

October – December 2026

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Ancient Craft Lodge No. 551

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Lucas Roberts Worshipful Master



Thank you to all our Veterans

FROM THE EAST

Brethren,

Welcome back! After a well-earned summer break, it is good to see the lights of Ancient Craft Lodge #551 once again and to have our Brothers gathered together in fellowship.

I hope each of you had a safe, enjoyable summer and had the opportunity to spend some quality time with family and friends. As we return to our regular Masonic schedule, I look forward to seeing the Lodge once again filled with the sound of fellowship, Masonic education, degree work, and the good humor that makes our Lodge special.

The summer break may have given us time to recharge, but now it is time to get back to the work of the Craft.

With the summer recess behind us, we have much to look forward to in the coming months. Our focus will be on degree work for our upcoming candidates, supporting our candidates through education and brotherhood, along with our newer Brothers, and encouraging every Brother to take an active role in the Craft. Whether your contribution is working on the floor, helping with degree work, attending Lodge education, assisting with an event, or simply being present to support your Brothers, every Brother has a place and a part to play.

The informal Step-Up practices held during the summer have helped keep the work fresh and help prepare for the officer line for next year. I encourage all Brothers to continue participating as opportunities arise. Our first official Step-Up Night will be our October Business meeting. There is no better way to improve our ritual than by working together and helping one another.

As we begin this next chapter of the Masonic year, let us remember that the strength of Ancient Craft Lodge #551 does not rest on any one Brother. It rests upon all of us. Let us continue to look after our Brothers and their families, welcome our visitors, encourage our newer Masons, and make our Lodge a place where every Brother feels that he belongs.

I look forward to seeing each of you in Lodge and to making the remainder of 2026 a memorable and productive Masonic year for Ancient Craft Lodge #551.

Welcome back, Brothers. The Lodge is open once again, and the work continues.

Lucas Roberts, Worshipful Master



Oldest Brother Lays Down His Tools

It is with great sadness that we recognize the passing of our oldest Brother, James F. Weir PM, 102 years old. Worshipful Brother Weir was initiated in September of 1964, raised to the Degree of Fellowcraft in October of 1964 and officially signed the rolls in November of 1964 being raised to the sublime Degree of Master Mason.

Worshipful Brother Jim held many offices during his years devoted to the craft. He was installed as Master in 1984 and then as Marshall and Secretary. What made him so special was that he was 102 yrs. old when he laid down his working tools. Up until a few months before his death, he was a very active member in our lodge. He was that special person that you could call on at the last moment to fill the spot of an absent officer and be confident he knew the part.



During the second section of the Master Mason's Degree, he could fill any roll. Many times, he played multiple parts. At the age of 101, he helped with installing some of the officers at installation. All of things he did, he did from memory. To the brothers, young and old, he was a mentor and someone you looked up to. We can all feel his absence and the void that was left. However, we are comforted, because we know that when he stood naked and alone before the Great White Throne, he heard the words from Him who sitteth there as Judge Supreme "Well done good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord and we hope to clasp once more his vanished hand in friendship and love."

Worshipful Brother Larry Bullock

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LODGE CALENDAR



October – December 2025

**Regular Communication Meetings are on the First
Wednesday at 7PM**

7 OCT	REGULAR COMMUNICATION MEETING <u>STEP-UP NIGHT</u>
10 OCT	CHILD ID PROJECT - ROYAL OAK FIRE DEPT
14 OCT	ENTERED APPRENTICE DEGREE PRACTICE
13 OCT	CONGRATULATIONS 251 ST US NAVY BIRTHDAY
21 OCT	SOCIAL NIGHT
24 OCT	WHISKEY AND CIGAR NIGHT – CHURCHILL'S 7PM
28 OCT	FELLOWCRAFT DEGREE PRACTICE
4 NOV	REGULAR COMMUNICATION MEETING, AND 2027 OFFICER ELECTIONS
10 NOV	CONGRATULATIONS 251 ST US MARINE CORP BIRTHDAY
11 NOV	THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VETERANS
11 NOV	INSTALLATION PRACTICE
18 NOV	MASTER MASON DEGREE PRACTICE
25 NOV	LODGE IS DARK
26 NOV	HAPPY THANKSGIVING
2 DEC	REGULAR COMMUNICATION MEETING
9 DEC	LODGE OF SORROW
12 DEC	OPEN INSTALLATION OF 2027 OFFICERS
14 DEC	MASONIC SKULL SESSION w/PAST MASTER AND NEW MASTER
16 DEC	DEGREE OR SOCIAL NIGHT
23 DEC	LODGE IS DARK
25 DEC	MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL AND TO ALL A GOOD NIGHT
30 DEC	LODGE IS DARK
1 JAN	HAPPY NEW YEAR MAY IT BE SAFE AND PROSPEROUS
6 JAN	REGULAR COMMUNICATION MEETING

UP COMING EVENTS AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



**WHISKEY & CIGAR NIGHT Saturday 24 October
at 7PM @ Churchill's in Birmingham**

**RSVP by 19 October to Bill Berklich at Berklich@aol.com
or call/txt 248-404-5816** so we can get a head count for the
tables. This is a public space so seating is limited INVITE A FRIEND TOO!!

Be sure you check for Calendar updates at NAC551.COM

Join Us in Creating Your Masonic Legacy

As we get older, we all have that question, what will be left when I'm gone? Who will remember me? What do I want my legacy to be? Well, what is most important to you? What values have you lived by during your life? What have you learned that you want others to see and emulate? How has Freemasonry impacted your life and is it worthy of being carried on into the future? And can this be your Legacy?

You can achieve a lasting legacy by planning a gift to our Lodge now. In doing so, you can ensure you have a way to make an impact and grow a meaningful legacy — both for yourself and for our Lodge — in ways that you likely had never imagined. A planned gift is not just a donation now or in your estate. It is a statement of who you are. You are showing what you have worked to gain, and now, what in this world you choose to invest yourself in, to be a force for good. So, why plan a gift to the Lodge? Because you can shape your own legacy and be a part of our Masonic Future.

Examples of transformative gifts include an annuity, stocks and bonds, IRA/401k or a gift to our endowed fund, the Michigan Masonic Charitable Foundation (MMFC) with Ancient Craft #551 as the named beneficiary. From your gift, MMCF makes distributions to Ancient Craft Lodge virtually forever. These funds can often be made with gifts of appreciated assets (Stocks and Bonds). Another example is a bequest — which can be as simple as informing your financial institution through a designation form that you would like all or a portion of your estate left to Ancient Craft Lodge #551. Or a few written lines in your Will. These gifts cost nothing during your lifetime but create generational transformation!

You can start today. Contact me, and to make your wishes known visit www.freewill.com/michiganmasons Yes, it is a **FREE** service provided by Michigan Masonic Charitable Foundation so take advantage.

By the Plumb
Brother Bill Berklich
Junior Deacon Ancient Craft #551
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The Disclaimer: Before making financial decisions, please consult your tax advisor

SIDE NOTE: TAX-FREE TRANSFERS OF ASSETS TO THE NEXT GENERATION

Adapted from Kim's Korner by Kimberly Enders, St Andrews Society, May 2026

In the spirit of everyone's favorite holiday, Tax Day, this month I'd like to talk about how paying taxes today can help set up a future free of tax for both you and your heirs. You probably have heard of it: The Roth IRA.

The Lowdown: Invented in 1997 by Senator William Roth via The Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997, this modernization of retirement planning encouraged workers to pay their income taxes "today" in exchange for the potential of tax-free withdrawals in retirement...on both the principal and gains! This innovation gave families a third avenue outside of the standard after-tax investing (pay capital gains on the growth) and tax-deductible investing (pay ordinary income tax on the gains). One where the holy grail of tax planning lives: tax free income!

Fun Fact: You can name any person or entity as the beneficiary of your Roth IRA. You guessed it, even to Ancient Craft Lodge #551 through the Michigan Masonic Charitable Foundation (MMFC).

In Short: Working people everywhere are becoming the founders of generational wealth thanks to the uptick of 401(k) plans, and for the first time thinking are about strategic tax planning to their children and grandchildren.

THE FUTURE IS IN OUR HANDS

As Ancient Craft No. 551 approaches its Centennial Anniversary, we will celebrate 100 years of faith, hope, charity, and service to the community. We honor the generations of Masons who built this Lodge and preserved its traditions for nearly a century.

Today, we face a new challenge. The passage of time means many of our senior Brothers will soon lay down their working tools. While we cherish their wisdom and contributions, and their loss is painful, it reminds us that the future of our Lodge cannot be taken for granted.

The next century of Ancient Craft No. 551 depends on the actions we take today. Every Brother can play a role by sharing the story of Freemasonry and inviting men of good report to learn more about the Craft. The men who will lead our Lodge in the future are already in our community—we must help them find us.

Our Centennial is but a few short years away and it is not just a celebration of the past; it is a call to build the future. The future of our Lodge is not someone else's responsibility. It belongs to each of us. As the Seafaring Man would say, "Keep a weather eye open" and introduce those men of good report to the Brotherhood of Free and Accepted Masons of Ancient Craft Lodge No. 551

MAJOR BEQUEST MADE, \$50,000 LEGACY CREATED



In 2025, Brother John C. Shank laid down his working tools at the age of 92 to meet the Great Architect, having served for 61 years. His final bequest was to give \$50,000 from his estate to our Lodge to continue our great works. Brother John was born June of 1933 and Initiated September 1963, Passed October 1963 and raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason on January 29, 1964. Throughout his journey through life Brother Shank held our Masonic values close, values he chose to support in his passing with a Legacy Gift.

There are no words we can say to convey our appreciation for the Legacy Brother John has provided to future generations of our Lodge.

A New Chapter Begins in 2027

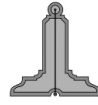


For more than forty years, our Temple has been a place where Brothers have met upon the level, shared the bonds of Fraternity, and labored together in the service of others. Built in 1983, it now calls upon us once again to exercise that most sacred Masonic principle—**Stewardship.**

In January 2027, our Lodge will begin a **Capital Fund Campaign** to renew and improve our Temple and prepare it to serve the Craft for generations yet unborn. This is more than a building project; it is an opportunity to honor those who came before us and fulfill our obligation to those who will follow.

The work begins January 1, 2027. Watch for details—and prepare to be part of it.

FROM THE WEST



Brethren around the Lodge, Welcome Back! It's going to be a busy autumn as we have many items on our agenda at Ancient Craft. Really looking forward to upcoming degrees and "step up" practices as we approach the installation of next year's slate of officers. Even though our Lodge was technically dark this summer, there was plenty of activity! WB Mark Stiles conducted several opportunities for members moving through the chairs to get acquainted with their upcoming roles next year. We also had several Brotherhood social nights and events that contributed to a wholesome and happy spirit of camaraderie amongst members of our Ancient Craft. I want to personally thank those in the Lodge (you know who you are!) that have supported me and given me much needed "nudges" to begin planning for my year in the East. I thank you profusely and am forever grateful for the mentoring.

Brother Mark Gerhard Sr Warden #551

FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY



Brethren, If your address, phone, or email has changed in the past year, please Contact me at eMail **Lbull46@yahoo.com** or call/txt at **(248) 797-4518 WB Larry Bullock**

NEW POLO SHIRTS

Brothers,

I still have a few Lodge polos made with our new logo. If you are interested, please contact me with your shirt size. Sizes small-XL are \$21.95, 2X is \$24.95, and 3X is \$26.95, These are a great way to show our lodge affiliation at community events or at non-degree Masonic events.

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-WB Mark Stiles

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A THOUGHT ON WHY YOUR PRESENCE MATTERS

There was a time when becoming a Mason was important to you. You completed a petition, met with an investigation committee, and eagerly shared your desire to join the Fraternity. You devoted time to learning your lessons, advancing through the degrees, and earning the privilege of calling yourself a Mason.

That journey was never intended to end when you received your Master Mason degree. In many ways, it was only the beginning.

A strong Lodge is not built by a handful of officers. It is built by Brothers who choose to participate. Every Brother who attends a meeting, helps at an event, joins a committee, mentors a new member, or simply shares fellowship contributes to the strength and vitality of the Lodge.

Being involved does not mean accepting an officer's chair if that is not your path. It means showing support for the work of the Lodge and the Brothers who dedicate their time to its success. Your presence matters. Your ideas matter. Your willingness to help matters.



'I think we skipped too many meetings!'

Freemasonry has always encouraged men to improve themselves and to serve others. Our predecessors built strong Lodges because they understood that membership carried both privileges and responsibilities. Today, that responsibility belongs to us.

The future of our Lodge will not be determined by what we hope happens—it will be shaped by what we do. By becoming more involved, each of us helps ensure that our Lodge remains a vibrant, thriving center of fellowship, service, and Masonic light for generations to come.

By the Plumb Brother Bill Berklich
Jr. Deacon

DONATION TO THE BIKES FOR BOOKS PROGRAM

Brothers,

This afternoon at 3pm, Worshipful Brother Raymond Doyscher stopped by my home. We headed downstairs to my Executive Office and broke-open a beer apiece. After an extensive half hour of routine Masonic Ritualistic Signs, some coded Scottish Rite exchanges, a bit of Royal Arch Ritual and finally some secret Shriner Magic Carpet Rides ... Raymond hands me an envelope.

The envelope contained a gift to the Lodge in support of the Bikes 4 Books project which Dan Nance is now leading. The envelope contained \$500 (in unmarked bills 😊) which WB Ray collected through his daily neighborhood walks to collect returnable cans and bottles that he returned for 10 cents each.



I began to tally-up in my mind all the Lodge Brothers who have donated \$500 or more out of the kindness of their soul. I counted ... 1 ... and then Raymond Doyscher! The one was a recently deceased Brother whose estate contributed \$50,000. And then there was Brother Ray ... who has donated time and time again through his efforts as a community "Sheeny" man.

Somehow ... "Thanks Ray" just doesn't seem to be enough!

I sometimes think it remarkable that we fail to see the very being we claim to be seeking ... when he is actually standing before us. How can I ever find a means to thank him for showing me the meaning of

On The Level, Jim (Elder)

THE WIDOW'S FLAG

In April, a Masonic service was held for our departed Brother, John Beedle-Gee. The family was very pleased with the service. At the conclusion, we let his widow, Pam, know if she encountered any problems, we might be able to help.



Later in July Pam let Worshipful Brother Jim McPherson know that the family flagpole, which was near and dear to Brother John, had a broken lanyard so the flag could not be raised. Pam asked for help getting it repaired and Brother Mark Gerhard offered a solution through Rocket Enterprise, Inc. in Warren. Rocket was kind enough to provide a discount for Brother John's service. We received Lodge approval and the flagpole was "re-flagged" with a new flag and lanyard for less than \$200. Thank you Brother's Jim and Mark for making this happen!



LODGE PROJECTS

In partnership with the National Child Identification Program, the Michigan Masons offer free ID kits that have safeguarded over 30 million children across the United States. This program stands out for its effectiveness,

employing decentralized fingerprinting and descriptive information in one accessible kit.

Join us at the Royal Oak Fire Department Open House on 10 October 11:00am.



LODGE EVENTS

A MASONIC

BROTHERHOOD, STEAKS, BOURBON, & CIGARS

Several of our Lodge brothers gathered together in August for an evening of camaraderie and good food, drink, and cigars at Brother Mark Gerhard's home. The party started at 5pm for a brotherly



cocktail hour followed by the steaks hitting the grill at 6pm, and then revelry after dinner with a variety of amazing bourbons and cigars. The consensus was that an annual end of summer event or even early autumn event would be welcomed.

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

We all strive to perfect our understanding and delivery of rituals. Our seasoned veterans can usually



parrot every one word for word but as

new members it can be a difficult task. To help that along Worshipful Brother Jim McPherson organized a bit of a competition and to incentivize the effort he donated a copy of Dan Brown's book "Secret of Secrets." Brother Philp Zott proved his mettle by providing an almost flawless recital and taking the prize! Congratulations, Brother Philip.

"Remember not only to say the right thing in the right place, but far more difficult still, to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment."

Brother Benjamin Franklin, US author, diplomat, inventor, politician, & printer (1706-1790), St. John's Lodge of Philadelphia, USA



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2026 FALLEN BROTHERS

Ancient Craft Lodge #551 recorded (14) Brothers, who laid down their working tools, since the start of the year. Four of whom were Past Masters with one reaching the prestigious title of Past Grand Master for the State of Michigan. There is one Brother in this list that is very special.

James F. Weir PM, Allan J Pollard, Donald L. Carman PGM, Ernest R. Kniffen, John C. Beedle-Gee, Kennerth D. Kurth PM, Ernest O. Osterlund PM, James A. Keesee, William D. Carr, James R. Hudgens, Carl A. Vinz, John T. Boone Jr, Robert L. Finzel, Albert R. Salyers

3 REASONS TO MEMORIZE RITUAL

Ritual is an inherently integral part of masonry, and although it can be daunting, it is necessary to truly move forward on your masonic journey. Learning your ritual is the crux of understanding masonry's symbolism. Here are 3 reasons you need to memorize your ritual.

1. IT HAS EVERYTHING YOU NEED

Your ritual forms the basic explanation of what it means to be a mason, and how to become a better person. One of the most widely known taglines for masonry is that we "Make good men better." The ritual contains symbols and metaphors for becoming a better person and living life on the square. It sets a standard of measure for you to continually challenge yourself.

2. IT GIVES YOU DISCIPLINE AND INTELLIGENCE

The process of memorizing the ritual is in itself a lesson in discipline and by going through your ritual daily, you are also stimulating your mind improving both cognition and memory. The

benefits of memorization are well recorded. Try a quick google search.

3. IT'S NOT FOR YOU

You are not memorizing the ritual for yourself. You are memorizing it so that you may pass on that knowledge to the next generation of masons. Masonry is as much about the future as it is about the past, and memorizing your ritual is a key step in passing on the light.

There are many more reasons to memorize ritual, but these are reasons that really capture and curate the essence of our order.

Adapted from Flynn Francisco, W.M.
 Swastik Lodge 771 I.C., Mumbai

NOTABLE BIRTHDAYS

OCTOBER

Oscar Wilde, Franz List, Les Bliel, Eugene Bruner, Jason Ceaser, John Davis, Louis Dughi, William Eason, Jonathon Ellis, Vanderbeck Gac, Marco Grossi, Frank Hirt, Kenneth Hooks, Bruce Hundley, Leonidas Karadimas, Jered Knapik, Ronald Majeska, George McKenzie, James Niks, James Novak, Jack Phillips, Mark Pienta, John Rammelsburg, Thomas Sidener, Bryan Soubliere, Henry Torgl, Richard Vinson, James Vollmar, Francis Walker

NOVEMBER

Samuel Clemens, Edward VII, Paul Collins, Robert Crotty, Mark Evans PM, Dale Fritts, Darin Hamel, Ralph Haynes, Harold Hubbard, Pete Kulla, Benjamin McGuire, William Medlin, Freddie Messer, Ray Moore, Richard Profant, Jean Raad, Shawn Shaman, Mark Stiles, Randy Symchych, William Walker

DECEMBER

John Molson, George C. Marshall Jr, Earl Anderson, Stanley Belevender, Wayne Cagle, Gerald Christie, Gerald Clark, Harry

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A MASON?

Throughout history, Freemasonry has provided a way for men throughout the world to live their lives to their fullest potential in association with other like-minded men. This focus on the social, moral and intellectual development and well-being of the individual man is unique among modern organizations. For centuries, the Masonic Lodge has been the launchpad for Masonic education, learning the values and tools required for self-improvement, enlightenment, and living a greater purpose. Through ritual, discussions and working in the community, Masons work on becoming better versions of themselves, and as importantly, helping brother Masons do the same.

Adapted from Ohio Grand Lodge



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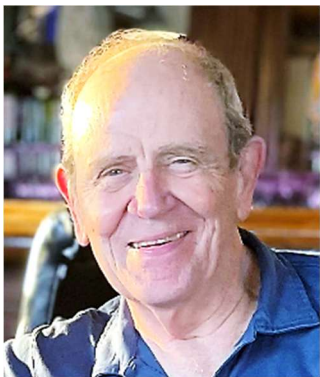
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ACROSS OUR LODGE IN PHOTOS





Larry M. Galloway PM, PGS

If you have spent ANY time around the Lodge You will know Worshipful Brother Galloway. Here's a few details that you may not know. He was initiated January 12, 1962 - Passed February 27, 1962 - Raised March 27, 1962

Past Master: 1987- 1988 1989-1990 2023-2024

First Car: '1950 Oldsmobile Convertible

HS Grad: Central High School, Camp Point, Ill.

1954. Western Illinois University, Macomb, Ill.

B.S. Mathematics 1958

Fav Band: Chicago

Fav Food: fillet mignon - rare

Favorite Vacation: Scotland

Fav Song: Pennsylvania 6-5000

Favorite TV Show: Outlander

Favorite Book: Bill O'Reilly Books

Hobbies: Home remodeling, auto mechanics, woodworking and repairing almost anything.

Family: My Dad introduced me to my wife, Anita, in October 1966 and we were married June 8, 1968. Anita was a teacher for my Dad who was Principal of a Elementary grade school in Quincy Illinois. He introduced us when I visited my parents before leaving for work at General

MASONS AROUND THE LODGE

Motors De Venezuela in South America. She visited me, in Caracas, Venezuela in 1967, We have two sons, Scott, born 11/71, is an Attorney at Law in his own firm and Todd born 2/71 who is an Engineer working for Ford Motor Company, We have one grandson, Jack Wallace Galloway born 2009.

Masonic influence: Masonry has been a bridge between my work life and my family life. I have met and made friends with, I believe, hundreds of men who have come to be my brothers. I have been a Blue Lodge member 64 years, a Scottish Rite Mason 58 years a Shriner 58 years and I was Chairman of the Board of Governors for the Children's Dyslexia Center of Southeastern Michigan 12 years.

Mil Service: Specialist Fourth Class, United States Army Reserves, June 1960 through April 1966.



"At Christmas, the Mason is reminded that true wisdom is revealed in humility. Just as the Great Architect brought hope into the world quietly, we are called to practice our obligations not for recognition, but to build peace, harmony, and goodwill—one deliberate act at a time." Naval Lodge No 24 F & AM, PENSACOLA, FL

WHISKEY AND CIGAR NIGHT



Join us for a night of Whiskey and Cigars on **24 October** at Churchill's in Birmingham 7PM. You will have the opportunity to choose from an array of exceptional cigars and whiskies from around the world! Come on down and bring a friend. Even if you don't smoke or drink whiskey or drink at all come share a few hours of friendship and fellowship.

RSVP by 19 October to Bill Berklich at Berklich@aol.com or call/txt 248-404-5816 so we can get a head count for the tables. This is a public space, so seating is limited

When: 24 October 2025 at 7PM

Where: Churchill's in Birmingham Must be 21 or older and you're on your own for all purchases.



May your holidays be filled with joy and light!!

Brother Bill Berklich,
Junior. Deacon and Editor

District Ritual Competition will be at 9AM on Saturday November 21st. The ritual being competed on this year is the apron presentation from the EA degree first section. Watch for Details.