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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 www.hallowellmasons.org V.W. Richard Kimball, Secretary, 207-441-8843, noprwk@gmail.com
 - Nov 1 (Mon) 6:00 P.M. Rehearsal in the Fellowcraft Degree.
 - Nov 8 (Mon) 6:00 P.M. Rehearsal in the Fellowcraft Degree.
 - Nov 10 (Wed) 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting. Regular order of business. Inspection in the Fellowcraft Degree.
- **Temple Lodge No. 25,** Winthrop, Wor. Carroll Paradis, Master, 207-462-1593, cgparadis@yahoo.com Wor. Joshua Hooper, Secretary, 215-6670, Joshhoopah@gmail.com
 - Nov 15 (Mon) 7:30 P.M. Stated Communication. Regular order of business.

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

You can't do anything about the length of your life, but you can do something about its width and depth. H.L. Mencken

- **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
 - Nov 2 (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. Michael Philbrick. Secretary, 207-242-0127, mphilbrick@roadrunner.com
 - Nov 1 (Mon) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Regular order of business.

And in the end, it's not the years in your life that count.

It's the life in your years. Abraham Lincoln

- 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
 - Nov 16 (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, <u>bjlord@roadrunner.com</u>
 - Nov 4 (Thur) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Regular Order of Business. Inspection with Entered Apprentice on a live candidate. Supper at 6:30 P.M. (1st Thurs).

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

Nov 9 (Tues) 7:00 P.M. Fellowcraft School of Instruction. 6:00 P.M. Roast Turkey Supper. Nov 25 (Thur) 7:30 P.M. Annual Stated Meeting. Election 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

Nov 15 (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

Nov 8 (Wed) 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting. Regular order of business. Short Education Program, Fish Chowder Supper at 6:30 P.M.

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

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

Nov 6 (Sat) Rehearsal for Fellowcraft Degree at 6:30 P.M.

Nov 11 (Thur) Stated at 7:30 P.M. Regular order of business. Fellowcraft Degree. Supper at 6:30 P.M. (2nd Thursday).

-- Interesting Things Program -

SEC. 92. No lodge shall "call off" from one day to another; but when the business cannot conveniently be completed at one session, a lodge may close to open on another day without further notice, and so on from time to time until the business is completed; and the subsequent communications shall be held to be a continuance of the first communication, but no business shall be transacted except such as was pending on the first day.

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)
Nov 3 (Wed) 7:30 P.M. Regular order of business.
Royal Arch Degree. Pizza Supper at 6:30 P.M.
Please come and support the officers.

Cushnoc Chapter No. 43, Augusta, Ex. Gregory Chapman, High Priest. (592-2259) qqc8697@yahoo.com (1st Thur)

Nov 4 (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 – **Happy Thanksgiving**

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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, 557-4114

Nov 24 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

Valley of Augusta Stated will be Wednesday, Nov. 17 at 7:30 P.M. in the Prelate's Room at Augusta.

Robert L. Smith, 33° MSA, Secretary Valley of Augusta A.A.S.R. P.O. Box 324
East Wilton ME 04234

DISTRICT DOINGS

Nov 24 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 November 22, 6:00 P.M. meeting at the Abnaki Club.

Interesting Things - MINUTES

When a lodge of Master Masons closes, the minutes of proceedings should be read. If then the lodge is opened on an inferior degree, at its close the minutes of proceedings on that degree only should be read. The proceedings of a Master's lodge cannot be read in a Lodge of Fellow Craft or Entered Apprentices. [1862, p. 233]

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.

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

NOTE FROM R.W. MICHAEL PHILBRICK, DDGM

Note from DER VW Richard Kimball. Attendance at the first school of instruction was poor. Please inform your lodge officers and members that these are very important meetings.

Nov 9 Fellowcraft School of Instruction – Rural Lodge No.53, Sidney. Supper at 6:00 P.M. (Roast turkey supper with all the fixings, plus something else for those that don't want turkey) Work at 7:00 P.M.

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

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

Mar (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)

Nov 24 (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

Nov 2nd – Tues - 7:00 P.M.

Jean McKenna - 480-1751

Secretary, Email: r mckenna@msn.com

Marion Chapter. No. 63, Gardiner

Nov 8th - 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

Nov 1st - Monday - 7:00 P.M., Refreshments "to go" Paula Nicholas - 622-0381

Secretary, email: mpnic@roadrunner.com

Abenaki Chapter No. 116, Winthrop

Nov 12thth - 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 Nov 18th, Thursday - 7:30 P.M.

Harvest Supper prior to the Meeting

Carol Thomas - 445-2633 Secretary

THE TRAVELING GAVEL

Mark your calendar for **November 15.** The lodge with the most members visiting Dirigo Lodge No. 104 stated meeting in October, 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**

DIGEST of DECISIONS

BALLOT

The rejection of an applicant is final when declared and recorded. That only one black ball was cast and a second ballot was not taken cannot affect the issue. [1915, p. 190; 1922, p. 207]

Our regulations require that but two ballots shall be taken on a candidate but this requirement means two ballots the result of, which is plain. If there is any room for doubt the ballot is defective the Master should order a new ballot. [1929, p. 40]

Ballot should not be passed without a report from the Committee of Inquiry. If the committee unreasonably delays its report, the proper course is to discharge the committee from further consideration of the petition and refer it to a new committee. [1861, p. 149]

After a ballot has been taken and the candidate has been declared rejected, no other ballot can be taken to correct a supposed mistake; the only remedy in such a case is by a new application. A ballot cannot be reconsidered after the Worshipful Master declares the result

A blackball is cast by a member who later goes to the Worshipful Master and confesses a wrong motive and asks for a new ballot to be taken. This cannot be done until six months have elapsed from the time the rejection is announced. [1874, p. 268]

A newly raised member refusing to pass the examination as required by the mandatory language of S.R. 25 is subject to disciplinary action which should be taken after the preferring of charges by the Junior Warden.

Happy Thanksgiving to all the Masons and their families from the officers of the 11th Masonic District.