

# WADSWORTH LODGE #25 F & A.M.

## TRESTLE BOARD, FEBRUARY 2011



### LODGE CALENDAR

**February 1<sup>st</sup>** – Officers Practice Night .. 7:00 PM

**February 4<sup>th</sup>** - Stated Meeting, Dinner at 6:30 PM and the meeting will be at 7:30 PM.

Special presentation by Cory Solferino and Kraft.

Dinner will be baked chicken, potatoes and salad. Dessert will be apple pie and ice cream.

If you and your guests are planning to attend, please RSVP to [rsvp@wadsworthlodge.com](mailto:rsvp@wadsworthlodge.com).

**February 19<sup>th</sup>** – Table Lodge at 12:00 noon. There will be Food, Prizes and Brotherhood.

Tickets are available through Howard

**February 18<sup>th</sup>** – Practice or Degree. 7:00 PM

**March 4<sup>th</sup>** - Stated Meeting, Dinner at 6:30 PM and the meeting will be at 7:30 PM.

**March 1<sup>st</sup>** – Officers Practice Night .. 7:00 PM



### From The East

**Brethren,**

I would like to start my message this month by thanking every officer of Wadsworth Lodge for their hard work. Starting the year off right with great floor and ritual work made for a great reception for receiving the Grand Master, his corps of Officers and other Grand Lodge Officers. You did a great job and it went well. I hope you had as much fun as I did. Bernie, your dinner was really tasty and for those of you who missed it, you missed a great dinner.

We have a special treat at our stated meeting this month. Our Junior Deacon, Corey, will be conducting a presentation with his dog, Kraft. Corey works with the Washoe County Sheriff's Department as a K-9 Police Officer...so, be ready for some excitement and education on how these dogs work. Also this month, after our business at the Stated Meeting, we will be having some lively competition. While we eat cake and ice cream, we will, also have a fun activity to build some fellowship after lodge. Please show up to see what it is and get involved. I am looking for a dart board or a foosball table for future nights, so, if you have access to one of these, please let me know.

The Profile of the Month is our Senior Warden, Howard Rigdon. He started out his travels in Utah where he graduated from BYU in 1968 with a degree in History. In 1970 he started his law enforcement career where he was a Deputy Sheriff in Santa Clara County (San Jose), California. He furthered his education while in San Jose at Cal State, San Jose, achieving his Masters Degree in Public Administration in 1978. He retired in 2008 as a Captain in the Nevada Department of Public Safety, Division of Parole and Probation. Some of his other jobs in between were Parole Officer and with the State Gaming Control Board. Howard is a Past Master of Wadsworth lodge, serving as Master in 2009. We appreciate him joining our line of officers again and filling a huge need.

We will be having "Officers Practice Night" for the remainder of my term on the first Tuesday of each month. We also, as a lodge, have the third Friday available of each month in our contract with the Building Association. The third Friday will be used for a degree (if we have a candidate) or another practice to sharpen our skills. Officers Practice Night will be at 7:00 pm and will not go past 9:00 pm.

If you have an idea or a prize for our raffle prize drawing during the table lodge this month, please give the prize or idea to our Senior Warden. The Table Lodge is scheduled for the 19<sup>th</sup> at high twelve, so time is running out as it is right around the corner. Mark your calendar to join us, and if you cannot join us, please buy a ticket anyway to support our lodge fund.

Patrick Tanner, from Washoe Lodge #35, is holding a Moonlight Masonic Discussion Group, Monday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, at 7:00 pm to approx 8:15 pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Reno Masonic Temple. This should be a valuable event for some Masonic education and fellowship. If you have the time, please join him and other brothers for this discussion.

My hope is that our lodge is about fellowship and brotherly love and it's not about me. It is about every person to attend and have a good time. So, if you have any ideas to make our lodge better, please let me know. This year we have an outstanding corps of officers, so let's ride that wave of excitement from the Grand Master's visit. I was proud to hold my head high after that visitation and say, "I am a Mason, and I belong to Wadsworth Lodge # 25!"

**Patrick Higgins**  
**Worshipful Master**  
**Wadsworth Lodge #25 F. & A. M.**



## GREETINGS FROM THE WEST

The Grand Master's Official Visit was without question a tremendous success. Brother Dow provided an excellent main course for the dinner of Egg Plant Parmesan and which was truly outstanding and delicious.

The Rainbow Girls catered and served the meal. They also cleaned up the dishes and kitchen. Our sincere appreciation is extended to them for their service to the Lodge; they remain a lovely group of committed young women.

Senior Deacon, Brother Dow and Junior Deacon, Brother Solferino performed exemplary floor work. Their outstanding performance set the stage for complements from Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Wayne Kingsley, and Grand Lodge Officers John Singleton and Patrick Tanner both of whom are steeped in the importance of the symbolism and ritual of the Craft. Brother Ed Davis was an outstanding Marshall and our thanks to Brother Robbie Snyder for filling in as the Junior Warden until Brother Stone could arrive. Brother "J." James McDow is a welcome addition to the line as our new Jr. Deacon and Brother Kurt Green executed the duties of the Treasurer in an exemplary manner.

The Master was masterful and Brother Steiner was able to expeditiously dispose of the necessary secretarial business in his usual professional manner. "Ducky", Will and Darren provided their usual stellar performance as Senior Steward, Chaplain and Tyler respectively.

As I observed the Lodge Officers seated in their respective stations within the Lodge their decorum and conduct made me very proud to be not only an officer but also a fellow brother within such an august group

It was a time to be very proud of membership in such a great Lodge as Wadsworth #25.

Some other unsung heroes need to be mentioned here. At the suggestion of Brother Snyder, he and Brother Tom Black obtained a table at the recent Bridal Show, which was held at the Convention Center. Representing

the Building Trustees, these entrepreneurs set up a very nice display promoting the rental of the building for weddings and related functions. The response was incredible and they distributed the entire lot of remaining building promotional brochures. Tom said that they were engaged with attendees the entire time they were there and he is extremely optimistic that their efforts will result in much needed revenue. "Hats off," to these two dedicated Masonic Brethren for their service to the Lodge.

Just a reminder that Wadsworth #25's annual Table Lodge Observance will be held at "High Noon" on February 19. Brother Joe Boteler has graciously consented to reprise his past performance as George Washington, which alone is worth the price of admission. We are in need of donated items for the raffle. Tickets are \$15.00 and all Masons are encouraged to attend.

**Fraternally,  
Howard Rigdon PM,  
Senior Warden**



## **GREETINGS FROM THE SOUTH**

Brethren it is great to be back from vacation, although the weather there was significantly warmer than here (I was in Florida). I barely made it to the stated meeting and the visitation from Most Worshipful Reed Mosley, Grand Master of Masons in Nevada due to late flights. I want to thank Brother Bernie Dow for preparing a great meal in my absence. Further, I want to thank Brother Robbie Snyder for sitting in the south during the stated meeting.

The meal for the Stated Meeting, February 4<sup>th</sup>, (6:30 pm or 1830 hrs.) will be baked chicken, potatoes and salad. Dessert will be apple pie and ice cream. If you and your guests are planning to attend, please RSVP to [rsvp@wadsworthlodge.com](mailto:rsvp@wadsworthlodge.com) so I can determine how many chickens to buy. Alternatively, you may also RSVP to me at [stoneshel@gmail.com](mailto:stoneshel@gmail.com). Yes, it is a new e-mail address. I was receiving too much spam at the old address.

Again, I invite the Stewards and the Deacons to be there early on the nights where we have a meal to help set up the tables and chairs. Anyone wishing to help in the take down will also be appreciated.

Finally, I would like to remind everyone that table lodge will be on Saturday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 12 Noon.

**Fraternally,  
SHELDON STONE  
Junior Warden**



## **SECRETARY'S MESSAGE**

Brethren:

Thank you to those members who have already paid their 2011 annual dues. There are still twenty-two (22) members who owe dues for the current year. Please take time to send your check and save your Lodge Secretary the time and expense of a second notice.

Also, thank you to our 50-year members and life members who have made voluntary contributions to our general fund. This will help for payment of their per capita and to assist in reducing our Lodge deficit. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Best wishes to all for a prosperous new year!

**Charles Steiner, PM, Secretary**



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**To all of my fellow Masons,**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who made the Grand Master's Official Visit eggplant parmesan dinner an overwhelming success. I would like to thank my daughter-in-law, Abbey, for all of her help in cooking the eggplant, Brother James McDow for his help getting it all to the hall and assembling it with me. I'd like to thank Brother Joe Boteler for arriving early and getting the tables and chairs set-up, my wife, Sherry, especially for the dessert, and all of the Rainbow Girls and mothers, for assisting in the setup, serving, general help about the kitchen, and clean-up. I'd also like to thank JPM Brother Will Wearne for providing the drinks and also Senior Warden Brother Howard Riggins... I know, I know "RigDON!!!" for the ice cream.

**Thanks again.  
Bernie Dow  
Senior Deacon**



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



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| <b>Edward J. Cockerill</b>     | <b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>    | <b>Robert C. Snyder, PM</b> | <b>4<sup>th</sup></b>  | <b>Wayne D. Block</b>     | <b>5<sup>th</sup></b>  |
| <b>Willard J. Anderson Jr.</b> | <b>PM 8<sup>th</sup></b> | <b>Edward A. Howden</b>     | <b>9<sup>th</sup></b>  | <b>Alan G. Goldfarb</b>   | <b>11<sup>th</sup></b> |
| <b>Ernest E. Cobbett</b>       | <b>13<sup>th</sup></b>   | <b>Kenneth L. Stine</b>     | <b>16<sup>th</sup></b> | <b>Laurence A. Wilson</b> | <b>22<sup>nd</sup></b> |
| <b>Kenneth T. Husby</b>        | <b>23<sup>rd</sup></b>   | <b>Trey R. Watts</b>        | <b>26<sup>th</sup></b> |                           |                        |



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## WADSWORTH #25 OFFICERS

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

**... To Spread The Cement Of Brotherly  
Love And Affection, That Cement Which  
Unites Us Into One Sacred Band Or  
Society Of Brothers, Among Whom No  
Contention Should Ever Exist, But That  
Noble Emulation Of Who Can Best Work  
Or Best Agree ...**

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

### Scottish Rite

Scottish Rite	1st and Virginia, Reno	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday, 6pm
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### York Rite Bodies

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

### Masonic Youth Groups

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