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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. Mike Kimball, Master, 207-480-9561, Michael.t.kimball1973@gmail.com
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Dec 8 (Wed) 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting. Regular order of business.

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 20 (Mon) 7:30 P.M. Stated Communication. Regular order of business.

(All meetings will be held at Lafayette Lodge No. 48, Readfield)

**I have learned to live each day as it comes,
and not to borrow trouble by dreading tomorrow. Dorothy Dix**

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 7 (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
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Dec 4 (Sat) Special at 10:00 A.M. Master Mason Degree on 2 candidates. Breakfast at 9:00 A.M.

Dec 6 (Mon) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Regular order of business.

**You don't get to choose how you're going to die. Or when,
You can only decide how you're going to live. Now. Joan Baez**

Morning Star Lodge No. 41, Litchfield, Wor. Steven Costello, Master, 207-592-6655, stevecostello@roadrunner.com
Wor. Charles J. Izzi, Jr., Secretary, 207-740-1150, charlesizzi@roadrunner.com

Dec 21 (Tues) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. with Regular order of business. Annual Awards Night with
Light Snacks at 6:00 P.M. and Awards at 6:30 P.M. Semi-Public.

Lafayette Lodge No. 48, Readfield, Wor. Charles Colegrove, Master, 207-213-9200 (cell), c_colegrove@yahoo.com
R.W. John E. Lord, Jr., Secretary, 207-685-4266, bjlord@roadrunner.com

Dec 2 (Thur) Annual Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Election and Voting for Next Year's Officers. Refreshments.

Dec 16 (Thur) Special Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Fellow Craft Degree with Right Wor. Brian Farrington in the
East. Supper at 6:30 P.M. (Spiral Ham, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Brown Bread, Cakes)

Note: Lafayette Lodge Hall is now handicapped accessible.

Rural Lodge No. 53, Sidney, Wor. Jaison Hall, Master, 207-446-3576 (cell), jchall874@gmail.com
Wor. Mathew L'Italian, Secretary, 207-485-5469, mrlitalien@gmail.com

Dec 27 (Thur) 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting. Installation of Officers. 6:30 P.M. Supper.

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 11 (Sat) Special at 10 A.M. Widows Basket assembly and delivery. China Community Church

Dec 20 (Mon) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Regular Order of Business. Installation of officers.

Semi-Public so Ladies/Families are Welcome. Supper at 6:30 P.M. by the Lily of the Valley.

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

Dec 13 (Mon) 7:30 PM Stated Meeting, Annual Meeting with election of Officers. Inspection by
RW Michael Philbrick in the FC Degree. 6:30 PM Supper

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

Wor. Matthew J. Sekerak, Secretary, 524-2076, matthew.sekerak@fairpoint.net

Dec 9 (Thur) Stated at 7:30 P.M. Regular order of business. Annual Meeting. (2nd Thursday).

-- Interesting Things Program --

SEC. 85. Should any lodge neglect to make its returns and payments to the Grand Lodge for the space of two years, the Master and Wardens of such lodge shall not be permitted to attend, in their official capacity, any meeting of the Grand Lodge, until such returns and payments are made. And should the delinquency continue for three years, the charter, funds and regalia of such lodge may be declared forfeited to the Grand Lodge.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS-CAPITULAR DEGREES

(Mark Master-Past Master-Most Excellent Master-Royal Arch Mason)

Winthrop Chapter No. 37, Readfield, Ex Mike Letalien,
smartenergy.mike@outlook.co, High Priest. (1st Wed)

Dec 5 (Wed) 7:30 P.M. Regular order of business.

Review results of Royal Arch Degree. Please come
and support the officers.

Cushnoc Chapter No. 43, Augusta, Ex. Gregory
Chapman, High Priest. (592-2259)
ggc8697@yahoo.com (1st Thur)

No meeting in December

Jan 6 (Thur) Stated at 7:00 P.M. Regular order of
business.

INFORMATION / QUESTIONS FOR THE EDITOR

We will not be using PO Box 201 in Augusta. Please
forward information/questions to my email at this time
until we decide the best approach for a 11th Masonic
District email address. My email is **E-mail:**
ronaldemery@gmail.com – **Merry Christmas**

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

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Moosemaster1940@yahoo.com

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Christmas Observance on Dec 15, at 7 P.M. at the Augusta
Masonic Hall. All Sir Knights, Masons and their families are
invited to attend.

ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE VALLEY OF AUGUSTA

Robert L. Smith, Secretary 207-778-3066
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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

Valley of Augusta next Stated meeting will be Annual
Meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 19 at 7:30 P.M. in the
Prelate's Room at Augusta. (no December meeting)

Robert L. Smith, 33° MSA, Secretary
Valley of Augusta A.A.S.R.
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DISTRICT DOINGS

Dec 22 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

Monday December 27, 6:00 P.M. meeting at the Abnaki Club.

STANDING REGULATIONS

37. *Resolved*, That a Master Mason who has voluntarily remained for more than one year without being affiliated with some regular lodge shall not of right be entitled to any of the benefits or privileges of Masonry, and shall be under the same disabilities as if under suspension for non-payment of dues.

HIGH TWELVE CLUB (2nd Tues)

Maine's First High Twelve Club #730 **may meet** at the Morning Star Lodge in Litchfield on Tuesday Nov 9 at 11:00 A.M. Meeting at this time could not be verified. Please Check. For more information call Charles Wadleigh at 207-293-2308.

NOTE FROM R.W. MICHAEL PHILBRICK, DDGM

The following is a list of the dates of the schools of Instruction and other important dates to place on your calendar:

Note from DER VW Richard Kimball. Please inform your lodge officers and members that the school of instructions for **December and January have been cancelled.** Hopefully we will be able to reschedule for March and April (dates to TBA).

Dec 14 Master Mason School of Instruction. Temple Lodge No. 25, Winthrop. Supper at 6:00 P.M. Program 7:00 P.M. **Cancelled – Date TBA**

Jan 11 Non-Ritual School of Instruction – Kennebec Lodge No 5, Supper at 6:00 P.M. (Smothered Beef) Rusty Nail Degree at 7 P.M. **Cancelled – Date TBA**

Mar (**Date TBA**) Table Lodge – Morning Star Lodge No. 41, Litchfield

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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)

Alpha members should support Winthrop Chapter
members from October to February.

Dark until March 2022

Adoniram Council No. 12, Augusta, Joshua Atkinson,
Illustrious Master. (737-4094.) (4th Wednesday)

Dec 29 (Wed) Stated Communication at 6:00 P.M.
at Augusta Masonic Building

**ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
DISTRICT NO. 7**

All Chapter Meetings start at 7:30
Unless noted below

Not all District #7 Chapters have meetings scheduled,
please contact the Chapter Secretary for further
information.

Queen Esther Chapter No. 10, Hallowell

Dec 7th – Tues - 7:00 P.M.

Jean McKenna – 480-1751

Secretary, Email: r_mckenna@msn.com

Marion Chapter. No. 63, Gardiner

Dec 13th – Monday – 7:30 P.M.

Rebecca St. Pierre – 582-7014

Secretary, Email: Rebecca.st.pierre@maine.gov

(Meeting in Litchfield)

Mystic Chapter No. 69, Litchfield

Dec 6th – Monday – 7:00 P.M., Refreshments “to go”

Paula Nicholas – 622-0381

Secretary, email: mpnic@roadrunner.com

Abenaki Chapter No. 116, Winthrop

Dec 10th - Friday – 7:30 P.M.

Kelly Hooper – 377-2040

Secretary, Email: kelley.hooper@gmail.com

Meeting in Readfield (2nd Fri)

Lily of the Valley Chapter No. 157, Weeks Mills (3rd Thur)

Meeting Dec 16th, Thursday – 7:30 P.M.

Carol Thomas – 445-2633 Secretary

THE TRAVELING GAVEL

Mark your calendar for **December 20**. The lodge with
the most members visiting **Dirigo Lodge No. 104**
stated meeting in December, 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**

Interesting Things.

SEC. 98. The Master of any Lodge under this
jurisdiction who has faithfully discharged his duties
and complied with the laws of the Grand Lodge
shall, at the end of his first term, be presented with
a Past Master’s diploma similar in style and fitness
to the one adopted in 1824.

SEC. 116. A petitioner for the degrees whose
application has been rejected by a lodge shall not
be initiated in any lodge under this jurisdiction
other than the one which rejected him, within five
years from the date of such rejection, unless the
lodge having jurisdiction recommend him to
another lodge by a unanimous secret ballot. A
mason knowingly assisting or recommending for
initiation, to any lodge whatever, any person
rejected aforesaid, shall, if a member of a lodge
under this jurisdiction, be suspended or expelled
as may be determined after charges and due trial.

SEC. 117. No petition for the degrees shall be
received by any lodge from any candidate who has
been rejected in that lodge within less than six
months after the rejection.

SEC. 119. An applicant whose petition for the
degrees has been rejected in any lodge, who shall
within five years after such rejection, be initiated in
any lodge under this jurisdiction, other than the
one to which he first applied, without consent of
said lodge, shall be declared an irregularly made
Mason and all Masonic intercourse with him is
forbidden.

DIGEST of DECISIONS

RELIEF

Every Mason is under equal obligation to every
worthy brother to relieve his distress according to
his necessity and his own ability. The sole claim of
a distressed worthy brother for relief grows out of
his being a Mason, and not out of his having
contributed to the funds of a particular lodge. The
association of Masons in a lodge in no manner
relieves them from their individual obligations; and
when they act as a lodge their duty, and therefore
that of the lodge is precisely the same as that of
the individual mason. Masonic relief is never
purchased or sold and therefore never creates a
debt.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all the
Masons and their families from the officers of the
11th Masonic District.