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Stated Communications

- **1st Tuesday** of the Month *Dinner: 6:30 PM Meeting 7:30 PM Except July & August (Dark)*
- Families are always welcomed and encouraged to join us for the meal.
- **RESERVATIONS:** *Dinner Reservations are Strongly encouraged and can be made online or by calling the secretary or Jr. Warden.*

<http://www.gideonlodge.com/Reservations.html>

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Message from the East

Fraternal Greetings Brethren and Happy New Year to All!

We had a great start to the 2020 season. Our January 7th meeting was a full boat of information. We discussed possible work on the lodge for 2020, new windows, painting the kitchen, over the stove duct repair and basement clean out. Our program was a last minute due to sickness of our brother RW Rod MacDonald who assures me he will be there for our next meeting. We sent him a card and our warm fraternal wishes for a speedy recovery. We had some good laughs throughout the night with visiting Tucker Lodge members bringing scoring paddles just to break my chops; it was a lot of fun.

We have a new lodge Secretary who is already doing an outstanding job and spending hours with the Grand Secretary to learn the new system. I'm told he helped the Grand Secretary with a few tricks as well!

Our new 2020-Line officers are doing great and I'm happy to say they started extra rehearsals to get up to speed in their new seats, (Their idea!!), which tells me they're taking pride in their lodge which is to be commended. I also threw out some challenges to the other lodges to get the traveling gavel moving again.

Worshipful Brother Henderson will be helping me with this year's Trestle Board. We will be working hard getting it back on track. He will also be working with Bro. Lang (our new Secretary) on posting and updating Gideons Facebook page and he will maintain his work on the Lodge's Website/eMail as our Webmaster. Remember too, if you would like a @GideonLodge.com eMail address, just see Wor. Bro Henderson for details.

There are 3 more installations coming up, St. James in Hampton on Sunday the 12th at 2PM, MGJS in Epping on Saturday the 18th at 11AM and Tucker in Raymond Saturday the 25th at 2PM. Let's stop in and give them some support.

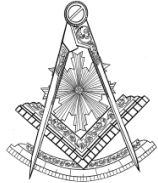
Our Ham & Bean Supper is on the 25th this month as well, but the show must go on!! We have been getting some great help with pies, so let's keep it up!! Please let Worshipful Brother Keith Libby or I know what kind you're going to be making, and we'll plan accordingly.

As you all know Anita Libby has been making all the potato salads for our H&B dinners. We need to take that burden off her. She will be at the lodge Friday night the 24th to give us some instruction on making the salads. I am expecting a good number of you there in the future to share in the workload. Please don't assume and leave this to the other brothers to handle, we need help from everyone to make it easier on the rest. Brethren the whole idea of the Ham & Bean was to get us working together as brothers, doing things together. Please come out on Friday night for an hour and shoot the _ _ _ _ , have a few laughs, enjoy working together and share in the fraternal warmth of our organization which stems upon "Charity" and "Brotherly



Love". On Saturday for the event, it's mostly serving and clean up. If you can't do any physical work, just stop in and support the ones that are working. We'd love to see you all there.

Fraternally,



John J. Paiva

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Special Events and Upcoming Dates

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| January 12 th | Installation – St. James @2PM |
| January 18 th | Installation – Maj Gen John Sullivan @11AM |
| January 25 th | Installation – Tucker Lodge @2PM |
| January 25 th | Ham and Bean Supper @GideonLodge 4pm to 6pm |
| February 4 th | Stated Meeting – <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dinner 6:30PM – Meeting 7:30PM• Building Association Meeting at 6PM at the Lodge |

Ritual Lessons are held at the Lodge at 5:30pm every Sunday
Confirm with your mentoring Brother



Brothers are You Under the Weather??



*As much as we all want everyone to come out and enjoy fraternal gatherings at lodge this year, **please** be mindful and consider, during this cold and flu season, your fellow brethren if you are fighting a cold or the flu. Many of our older brothers are challenged fighting off common viruses and consequences can be harsh for some. So **please** remember them before coming to lodge. If you can't get out and need assistance, please reach out to a brother.*

2020 INSTALLATIONS – Coming Up

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| Sunday Jan 12th at 2PM | St. James in Hampton |
| Saturday Jan 18th at 11AM | Maj Gen. John Sullivan in Epping |
| Saturday Jan 25th at 2PM | Tucker Lodge in Raymond |
- All brethren are encouraged to attend to support new officers for 2020.**



Brother's Not Answering the Roll Call



RW Brother William H. Thomas II 1931 - 2019

Brethren - It is with great sadness we report to you the passing of one of our most dearly loved brothers.

On the 22nd of December 2019, Right Worshipful Brother William H. Thomas II at the age of 88, failed to answer the roll call.

Bill served proudly with honor and dignity for his country during the Korean War in the United States Army as a Field Radar Technician. Upon his return from Korea, Bill worked until his retirement with Raytheon in Andover, MA. During his time in the service, many he served with had shared some "light" with Brother Thomas. After returning Stateside, Bill petitioned and became a Mason, being raised to the Degree of Master Mason on June 16, 1956. Affiliating with Gideon Lodge #84 in 1961, Bill enjoyed plural membership with Doric-Centre Lodge #20 and was a member of The Order of Eastern Star for many years with his beloved wife. Brother Thomas was also a recipient of the both the Bronze and Silver Major General John Sullivan Awards and had received his 60 Distinguished Masonic Service Award in 2016. In 1976, 20 years after affiliating with Gideon Lodge, Bill became Master of the Lodge and soon became heavily involved with the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire. He

continued to serve Grand Lodge as District Education Officer from 1992-1995, District Deputy Grand Lecturer from 1995-1997 and finally as District Deputy Grand Master from 1997- 1999.

Bill remained committed to his Brethren and Blue Lodge over the years and most famously served his brothers at Gideon by sharing his 64 years of Masonic education, knowledge of ritual and helping so many become Mason's, teaching cipher and ritual work to new candidates. It was only when Bill could no longer get out any more that he somewhat begrudgingly moved North to Tilton and into their wonderful Veteran's home. The Vet's welcomed Bill with open arms and he quickly became quite the resident, making many friends and having much more fun than he had in years.

To merely say Brother Thomas will be sorely missed by all is somewhat of an understatement. Bill had become an icon in the lodge. All who knew him and had been afforded the opportunity to spend even just a moment with him saw the depth of his character and love he held for Masonry. He held the respect of so many. Rest well Brother Thomas. God Speed.

So Mote It Be.

Masonic Service:

A Graveside Masonic and Memorial Service will be scheduled some time this Spring. An announcement will be sent to the brethren once plans have been made.

Sympathy notes and kind words may be sent via email to:

The New Hampshire Veteran's Home, Tilton, NH: mtn_grunt@juno.com