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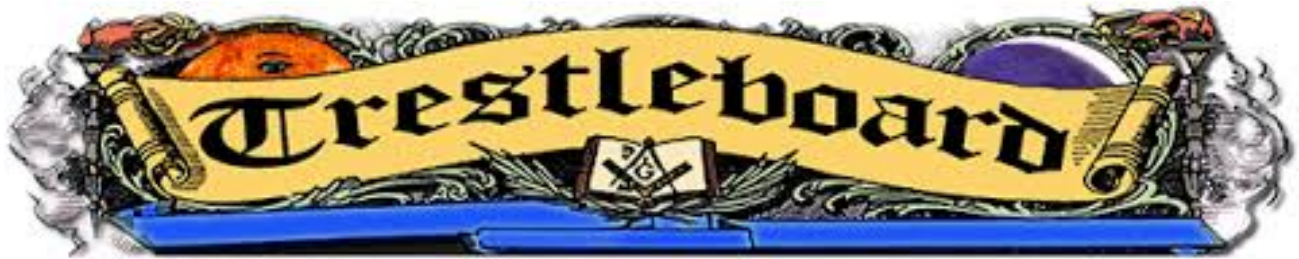
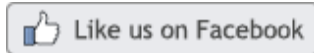
# Jackson-Coolidge Masonic Center

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*Dear Jackson-Coolidge Webmaster*



Jackson-Coolidge Masonic Center  
Lodge Blue Room



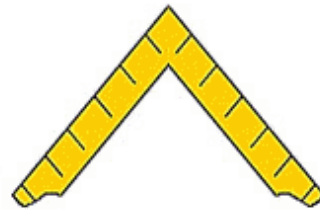
**Jackson Lodge No. 17, F. & A.M.**



Garry L. Gooldy Jr. P.M.  
Worshipful Master  
517-414-2819



*From the East*



*Wor. Bro. Stephen D. Vining P.M., Secretary  
Jackson Lodge No. 17, F. & A.M.*



*From the Secretary's Desk*



**February**

**2020**



**Thursday, February 6th**  
Jackson Lodge No. 17, F. & A.M.  
M.M. Degree Practice, 7:00 p.m.



**Thursday, February 13th**  
Jackson Lodge No. 17, F. & A.M.  
Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m.  
Lodge Dinner, 6:30 p.m.



**Thursday, February 20th**  
Jackson Lodge No. 17, F. & A.M.  
Master Mason Degree, 6:30 p.m.



**Thursday, February 27th**  
Jackson-Coolidge Masonic Temple Association  
Board of Trustee's Meeting

Stated/Annual Meeting, 6:00 p.m.



## ***Lodge Dinner***

| *Monthly Lodge Dinner* |



### **Monthly Lodge Dinner's**

#### **Dinners September thru June**

Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. prior to the Regular Communication.  
Come to lodge and enjoy the fellowship, dinner and meeting.

Dinner for a \$5.00 donation.





## **Jackson Lodge No. 17, F. & A.M. 2020 Lodge Officer's**



Worshipful Master - Garry Gooldy Jr. P.M.



Senior Warden - Richard Shea P.M.



Junior Warden - Nigel Wyckoff



Treasurer Emeritus - Dale Brown P.M.



Secretary - Stephen Vining P.M.



Chaplain - George Otis P.M.



Senior Deacon - Albert LaFountain III



Junior Deacon - Eric Cole



Senior Steward - Timothy Monroe



Junior Steward - Aaron Wyckoff



Ass't Steward - James Ellis III



Ass't Steward - James Cuatt



Marshal - Dan Walsh



Tiler - Albert LaFountain Jr.



Musician - Austin Jonas



Lodge Education Officer - Frank Lutze P.M.



Membership Director - Frank Lutze P.M.



*And so it has come to pass, a Brother Master Mason having completed all the design's laid down on the Trestleboard of Life, has answered the summons of the Grand Warden of Heaven and Earth and has entered into the Grand Lodge over which the Supreme Grand Master of the Universe presides.*

*Although our beloved and respected Brother has passed through the portals of Eternity, his passing memory will forever remain to inspire all who mourn His passing to live life as he did, respected and depart this life regretted. As one by one, the autumn leaves fade in the forest deep, So one by one, in each of us must come the touch of sleep. As one by one, the roses burst into the morning light, So one by one, our soul will wake again beyond the night.*

*Soft and safe be the earthly bed of our Brother; may our Heavenly Father protect him and enfold him in his arms with love. Until then, dear friend and Brother , Until then – – – Farewell!*







## *Brother Richard Walter Nichols*



*Born on April 26, 1924  
Napoleon, Michigan*

*Age: 95  
72 years a Mason*

*Died on January 2, 2020  
Michigan Center, Michigan*

*Entered Apprentice Degree – March 4, 1947 (Liberty Lodge #209)*

*Fellowcraft Degree – April 15, 1947 (Liberty Lodge #209)*

*Master Mason Degree – June 3, 1947 (Liberty Lodge #209)*

*Transfer Lodges – December 6, 1966 (Coolidge Lodge #532)*

*Life Member – September 10, 1987 (Coolidge Lodge #532)*

*Merged Lodges – October 24, 2008 (Jackson Lodge #17)*



## ***Masonic Degree Schedule***



*Entered Apprentice Degree - 1st °  
Thursday, March 19, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.*



*Fellowcraft Degree - 2nd °  
Thursday, April 16, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.*





*Master Mason Degree - 3rd °  
Thursday, February 20, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.*



**Master Mason Degree**  
*January 30, 2020*



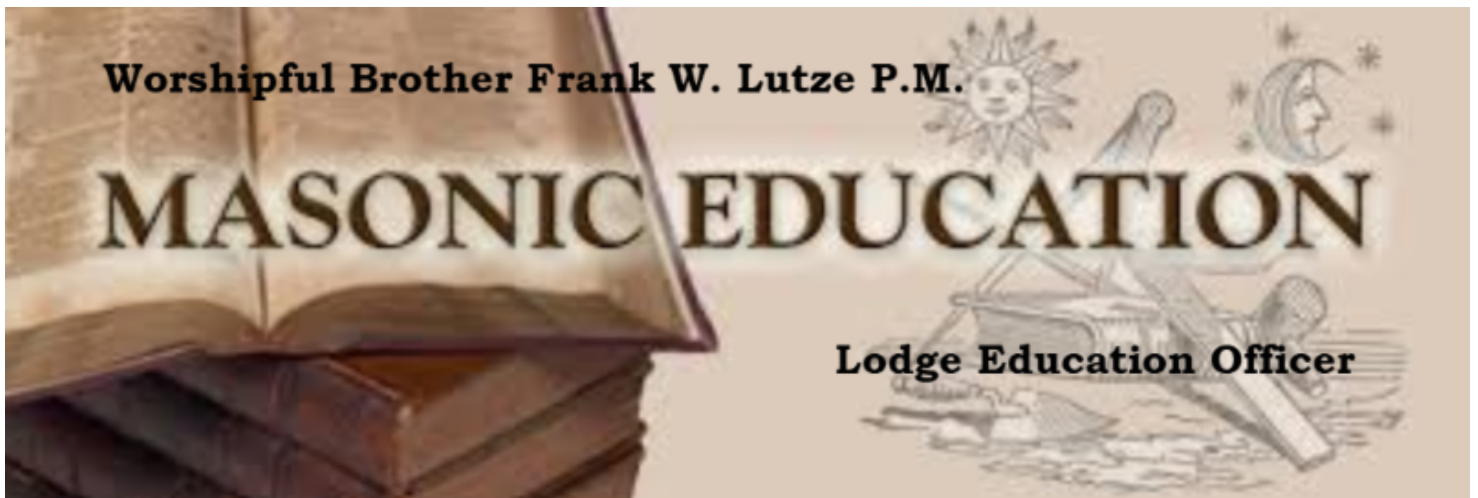
Bro. Austin Jonas receives his Bible from Leo Cauzillo PM.



Bro. Austin Jonas receives his Ritual from Garry Gooldy WM.



Bro. Austin Jonas receives his Lapel Pin from Frank Lutze PM.



## **The 1st Third Party**

2020 marks a presidential election year. Our political system is based on two parties. One party is occupying the White House and the other has more than a dozen candidates vying for position. We haven't heard much from the few third parties and typically they don't play a significant role in the election process. This was not the case for the first third party. This party was the first political party in the United States to hold a nominating convention and the first to announce a platform. The entrance of this party effected the outcome of a presidential election helping the incumbent win by a large margin. The same year seven electoral votes from Vermont went to the third party candidate. One governor from that party was elected and members of Congress from six states were elected. What was the name of the party? The "Anti-Masonic Party". What is the why and how of this party? In the 1820s Batavia Lodge #433, Grand Lodge of New York was infiltrated by William Morgan, who was a drifter with no steady source of income. He passed himself off as a Freemason for the purpose of gaining access to the ritual and secrets of Freemasonry. Morgan and a local newspaper publisher, David Miller, planned to print a book disclosing the ritual. As the date of publication approached local Freemasons reportedly began a



campaign of harassment of both Morgan and Miller. They both were arrested for indebtedness and Morgan was arrested for petty larceny. Morgan was bailed out of jail that evening, rumored by a group of Freemasons, never to be heard from or seen again. As word of Morgan's disappearance spread so grew the brutality of the kidnapping. Twenty grand jury hearings were held resulting in fifty-four Freemasons being indicted. Ten were convicted of kidnapping but since no body was found none were convicted of Morgan's murder. Lodge membership in New York state declined sharply. Anti-Masonic hysteria prevailed throughout the United States for the next 20 years. By the 1840s the fraternity began a slow recovery.

And now you know the story of the Morgan Affair and the first third party.



Jackson Lodge #17, Excelsior Lodge #116, Parma Lodge #183, Horton Lodge #293, Napoleon Lodge #301 and Cement City Lodge #435 at the multi lodge installation on January 4, 2020 by Most Worshipful Brother William R. Finkel PGM. Most Worshipful Brother Mark A. Manning, Grand Master of Michigan Masons and several of the current Grand Line Officer's were in attendance.



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Jackson Scottish Rite Club

Jackson



# Scottish Rite Club



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**2019**

Lawrence Sanford Jr.

(517) 783-3505  
President

Charles McNamara Jr.

(517) 206-2630  
Vice President

Garry Gooldy Jr.

(517) 414-2819  
Treasurer

Michael Hicks

(517) 206-1586  
Secretary

Dear Brother's,

We are in the process of starting the Jackson Scottish Rite Club back up again for the Jackson area. The current initial plans are to meet on the 4th Wednesday of the month at the Jackson-Coolidge Masonic Temple. As we have

no records to work from we ask that if you are a 32° Mason please let us know so we can update the records.

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.**  
**~ Election of 2020 Officer's will take place during this meeting. ~**

You can contact Garry Gooldy by texting or calling 517-414-2819 or email by [clicking here.](#)

Hope to hear from you soon.



**Jackson Chapter No. 3**  
**Royal Arch Mason's**  
**2019-2020**

Excellent Companion Garry L. Gooldy Jr. P.H.P.

Excellent High Priest  
517-414-2819



Excellent Companion Stephen D. Vining P.H.P.  
Secretary  
517-914-8400

**Wednesday, February 12th**

Jackson Chapter No. 3, R.A.M.  
Stated Convocation, 7:30 p.m.

**Saturday, February 29th**

Tri-State York Rite Festival  
Michigan, Ohio & Indiana  
Jackson-Coolidge Masonic Center  
Registration Starts at 8:00 a.m.  
Degree's Start at 9:00 a.m.  
Chapter & Council All Degree Day



High Priest: Garry L. Gooldy Jr. PHP  
King: Michael E. Hicks PHP  
Scribe: George M. Otis PHP  
Treasurer: Dale D. Brown PHP  
Secretary: Stephen D. Vining PHP  
Chaplain: Lawrence G. McGowen  
Captain of Host: Marshall K. Townsley  
Principle Sojourner: Albert H. LaFountain III  
Royal Arch Captain: Ryan T. Pennington  
Sentinel: Bruce W. James  
Master 1st Veil: Marcus U. Blue Jr.  
Master 2nd Veil: Albert H. LaFountain Jr.  
Master 3rd Veil: Nigel Wyckoff

**Jackson Council No. 32, R. & S.M.**



**Jackson Council No. 32  
Royal and Select Mason's  
2020**

Illustrious Companion Michael E. Hicks P.T.I.M.  
Thrice Illustrious Master  
517-206-1586



Illustrious Companion Stephen D. Vining P.T.I.M.  
Recorder  
517-914-8400

**Wednesday, February 12th**  
Jackson Council No. 32, R. & S.M.  
Stated Assembly, 7:30 p.m.

**Saturday, February 29th**



Tri-State York Rite Festival  
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*Thrice Illustrious Master: Michael E. Hicks PTIM*  
*Deputy Master: George M. Otis PTIM*  
*Pr. Cond. of the Work: Garry L. Gooldy Jr. PTIM*  
*Treasurer: Dale D. Brown PTIM*  
*Recorder: Stephen D. Vining PTIM*  
*Chaplain: Lawrence G. McGowen*  
*Captain of the Guard: Marshall K. Townsley*  
*Conductor of Council: Albert H. LaFountain III*  
*Steward: Jonathon E. Ferguson*  
*Sentinel: Albert H. LaFountain Jr.*  
*Marshal: Bruce W. James*  
*Alternate: Ryan T. Pennington*

**Jackson Commandery No. 9, K.T.**

Every Christian Mason Should Be a  
**Knight Templar!**  
Are You?



# Knight Templar



## **Jackson Commandery No. 9 Knight Templar 2019-2020**

Sir Knight Adam W. Wygant PC  
Eminent Commander  
517-745-1699

Sir Knight Michael E. Hicks PC  
Recorder  
517-206-1586



**Monday, February 3rd**  
Jackson Commandery #9, K.T.  
Drill Corp, 7:00 p.m.



**Monday, February 17th**  
**Jackson Commandery No. 9, K.T.**  
Stated Conclave, 7:30 p.m.  
Potluck with Ladies, 6:00 p.m.



***JACKSON COMMANDERY #9 KNIGHTS TEMPLAR***  
***2019 - 2020 OFFICERS***

Commander - S.K. Adam W. Wygant PC

Generalissimo - S.K. Marcus U. Blue Jr. PC

Captain General - S.K. Lloyd A. Darling HPGC

Senior Warden - S.K. Ronald L. Spees PC

Junior Warden - S.K. Garry L. Gooldy Jr.

Prelate - S.K. George M. Otis

Treasurer - S.K. Stephen D. Vining PC

Recorder - S.K. Michael E Hicks PC

Standard Bearer - S.K. Albert H. LaFountain III

Sword Bearer - S.K. Lawrence G. McGowen

Warder - S.K. Marshall K. Townsley

Sentinel - S.K. Ryan T. Pennington

Guard #1 - S.K. Theodore R. Welch PC

Guard #2 - S.K. Marcus U. Blue Jr. PGC

Guard #3 - S.K. Albert H. LaFountain Jr.

Hermit #1 - S.K. Cortland C. Rule PGC

Hermit #2 - S.K. Theodore R. Welch PC

Hermit #3 - S.K. Lloyd A. Darling HPGC

Director of Orders - S.K. Cortland C. Rule PGC

### **Jackson York Rite College No. 3**





**Jackson College No. 3  
York Rite Sovereign College  
2019 - 2020**

George M. Otis P.G., A.R., O.P.C.  
Preeminent Governor  
517-262-9862

Timothy C. Forche P.G., A.R., O.P.C.  
Secretary  
517-676-5157

Next Meeting Date

**Friday, March 20, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.**  
Stated Assembly



**2019 - 2020 Officers**

Distinguished Brother George M. Otis P.G., A.R., O.P.C. - Governor



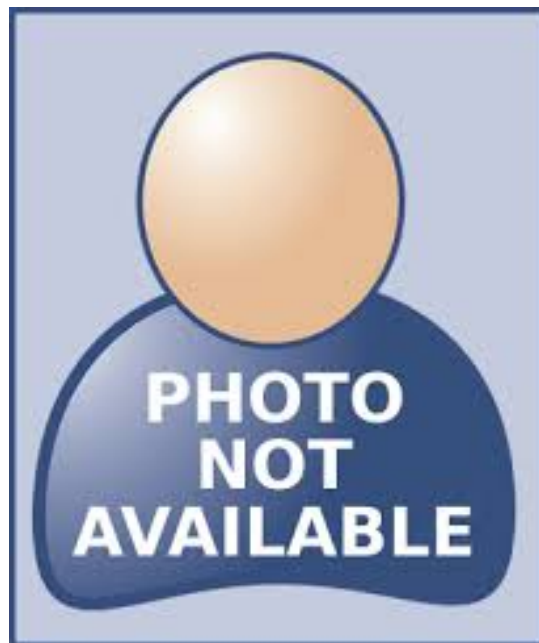
Eminent Companion Knight Garry L. Gooldy Jr. - Deputy Governor  
Eminent Companion Knight Glenn T. Cruickshank - Chancellor  
Eminent Companion Knight Lawrence G. McGowen - Treasurer  
Distinguished Brother Timothy C. Forche P.G., A.R., O.P.C. - Secretary  
Noble Companion Knight Charles W. McNamara Jr. - Primate  
Noble Companion Knight Gary R. Laxton - Preceptor  
Distinguished Brother Barry L. Chapman P.G., O.P.C. - Seneschal  
Distinguished Brother Michael E. Hicks P.G., A.R., O.P.C. - Marshal  
Distinguished Brother Theodore R. Welch P.G., A.R., O.P.C. - Sentinel

## **Calendar**

Friday, January 17, 2020 @ 7:30 p.m.  
Friday, March 20, 2020 @ 7:30 p.m.  
Friday, May 15, 2020 @ 7:30 p.m.  
Friday, September 18, 2020 @ 7:30 p.m.

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## **Fern Leaf Chapter No. 66**



**Fern Leaf Chapter No. 66, O.E.S.**

Renee Brock  
Worthy Matron

517-240-0962

Ellen Yoakam  
Secretary  
517-536-0643

**Tuesday, February 4th**  
Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, February 18th**  
Stated Meeting, 7:00 p.m.



**Jackson Assembly No. 7, I.O.R.G.**



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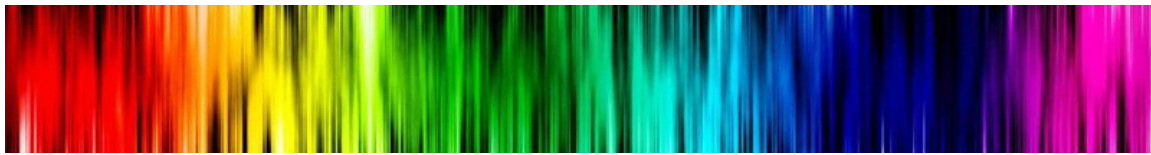
**Jackson Assembly No. 7, I.O.R.G.**



Cathy Woods  
Mother Advisor  
517-513-1494

**Tuesday, February 11th**  
Stated Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, February 25th**  
Meeting, 7:00 p.m.



# Masonic Birthday's

*Jackson Lodge No. 17, F. & A.M.*

*February 2020*

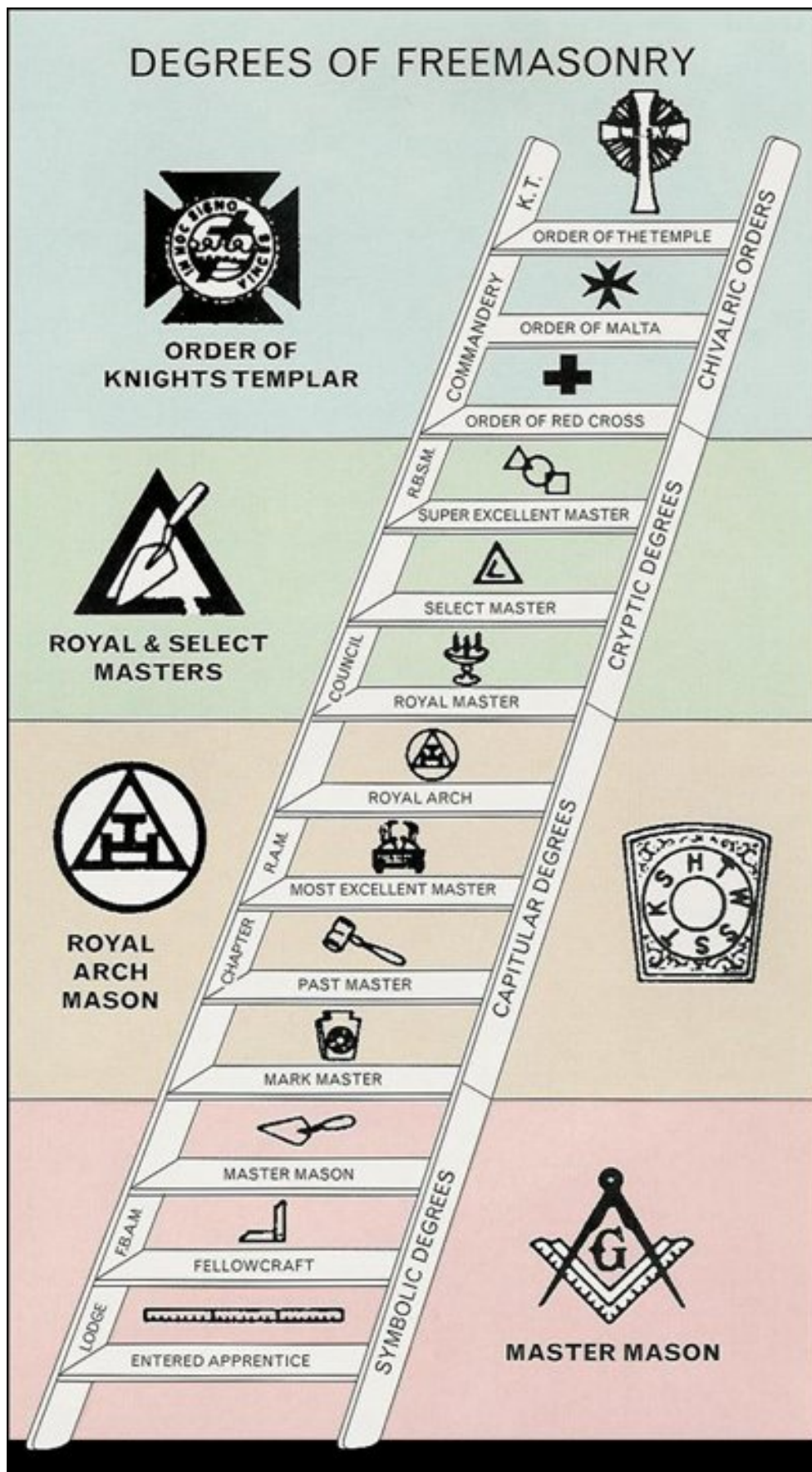
W. Bro. Frank W. Lutze PM	February 1
W. Bro. Michael E. Hicks PM	February 5
Bro. Daniel C. Klee	February 5
Bro. Marshall K. Townsley	February 5
Bro. Dwight A. Hunt Sr	February 10
W. Bro. John M. Consolino PM	February 17
Bro. Richard M. Wilcox	February 18
Bro. James A. Robertson	February 19
Bro. Joel M. Ladwig	February 21
Bro. William V. Buschman	February 22
Bro. Albert H. LaFountain Jr	February 25
Bro. Jeffrey D. Kirkpatrick	February 26
Bro. Gary K. Klein	February 26
W. Bro. Frank M. Schremser Jr PM	February 27
W. Bro. Richard L. Barczak PM	February 28

### *Masonic Anniversary - Date Raised*

W. Bro. Tommy R. Amidon PM	63 years	February 2, 1957	Vernon	0279
Bro. Gary R. Cattell	61 years	February 16, 1959	Michigan	0050
Bro. Ronald L. Baldwin	55 years	February 23, 1965	Jackson	0017
Bro. Halga R. Sanford	14 years	February 15, 2006	Michigan	0050
Bro. Raymond B. Eddy Jr	8 years	February 16, 2012	Jackson	0017
Bro. Jonathon E. Ferguson	2 years	February 15, 2018	Jackson	0017
Bro. Aaron J. Wyckoff	2 years	February 15, 2018	Jackson	0017
Bro. Dennis R. Wyckoff	2 years	February 15, 2018	Jackson	0017

### **Chart of York Rite Masonic Degrees**

# DEGREES OF FREEMASONRY



Contact Masonic Bodies





W. Bro. Lawrence G. McGowen, Trustee  
Representing Jackson Lodge #17, F. & A.M. (2022)

W. Bro. Lawrence C. Sanford Jr., Trustee  
Representing Jackson Lodge #17, F. & A.M. (2023)

W. Bro. William C. Snyder, Trustee  
Representing Jackson Lodge #17, F. & A.M. (2023)

## **Weekly Euchre Club**

Every Monday evening at 7:00 p.m.  
October thru April



The Euchre Club at the Masonic Center is looking for substitutes for the current card season. If you are interested in filling in just show up on any Monday night to play cards.

The Euchre Club is also looking for card players to form teams for next years Euchre Club. If you are interested you can contact Jason Chalfant at 517-764-4608 or email him at [jhchalfant@att.net](mailto:jhchalfant@att.net) for more info.

## **Masonic Center Fund Raising**

Jackson-Coolidge Masonic Temple Association



The Temple Board would like any input you might have on ideas for fund raising events. If you have any ideas or would like to help we ask that you contact either MTA President Frank

Lutze at 517-212-1857 or MTA Secretary George Otis at 517-262-9862.

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Jackson-Coolidge Masonic Temple Association  
355 Napoleon Road  
Michigan Center, Michigan 49254-1264

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