



UPON THE SQUARE

Ron LaBlue, Master

Brethren, welcome to the new year and new beginnings! With all we have accomplished and all that lies ahead, I hope to see more brothers at our stated meetings. These gatherings foster unity, strengthen our lodge, and ensure every member has a voice.

I am honored to serve as Worshipful Master and look forward to knowing more members. This year promises great work and collaboration, as we join other lodges to support the craft and community. Additionally, we will bring in new members and advance brethren through the degrees, ensuring continued growth.

Your presence at stated meetings is invaluable. Through shared commitment and participation, we shape the lodge's future and uphold Masonic principles. I encourage each of you to attend, contribute, and engage.

Moving forward, I am here to assist in any way necessary for our members and lodge. Thank you for your support and confidence in me. I will continue doing my best to serve.

BY THE PLUMB

Gregg Moore, JW

I hope 2025 is off to a great start for you all! Please join us for our first meeting of the year, where we can reconnect and set the course for the months ahead.

Arrive early for pulled pork sandwiches with coleslaw, potato salad, and fresh fruit—a meal to enjoy with good company. I look forward to hearing about your holidays and plans for the year.

This month's quote by **H. Jackson Brown, Jr.** reminds us: *"Remember that children, marriages, and flower gardens reflect the kind of care they get."*

Let's bring this mindset into our lives—nurturing what matters most. Looking forward to seeing you there!

ON THE LEVEL

Carl Rueckl, SW

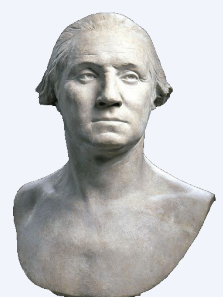
In Freemasonry, the rough and perfect ashlar serve as profound symbols of personal growth and self-improvement. These stones represent the journey of every Mason—from an imperfect, unrefined state to one of moral and spiritual enlightenment. Just as a stonemason works tirelessly to shape raw stone into a smooth and useful form, so too must a Mason strive to refine his character, removing imperfections and cultivating virtue.

The rough ashlar symbolizes man in his natural state, full of potential but still in need of moral and intellectual development. It serves as a reminder that all men, no matter their background, enter the world with room for improvement. Through the teachings and principles of Freemasonry, a man begins the process of shaping himself into a better person.

The perfect ashlar, by contrast, represents the Mason who has worked to smooth out his rough edges—who has cultivated wisdom, integrity, and self-discipline. It is the ideal every Mason aspires to achieve, though the journey is lifelong. The transformation from rough to perfect ashlar is not instantaneous but requires dedication, reflection, and the guidance of the Craft.

Together, these symbols illustrate the core Masonic belief that good men can become better through continuous self-improvement, education, and adherence to the tenets of brotherly love, relief, and truth. The rough and perfect ashlar remind every Mason that life itself is a work in progress and that through effort and virtue, he can leave a lasting, positive impact on the world around him.

Honoring Brother George Washington on his birthday! A dedicated Freemason, visionary leader, and the cornerstone of our great nation. May we continue to uphold the virtues he cherished—integrity, unity, and service.





Mt. ROSE LODGE No. 40

History

Chartered June 8, 1950
Consolidated (40 & 45) December 3, 2021

Time and Place

First Wednesday at 7:00 P.M.
Sparks Masonic Center
2425 Pyramid Way, Sparks, Nevada

February

Wed, 7th 6:00 PM Stated Dinner
 7:00 PM Stated Meeting
 George Washington presentation

March

Wed, 6th 6:00 PM Stated Dinner
 7:00 PM Stated Meeting

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