

TRESTLEBOARD



Amity Lodge #4
Celebrating 154 years
1863-2017



March 2017

FROM THE EAST

DATES TO REMEMBER

- **March 22nd**
Visit Sparks
Assembly IORG
- **April 6th**
Stated Meeting
DeMolay Visit
Dinner - 6 pm
Meeting - 7 pm
- **May 4th**
Stated Meeting
Dinner - 6 pm
Meeting - 7 pm
- **June 1st**
Stated Meeting
Dinner - 6 pm
Meeting - 7 pm
- **June 17th**
Fun Night



My Brethren,

Amity Lodge # 4 was opened on the Second Degree on March 2nd. WM Ely called a recess to allow the Rainbow Assembly #3 to make a presentation. The presentation was called "Why's of Rainbow" and is a new program. It was well received. Following the presentation, the Lodge was then opened in proper form with Brother Chuck Sewchok, Chaplain still ailing.

Past Masters were asked to introduce themselves and Brother Bob pointed out how great it is for our order to have them present and for their assistance. Other members present as per the Tyler's Register.

The minutes of the February stated were read and approved. All bills before the Lodge were read and approved.

I want to Welcome, Brother Jim Ward, who was elected to Plural membership in Amity Lodge # 4. Brother Jim thanked the Brethren for electing him. He stated that he has always loved Amity and looks forward to attending.

SW Bob Jordan reported on his visit to Hope Lodge #22. In Brother Bob's report and with the Lodges I have visited so far, Masonry is on the rise, as all of the Lodges have candidates in one of the degrees or the other. This is indeed good news for our Fraternity.

I was able to attend Fernley # 34 to see Grand Master Ogle again. His message, although covering some of the same points, seemed to stress that we need to treat our Brothers as our Friends. Many times we will tell friends things that we do not share with our Brothers. This can be a challenge for our Lodge, as we all live in other areas and for the most part do not associate with each other. I don't have an answer for this, but it is food for thought.

The DeMolay Chapter will be making a presentation at our April Stated. From what I have gathered, this is the first visit by a DeMolay Chapter to Amity. I encourage all members to attend this presentation. We will be starting Lodge a little early, to allow for the Presentation and for the DeMolay to get back to Reno.

I attended the Masonic Leadership Conference held in Reno the weekend of the 17th. It was very informative. I think the best part was being able to sit down with brothers from other Lodges in Northern Nevada and share ideas and hear the problems the fraternity is facing. As many of you know, we at Amity are very unique, compared to the other Lodges. We are not located in a very populated community, so our drawing power for new members is at a disadvantage. It is a credit to all of our members, both past and present, that we continue to remain a positive influence in Masonry in Nevada. I was asked by one brother "How we managed to keep open" and that he had heard that the only reason we can stay open, is through having all dual or plural members. I informed him that, as far as I knew, that for the majority of our members, this is their primary Lodge and any dual or plural memberships were with other Lodges. The Rumors are out there my Brothers and it is up to us, to stay strong and be a Leader in this Fraternity. We all should be proud of our Lodge, its History, and what has been accomplished. I know I am.

Sincerely and Fraternally,
Bob Ely
Worshipful Master





March

J. Angleson	03-06
J. Brown	03-02
M. Medvedy	03-31
R. Palmer	03-31
E. Porch	03-06
R. Ross	03-02



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
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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