

WADSWORTH LODGE #25 F & A.M.

TRESTLE BOARD, MARCH 2011



LODGE CALENDAR

March 1 st	Officers Practice Night	7:00 PM
March 4 th	Stated Meeting	Dinner at 6:30 PM, Meeting at 7:30 PM
	There will be a presentation by the Rainbow Girls and DeMolay	
March 12 th	Sojourners funeral	11:00 AM
March 18 th	First degree	7:00 PM
March 25 th –27 th	Kerak Shrine Circus	Reno Livestock Events Center
April 1 st	Stated Meeting	Dinner at 6:30 PM, Meeting at 7:30 PM



Greetings From The East

Brethren and friends, the profile for our brother this month will be our hard working and dedicated Senior Deacon, Bernie Dow. He is a tremendous brother to call on when you need something done.

He started his journey in Poughkeepsie, New York, in 1964. He quoted that he was only 4 years old when Howard Rigdon entered college. He attended Dutch's Community College in 1982, where computer science and business management were his interests. After trying to be a chimney sweeper, assistant greens keeper, fast food cook, assistant high school soccer coach and an assistant high school crew coach and also discovering a scholarly education was not for him, he received the Dean of Students' blessings and off to the Navy he went in 1985.

He served in the Navy for 13 years and when he was discharged, he was an electrician's mate first class (Surface Warfare). He and his family moved to the Reno/Sparks area in 1996 where he found employment at IBEW local 401. In 2001 he was hired by the City of Sparks as a Treatment Plant Electrician 1 at (TMWRF) where he is still employed.

He was initiated an Entered Apprentice to Wadsworth Lodge # 25 in April 2009, passed to fellow craft degree June 2009, and was raised to Master Mason in November 2009.

He is married to his lovely wife, Sherry, and they will celebrate 25 years of marriage this June. They have two sons Shawn 23 and James 21 and daughter-in-law, Abby, 21.

That is the profile on Bernie Dow our Senior Deacon. I have had fun learning about these brothers. I hope you are enjoying it as much as I am

I was able to make it to Escorial Lodge in Virginia City to announce our annual table lodge in February. It was very interesting to see another lodge work. I have noticed that every lodge has a different ways of doing things, but the message is always good along with fellowship and brotherly love. George Washington made an appearance at their meeting, and he talked about his life growing up, what it took to be a leader, his hardships as a war veteran and his presidency. I would recommend that any of my Master Mason brothers travel to another lodge and get a different perspective.

We are starting the year off great with our practices, and I feel our ritual work practices are a great thing, and we're doing a good job. Thank you to the officers for making time to attend the practices so we look and perform well.

March is Youth Appreciation Month; the Rainbow Girls of Sparks Assembly #3 will be our guests for the night and they will do a presentation.

I am still trying to put together a foosball table challenge after lodge or a dart board competition. Last month our meeting was a little long, so I did not have the opportunity to get it started.

That Stated Meeting last month went a little long due to an excellent presentation from our Junior Steward, Corey, and his K-9 dog, Kraft. If you missed the meeting, you missed a great demonstration by Corey and Kraft. You did an awesome job Cory and Kraft.

I mentioned the possibility of Wadsworth Lodge having a summer Barbecue at the beginning of my year. After some serious thought, Tiffani and I would like to announce that we will be having a summer barbecue. It will be at our house on July 23rd. I am announcing this now so it gives you time to mark your calendar, so if someone asks if you are free on the 23rd, you can tell them you are sorry, but I am busy on that day, I am going to Wadsworth Lodge's picnic.

We looked at catering this, but with early enough notice and people committing to attend, we can keep the cost down by cooking ourselves. We have many talented chefs in our group, and I will guarantee that the meal will be excellent.

I have been calling our Lodge brothers from our call list to wish them a happy birthday. The reception that I get has been great. The brothers start talking to me about the old days and remember all of the "when's." I guess my point of this is that if you called at least 5 members a week we could see the lodge fill up and dinners would be more prosperous. Charlie has a lodge call list in his office or I can copy mine for you.

My term as far as bringing new members into the lodge is Quality before Quantity. One good mason is better than 7 members you never see. I appreciate everyone's hard work so far and let's keep making Wadsworth lodge a place everyone wants to be in on the first Friday of the month. See you in March!

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Patrick W. Higgins

Worshipful Master



FROM THE WEST

Brethren,

Preparations for the annual Table Lodge are in the final stages, many thanks to all of the Brethren who contributed their time and effort in behalf of this event.

At the time of this writing the Table Lodge has not taken place, therefore, I am unable to report on the results other than to extend my gratitude to all of those who participated in the set up, cooking and production of this celebration of the life of our distinguished brother, George Washington.

Many thanks to Corey Solferino for an excellent demonstration of the capabilities of his erstwhile canine partner, "Kraft" who aided in the discovery and eradication of contraband which had been hidden within the Lodge by nefarious entities who identity is unknown and who will remain anonymous.

I hope to see all of you at the Stated Meeting on Friday, March 4th.

Fraternally,

Howard Rigdon PM,

Senior Warden



GREETINGS FROM THE SOUTH

Brethren it is great to be back. I would like to again than Bernie Dow and his wife for again stepping in and helping me in my time of need. I am sure that the meal was excellent. This month I am planning on Beef Stew and or Chili in a Sour Dough Bread Bowl, and Corn Bread and I am planning on being present to prepare it (finally).

In March at the stated meeting, we probably are going to be voting on a new candidate for his degrees. Speaking of degrees, I am going to sit in the East for the first degree if we vote on the candidate and approve him. I am prepared to give the degree using Wisconsin ritual (what a surprise) but am going to try to learn the ritual for Nevada by the 18th. Finally, I am sure that the table lodge on the 19th will be a success.

Hope everyone can make it to our Stated Meeting and Degree night. See you there.

Fraternally,

SHELDON STONE

Junior Warden

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Justin S. Olin	1 st	Richard V. Meacham PM	3 rd
Jon E. Madsen	7 th	John C. Lebroke Jr	8 th
Edward H. Cobeen JR	14 th	James W. Weaver	23 rd
Guy A. Richardson PM	26 th	John E. Watson PM	26 th
George Z. Falkowski	28 th	James "Mike" LaSance	29 th

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Work Party at the Lodge with reward of Pizza / Corey and Kraft demonstration



WADSWORTH #25 OFFICERS

- Worshipful Master** **Patrick W. Higgins**
- Senior Warden** Howard L. Rigdon PM
- Junior Warden** Sheldon Stone PM
- Treasurer** Donald Kurt Green
- Secretary** Charles F. Steiner PM
- Chaplin** William J. Wearne, IV JPM
- Senior Deacon** Bernie Dow
- Junior Deacon** Cory Solferino
- Senior Steward** OPEN
- Junior Steward**..... James McDow
- Marshal** OPEN
- Historian** Joseph R. Boteler, Jr
- Tyler** J Darren Spark, PM
- DGL** Rick Wallace, PM

LODGE TRUSTEES

- 1 Year Robert “Robbie” C. Snyder PM
- 2 Year John M. Buffington PM
- 3 Year John E. Bower PM

BUILDING TRUSTEES

- 1 Year James “Mike” LaSance
- 2 Year Thomas E. Black
- 2 Year Howard L. Rigdon PM
- 3 Year Trey R Watts
- 3 Year Joseph R. Boteler, Jr

Although I hold the highest civil honor in the world, I have always regarded my rank and title as a Past Grand Master of Masons the greatest honor that had ever come to me.

Bro. Harry S. Truman, thirty-third President of the United State

COMMITTEES

COGNIZANCE

John Buffington Junior Grand Warden, Robbie Snyder PM, Dana A Nöllsch PM

DELINQUENCY

Charles Steiner PM, Patrick Higgins, Howard Rigdon PM

FUNERAL

Jack Watson PM, John E. Bower PM, Willard “Ducky” Anderson Sr. PM

INVESTIGATION COMMITTEE

Jack Watson PM, Willard J. “Ducky” Anderson Sr. PM,

COACHING & MENTORING

Robert Duncan, John E. “Jack” Watson PM,

EDUCATION

Chairman – Sheldon Stone PM, William J. Wearne, IV PM

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

Committee: Bernie Dow, Robert C. Snyder PM,

MEDIA COMMITTEE

Rick Wallace PM, Dana A. Nollsch PM, Will Wearne, IV PM

RAINBOW COMMITTEE

Rick Wallace PM, Patrick Higgins,

FELLOWCRAFT CLUB

EA Degree: Sheldon Stone PM,

FC Degree:, Howard Rigdon PM

MM Degree: Patrick W. Higgins WM

FUNDRAISER COMMITTEE

Richard Meacham PM, Joe Boteler, Jr., Kurt Green

TRESTLE BOARD

Dana A Nöllsch PM, Patrick Higgins WM, Rick Wallace PM

Masonic Neighbors

Craft Lodges

Amity #4	Silver City	1 st Thursday, 7pm
Escorial #7	Virginia City	1 st Saturday, 11am
Reno #13	1st and Virginia, Reno	1 st Tuesday, 7:30pm
Washoe #35	Peckham Lane, Reno	1 st Wednesday, 7pm
MT Rose #40	1st and Virginia, Reno	1 st Wednesday, 7pm
Pyramid #43	1300 Stardust St, Reno	1 st Thursday, 7pm
Ben Franklin #45	Shrine Building	1 st Wednesday, 7:30pm
Golden #50	Peckham Lane, Reno	2 nd Monday, 7:30pm

Scottish Rite

Scottish Rite	1st and Virginia, Reno	2 nd Wednesday, 6pm
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York Rite Bodies

Royal Arch #7	1st and Virginia, Reno	1 st Thursday, 7pm
Reno Council #4	1st and Virginia, Reno	1 st Thursday, 8:15pm
Commandery #1	1st and Virginia, Reno	3 rd Thursday, 7:30pm

Masonic Youth Groups

Sparks Assembly #3 IORG, York and Pyramid, Sparks, 7:00pm 2nd & 4th Wednesday