentation and a good time was had by all. Ray's final thought of the meeting was "support your local Lodge".

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### Living Past Masters

1962.	George J. Armstrong
1970.	Douglas R. Boyd
1972.	Ernest H. Zebal, Jr.
1973.	Eldredge T. Porch
1974.	Paul J. Keife
1975.	Kenneth Hemphill
	Duane Moore
1980.	George D. Wilkerson
1982.	John Flangas
1986.	Bill Young
1988.	Pat Bacon
1989.	Gary Njirich
	W. Reid Ross
1991.	Cary Parke
1993.	David L. Thompson
1994.	Daniel T. Lee
	David R. Hill
1997.	Robert Behling
1999.	Harold J. Ward
2000.	David W. Terry
	Robert Behling
2005.	George J. Armstrong
2006.	Robert Behling
2009.	Leland W. Cross
2010	J.D. Weiss
	Leland W. Cross
2012	John Angleson
2013	Scott Mount
2014	William E. Dillwith
2015	Pedro Leon-Rojas



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Ben Franklin No. 45 Carson No. 1 Carson Valley No. 33 Douglas No. 12 Escurial No. 7 Fernley No. 34 No. 50 Golden Hope No. 22 Lander No. 8 Mount Rose No. 40 Pyramid No. 43 Reno No. 13 Wadsworth No. 25 Washoe No. 35 Kerak Shrine Chaman Grotto Scottish Rite

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