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**A.D. 2008/7008**

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**Appointed Officers**

Senior Deacon – Earl Genter  
Junior Deacon – Brian Resch  
Chaplain – Tom Calloway

Senior Steward – Victor Henke  
Junior Steward – Ron Pfeiffer  
Tyler – Dick Wright

**Committees**

**Masonic Education**

Robert Casto\* SW  
Herb Merrick, Jr. PM  
Rick Reichert, Jr. PM

**Proficiency Card Committee**

Bob Johnston\*\*PM  
Frank Glover\*\*PM  
Mike Tavares\*\*PM

**Finance Committee**  
Michael Tavares\*PM  
Joseph Madenjian  
Richard Nieman , WM

**Membership**

John Crary\* JW, PM  
Richard Nieman, WM  
Robert Casto SW

**Masonic Foundation**

Earl Genter\* SD  
Eric Anderson  
Brian Resch, JD  
Joseph Lizzi

**Masonic Home**  
Charles Calloway\* CH  
Victor Henke, Jr.  
Eugene Middleton

**Calling Committee**

**Fund Raising**

**Public Schools and Youth**

Richard Wright\*  
Robert Johnston PM  
Michael Patterson PM  
Fred Hope PM  
Rupert Glover PM

**Charity**

James Howard, Jr.\* PM  
Ronald Pfeiffer  
Barry Rimmey, Sec

\* Indicates chairman of committee

\*\* Proficiency card committee

Grand Representative WB Mike Tavares

**Living Past Masters**

Alphus Clark	1963	Frank Glover	1985	Arvid Bergman	1998-99
Frank Vellella	1966	Robert Johnston	1986	Tom Dials	2000
Kenneth Law	1967	Frank Glover	1988	Mike Patterson	2001
Klemens Nelson	1970	Robert Johnston	1990	Mike Tavares	2002
Eugene Fluke	1973	Matt Vlademar	1991	Rick Reichert	2003
Julian McWhirter	1977	Bill McAfee	1992	Herbert Merrick	2004
Benjamin Clark	1977	Robert Johnston	1993	Trey Brown	2005
Robert Chula	1979	John Crary	1996	Ernie Liverman	2006
Joseph Goldman	1979	Kyle Steuven	1997	James Howard	2007
Fred Hope	1983-1984				



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# Hancock Lodge No. 311 Grand Lodge of Ancient Free & Accepted Masons of Kansas

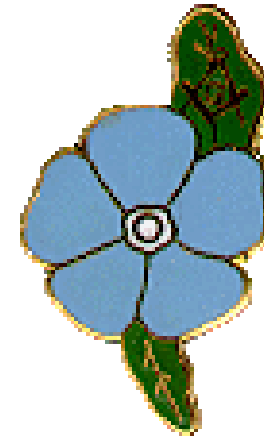


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*Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays  
Except July and August*

# December 2008



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
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<http://www.hancocklodge311.org/>


### Fraternal Greetings to You Brethren


 **From the East:** Dear Brothers, Winter weather and holiday stresses challenge the nature of good hearted men. Remind yourself often of what is most important to you in life. Choose to let only positive thoughts and kind words be your measure. Sincerely, Richard Nieman

 **Tidings from the West:** As this calendar year draws to a close, a quick look back reveals a lodge blessed with many healthy signs. The amount of "work" we have done is a great sign. New members, active and involved, are lodges greatest assets. We have had several gatherings for fellowship, and have partaken in food and friendship that truly warms the soul. I look forward to another year of growth and fellowship. Let us take time during the holiday season to enjoy our families, renew old friendships, make and foster new ones, and thank the Supreme Architect of the Universe for the greatest fraternity the world has ever known. Have a merry Christmas and a happy and healthy holiday for you and your families.

 **Greeting from the South:** Another exciting year in the life of our lodge. I wish to thank everyone for everything. We had a great table lodge this last month and were able to recognize to worthy brothers for 60 years and 50 years of service. There are many exciting things to look forward to this next year. We will have school of instruction in January in Easton, it would be great if all the new officers and new master masons could attend and learning all the "tricks of the trade" from the grand lodge. It is also a great time to ask questions and learn the whys of some of the things we do. Grand Lodge in March will be exciting we will see members become area and district deputy grand masters as well as most exciting the installation of WB Rick as Grand Senior Deacon. VR Herb Acting JW.

 **From the Secretary's Desk:** From the Secretary's Desk. 2009 dues notices have all been mailed. 09 dues cards were also sent to those you paid their 08 dues. 09 and some 08 dues are flowing in. So far, only two letters have been returned as undeliverable, but I've found those Brothers because I had a good email address. We will elect 2009 officers at our 4 Dec stated meeting and installation will occur on 18 Dec. It has been a good year; we have raised seventeen new members so far. Thanks to all who have supported me in 2008 with timely dues payments, address changes, and correspondence. With a lot of work in waiting, 2009 should also be a great year.

 **From the Webmaster:** From the Webmaster. I made some revisions to the web site this summer so you can see activities of the lodge and other bodies at a glance. Let me know if this is any better. Suggestions and input always welcome. . Fraternally, Rick Reichert PM [signaleer@earthlink.net](mailto:signaleer@earthlink.net)

 **From the Building Managers:** Things continue to improve, this last month the "Board and Brush Club" repainted the wall in main hall, fixed the lights in the down stairs kitchen, and removed about ½ the accumulation form the furnace room. We have decided to replace all the windows in the kitchen and have started to refinish the front doors some of this work will not be completed until spring. The Sojourner flags are back from the cleaners. Herb Merrick, PM

 **Sickness and Distress:**

 **CHECK THE ONLINE TRESTLE BOARD FOR MESSAGES FROM TRAVELING BROTHER.** RWB Mike Tavares visited the Grand Lodge of England this past month. .

### Work in Waiting ►

This information is updated weekly on our web site!

**Petition to be read.** None.

**Petitions read and investigating committees appointed.** None.

**Awaiting Entered Apprentice Degree.** None.

**Awaiting Fellow Craft Degree.** Martin McCarty, Douglas Euler, Brian Wilson, Robert Gomez, Justin Jocuns, Jose Marrero, Bruce Griffin, Paul Dake, Toby Martin, Jeff Perry, Arieeyeh Austin, Alexander Bullock, Benjamin Fonte, Mark Glowacki, Raymond Hanley, Jason Holder, Adam Nelson.

**Awaiting Master Mason.** None.

**Newest Raised Master Masons:** (17) Bros Miguel Del Castillo (Sr & Jr) and Warren Fontenot (7/31/08), Bros Nathan Finney, Gregory Rocha, and Jason Summer (4/17/08), Bros Mark Dunham, Davis Ennis, Carl Gustafson, John Harris, Joshua Hoppes, Joseph Jackson, Jeff Korando, Randy Wade, and Shawn Wagner (3/8/08), Bros Nick Wilkinson and Michael Herrera (1/16/08)

\* Indicates proficiency proved (or imminent) and now ready for degree work.

\*\* Indicate courtesy work for another lodge.

### Calendar of Events

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> **Stated** – 7:30 p.m. Election of officers

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> **Stated** – 7:30 p.m. Installation of officers.

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> **Christmas** no meeting

Specials maybe called at 6:00 PM on Stated Meetings or Tuesdays for degree work.

Check web site for updates!

### Other Masonic Events and News

National Sojourners 3 December and 7 January

Byington OES 12 December Official Visit and 26 December stated

Armed Forces Scottish Rite 11 December and 8 January.

High Twelve Fridays Noon at the Pullman Leavenworth

**FYI** Kansas Grand Lodge By Laws require that a master of a lodge have served as a Warden. An exception can be granted by the Grand Master.

The oldest know Masonic writing is the Poem of Moral Duties or Regius Manuscript. Discovered in the Royal Library of England in 1839 by J. O. Halliwell. It was written about 1390. Halliwell was not a Mason.

Written in about 500 BC in the Chinese book called the Great Learning is the advice: "A man should abstain from doing unto others what he would not they should do unto him; and this is called the principle of action on the square."

In 1920 Gate City Lodge #522 in Kansas City Mo conferred 1,107 degrees. It met 6 days a week for the entire year averaging 21 degrees a week.

A 1517 inscription on a Limerick Ireland chapel states the following: "I will serve to live with love and care upon the level and by the square.

The 1823 Famer's Almanac defined the character of a Freemason as that which "distinguished from the rest of mankind by the uniform unrestrained rectitude of his conduct."