## Gideon Lodge #84 F. & A.M.

8 Church Street, P.O. Box 372 Kingston, NH 03848

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# May 2015



Stated Communications 7:30 PM 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the Month Dinner: 6:30 PM

#### Dark - July and August

Dinner Reservations Strongly Requested <a href="http://www.gideonlodge.com/Reservations.html">http://www.gideonlodge.com/Reservations.html</a>

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# Upcoming District Events May

Tuesday, May 5



6:30pm - EA° at Wlm. Pitt Tavern 7:30pm - Gideon #84 Stated Meeting

#### Wednesday, May 6

6:00pm – St. John's Lodge 7:00pm - St. Johns #1 Stated Meeting

#### Thursday, May 7

7:30pm - MajGen Jn Sullivan #2 Stated Mtg

Sunday, May 10



#### Monday, May 11

7:00pm - St. Andrews #56 Stated Meeting

#### Tuesday, May 12

7:30pm - Rockingham #76 Stated Meeting

#### Wednesday, May 13

6:00pm - St John's Lodge

7:30pm - Rising Star #47 Stated Meeting

#### Thursday, May 14

7:00pm - Star in the East #59 Stated Meeting

#### Saturday, May 16

Armed Forces Day

9:00am - Grand Lodge Annual Communication

#### Tuesday, May 19

6:00pm - Sojourners Chapter #386

#### Wednesday, May 20

6:00pm - St John's Lodge

#### Thursday, May 21

7:00pm - Maj.Gen.John Sullivan #2 FC Degree 7:30pm - St.James #102 Stated Meeting

Monday, May 25 Memorial Day



#### Tuesday, May 26

6:00pm - 1st Visitation of MWGM John F.

Gordon - Tucker Lodge #99

7:30pm - Tucker #99 Stated Meeting

#### Wednesday, May 27

6:00pm - St John's Lodge

#### Sunday, May 31

Bektash Shrine 4th Annual Poker Run!



Dates Courtesy of:

http://www.1stmasonicdistrictofnh.com/calendar.html



### Gideon Lodge May Birthdays

May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Yrorak Lindsay
May 9 <sup>th</sup>	Matthew Orio
	William Bartlett
May 14 <sup>th</sup>	David Conti
May 18 <sup>th</sup>	Gordon Bakie
May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Jay Brothers
	Roy Jeffrey
May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	William Simmons
May 25 <sup>th</sup>	Mitchell Veroneau
May 30 <sup>th</sup>	Michael Kennedy
May 31 <sup>st</sup>	Donald Ross



#### Greetings Brethren -

Spring is definitely upon us and new life is sprouting everywhere as the new season begins. With the eve of summer now approaching, it reminds us that over the summer we will be dark. July and August are our "dark" months so that all the brothers can enjoy their vacations and summer fun with family and loved ones.

We have a lot of activities coming up before this summer and then we have some summer events which are planned or are being planned. I encourage all of you to keep up with the online calendar on our website for changes or additions to events we have scheduled.

#### 4 Lodge's Hold Master Mason Degree!!

Last month, Star in the East #59, St. James #102 and Gideon Lodge #84 held a Master Mason degree night for 3 brothers. Additionally, William Whipple Lodge from Maine was on hand to perform the 2<sup>nd</sup> Section. There was close to 80 Master's present for the evening's events. We had the Worshipful Master's from all three lodges sitting in the Master's, Senior and Junior Deacon's chairs.

Our own Brother Juan Rodriquez, father to our Junior Deacon Brother Jason Rodriquez, was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason. Brother Jason Rodriquez performed the role of Junior Deacon for the degree and also was on hand to "raise" his father making for a very special moment indeed.

Brother Juan Rodriquez did an excellent job with his degree work and we are all so very proud of the hard work and accomplishments he made to learn his lessons of each degree. Please remember to congratulate our new brother when you see him. Special thanks to William Whipple Lodge, Star in the East and St.

James for allowing us to participate in the degree.

#### Veteran's Program May 2<sup>nd</sup>

**O**n Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> we held our annual Masonic Veterans Program and visitation from the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the State of New Hampshire.

We had a great turnout and presented awards to many brothers. The Most Worshipful Grand Master Stewart L. Aronson was on hand as a special visitor and along with his suite was introduced to all the brothers and families present. This marked the Grand Master's final visitation before stepping down as Grand Master later this month. Although it will be sad to see our own brother step down from such a prestigious position, it will be good to have him home again in our lodge to slide back into the home where it all began so many, many, many years ago.

**B**rother Donald A. Kemp and his family were present to accept his 60 year award from the Most Worshipful Grand Master!



Brother Donald A. Kemp receiving his 60 year award



# GRAND LODGE ANNUAL COMMUNICATION May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Courtesy of Grand Lodge of NH

Brethren:

You are hereby notified that the Two Hundred and Twenty-Sixth Annual Communication of the M.W.Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, F. & A.M., will be held in the Masonic Temple, 1505 Elm Street, City of Manchester, Saturday, May 16, 2015, opening at nine-thirty o'clock in the forenoon.

Lodges without representation will be subject to the Constitutional penalty. Each Lodge must be represented at both the opening and closing of Grand Lodge. Masters and Wardens, clothed in regalia of office, are expected to attend. Masters, Wardens, and elected Representatives must be provided with credentials. Proxies for Masters, Wardens, and elected Representatives MUST have credentials to be registered.

All DELEGATES from the LODGES, all MEMBERS OF GRAND LODGE and all GRAND REPRESENTATIVES are required to REGISTER at the Credential Table, and pick up their ballot cards. LUNCHEON TICKETS, a donation of \$10.00 to New Hampshire Rainbow, should be purchased in the Library upon arrival; and this must be done BEFORE the 9:30 A.M. opening of Grand Lodge.

All credentials must be presented no later than 10:30 A.M., at which time the Credentials Committee will close the registration of Lodges.

IMPORTANT NOTICE - Admission to the Annual Communication will be by presenting a current dues card.

9:30 A.M. Opening of Grand Lodge

Reception of Distinguished Guests

12:00 P.M. Lunch

1:15 P.M. Resumption of Labor, if necessary

At 5:00 P.M. there will be the Installation Ceremony of the Grand Lodge Officers in Due and Ancient Form. Dress for the Grand Lodge Officers will be Tuxedo. All interested Master Masons and their ladies are invited to witness this ceremony.

Following the Installation, a Banquet will be served at the Masonic Temple, Manchester, New Hampshire at 6:45 P.M. and will be open to all Master Masons and their ladies and guests. Tickets for this dinner will be \$22.00 per person, and reservations are required and will be accepted no later than Thursday, May 7, and will be limited to 250 persons. For those who have not already done so, reservations may be made with the Grand Secretary using the form attached below.

# PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS WELL IN ADVANCE ACCOMPANIED BY PAYMENT.

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#### Paypal is Working!

Some of our brothers have already taken advantage of our new PayPal option at Gideonlodge.com. The PayPal link is active and working for those of you who would like to pay your dues and make donations online via our secure website.

#### Summer Planning:

We are still planning for our participation in this year's Kingston Days celebration. Some ideas have been discussed, but we need to settle on some course of action for the day's events. We will be discussing this more at our May Stated Meeting so we can nail down our plan for the day. Please come out and show your support and offer up ideas, suggestions and your time to help make the day a productive, successful and fun day for all.



As always, I look forward to seeing you all this month at our stated meeting and again at Grand Lodge on May 16<sup>th</sup>. If you can attend, I promise you will enjoy the day and the events which take place. Every brother at some time should plan to attend to experience Masonry on a much grander scale. It is also your chance to vote and have your voice heard for the items raised for discussion. I hope to see many of you there, as it will also be our own brother's last Grand Lodge as the Most Worshipful Grand Master.

Fraternally,

David S. Henderson Worshipful Master