Unity Lodge #58, A.F. & A.M.

Thorndike, Maine



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June 11, 2021

Our next Stated Communication is June 16th, 2021. 7:30 pm preceded by coffeee and donuts. We have the 12th District Traveling Gavel so we can expect visitors.

Currently eight members owe for their 2021 dues and one also owes for 2020. If you do not have a red sticker for the plastic dues card either you are behind on dues or the secretary's bookkeeping is off.

Traditionally Unity Lodge has given lapel pins for 25 and 40 years of membership. Also there is an additional star to be attached to the 50 year ribbon for each 5 years after 50. I do not have records of who has received these in the past so if you should have one and don't let the secretary know. I usually have a couple at the lodge hall or can mail one on request.

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Coming Events in the 12th District:

June 23, Masters And Wardens Association Meeting 6:30pm at Waterville Lodge #33 Waterville. June 24 Central Lodge #45 China EA Degree. 6:30pm supper 7:30pm Degree. Most lodges will be closed for July and August.

Thank you to those who have paid their dues.

Please notify the secretary if your address changes.

Stated meeting are on the third Wednesday of the month at 7:30 with a 6:30 supper Bruce Hutchins, Secretary, 1053 Halldale Rd, Montville ME 04941. tel/fax 382-6226, email bruce@hutchinsbrothers.com Facebook group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/1998256393798057/ Grand Lodge has started "Our Lodge Page [™]": https://58-me.ourlodgepage.com/ District Calendar http://east.our.calendars.net/glme/glmedist12 http://unitylodge.hutchinsbrothers.com/

Symbolism of the Fellow Craft Degree

from the GL of Georgia

Admission to the Middle Chamber represents man's journey from ignorance to enlightenment. His wages as a Fellow Craft are received in the Middle Chamber. These wages are a symbol of the Divine Truth. The candidate must also find the doors to knowledge - the outer and inner entrances. To enter one of these, he needs a pass. To go through the other, he must have a word. Help is given him in each instance, but such assistance is limited. This signifies that man must acquire knowledge chiefly through his own effort, though he is often dependent upon others for some help. Emphasis should be placed upon the amount of effort put forth by the candidate, for without effort, he cannot reap the reward he seeks.

The Middle Chamber: In modern Freemasonry, the Middle Chamber is the symbolic place of reward. This was thought of as the place where the Fellow Craft met to receive wages for their labors on the Temple of Solomon. During its construction, they assembled on the evening of the sixth day of the week. Those who were entitled to the wages of a Fellow Craft were invested with certain mysterious signs, tokens, and a word, which enabled them to pass the inner and outer guards and to enter the Middle Chamber. If they did not have the proper identification, they did not get into the Middle Chamber or receive their wages.

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Today in Masonic History we present The Fervor of Affiliation by Rob Morris.

A place in the Lodge for.me, A home with the free and bright, Where jarring chords agree, And the darkest soul is light: Not here, not here is bliss, There's turmoil and there's gloom; My spirit yearns for peace,- ' Say, Brothers, say, is there room!

My feet are weary worn, And my eyes are dim with tears; Thia world is all forlorn, A wilderness of fears; But theres one green spot below, There's a resting-plnce, a home, My spirit yearns to know,-Say, Brothers, say, is there room!

I hear the orphan's cry, And I see the widow's tear; I weep when mortals die, And none but God is near; From sorrow and deepair, I seek the Mason's home, My spirit yearns to share,-Say, Brothers, say, is there room!

With God's own eye above, With Brothers-hands below; With Friendship and with Love, My pilgrimage I'll go; And when In death's embrace, My summons it shall come, Within your heart's best place, Oh, Brothers, oh, give me room!