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MARCH 2020 TRESTLE BOARD



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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 at <http://www.gideonlodge.com/Reservations.html> or by calling the Secretary or Jr. Warden.*

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Message from the East

Fraternal Greetings Brethren:

We have a lot coming up for you in March!! On Monday the 2nd we will be hosting the 1st district town hall meeting with our Most Worshipful Grand Master. This is the opportunity for you to ask questions or voice concerns you might have directly to the Most Worshipful. Sandwiches and refreshments will be provided before the meeting.

The next evening, March the 3rd is our Stated Meeting. Our program will be on Gun Safety and Live Shooter Readiness presented by Kingston's Chief of Police, Donald Briggs. We will be presenting a donation to the Kingston Police Department following his program.

I've been traveling around the district visiting other lodges, challenging them all to do the same and get out and visit others in the district. Tucker Lodge has been doing a lot together as a lodge and had a total of 9 brothers at Gideon's last Stated Meeting to take the traveling gavel.

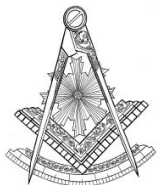
At Rockingham Lodge in Candia, they had a great program from an author of seven books depicting travel in the 11 to 1400's with hints of Masonry. The program was fantastic and left everyone looking for more; very interesting. Their meal was terrific with pasta with 5 different sauces from which to choose!!

Our monthly Ham & Bean Supper is coming up on the 22nd of February I would like to get some phone calls from brethren, so I know who can make pies and who can help Friday night with the potato salad preparation. The Ham & Bean Supper has been doing terrific because of all the brothers doing their part, we sold out last month with 90 people!! The best part of this monthly community event is that we are all working together as a lodge. Men making pies?! WHAT?! Yes, and you're all doing a great job. I send out my sincere thanks to you all for all your efforts to help and come together as a lodge.

Last, but not least, we have a Fellowcraft Degree to do, hopefully early March, but no date has yet been set. I will send out a message as soon as it's confirmed. Be sure to keep track of the lodge calendar on the website Trestleboard page as we are trying hard to insure it is kept up to date with any details. http://www.gideonlodge.com/trestle_board.html

Again, I thank you all for your efforts to support OUR lodge for the future.

Fraternally,



John J. Paiva

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Worshipful Master – Gideon Lodge #84 2020

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Who's Who @Gideon Lodge

Worshipful Brother David Henderson **Lodge Webmaster & Trestleboard Chief Editor**



I thought it might be nice to introduce myself to those who I may not have had the privilege yet of meeting in person. I talk to many of the brethren on the phone regarding questions about the website and dues payments, but many of you don't get a chance to get out to lodge functions and may not know much about me or even what I look like. Therefore, for this month, I will take some liberty and introduce you to "Dave", the brother behind the pages of the Trestleboard and Website.

Married to my lovely bride, Donna of 31 years; we moved to Sandown, NH in 1988 from Raytown, Mo, just outside Kansas City with our two sons, Stephen and Charlie. We had landed in the mid-West after leaving Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point, NC in 1989 where I had served proudly for 8 years working around aviation equipment, attached to the A6E Intruder Squadron VMA(AW) 332, the "Moonlighters". During my two tours, I was afforded many opportunities to travel and see parts of the world I may not have ever seen or been able to appreciate. It wasn't till I was being sent for a year overseas (unaccompanied) with my first son on his way that I decided it was time to further my education and get out into the civilian world again, we packed up and headed West.

While in Kansas City, I had attended and graduated from DeVry Institute as an Electronics Engineer. I'm sure that will allow some conclusions drawn around how the "TECHIE" in me came to be.

Born in Virginia, I moved around a bit as my father was an Episcopal Minister. We lived in Oregon, Virginia, Vermont and again in Virginia. Having lived my early years in New England, moving back to New Hampshire in 1998, it felt almost like coming home again, but then I met John. (*sorry, I couldn't resist lol*).

Going back a bit further; after High School I attended school at Virginia Commonwealth University, but after a year heard that call of reveille and I was off to Parris Island where I garnered discipline in my life, heart and soul. (*and that was just in the first 5 minutes*) Looking back, it was likely one of the smartest choices I ever made in my life. I now work for Schneider Electric as a Project Manager. My programming days of automation and controls equipment are far behind me. Now I just manage a team of engineers who do all that work. Most of my project work keeps me on the road traveling, which makes lodge meetings and other masonic events challenging to attend at times. Raised in the lodge by Wor Brother Weyler more than a decade ago, I have had the pleasures of moving through the line and ultimately serving as your Master during 2014 and 2015. My youngest son Charlie traveled through DeMolay as a young man and it was my high honor and esteemed privilege to raise him in the lodge as one of my final acts as Master. Brother Charles now resides in Charlottesville, VA but remains an active member of Gideon, visiting us when he comes home.

Today, Donna and I enjoy finding warm, clear blue waters and sandy beaches where you can sip on cold beers all day and absorb warm rays of sunshine. Work of course, still tends to limit much of that enjoyment. I see a much clearer light to retirement now, beach time will be a plenty soon. As many of you may know, I just finally achieved my loss of 175 lbs, having done so, I increased those chances of enjoying all those beaches and warm waters after retirement.



Until then, I help however I can around the lodge, serving as your Webmaster and trying to deliver a nice website for us all to have and enjoy. I also act as the Chief Editor of this our monthly Trestleboard. Many contribute to the effort of putting this out each month, I just put it all together and add some details, tidy it up a bit then pass it to the next person in the process of getting it delivered. I hope you all enjoy it. We try to make it a worthwhile “read” for everyone vs just a quick “glance and file”. Everyone is always welcome to help. Input is always encouraged. Just send me what you would like to include, and I will add it in to the next month’s edition.

My love of Masonry keep continues to grow each year as does my love of coming out to Lodge for functions. Although an active member of York Rite, Knights Templar and Scottish Rite, 32nd Degree; Gideon is my Blue Lodge and my first home. I love how she is steeped in her own history. I remain loyal Gideon, my brothers and in keeping Gideon going for at least as long as I’m around, carrying on the long-standing traditions of those who have come this way long before me.





Gideon Lodge Puzzle Box

THE LODGE LINE

Can You Find Them All?

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B V S S G Q G N B B T Q M

WMaster
Secretary
JrDeacon
SrSteward
Musician

SrWarden
Treasurer
Chaplain
Marshall

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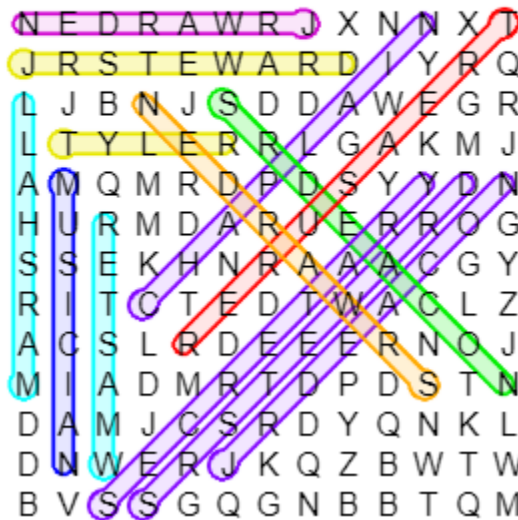
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PUZZLE SOLUTION:

THE LODGE LINE

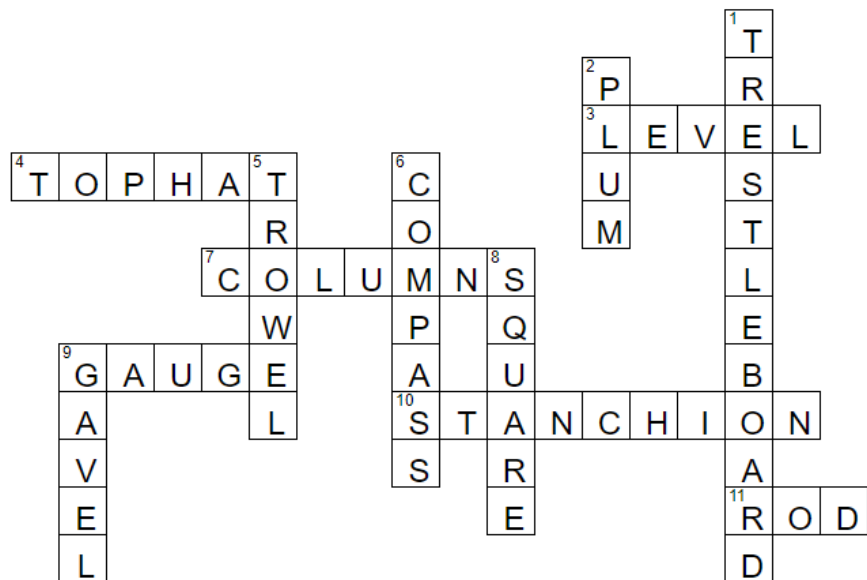
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February's Puzzle Answer Key:

MASONIC TOOLS & SYMBOLS

Test your knowledge of Masonic Objects





Special Events / Upcoming Dates / Notices

- February 22nd** **Ham and Bean Supper @Gideon Lodge 4pm to 6pm**
- March 2nd** **Gideon will host the Grand Masters Town Hall meeting**
6:30pm – 8:30pm Casual Dress / Refreshments
- March 3rd** **Monthly Stated Meeting –**
 - **Dinner 6:30PM – Meeting 7:30PM**
 - **Cost of Meal is \$6.00**
 - **Building Association Meeting at 6PM at the Lodge**
 - **Lodge will “OPEN” early for Stated Evenings Program with Kingston Chief of Police – Donald Briggs on “Gun Safety / Live Shooter”.**
- March 19th** **SPRING IS HERE / Vernal Equinox**
- March 28th** **Ham and Bean Supper**
@Gideon Lodge 4pm to 6pm
- June 13th** **1st Masonic District Outdoor Degree**
10am
Where: TBD Mark your calendars!



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

Ritual Rehearsals are held at the Lodge at 6:00pm every Monday



2020 Town Hall Grand Masters Town Hall Events

Brethren:

This is an opportunity to not only hear the Grand Master and members of the Grand Line share some updates about what is going on in your Grand Jurisdiction but more importantly to have your voice heard. This event is a unique opportunity to ask the questions of your Grand Master in a casual environment. Join us!

All Town Hall Meetings begin at 7pm. Light refreshments provided by the Host Lodge at 6:30pm

Date	District	Lodge	Address
March 2 nd	1	Gideon Lodge #84	Gideon Lodge, 8 Church St. Kingston
March 5 th	2	Jewell Lodge #94	Pembroke Masonic Temple, 148 Main St. Pembroke
March 9 th	3	Benevolent Lodge #7	Milford Masonic Temple, 30 Mont Vernon St. Milford
March 12 th	4	Hiram Lodge #9	Claremont Masonic Temple, 40 Maple Ave. Claremont
March 16 th	7	Union Lodge #79	Bristol Masonic Temple, 61 Pleasant St, Bristol
March 19 th	6	Mt Lebanon Lodge #32	Laconia Masonic Temple, 63 Court St. Laconia
March 23 rd	5	Winnepesaukee Lodge #75	Alton Masonic Temple Rte. 28 S. 40 Suncook Valley Rd. Alton
March 26 th	8	North Star Lodge #8	Lancaster Masonic Temple, Town Bldg. 25 Main St., Lancaster



Special Events / Upcoming Dates / Notices.....Continued

New England Brotherhood Night

Hosted by the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire

WHEN: Saturday, March 14, 2020

1:00PM – 6:00PM

WHERE: Hartog Auditorium - Ashlar Village

74 Cheshire Road, Wallingford, CT 06492

The 2020 New England Brotherhood Night will be hosted by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Connecticut at Hartog Auditorium, on the Masonicare campus in Wallingford, Connecticut.

The event will begin at 1 PM with tours of our Masonicare facilities. There will then be a Social Hour featuring hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar at 3 PM, followed by a buffet dinner at 4 PM. Event includes a guest speaker provided by the Grand Lodge of Vermont.

A Masons only event, the Brotherhood Night dinner is open to all Masons from the New England Grand Lodges. Suggested attire is a business suit.

You may purchase tickets online at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/new-england-brotherhood-night-dinner-tickets-87242906883> **Please purchase your tickets no later than March 1, 2020.**

If you have any questions, please contact the Grand Lodge of Connecticut office at (203) 679-5903, or email Erika Cortezano-Garcia at grandlodge@ctfreemasons.net Please reference the "Brotherhood Dinner" in the subject line.

***** HEALTH WARNING REMINDER *****

CORONAVIRUS ALERT



Brothers are You Feeling 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 your fellow brethren before coming out to Lodge. All are encouraged to take common sense measures around washing hands and general awareness of bugs in the air during this season.

If you can't get out and need assistance, please reach out to a 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
St. James #102	3rd Thursday	7:30pm Dinner @6:30pm
Tucker #99	4th Tuesday	7:30pm Dinner @6:30pm

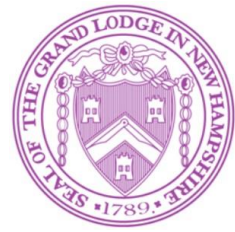


**THE FOLLOWING IS POSTED IN THIS MONTHS TRESTLEBOARD
BY ORDER OF
THE MOST WORSHIPFUL MASTER**

Kenneth A. Clay, Jr.

THE GRAND LODGE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS



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December 20, 2019

TO: All Constituent Lodges in New Hampshire

All Brethren under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire

Brethren,

As the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire Free & Accepted Masons, I hereby ORDER all Lodges under my jurisdiction to READ this notice in full as follows:

- A) The notice is to be read at the next Stated Communication of every Lodge in New Hampshire
- B) A copy of this notice is to be placed in the next published Lodge Trestleboard
- C) The record of the reading of this notice and placement of this notice in the Lodge Trestleboard shall be placed in the minutes of that Communication confirming that this order was executed.

Recently there have been some misunderstandings regarding the acceptable use of a consecrated Lodge Room. I want to point out the following section of the Grand Constitution of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire Free & Accepted Masons.

Per the Grand Constitution, Article XIII.20.2, "Non-Masonic Use of Lodge Room", No Lodge shall rent its Lodge Room to, nor allow it to be occupied by, any Body that is not recognized as legitimate by the Constitution and the regular, lawful Masonic Bodies of New Hampshire unless a Dispensation is obtained from the Grand Master, and the intended use does not conflict with the precepts of Freemasonry.

A Lodge may request a Dispensation from the Grand Master. This is allowed under the **Grand Constitution Article VI.1.2.18, "Permitting a Lodge Room to be used for non-Masonic purposes"**. If no Dispensation is requested and no approval is granted from me, and a Lodge uses their consecrated Lodge Room for Non-Masonic Purposes, I will hold the Lodge and the Officers of that Lodge in violation of the Grand Constitution.

The penalty for violation of the Grand Constitution is as follows:

- A) For the individual Brother violating the Grand Constitution, the potential penalty may be Reprimand, Suspension, or Expulsion from the rights and privileges of Freemasonry.
- B) For any Lodge violating the Grand Constitution, the Charter of that Lodge may be Suspended or Revoked.

The Grand Constitution spells out these acceptable uses of a consecrated Lodge Room. All Masons in New Hampshire take an obligation at each of the three Degrees to stand to and abide by the Constitution, Rules and Regulations of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire. Furthermore, each Officer of any Masonic Lodge in New Hampshire takes the same obligation at each installation into their office. Any ignorance of the Grand Constitution is unacceptable. As the custodian of Freemasonry in New Hampshire I must be sure that all comply with the Grand Constitution, Rules and Regulations.

Should any Brother have questions regarding this subject, they are welcome to contact me directly.

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kenneth A. Clay, Jr." The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

Kenneth A. Clay, Jr., *Grand Master*