

MASONIC TEMPLE, Thursday Evening, June 4, 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. Chuck Birch P.M.	J.W.		Bro. Matthew Roosa	Steward
Bro. Chris Parfeniuk P.M.	Sec'y		Bro.	Steward
Bro. Jerry Chambers P.M.	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 FC degree in due form at 7:40 p.m. by WM Peter Anders.
- The passing of MWB Donald L. Carman, Grand Master of Masons in Michigan 2009-10 was announced. MWB Carman was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He was raised in 1971 with Center Line Lodge #550, where he was granted lifetime membership in 2011. He served the lodge as Worshipful Master in 2001 and was elected to the Grand Line in 2003.
- The passing of MWB Kenneth Bolton was announced. He was born December 17, 1931 in Great Ayton, England. Raised a Master Mason in 1971 with New Era Lodge #5991 in Gravesend, Kent (United Grand Lodge of England). Affiliated with Stony Creek Lodge #5 in 1975 and was granted lifetime membership in 2012. He served Stony Creek #5 as Worshipful Master several times and was the Grand Master of Masons in Michigan in 1988-89.
- The altar was draped in black and the lodge had a minute of silence for the passing of MWB Donald L. Carman and MWB Kenneth Bolton.
- Brothers Lance Rynearson and Rich Brewster completed their FC proficiency as conducted by WB Dave Skiendziel.
- The petition for Danilo Olivi was voted in the affirmative in lodge. The secret ballot was unanimous to receive his EA degree on June 18th.
- The minutes from the previous month's meeting were approved.
- Committee on Delinquent Dues. Names of brothers owing 2026 dues was read in lodge.

Remit	NPD
▪ Boboc, Cristian Daniel ▪ Eastman, David Lyle ▪ Flaughner, Russell Dean ▪ Moore, Richardson Joseph, Jr ▪ Starner, Dennis Gerard Carl Puehl motioned to demit these brothers with Greg Dostal seconding the motion, following by a vote in the affirmative	▪ Ardis, James C ▪ Bell, Craig Stephen ▪ Fletcher, Frederick D ▪ Hanna, Andrew Edward ▪ Hard, Walter Ronald ▪ Jacobs, Joshua A ▪ Jurek, John James ▪ Larges, Kevin Devere ▪ Nelson, Eric William ▪ Regalado, Ronald Toby ▪ Viele, Michael James ▪ Wirth, Nolan Thomas

- Warrant Order #887 was presented with WB Dave Skiendziel motioning to adopt them and WB Chuck Birch seconding, followed by a vote in the affirmative.

- Grand Lodge Communications from the previous regular meeting were covered yet again. New announcements from Grand Lodge are as follows:
 - The Grand Lodge would like to announce the hiring of Leonard K. Davis to the position of Director of Corporate Operations. Past Grand Master Davis will be overseeing the operations of the Grand Lodge, Michigan Masonic Charitable Foundation and Masonic Pathways.
 - He comes to the Grand Lodge office after 40 years in the exterior building distribution business. He brings a wealth of knowledge and leadership skills that will serve all staff on the Alma campus as well as the craft statewide very well!
 - "I am very excited for the opportunity to serve the craft, as well as our residents and staff in Alma, in this position. I am always reminded of one of my favorite quotes from Ronald Reagan: 'There is no limit to the amount of good you can do if you don't care who gets the credit.'"
 - Leonard and his wife Anita are in the process of relocating to the mid-Michigan area. Congratulations and we all look forward to the future of Michigan Masonry!
 - Leonard Davis can be reached at 989-466-3090 and lkdavis@grandlodgemi.org
 - The Annual Communications recap was presented in lodge.
- Unfinished business.
 - The Lodge Charity Account donation to the Mid Michigan Diabetes Center was covered. WM Peter Anders and WB Chuck Birch presented the check as shown in the photo below.



- Photos from the lodge's participation in Midland Blooms and the Memorial Day parade were shown.



- New Business
 - The next blood drive will be on June 26 between 12 noon and 5 pm at Venue 63.
 - Ed Morris motioned for a ¼ page add in the Midland Daily news with Matthew Roosa seconding the motion, following by a vote in the affirmative.
 - Brother James Greene was congratulated on his recent Graduation at Delta College.
 - The transfer for Jason Ballor to Centre Lodge was formally read in lodge.
- WB Ed Morris passed the almoners box around for donations. Current amount collected is \$10,217.
- Past Masters were recognized by WM Peter Anders.
- Lodge was closed in due form by WM Peter Anders at 9:00 pm
- Members retired to the dining room for fellowship and refreshments.

Respectfully Submitted:

Chris Parfeniuk, P.M. Secretary

WM Peter Anders