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NC #91 members displaying their 175th Anniversary gift from Haeata #272 of Hastings, New Zealand.

**New 50 Year Members**

Michael Kirkpatrick, 4-12-1975  
Charles Barnard, 5-12-1975  
Maurice Goodwin, 10-27-1975

**25 Year Members**

Casey Carmichael, 5-10-2000  
Brett Rains, 6-22-2000  
Brent Stevens, 7-27-2000  
Jayson Nunn, 8-22-2000  
Scott Frost, 9-18-2000  
David Weaver, 9-26-2000  
Kevin Vickery, 10-3-2000  
Grady Gossage, 10-5-2000  
David Gratner, 11-18-2000  
Dennis Stamper, 11-18-2000  
Joe Lawson, 11-20-2000  
Brian Ketterman, 12-28-2000

**Welcome New Master Masons**

Kavan Hay, 3-15-2025  
Levi Pierce, 3-15-2025  
Blake Rains, 3-15-2025



**Have You Paid Your  
2025 Dues Yet?**



**THE REAL SECRET OF  
FREEMASONRY  
MAKING GOOD MEN BETTER**

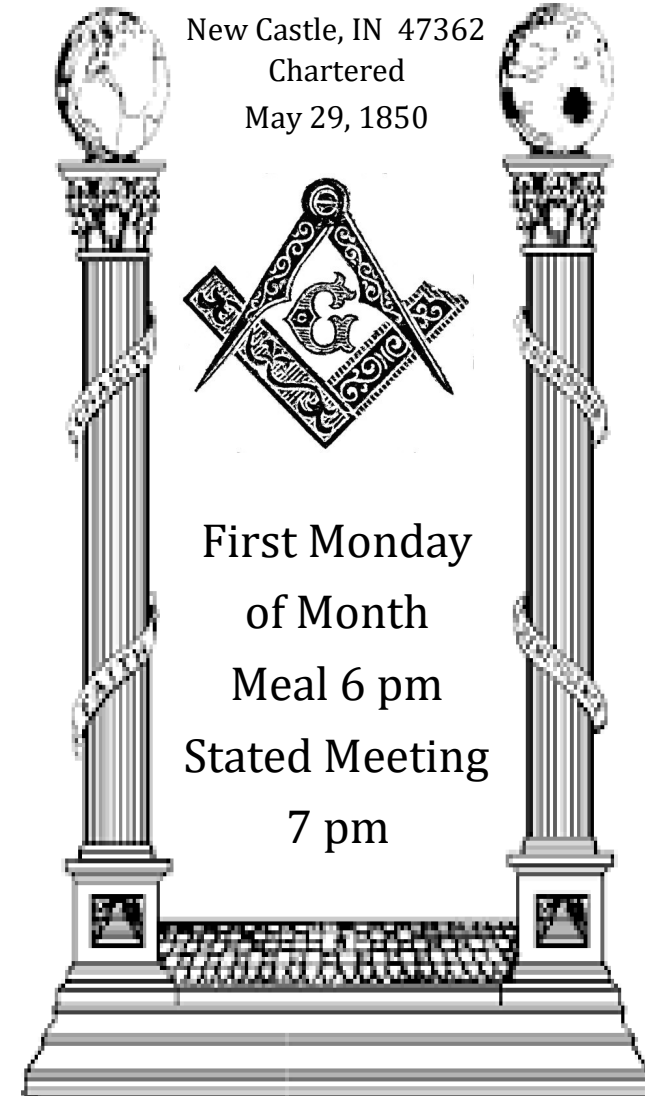
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New Castle, IN 47362  
Chartered  
May 29, 1850



**First Monday  
of Month  
Meal 6 pm  
Stated Meeting  
7 pm**





# Greetings fom the East

*"I would not give much for your Freemasonry unless it can be seen. Lamps do not talk, they shine ... So let your actions shine out your Masonry. Let the main sermon of your life be illustrated by your conduct, and it shall not fail to be illustrious". Author Unknown*



Brothers, on January 31, 2025, we began celebrating our 175<sup>th</sup> year as a Masonic Fraternity here in New Castle. If my information serves me correctly, I believe we are the oldest fraternal organization still operating in New Castle without interruption.

It is a great privilege and honor for me to have been elected to serve you as Master of our Lodge for 2025. Every Worshipful Master begins his year with great plans for the Lodge he is responsible for and 2025 is

no different. Some of the programs that I would like for us to continue and new ones that I would like for us to implement are as follows:

Community involvement: It is my hope that our Lodge will become more involved with events that are happening in the community. Let's get more involved by participating in community festivals, sports activities, and supporting cultural arts programs in the community. Our monthly community breakfasts (last Saturday each month) have been very successful. A couple of other programs that we should think about could be programs such as a Porkchop Dinner and a Strawberry Festival. Please share with the lodge any program(s) that you feel would be beneficial to improving our community interaction.

Special programs: Programs that we have planned for this year are as follows: our Monthly Community Breakfast, Veterans program, Memorial Day Parade, First Responders Banquet, Widows and Scholarship Recipient cookout, Past Masters Night, Breakfast with Santa, and we welcome any suggestions for additional programs you may have in mind.

### Special Events happening this year:

- **May 4, 2025, Grand Master's Schofield House Pilgrimage.**
- **May 20 & 21 Annual Communication.**

- **June 28, 2025, Re-dedication for New Castle Lodge #91**

I will be sending out the itinerary for this event as soon as the schedule for the day is finalized. The meal will be catered for this event. I will need you to rsvp Darrell Fox (765) 524-5616 no later than June 1, 2025, if you plan on attending.

**Ritual Proficiency:** Our Lodge is blessed to have many brothers who are dedicated to ritual proficiency. We are fortunate to have several brothers who have expressed an interest in becoming more active in our ritual work. We are currently scheduling ritual workshops to assist them in their interest in becoming more involved.

**Masonic Lodge Visitations:** I know that most of you have extremely busy schedules with work and your children's school programs. It is very easy based on our busy schedules to forgo visiting other lodges. I believe this is a missed opportunity for us. We are fortunate that we have several lodges in the surrounding area that visit us on a regular basis. I think it is imperative that we return this favor. It provides us with an opportunity to meet new brothers joining the fraternity and to show our support as they begin their masonic journey.

**2025 is a milestone for our lodge as we celebrate our 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary.** New Castle Lodge is like a fine wine and just gets better with age. This year should, I hope go into the history books for all of us. But know that this is your lodge and in celebration of this event we welcome any ideas or suggestions you may have in helping us make this a memorable year for all of us

*Worshipful Master, Darrell Fox*

### 50 Year Award of Gold



Brother Michael Kirkpatrick with his family, receiving his 50-Year Award of Gold from WM Darrell Fox.

### Upcoming Dates 2025

- April 19**— EA Degree 7P, Meal at 6P
- April 26** - Lodge Breakfast 8-10 A
- May 5**—Stated Mtg 7 P. Meal 6 P.
- May 10**—Master Mason Degree 7 P, Meal 6 P
- May 23**—Lodge Breakfast 8-10 A
- May 26**—Memorial Day Parade
- June 2**—Stated Mtg 7P, Meal 6 P
- June 28**—175th Anniversary Celebration. Seating at 10:45A, Ceremony conducted by Grand Lodge Officers 11 A, Banquet follows

**RSVP Darrell Fox 765-524-5616 by June 1**

**For updated information, check our website at [newcastle91.org](http://newcastle91.org)**

### 2025 Officers



Photo, L-R, Treas. Jim Fairchild, Trustee David Mitchell; J.S. Michael Thornbrue; SW, Greg Brown; SD, Joshua Smith; WM, Darrell Fox; JD, Jay Davis; Ch., Mike Hess; Sec. Duane Matthews; Tyler, Ronnie Dinkins. Not pictured, JW, Chad Courtney & SS, Mike Gosnell.



2024 WM, David Mitchell & PM Mike Smith display the gavel that was made by Brother Mike & sent to Haeata #272, Hastings NZ to commemorate their 100th anniversary of their Lodge.

### Ira Rhodes 100th Birthday!



Pictured above is 62-year-member, Ira Rhodes, WWII Veteran, being presented the Indiana Grand Lodge Veterans Award by Grand Master, David Morgan, at his 100th Birthday Celebration, held at New Castle Lodge #91.