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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. Donald Damon, Master, 207-557-9840, donunpc@aim.com

Dark for July and August. R.W. Richard Kimball, Secretary, 207-441-8843, noprwk@gmail.com

Apr 10 (Wed) Stated Meeting **7:00 P.M.** with Regular order of business. Supper at 6:00 P.M.

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

Temple Lodge No. 25, Winthrop, Wor. Joshua Hooper, Master, 207-215-6670, joshhoopah@gmail.com

Dark for July and August. Wor. Michael Easterby, Secretary, 207-991-1221, temple25secretary@gmail.com

Apr 15 (Mon) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. with Regular order of business. Educational Program by VW Charles Izzi. Refreshments after.

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

Hermon Lodge No. 32, Gardiner, Wor. Carlton Harvey, Master, 207-620-6279, carltonharvey26@gmail.com

Dark for July and August. Wor. Mark Mansir, Secretary, 207-576-7327, hermonlodge32@gmail.com

Apr 2 (Tues) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Regular order of business. No refreshments.

Apr 21 (Sun) Togus Visitation at 9:00 A.M. Building 207 2nd Floor Dining Hall.

(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. John Brinzow (207-624-1289; brinzowj@gmail.com)

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

Apr 3 (Wed) MM Rehearsal at 6:30 P.M.

Apr 8 (Mon) Special at 7:30 P.M. MM Degree. Llewellyn Manter in the East, Supper at 6:30 P.M.

Apr 23 (Tues) MM Rehearsal at 6:30 P.M.

Apr 28 (Sun) Togus Visitation at 9:00 A.M. Building 207 2nd Floor Dining Hall.

Apr 29 (Mon) Special at 7:30 P.M. MM Degree. Llewellyn Manter in the East, Supper at 6:30 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

Apr 16 (Tues) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. Regular order of business. Entered Apprentice Degree with Wor. Chris Jones in the East. 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

Apr 4 (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, mrilitalien@gmail.com

Apr 15 (Mon) Special at 7:00 P.M. Master Mason Degree with RW Mike Philbrick in the East.
Chicken Parmesan Supper at 6:00 P.M.

Apr 22 (Mon) Stated Meeting with Regular order of business at 7:30 P.M. Pot Luck Supper at 6:30 P.M.

Dirigo Lodge No. 104, Weeks Mills, Wor. Jason DeMerchant, Master, 207-680-0541(H), steelsamara@yahoo.com
Dark for Jan and Feb Wor Michael Falla, Secretary, 207-692-7418(H), 207-692-7419(C), falla@gwi.net

Apr 15 (Mon) Stated Meeting with Regular order of business at 7:30 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

Apr 8 (Mon), Stated Meeting, 7:30 PM, Regular Order of business. Educational Program, Refreshments to follow.

***** Our Meeting for April will be at Monmouth Lodge in Monmouth *****

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

Apr 11 (Thur) Stated Meeting at 7:30 P.M. with Regular Order of business.

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)

Winthrop Chapter Dark until September 4, except for specials.

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

Apr 4 (Thur) Mark Master Degree at 7:00 P.M.
Bruce Hutchins in the East, Supper at 6:30 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 an 11th Masonic District email address. My email is **E-mail:** ronaldemery@gmail.com.

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Grand Lodge of Maine Constitution

Interesting Things. (I knew that. I didn't know that.)

Section 98.

The Master of any Lodge under this jurisdiction who has faithfully discharged his duties and complied with the laws of the Grand Lodge shall, at the end of his first term, be presented with a Past Master's diploma similar in style and fitness to the one adopted in 1824.

The secret of life is play. Play and humor are what Refines and enhances our joy. *Susan Scott,*

**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.)

Apr 24, 7pm Stated meeting w/ Ritual education.

May 4, 10:30am Order of the Temple Grand
Commandery Line officers performing the Order.
Noon Lunch.

(Dark for June, July, and August)

**ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE
VALLEY OF AUGUSTA**

Bruce F. Rueger, Secretary 207-314-1617
augustavalleysecretarybfr@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

Apr 7 (Sun) Maundy Thursday. Feast of the Paschal

Lamb Memorial Service at 3 :00 P.M. Waterville

Masonic Hall 250 County Road, Waterville, Maine

Refreshments to follow the service.

Apr 22 (Mon) 17 Degree (digital). 18 Degree (live)

Registration at 5:30 P.M. Dinner at 6:30 P.M.

Members by donation – Candidates Exempt.

Dark for June, July, and August

Interesting Things. (I knew that. I didn't know that.)

SEC. 117.

No petition for the degrees shall be received by any lodge from any candidate who has been rejected in that lodge within less than six months after the rejection.

That man is a success who has lived well.
Laughed often and loved much. *Robert Stevenson*

DISTRICT DOINGS (4th Wednesday)

Apr 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 are invited.

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.

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DDGM/D11 - Notes

Brethren,
Seeing as this the last Trestle Board before Annual Communication, of the Grand Lodge of Maine is being held on Tuesday, May 7, 2024. It is being held at Kora Temple in Lewiston. I want to take this opportunity to thank the Lodges and Brethren of the Mlghty 11th District. It has been my great pleasure to have had the opportunity to serve as your District Deputy Grand Master

for the past two years. Thank you for the courtesy you have shown me and the friendships that we have made.

There has been a remarkable improvement in the degree work in the past couple of years. And for this I congratulate you. You deserve to give yourselves a standing ovation. Keep up the good work, keep the lodges busy with educational programs and learn all you can about our organization.

Fraternally,
Brother Richard Kimball
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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 at 7:30 on April 3rd.

Refreshments.

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

Apr 24 (Wed) 6:30 P.M. Stated Meeting

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

Apr 2 (Tues) – Stated Meeting at 7:00 P.M.

“Did you see the Easter Bunny”

(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)

Apr 1 (Mon) at 7:00 P.M. Stated Meeting.

“Honoring Chaplains”

Paula Nicholas – 622-0381

Secretary, email: mpnic@roadrunner.com

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

Apr 12 at 7:30 P.M. ‘April Fools’

Secretary, Flora Stack, PGM 465-9927

Meeting in Readfield (2nd Fri)

Lily of the Valley Chapter No. 157, Weeks Mills

Apr 18, 7:30 P.M. Stated Meeting.

Secretary Rebecca Eldredge – 445-8055 - (3rd Thurs)

THE TRAVELING GAVEL

Mark your calendar for **Apr 1**. The Lodge with the most members visiting **Bethlehem Star Lodge No. 35** **stated meeting in April** 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**

Masonic Trivia Quiz no. 2

Part 1 – General information on Prince Hall Masonry
Taken from Masonic program presented by brothers of
African Lodge # 459 March 31, 2001 and Coils
Masonic Encyclopedia.

1. Who was Prince Hall?

- First Grand Master of Prince Hall Masonry
- First Master of African Lodge # 1
- Past Grand Master of England
- Son of King Henry V and a black servant

Answer ;

In 1775 Prince Hall was initiated a Mason in an Irish registry Lodge. In 1776 African Lodge #1 was organized with Prince Hall as its Master. It was not a regular Lodge but a Lodge under permit. On May 6, 1787, African Lodge #459 was formally organized.

When did African Grand Lodge actually begin?

- 1776
- 1787
- 1808
- 1775

Answer;

African Grand Lodge was organized December 27, 1808, according to African Lodge #459 minutes. Nero Prince was elected first Grand Master.

2. Where did the first Black men in America become Masons?

- The Green Dragon Tavern in Boston
- Castle William Island in Boston harbor.
- William Pitt Tavern
- Henry Knox Lodge in Boston

Answer;

b. “Prince Hall accomplished many “firsts” among Blacks in America, but by far, the greatest of these was when he led fourteen men of color to Castle William Island in Boston harbor, there to receive the secrets of freemasonry as many a worthy brother has done before. They were the first Blacks made Masons in America. This one act would grow to three hundred thousand with forty five Black Grand Lodges.”

3. What were some of the many “firsts” accomplished by Prince Hall?

- Petitioned John Hancock and Joseph Warren asking permission for blacks to join the Army
- Petitioned the legislature to free all slaves in Massachusetts.
- Petitioned the Grand Lodge of England for a warrant or charter.
- Petitioned legislature to support a “back to Africa” movement.

Answer;

All the above