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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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Nov 1 (Wed) 6:00 P.M. **District 11 Annual Meeting**, Hosted by Kennebec Lodge at Litchfield Masonic Center

Supper 7:00p.m. meeting, Semi public, Men please wear jacket and tie. Smothered beef with all the fixings.

Nov. 8 (Wed) 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting/ Annual Meeting - Election of 2024 Officers. 6:30 P.M. Supper.

Nov 12 (Sun) Togus Visitation at 9:00 A.M. Building 207 2nd Floor Dining Hall.

Nov. 18 (Wed) 1:00 P.M. Semi public Installation of Officers. Brother Donald Damon to be installed as

Worshipful Master. Lunch at 2:00 P.M Installation at Kennebec Lodge at Litchfield.

(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

Nov 19 (Sun) Togus Visitation at 9:00 A.M. Building 207 2nd Floor Dining Hall.

Nov 20 (Mon) at 6:30 P.M. Royal Arch Association will meet prior to the stated.

Nov 20 (Mon) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. with Regular order of business. Fellowcraft Degree

with Wor. Charles Thomas in the East for the Degree. We will open in the Fellowcraft Degree.

(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

Nov 7 (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

Nov 6 (Mon) Stated meeting, regular order of business, 7:30 P.M.

Dec 3 (Sun) Togus Visitation at 9:00 A.M. Building 207 2nd Floor Dining Hall.

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

Nov 21 (Tues) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. with Regular order of business. Supper at 6:30 P.M.

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

Nov 9 (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, waireland53@gmail.com

Dark for July and August. Wor. Mathew L'Italien, Secretary, 207-485-5469, mrlitalien@gmail.com

Nov 27 (Mon) Stated Communication. Entered Apprentice and inspection at 6:00 P.M. followed by a Pizza Supper and Annual Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Meeting. A full night of Freemasonry!

Dec 18 (Mon) Stated Communication. Installation of Officers and Stated Communication. RW Richard Kimball will be installing the officers.

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
Nov 20 (Mon) Stated Meeting. Installation of officers with MW Bro David Walker presiding at 7:30 P.M.
Dinner at 6:30 P.M. Short Stated Meeting to follow.

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
Nov 13 (Mon) 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Regular Business, Inspection by RW Richard
Kimball in the Fellowcraft Degree and a 6:30 P.M. Supper.
*** 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
Nov 9 (Thur) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Supper at 6:30 P.M. Lobster Stew will be served as part of a
meal prior to the Stated Meeting. Vote will take place for all Asylum Lodge members in Good
Standing on an important issue determining the future of the 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)

Stated Meeting on Nov 1 (Wed) at 7:00 P.M.
Regular order of business, Rehearsal in the MEM
degree. Refreshments.

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

Stated Meeting on Nov 2 (Thur) with rehearsal in at
7:00 P.M. in Mark Mason Degree.
Special Meeting on Nov 9 (Thur) Mark Mason Degree
with 6:00 P.M. Supper, Opening in the Royal Arch
Degree at 7:00 P.M..

Dark for June, July and August

INFORMATION / QUESTIONS FOR THE EDITOR

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.

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CHARGE AT OPENING A LODGE

Behold! how good and how pleasant it is for brethren
to dwell together in unity! It is like the precious
ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the
beard, even Aaron's beard, that went down to the
skirts of his garments. As the dew of Hermon, and as
the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion:
for there the Lord commanded a blessing, even life
forevermore.

**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.)
Nov 3, 5pm Annual Inspection Order of the Temple

Dark for June, July and August

**ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE
VALLEY OF AUGUSTA**

Robert L. Smith, Secretary 207-778-3066
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

Valley of Augusta – Stated Meeting on Nov 15 (Wed) at
7:30 P.M. in the Prelate's Room in Augusta.

October 21 Grand Master Class, Portland Masonic
Temple, 415 Congress St, Portland.

All day, beginning at 8 am. Degrees will include 4, 15,
16, 29, 32

November 4 (Sat) will be our annual Family Life Night
featuring a free meal and entertainment for the whole
family by The Magic of the Steelgraves at at Maine
Lodge #20 in East Wilton (Harland Harnden Masonic
Hall). 5:00 pm supper with show after. There is no
charge, but we need a head count for the meal. If you
wish to attend, please email me
at augustavalleysecretary@gmail.com or phone (207)
778-3066 and leave a message as to how many will be
coming. We'll need to know by **Oct. 25**

*Unable to verify Thanksgiving Day Dinners
Please check for help if needed.*

Dark for June, July and August

DISTRICT DOINGS (4th Wednesday)

Nov 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.

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

President: Mike Kimball Vice President: Chris Jones
michael.t.kimball1973@gmail.com chris@cdj.me
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Notes from R.W. Richard Kimball

The first thing I want to mention is the improvement that I have seen in the ritual work in District 11

this year. Thank you for all of the hours of practice that you have put in.

Let's see if we can have even better attendance at the rest of the SOI's this year.

November 14, 2023 Master Mason School of Instruction at Dirigo Lodge in Weeks Mills

6:00 P.M. Supper 7:00 P.M. SOI

December 12, 2023 Non-Ritual School of Instruction at Morning Star in Litchfield.

6:00 P.M. Supper 7:00 P.M. SOI

Brethren, as I sit here writing my remarks as the TV news is talking about the horrific mass shooting situation in Lewiston tonight. I am totally in shock of this happening in our State of Maine. As we wait to hear of those who have lost their loved ones or have their loved ones injured, let all take a moment to pray for these souls and their families, I am at a loss of words to explain this. Let us all keep the Faith of the Supreme Architect of the Universe. He gave each and everyone of us the ability to think and do as we want, be it loving or evil. It is up to us.

Kennebec, Morning Star and Hermon Lodges are putting on a **Hunters Breakfast on Saturday,**

November 4th at the Lodge Litchfield Masonic Center. 4:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Price \$10.00. Hope to see many of you there.

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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)

Nov 22, 2023, stated meeting 6:30pm

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

Nov 7 – Stated. “Honoring Our Veterans”

(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)

Nov 6 at 7:00 P.M. “Our Brothers.”

Paula Nicholas – 622-0381

Secretary, email: mpnic@roadrunner.com

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

Nov 10 at 7:30 P.M. Meeting – Official Visit with the
WGM and Honoring Veterans”

Kelly Hooper – 377-2040

Secretary, Email: kelley.hooper@gmail.com

Meeting in Readfield (2nd Fri)

Lily of the Valley Chapter No. 157, Weeks Mills

Nov 16 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting.

“Let’s Give Thanks”.

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

THE TRAVELING GAVEL

Mark your calendar for **Nov 6** The lodge with the most members visiting **Bethlehem Star Lodge No. 35** stated meeting in November 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**

Life is like a mirror. You frown at it. It glares back at you; You smile at life and it returns the smile.

Ralph Ransom

Apprentice Degree Toolbox Item

This toolbox item is intended to build upon the lessons that were taught during the EA Degree. The participants are a masonic Mentor and a New Brother. The author is R.W. Brother Tim Martel.

Mentor:

Brother XXXX, now that you have completed your 1st degree and have earned the title of Brother, I want to ensure that you understand some of the key lessons that have been imparted to you. For example, do you remember the significance of the white leather apron.

New Brother :

As I recall, the apron has something to do with innocence but I would appreciate it if you would refresh my memory.

Mentor:

Sure, mankind has always considered the Lamb to be a creature that minds its own business and is not considered to be a threat to anyone or anything. That being the case, Masonry has established the Lambskin as a symbol of innocence and the badge of a Mason because it represents the purity of life and conduct which is necessary to gain admission into heaven or what we call the Celestial Lodge Above. We also refer to God as the Supreme Architect of the Universe.

New Brother:

Wow that is pretty heavy stuff. I hate to tell you but I am no saint and far from innocent. Am I good enough to be a Mason?

Mentor:

Sure you are, especially if you remember and try to practice the lessons that we teach during the three degrees. As far as I know, there are no Masonic Saints but we are expected to believe in a Supreme Being, Treat others as we would like them to treat us, Obey the laws of the Land and continually strive to be a better man in all respects

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