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All Stated Meetings will be held at 7:30 and will include Business, Reception of Petitions, and Refreshments (unless otherwise noted). All V.A. Togus Hospital Visitations are held at 9:30 A.M. on the Second Floor NHC Unit. (BLDG 207)

Kennebec Lodge No. 5, Hallowell, Wor. John Branscom, Master, 207-671-3487, jbranscom@maineturnpiike.com V.W. Richard Kimball, Secretary, 207-441-8843, noprwk@gmail.com www.hallowellmasons.org

Nov 30 (Mon) Fellowcraft Rehearsal at 6:30 P.M.

Dec 9 (Wed) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Regular order of business. Fellowcraft Degree for our Annual Inspection.

Temple Lodge No. 25, Winthrop, Wor. Carroll Paradis, Master, 207-462-1593, cgparadis@yahoo.com Wor. Joshua Hooper, Secretary, 215-6670, Joshhoopah@gmail.com

Dec 21 (Mon) 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting. Regular order of business. No refreshments. (All meetings will be held at Lafayette Lodge No. 48, Readfield)

Christmas is stressful. From shopping for the perfect gifts to cooking a feast for the family, it's surprising that people actually look forward to the holiday hustle and bustle.

Hermon Lodge No. 32, Gardiner, Wor. Mike Clinton, Master, 207-713-0250, elightspeedcabl@roadrunner.com Wor. Mark Mansir, Secretary, 207-576-7327, hermonlodge32@gmail.com

Dec 1 (Tues) Stated at 7:30 P.M. Regular order of business. (All Meetings will be held at Morning Star Lodge No. 41, Litchfield)

Bethlehem Lodge No. 35, Augusta, Wor. Jason Carey, Master, 207-458-8305, jasoncareyguitar@gmail.com R.W. Richard N. Bergeron, Jr. Secretary, 207-240-5752, rickbergeron@gmail.com

Dec 5 (Sat) Cleaning Party from 9 A.M. to 2 P.M. – Masks Required.

Dec 7 (Mon) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Regular order of business.

Dec 13 (Sun) Togus Visitation canceled until further notice according to W. Daniel Hill, M. S. A. Rep.

The principal advantage of the non-parental lifestyle is that on Christmas Eve you need not be struck dumb by the three most terrifying words that the government allows to be printed on any product: 'Some assembly required.'

Morning Star Lodge No. 41, Litchfield, Wor. Michael D Nicholas, Sr., Master, cell 215-4569, mpnic@roadrunner.com Wor. Charles J. Izzi, Jr., Secretary, 207-740-1150, charlesizzi@roadrunner.com

Dec 15 (Tues) Stated Communication at 7:30 P.M. Regular order of business. No Refreshments.

Lafayette Lodge No. 48, Readfield, Wor. Dan Cronin, Master, 207-897-5939, dcronin16@yahoo.com R.W. John E. Lord, Jr., Secretary, 207-685-4266, bilord@roadrunner.com

Dec 3 (Thur) Annual meeting at 7:30 P.M. Annual Meeting and election of officers. Note: Lafayette Lodge Hall is now handicapped accessible. Rural Lodge No. 53, Sidney, Wor. Mathew L'Italian, Master, 207-485-5469, mrlitalien@gmail.com Secretary Needed, Secretary, rurallodgesecretary@gmail.com

Dec 19 (Sat) Special at 1:00 P.M. Installation of Officers will occur at 1:00 P.M. with a meal. Semi-Public with RSVP required for all visitors to attend using Grand Lodge's Covid precautions. Please contact Wor. Matt L'Italien. We would love to see visiting brethren.

Dec 28 (Mon) Stated at 7:30 P.M. Regular order of business.

Dirigo Lodge No. 104, Weeks Mills, Wor. Leonard Goodine, Master, (H) 207-445-5667 (C) 207-458-9871 Wor. Tom Squiers, Secretary, 207-485-5543, tsquiersjr@gmail.com

Dec 19 (Thur) 9:00 A. M. South China Community Church. Prepare and Deliver Christmas Baskets Dec 21 (Mon) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Regular order of business.

Monmouth Lodge No. 110, Monmouth, Wor. David Stevens, Master, 207-933-2143, dhstevens4995@gmail.com M.W. David Walker, Secretary, 933-2862, dawalkergIme@gmail.com

Dec 14 (Mon) Stated at 7:30 P.M. Annual Meeting. Election of officers. Master Mason Degree to follow, no meal.

Asylum Lodge No. 133, Leeds, Wor. Ty Barker

Wor. Matthew J. Sekerak, Secretary, 524-2076, matthew.sekerak@fairpoint.net Dec 10 (Thur) Stated at 7:30 P.M. Regular order of business. (2nd Thursday).

Answer to Proficiency Test for the Home Study Course in Lodge Management 1 thru 12		
1. Worshipful Master	2. Avouched	3. Introduced
4. A Seat in the East	5. 3	6.1
7. Directory	8. Charter	9. Senior Warden
10. Grand Honors	11. After J. D has Tyled the Door	12. Grand Marshall

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS-CAPITULAR DEGREES (Mark Master-Past Master-Most Excellent Master-Royal Arch Mason) Winthrop Chapter No. 37, Readfield, Ex Dan Cronin, dcronin16@yahoo.com, High Priest. (897-5939), (1st Wed)

Dec 2 (Wed) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Rehearsal and preparation for Royal Arch Degree. Refreshments. (1st Wed)

Cushnoc Chapter No. 43, Augusta, Ex. Brian Spellman, High Priest. (395-6002) ,bryspel87@gmail.com (1st Thur)

Dec 3 (Thurs) Stated Communication at 7:00 P.M.

ADDRESS CORRECTIONS WANTED

Please help us by supplying a correct address to 11th Masonic District, Masters & Wardens Assoc., P.O. Box 201, Augusta, Maine 04332-0201. You may send your changes directly to Ron Emery, 267 Alder Park Road, South China, ME 04358. Thank You. **E-mail:** ronaldemery@gmail.com

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(Order of the Red Cross-Order of Malta-Order of the Temple)

Maine Trinity Commandery No.1, Augusta, Charles Wadleigh, Recorder, 293-2308, Moosemaster1940@yahoo.com Llewelyn C. Manter, Commander, 293-2308

Dec 9 at 7:00 P.M Stated Meeting

ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE VALLEY OF AUGUSTA

Robert L. Smith, Secretary 207-778-3066 augustavalleysecretary@gmail.com **Kennebec Valley-Lodge of Perfection - 14th degree** Bruce Ruger 32*, Thrice Potent Master **Augusta Council Princes of Jerusalem - 15th degree** Edward M. Brownell 32*, Sovereign Prince **Emeth Chapter of Rose Croix - 18th degree** Daniel Cronin 32*, Most Wise Master

Augusta Valley will be dark in December. Annual Meeting scheduled for January 20, Prelate's Room in Augusta, if COVID conditions allow.

I would like to wish all members and their families a Happy Thanksgiving and please Stay Safe. R.W. Michael Philbrick. DDGM

DISTRICT DOINGS

Dec 23 at 7:30 P.M. - Masters' and Wardens' meet at 7:30 P.M. at the Abnaki Club Room, Augusta Temple. All Masters and Wardens should make an effort to join us. Please report any illness or hardship of a brother, his wife or widow, to the Chairman of your Lodge's Care and Share Committee. Your support is greatly needed. All Masons invited.

KENNEBEC VALLEY SHRINE CLUB

Dec 28 (Monday) 6:00 P.M. Stated Meeting in the Abnaki Club at the Augusta Masonic Center. Please wear a mask.

HIGH TWELVE CLUB (2nd Tues)

Maine's First High Twelve Club #730 will meet at the Morning Star Lodge in Litchfield on Tuesday Dec 8 at 11:00 A.M. for social hour and 12 noon for meal followed by business meeting. For reservations, please call Charles Wadleigh at 207-293-2308.

The Trestleboard for the Mighty 11th District can be found on our new district website at: www.Mighty11thMaine.org. Please log on and check out the new Trestleboard and our website!

Please stay Safe and Healthy – Thanks for your help for this month's Trestleboard – Michael Easterby.

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Proficiency Test for the Home Study Course in Lodge Management

1. What is the highest honor that a lodge can confer upon one of its members? ______.

2. Before sitting in open lodge, every visitor must be

3. After opening the lodge, every first-time visitor, should be

4. After opening the lodge, all Past Masters should be invited to ______.

5. How many brethren must be appointed to the committee to examine visitors? _____.

6. What is the maximum number of visitors that can be examined at one and the same time?

7. The ______ lists all lodges in fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Maine.

8. A visitor having passed the examination may insist on inspecting the _____.

9. Which lodge officer is responsible for every visitor being a brother of the degree being opened? ______.

10. Every Grand Lodge Officer and Permanent member of Grand Lodge should be received with _____.

11. When the Grand Master is present, at what point in the opening does the Master receive him? _____.

12. Which Grand Lodge officer raps at the door to announce that the Grand Master and his suite awaits to be admitted? ______.

Any meetings may not be held for safety reasons if Convid virus is a concern. Please check dates Happy Thanksgiving and Stay Safe. Ron Emery

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COUNCILS OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS CRYPTIC DEGREES

(Royal Master-Select Master-Super Excellent Master)

Alpha Council No. 3, Hallowell, Leo Bellemare, Illustrious Master (1st Wednesday)

Next Meeting in March. Annual Inspection by Grand Council Completed. Work was done by the Officers of Alpha Council. I.M. Leo Bellemare and his officers received a **very good rating** in the Royal Master.

Adoniram Council No. 12, Augusta, Gregory Chapman, Illustrious Master. 549-3366 (4th Wednesday)

Dec 23 (Wed) Stated Communication at 6:00 P.M. at Augusta Masonic Building

No Changes in Eastern Star Meetings

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR DISTRICT NO. 7 All Chapter Meetings start at 7:30 Unless noted below Currently, there are no OES District #7 Stated Meeting Scheduled. Please contact the Chapter Secretaries for further information

- Queen Esther Chapter No. 10, Hallowell (1st Tues) Jean McKenna – 480-1751 Secretary, Email: r_mckenna@msn.com
- Marion Chapter. No. 63, Gardiner (2nd Mon) Rebecca St. Pierre – 582-7014 Secretary, Email: Rebecca.st.pierre@maine.gov (Meeting in Litchfield)

Mystic Chapter No. 69, Litchfield (1st Mon) Paula Nicholas – 622-0381 Secretary, email: mpnic@roadrunner.com

Abenaki Chapter No. 116, Winthrop (2nd Fri) Kelly Hooper – 446-3469 Secretary, Email: <u>kelley.hooper@gmail.com</u> Meeting in Readfield (2nd Fri)

Lily of the Valley Chapter No. 157, Weeks Mills (3rd Thur) Carol Thomas – 445-2633 Secretary

THE TRAVELING GAVEL

Mark your calendar for **Dec 21**. The lodge with the most members visiting **Dirigo Lodge No. 104 stated meeting in November**, will take home the traveling gavel. This is a great opportunity to visit with fellow Masons. Just remember a minimum of **three members** from one lodge is required.

> The Traveling Gavel is now at Dirigo Lodge No. 104 MEETING IN WEEKS MILLS

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