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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](mailto:Michael.t.kimball1973@gmail.com)  
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Mar 9 (Wed) 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting. Regular order of business.

**Dark January and February**

**Temple Lodge No. 25**, Winthrop, Wor. Carroll Paradis, Master, 207-462-1593, [cgparadis@yahoo.com](mailto:cgparadis@yahoo.com)  
Wor. Joshua Hooper, Secretary, 215-6670, [Joshhoopah@gmail.com](mailto:Joshhoopah@gmail.com)

Jan 17 (Mon) 7:30 P.M. Annual Communication. Annual Reports. Election of Officers.

**The person who has lived the most is not the one**

**With the most years, but the one with the richest experiences. Jean-Jacques Rousseau**

**Hermon Lodge No. 32**, Gardiner, Wor. Mike Clinton, Master, 207-713-0250, [elightspeedcabl@roadrunner.com](mailto:elightspeedcabl@roadrunner.com)  
Wor. Mark Mansir, Secretary, 207-576-7327, [hermonlodge32@gmail.com](mailto:hermonlodge32@gmail.com)

Jan 4 (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](mailto:jasoncareyguitar@gmail.com)  
R.W. Michael Philbrick. Secretary, 207-242-0127, [mphilbrick@roadrunner.com](mailto:mphilbrick@roadrunner.com)

Jan 10 (Mon) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Regular order of business.

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

Jan 18 (Tues) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. with Regular order of business. No Refreshment.

**Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take,  
But by the moments that take our breath away. Anonymous**

**Lafayette Lodge No. 48**, Readfield, Wor. Brian Farrington, Master, 207-458-5608 (cell), [brianfarringtonf@aol.com](mailto:brianfarringtonf@aol.com)  
R.W. John E. Lord, Jr., Secretary, 207-685-4266, [jlordjr48@gmail.com](mailto:jlordjr48@gmail.com)

Jan 6 (Thur) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Installation of Officers. Refreshments.

Jan 20 (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](mailto:jchall874@gmail.com)  
Wor. Mathew L'Italian, Secretary, 207-485-5469, [mrlitalien@gmail.com](mailto:mrlitalien@gmail.com)

Jan 29 (Sat) 9:00 A.M. Master Mason Degree. **Breakfast at 8:00 A.M.**

**Dark January and February (with above exception)**

**Dirigo Lodge No. 104**, Weeks Mills, Wor. Leonard Goodine, Master, (H) 207-445-5667 (C) 207-458-9871  
RW Michael Kimball, Secretary, 207-480-9561, Michael.t.kimball1973@gmail.com

Mar 17 (Mon) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Regular Order of Business.

**Dark January and February**

**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

Jan 10 (Mon) 7:30 PM Stated Meeting with educational program and refreshments to follow.

Jan 16 (Sun), 2:00 PM Special Meeting with Installation of Officers with MW David Walker as  
Installing Officer, Refreshment to follow.

**\*\*\* All Meetings for January, February and March will be at Webster Lodge #164 in Wales \*\*\***

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

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

Jan 13 (Thur) Stated at 7:30 P.M. Regular order of business. Annual Meeting. (2nd Thursday).

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**-- STANDING REGULATIONS --**

29. *Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge recognizes no degrees of Masonry except those conferred under the regulations of the Grand Lodges of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the several states and territories of the United States of America and the governments throughout the world; and, it admits the following named organizations to be regular and duly constituted Masonic Bodies functioning within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge; namely.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Maine, the Grand Council of Royal and Select Master of Maine, and the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Maine, and the several bodies under their jurisdiction, also the several bodies of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite in Maine chartered by the Supreme Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite for the Northern Jurisdiction of the United States of America, and the several bodies under the jurisdiction of the Imperial Council of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North America"

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**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. (1<sup>st</sup> Wed)

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

Please come and support the officers.

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**Cushnoc Chapter No. 43**, Augusta, Ex. Gregory  
Chapman, High Priest. (592-2259)  
[gqc8697@yahoo.com](mailto:gqc8697@yahoo.com) (1<sup>st</sup> Thur)

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

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**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](mailto:ronaldemery@gmail.com).

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**The tragedy of life is not so much what men suffer,  
But rather what they miss. Thomas Carlyle**

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**COMMANDERIES OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR  
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**Maine Trinity Commandery No.1, Augusta,**

Charles Wadleigh, Recorder, 293-2308,

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Llewelyn C. Manter, Commander, 557-4114

January 26<sup>th</sup> Stated Meeting at 7:00 P.M. in Augusta.

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**ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE  
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**Kennebec Valley-Lodge of Perfection - 14th degree**

Gerald W. Gilman 32\* MSA, Thrice Potent Master

**Augusta Council Princes of Jerusalem - 15th degree**

Edward M. Brownell 32\*, Sovereign Prince

**Emeth Chapter of Rose Croix - 18th degree**

Gary L. Gagnon 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.

February 21 – 4<sup>th</sup> degree live and 9 table degree.

Robert L. Smith, 33° MSA, Secretary

Valley of Augusta A.A.S.R.

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## DISTRICT DOINGS (4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday)

Jan 26 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 January 24, 6:00 P.M. meeting at the Abnaki Club.

### STANDING REGULATIONS

71. *Resolved*, That any dual member, having been suspended, [non payment of dues], from one of his lodges in this jurisdiction, shall not be issued a dues card in any other lodge in this jurisdiction even though his dues be current in that lodge, until his dues shall be paid up in the lodge from which he has been suspended; and furthermore he shall be prohibited from attending any lodge meeting in this jurisdiction until his outstanding dues obligation has been met. [2004, pg. 880]

**There is only one success – to be able  
To spend your life in your own way.** Christopher Morley

## 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). **The meetings have not been rescheduled for January Trestleboard**

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 (1<sup>st</sup> 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.) (4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday)

**Jan 26** (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

Recessed for January - Tues - 7:00 P.M.

Jean McKenna – 480-1751

Secretary, Email: r\_mckenna@msn.com

**Marion Chapter. No. 63**, Gardiner

Recessed for January - 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

Recessed for January - Monday – 7:00 P.M.,

Paula Nicholas – 622-0381

Secretary, email: mpnic@roadrunner.com

**Abenaki Chapter No. 116**, Winthrop

Recessed for January - Friday – 7:30 P.M.

Kelly Hooper – 377-2040

Secretary, Email: [kelly.hooper@gmail.com](mailto:kelly.hooper@gmail.com)

Meeting in Readfield (2<sup>nd</sup> Fri)

**Lily of the Valley Chapter No. 157**, Weeks Mills (3<sup>rd</sup> Thur)

Recessed for January - Thursday – 7:30 P.M.

Carol Thomas – 445-2633 Secretary

## THE TRAVELING GAVEL

Mark your calendar for **March 17**. The lodge with the  
most members visiting **Dirigo Lodge No. 104** stated  
**meeting in March** 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**

## APPLICATION

An application must be referred to the Committee  
of Inquiry at the stated communication at which it  
was received in order to be acted upon at the next.  
[1884, p. 625]

After an application has been referred and  
delivered to the Committee of Inquiry, it may be  
reported and balloted upon although mislaid and  
not present at the time. [1871, p. 223]

The application cannot be withdrawn after being  
referred to the Committee of Inquiry until after the  
ballot and then only if the ballot is clear and with  
the consent of the lodge. [1860, p. 104, p. 1878, p.  
549]

An applicant for the degrees should be  
recommended by at least one member of the lodge  
to which he applies. If no member can recommend  
the candidate as worthy, his application ought not  
to be received. [1865, p. 85]

An application should be read in its entirety at the  
time it is first presented to the lodge. When the  
application is then presented for balloting the  
reading of the formal language may be eliminated  
and the words "an application in the usual form"  
substituted, but each question and the answer  
thereto should be read at the time of balloting,  
together with any additional remarks contained  
within the application form. [1956, pp. 785, 786]

A decision approved in 1865, page 85, states that  
"an application should not be accepted until it is  
recommended by at least one member of the  
lodge". If there is no by-law of the lodge requiring  
the application to be signed by two members of the  
lodge, then, in view of the above decision, only one  
of the men signing the recommendation need be a  
member of the lodge. However, if the by-laws of  
the lodge require that two members sign the  
application, then that regulation should be  
followed. [1955, p. 519]

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Happy New Year to all the Masons and their  
families from the officers of the 11<sup>th</sup> Masonic  
District.

**Happiness doesn't require much, just an easy  
attitude 'bout yourself and life, a few interests,  
some people who love you and doing things  
that make you feel good. Bobby McFerrin**