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Called from Labor

David Gratner, 8-26-2025

New 50 Year Members

Waymon Roberts, 1-5-1976

Michael Hess, 2-2-1976

Bruce Carmichael, 4-24-1976

25 Year Members

Rick Dugger, 2-12-2001

Welcome New Master Masons

Rocky Johnson, 5-10-2025

Zakry Lamb, 7-14-2025

Kegan Brewer, 10-18-2025

Cassel Clifford Smith III, 10-18-2025

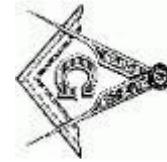
Upcoming Dates Jan.—June 2026

Jan. 24—Lodge Breakfast 8-10 am
Feb. 2—Stated Meeting, 7 pm, Meal 6 pm
Feb. 14—Sweetheart Dinner
Feb. 28—Lodge Breakfast 8-10 am
March 2—Stated Meeting, 7 pm, Meal 6 pm
March 28—Lodge Breakfast 8-10 am
April 6—Stated Meeting, 7 pm, Meal 6 pm
April 25—Lodge Breakfast 8-10 am
May 4—Stated Meeting, 7 pm, Meal 6 pm
May 23, Lodge Breakfast, 8-10 am
May 25, Memorial Day Parade
June 1, Stated Meeting, 7 pm, Meal 6 pm

**For updated information, check our website
at newcastle91.org**

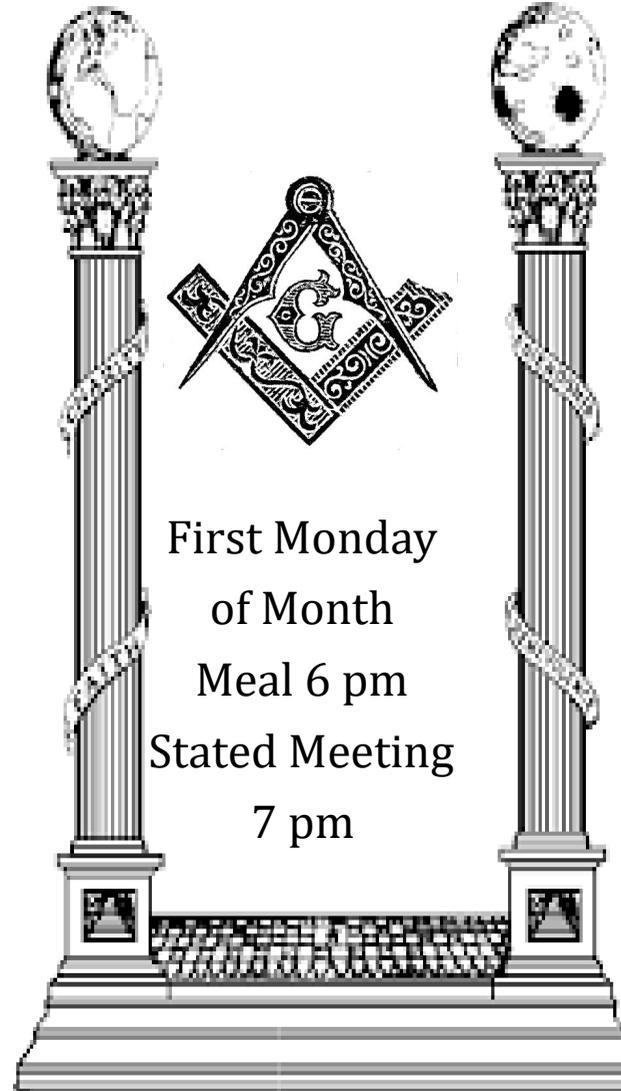


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Greetings fom the East

Brothers,

It is truly an honor to connect with you today as Master of New Castle Lodge #91 for the upcoming year. Since 1850, our Lodge has taken great pride in demonstrating the highest principles of Freemasonry in our work both inside the Lodge and in our community.

In 2026, we will continue to be diligent and dedicated to our Craft and to the world around us, and to share Faith, Hope, and Charity in all that we do.

As we journey into a new year, I want to encourage each of our Brothers to remain con-

nected to your Lodge, and know that we are working hard to provide a place to thrive for each of our members and their families. For those who have not attended a Lodge function recently, please be assured that you are not forgotten and you always have a home at New Castle Lodge!

To serve as Master of our Lodge is a tremendous honor, and I am committed to each of our Brothers and promise to serve at the utmost of my ability. I am proud to be surrounded by an extraordinary team of officers and Brothers who are equally dedicated to our Craft, and together we will continue to see our Lodge thrive into the future!

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me, and I look forward to remaining connected with each of you!

Wishing you the very best,

David Mitchell
Worshipful Master
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A 2025 Lookback from WM Darrel Fox

Wardens and Brothers of New Castle Masonic Lodge #91. As I write and reflect on the amazing journey New Castle Masonic Lodge has just experienced in 2025 & will continue to experience into the future, I must admit it was a bit overwhelming at the things our Lodge accomplished.

In this communication I will not attempt to list them all, but recall some special moments: We celebrated our 175th year Rededication on June 28, 2025, & we had 120 Brothers, Family, and Friends in attendance. Our lodge also held the Area Conference with 90 brothers attending. We have welcomed 9 new members into the fraternity & 4 additional brothers transferred to our lodge for 2025.

Our monthly community breakfasts were a huge community success, & I want to thank Jay Davis for getting this program restarted & thank all the brothers & members from the Order of Eastern Star #116 that continue to support this program & make it the success it continues to be.

I tracked lodge visitations & special programs attended throughout 2025 and we made 30 lodge visitations and participated in 45 special programs. To name just a few, they were Founders Day, Sweethearts Dinner, Masonic Youth Day at Compass Park, Deputy Grand Master's Banquet, 100th Birthday Party for Ira Rhodes, Two Grand Master's Pilgrimage to Madison, Annual Communication for Grand Lodge, Oklahoma Indian Masonic Degree, Compass Park Festival, Joint Food Drive with OES, and the Grand Master's Reception.

This is just a brief overview of what New Castle Masonic Lodge accomplished for 2025. Reflecting on my WM term, I want to thank each and every one of you for the tremendous support I received and continue to receive from my brothers.

I am proud to call each of you my Brother. There is not enough space in this communication to list each one that needs to be recognized but you know who you are. There was not one item that I hoped we would accomplish in 2025 that you did not support 100% and for that I wish to thank you. You are the reason New Castle Masonic Lodge has developed the reputation that it is known for and again, I thank you. It has been an honor for me to have served you in some small way in 2025. I will close with this thought from Joseph Fort Newton (The Men's House).

“Each man, as each of you can testify, has a train of thought on which he rides when he is alone. The dignity and nobility of his life, as well as its happiness, depend upon the direction in which he is going, the baggage it carries, and the scenery through which it travels. If, then, Masonry can put that inner train of baggage and

start it on the way to the city of God (*as you understand him, my italics*), what other or higher service can it render to man? That is just what it does for any man who will give himself to it, bringing to him from afar the old wisdom – religion—that simple, pure, and lofty truth wrought out through ages of experience, tested by time, and found valid for the life of man. Whoso lays that lucid and profound wisdom to heart, and acts upon it, will have little to regret, and nothing to fear, when the evening shadows fall”.

Brothers of New Castle Masonic Lodge. I am proud to say that you have placed New Castle Masonic Lodge on the train that is headed in the right direction. The baggage that has been placed on this train is commendable/responsible and reputable, and there could be no better scenery than what we are seeing before us and traveling towards.

Thank you again for the most fantastic and memorable year that a Worshipful Master could ever hope to not only experience, but to be a small part of. ~Darrell W. Fox, WM 2025

2026 NC #91 Officers

Front row, L-R, Jay Davis, SD.; Johnny Cross, SS; Ronnie Dinkins, Tyler; Zakry Lamb, JS; Mike Hess, Chaplain; Duane Matthews, Secretary;

Back row, L-R, Jim Fairchild, Treasurer; Joshua Smith, JW; David Mitchell, WM; Chad Courtney, SW; Michael Thornbrue, JD.

