

Gideon Lodge #84 F. & A.M.

Kingston, NH

October 2012 Trestleboard



8 Church Street, P.O. Box 372
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142 Years of Masonry in Kingston

Stated Communications: 7:30 pm
1st Monday of Month
October – June

September – Tuesday after Labor Day
Dinner Reservations Required

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Message from the East

Brethren, we thank you for joining us for our grand opening after being dark for the summer months. It was a great turnout for our lobster and prime rib bake. Many thanks to our Chef, Brother Richard Johnson and his staff they put on a delicious meal for everyone. We were sorry that our chair lift was not in operation for that evening but I would like to inform everyone that it is operating and will accommodate anyone needing it to get to our lodge room.

As you can see, we have a full schedule for October and into November. Please join us and help our officers who are working very hard to support our lodge. We give a lot of our time to make masonry enjoyable for everyone. Come and join us for a dinner and meeting and express your thoughts to keep our lodge active.

Respectfully,
Gerald J. Parziale, Worshipful Master

Elected Officers for 2012

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Dates to Remember

Sept. 15. Masters & Wardens Class at Portsmouth from 9 to 11 a.m.

Sept.23. Rehearsal for all officers at 7 p.m.

Oct. 1. Stated meeting. Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. and Meeting will start at 7:00 p.m.

Oct. 5. Lunch will be at noon and please join us for lunch and conversation.

Oct. 7. Rehearsal for fellow craft degree at 7:00 p.m. This will be the last one for f/c before our inspection for our lodge.

Oct. 16. Fellow craft inspection for our lodge. Please come and show a great support for our officers for this degree. Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting will soon follow.

Oct. 20th. Open house for the public from 9:00 a.m.to 3:00 p.m. (Let's make the public aware of who we are and what we do as Masons.) Please let the W.M. or the secretary know if you can help with the open house by being there for a period of time.

Why do Masons wear aprons?

The use of the apron is extremely old, not as with the operative Masons, as a protector of clothing and body against tools and stone, but as a badge of honor. It was so used by the priests of Israel, by the mystery of Mithras in Persia and by the ancient Japanese in religious worship. Ethiopia knew aprons as did Egypt. In all times and climes, it has been a badge of distinction. It is as such that a Mason wears it.

The material of the Masonic apron-lambskin-is a symbol of innocence, as the lamb has always been. Hence a Mason has more than once been “properly clothed” when the lambskin aprons of the lodge were all in use and he came through the tiled door clad in a white handkerchief!

From: **One Hundred and One Frequently Asked Questions**

Is it expected that I do business only with a Mason?

A problem which confronts a newly made Mason is his supposed obligation to give his business to fellow Masons rather than those who are not Masons.

Masonry is most emphatically not a back scratching organization, a Board of Trade, a Chamber of Commerce or a mutual admiration society. There is no obligation, actual or implied, which demands that, because you have become a Mason, you must forsake all those with whom you have been doing business who are not, and give your orders to brethren who may, or may not, be equally satisfactory as tradesmen.

Other things being equal, it is brotherly to give your business where it will help a fellow Mason. But other things must BE equal. If the twin born with you sold poor shoes at fancy prices, while your neighbor's son sold good shoes for reasonable prices, you would not buy of your own blood brother. To do so would be to injure yourself and your family which would be wasting your money. Exactly the same idea applies to your fraternal brother.

The man who says: "Buy of me because I am a Mason" is not anxious to serve you, but to serve himself. If he is a business man, he does not need to depend on mutual membership in any organization, whether lodge, church or club, for his business. If he is not a good business man that is, if he sells poor goods-he has a moral right to attempt to offset poor quality by whining that you both belong to the same lodge. Similarly he who comes to you and says: "I have come to you because I know you are a Mason: now I expect a discount because we both belong" is also using his Masonry to promote selfish interest and should be equally satisfactory as tradesmen.

From: **One Hundred One Questions About Freemasonry**