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# Saco Lodge History 2013



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#### INTRODUCTION

# History for the Year 2013

Within this book, we have attempted to catch and document the highlights of Saco Lodge for the year 2013. As I have been saying all year, it is a huge honor and a true pleasure to be Master of this Lodge. We are blessed with many active Past Masters that help where needed, and many active members that make this Lodge fun to be part of.

Many thanks have to go to our Secretary, R.W. Carl Marsano. He certainly works hard for the Lodge, keeping the continuity and the workings of the Lodge stable and on track. R.W. Carl Marsano came up with the idea of the format for this year's history, and it is something I shall cherish for the rest of my life.

Thank you to the members of Saco Lodge, you have all given me gifts of immeasurable value, the opportunity to be an officer of the Lodge, and to lead the Lodge for a year. And most important of all, the friendships developed will be cherished for life....

Worshipful Mark Whitmore Master Saco Lodge – 2013

#### 1. JANUARY – INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AND OTHER DUTIES



#### Master's Message

By Worshipful Mark Whitmore

Master's Message

Saco Lodge is off and running for the New Year.

Installation of Officers took place on Jan. 13th, and it was a very well attended function. We had many distinguished guests, Most Worshipful James Ross, Present Grand Master, and Past Grand Masters M.W. Wayne Adams and M.W. George Pulkkinen on the bagpipes. Our Deputy Grand Master, R.W. David Walker was also here to name a few, and many Masons, family members and friends.

It was very humbling to be a part of this ceremony, the Installing Suite of R.W. Carl Marsano, R.W. Joel Tripp, Worshipful Steven Boucouvalas and Bro. Douglas Whitmore did an absolutely beautiful job. I have heard many wonderful comments from the attending guests about how nice the ceremony was and how good Saco Lodge performed! As I travel around to other Lodges, I am constantly reminded that Saco Lodge is in the top echelon of Lodges, and my job for this year will be to make sure we maintain that standing.

I expect this year to be a year of communication and team building. I want all the Officers to be comfortable with what we do. It is so much more fun doing degree work when we know our jobs. Fear gets replaced with confidence, and this carries over into other aspects of our lives. This is a key point which we talk about when we say we take good men and make them better. Public speaking, leadership roles, communication and organization skills will help us move forward in our careers, and many other aspects of life.

We, the Officers of Saco Lodge, form a team that leads the Lodge and insures stability and hopefully growth. None of us are alone, and that means all the Brethren, and that is the true meaning of any Fraternity!

Fraternally submitted,

Worshipful Mark Whitmore

# 1.1. <u>Installation of Officers</u>

Installation of officers was conducted on Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup>. It was a well attended event with three Grand Masters, MW A. James Ross GM, MW Wayne Adams, PGM and MW George Pulkkinen, PGM and the Deputy Grand Master, RW David Walker, attending.



Officers escorted in by Installing Marshal Bro. Kyle Whitmore, son of Mark

> 3 Grand Masters, MW A. James Ross greeting MW Wayne Adams and MW George Pulkkinen

Valley Chapter DeMolay with Wor. Mark Whitmore









Safely Transferring the Charer from outgoing Master Wor. Gordon Workman to Wor. Mark Whitmore The opening prayer was given by RW Carl Marsano and the Pledge of Allegiance given.

Prior to introducing the Grand Master, a prayer was given for Wor. Millard Tripp and his family due to his grave illness.

The Grand Master, Most Worshipful A. James Ross was escorted to the East and received Public Grand Honors and the Gavel of Saco Lodge. He then received MW George Pulkkinen and MW Wayne Adams to the East, and gave them Public Grand Honors. He then introduced the Deputy Grand Master who was given a round of applause. He also presented Wor. Steven Boucouvalas with a certificate indicating that he is the grand Representative of Greece.

Wor. Gordon Workman gave his final thoughts on serving as Master. He then turned over the gavel to RW Carl Marsano for the purpose of Installation of the Officers of Saco Lodge for 2013.

RW Carl Marsano then retired the officers of Saco Lodge for 2012 and proceeded with the installation. The Valley Chapter of DeMolay formed an Arch of Steel as the Officers were retired. The Arch of Steel was reformed when the new officers returned.

Assisting RW Carl Marsano were:

RW Joel Tripp, PDDGM 18th – Installing Chaplain Bro. Douglas Whitmore – Installing Marshal Wor. Steven Boucouvalas, PM Saco – Assisting Officer MW George Pulkkinen, PGM – Installing Piper

With RW Joel Tripp assisting, RW Carl Marsano installed Wor. Mark Whitmore as Master of Saco Lodge for the year 2013.

Wor. Mark Whitmore presented a Past Master's Apron to Wor. Gordon Workman. Gordon's line officers all contributed to the purchase of the Apron.

Before handing over the Gavel of Saco Lodge to MW A. James Ross, Wor. Mark Whitmore commented about his goals for the year, and how excited he was for the prospects of Saco Lodge were. He thanked RW Carl Marsano and his wife Debra for his assistance in planning for this event and the year. He also, singled out Wor. David Perkins, who is a friend and former neighbor for helping start his Masonic journey.





Officers of Saco Lodge 2013

Front row -Bro. Dwayne Rembert, SW, Wor. Mark Whitmore, Master, Bro. Gerald Ouellette, JW 2<sup>nd</sup> Row – RW Joel Tripp, Installing Officer, Bro. Jonathan Maynard, SD, Bro. Ronald Husser, Marshal, Bro. Robert Maxfield, JS, Bro. Gary Cressey, Chaplain, Bro. Gregory Maxwell, JD, Bro. Douglas Whitmore, Installing Marshal Back – Wor. James Pate, Treasurer, Bro. Juston Galipeau, Tyler, RW Carl Marsano, Installing Officer & Secretary Missing – Bro. Robert Guillette, SS & Bro. Gary Butt, Historian

#### 1.2. <u>Memorial Service</u>

On January 16<sup>th</sup>, Saco Lodge gathered together to pay their respects for Wor. Millard Tripp, a long time brother who had died a few days earlier. Many of us had just visited with him earlier in the month and he seemed in good spirits, making his loss all the more surprising.

It is with sadness that to report the passing of Wor. Millard "Bud" Tripp.

Millard was Initiated as an Entered Apprentice on May 7, 1958. He was Passed to the Degree of a Fellowcraft on September 16, 1958. He was Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason on October 15, 1958.

Millard was installed as Master of Saco Lodge in 1964. He continued to serve the Craft as Secretary from 1993 to 2002 and was Saco's Mason of the Year in 2002. He last served Saco Lodge as Marshal in 2003.

As I reflected on this, I realized that while he was one of 130 Past Masters, he was an alumnus of a much smaller group, the Secretaries of Saco Lodge. While I do not have an official count, I figure that over the past 100 years, we have had around 10 secretaries. Millard served for ten years, and was my Secretary when I was Master and was a valuable resource.

It was a privilege to present him, along with his son, Wor. Richard Tripp, his 50 year medal back on Lobster Stew Night in 2008.

Fraternally,

Carl Marsano



#### 1.3. Degree work for January

On January 24<sup>th</sup> and with Worshipful Mark Whitmore presiding in the East, Bros. Mark Leo Gilbert and Andrew Marc Gilbert were Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason. Mark and Andrew are father and son. Marc was raised by Wor. Harry Smith, PM Orchard Lodge and Bro. Marc raised his son Andrew.

On January 31<sup>st</sup>, With Bro. Gerald Ouellette presiding in the East, Bros. Sheldon Nightingale, Michael Dunn and Roland Wyman were Initiated as Entered Apprentices.

#### 2. FEBRUARY – THE WORK CONTINUES

#### Master's Message for February

By Worshipful Mark Whitmore

Master's Message

#### From the East

Well Brethren, we have completed a busy, full first month of the year under the new slate of Officers of Saco Lodge, and I for one am enjoying it! That is not to say that all the duties of a Master are fun, for some of these duties are a very solemn, humbling experience.

One of the fears of an incoming Master, at least one of my own fears, was to lead the Brethren as we say goodbye to a fallen Brother. Within a week of becoming master, we did just that with a Masonic Funeral for Wor. Millard Tripp. I was proud to lead the many Masons that attended, and truly believe we gave a proper send off to the Celestial Lodge above, remembering eventually we must all make this same journey. Within this first month, we have also raised two Master Masons, and Initiated three new Entered Apprentices. Our stated meeting in February was completed without a hitch, and with Eastern Star preparing and serving a wonderful meal, it was enjoyed by many.

Perhaps the highlight of my month, was the actual Installation Day. I was surrounded be so many wonderful friends and family, it just couldn't have been better. Truly a day I will never forget! Thank you to all that attended, I hope everyone had a wonderful day, I sure did.

I have said this many times, and it comes from my heart, Saco Lodge is very blessed to have so many Officers and Brethren that care about Masonry. These Brethren want to be there, and because of them, failure is not an option. It is to the many involved Brothers that I say thank you, and I know it's going to go down in the Histories of Saco Lodge, that 2013 was a great year. I have enjoyed every minute of my journey to the East thus far, and this year will be very special to me. Thank you for allowing me to serve our Lodge.

Wor. Mark Whitmore

#### 2.1. Work Outside the Lodge

# Dropping off a 25 Year Pin



Wor. Mark Whitmore presented a 25 Year Service pin to Bro. Earl Murray. Bro. Earl was Raised on October 25, 1983.

Bro. Earl passed on his thanks to the brethren, and had high praise for Bro. Clem Tanguay's work on his house back when it was built in the mid 1990's.

#### 2.2. Degree work for February

With Worshipful Dwayne Rembert (presiding Master of Deering Lodge and Saco Lodge Senior Warden) presiding in the East, Bro. Sheldon Nightingale was passed to the degree of a Fellowcraft.

#### 2.3. <u>Travelling Men</u>

On Sunday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 11 Brethren of Saco Lodge jumped into their cars and drove to the "Big City" aka Portland to attend the installation of one of their own as Saco's Senior Warden, Dwayne Rembert was installed as Master of Deering Lodge.



Front Row (L to R) – Bro. Justin Galipeau, Bro. Robert Maxfield, Bro. Marc Cardullo, Wor. Dwayne Rembert, Wor. Steven Boucouvalas, Bro. Gary Butt Back Row - Wor. Mark Whitmore, Bro. Jason Littlefield, Bro. Andrew Nightingale, RW Carl Marsano, Bro. Steven Polley, Bro. Gregory Maxwell Photo by Angelica Philbrook

# From the West Brethren,

Ok. I'm in "Whole Paycheck" (Whole Foods) on Friday with Debbie to order the cake for the Deering Lodge Installation on Sunday. I pick out a delicious looking Chocolate Cake... As I give the young lady information, I shared with her the only thing that is important to put on the cake is the Masonic Square and Compasses with the letter "G" in the middle. There is nothing more important to put on the cake other than the Masonic Square and Compasses... I also said, "I don't care about any writing, just the Masonic Square and Compasses." I pulled out my phone and showed her a vivid picture of the Masonic Square and Compasses. She said she couldn't draw it but she would have them look it up on the Internet once the cake was ready to be decorated. I said ok and assumed I tackled that task and left feeling like I accomplished one more thing leading up to the big day Sunday. So, Sunday comes and I have to work a half day. Rory agreed to pick up the cake and bring it to the Lodge for me. Cool. He sent me a text saying it was safely delivered there around 4PM. I texted back, how does it look? He sent a picture and no kidding folks my cake had a four sided square and a compass a boy scout would use in the woods if he were lost. OH MY!!!! They did not forget the letter "G" yeah for them The only thing I could do in a room full of Masons and their families during the speech I gave at the end of the ceremony was tell this story to humor my guests. Needless to say, everyone laughed out loud!

Congratulations Dwayne Rombert

Dwayne Rembert Senior Warden

#### 3. MARCH – SPRINGTIME IS APPROACHING

#### 3.1. Fellowship Day



On March 9<sup>th</sup> Saco Lodge held another successful Fellowship Event. The event was setup and directed by Brother Justin Galipeau with lots of help from Brothers Andy Nightingale, Bill Cline amongst others. Thanks go to our guest speakers, Wor. Mark Whitmore, Wor. Gordon Workman and Wor. Steven Boucouvalas. We had close to twenty brothers in attendance and four prospective candidates. We expect their applications will be forthcoming soon.

For those who attended a great morning of fellowship was enjoyed and new potential brothers were made welcome. Next time we are hoping for more of our brothers to come and enjoy the event.

Fraternally,

Bros. Greg Maxwell, Justin Galipeau and Gary Butt

#### 3.2. Degree Work for March

#### Master's Message

By Worshipful Mark Whitmore

From the East

The Hour Glass is an emblem of human life. Behold how swiftly the sands run, and how rapidly our lives are drawing to a close!

Well, maybe not the most upbeat start of a message, but certainly one with a powerful meaning. It is amazing how quickly time marches on. Here we are, several months into the new year, and up to now it's been a blur. I am truly enjoying my role as Master, and hate to see the year go by so swiftly. Spring is quickly approaching, and I find time seems to speed up through the months of good weather.

We are planning a couple of events for some true fellowship that we can include our significant others with. I feel that there are not enough opportunities for Masons to get together with our wives and really get to know each other.

Something I am looking forward to as Master with great anticipation, will be an opportunity to host a Ladies at the Table event. This is much like a regular table lodge, but woman are invited, and the ritual changes some. It is my absolute pleasure to honor Worshipful David Perkins at this event. David has been Master of Saco Lodge twice, and continues to be the Committee Chairperson for the Road Clean up that we perform several times a year for the city. Worshipful David Perkins has been and still is an inspiration to me, for it was David that started me on the path to become an Officer of Saco Lodge. Plans are starting to take place, it's looking like late in the year, probably November. More details to follow.

Our stated meetings have been very well attended. It certainly does my heart well to see so many of the Bretheren attend. Our line of officers have been performing very well. We have had several degrees now, they are getting comfortable with their positions in the Lodge, and it really shows that they are gaining confidence. The position of Master is so much more enjoyable with a good group of guys to back you up.

Worshipful Mark Whitmore

With Wor. Dwayne Rembert (presiding Master of Deering Lodge) presiding in the East, Bro. Michael Dunn was passed to the degree of a Fellowcraft.

#### 4. APRIL – SPRING IS HERE AND SO ARE THE PAST MASTERS

#### Master's Message

By Worshipful Mark Whitmore

Master's Message

From the East

Everyone has heard me sputter on about how much I value our Past Masters, and again I was reminded why. Recently we had a Fellow Craft Degree, and on the night of the degree, I was down my Secretary, Chaplin, Tyler and Sr. Deacon. Now, I understand that life gets in the way sometimes, but that scenario is a little trying for a young, inexperienced Master like me. Ok, so I'm not that young, but that is trying nonetheless. Well, I called Worshipful Gordon Workman, Past Master of Saco Lodge, to see if he would come and be my Sr. Deacon for the evening. Now, Worshipful was home, boiling cow horns, I can't tell you why he felt the need to boil cow horns, but nonetheless that was the task at hand. To my pleasure, he told me he would cool his horns, and come to the assistance of Saco Lodge. I have never had the need to boil cow horns, but I'm pretty sure if I do, I wouldn't necessarily want to stop what I was doing, so I was extremely grateful for his commitment to the Lodge.

Events like this help to keep me humble. For the first time in several years, I gave the Fellow Craft lecture, and was very glad I had brushed up on that a little beforehand. It amazes me when I realize how much degree work I have forgotten that I don't use. We shuffled some people around, and I must say it was a fun evening, and most important of all, the Candidate had a wonderful degree.

I will end by saying to the other Officers of the Lodge, be kind and respectful of your Past Masters, I have come to greatly appreciate the value of them. If, in the future, when my year is done, even if I am boiling cow horns, I want people to be comfortable approaching me to help with anything. I enjoy being part of our great Fraternity!

Thank you Worshipful Gordon Workman, you helped to make this a special evening.

Worshipful Mark Whitmore Saco Lodge # 9





RW Richard Clark presenting Bro. Phil Sherman his 50 year medal



Most Senior PM, Wor. Bob Hooper

#### 4.1. Degree work for April – Past Master's Night – Article from Maine Mason Magazine



Front Row – RW Richard Clark (81 & 97), Bro. Philip Sherman, Wor. Mark Whitmore, Wor. Robert Hooper (65), Wor. Raymond Boughner(90) 2nd– Wor. Steve Cappers (Macedonian Lodge), Wor. David Perkins (01&08), Wor. Robert Barris (86), Wor. James Pate (98), Wor. Richard Tripp (99), Wor. James Gould (Dunlap Lodge)

Back row – Wor. Steve Boucouvalas (11), RW Joel Tripp (03&04), RW Carl Marsano (02), Wor. Forrest Tripp (00), Wor. Gordon Workman (12), Wor.

Michael Tremblay (10)

#### Article by Carl Marsano Photos by Larry Tripp

Saco Lodge has long traditionally celebrated their Past Master's Night in April. This practice dates back to the late 1800's. This year was no different, holding it on Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> which ended up being a special event for all who attended but more especially two members. The obvious one was the candidate, Bro. Michael Dunn. The other was a brother who was Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason exactly 50 years prior on Past Master's Night. For after the Past Masters were introduced, Brother Philip Sherman was escorted to the East, where RW Richard Clark, PDDGM 18<sup>th</sup>, and the Past Masters of Saco Lodge presented Bro. Phil with his 50 Year Medal.



After the work of the evening was completed, the meeting was not over. Wor. Mark Whitmore, presiding Master, presented Bro. Michael with his great grandfather's Masonic Diploma. His great-grandfather was raised in 1911. This diploma has been passed down from generation to generation within Michael's family. Bro.

Michael hopes that future generations of his family will appreciate this as much as he does now.

Continuing the night, the minutes from April 9, 1963 were read. Not only was it April 9<sup>th</sup> and Past Masters Night, but it too was a Tuesday and Eastern Star also served baked ham for dinner...so many coincidences, it was unbelievable.

The minutes read like a who's who from Saco Lodge Masonic history. We can only hope 50 years from now, when Bro. Michael receives his 50 Year medal; someone will say the same for us.



Bros. Michael Dunn and Phil Sherman with Wor. Forrest Tripp listening to the reading of minutes from 50 years ago. Forrest was present at the Raising of Bro. Phil, 50 Years prior.

# 4.2. Additional Work for April



At the April Stated Meeting, Worshipful Steven Boucouvalas was presented with his Mason of the Year Plaque. A little overdue as he was accorded this honor in 2011.

Jenkins Road Clean up – April 20<sup>th</sup>, the road cleanup went well, DeMolay boys participated and by doing so, Kohl's Department Stores donated \$500 for their efforts and community service. Next time for cleanup is August 24th.

#### 5. MAY - GRAND LODGE SESSION AND MORE...

#### Master's Message for May By Worshipful Mark Whitmore

Master's Message

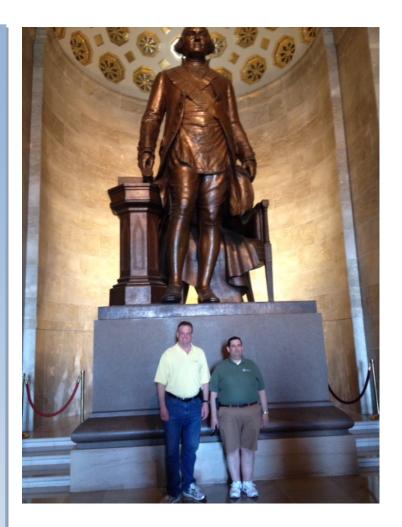
From the East

I wish I was one of those Master's that could fill a Trestle Board with wonderful stories full of rich history or deep Philosophical meaning, but no, that is not who I am. I am merely an average man, balancing a career, family, and social events with attempting to be the best Mason that I can be.

I do worry sometimes however, that some of our new Masons may not have the time or opportunities to travel beyond our own Lodge, and experience the magnitude of what our Masonic family truly is. I wonder if some of these new members think that it is nothing more than a "Good Old Boys Club" of Saco.

I am freshly back from a wonderful tour of some of our Masonic past. I have been to the Grand Lodge of Philadelphia Pa., one of the oldest Grand Lodges in our Country. A most beautiful, impressive building that all Masons should see at some point in life. Within these massive stone walls, 7 or 8 active Lodges exist, each one decorated to a high degree of splendor. Within these walls, I had the opportunity to speak with visiting Masons from Europe, and I quickly realized this was above and beyond anything I had encountered in my short Masonic experience.

I then traveled to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Alexandria Va. George Washington was of course the first President of our Country, but was also the Charter Master of Alexandria Lodge in Virginia, one of the oldest Lodges in our Country. At the front of this magnificent Memorial, is a replica lodge full of artifacts, dating back to the 1700's, that all visitors can enjoy, and get a glimpse of how a Masonic Lodge might look. At the front of the Lodge, encased in a clear Lexan case, is the actual leather chair that George Washington used when he was master of his Lodge. At the back of the building, is Alexandria Lodge, a thriving Lodge, which was moved to the Memorial, as the original Lodge building has come under severe disrepair. Every year, when the new



Master is Installed, they bring him to the front of the building and sit him in the chair used by George Washington. I can't begin to fathom what one must feel sitting in that chair, what a tremendous piece of history!

There were many other wonderful stops along the way, from the White House, Capital Building, many other Memorials, Arlington National Cemetery, and Mt. Vernon, home of George Washington. Along the journey, I saw many Masonic references, and spoke with many other Masons.

We are so much more than a "Good Old Boys Club", one needs just to step outside the walls of our Lodge to find it......

Wor. Mark Whitmore

#### 5.1. Grand Lodge Session

Within Saco Lodge many of the members are aware of membership and our multiyear run without a losing year. Well there is some more good news, here in the 18th District; we were the only District that grew over the past three years. If not for 2012 where we lost 20 brethren, we would have been up over 50 members. Two districts, one to the East of us (17th) and one to the south (19th) combined to lose over 400 members, making up almost 1/3 of our total losses. What makes us so different from those two neighboring districts?

In development a membership flyer will be developed to include with applications. The plan is to reduce the number of pamphlets included in a membership packet.

This year's Grand Lodge session occurred after Saco Lodge's May Stated. M.W. A. James Ross, Grand Master; R.W. David A. Walker, Deputy Grand Master; R.W. Scott Whytock, Grand Treasurer, and RW Mark Rustin were elected to another term. R.W. Christian Ratliff (17th District) is our new Grand Senior Warden, and R.W. Larry Vennell (19th) is our new Grand Junior Warden. M.W. Claire Tusch and R.W. John Irovando were elected as Trustees of the Maine Masonic Charitable Foundation and R.W. James May was elected to the Grand Lodge Finance Committee.

The Brethren approved the official use of lapel buttons to mark years of good service in five year increments. These will soon be available. The cost of these will be borne by the lodge. Grand Lodge will inform me on those eligible in the coming months. If we decide to proceed, we will most likely award these at the Annual Awards Night. The awards sold by Grand Lodge will be the only ones approved for this purpose.

#### 5.2. Special Work for May

A special communication was held on May 11<sup>th</sup> for Bro. Thomas Quigley Davis to conduct a memorial service at Laurel Hill Cemetery in Saco.

INITIATED as an Entered Apprentice on October 22, 1946
PASSED to the degree of a Fellowcraft on November 6, 1946
RAISED to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason on February 18, 1947

#### 5.3. Degree Work for May

#### 5.3.1. EA Degree

On May 23<sup>rd</sup>, with Bro. Gerald Ouellette presiding in the East, Bros. Charles Estano, Jr., David Archambault and Christopher Glenn were Initiated as an Entered Apprentices.

Apron Charge – Wor. Mark Whitmore

Lectures – 1<sup>st</sup> Bro. Robert Guillette & 2<sup>nd</sup> – Bro. Robert Maxfield







Bros. Charles Estano, Jr., David Archambault and Christopher Glenn

#### 5.3.2. Inspection

On May 31<sup>st</sup>, with Wor. Mark Whitmore presiding in the East, Bro. Sheldon Nightingale was Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason by his son Bro. Andrew. Due to a medical issue RW Seth Dube excused himself and appointed RW Joel Tripp to complete the inspection.



At the end of the meeting Bro. Sheldon was presented with his Masonic Diploma. He then presented Andrew Nightingale (his son) his diploma. Marking them as the first brethren to receive a diploma from Saco Lodge in many years. Grand Lodge has dramatically simplified the process for diplomas. All new candidates will receive theirs on the Raising date.

#### 6. <u>JUNE SUMMER IS HERE!</u>

#### Master's Message

By Worshipful Mark Whitmore

The picture on the right shows our Grand Master, M.W. A. James Ross, myself, and Illustrious Potentate Everett Kaherl of Kora Shrine Temple together just before the start of the parade. Truly a fine showing of Masonic Unity, and one I am very proud of.

The 2013 Summer Ceremonial has come and gone, and it was a good one. Once again, Bayley's Campground in Scarborough proved to be the ideal location for this fantastic event. 29 new Nobles joined our ranks, with three additional new affiliates for a total of 32 new Nobles of Kora.

The weekend was a wonderful example of Masonic unity, Saco Lodge #9 was the host of the Masonic Unity Parade, and in attendance were the Grand Master, M.W. A. James Ross, Saco Lodge Members, York Rite, DeMolay, Rainbow Girls, and a great showing by the Kora Units and Divan.

I'm not sure if it was by Divine Intervention, or just plain luck, but the rains stopped 10 minutes before the parade kicked off, and we marched in Unity and true Kora spirit under the arch of the Saco and Scarborough Fire Engines on Main Street Saco. We returned to Bayley's Camp Ground to complete the weekend with the First and Second Sections of the Ceremonial, fine meals, dancing and fellowship.

Please join me in welcoming our new members and making them feel that they are an important addition to our family. Welcome them into your circle of friends, into your Units, and into Kora. To the New Members, come often and join in the fun, together we can make a difference, and we will keep our great Fraternity alive and well!

I truly love events like this Summer Ceremonial, as wives are involved in a great deal of the action.

Our own Saco Lodge cookout was absolutely wonderful, since it was another chance to bring members together with their significant others. Truly a summer to remember for me, I hope yours was as well.

Worshipful Mark Whitmore







# 6.1. Special Work for June

### 6.1.1. Scholarship Awardees

On Thursday June 20th, Saco Lodge No. 9 hosted the Grand Senior Warden, RW Christian Ratliff for a Night of Instruction featuring The History of The Tyler. This event was held in tandem with the Dr. G. Patrick Shaw Scholarship Dinner



Worshipful Mark Whitmore with RW Christian Ratliff, Grand Senior Warden



#### 6.1.1. Masonic Parade

On June 8th, the lodge was opened on the MM Degree for the purpose of hosting MW A. James Ross, Grand Master and a Masonic Shrine Unity Parade. Approximately 45 brethren from Saco Lodge participated in the event either as members of Saco Lodge, Kora Shrine Units, other Masonic bodies or supporting Saco Lodge from the sidelines.

An acknowledgement is made to Wor. Michael Tremblay, PM 2011 who was MC at the viewing booth located at Saco City Hall.

#### 6.1.1. <u>Degree Work for June</u>

On June 27<sup>th</sup>, with our Senior Warden, Wor. Dwayne Rembert (presiding Master of Deering Lodge) presiding in the East, Bros. Christopher Glenn, Charles Estano, Jr. and David Archambault were Passed to the Degree of a Fellowcraft.

From the June Trestleboard...

Our mission is not only to attract new members, but keep existing brethren engaged.

#### Event No. 1

On Thursday June 20th, Saco Lodge #9 is hosting the Grand Senior Warden, RW Christian Ratliff for a Night of Instruction featuring The History of The Tyler. This event will be held in tandem with the Dr. G. Patrick Shaw Scholarship Dinner. We will be having a spaghetti supper starting at 6pm, Scholarships will be awarded at 7pm, and our lecture will begin at 7:30.

This is open to all Lodges, all degrees. So invite your friends from other lodges.

Please RSVP to Gary Butt, <a href="mailto:garsy94@gmail.com">garsy94@gmail.com</a> or phone him at 229-1720 to confirm so we can make sure to have plenty of food.

#### Event No. 2

Saco Lodge will be hosting our 1st Annual Masonic Family BBQ on Saturday July 13th from 11am - 2pm at Ferry Beach State Park in Saco. Please come and bring your family (and don't forget potential candidates) to a fun filled day where they can mingle and enjoy a relaxing BBQ. Soda, Water and BBQ lunch will be provided from the membership committee.

Cost to get into the State Park is: Senior 65-older is free, Adults 12-65 is \$4, Children 5-12 is \$1, kids 0-5 is free.

Parking is \$1, Veterans that have a park pass are free admittance.

Please RSVP Brother Gary Butt how many will attend from your family so we can plan accordingly.

garsyl94@gmail.com
or (207) 229-1720

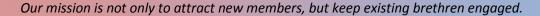
We hope to see you there for of these events.

Fraternally, Greg Maxwell

Brothers Gary Butt, Justin Galipeau, Greg Maxwell, Andy Nightingale and Bill Cline

#### 7. JULY/AUGUST SUMMER WE ARE DARK...YEAH RIGHT

#### 7.1. Special Work for July





#### **Special Report**

1st Annual Saco Masonic Lodge #9 Family Cookout was successfully held on 13 July at the Ferry Beach State Park. The cookout was attended by approximately 60 Lodge Brethren and their families. All feasted on hamburgers (both beef and turkey) and hotdogs with all the fixings. Plates were also filled with potato and macaroni salads and chips of all kinds. Several ladies brought some delicious desserts from delicious chocolate chip cookies and various other cookies to sinful brownies and cakes. Thirsts were slaked by water and sodas of all kinds.

The families got to meet each other and there were lots of stories told and fun and fellowship had by all. The children had plenty of area to run around in and some soccer balls and other toys to play with. We even had what appeared to be a world record holder hula hooper. This young lady from the Nightingale clan kept us all entertained with her continuous swirling all over the place from the start of the cookout until the end. In fact she was hula hooping across the parking lot to the family pickup as they were packing up to leave. It wore out most of us old timers just to watch her and the other children in constant motion all the time.



For those of you who didn't get there this time, you were missed. Just remember, this was the first annual cookout many more to come.

# Additional Scenes from the First Annual Picnic













# 7.2. Special Work for August

On August 24<sup>th</sup> led by Wor. Dave Perkins, we picked trash alongside Jenkins Road. We have made a tremendous difference, the first outing 12 (yes 12!) years ago, we had 27 bags of trash. This day we ended up picking about 12 bags. It is work that we have committed to, and I for one like doing. So the next time it comes up, think about helping out, it takes only a short time and is good exercise. We all need to get more exercise and fresh air.



#### 8. <u>SEPTEMBER – SUMMER'S OVER</u>

#### Master's Message

By Worshipful Mark Whitmore

Another well attended Stated Meeting has come and gone, and with a blink of the eye, another month disappears. For those of you that couldn't make the September meeting, I proudly presented Bro. Arthur Prentiss a plaque as Saco Lodge's 2013 Mason of the Year. Arthur has been a member of our fraternity for 62 years, and continues to be at almost every meeting. I spoke of the good friends that Bro. Arthur had that have passed on, and yet he is always in our company. Bro. Arthur Prentiss is always available to offer a kind smile, a kind word, and constantly meeting new people. I believe that if the Fraternity had more members like Bro. Arthur Prentiss, people that were involved because they truly wanted to be, our membership numbers would be more stable.

I mentioned that the first ticket handed out for our upcoming Table Lodge will go to Worshipful David Perkins, the 2013 Table Lodge Honoree. The second ticket was for Bro. Arthur Prentiss, he and his wife will be guests of the Lodge. I am looking forward to this event, Ladies at the Table, held on Saturday night, Nov. 9. Tickets will start to be sold before the October Stated Meeting, so act quickly and purchase tickets. Anybody desiring to help serve please speak to myself, or Larry Tripp, Head Chef for the event.

I was at a Shriner Lobster Bake/Steak feed on Sunday, 9/15, and spent some time speaking with MW Claire Tusch, our Grand Master for the years 2005 and 2006. He asked how my year as Master was going, and I expressed how much fun I was having, and how well everything was going, at least in my mind. I mentioned the fact that at the last meeting, we voted on one applicant, and read seven more. In his most perfect baritone, radio announcer voice, said "I have heard that good things are happening at Saco Lodge". I have said this before, but I couldn't be more proud of our Lodge, our members, our organization. This truly is a wonderful experience....

Wor. Mark Whitmore



#### 8.1. Special Work for September

September 10, 2013 – Notes from Trestleboard by RW Carl Marsano

It was truly a flashback degree for me and others who helped out with the Master Mason Degree on September 10<sup>th</sup>. Wor. Mark asked me to sit in the East as both he and the Senior Warden were unable to attend. As I looked to the West, my Senior Warden, RW Joel Tripp, was there, just as he was eleven years ago. On the sidelines to participate and help out with his son being raised was Wor. Charles Estano, Sr, PM from New Hampshire. He brought along not one but two Past Grand Masters from New Hampshire, and three others. These six brethren as a group have been to all of their son's Master Mason Degrees. Truly a remarkable display of brotherly love and friendship. It was made all the more special for our Junior Warden, as his son in law, Bro Christopher Glenn, also became a Master Mason that night. For one who has Raised his son and was Raised by his Father in Law, I know how those family members were feeling. For those of you who were there, I thank you for your help and support on this wonderful night.





Charles Estano, Sr. presenting a gift to his son

RW Carl & Br. Gerry Ouellette with the candidates



RW Carl Marsano presenting Bros. Christopher Glenn and Charles Estano, Jr their Masonic Diplomas

#### 9. OCTOBER – IN THE GROOVE



#### Master's Message

By Worshipful Mark Whitmore

#### Master's Message

I find life is very busy, but extremely gratifying. This past month has been a whirlwind for me, one week in Chicago for a trade show, followed by 4 days in Las Vegas for another trade show, followed by 5 days in Tampa for the Shrine International Seminar. Trying to balance in work, family and friends, Masonry and Shrine is challenging. Thankfully the current officers and Past Masters of the Lodge were able to jump in and fill in for my absence.

As I immersed myself in the Seminar in Tampa, I reflected on the successes of Saco Lodge. We spoke of the importance of bringing in new members, but more importantly of making new members feel welcome and part of the family.

I firmly believe that when Saco Lodge started the classes for our new candidates, we turned the corner. No longer should a new Brother feel lost or out of place. Between the classes, and the activities we do, most people feel that they are joining a Fraternity where they feel welcome and with a purpose.

We understand the desire to include wives and significant others, life is too busy not to include them. Our summer picnic was a huge success, and I am in hopes that many of you will help make our upcoming Ladies at the Table event be a success. All you have to do is buy tickets, attend and have fun. This is not an event that I get to practice ahead of time, and most Masters' of the Lodge will only do this once in their life

lifetime. The only way this can be successful is if people attend!

Some of the benefits of joining our great Fraternity are meeting new and interesting people, opportunities for Leadership, and travel. Don't ever be afraid to jump into a leadership role, you just never know where it will take you or how it will impact your life.

This is a picture of Martha and I outside Shriners International in Tampa, and a picture of the room that contains many Shriner artifacts, among which is a wall with a Fez from every Temple. Please remember, it all starts at your Blue Lodge.....

Worshipful Mark Whitmore



#### 9.1. Degree Work for October

### 9.1.1. October 25<sup>th</sup> – Kora Kraftsmen Master Mason Degree

Kora Kraftsmen were introduced.

WM - RW Paul M. Blank, PM Evening Star, Buckfield

SW - RW Richard Duplisea, PM Cumberland, New Gloucester

JW - Wor. Paul Gardener, PM Ashlar, Auburn

Treasurer - Wor. Steven Peterson, PM Ashlar, Auburn

Secretary - RW Carl Marsano, PM Saco

Chaplain - RW Barry Gates, PM Nezinscot, Turner

SD - RW Richard Bergeron, PM Tyrion Lodge, Mechanic Falls

JD - Wor. Newell Farrington, PM Temple, Readfield

SS - Wor. William Gowen, PM Sacarappa, Westbrook

JS - Bro. Sonny Jutras, Webster, Wales

Tyler – Wor. Daniel Jordan, PM, Nezinscot, Turner

Marshal - Bro. James Thibodeau, Rabboni, Auburn



With RW Paul M. Blank in the East, Bro. David Archambault was Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason.

1st Gate - Wor. Richard Nadeau, PM Webster, Wales

2<sup>nd</sup> Gate – Wor. Paul Gardener

3<sup>rd</sup> Gate – Wor. Steven Peterson

Wayfaring Man - RW Carl Marsano

SFC - Wor. Daniel Jordan

NSFC – Too many to count

Lecture - RW Frank Palmer, PM Cumberland

Candlelight Charge – RW Richard Bergeron





Wor. Mark Whitmore presented a check to RW Barry Gates for \$500.00 to the Kraftsmen for the Shrine Hospitals.

Wor. Mark Whitmore received a check from Bros. Gerald Ouellette, (SW, Saco Lodge) and Bro. Lewis Gordon, (SW, Orchard Lodge) representing the Widows Son's. The Grand gathering was this past summer in York County and was a huge financial success. They chose to donate their funds to the lodges of the 18<sup>th</sup> District as well as Shrine Hospital and Grand Lodge.

#### From the South,

There is no greater accomplishment in Masonry than to be raised to the Third Degree. However, Masonry has many branches that compliment Blue Lodge. There is Scottish Rite, York Rite, Shrine, Order of the Eastern Star, And now a new outlet, Widows Sons Motorcycle Riders Association.

The Widows Sons is a worldwide group of motorcycle enthusiast who like to ride and conduct brotherly love and friendship with fellow Blue Lodge Master Masons while raising money for charity. Many members are very active in their home lodges as officers or members of the other Masonic bodies. They started approximately 4 years ago in Maine and have since grown to 3 Chapters with over 100 members in Maine. I joined them 2 years ago and enjoy being a part of the different fund raiser we do. Our first charity is to Aid the widows and orphans of a fellow Master Mason. We also have given to other charities as well such as the Shriner Hospitals, Hear Me Now foundation, and the National Cancer Society.

This summer the Maine Grand Chapter of the Widows Sons hosted the biannual Grand Gathering of the Widows Sons Motorcycle Riders Association. We had Chapters represented as far away as Finland, Canada, Florida, and Alaska. The gathering was a such a success, the Maine Chapter was able to give a donation of \$500.00 each to all the Blue lodges in the 18th district as a sign of thanks and support.

If you are interested in joining, feel free to ask myself or any member of the Widows Sons.

Junior Warden, Gerald Ouellette









#### 9.1.2. October 19<sup>th</sup> – Masonic Open House

With Bro. Gerald Ouellette presiding in the East, Bros. Michael George Hopkins, Timothy Arthur Emery, Justin Jeffrey Stackpole and James Delage were Initiated as an Entered Apprentices.

Apron Charge – Wor. Mark Whitmore

Lectures – 1<sup>st</sup> RW Carl Marsano 2<sup>nd</sup> – Wor. Mark Whitmore



Masonic Open House, 2013

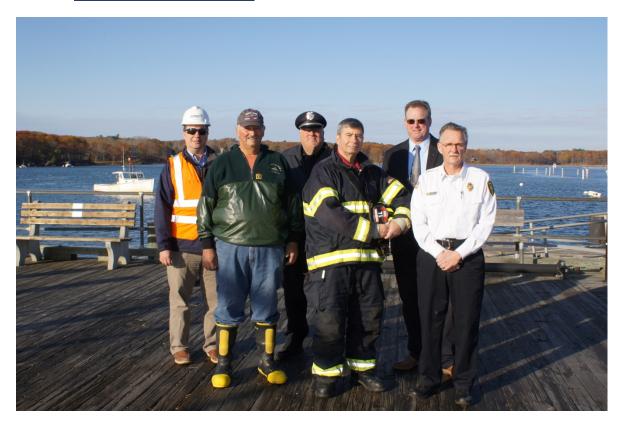
I need to thank the dedicated Membership committee of Saco Lodge, the Officers, Past Officers and Brethren that helped make the Open House day a true success. Our day started early, at 7:30 we opened the Lodge and performed four Entered Apprentice degrees, followed by the Open House portion of the day where we had several interested men stop in for information on joining our ranks. Pizza was served, and many of us were there to meet and talk to prospective candidates. We still have four more Entered Apprentice Degrees to do, which we will be performing on the 19<sup>th</sup> of November.

There is a reason why Saco lodge is doing so much better than many other Lodges, and that is the dedicated members that we have. With the path we are blazing, it's not possible to fail. Only when the Blue Lodges are at healthy membership levels, will the other Masonic Bodies improve their ranks as well.

Thank you to all involved, together we are making a difference!

Worshipful Mark Whitmore

# 9.2. Special Work for October



Earlier in the month several of us gathered at the Camp Ellis Pier to pose for a picture that would be used against domestic violence.

Five of those present were Masons!

Front Row (L to R) – Bro. Thomas Casamassa, Bro. Stephen Kerner (Dunlap Lodge), Mr. John Duross, Saco Fire Chief.

Back Row – RW Carl Marsano, Wor. Michael Tremblay and Wor. Mark Whitmore.

#### 10. NOVEMBER - DEER SEASON

#### Master's Message for December By Worshipful Mark Whitmore

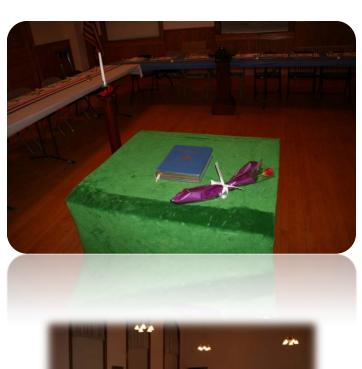
From the East

First of all, I need to thank everyone involved in our very successful Ladies at the Table event. So many people came together to make this a great event, from R.W. Carl Marsano, who did most of the ritual writing, as well as printing and selling tickets, printing out the placemats, and steering me in the right direction. Thanks so much to Bro. Larry Tripp for all the hours he spent heading up the meal and kitchen staff. Thanks to his wife Sue for her support and work, as well as the many others that made up the serving staff. Thanks to the many people who attended and got to enjoy the wonderful meal, I know for a fact that Worshipful David Perkins, our 2013 Table Lodge Honoree was deeply touched. The same can be said for Bro. Arthur Prentiss, our 2013 Mason of the Year who was also at the Head Table as a special guest. I would love to see this event become a yearly event at Saco Lodge, yet another way for the Masons and their wives to do something together. This, along with the summer barbecue we held, helps to bring us all together.

Our October Stated meeting was so well attended, that we ran out of aprons, and had to search the back rooms and corners to locate a few more. I can't stress enough, just how good it is to sit in the East and see the Lodge full of members that truly want to be there. I think the Officers behind me are in a good position to enjoy what is happening in Saco Lodge, and in our District. At the recent District meeting, the Grand Master was truly impressed with what Saco Lodge is doing, and all the Lodges in our District as well. We truly are a District on the move!

To the current and future Officers of Saco Lodge, enjoy the ride. It is truly a wonderful experience to lead such a great group of individuals. Together we have made a great lodge that we can all be proud of.

Worshipful Mark Whitmore









# 10.1. Ladies at the Table - Special Work

# Additional Scenes from the Table Lodge



Wor. Forrest Tripp and his wife, Ruth



Bro. Arthur Prentiss and his wife



Wor. Dwayne (SW) and Bro. Gerry (JW) handing out white roses to the wives



Table set for the Military who could not be here. Bros. Kyle Whitmore & Thomas Casamassa (both US Navy)



Veteran's standing for their toast

#### 10.2. Special Events

From the Grand Master, MW A. James Ross' Newsletter, November 12, 2013

#### Open House

My thanks to the Lodges that opened their doors to the public on 19 October. Many Lodges saw this as an opportunity to host several events designed to bring Masons together and to talk with members of the public about their Lodge's place in the community. Many Lodges considered their efforts a success while some saw no benefit. Whatever the case may be, the feedback I am receiving has been positive. A special thank you to District 18 which reported to me on a Lodge by Lodge basis, overwhelming success and a desire to do this again. Please, if your Lodge has not returned the feedback (or survey sheets) to the Grand Secretary's office, please do so as soon as possible. We can only determine the full value of this program if we hear your honest and constructive input.

#### Veteran's Day

I was honored to be invited by York Lodge in Kennebunk to participate in a special Veterans' Day event celebrating the contributions of Civil War Veteran Joseph Burroughs buried in West Kennebunk Cemetery.

Major General and Right Worshipful Brother Steven Nichols, United States Army Retired and Air Force Brigadier General Gerard Bolduc of the Maine Air National Guard attended, and with them, I had the honor of placing a wreath on the grave of Corporal Burroughs. WMTW-TV covered the ceremonies as did the Portland Press Herald. I have included the press release and a few photographs for your information. A special thanks to Wor. Brother Brian Ingalls, Past Master of York Lodge, for organizing the entire event. It was a golden opportunity for Freemasons to say thank you to the past and to speak highly in appreciation to all Veterans of today for their service and protection of our tenets that we as Masons promote and demonstrate every day. My



appreciation also goes out to the Widows Sons Riders Association of Pine Tree Chapter, Kora Shrine Temple's Legion of Honor for providing the Color Guard and to York Lodge for recognizing great value in this day. The Grand Lodge of Maine is proud of all of Masons who have served and continue to serve our nation. (Two of our officers participated in this event – Bro. Robert Maxfield and Bro. Justin Galipeau, Color Guard)

#### 10.3. Annual Hunting Attire Night

A tradition that has been going on for 12 years is our Annual Hunting Attire Stated Meeting in November. At this meeting Wor. Michael Tremblay presented a framed copy of our former lodge hall located on Saco Island, where the AMTRAK station now stands.



#### 10.4. Bell Ringing for Salvation Army



Wor. Steven Boucouvalas, Bro. Ward Grossman, Wor. David Perkins and Bro. Sheldon Nightingale. (Not pictured: Carl Marsano)

Saco Lodge once again kicked off the 18<sup>th</sup> District Salvation Army Bell Ringing at the Biddeford, Walmart. The day brought in \$2,228.38 for the Salvation Army, which was a daily record in the 20 years the 18<sup>th</sup> District has been ringing the bells. We were fortunate to have a great turn out, as the weather was very cold.



Bro. Michael Hopkins (EA), Bro. William Michaud, Wor. Mark Whitmore, Bro. Charles Estano and Bro. Gerald Ouellette

# 10.5. <u>Degree Work for November</u>

With Wor. Gordon Workman presiding in the East, Bros. Christopher Thomas Cassette, Bro. Samuel Joseph Isodor Workman and Bro. Joshua David Boldebook were Initiated as an Entered Apprentices.

With Bro. Gerald Ouellette presiding in the East, Bro. Michael Peter Quatrano was Initiated as an Entered Apprentice.

#### 11. DECEMBER - FINAL DAYS



#### Master's Message

By Worshipful Mark Whitmore

January 2013 Installation weekend was a very important weekend for me, as I was installed on the Shrine Divan, followed up with Installation as Master of Saco Lodge in that same weekend. My two boys with their wives were here from out of town, as well as other family members and friends which made this weekend almost more fun than it should be. That particular weekend kicked off what has quickly finished up as a great year for me. We talk about how Masons can take good men and make them better. I feel that being a Mason and Shriner helps to make me a better person. I am constantly in awe of the people I choose to surround myself with. I have met and become friends with so many great people while on my journey to the East. It is the active members of the Lodge that make the job of Master an enjoyable function of the Lodge.

As I look back over the year and reflect on all that has happened, I can't believe it's over. We have had several funerals which no Master enjoys; we had a very successful first annual family cookout, a fantastic Ladies at the Table Lodge, many degrees, raised 7 new Master Masons, and many great meetings after the meetings. We have supported the local Food Bank, and helped finance a Brother's daughter to travel to a third world country to help with their medical needs, and we have a new Heat Assistance Program up and running for those in need.

To anyone that listens, I tell the story of when I first joined the lineup as an Officer and my climb to the top. At the beginning, I was so busy learning the Lectures, and proper Lodge etiquette that I wasn't really thinking about what I was getting into. About the time I became Senior Warden, I

started to become intimidated by the thought of being Master. Who am I to lead our Lodge, attract new members and keep peace and harmony amongst the Brethren I would ask myself. One day I came across an article about past Presidents of the United States, and how most of them didn't want to give up the power and responsibility when it was time.

The article made me realize that being Master shouldn't be looked at as a job. It truly is an enjoyable experience, one which has helped me grow. I look at my own improvements in self-confidence, time management, conflict resolution, personal relationships, and it is I that must thank all of you for the wonderful experience you have given me. You have put your trust in me, and with the help of everyone, we leave 2013 behind with Saco Lodge in great shape. Our membership numbers are strong, our Officer lineup is strong, and our finances are in excellent shape.

I will miss being the leader, but I will not be far. If you care to look for me, I will be an active Past Master and I will be very active in Kora Shrine. My commitment to Masons is stronger today than ever.

Thank you for the rewards you have bestowed on me.

Worshipful Mark Whitmore

#### 11.1. Lobster Stew Night and Awards

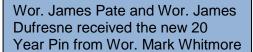
A tradition at Saco Lodge for over 50 years is the Annual Lobster Stew Night, a night where we hand out Service Awards and other items. As well as serving up delicious Lobster Stew by our Treasurer, Wor. James Pate and his wife. It is usually our biggest meeting of the year, and this year was no different.







Bro. William Gilpatric received his 50 Year Medal from RW Carl Marsano and Wor. Mark Whitmore







Bro. Jim Clingensmith, RW Joel Tripp, RW Carl Marsano and Bro. John Goulet received the new 15 Year Pin from Wor. Mark Whitmore Bro. Steve Wayne, Wor Dwayne Rembert, Bro. Jon Ramsdell, Bro. Jason Littlefield, Wor. Gordon Workman, Wor. Mark Whitmore and Bro. Robert Maxfield received the new 5 Year Pin from RW Carl Marsano





#### The brethren who received their Masonic Diplomas:

Front Row (L to R) Robert Maxfield, Gerald Ouellette, Jason Littlefield, Steven Polley, William Kline, Jonathan Maynard, Dwayne Rembert, Gary Cressey.

Second Row (L to R) – Jonathan Ramsdell, Andrew Gilbert, Kenneth Maxfield, Kevin Eugley, Justin Galipeau

Back Row - Mark Whitmore, Ronald Husser, Dean Coniaris, Thomas W. Casamassa

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Wor. John Bell, PM Beaver Belmont Lodge (Mass) receiving his 55 year Star from Wor. Mark Whitmore.

# 11.2. <u>Degree Work for December</u>

On December 5, 2013, with our Senior Warden, Wor. Dwayne Rembert (presiding Master of Deering Lodge & current Saco SW) presiding in the East, Bros. Michael Hopkins, Timothy Emory and James Delage were Passed to the Degree of a Fellowcraft.

Staircase Lecture - RW Carl Marsano

Letter G Lecture - Wor. Mark Whitmore

Charge - Bro. Justin Galipeau

#### 12. BRETHREN WHO PASSED TO THE CELESTIAL LODGE ABOVE



The Evergreen is an emblem of our faith in the immortality of the soul. By it we are reminded of the immortal soul of man which survives the grave and which will never, never die.

Wor. Millard A. Tripp, Jr.
Initiated – May 7, 1958
Passed – September 16, 1958
Raised – October 15, 1958
Master of Saco Lodge – 1964
Secretary – 1993 to 2003
Mason of the Year – 2002

He was presented his 50 Year Service Medal by RW Carl Marsano, District Deputy Grand Master on December 3, 2008

Deceased - January 14, 2013

Bro. Reed W. Rumery Initiated – November 7, 1951 Passed – December 7, 1951 Raised – December 27, 1951

He was presented his 50 Year Service Medal by MW John Anagnostis Past Grand Master and RW Chester Chapman, DDGM on December 5, 2001

Deceased – June 23, 2013

Bro. Malcolm D. Graffam Initiated – November 12, 1991 Passed – January 14, 1992 Raised – March 10, 1992 Deceased – November 3, 2013 Bro. Arthur H. Rumery Initiated – February 21, 1956 Passed – March 7, 1956 Raised – April 24, 1956

He was presented his 50 Year Service Medal by RW Joel Tripp, District Deputy Grand Master on December 6, 2006

Deceased – June 21, 2013

Bro. Walter A. Smart Initiated – February 24, 1959 Passed – April 14, 1959 Raised – November 11, 1959

He was presented his 50 Year Service Medal by RW Chad Poitras, District Deputy Grand Master

Deceased - July 29, 2013

Bro. George W. Contraros Initiated – December 16, 1959 Passed – March 22, 1960 Raised – May 17, 1960 Deceased – December 6, 2013

#### 13. CANDIDATES DURING THE YEAR

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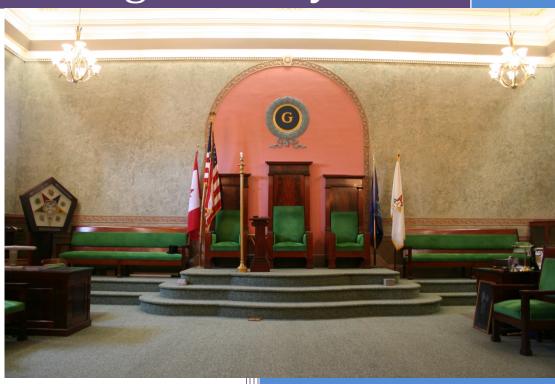
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# 14. AND THE JOURNEY CONTINUES...

On January 12, 2014, Wor. Dwayne Rembert was installed as Master of Saco Lodge. Wor. Quinones ("Q") Rembert, RW Carl Marsano, RW Joel Tripp and Wor. Mark Whitmore performed the ceremony of installing the officers of Saco Lodge for another year.



# Saco Lodge History 2013



Carl Marsano
Saco Lodge No. 9
12/31/2013