



February 2026 Trestle Board

# Canaveral Masonic Lodge

# FEBRUARY

## Important Dates

### Open Books Harbor City Lodge

Wednesday, February 4, 2026  
6:00 PM

### Masters & Wardens at Merritt Island Lodge

Saturday, February 7, 2026  
Breakfast 8:00 AM  
Meeting 9:00 AM

### Stated Communication Canaveral Lodge

Monday, February 9, 2026  
Dinner 6:30 PM  
Meeting 7:30 PM

### Stated Communication Canaveral Lodge

Monday, February 23, 2026  
Dinner 6:30 PM  
Meeting 7:30 PM

R.W.: Craig R. Boettcher  
District Deputy Grand Master  
17th Masonic District  
  
RH Matthew Green  
District Instructor  
17th Masonic District

ALL ARE WELCOMED!

Please join us for some conversational based instruction in a relaxed environment.

## MASONIC LEADERSHIP TRAINING

2/5, 6PM (MODULES 1-5)  
2/19, 6PM (MODULES 6-10)  
3/5, 6PM (MODULES 11-15)

Location: Indian River no. 90  
19 N Washington Ave in Titusville

POC: Matt Hankes 321-503-2846  
Register via email or text  
[Matthankes3@gmail.com](mailto:Matthankes3@gmail.com)



## 2026 Lodge Officers

**Worshipful Master** Barry Shaffer

**Senior Warden** Bruce Yelen

**Junior Warden** Juan Avendano

**Secretary** Todd Forschino

321-588-1910

**Treasurer** Dan Maltby

**Senior Decon** Darrell Schmitt

**Tyler** Cliff Schmitt

**Chaplain** Glenn Chandler

**Historian** Bob Watkins

# *From the East*

Barry Shaffer, PM  
Worshipful Master

The first month of the year is behind us, and February is roaring in after that cold front. This month, we will confer the Entered Apprentice Degree on two candidates on the 23rd, bringing the Lodge's EA count to 3, with another EA to Be Raised by summer. Please come to the Lodge and support these Brothers.

In January, the Lodge supported Drown Zero by sponsoring a life ring on the beach at 2nd St, South. Last year, with life rings along the entire Brevard Coast, we had no drownings at all. In years prior, they averaged more than 20.



If you have not been to the Lodge in a while, please consider making a meeting soon. We are trying to keep meetings shorter, with programs and speakers to make things more interesting. Give us a chance. We have a meal before each meeting, and good fellowship after.

Fraternally,

*Barry Shaffer  
Worshipful Master 2026*

*From the West*

Bruce Yelen, PM  
Senior Warden

Greetings!

Brethren, back in 2017, "Sky Network" (one of the British TV networks) aired a documentary titled "Inside the Freemasons". This was a five-part series done with the full cooperation of the United Grand Lodge of England. This series offers a strong overview of English Freemasonry and is suitable for all degrees and the public. Since it's no longer available for viewing in the U.S., I have ordered a copy from the U.K. The Worshipful Master and I will schedule time for the lodge to view it (possibly during dinner) as soon as it arrives "from across the pond".

Fraternally,

*Bruce Yelen  
Senior Warden 2026*

*From the South*

Juan C. Avendano  
Junior Warden

Brethren,

February is a great time to focus on fellowship and staying connected. Whether it is attending Lodge, helping with events, or simply checking in on a Brother, every effort helps strengthen our Lodge.

I look forward to seeing you soon and continuing our work together.

Fraternally,

*Juan C. Aberndano  
Junior Warden 2026*

# *From the Secretary's Desk*

Todd Forschino, PM  
Secretary

Brethren,

The 2026 Dues Notices have been sent. Your timely contributions are essential to the smooth operation of Canaveral Masonic Lodge No. 339, and to our continued work within the community we proudly serve. Your support ensures that we can maintain our traditions, uphold our obligations, and strengthen the bonds of brotherhood that define our Lodge.

For your convenience, you can pay dues via Zelle to the Lodge.

 Lodge Email: [Canaveral339@gmail.com](mailto:Canaveral339@gmail.com)  
 Please include in the memo: DUES 2026

If your address or email address changes, please contact us to update our records.

 Phone: 321-588-1910  
 Email: [todd.forschino@gmail.com](mailto:todd.forschino@gmail.com)

Fraternally,



  
Secretary, Canaveral Lodge No. 339

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# For the Good of the Order FURTHER LIGHT !

## Statewide York Rite Festival

In honor of

Most Worshipful Taleb T. Atala

Grand Master of The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Florida

Hosted by The Ft. Pierce York Rite Bodies

Don't miss the chance for an unforgettable weekend by attending outdoor Degree's in the Presence of the Grand Master of Masons of Florida

It's time to continue your journey !



### Chapter

Recovering the Lost  
Word of a Master Mason

### Council

Preserving the Lost  
Word of a Master Mason

### Commandery

Living the Word through  
Christian Knighthood

### Cost

Attendees: Only \$35  
(includes all meals)

For more information Contact :  
Secretary / Recorder

MI Companion Paul W. Friend PGM

 772-260-6404

 Mipgm96@aol.com

**10 & 11 APRIL 2026**

**Friday starting at 5 pm  
and**

**Saturday starting at 8 am  
Location :**

**The Buxton Ranch**

**27850 NE 290th Trl,  
Okeechobee, FL 34972**



*The Orlando  
Scottish Rite*

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



# Orlando Valley Reunion

April | 11-12 | 2026



Step into the Orlando Scottish Rite  
where knowledge grows, bonds strengthen, and purpose thrives.  
Scan now to join us in April.

# 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

**17th Masonic District**  
Representing Florida's Space Coast

Welcome to the Thundering 17th Masonic District!

Brethren of the THUNDERING 17th District,

As I begin my journey as your District Deputy Grand Master, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude for the confidence and support you have already shown me. It is an incredible honor to represent Most Worshipful Tolib T. Atala, Grand Master of Masons of Florida, and to serve this great district alongside each of you.

The THUNDERING 17th District has a proud tradition of leadership, unity, and service, and I am committed to upholding and building upon that legacy. I look forward to working with our Worshipful Masters, Lodge officers, and all the Brethren to strengthen our fraternal bonds, advance our charitable efforts, and ensure the continued vitality of our Lodges.

The focus this year will be on Education, Fellowship, and Community Service. These pillars will guide our efforts as we strive to make a meaningful impact within our Lodges and throughout the communities we serve.

With your support and Brotherhood, I know this will be a successful and rewarding year for us all. Let us walk this path together with purpose, pride, and a shared commitment to the Craft.

Fraternally,

R. W. Craig R. Boettcher  
District Deputy Grand Master  
17th Masonic District  
Representing Most Worshipful Tolib T. Atala, Grand Master of Masons of Florida

**DDGM Visits**

**District Calendar**

**Be a Freemason**  
Learn how you can become a Mason

**District Committees**

**Masters and Wardens**

**Log In**



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R.W. Matthew Green  
District Instructor 17th Masonic

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



### LYPMGC 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 LYPMGC
- Contact the State Chairman

**For more information on how you can continue to give to the LYPMGC, 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://beashrinernow.com/join-shriners-form/>

Check out the AZAN Website at [www.azanshrine.org](http://www.azanshrine.org) for upcoming events and fun!



Those interested in expanding their Masonic education and meeting Brothers from other areas should attend the Spring Reunion. It's scheduled for April 11 & 12. It's a great experience that you will retain a lifetime and will become 32° Scottish Rite Masons.

We also have Scottish Rite clubs in Titusville, meeting at Indian River 90, and in Melbourne, at Melbourne Lodge 143. These are intended to give Scottish Rite Brothers who cannot attend the stated meeting an opportunity to stay in touch with meetings, events, and activities.

If you love being a Mason, you will absolutely love Scottish Rite. Our meetings are short, and in most cases, you can bring your wife for a great meal and fellowship. Contact Terry Lewis 32° at 405 501 3157, [vmloren@yahoo.com](mailto:vmloren@yahoo.com), or Ill. Keith Albright 33° 407 657 4550, [gensecorl@gmail.com](mailto:gensecorl@gmail.com)

# Appendant Bodies



## York Rite Bodies

Next festival in April

Recently, I went through the York Rite Degrees and enjoyed it. If you love the format of the Blue Lodge degrees, this flows naturally into it. It answers many questions and addresses key gaps in the Hiramic Legend. It's been said that completing only the MM degree, without experiencing the Royal Arch, is like listening to the first part of a song and not finishing it. You can complete only the chapter and council degrees if this is holding you back (commandery). The order of the temple was one of the most impressive and powerful degrees I've experienced

In our awesome district, there are two options to get plugged in:

Cocoa Bodies meets at Brevard 113 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 7:30pm  
James J Joyner Sr is a good POC for Cocoa.

Melbourne Bodies at Harbor City just once a month - 2nd Thursdays.  
Matt Green, Todd Forshino, or I can be a good POC for Melbourne.

I would love to see York Rite booming in our district. If your Masonic journey has gotten stale, let's add some excitement!

New Grand YR website below:  
<https://grandyorkritefl.org/>

-Matt Hankes



# COMMITTEE

## Finance

Bruce Yelen; Senior Warden  
Dan Maltby; Treasurer

## Vigilance

Juan C. Avendano; Junior Warden

## Petitions

Juan C. Avendano; Junior Warden

## Education

Barry Shaffer; Worshipful Master  
Bruce Yelen; Senior Warden  
Jaun C. Avendano; Junior Warden

## Board of Relief

Barry Shaffer; Worshipful Master  
Bruce Yelen; Senior Warden  
Jaun C. Avendano; Junior Warden

## Investigative

Bruce Yelen; Senior Warden

## Lodge Mentor

TBA



### **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; TBA

### **Fundraising**

Barry Shaffer; Worshipful Master

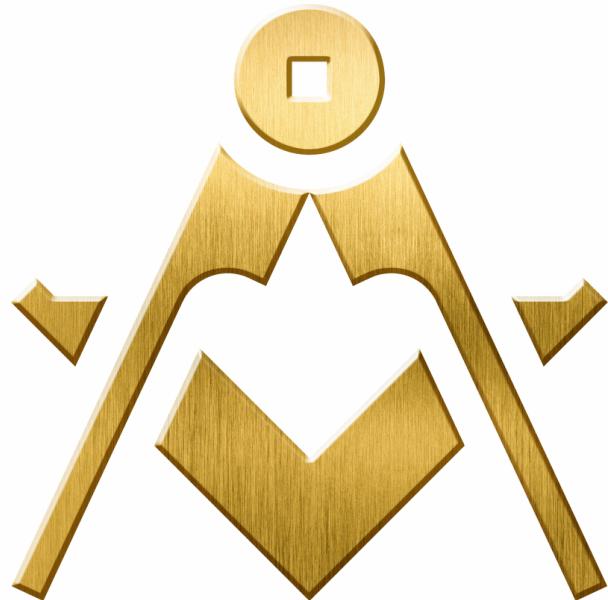
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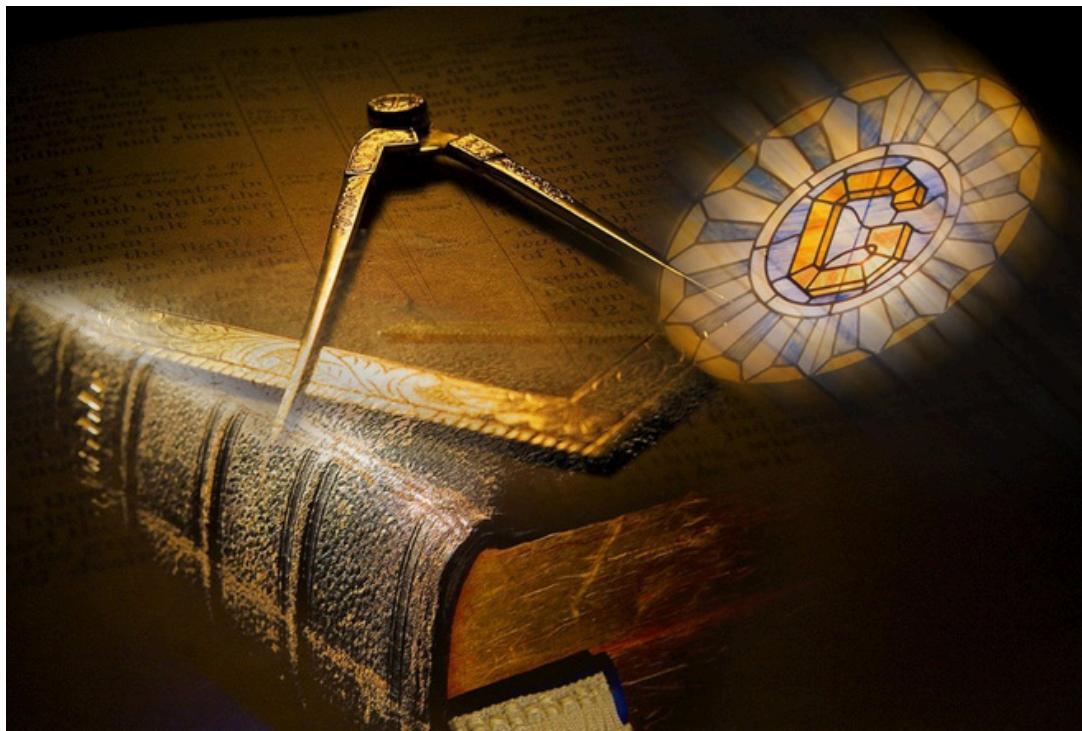
## MASONIC BIRTHDAY

2/4 GERRY HUMMEL  
2/21 THOMAS VAN HORN  
2/23 GEORGE PICKEL  
2/25 JAUN AVENDANO





SICKNESS AND DISTRESS  
Amber and Todd Forschino  
The Schmitt Family  
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 I Canaveral Masonic Lodge No. 339**

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  
JAMES BILLS  
RODNEY BORNEFELD  
HARRY BROWN JR  
DANNY COOK  
ROBERT CRAWFORD  
JAMES CROMER  
HENRY T. DAVIS  
IRVEN DAVIS  
DWIGHT EASTERLY  
HERMAN EFIRD  
BILLY EMRICK  
JOHN EMSMINGER  
WILLIAM EWERTZ  
RAYFIELD FAYED SR  
ROBERT FITCH  
OLIVER FOLLWEITER III  
TODD FORSCHINO  
RODGER FOWLER  
RUSSELL FOWLER  
ROBERT HACKETT  
JOHN HALLENBORG  
ARTHUR HANSEN  
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  
EUGENE SANDERLIN  
THOMAS SAVAGE  
CLIFF SCHMITT  
DARRELL SCHMITT  
MATTHEW SCHNICKE  
RICK SCHULZE  
JACK SCHWARTZ  
DONALD SCOTT  
MAC SCOTT  
BARRY SHAFFER  
CHARLES SMITH  
GEORGE SNYDER  
ALVIN STERN JR  
THOMAS STUART JR  
WALTER TAYLOR  
CHARLES TERRILL  
THOMAS VAN HORN  
EDMUND VINCENT  
JOHN WERNETH  
NORMAN WHITE  
ROBERT WICKER II  
ARMIN WOLLE  
WILLIAM ZIELINSKI



## CANAVERAL LODGE PAST MASTERS

1962 R.D. VAN VALKENBURG	2002 RODGER FOWLER
1963 J.P. RUBINO	2003 P.N. MAGERAS
1964 H.E. MAY	2004 J.P. DAVIES
1965 E. VINCENT	2005 P.N. MAGERAS
1966 J.B. BROWN	2006 BRUCE LAUBENHEIMER SR.
1967 H.P. STRICKLAND	2007 RODGER FOWLER
1968 R.D. FARMER	2008 VERN JENSON
1969 R.L. BREWER	2009 DANIEL MALTBY
1970 C.W. PFEIFFER	2010 RODNEY BORNEFELD
1971 W.W. MURRAY JR.	2011 THOMAS SAVAGE
1972 DWIGHT EASTERLY	2012 ROBERT WATKINS
1973 S.L. CARSE	2013 WILLIAM "BO" EWERTZ
1974 BRUCE LAUBENHEIMER SR.	2014 DANNY E. COOK
1975 A.B. KOUNS	2015 JOHN JOHANSON
1976 P.N. MAGERAS	2016 MATT NEWHOUSE
1977 A.C. ADLER	2017 RICKY JONES
1978 E.A. SANDERLIN	2018 TERRY LEWIS
1979 K.L. KING	2019 JOHN JOHANSON
1980 R.T. SHAVER	2020 PETE HUTCHINS
1981 B.M. HARRISON	2021 DARRELL SCHMITT
1982 J.W. COOK	2022 WILLIAM ZIELINSKI
1983 J.A. BURRIS	2023 TODD FORSCHINO
1984 R.L. MCDOLE	2024 DARRELL SCHMITT
1985 R.W. ROBB	2025 RICHARD SCHULZE
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	

