LIVING PAST MASTERS

Westley Foye	
Richard S. Berry	1968
Barry W. Plummer, PDDGM	1972
John M. Conner, Jr	1975
Roland G. Hannaford, PDDGM	1976
Guy W. Plummer Jr	1977
Leighton S. Perkins	1978
Barry W. Sargent	
Mark R. Goodwin	
David T. Low	1984
Harvey C. Donald	1985
Richard A. Lachance	1989
Ronald B. Moore	1991
James C. Bower	
Paul H. Deschambault, PDDGM	
Richard C. Green	
Troy Plummer	
Gerald W. Gannett, PDDGM	
Michael A. Desjardins	
Wayne L. Butler	
Stephen E. Nichols	
Robert A. Roy	
Peter M. Clark	
Perry A. Clark	2003
Michael J. Gannett	
Mark E. Cadrette	
Chad E. Poitras, PDDGM	
Lincoln L. Turner	
Matthew H. Brooker	
Derrick K. Desjardins	
David W. Ouellette	
Nicholas P. Pinkham	
Jason S. Grant	
Dwaine K. Desjardins	
Jamie. A. Grant	
Richard L. Eilinger	
Dale E. Desjardins	2017
Lloyd C. Bradbury	2018
Jason A. Tarr	2019

<u>Do you need a ride to lodge or</u> don't like to drive at night??

Call any officer listed in this trestle board, and they will make arrangements for you to get to Lodge and home again.

Please notify the Secretary of mail & e-mail address changes.



Buxton Lodge No. 115 A. F. & A. M.

4 Christian Row & Route 112 Buxton, Maine

Communications are held on the first Monday of the month, except on national holidays, when communications will be held the following Tuesday. We are closed in July and August. Supper: 6:30 p.m. Lodge Opens: 7:30 p.m.

OFFICERS FOR 2020

Travis J. Lawrence Master
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Dennis J. Gervais Tyler 929-4468
Troy Plummer

Lodge Hall 727-5521

Scheduled Events

September 8, Tuesday: Buxton Lodge, Stated Meeting, EA degree exemplified. 6:30 supper, 7:30 meeting.

<u>September 22, Tuesday:</u> Masters & Wardens, Annual District Mtg & Grand Lodge visitation Dunlap Lodge **No supper:** 7:30 meeting.

October 5, Monday: Buxton Lodge, Stated Meeting, FC degree exemplified. & Gr Lodge inspection. 6:30 supper, 7:30 meeting.

Visit the Grand Lodge website calendar *http://www.mainemason.org/glcalendar.asp* for more 18th district events.

Buxton Lodge No. 115 A. F. & A. M Trestle Board September, 2020

Greetings Brethren,

The summer is drawing to a close and so is our time in darkness! We have permission to return to lodge, and with the last few remaining months as Master, I'd like to finish strong. I'd like to lay out the end of the year as follows. We have a candidate that has been patiently waiting to join our fraternity, and without further ado, his time has come. On Tuesday, September 8, we will have a stated meeting with an EA degree.

On October 5th, we will be having a FC degree as well as our annual inspection. I've spoken with both the SW and the DDGM, and I will be sitting in the east for the evening. If all goes well, November will be a great opportunity to have a rescheduled past masters night and a new MM.

The annual district meeting with the Grand Master will be held at Dunlap Lodge on September 22. At this time, there is no plan to have supper before the meeting, but that may change due to the fact that we are now allowed to dine at lodge. We will update you via email about this meeting. The district meeting will be tiled this year, so no guests are allowed.

In closing out this year, since our summer gathering was thwarted by Covid-19, I would like to have a gathering in December for the brethren and families to enjoy each other's company, fellowship and food! Year 2020 has not been the year anyone expected it to be, nor the year that we hoped it would have been. However, Masonry has withstood the test of time for ages due to the commitment and brotherly love that each and every Brother has within one's self. I for one am eternally grateful to have masonry in my life.

Attached are the current Grand Lodge guidelines for dining at the lodge and exemplifying EA and FC degrees. Grand Lodge is in the process of developing guidelines for the MM degree. We will make every effort to assure your health safety at our upcoming meetings. However if you are not comfortable attending or not able to follow the attached guidelines, your absence is understandable.

Thank you and god bless.

Fraternally yours,

Travis J. Lawrence

Master, Buxton Lodge

Brethren, over 90% of our dues has been collected so far this year. Twelve members have yet to pay. If you have misplaced your dues invoice, the dues is \$60 for regular members, \$25 for 50-year members & 80⁺ year olds. If COVID-19 is causing you temporary financial problems, let the secretary know so that arrangements can be made to delay your payment.

Masonic Anniversaries, 2020

Brother	Years	Raised
Robert D. Bruce	70	26-Jun-50
Barry W. Plummer	55	5-Apr-65
Philip G. Dearborn	55	10-May-55
Guy W. Plummer Jr.	55	17-May-65
Donald A. Pinkham	55	3-Aug-65
Stephen T. Bradbury	50	30-Nov-70
Roland G. Hannaford	50	30-Nov-70
Alfred Lee Burris Sr.	30	21-May-90

Brother	Years	Raised
John S. Hutchins	30	17-Sep-90
Matthew A. Arsenault	20	21-Feb-00
Michael J. Gannett	20	15-May-00
James D. Libby	20	18-Sep-00
Jeremy S. Harmon	10	3-May-10
Mark S. Ferguson	10	17-May-10
David B. Jordan	10	17-May-10

Grand Lodge Guidelines

The exemplification of the EA and FC degrees is now be permitted beginning July 1st, yet the decision to do so is up to the master of the lodge. If the lodge decides to conduct an EA or FC degree, the following will be adhered to:

- Before the degree begins, the candidate's three questions and collection of the degree fee by the secretary
 and changing into the candidate's garb, will be done prior to starting the degree to minimize the time in a
 small preparation room.
- Once the work begins in the lodge room, the decision on how to proceed is left to the master and his
 officers.
- To do this safely, the candidate will be prepared in the room adjoining the lodge with only one steward if the room does not permit distancing for the usual three brethren.
- The candidate will wear a face covering
- The senior deacon is not required to wear a face covering when receiving the candidate nor while interacting in the South, West and East.
- The SD and candidate will keep 6' from the officers participating in the interaction of the degree
- The only contact with the candidate will be with the master or the senior deacon.
- The hoodwink shall be lined with a protective liner.
- The chaplain will stand at a distance for the candidate's prayer and remain in the east for the charge during circumambulation and the closing charge as well.
- Have hand sanitizer be available at the JW's station and elsewhere in the lodge hall for use after the grip is given. Consensus is that a bare hand is better than a gloved hand.
- Once the candidate removes his garb, the clothing will be put into a plastic bag and laundered before use with the next candidate. The lodge may recommend that the candidate bring his own sweatpants and shirt that he can launder on his own.
- Multiple candidates are going to be more difficult and the lodge will have to be more creative to maintain distancing requirements.

Upon completion of the degree for the evening please leave the lodge hall promptly after sanitizing the touched surfaces.

These are only a few guidelines which must be adhered to. I am confident that the lodges will find the best way to exemplify the degrees and remain safe.

If there are any questions or concerns please contact me or the grand secretary and we will do what we can to assist you.

I will keep you posted regarding the resumption of the MM degree.

Fraternally,

MW Richard M. Nadeau Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Maine

Grand Masters Edict, 07/31/2020

Greetings Brethren,

Be it known that as of 08/01/2020 the Masonic lodges in Maine's grand jurisdiction may resume meal service. The following guidelines must be adhered to:

- In a buffet style meal, the service line will only be attended by the servers. No brethren other than the servers, with gloves and face coverings, will handle food.
- The servers will be the only ones to handle the plates.
- The brethren being served must wear face coverings while navigating the buffet line and do your best to maintain social distance.
- Coffee will be served only by the servers.
- Face coverings are replaced once your meal is done.
- Disposable plates, utensils, cups, etc. are recommended
- Individual packets of condiments as well as salt and pepper, coffee creamers and pats of butter should be used and not placed on the tables.
- Unused condiments should not be returned to the kitchen for reuse. Bring them home or discard of them.
- Coffee and donuts? Servers only will handle this also. Masked and gloved.
- Seating for the meal must maintain 6' social distancing.
- BBQ meals outside should be conducted in the same manner.
- At completion of the meals the kitchen, dining room must be sanitized.

I am certain that each of the lodges will conduct themselves with the health and welfare of their brethren in mind. With that, I leave you to implement any added safety measures that you see fit. Be well, be safe, have fun!

Fraternally,

MW Richard M. Nadeau Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Maine