



GIDEON LODGE #84

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Stated Communications are on the 1st Tuesday of the Month



Dinner is served at 6:30 PM Meeting Opens at 7:30 PM (Sept-<u>Jun</u>)

Dinner Reservations can be made online at: http://www.gideonlodge.com/Reservations.html or by calling the Jr. Warden. Reservations are encouraged. Families are always welcome to join us for the meal.

Gideon Lodge #84 Officers Directory - 2020

Worshipful Master	Wor. John J. Paiva	(603) 490-2883
Senior Warden	Timothy P. Lavelle	(603) 944-2178
Junior Warden	Brandon G. Marrs	(813) 347-3982
Treasurer	Rt. Wor. Kenneth Weyler	(603) 642-3518
Assistant Treasurer	Open	
Secretary	Nicholas Lang	(603) 329-2309
Assistant Secretary	Open	
Chaplain / Historian	Rt. Wor. Clovis Leach	(603) 642-4320
Grand Lodge Representative	Wor. Gerald J. Parziale	(603) 247-0124
Senior Deacon	Open	
Junior Deacon	Peder Hamilton	(603) 332-5631
Senior Steward	Open	
Junior Steward	Open	
Marshal	John Rodriguez	
Tyler	James Dobson	(781) 831-2151
Webmaster / Trestleboard	Wor, David S. Henderson	(603) 303-3758

@eMAIL Communications: Your line officers can also be reached via email, by addressing your email to their <u>First.Lastname@gideonlodge.com</u> i.e. <u>John.Paiva@gideonlodge.com</u> Want yours? Just contact the Webmaster and he will hook you right up!





Messages from the East

IMPORTANT COVID-19/CHINA VIRUS PUBLIC HEALTH ALERT UPDATE:

Gideon Lodge is continuing to remain fluid in our responses to the current health alerts. We continue to get "some" direction from Grand Lodge around Stated Meetings and Degrees. The situation remains fluid – keep checking with other brothers and our online calendar of events.



Holidays

Warm Fraternal and Holiday Greetings Brethren!

As we are entering into the winter months, we all felt it was important for us to spend some time preparing the lodge grounds for the weather. After sending out notices and making some calls, we had a lodge clean up event and it was the biggest attendance I've seen in a long while! Everyone did a great job and we had it all done in I think, 3 hrs. We took 3 trailer loads of debris over to dispose of at Brother Bakie's land; Special thanks to you, Brother Bakie for affording us that option.

We are going to do our MM degree on November 28th. It is a Saturday morning breakfast degree with the York Rite College Degree Team doing the second section. There are two brothers being raised after patiently waiting for many months. I'm hoping for a good turnout. I will have masks available, sanitizer stations and a garden hose with brushes and disinfectant for those brothers needing extra cleaning. *Just easing the tension brothers, relax*. We are all going to be taking proper precautions. Please give me or the Secretary a call to RSVP so we can accommodate

everyone. My phone number is (603) 490-2883 Bro. Lang (603) 329-2309. Don't have time to call? Texting works to those phone numbers too, so feel free to drop me or Brother Lang a text to let us know you are coming to the Degree.

I was given some old paperwork from one of our OLD Past Masters and in it was a trestle board. I enjoyed the message from the East and liked the message it delivered. I read it at our last stated meeting, but where our attendance was a bit weak, I wanted to let the rest of the brethren hear it as well.

Hello Hiram! I hope your gardens grew to your satisfaction and that your summer travels and recreation were everything you wanted them to be. Let me pose a question to you, Brethren. If tomorrow, all the world's problems went away...if there were no more wars or illness or natural disasters... if man truly enjoyed spending time with others, if that all happened, would we still need Masonry? The answer is rhetorical and is a resounding YES!! Let me ask it another way. If tomorrow, your son or daughter or loved one gave you a big hug, assured you that they would love you forever, would that mean that you never need to hear it again? My Brothers, there is ALWAYS room for a smile, a handshake, a pat on the back and a reassuring word. Even in the best of times, it makes us feel better. And let's face it, if indeed, Masonry takes good men and makes them better, then the way we get better is to share that with everyone.

Yes Brethren, we will always need Masonry... and Masonry will always need you. I hope from reading this it gives some of us a little kick to get back to lodge after the year we have had.





Our next stated meeting will be December 1st and it will be our annual meeting, we will be voting on next year's officers and reviewing the lodge affairs for the year. As you should have received your dues notices, I'm sure you noticed the amount we voted on for 2021, I felt that since we were restricted so much this year is was the right thing to do and the brethren present at the meeting agreed.

That is all I have for you brethren, hope to see you on the 1st, there will be a meal I just don't know it will consist of just yet.

See you then Brother,

Fraternally,



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Special Events / Upcoming Dates / Notices



Dues & Paypal

It is that time of year again brethren and annual dues are due. Great news though, you can pay your dues online if more Convenient for you using PayPal. Your Webmaster has made changes to the site in order for you to pay any amount. As 2020 dues are "special" another over the 2020 Dues of \$50 will be put towards the General Building Fund. There is however a small convenience fee that is charged to use your Credit Card



or Debit Card. See the webpage for more details. Brethren may go to our website at www.Gideonlodge.com/Dues.html and pay for their 2020 Dues online.



Calendar Events for December

November 28th - MM Degree 8am Breakfast, 9am Opening

December 1st - Stated "ANNUAL" Meeting - Voting for 2021 Line Officers

December 10th - Hanukkah Begins



December 24th - Christmas Eve December 25th - Christmas Day







December 31st - New Year's Eve



Ritual Lessons are held at the Lodge at 5:30pm every Sunday

Check 1st - Confirm with your mentoring Brother

Ritual Rehearsals are held at the Lodge at 6:00pm most every Monday - Check 1st



* * * CHINA VIRUS/Covid 19 * * * * * * HEALTH WARNING REMINDER * * *



Brother are You Feeling Under the Weather??

As much as we all want everyone to come out and enjoy and share fraternal gatherings at lodge, **please** be mindful and consider during this flu season, your fellow brethren if you are fighting ANY bug. Many of our older brothers are challenged fighting off common viruses and the consequences can be extreme for some. **PLEASE** remember your fellow brethren before coming out to Lodge. All are encouraged to take common sense measures for hygiene practices, washing hands etc. and general awareness of bugs in the air.

If you are quarantined, shut in or can't get out and need some assistance, please reach out to one of the line officers or any brother.

District #1 - Monthly Stated Meetings

Gideon Lodge #84 1st Tuesday 7:30pm Dinner @6:30pm St. John's #1 1st Wednesday 7:00pm Dinner @6:00pm MajGen Jn Sullivan #2 1st Thursday 7:30pm St. Andrews #56 2nd Monday 7:00pm Dinner @6:00pm Star in the East #59 2nd Thursday 7:00pm Dinner @6:15pm 3rd Thursday 7:30pm Dinner @6:30pm St. James #102 Tucker #99 4th Tuesday 7:30pm Dinner @6:30pm

Remember to Meet on The Level



