



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 Hanks 321-503-2846
Register via email or text
Matthanks3@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. Avendano
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

 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

Fraternally,

Todd Forschino

Secretary, Canaveral Lodge No. 339

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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**



Commandary

**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




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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 Toleb (Tali) 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.

Fraternalty,

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



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R.:W. Matthew Green
District Instructor 17th Masonic District

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*

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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, or Ill. Keith Albright 33` 407 657 4550, 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 Hanks



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

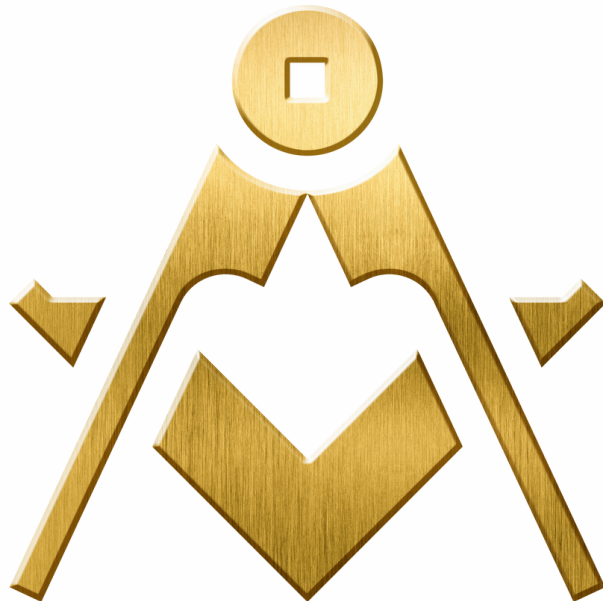
Bruce Yelen; Senior Warden

Jaun C. Avendano; Junior Warden



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	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
2025 RICHARD SCHULZE

