



August 2025 Trestle Board

Canaveral Masonic Lodge

AUGUST

Important Dates

Masters & Wardens Brevard Lodge # 113

Saturday, August 2, 2025

8:00 AM Breakfast

9:00 AM Meeting

Harbor City Lodge Open Books

Wednesday, August 2025

6:00 PM

Canaveral Lodge is **Dark** during **August**.

Officers will be available. Please call our office at 321-328-7326 if you require any assistance. Please leave a voicemail if we do not answer the phone.

R.:.W.:. Craig R. Boettcher
District Deputy Grand Master
17th Masonic District

RH Matthew Green
District Instructor
17th Masonic District



2025 Lodge Officers Elect/Appointed

Worshipful Master - Richard Schulze
954-347-7550

Senior Warden - Darrell Schmitt, PM
321-543-6458

Junior Warden - Barry Shaffer, PM
321-432-4320

Secretary - Todd Forschino, PM
321-588-1910

Treasurer - Bob Watkins, PM
321-783-7051

Senior Deacon - Juan Avendano

Junior Deacon - Bruce Yelen, PM

Chaplain - Glenn Chandler

Tyler - Cliff Schmitt

Lodge Historian- Bob Watkins, PM

From the East

Richard Schulze
Worshipful Master

Greetings from the East. I hope everyone is taking a break from the stressors of Masonic Life during our summer respite. I also hope trips to family and friends are in your near plans. I am hopeful that my Lady Eleanor and I can do the same once her immediate medical issues have resolved. We have not been able to take a real vacation in years. Please wish us luck in finding some absolute relaxation before we reconvene in September.

Brothers Keefer Bradock and Robert McCabe Sr. are coming along in their masonic journeys. I look forward to both of them being raised to Master Mason by year's end.

We had a very successful two days at the Cocoa Beach Air Show for our lodge, which made a positive impact on our Short Term Building Fund.

I hope all is well with everyone, and I look forward to seeing you all on September 8th when I flip the switch at the lodge once more.

Our district now has a Facebook page that you can all join. It is a group dedicated to all Master Masons in District 17, located at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/thundering17>. You can now visit the site and register as a member of our group.

Only six more meetings remain in our masonic year. I have set a tentative date of August 25th for a working visit of our R.W. DDGM and Canaveral #339 officers. It should go smoothly, as our lodge paperwork is all in order, thanks to our secretary, Todd Forschino.

Once again, please stay safe in all your vacation travels and return refreshed in body and spirit.

Until then, "Happy Trails to You Until We Meet Again!"
Fraternally yours,

Richard Schulze

Worshipful Master 2025

From the West

Darrell Schmitt, PM
Senior Warden

Dear Brothers,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Fourth of July and celebrated our independence this year. Although we remain dark this month, our officers are still working hard for you at the lodge as we continue to support our three newest Masons with their catechism classes.

Hey everyone! We're looking forward to seeing all of you in September! Let's make some great memories together!

Here are a few funny sayings for you to enjoy:

- I told my wife she was drawing her eyebrows too high. She looked surprised.
- Parallel lines have so much in common. It's a shame they'll never meet.
- I was wondering why the frisbee kept getting bigger... then it hit me.
- Singing in the shower is fun until the shampoo gets in your mouth... then it's a soap opera.
- I only know 25 letters of the alphabet. I don't know y.
- What did the ocean say to the beach? Nothing, it just waved. Knock knock. Who's there? Tank. Tank who? You're welcome!

Fraternally,

Darrell Schmitt
Senior Warden 2025

From the South

Barry Shaffer, PM
Junior Warden

Brothers,

I hope everyone has had a good summer, and soon the Lodge will be resuming its operations.

I know that everyone has busy lives, and it can be challenging at times to leave the house at night, but please make some time and attend a meeting. We have a good meal before each meeting, not beanie-weenies, but a full hot meal. We will be working on presenting interesting programs and getting good speakers for the meetings as well.

The Lodge faces many challenges in the future, and we would appreciate receiving input and advice from our experienced Brethren.

Fraternally,

Barry Shaffer
Junior Warden 2025

From the Secretary's Desk

Todd Forschino, PM

Secretary

Brothers of Canaveral Lodge No. 339,

2025 Dues: We still have a few brothers who need to fulfill this duty. Your timely contributions ensure the smooth operation of our Lodge and allow us to continue our valuable work within the community. Please call or email me to discuss payment to the Lodge. (Phone: 321-588-1910 or Email: todd.forschino@gmail.com)

Joining our private Facebook group, "The Thundering 17," is your gateway to staying connected with your fellow Masons and affiliated bodies throughout District 17. To gain access to this exclusive community, simply answer three brief questions upon requesting to join and agree to our group's rules. Once admitted, you'll discover a valuable resource for learning about upcoming events across District 17 and within the various appendant and concordant Masonic organizations. It's an excellent opportunity to strengthen your bonds with other Masons in our district, fostering camaraderie and ensuring you don't miss out on important happenings. Click here to join. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/thundering17>



Thundering 17th Masonic District-The Grand Lodge of Florida

If your address or phone number changes, don't hesitate to email me your new information so I may update the Lodge records.

With fraternal regard,

Todd Forschino

Secretary, Canaveral Lodge No. 339

For the Good of the Order

Please leave us a review on Google, as this will help us reach more brothers and families in our community. Click on this link <https://bit.ly/CanaveralGoogleReview> or scan the QR Code below. This takes very little time and we would appreciate it.



For the Good of the Order



Congratulations to PM Darrell Schmitt on his 25-year service pin. This award is a testament to our accomplishments, and we are proud of the time we have served in this great fraternity.



Brothers W.: Richard Schulze, PM Darrell Schmitt, and PM Todd Forschino have all been bestowed the esteemed title of Kentucky Colonel, a significant honor recognizing their admirable contributions and service. This prestigious accolade, granted by the Governor of Kentucky, is the highest award the Commonwealth can bestow, celebrating individuals who have demonstrated notable achievements and dedication to their communities, the state, or the nation. For these three brothers, receiving such a distinction underscores a shared legacy of commitment and positive impact, marking them as honorary ambassadors of Kentucky's spirit and hospitality.

For the Good of the Order



Brotherhood in action! Canaveral celebrated a truly special milestone: Bro. Steve Alm's 25th anniversary as a Master Mason! For 25 years, since his raising at Canaveral Lodge on 7/17/2000, Bro. Steve has exemplified dedication. It was wonderful to see so many Brothers from around the US who now live in the Colony community come together for their monthly meeting and to honor him. Worshipful Brothers Rick, Todd, and Bruce traveled to represent the brethren of Canaveral Lodge, sending Congratulations to Bro. Steve, from all of us! It was great meeting new brothers and enjoying great fellowship.

For the Good of the Order



On July 21, 2025, Brother Keffer was passed to Fellow Craft at
Melbourne Lodge No 143 F&AM
Great job and a huge thank you to the brethren for their degree work.
We look forward to seeing you and Brother McCabe raised to the
sublime degree of Master Mason soon.

For the Good of the Order

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17th Masonic District
Representing Florida's Space Coast

Welcome to the Thundering 17th Masonic District! am honored and excited to be able to represent the Most Worshipful Grand Master this year in District 17.

Let me start by thanking all the Brothers in the District who have offered their support to me in the coming year. Working with the talents of the great Masons in the 17th District, I am confident we will have a memorable and successful year ahead. Our current Grand Master is passionate about improving all Lodges of the state and I hope you will all support efforts to do so in each of your Lodges this year.

This year's theme of "Leadership, Accountability, and Commitment" will set the guidelines through which we can hope to succeed in making the Lodges of District 17 even more successful than they are currently. I will be visiting each Lodge a minimum of four times this year. Two of these meetings will be working visits to go over a checklist with the Lodge Officers to get an idea of where the Lodge has been successful and can focus its efforts to improve. I will also be visiting each Lodge for two of its Stated Meetings for Official Visits during which I will be delivering the Grand Master's message and presenting a program including the reports of our District Committee Chairmen. A schedule of these visits will be posted here when it is available in order to succeed in improving our Lodges, we will all need to do our part in fulfilling our Masonic obligations and recommitting to improving ourselves in

R:W Matthew S. Green
District Deputy Grand Master
17th Masonic District

R H Craig Boeltcher
Right Honorable District Instructor
17th Masonic District

DDGM Visits

District Calendar

Learn how you can become a Mason

District Committees

Masters and Wardens

District 17 and its Masters and Wardens have a new website. Please save this address for all district events. <https://thunderingdistrict.wixsite.com/seventeen>

For the Good of the Order

Let Your Pennies Make Good Cents



LYPEMGC and the Masonic Home

The Let Your Pennies Make Good Cents Program began in 1958. It was created with the intention of every Brother donating a penny a day, to be deposited in an Endowment Fund with the principal never to be touched. The interest from this money would be utilized for the operation of the Masonic Home, which is one of only twenty homes with a FIVE STAR facility rating in Florida, and thereby ensuring the residents of the Home an exceptional quality of life, which they so justly deserve. I am confident that any Brother who visits our Masonic Home will consider his pennies well spent, and will be very proud of our beautiful facility and the comfortable, secure environment that has been created for our Brothers and Sisters. Many Brothers within the jurisdiction of Florida include L.Y.P.M.G.C. in the payment of their Dues to Lodge, in addition to voluntary contributions to the Grand Lodge of Florida. One hundred percent of the funds raised or collected for this program are not discretionary, and cannot be used for other particular Lodge expenditures.

- > Committee Program
- > Contribute to LYPEMGC
- > Contact the State Chairman

For more information on how you can continue to give to the LYPEMGC, visit <https://www.grandlodgefl.com/glf-initiatives/lypmgc-for-the-home-2/>

Appendant Bodies



Shriners are bound together by our shared values and desire to have fun, do good, and build relationships that can last a lifetime.

Shriners International is more than just a fraternity – it's great men making an even more significant difference – together. Because together, we are more.

Are you of great character interested in learning more about becoming a Shriner? Take the first step and contact Todd Forschino at Canaveral Masonic Lodge or call Azan Shrine at 321-259-5302.

You can also visit

<https://beashriner.com/join-shriners-form/>

Check out the AZAN Website at www.azanshrine.org for upcoming events and fun!



*The Orlando
Scottish Rite*

*Ancient & Accepted
Scottish Rite of Freemasonry,
Valley of Orlando Orient of Florida*

Those Brothers interested in becoming a 32` Scottish Rite Mason, please contact me or fill out the petition online at srorlando.com. Scottish Rite is referred to as the College of Masonry. Expand your Masonic knowledge and join thousands of Brothers across the country. If you can't make it to Orlando, we have Scottish Rite clubs in Brevard County. Titusville Scottish Rite Club meets the second Tuesday of every month at Indian River 90 Masonic Lodge. South Scottish Rite Club meets quarterly at Melbourne Lodge.

Fraternally,
Terry Lewis 32` KCCH
Valley of Orlando



**2025
3RD SERIES
GUN RAFFLE
KELTEC**



**P15 9 MM
CAPACITY 15+1
\$30 PER TICKET**

**GET A COLLECTABLE
AZAN NUMBERED
POCKET KNIFE WITH
EACH PURCHASE
ONLY 125 AVAILABLE**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION
CONTACT TODD FORSCHINO AT
321-588-1910 OR THE AZAN
OFFICE AT 321-259-5302**

AZAN SHRINE CENTER GUN RAFFLE DRAWING WILL BE AT the Stated Communication on October 2, 2025, at 1591 W. Eau Gallie Blvd., Melbourne, FL 32935, at 6:30 PM
The winner takes home a Kel-Tec P15 9mm pistol with a 15+1 capacity. \$30 per ticket
Make checks payable to: AZAN SHRINE CENTER
Do not have to be present to win.
"Proceeds are for the use of the Azan Shrine Center."



Tickets for our 2025 Third Series Gun Raffle are officially available!
Call the office or Todd to get yours before they sell out.
For just \$30 per ticket, you'll be entered to win a fantastic KELTEC P15 9MM handgun (15+1 capacity). Plus, with each ticket purchased, you'll receive a collectible Azan-numbered pocket knife! (Only 125 available, so don't wait!)

This raffle is a great way to support the Azan Shriners Center.

**PLACE
YOUR BID.
WIN BIG.**

1st Annual
Auction

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Benefitting the **THUNDERING**
17th Masonic District

Presented by District 17 Masters & Wardens

* 11:00AM

* **AZAN SHRINE CENTER**

1591 W EAU GALLIE BLVD
MELBOURNE, FL 32935





Finance

Darrell Schmitt; Senior Warden
Bob Watkins; Treasurer

Vigilance

Barry Shaffer; Junior Warden

Petitions

Barry Shaffer; Junior Warden

Education

Rick Schulze; Worshipful Master
Darrell Schmitt; Senior Warden
Barry Shaffer; Junior Warden

Board of Relief

Rick Schulze; Worshipful Master
Darrell Schmitt; Senior Warden
Barry Shaffer; Junior Warden

Investigative

Darrell Schmitt; Senior Warden

Lodge Mentor

Barry Shaffer; PM



Historian

Chairman; Bob Watkins

Awards Recommendations

Chairman; Todd Forschino

Community Relief

Chairman; Glenn Chandler

Community Services

Chairman; Glenn Chandler

Trestleboard & Flyer Distribution

Chairman; Todd Forschino

Web Page & Upcoming Events

Chairman; Todd Forschino

Publicity/Public Relations

Chairman; Todd Forschino

Transportation (Cable Tow)

Chairman; Dan Maltby

Fundraising

Rick Schulze; Worshipful Master

Darrell Schmitt; Senior Warden

Barry Shaffer; Junior Warden



SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Cliff Schmitt

For those unspoken





CANAVERAL LODGE HONORARY PERPETUAL MEMBERS

CLICK BELOW TO VIEW ALL OF OUR HONORARY PERPETUAL MEMBERS
FOR CANAVERAL LODGE NO. 339



Perpetual Members Canaveral Masonic Lodge | Canaveral Masonic Lodge No....

Location: 149 South Orlando Avenue Cocoa Beach,
FL 32931 Phone: (321) 328-7326

 Canaveral Masonic Lodge No / Oct 2, 2024



CANAVERAL LODGE PERPETUAL MEMBERS

BENJAMIN ADAMS JR	EUGENE SANDERLIN
JAMES BILLS	THOMAS SAVAGE
RODNEY BORNEFELD	CLIFF SCHMITT
HARRY BROWN JR	DARRELL SCHMITT
DANNY COOK	MATTHEW SCHNICKE
ROBERT CRAWFORD	RICK SCHULZE
JAMES CROMER	JACK SCHWARTZ
HENRY T. DAVIS	DONALD SCOTT
IRVEN DAVIS	MAC SCOTT
DWIGHT EASTERLY	BARRY SHAFFER
HERMAN EFIRD	CHARLES SMITH
BILLY EMRICK	GEORGE SNYDER
JOHN EMSMINGER	ALVIN STERN JR
WILLIAM EWERTZ	THOMAS STUART JR
RAYFIELD FAYED SR	WALTER TAYLOR
ROBERT FITCH	CHARLES TERRILL
OLIVER FOLLWEITER III	THOMAS VAN HORN
TODD FORSCHINO	EDMUND VINCENT
RODGER FOWLER	JOHN WERNETH
RUSSELL FOWLER	NORMAN WHITE
ROBERT HACKETT	ROBERT WICKER II
JOHN HALLENBORG	ARMIN WOLLE
ARTHUR HANSEN	WILLIAM ZIELINSKI
JAMES HARRISON	
BILLY HARRISON	
PETE HUTCHINS	
VERNON JENSON	
JOHN JOHANSON	
KENNETH KING	
LACY LATTA	
BRUCE LAUBENHEIMER JR	
BRUCE LAUBENHEIMER SR	
WAYNE LENNOX	
PHILLIP MABRY	
PETE MAGERAS	
JOSEPH MORGAN	
THOMAS NEAL	
PETER PAUL	
EDMUND PERESLUHA II	
WALKTER PRIESTER	
DALE PROSUHN	
RALPH ROBBS	



CANAVERAL LODGE PAST MASTERS

1962 R.D. VAN VALKENBURG
1963 J.P. RUBINO
1964 H.E. MAY
1965 E. VINCENT
1966 J.B. BROWN
1967 H.P. STRICKLAND
1968 R.D. FARMER
1969 R.L. BREWER
1970 C.W. PFEIFFER
1971 W.W. MURRAY JR.
1972 DWIGHT EASTERLY
1973 S.L. CARSE
1974 BRUCE LAUBENHEIMER SR.
1975 A.B. KOUNS
1976 P.N. MAGERAS
1977 A.C. ADLER
1978 E.A. SANDERLIN
1979 K.L. KING
1980 R.T. SHAVER
1981 B.M. HARRISON
1982 J.W. COOK
1983 J.A. BURRIS
1984 R.L. MCDOLE
1985 R.W. ROBB
1986 F.A. WINISKI
1987 G.G. ROGERS
1988 D.L. PRESSLER
1989 H.L. BROWN, JR.
1990 W.L. PATE
1991 H.L. BOSLEY
1992 F.T. HUTSON
1993 R.E. WICKER
1994 R.E. WICKER II
1995 G.R. REVELS
1996 J.H. WORKMAN
1997 F.H. TAYLOR
1998 P.N. MAGERAS
1999 R.L. BREWER
2000 R.L. GREER
2001 DON PRETSCH

2002 RODGER FOWLER
2003 P.N. MAGERAS
2004 J.P. DAVIES
2005 P.N. MAGERAS
2006 BRUCE LAUBENHEIMER SR.
2007 RODGER FOWLER
2008 VERN JENSON
2009 DANIEL MALTBY
2010 RODNEY BORNEFELD
2011 THOMAS SAVAGE
2012 ROBERT WATKINS
2013 WILLIAM "BO" EWERTZ
2014 DANNY E. COOK
2015 JOHN JOHANSON
2016 MATT NEWHOUSE
2017 RICKY JONES
2018 TERRY LEWIS
2019 JOHN JOHANSON
2020 PETE HUTCHINS
2021 DARRELL SCHMITT
2022 WILLIAM ZIELINSKI
2023 TODD FORSCHINO
2024 DARRELL SCHMITT

