

TRESTLEBOARD



Amity Lodge #4
Celebrating 153 years
1863-2016



*December
2016*

DATES TO REMEMBER

- **January 5th**
GM Official Visit
Dinner - 6 pm
Meeting - 7 pm
- **February 2nd**
George Washington
Stated Meeting
Dinner - 6 pm
Meeting - 7 pm
- **March 2nd**
Stated Meeting
Rainbow Girls
Dinner - 6 pm
Meeting - 7 pm
- **April 6th**
Stated Meeting
DeMolay Visit
Dinner - 6 pm
Meeting - 7 pm

FROM THE EAST

My Brethren:

Amity Lodge # 4 was opened on the First Degree by WM Mike Cushing on December 2nd, at 7:00 pm for our stated communication. A meal of Beef Stew was prepared by our JW Bob Jordan and was delicious as always.

Past Masters were asked to introduce themselves and Brother Mike pointed out how great it is for our order to have them present and their assistance. Other members present as per the Tyler's Register. The minutes of the November stated were read and approved. All bills before the Lodge were read and approved.

Election of Officers – the following officers were elected:

Worshipful Master - Robert Ely Senior Warden - Robert Jordan
Junior Warden - Pedro Leon-Rojas, PM Secretary - Robert Behling, PM
Treasurer - Ernest H. Zebal, Jr. PM Trustee - Mike Cushing, PM

Most Worshipful Gerald L. Ogle, Grand Master of Masons in Nevada will make his official visitation on the January 5th stated. Brother Bob Ely, SW, called for a practice on January 3rd, at 6:00 pm.

Final announcements for the Installation and dinner were announced by Brother Bob Ely, SW for December 10th. Brethren were reminded of the Past Master's Degree on December 9th at 7:00 pm.

First of all, let me say what an honor and privilege it is to have been selected to be Worshipful Master of this historic Lodge. I can't begin to tell you what joy it brings to my heart. I will promise all of you, that I will never do anything to bring dis-harmony to this Lodge, or knowingly put this Great Lodge in jeopardy.

Your Lodge has been active in Masons for 154 years and that is a history not to be taken lightly. In my travels in England, where Masonry started in the 1700's, there was not a Lodge that I visited that was near as old as ours.

Projects for this year include celebrating George Washington's Birthday at the February Stated, Rainbow Girls coming to the March Stated for Masonic Youth and to fix a dinner for the Lodge. In April, I have asked the DeMolay to come for a visit to our stated and in May we hope to have last year's Scholarship Winner to give a report, along with this year's Scholarship recipient, for Public Education Month. We also have a degree candidate and plan on degree work this winter and spring.

The Grand Master's official visit will be at our January 5th stated. I am looking forward to his visit. As you can see, we have a lot on our plates. I hope you can arrange your busy schedule to attend one of these meetings.

I announced at my installation that I became a Mason 49 years ago. I started in Hawaii, went to Wyoming and then to Nevada. It has taken me awhile to get to this position, but the experience has been worthwhile.

If at any time, you ever have any questions or concerns, please contact me. My phone number is 775-575-2933 and you can reach me at raely64@yahoo.com. You can also check out our Web Site - <http://amitylodge4nv.org> Brother Tony Martinez has done an outstanding job on it.

Fraternally and at your service,
Bob Ely, Worshipful Master





December

T. Baird 12-06
 C. Kinney 12-09
 D. Thompson 12-16



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
 1976.....Duane Moore
 1980.....George D. Wilkerson
 1982.....John Flangas
 1986.....Bill Young
 1988.....Pat Bacon
 1989.....Gary Njirich
 1990.....W. Reid Ross
 1991.....Cary Parke
 1993.....David L. Thompson
 1994.....Daniel T. Lee
 1996.....David R. Hill
 1997.....Robert Behling
 1999.....Harold J. Ward
 2000.....David W. Terry
 2002.....Robert Behling
 2005.....George J. Armstrong
 2006.....Robert Behling
 2009.....Leland W. Cross
 2010.....J.D. Weiss
 2011.....Leland W. Cross
 2012.....John Angleson
 2013.....Scott Mount
 2014.....William E. Dillwith
 2015.....Pedro Leon-Rojas
 2016.....Michael Cushing



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OUR MASONIC NEIGHBORS

Ben Franklin	No. 45	First Wednesday
Carson	No. 1	Third Thursday
Carson Valley	No. 33	Third Tuesday
Douglas	No. 12	Second Wednesday
Escurial	No. 7	First Saturday
Fernley	No. 34	Second Thursday
Golden	No. 50	Second Monday
Hope	No. 22	Second Thursday
Lander	No. 8	Third Saturday
Mount Rose	No. 40	First Wednesday
Pyramid	No. 43	Second Thursday
Reno	No. 13	First Tuesday
Wadsworth	No. 25	First Friday
Washoe	No. 35	First Wednesday
Kerak Shrine		Fourth Wednesday
Chaman Grotto		Third Wednesday
Scottish Rite		Second Wednesday