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Don't miss out on anything that happens at the Lodge. If you need a ride to an event, call (703) 568-9593 or email horacechase72@gmail.com.

The Master's Message

Brethren,

I hope everyone has had a chance to enjoy a relatively quiet summer and spend some much-deserved time with their families. The time has come, however, for us to return to the quarries and resume our labors. September marks the traditional beginning of Fall, and with it, our Masonic calendar starts to fill up again. This month, Inspection season begins, as well as Grand Lodge "Lodges of Instruction."

Before looking ahead, however, a little bit of good news and not-so-good news from over the summer. First, the good news: back in August, one of our own, Worshipful Rodney W. Sewell, Jr., was given the tremendous honor of being installed as Worthy Grand Patron of Grand Chapter of NH—Order of the Eastern Star. Please join me in wishing Worshipful Sewell a very hearty congratulations and best of luck in his term in the Grand East!

Now the not-so-good news: as many of you already know, the building committee has been looking to repair some old water damage in the library over the summer. What started out as a "let's patch some drywall and repaint" project has quickly turned into a "how is this wall still standing?" emergency. We will be discussing this at our September Stated Communication (more details below).

Laying out our work for September, we do, indeed, have a busy Masonic month.

First up, Horace Chase Lodge has the honor of kicking off the 4th District's Inspection season with our annual Inspection Degree on Thursday, September 8th. This year, we will be performing the Fellowcraft Degree. Please come and support your officers as they demonstrate their ritualistic prowess before the discerning eye of our DDGL.

Continuing in the vein of Inspection season, our DDGL would like to encourage Brethren throughout the District to attend each other's Inspections. As an enticement, he has mentioned something about sharing the fruit of a certain insect's labors, which he carefully tends (hint: it's honey). My understanding is that, in order to qualify for said enticement, a Brother must attend every Inspection in the District this year. Certainly a worthy challenge for a worthy reward!

Next up is our September Stated Communication on Thursday, September 15th. This month, we have, as a special guest speaker, Brother Alex Kopf of Morrison Lodge who will be presenting his program "Beer and History—A view of our past through the stories of an ancient beverage." This program should prove to be both fun and informative, whether you enjoy drinking beer or not.

In addition to Brother Kopf's program, we do have some business to attend to, which must be addressed here. Per our by-laws and the Grand Lodge Constitution, we will be voting on a motion that was made and tabled at our last Stated Communication regarding the temporary suspension of our by-laws in order to allow us to hold a Special Communication (Master Mason Degree) at a site other than our Temple. Additionally, the building committee will be reporting on the structural issues discovered in the library and offering several proposals on remediation. What precise course of action we take, and its timing, by necessity, will not be fully known until all of the options are laid before us at our Stated.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 6:30 p.m. Night of Masonic Light	2	3
4	5 9–11:30 a.m. Coffee social <i>Labor Day</i>	6 1:00–6:00 p.m. Red Cross blood drive 7:00 p.m. FC Degree practice	7	8 7:30 p.m. FC Inspection Degree (no dinner)	9	10 4:00 p.m. Faithful Inspection (Charlestown)
11	12 9–11:30 a.m. Coffee social	13	14 7:00 p.m. Blazing Star Eureka Inspection (Concord)	15 6:30 p.m. Dinner 7:30 p.m. Stated Communication (open on EA)	16	17
18	19 9–11:30 a.m. Coffee social	20	21	22 6:30 p.m. Night of Masonic Light	23	24 12:00 p.m. Lunch 1:00 p.m. District 4 LOI (in Concord)
25	26 9–11:30 a.m. Coffee social	27	28	29 6:30 p.m. Night of Masonic Light	30	

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Finally, on Saturday, September 24th, at 1:00 p.m. (12:00 p.m. lunch), Grand Lodge will present our District's Lodge of Instruction at the Concord Masonic Temple (53 Iron Works Rd.). For those who may be unaware, Lodges of Instruction are a formalized way for the Grand Lodge to impart education across the entire Masonic spectrum, from handling business to investigating candidates to ritualistic excellence, to all of the Lodges within the jurisdiction. One LOI is held per district per year and, while the top five Lodge officers (Worshipful Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Secretary, and Treasurer) are required to attend, all Master Masons are strongly encouraged to attend! In particular, all newly raised Master Masons are encouraged to attend so that the Grand Master can personally recognize them and welcome them to the Fraternity. If you are unable to attend our district's LOI on the 24th, you may attend any of the scheduled LOIs and still receive credit for attending. (See the attached document from Grand Lodge for more information and the full LOI schedule).

Looking ahead beyond September, we have a Master Mason Degree tentatively scheduled for Saturday, October 29th. The Brother receiving this Degree is a huge history buff and, in discussing his upcoming Degree, thought what better place for him to be Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason than in the place where the Grand Lodge of NH itself was born—namely, the Hall Jackson room of the William Pitt Tavern in Portsmouth. Stay tuned for more details for this Degree to be formalized.

In Brotherly Love and Friendship,
John E. Glover
Worshipful Master
Horace Chase Lodge

Builders All

*Surely some workman has built
the pillar as well as the spire
The cross that the painter has gilded
was fashioned in somebody's fire.*

*Surely men dig in the ditches
preparing a place for the wall
And someone has made with her
stitches the flag that shall fly over all.*

*Someone has blended the plaster,
and someone has carried the stone
Neither the man nor the Master
ever has built alone.*

*Making a roof for the weather,
building a house for the King
Only by working together
men have accomplished a thing.*

*All have a share in the beauty,
all have a part in the plan
What does it matter what duty
falls to the lot of a man.*

*Each has a hand in the building,
no one has built alone
Whether a cross he was gilding,
whether he carried the stone.*

Anonymous

Living Past Masters

George A. Langwasser	1977
Terry S. Gregg	1979–1980
Dale C. Nudd	1981–1982
Sumner Goldman, PGSB	1989–1990
Albert W. Fifield	1991
Fred W. Courser III	1992–1994
Mark C. Roth, PDDGM, PGC, PGP	1994–1995
Robert W. Lawrie, Honorary	1995
Herbert S. Carpenter IV, PDEO	1996–1997
Dana B. Reddish	1997–1998
Robert S. Hansen	1998
Gary E. Roy, PDDGM	1999–2000
Andrew F. Lane	2003–2004
Roger A. Becker	2003–2005
Kenneth A. Clay, Jr., PGM	2005–2006
Donald H. Wheeler, Jr.	2006–2007
Robert M. MacLean, Jr., PGP	2007
Robert C. Lethbridge, GC	2008
Peter D. Crouch, DDGL	2008–2009
Robert W. Lawrie	2009–2010
David A. Hardy, PDDGM	2010–2011
Louis M. Corson	2011–2012
Joseph A. Hardy	2012–2013
Brian Stiles	2013–2015
Jason M. Valley	2014
James M. Triacca, Honorary	2015
Karl R. Olson, GH	2016–2018
Michael A. Drotar, PGS	2016
Glenn A. Patterson	2017
Rodney W. Sewall, Jr.	2018–2019
Andrew J. Bennert, JGD	2019–2020
Wilmer J. Nemchick	2020–2021

Brothers Raised in September

Jeremy J. Sawyer	September 20, 1973
George R. Cushman	September 27, 1973
Kenneth L. Demick	September 16, 1980
Leslie J. Reid	September 7, 1985
Steven W. Frost	September 21, 1987
Richard D. Holden	September 11, 1999
James S. Blodgett	September 9, 2001
Michael A. Drotar	September 6, 2003
Jason R. Stiles	September 25, 2004
Robert E. Arata	September 30, 2006
Zacariah K. Derby	September 30, 2006
Dale A. Warner	September 26, 2007
Thomas Economides	September 6, 2008
James M. Griffin	September 22, 2012
John T. Willis	September 7, 2013
Joshua S. Craggy	September 12, 2015
Todd P. Doherty	September 12, 2015
Richard H. Hoeker	September 27, 2018