

Gideon Lodge #84 F. & A.M.

Kingston, NH February 2014 Trestleboard



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

Chartered June 12, 1867

Stated Communications: 7:30 pm

1st Tuesday of Month

Dark July and August

Dinner Reservations Strongly Requested

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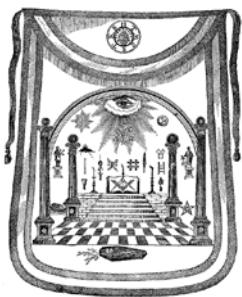
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How Old is Masonry?

The question is not answerable unless Masonry be defined. Some form of organization of builders, according to the oldest Masonic document, the Regius poem, existed as early as A.D. 926. Freemasonry, as distinguished from any other organization of practical builders, probably began among the Cathedral builders of the middle ages-tenth or eleventh century. The first Grand Lodge came into existence in 1717. Freemasonry in the United States dates definitely from 1730 and probably earlier.

Is Freemasonry a Religion or has it a Religion?

No, to both questions. "A" religion connotes some particular religion. Freemasonry is nonsectarian. Before its Altar Christian, Jew, Mohammedan, Buddhist, Gentile, Confucian, may kneel together. If the question be phrased "Is Masonry religious" then the obvious answer is that an institution "erected to God" which begins its ceremonies and ends its meeting with prayer; which has a Holy Book upon its altar; preaches the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, of course, has a religious character, although, let it be emphasized again, wholly nonsectarian.

All Grand Lodges require their initiates to express a belief and trust in God. No atheist can be made a Mason.

Taken from: **One Hundred One Questions About Freemasonry**

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Why does the ritual use so many repetitions, as in “duly and truly,” and “worthy and well-qualified” etc.?

Several “word pairs” in Masonic ritual make interesting studies; “duly and truly,” “worthy and well-qualified”, “free will and accord,” “parts and points,” “hele and conceal.” At first glance it may seem that these are so arranged only for emphasis. In Middle English writing, especially in the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries, when Freemasonry was in the process of formation, England had two languages. One was Norman- French, the other was Anglo-Saxon.



To make sure of understanding, word pairs were much in use, a word of similar meaning being taken from each language. The apparent redundancy of expression in a number of places in Masonic ritual may be traced back to these Middle Ages. The perpetuation of such usage now, when clarity of thought and understanding might be served as well with one word, is one of many proofs that Freemasonry delights to cling to the ancient and venerated because it is venerated and ancient.

Taken from: [One Hundred One Questions of Freemasonry](#)

Message from the East:



Brethren:

The year is off to a fast start and events are beginning to fill-up the calendar quickly.

With so many events on the calendar it gives one lots to choose from. I know how hard it is to juggle time and we all have busy schedules, but I encourage everyone to try and get out and visit our district brethren and enjoy time with them. There is also another Traveling Gavel now to be taken by those with 3 or more, so I would expect that one to travel back through Gideon quite a bit.

**** * February Degree Nights * ****

Tuesday February 18th 7:00 PM

We have 3 new candidates ready to take their first degree in Masonry. On Tuesday night, February 18th at 7 PM we will be having an *Entered Apprentice* degree evening. Dinner will be at 6:00PM. I encourage you all to try and attend and also help us by letting us know you will be coming for dinner. Let us know at:

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

It's quick, easy and helps our fine chefs know how many to expect for dinner, insuring there is enough for all.

Thursday, February 13th 7:00 PM

We will be traveling with one of our Entered Apprentices to Major General John Sullivan #2 in Epping on February 13th to join with them in their *Fellowcraft Degree*. There will be no dinner served at MajGen John Sullivan.

Please try to attend these degree nights and support our new brothers on their special nights.

Fraternally,

David S. Henderson, Worshipful Master

Tue Feb 4, 2014

7:30pm - 9pm Gideon #84 Stated Meeting

Where: 8 Church St., Kingston, NH

Description: 6:30 - supper (always). 7:30 - open.

Wed Feb 5, 2014

7pm - 8:30pm St. Johns #1 Stated Meeting

Where: 351 Middle St., Portsmouth, NH, 03801. Phone (603) 436-3712

Description: Supper at 6:00. Lodge opens at 7:00

Thu Feb 6, 2014

7:30pm - 9pm Maj Gen Jr Sullivan #2 Stated Mtg

Where: 3 Pleasant St., Epping, NH

Mon Feb 10, 2014

7pm - 8:30pm St. Andrews #56 Stated Meeting

Where: 351 Middle St., Portsmouth, NH. Phone (603) 436-3712

Description: Dinner at 6:00 pm, Meeting at 7:00 pm

Wed Feb 12, 2014

Lincoln's Birthday



Wed Feb 12, 2014

7pm - 8:30pm Strafford #29 Stated Meeting

Where: 610 Sixth St., Dover, NH. Phone (603) 742-4399

7:30pm - 9pm Rising Star #47 Stated Meeting

Where: 84 Main St., Newmarket, NH 03857

Thu Feb 13, 2014

7:00pm - 9pm Maj Gen Jr Sullivan #2 FC Degree

Where: 3 Pleasant St., Epping, NH (*Gideon Lodge Participating*)

7pm - 9pm Star in the East #59 Stated Meeting

Where: 63 Water St., Exeter, NH. Phone (603) 778-8052

Description: 6:15 supper, 7:00 work

Fri Feb 14, 2014

St. Valentine's Day



Sat Feb 15, 2014

9am - 11am 1st District Masters Class

Where: Strafford Lodge #29, 610 Sixth Street, Dover, NH

Mon Feb 17, 2014

All day President's Day

Mon Feb 17, 2014 - Tue Feb 18, 2014



Tue Feb 18, 2014

7:30pm - 9pm Tucker #99 MM Degree (tentative)

Where: 63 A Main St, Raymond, NH (driveway across from train depot/display)

Description:

Tucker #99 MM Degree (tentative) 6:30 Pot Luck Supper 7:30 MM Degree

Collation after

7pm - 9pm Gideon Lodge #84 EA Degree

Where: 8 Church St., Kingston, NH.

Description: 6:00 supper, 7:00 Degree

Wed Feb 19, 2014

6pm - 9pm EA Degree at Strafford Lodge

Where: Strafford Lodge #29, 610 Sixth Street, Dover, NH

Description: Dinner at 6 pm Degree at 7 pm

Thu Feb 20, 2014

7:30pm - 9pm Moses Paul #96 Stated Meeting

Where: 32 Pearl St., Dover, NH. Phone (603) 742-1167

7:30pm - 9pm St. James #102 Stated Meeting

Where: 77 Tide Mill Rd., Hampton, NH. Phone (603) 926-9563

Sat Feb 22, 2014

Washington's Birthday



Tue Feb 25, 2014

7:30pm - 9pm Tucker #99 Stated Meeting

Where: 63 A Main St, Raymond, NH. (Driveway across from RR depot)

Description:

2014 plan is for degree meals, no stated meeting meals.

7:00 Coffee 7:30 Open Collation after meeting