

History of Saco Lodge No. 9

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Richard Tripp, Worshipful Master

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A Semi-Public Installation of officers occurred on Saturday evening, January 16th with R.W. Lawrence Davis, assisted by his suite. R. W. Davis was flawless in the installation. A reception was held in the dining hall following the installation.

The following officers were installed:

Worshipful Master	Richard Tripp
Senior Warden	Forrest Tripp
Junior Warden	Francis Fournier
Treasurer	Everett Houston
Secretary	Wor. Millard Tripp
Chaplain	Wor. James Pate
Senior Deacon	Carl Marsano
Junior Deacon	Joel Tripp
Senior Steward	David Perkins
Junior Steward	Eric Perkins
Marshall	Wor. L. Richard Duross
Tyler	Marland Milliken

February 3rd, Stated communication was held and new officers and visiting brethren were welcomed by the Worshipful Master. Old and new business was properly addressed.

February 16th, a special communication was held. The work of the evening was a double Fellowcraft Degree. Entitled were Steven and Arthur Littlefield. A dinner was served at 6:30 pm. A letter was received from the "Office Girls" at Grand Lodge requesting material for a memory book to be presented to Saco Lodge's own, M.W. John Anagnostis at the annual Communication of the Grand Lodge in May. M.W. John is retiring from the Office of the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Maine. A post he has served with distinction. One could not travel anywhere in the United States and attend a Masonic function without someone asking, "How is John and Dolly doing". Wor. Robert Varum of Freedom Lodge introduced a new program for the district, a "Lodge of Instruction" whose function was to instruct new brothers of the fraternity about masonry and the degrees they were taking.

Mar. 2, Lodge of Instruction was held at Buxton Lodge and all the officers of Saco Lodge attended.

Mar. 3, Stated Communication was held and all new and old business was properly addressed.

Mar. 26, Saco Lodge hosted a "Fellowship Night" Many officers and guests attended. A supper was served for all who attended.

Mar. 31, Special Communication was held. The work of the evening was the Entered Apprentice Degree Entitled: Ward Grossman. A dinner was served at 6:30 pm. for all who attended.

Apr. 7, Stated Communication was held. All new and old business was properly addressed. Members for the Saco Fire Department and Biddeford Fire Department gave 45 minute presentation on the merits of the new Thermal Imaging Camera that they hope to purchase. A vote was passed to appropriate \$500 to go with a Grand Lodge Matching Grant towards the purchase of the camera.

April 20, Special Communication was held. It was Past Masters Night where the past masters did all the work on the Master Mason Degree Entitled: Steven Littlefield. Dinner was served at 6:30pm.

April 26, Saco Lodge hosted a Red Cross Blood Drive from 2:00-7:00 pm. A total of 75 pints of blood were collected.

May 4, Communication of Grand Lodge was held in Portland, all three top officers of Saco attended.

May 5, Stated Communication was held, all new and old business was properly addressed.

May 11, Special Communication was held; work of the evening, Master Mason Degree entitled Arthur Littlefield. Dinner was served at 6:30pm.

May 27, Special Communication was held, work of the evening, Entered Apprentice entitled Richard R. Williams and Pedro Perez. Dinner was served at 6:30pm.

June 2, Stated Communication was held, all new and old business was properly addressed.

June 8, Special Communication was held, work of the evening, Fellowcraft Degree entitled Richard R. Williams and Pedro Perez. Dinner was served at 6:30pm.

September 1, Stated Communication was held, all new and old business was properly addressed.

September 6, Officers of Sa co Lodge served coffee and doughnuts at the Veterans home in Scarborough.

September 14, Special Communication was held, work of the evening was Master Masons, entitled Ward Grossman. Dinner was served at 6:30pm.

September 29, Special Communication was held, work of the evening: Fellowcraft. Dinner was served at 6:30pm.

October 6, Stated Communication was held, all new and old business was properly addressed.

October 19, Special Communication was held, inspection conducted by Very Worshipful Chester H. Chapman, district representative. Work of the evening, Master Mason Degree, entitled, Richard R. Williams.

October 22, Special Communication was held. Saco Lodge hosted the 18th District Meeting with M.W. Brian Paradis attending. Brother Carl Marsano gave a brief presentation for Saco Lodge's Bicentennial Celebration coming up in 2002. A fine dinner was prepared by Eastern Star and served at 6:30pm.

November 3, Stated Communication was held. All new and old business was properly addressed. A presentation, to the Saco and Biddeford Fire Departments, for a check in the amount of One Thousand Dollars, for the purchase of Thermal Imaging Camera.

November 16, Special Communication was held. Work of the evening consisted of Entered Apprentice Degree, Entitled Eric Purvis. A dinner was served at 6:30 pm.

December 1, Stated Communication was held. All new and old business was properly addressed. Our annual Lobster Stew Dinner was served at 6:30. Annual Awards Night, where 25 year pins and 40 year pins were handed out. The guest speaker of the evening was Bill Vierow, who spoke on the subject of "Capacitors and their uses in Pacemakers, Hearing-aids, etc."

December 4, Bell-ringing for the Salvation Army was conducted at Wal*Mart in Biddeford. Many Brothers from Saco and other lodges from the 18th District participated.

December 11, Officers of Saco Lodge distributed fruit baskets, to all Brothers of 50 years, and fruit cakes were sent to Brothers whom live out of state.

December 28, Special Communication was held. Work of the evening, Fellowcraft Degree, entitled Eric Purvis. A dinner was served at 6:30 pm.