

## *Saco Lodge No. 9 F. & A. M.*



Lodge History for 2012

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**Stated Meeting  
(Election of 2012 Officers)  
January 2, 2012**

Annual meeting was held with Steven Boucouvalas as Master. Regular order of business was held and annual reports were given by the Secretary, Treasurer and Finance Committee Chairman. The Main order of business was the election of officers for the year 2012. They were as follows.

Worshipful Master:   Worshipful Gordon Workman

Senior Warden:       Bro. Mark Whitmore

Junior Warden:       Bro. Dwayne Rembert

Secretary:            Bro. Andrew McMullin

Treasurer:            Wor. James Pate

Finance Committee:   Bro. Ward Grossman (3 yrs)

Appointed Officers were:

Senior Deacon:        Bro. Gerald Ouellette

Junior Deacon:        Bro. Jonathan Maynard

Senior Steward:       Bro. Erin St. John

Junior Steward:       Bro. Greg Maxwell

Tiler:                 Bro. Ron Husser

Marshall:             Bro. Robert Guillette

Historian:            Bro. Gary Butt

Chaplain:             R.W. Carl Marsano

Webmaster:            Bro. John Ramsdell

The meeting was well attended by the lodge brothers and visitors.

### **Installation of Officers**

January 7th 2012

The elected and appointed officers for the year 2012 were installed in a most impressive ceremony on Saturday January 7th, 2012. They were:

Worshipful Master	Gordon Workman
Senior Warden	Mark Whitmore
Junior Warden	Dwayne Rembert
Treasurer	Wor. James Pate
Secretary	Andrew McMullin
Senior Deacon	Gerald Ouellette
Junior Deacon	Jonathan Maynard
Senior Steward	Erin St. John
Junior Steward	Greg Maxwell
Chaplain	Carl Marsano
Marshal	Robert Guiette
Tyler	Ron Husser
Historian	David R. Perkins

The installing suite of distinguished brothers were:

Installing Master	R.W. Joel Tripp
Installing Chaplain	R.W. Carl Marsano

A delicious buffet followed with plenty of socializing and brotherhood.

**Fellowship Night**  
May 17, 2012

Fellowship night was a resounding success. We had three guests show up and they seemed very interested in becoming brothers. We had eleven or so Brothers there as well. Thanks to those of you who took the time to attend.

We had some very good speakers and a lot of information was passed not only to our guests but even the brothers got something out of it including fellowship.

Speakers were as follows:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Person</u>	<u>Subject</u>
Past Grand Librarian:	Wor. James Dufresne	Masonic History
Past Master:	Wor. Steven Boucouvalas	Past Accomplishments of Saco Lodge
Worshipful Master:	Wor. Gordon Workman	Saco Lodge Worshipful Master
Senior Warden	Bro. Mark Whitmore	What Masonry Means To Me And A look To The Future Of Saco Lodge



Fellowship Night (preps)



Bro. Justin Gallipeau and his fiancée' Kelsey make preparations of the decals that will adorn the serving table.

Fellowship Night (preps)



The serving table is ready!



Fellowship Night (preps)



Committee members taking a break after hard work getting area ready, (from left to right) Bro. Greg Maxwell and Bro. Johnathan Ramsdell.



Fellowship Night (preps)



Wor. Gordon Workman providing direction and oversight of preparations.



Dessert provided by Saco Lodge #9 Membership Committee.

## Saco Lodge 2012 History

### **Saco Lodge Open House 20 October 2012**

Saco Lodge Open House was designated by the Grand Lodge of Maine as Masonic Open House Day across Maine. The Open House was conducted from 10:00am to 2:00pm. It was opened with coffee and donuts for the brothers and guests, followed by a lunch of pizza, soft drinks with dessert of cake and ice cream. A banner was supplied by the Grand Lodge of Maine to publicize the event.

Speakers started their time from 12:00am to 2:00pm. The Master of Ceremonies was Bro. Gary Butt. The speakers and their subjects were as follows:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Subject</u>
Membership Committee	Bro. Gary Butt	History of Saco Lodge and Masonry
Past Master	Wor Steven Boucouvalas	Past Direction of Saco Lodge
Worshipful Master	Wor. Gordon Workman	Saco Lodge Accomplishments
Senior Warden	Bro. Mark Whitmore	What Masonry Means to Me And Vision for Future



## Saco Lodge 2012 History

### CHIPS Program

CHIPS programs were held at Saco Middle School, Saco Lodge #9 and Shaw's Supermarket on various dates throughout 2012.

A large number of children went through the system. The parents were greatly impressed and vowed to continue to update their dvds/information in the future.

The co-chairmen for the events was Butch Gannett and Bob Mercier. Their assistants were Steve and Mary Wayne, Mike Tremblay, Dave Roberge, Charles Hadiaris, Bill Littlefield, Tarik Sivonen, Arthur Prentiss, Dave Perkins, Gordon Workman and Gary Butt.



## Saco Lodge 2012 History

### **Adopt A-Road Cleanup**

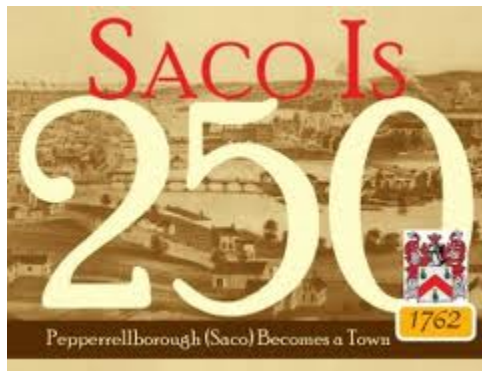
The road cleanup committee, under the direction of Chairman Wor. David Perkins conducted four cleanups during 2012 on a three miles stretch of road in North Saco called the Jenkins Road. Cleanup volunteers for the cleanup crew met with Wor. David Perkins at approximately 0800 on selected Saturday mornings and supplies ( plastic bags, pickers and various safety apparel I) were handed out and area assignments were passed out based on the number of people there. It normally took from one to two hours to complete the task and dump the trash from the truck. Numerous brothers helped out during the year and their participation was very much appreciated by all the brothers at the Lodge.

Some of the more regular participating Brothers during the year:

Wor. David Perkins  
Senior Warden Bro. Mark Whitmore  
Senior Deacon Bro. Gerald Ouellette  
Bro. Ward Grossman  
R.W. Carl Marsano  
Bro. Gary Butt



**Saco 250 Year Celebration Parade**  
June 9<sup>th</sup> 2012



The Saco 250 Parade was held on a beautiful sunny June day with a very large crowd of spectators and parade participants. Our own, Wor. Michael Tremblay was the 250<sup>th</sup> Parade coordinator.

Saco Lodge set up a table on Main Street outside the front door of the lodge for the purpose of handing out Masonic information as requested and answer questions asked by the crowds as they came to the table. The table was manned by members of the Membership Committee. Pictured above (from right to left are) Bro. Andrew Nightingale, Bro. Bill Cline and Bro. Greg Maxwell. Not pictured but busy supporting off camera Bro. Justin Galipeau, Bro. Jonathan Ramsdell and Bro. Gary Butt.

**Saco 250 Year Celebration Parade (cont)**



The Lodge even had the Tyler, Bro. Ron Husser at the table.





**Saco 250 Year Celebration Parade (cont)**



The Saco Lodge Officers and Brothers contingent lead by Wor Gordon Workman marched in the parade dressed in their lodge shirts and ball caps for those who had them.



### **Miscellaneous Lodge 2012 Accomplishments**

#### Kitchen

Saco Lodge began a long awaited refurbishment and upgrade of the Lodge kitchen in September under the guidance and direction of Wor. Larry Tripp, Chairman of the Building Committee. Though the actual work began in September 2012, planning and coordinating efforts between the lodge, the building owner and various Saco City Permitting Departments began months earlier. By the end of 2012, though the work was not totally complete, the kitchen was used for food preparation. An outstanding effort by the Chairman and all his crew/volunteers.

#### Membership Committee

Worshipful Master Gordon Workman directed the establishment of the first Saco Lodge Membership Committee under the Chairmanship of Bro. Gary Butt. Other members were selected to fill vacancies on the committee. The Committee now has a few members with many more to follow as events determine the need. The Current members are:

Bro. Greg Maxwell  
Bro. Andrew Nightingale  
Bro. Justin Galipeau  
Bro. Bill Cline  
Bro. Jonathan Ramsdell  
Bro. Gary Cressey  
Bro. Robert Guillette

This past year, we have held three fellowship Night meetings. The participation by the brothers and perspective candidates started out slowly but has grown steadily through the year. This coming year should show a definite increase in the number of perspective candidates and Lodge brothers participating in these events. This is gratifying since our lodge has an excellent record of membership numbers over the last eleven years and this new growth should make maintaining and improving this history a goal we all can help make happen.

## **Miscellaneous Lodge 2012 Accomplishments (cont)**

### Education Committee

The Education Committee has been busy this year. Chairman Bro. Greg Maxwell and Co-chair Bro. Gary Butt mentored six candidates that were initiated as Entered Apprentices, six candidates that were passed to the degree of Fellow Craft, and six that were raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason. Four candidates have completed their proficiency in the Master Mason degree in open Lodge, and two Fellow Crafts that will be raised on 1/24/13. And now we also currently have three accepted candidates that will be initiation on 1/31/13.

We meet on Monday nights at the Lodge from 6-7:00, and we take Brothers from the point of initiation, and teach them not only the cipher, but the lessons contained within the cipher, to take them through to the Master Mason degree, and beyond.

It is a very important thing that happens in not only teaching, but helping to welcome our new Brothers into the Lodge, and into Masonry, by giving them a sense of belonging, and providing them with their first taste of fellowship, with the promise of more to come.

### New Saco Lodge Signage

Saco Lodge finally has new signage that will help, those folks looking for our location to actually find us. Our Worshipful Master, Wor. Gordon Workman made it a personal priority and made it a reality. We now have signage for the front door, the parking lot door and the third floor lodge entry door.



Front Door Sign

Miscellaneous Lodge 2012 Accomplishments (cont)



Rear entry door sign



Back door facing parking lot



Lodge entrance door

## Saco Lodge 2012 History

### **Miscellaneous Lodge 2012 Accomplishments (cont)**

#### 18<sup>th</sup> District Christmas 2012 Salvation Army Bell Ringing

This years' bell ringers for the Salvation Army were at the front doors of Biddeford Maine Walmart Store. They included Wor. Gordon Workman, Bro Mark Whitmore, Wor. Steve Boucouvalas. Bro. Gerald Ouellette, R. W. Carl Marsano, Bro. Arthur Prentiss, Bro. Paul Michaud, Bro. William Michaud and other lodge brothers. This year we pulled a double shift, as the next 18<sup>th</sup> District Lodge failed to show. The donations this year were approximately \$1800.00 for the day.

Brethren who have passed to the Celestial Lodge Above in 2012

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. Ronald K. Tripp  
Initiated – May 2, 1951  
Passed – September 18, 1951  
Raised – October 23, 1951  
Master – 1958 & 1959  
Deceased – March 14, 2012

Eben Grant Emerson  
Initiated (Belmont Shore Lodge,  
Long Beach, California)  
– April 15, 1966  
Passed – May 13, 1966  
Raised – June 30, 1966  
Affiliated Saco Lodge – Jan. 18, 2003  
Deceased – August 29, 2012

Oiva John Liukkonen  
Initiated  
(Aurora Lodge, Rockland, Maine) –  
June 6, 1961  
Passed – June 20, 1961  
Raised – September 19, 1961  
Affiliated Saco Lodge – May 3, 1989  
Deceased – July 5, 2012

Thomas Quigley Davis  
Initiated – October 22, 1946  
Passed – November 6, 1946  
Raised – February 18, 1947  
Deceased – December 6, 2012