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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
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Sep 13 (Wed) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Regular Order of Business. Annual Inspection by DDGM.
Donald Damon will be in the East. We will be voting on by-laws changes. Supper at 6:30 P.M.
(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
Dark for July and August. Wor. Michael Easterby, Secretary, 207-991-1221, temple25secretary@gmail.com

Sep 10 (Sun) Rehearsal in the Fellowcraft Degree at 6:30 P.M.
Sep 11 (Mon) Special Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Inspection in the Fellowcraft Degree with DDGM.
Supper at 6:30 P.M.

Sep 18 (Mon) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. with Regular order of business
(All Meetings will be held at Lafayette Lodge No. 48, Readfield)

Hermon Lodge No. 32, Gardiner, Wor. Jake Coan, Master, 207-624-2299, jcoan@grplans.com
Dark for July and August. Wor. Mark Mansir, Secretary, 207-576-7327, hermonlodge32@gmail.com

Sep 3 (Sun) Togus Visitation at 9:00 A.M. Building 207 2nd Floor Dining Hall.
Sep 5 (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.
Dark for July and August. Bro. Cal Yeaton, Secretary, 207-441-0182, calyeaton@aol.com

Sep 11 (Mon) Stated meeting, regular order of business, 7:30 P.M.
Please follow all current CDC Covid recommendations.

Morning Star Lodge No. 41, Litchfield, Christopher D. Jones, Master, 207-215-4249, mrchristopherjones@me.com
Dark for July and August. Wor. Charles J. Izzi, Jr., Secretary, 207-740-1150, charlesizzi@roadrunner.com

Sep 19 (Tues) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. with Regular order of business. Supper at 6:00 P.M.
Sep 24 (Sun) Togus Visitation at 9:00 A.M. Building 207 2nd Floor Dining Hall.

Lafayette Lodge No. 48, Readfield, Wor. Brian Farrington, Master, 207-458-5608 (cell), brianfarringtonf@aol.com
Dark for July and August. R.W. John E. Lord, Jr., Secretary, 207-685-4266, jlordjr48@gmail.com

Sep 7 (Thur) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. with Regular order of business.
Note: Lafayette Lodge Hall is now handicapped accessible.

Rural Lodge No. 53, Sidney, Wor. Wayne Ireland, Master, 207-215-6249, wairland53@gmail.com
Dark for July and August. Wor. Mathew L'Italien, Secretary, 207-485-5469, mrlitalien@gmail.com

Sep 25 (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

Sep 18 (Mon) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Regular Order of Business. Supper at 6:30 P.M.

Monmouth Lodge No. 110, Monmouth, Wor. Neal Coro, Master, 207-312-3982, Neal.coro@yahoo.com
Dark for July and August. M.W. David Walker, Secretary, 933-2862, dawalkerglme@gmail.com

Sep 11 (Mon) 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Regular Business, Education Program,
Refreshments.

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

Asylum Lodge No. 133, Leeds, Wor. Mike Letalien, Master, 207-713-5733, smartenergy.mike@outlook.co
Dark for July and August. Wor. Matthew J. Sekerak, Secretary, 524-2076, matthew.sekerak@fairpoint.net

Sep 14 (Thur) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M.

MASTER

The powers of the Master of a Lodge are much different from those exercised by the head of any other society. The presiding officer of most societies is chosen by the members of the organization, and can usually be removed by that body. A Master is elected by his Lodge, but can only be removed by the Grand Master or Grand Lodge. The presiding officer of other organizations are usually bound by certain rules of order, and a code of By-laws. A Lodge cannot enact By-laws to alter, amend, or curtail the powers of a Master. While lodges have By-laws they cannot in any way infringe upon the ancient prerogatives and powers of the Master of a Lodge which are derived from the old charges and the ancient uses of the Order. The authority of a Master is absolute, subject only to appeal to the Grand Lodge.

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.

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)

Stated Meeting on Sept 6 (Wed) at 7:00 P.M.
We will be scheduling our rehearsals and
reviewing new Officer's positions. Refreshments.

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

Stated Meeting on Sept 7 (Thur) at 7:00 P.M.

Dark for June, July and August

INFORMATION / QUESTIONS FOR THE EDITOR

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

Sept 13 (Wed) 6:30 P.M. Order of the Temple
Rehearsal

Sept 27 (Wed) 5:00 P.M. Order of the Temple

Dark for June, July and August

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
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

Sept 20 (Wed) Stated Meeting at 7:00 P.M.
Dark for June, July and August

DISTRICT DOINGS (4th Wednesday)

Sep 27 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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Notes from R.W. Richard Kimball

Welcome back from Darkness to Light once again. I hope everyone has had a good summer despite the wet weather. We have a busy four months ahead of us.

Dates for Schools of Instruction have been set. Hopefully the brethren will find it within the length of their cable-tow to attend this year's schools. The past three or four years we have had extremely poor attendance. Your help would be greatly appreciated in turning these very important schools around.

The schools will consist of supper at 6:00 p.m. and school at 7:00 p.m.

EASOI - Sept. 12 - Rural Lodge in Sidney.
FCSOI - Oct. 10 - Location to be announced.
MMSOI - Nov. 14 -Dirigo Lodge - Weeks Mills.
NRDOI - Dec. 12 – Morning Star - Litchfield.

R.W. Ryan Kane will lead the first three schools and V.W. Charles Izzi will lead the non- ritual.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, at the Abnaki Club at The Augusta Masonic Center, Most Worshipful Daniel Bartlett and other Grand Lodge Officers will be putting on a Leadership seminar. This is designed for present and incoming Masters and Wardens. Any other brother that wants to attend will be greatly accepted. Coffee and donuts at 9:00 a.m. Dan will have us out of there by 12:30 p.m.

Masters and Wardens shall please plan to attend this very beneficial meeting.

Notes continue on last page (District 11 Annual Meeting and Visitation)

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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) – Meeting in
Lafayette Lodge, Readfield

Stated Meeting in March 2024

Alpha Council will be Dark until March

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

No meeting this month

Dark for June, July and August.

Thanks to all for your well wishes and prayers. Ron

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

All Chapter Meetings start at 7:30
Unless noted below

Queen Esther Chapter No. 10, Hallowell

Sep 6 – Stated. Renew our obligation and
tribute to our Eastern Star Flag

(meeting at Masonic Hall in Augusta)

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

Secretary, Email: rmckenna442@gmail.com

Mystic Chapter No. 69, Litchfield (1st Mon)

Sep 6 at 7:00 P.M. Meeting First Wed this month
only. – Service Dogs.

Paula Nicholas – 622-0381

Secretary, email: mpnic@roadrunner.com

Abenaki Chapter No. 116, Winthrop (2nd Fri)

Sep 8 at 7:30 P.M. Meeting – Landmarks and
Obligation

Kelly Hooper – 377-2040

Secretary, Email: kelly.hooper@gmail.com

Meeting in Readfield (2nd Fri)

Lily of the Valley Chapter No. 157, Weeks Mills

Sep 21 at 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting. Landmarks and
Obligation.

Secretary Carol Thomas – 445-2633 - (3rd Thursday)

THE TRAVELING GAVEL

Mark your calendar for **Sept 11**. The lodge with the
most members visiting **Bethlehem Star Lodge No. 35**
stated meeting in September 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
Bethlehem Star Lodge No. 35
MEETING IN AUGUSTA**

Notes from R.W. Richard Kimball (continue)

The District 11 Annual Meeting and Visitation by Most
Worshipful Daniel Bartlett and company will be held on
November 1, 2023 at Kennebec Lodge located in
Litchfield at Morning Star Lodge.

Semipublic. Dress will be jackets and ties.

Supper at 6:00 p.m. Smothered beef with all the fixings.
Meeting will be at 7:00 p.m.

I am asking the Master or his appointee of each Lodge
in our district to give a very brief (short 2 or 3 min.)
history of their lodge.

The entertainment for the meeting will be announced
shortly.

That is all I have to say for now.

Fraternally,

R.W Richard Kimball, DDCM/D11

PROXY

When a Master or either of the Wardens registers, he is
considered present for the whole session, unless
excused.

If a proxy has been duly appointed and the Master and
Wardens are excused, the proxy has the right and duty
to act on their behalf.

The proxy does not have the power to act if the W. M.
and Wardens leave the Grand Lodge, but are still in the
building, in the corridor, or the men's room.

There is absolutely no reason for all three to be absent
at one time. Furthermore, if only one is present it is his
duty to represent his lodge. The area extends to the city
in which Grand Lodge is held. The W. M. and Wardens
know the time and place of the Grand Lodge sessions
and should be there during the meeting. If this were not
the case it could be that weak-minded officers might
always leave controversial issues to a proxy and not
accept their rightful duty for which they have been
appointed.

If the W. M. and Wardens must leave in case of an
emergency, the proxy has the duty to act.

An "emergency" is an illness under a doctor's care or a
death. To return to one's occupation cannot be
considered an emergency. Grand Lodge session is only
one and one-half days and when a W. M. or Warden
goes to that session he should have made preparation
well in advance. To go one-half day and collect travel
mileage is a disgrace to himself as well as his lodge
and to go to Grand Lodge only for a "trip" or "excursion"
is even worse.

Have a great year in 2024 – Hope for more members.