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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 9:00 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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May 10 (Wed) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Regular Order of Business. Supper at 6:00 P.M. Setting dates for Fellow Craft rehearsals and degree.

**(All Meetings will be held at Morning Star Lodge No. 41, Litchfield)**

**Temple Lodge No. 25**, Winthrop, Wor. Carroll Paradis, Master, 207-462-1593, [cgparadis@yahoo.com](mailto:cgparadis@yahoo.com)

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May 15 (Mon) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. with Regular order of business.

**The secret of life is not to do what you like but to like what you do. Anonymous.**

**Hermon Lodge No. 32**, Gardiner, Wor. Jake Coan, Master, 207-624-2299, [jcoan@grplans.com](mailto:jcoan@grplans.com)

Wor. Mark Mansir, Secretary, 207-576-7327, [hermonlodge32@gmail.com](mailto:hermonlodge32@gmail.com)

May 2 (Tues) Stated Meeting 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. Lewie Manter, Master, 207-557-4114, [Lewie@manterprop.com](mailto:Lewie@manterprop.com)

Bro. Cal Yeaton, Secretary, 207-441-0182, [calyeaton@aol.com](mailto:calyeaton@aol.com)

May 1 (Mon) Stated meeting, regular order of business, 7:30 P.M.

May 8 (Mon) Fellowcraft Rehearsal at 6:30 P.M.

May 15 (Mon) Fellowcraft Rehearsal at 6:30 P.M.

May 22 (Mon) Special meeting at 7:30 P.M., Fellowcraft Degree. RW Robert Stratton will be in the East.

Please follow all current CDC Covid recommendations.

**The art of life is to know how to enjoy a little and to endure much. William Hazlitt**

**Morning Star Lodge No. 41**, Litchfield, Christopher D. Jones, Master, 207-215-4249, [mrchristopherjones@me.com](mailto:mrchristopherjones@me.com)

Wor. Charles J. Izzi, Jr., Secretary, 207-740-1150, [charlesizzi@roadrunner.com](mailto:charlesizzi@roadrunner.com)

May 16 (Tues) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. with Regular order of business. Dinner at 6:30 P.M.

**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)

May 4 (Thur) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. with Regular order of business.

May 14 (Sun) Togus Visitation at 9:00 A.M. Building 207 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Dining Hall.

**Note: Lafayette Lodge Hall is now handicapped accessible.**

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**Rural Lodge No. 53**, Sidney, Wor. Wayne Ireland, Master, 207-215-6249, [wairland53@gmail.com](mailto:wairland53@gmail.com)  
Wor. Mathew L'Italien, Secretary, 207-485-5469, [mrlitalien@gmail.com](mailto:mrlitalien@gmail.com)

May 7 (Sun) Togus Visitation at 9:00 A.M. Building 207 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Dining Hall.  
May 22 (Mon) Stated Communication. 6:30 P.M. Pot-luck Supper and 7:30 P.M. Meeting.

**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](mailto:Michael.t.kimball1973@gmail.com)

May 15 (Mon) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Regular Order of Business. Fellowcraft Degree.  
Supper at 6:30 P.M. Bro. Jason DeMerchant will be in the East.

**Monmouth Lodge No. 110**, Monmouth, Wor. Neal Coro, Master, 207-312-3982, [Neal.coro@yahoo.com](mailto:Neal.coro@yahoo.com)  
M.W. David Walker, Secretary, 933-2862, [dawalkergime@gmail.com](mailto:dawalkergime@gmail.com)

May 8 (Mon) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M., Regular Order of Business, Educational Program by VW  
Charles Izzi, Jr. Supper at 6:30 P.M.

\*\*\*\*\* **The Meetings have now returned to Monmouth Lodge** \*\*\*\*\*

**Asylum Lodge No. 133**, Leeds, Wor. Mike Letalien, Master, 207-713-5733, [smartenergy.mike@outlook.co](mailto:smartenergy.mike@outlook.co)  
Wor. Matthew J. Sekerak, Secretary, 524-2076, [matthew.sekerak@fairpoint.net](mailto:matthew.sekerak@fairpoint.net)

May 11 (Thur) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M.

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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](mailto:smartenergy.mike@outlook.co), High Priest. (1<sup>st</sup> Wed)

Winthrop Chapter is now dark until September 6.

**Cushnoc Chapter No. 43**, Augusta, Ex. Gregory  
Chapman, High Priest. (592-2259)  
[ggc8697@yahoo.com](mailto:ggc8697@yahoo.com) (1<sup>st</sup> Thur)

May 4 (Thur) Stated Meeting at 7:00 P.M.

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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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### Maine Consistory Spring Reunion

Valley of Portland – Portland Masonic Temple  
(Use Chestnut Street Entrance)  
32 Degree "Subline Prince of the Royal Secret" Live  
May 13, 2023

Registration: 1:00–2:00 P.M. Degree Work at 2:00 P.M.  
Dinner to be served at 4:30 P.M.

You must RSVP by May 8<sup>th</sup> if you want to attend the Meal. There is no charge for, but we guarantee out count and have to pay for it. Call the Secretary, Michael Chambers: 207-772-7711.

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### COMMANDERIES OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CHIVALRIC ORDERS

(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](mailto:Moosemaster1940@yahoo.com)

Joshua Atkinson, Eminent Commander, (737-4094.)

May 24 (Wed). Stated Meeting at 7:00 P.M. with  
Full Form Opening Rehearsal.

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### ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE VALLEY OF AUGUSTA

Robert L. Smith, Secretary 207-778-3066  
[augustavalleysecretary@gmail.com](mailto:augustavalleysecretary@gmail.com)

**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

May 17 (Wed) Stated Meeting 7:30 P.M. in the  
Prelate's Room, Augusta Masonic Temple

See information on the Valley of Portland  
In the left column.

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The Maine Masonic College is an initiative of the **Grand Lodge of Masons in Maine** – the fraternity of Freemasons. Our goal is to create educational opportunities for members in our jurisdiction and for friends and neighbors in the communities where we live and work.

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

**May 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.

Please remember that Masters and Wardens meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of the month at the Abnaki Club located at the Augusta Masonic Center. Masters and Wardens of each lodge should be present at these meetings. Don't let two or three lodges make all the decisions on what is happening in our district.

R.W. Richard Kimball

**KENNEBEC VALLEY SHRINE CLUB**

No meetings until further notice.

**Masters and Wardens Association Officers**

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michael.t.kimball1973@gmail.com      chris@cdj.me  
Treasurer Don Damon      Secretary: Steven M. Costello  
Donunpc@gmail.com      stevecostello@roadrunner.com  
6655.

**Notes from R.W. Richard Kimball**

Brethren,  
A little reminder that I would like to start scheduling 2023 annual inspections at this time. If possible, I would like

to get them done before December 1st and try to only have a couple each month instead of having to do 3 or 4 in November and December as we did last year. This will make it much easier for everyone!

Also please start thinking about when to schedule our Annual Meeting. Please plan on attending the May Master's and Warden's meeting on May 25 at which time we should be able to set a date, pick an honoree and the award candidates, along with the location etc.

I would suggest that we go back to coats and ties this year. Think about semi public or tyled meeting. Perhaps we could have Gary Crocker for entertainment along with Lenny and Joel.

District 11 needs to improve our Ritual Work. When the Grand Master asked me to nominate a lodge in our District for the Ritual Lodge of year (Benjamin Gleason Award) I had to tell him that we did not have a lodge that could do exemplary Ritual Work at this time. Having to make that reply bothered me very much as D11 used to be the home of quite a few lodges that performed excellent degree work. I think that if we started a District Ritual Contest perhaps this would give the incentive for our lodges to practice their work so that they might have a chance at being the Grand Lodge Ritual Lodge of the year. Our DER V.W. Charles Izzi and DRI Josh Hooper would like to have the opportunity to help you out with education and practice. Please give them a call and they will help you.

R.W. Richard Kimball, DDGM/D11

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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) – Meeting in  
Lafayette Lodge, Readfield

**May 3** (Wed) 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting. Regular  
order of business. Rehearsal in the Select  
Degree. Refreshments.

**Adoniram Council No. 12**, Augusta, Joshua Atkinson,  
Illustrious Master. (737-4094.) (4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday)

**May 24** (Wed) Stated Communication at 6:30 P.M.  
Regular order of business.

### 130<sup>th</sup> Grand Chapter of Maine Annual Session May 14-17

Cross Insurance Center, Bangor Maine  
(Schedule of events can be found on the Grand  
Chapter website: <https://maineoes.org>)

## ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR DISTRICT NO. 7

All Chapter Meetings start at 7:30  
Unless noted below

**Queen Esther Chapter No. 10**, Hallowell

May 2 – Stated Meeting at 7:00 P.M. Honoring  
Mothers and Fathers

(now meeting at Masonic Hall in Augusta)

Jean McKenna – 480-1751 – (1<sup>st</sup> Tues, 7:00 P.M.)

Secretary, Email: [r\\_mckenna@msn.com](mailto:r_mckenna@msn.com)

**Mystic Chapter No. 69**, Litchfield (1<sup>st</sup> Mon)

May 1 at 7:00 P.M. Stated Meeting and “Once Upon  
a Time”

Paula Nicholas – 622-0381

Secretary, email: [mpnic@roadrunner.com](mailto:mpnic@roadrunner.com)

**Abenaki Chapter No. 116**, Winthrop (2<sup>nd</sup> Fri)

May 12 at 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting

Honoring Mothers

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

May 18 at 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting. Mothers’ Day

Secretary Carol Thomas – 445-2633 - (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday)

## THE TRAVELING GAVEL

Mark your calendar for **May 22**. The lodge with the  
most members visiting **Rural Lodge No. 53 stated  
meeting in May** 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  
Rural Lodge No. 53  
MEETING IN SIDNEY**

## Grand Lodge of Maine, A.F.& A.M.

### Policy regarding Social Media and Maine Freemasons

The Grand Lodge of Maine recognizes that social media has  
grown exponentially in recent years and has a goal of supporting  
the regular and extensive use of it. We know that many Brethren  
regularly connect by Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and other  
means. We as Masons must be mindful that our individual  
postings not only reflect our own character but that of  
Freemasonry across this Grand Jurisdiction Social Media  
Policy.

- A Mason should conduct himself with the same courtesy  
he would in front of the general public.
- As a Mason, he must be aware that his postings are a permanent  
record; therefore, his conduct may influence the world with a  
positive or negative opinion about him personally and about  
the organizations to which he belongs.
- A Mason should never use disparaging comments, profanity,  
etc. when posting; including, but not limited to, graphic,  
video, and audio recordings.
- A Mason should not post "ritual" or “tyled” information.
- Masonic pages are to be supportive of the organization and its  
members, promote upcoming events, discuss past events,  
video sharing, and discussion of times of fellowship and  
promotion of Masonic bodies.
- A Mason should not use social media to obtain personal  
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activities by targeting other Masons.
- A Mason should not use social media to contact other Grand  
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Remember that all intra-jurisdictional communication is, by  
Masonic protocol, conducted by and between Grand Lodge  
offices.
- No discussion or other information regarding to an application,  
background, or investigation of an applicant is ever  
appropriate or condoned.
- There should never be discussion regarding the ballot on a  
candidate.
- Nothing should ever be written or discussed relative to the  
business of a Lodge or of any discussions/actions which have  
occurred behind Tyled doors.
- Information about Lodge or District social activities must  
comply with the Grand Lodge regulations already in place for  
them (for example no reference to alcohol or games of  
chance).
- Masons should advise a Brother if something he has  
posted is improper within the framework of our Grand  
Constitution, Rules and Regulations, etc.

Ultimately, your actions as a Mason online should promote the  
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be mindful of the penalties as described in the Grand  
Constitution relating to trial, suspension, and/or expulsion for  
any un-Masonic behavior. Posting a comment related to the  
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social or political stance can easily be misconstrued by readers  
that your stance is representative of Masonry and all Masons.  
Remember that the public and members of the Masonic  
Fraternity are reading your posts online.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact  
the Grand Lodge Webmaster or the Grand Secretary. We  
encourage you to be a positive and proactive force for projecting  
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