

MASONIC TEMPLE, Thursday Evening, January 8, 2026

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. Jeff McNeal	S.W.		Bro. James Greene	J.D.
Bro. Todd McQuiston P.M.	J.W.		Bro.	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. John Mapes	Tiler
		Bro.	Educational Officer	

- Meeting was opened in the EA degree in due form at 7:43 p.m. by WM Peter Anders.
- The death of Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden, Terry Troutt was reported. He passed on November 18, 2025 in his home surrounded by family. RW Bro. Troutt served our country in the United States Air Force and was a 28-year Mason. He was raised in 1997 with Hazel Park Lodge #570 (since merged with Royal Oak #464). He served Hazel Park Lodge as Worshipful Master in 2011 & 2012 and served two terms as Board of General Purposes representative for District 24 He was elected to the office of Grand Marshal at the 2022 Annual Communication.
- Visitors; Worshipful Brother Nickolis Suchyta (WM of Joppa-Wenona #315) was announced and greeted by WM Peter Anders and the Wardens of Centre Lodge.
- The minutes from the months previous meeting was approved.
- Warrant Orders #872 to #876 were presented with WB Dave Skiendziel motioning to adopt them and WB Jerry Chambers seconding, followed by a vote in the affirmative.
- Unfinished Business:
 - John Kall is organizing a child ID event to coincide with the Scottish Rite Loons baseball event on July 10th
- New Business
 - It was reminded that Scottish Rite will be having a Burns night event at Joppa-Wenona Lodge. The event is on Saturday January 24th.
 - WB Ed Morris motioned that \$300 to the Stewards fund, 2nd by Todd McQuiston and payable to Matthew Roosa. It was voted on in the affirmative and assigned warrant order #877.
 - WB Chuck Birch reminded that the Shrine Circus would be at the Dow Event Center on Saturday Jan 24, 2026 starting at 2:00 PM.
 - WM Peter Anders talk about wanting to do renovations to the lodge room encompassing adding a tiled floor under the alter, painting the oak columns and some other items white and adding lighting and some fabric wall panels. He also talked about cost and inquired about funding options. These items were forwarded to the temple/building committee since they are capital improvements that result in permanent structural changes.

- WB Ed Morris passed the almoners box around for donations. Current amount collected is at \$10,380.
- Past Masters were recognized by WM Peter Anders.
- Lodge was closed in due form by WM Peter Anders at 8:59 pm
- Members retired too the dining room for fellowship and refreshments t celebrate the installation of officers held prior to the regular communications.

Respectfully Submitted:

Chris Parfeniuk, P.M. Secretary

WM Peter Anders