


# MASONIC TEMPLE, Thursday Evening, May 1, 2025

*At Regular Communication of Midland Centre Lodge No. #273, Free & Accepted Masons*

HELD ON THE ABOVE DATE, PRESENT:

Bro. Peter Anders	W.M.		Bro. James Doan	S.D.
Bro. Greg Dostal P.M.	S.W.		Bro. John Mapes	J.D.
Bro. Jerry Chambers P.M.	J.W.		Bro. Jack Berdasco	Steward
Bro. Chris Parfeniuk P.M.	Sec'y		Bro.	Steward
Bro. John Kall	Treas.		Bro.	Steward
Bro. Ed Morris P.M.	Marshal		Bro.	Steward
Bro. Carl Puehl P.M.	Chaplain		Bro. Tom Sove P.M.	Tiler
			Bro.	Educational Officer

- Meeting was opened in the EA degree in due form at 7:42 p.m. by Peter Anders.
- Brother Matthew Roosa completed his Entered Apprentice proficiency as conducted by WB Carl Puehl followed by a vote in the affirmative.
- The minutes from the months previous meetings were approved.
- John Kall, Greg Dostal, and Jerry Chambers volunteered to be the investigation committee for Mr. Jeffrey Brady.
- Reports of Standing Committees
  - Finance Committee: Rent was increased to \$2,100 per quarter for the lodge.
- Warrant Orders #857 was presented with no vote since it was a pass-through check for WB Greg Dostal's prepaid membership.
- Unfinished Business
  - Centre Lodge will be participating in Midland blooms. Start time is 8am on Saturday May 17<sup>th</sup>. We are across from the Grace A. Dow Memorial Library on Eastman Ave.
- New Business
  - Please be advised that Grand Master Eugene Abbaticchio has approved the following: The consolidation of Lola Valley Lodge #583 into Livonia United Lodge #152, the resultant lodge to be known as Livonia United Lodge #152. Livonia United Lodge #152 will continue to hold its stated communication every first Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. at 27705 7 Mile Rd. Livonia, MI 48152.
  - Greenville Lodge #96 has been declared defunct. Members of Greenville #96 have been moved into Grand Master Lodge #700 and sent letters and transfer forms detailing the change and how to affiliate with another lodge.

- The following letter from Grand Lodge regarding changes to the Grand Line:

April 15, 2025

Re: Changes to Grand Lodge officer status

To the Worshipful Masters, Wardens, and Brethren of the constituent Lodges in Michigan:

Greetings,

Please be advised that effectively immediately, I have facilitated the following changes to the Grand Lodge officer positions:

1. I have declared the office of Senior Grand Warden, currently occupied by Right Worshipful Brother James Huff – vacant.
2. I have declared the office of Junior Grand Warden, currently occupied by Right Worshipful Brother Mike Roberts – vacant.
3. I have appointed RW Brother James Huff to the office of Junior Grand Warden.
4. I have appointed RW Brother Mike Roberts to the office of Senior Grand Warden.

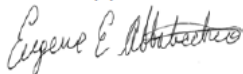
This action was discussed and has been agreed upon by the brothers noted above. RW Brother Huff has had a difficult time during the last year and missed many opportunities for education and experience due to illness. We are very glad that his health is improving and that he will be able to more fully experience the many aspects of the offices to which he is being appointed, but it was felt by many that due to the lack of experience in those aspects, his year in the Grand East could have been negatively affected by his lack of participation in this current Masonic year.

RW Brother Roberts has been active, and we believe that he will be well suited to perform the necessary duties of the office of Senior Grand Warden for the balance of this Masonic term, and that if elected to the office of Deputy Grand Master at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge in May he will be able and willing to serve that office appropriately. In the meantime, RW Brother Jim will be able to “catch up” in his service to the fraternity.

In coming to this decision, I consulted with the Past Grand Masters of the Landmarks Committee and the other Grand Lodge officers. All of them are supportive of this decision.

This communication is to be read and spread upon the minutes of your lodge at its next regular communication.

Fraternally yours,



Eugene Abbaticchio  
Grand Master

- The 2025 Annual Communication Legislation Presentation was presented to the brothers.

- WB Ed Morris passed the almoners box around for donations. Current amount collected sites at \$10,179.
- Past Masters were recognized by Peter Anders.
- Lodge was closed in due form by Peter Anders at 8:38pm
- Members retired to the dining room for fellowship and light refreshments.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Chris Parfeniuk, P.M. Secretary

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Peter Anders, S.W.