

# TRESTLEBOARD



Amity Lodge #4 1863-2020

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*January 2020*

## FROM THE EAST

### DATES TO REMEMBER

- February 6th  
Stated Meeting  
Dinner - 6 pm  
Meeting - 7 pm
- February 14th  
Valentine's Dinner  
Social - 5:30 pm  
Dinner - 6:00 pm
- March 5th  
Stated Meeting  
Dinner - 6 pm  
Meeting - 7 pm
- April 2nd  
Stated Meeting  
Dinner - 6 pm  
Meeting - 7 pm
- May 7th  
Stated Meeting  
Dinner - 6 pm  
Meeting - 7 pm
- June 4th  
Stated Meeting  
Dinner - 6 pm  
Meeting - 7 pm
- June 13th  
FUN NIGHT

Brethren,

Amity Lodge's 2020 Masonic year began with two exciting meetings in genuine fraternal style. The 2020 Installation of Officers was held on Saturday, December 14, 2019. All officers were present and properly installed.

The installation team was composed of Installing Officer VW Larry W. Darling, PGS, PM (#12 & #33), Secretary Michael E. Williams, PM (#1), Chaplain WM Craig M. Lewis (#1 & #7), Keeper of the Jewels Win Ho, PM (#1), Marshal Michael Cushing, PM (#4) and Outgoing Master Pedro Leon-Rojas, PM (#4). Mike Cushing made the proclamation and DDGL Mike Williams, PM installed Charles Sewchok as DGL.

WM Scott Mount thanked the Installation Team for their excellent work, thanked the Amity Brethren for entrusting him with presiding in the East for a second time, and expressed appreciation for the attendance and support of all the guests. In consideration of the guests, the Lodge was closed in public, short form. Following the installation, 31 Brothers and guests gathered for dinner at the Gold Dust West in Carson City. The meal and the fellowship were superb.

Following a wonderful dinner provided by JW Nick Lazzarino, with his wife Michael Ann's assistance, our first Stated Communication was opened on Thursday, January 2, 2020. The pulled pork and home-made cookies were delightful and enjoyed by all. We are all really looking forward to having Nick in the South.

It was delightful to have John Flangas, PM (1982) and Pat Bacon, PM (1987) attending this Communication. Friendships and memories were renewed. It was great to have them in Lodge and we hope they will be back many times in the future. Jerry Wood, PM visiting from Georgia was received and welcomed.

Regular business was conducted; minutes read and approved, communications read and discussed and bills presented and payment approved. Secretary Bob Behling, PM announced that dues payments were due January 1 and thanked those Brethren who have paid.

Bob Ely, PM reported on the Valentine/Sweetheart Dinner to be held at the Lodge on February 14th, see following flyer. A sign up sheet was circulated to determine interest in attending. Several Brothers indicated they would bring baskets for the drawings.

A very active, positive discussion followed regarding this year's Fun Night. The date will be June 13. It is great news that, with several Brothers stepping up to help, we will be cooking the meal in-house AND bringing back the ribs! The menu will also include previous items; chicken, potato salad, beans and hopefully, andouille sausage for appetizers.

Our Georgia visitor, Jerry Wood, PM shed some light on the Ritual differences between Nevada and Georgia. Very interesting, much of Georgia's work resembles California's.

Brethren, again, thank you for allowing me the honor and privilege of serving from the East.

WM Scott Mount, PM

**If you would like to attend any of our meetings or activities and need a ride please contact one of the officers.**

# VALENTINE DINNER EVENT

**FRIDAY, 14 FEBRUARY 2020**  
*Amity Lodge #4, Silver City, Nevada*  
5:30 p.m. – Social    6:00 p.m. – Dinner

**DOOR PRIZES AND 50/50 RAFFLE!**

**Attire: Business casual**  
**(Men: dress for your lady – Ladies: you know what to wear)**

**MENU: Tri-Tip Roast, Chicken Cordon Bleu, Shrimp Cocktail, Baked Potato, Fresh Garden Salad, Chocolate Truffle, Coffee or Tea**

**Non-Masonic Guests are Welcome. (Seating Limited to First 40 Guests)**

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**RESERVATION FORM – CUT AND MAIL**

**Cost: If postmarked by FEBRUARY 10, 2020 is \$25.00 per person.** After that date, cost is \$30 per person.

**Make check payable to “Amity Lodge #4, F. & A. M.”**

**A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed for (Number of Guests) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Tri-Tip \_\_\_\_\_ or Chicken Cordon Bleu \_\_\_\_\_**

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**Mail this form with check to:**

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**Questions? Contact Bob Ely, (775) 360-9273 or [raely64@hotmail.com](mailto:raely64@hotmail.com)**

**Please mail your reservation and check so it’s received no later than Tuesday, FEBRUARY 11, 2020.**

**No payments at door, please.**

**Cancellations by Noon, Tuesday, February 11, 2020 will be refunded upon request.**

## FROM THE EDITOR

Brothers:

This is the 4th of 10 parts of “**what to avoid**” in the Lodge. It is from the Scottish Rite Journal.

### #4 - YOU GIVE THE OL’ “NO-LOOK PASS.”

Everyone’s done it. You feel a pat on the arm and see a palm out of the corner of your eye. You grab the hand and shake without even breaking the stride of you conversation.

The handshake was historical shorthand for “I’m not going to kill you right now,” and eventually came to signify, “I’m glad you’re here, because I trust you.” As good times went on to breed weak men, the handshake turned more into, “Hey, I’m sticking out my hand because here’s a thing I guess I have to do.

As Masons, we aim for the above middle definition of hospitality. Face your brother, hold your hand out, grip, and look your interlocutor in the eye. Be as kind as you can muster!



**JANUARY**

David Hill	01-28
D. Lowenthal	01-04
D. Moore	01-24
C. Parke	01-29
D. Person	01-10



**Living Past Masters**

1962.....	George J. Armstrong
1972.....	Ernest H. Zebal, Jr.
1973.....	Eldredge T. Porch
1975.....	Kenneth Hemphill
1976.....	Duane Moore
1980.....	George D. Wilkerson
1982.....	John Flangas
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
2017.....	Robert Ely
2018.....	Robert Jordan
2019.....	Pedro Leon-Rojas



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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