

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

Thorndike, Maine



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March 13, 2021

Our next Stated Comunication is March 17th, 2021. 7:00 pm No meal.

We will be conferring the Entered Apprentice degree on one candidate.

Early opening time as the Grand Master wanted members to get home early to conform to the governor's COVID edicts.

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Coming Events:

Tuesday, March 16, 6:30pm - 9:30pm, Messalonskee Lodge #113 Oakland Stated Meeting 6:30pm supper 7:30pm meeting. The Bill Barteaux Chapter of Demolay of Waterville will be doing the Ceremony of Light.

Thursday, March 18 , 7:30pm - 9:30pm, Seabastcook Lodge #146 - Clinton, Stated Communication, EA Degree

Saturday, March 20, 7:00pm - 8:30pm, EA Degree Program Provided by DER  
All Newly Initiated Brethren are encouraged to attend. Seabastcook Lodge, Clinton

Tuesday, April 6 2, Star In The West #85 in Unity Stated Meeting 7:30pm - 9:00pm

*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

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Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1998256393798057/>

Grand Lodge has started "Our Lodge Page <sup>TM</sup>": <https://58-me.ourlodgepage.com/>

District Calendar <http://east.our.calendars.net/glme/glmedist12>

<http://unitylodge.hutchinsbrothers.com/>

Today in Masonic History , March 11th, 1955

Alexander Fleming passes away in 1955.

Alexander Fleming was a Scottish pharmacologist, botanist and biologist.

Fleming was born at Lochfield Farm near Darvel, Scotland on August 6, 1881. Fleming's one of four children from his fathers second marriage. Fleming's father was 59 when he married the second time and by the time Fleming turned 7 his father passed away.

After attending local schools and receiving a scholarship to Kilmamock Academy, Fleming attended the Royal Polytechnic Institution in London. On the advice of his older brother, who had already become a doctor, Fleming began pursuing a medical degree. In 1903 he enrolled in St. Mary's Hospital Medical School where he received a Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery degree in 1906.

While at the St. Mary's, Fleming was a private in the London Scottish Regiment, Volunteer Force. He was also a member of St. Mary's rifle club. The captain of the club eager to keep Fleming around, encouraged Fleming to join the research department of St. Mary's. There Fleming worked for Almroth Wright a pioneer in immunology and vaccine therapy.

Fleming served throughout World War I as an Army Doctor. During his time in the war he observed the anti-septics commonly used at the time were causing more harm then good with many patients. He published a paper during the war on the subject. Unfortunately many Army surgeons took little notice of Fleming's findings.

In 1921, Fleming discovered "Lysozyme" an enzyme which attacks the cell walls of bacteria.

In 1927, Fleming had begun research into Staphylococci. Although he had gained quite a reputation in the medical community, he also was notorious for keeping a messy lab. In 1928, he had gone on vacation through August with his family returning in early September. When he returned he discovered one of his Staphylococci had been contaminated. He discovered the fungus, a member of the Penicillium genus, had a destructive effect on the Staphylococci. For months after the initial discovery, Fleming referred to the substance killing the Staphylococci as "Mold Juice". He eventually called it the more familiar name penicillin.

It took until the early 1940's before Penicillin was massed produced in enough quantity to have an effect on human health. Fleming shared the Nobel Prize with the two men who developed the techniques to mass produce it.

Fleming passed away on March 11th, 1955.

Fleming was a member of London Scottish Rifles Lodge No. 2310.

On the subject of humour you have probably heard this one: whilst visiting a newly initiated brother at home one day, his wife took me to one side and said her husband had started behaving very strange since joining. I enquired in what way? He locks himself in the toilet for hours on end mumbling to himself with his little blue book. As the evening proceeded I turned the talk to lodge, and asked him how he was getting on. Oh fine was his reply. I asked him about his behaviour and was there any thing wrong No was his reply. So why read the book there? Well he said "Its the only TYLED room in the house" ....