



August 2026 Trestle Board

Canaveral Masonic Lodge

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Important Dates

Masters & Wardens Melbourne Lodge

Saturday, August 1, 2026

Breakfast 8:00 AM

Meeting 9:00 AM

Open Books Harbor City

Wednesday, August 5, 2026

6:00 PM

Bring your Dues Card

Grand Master's Official Visit

Saturday, August 29, 2026

AM Session at IR90 Masonic Forum with the Grand Master and Line. 8:00 AM Breakfast; 9:00 AM Forum

PM Session at Azan Shrine with Check In /Social at 5:00 PM and Dinner at 6:00 PM.

R.∴W.∴ Henry L. Engel
District Deputy Grand Master
17th Masonic District
RH Matt A. Hanks
District Instructor
17th Masonic District
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CANAVERAL LODGE WILL BE DARK IN AUGUST



2026 Lodge Officers

Worshipful Master Barry Shaffer

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Senior Warden Bruce Yelen

Junior Warden Juan Avendano

Secretary Todd Forschino

321-588-1910

Treasurer Dan Maltby

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Senior Deacon Darrell Schmitt

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Tyler Cliff Schmitt

Chaplain Glenn Chandler

Historian Bob Watkins

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From the East

Barry Shaffer, PM



Canaveral Lodge Kitchen Upgrades Underway



**A. WIDE VIEW – NEW COMMERCIAL
THREE-COMPARTMENT SINK AREA**



Exciting progress is being made on the kitchen upgrades at Canaveral Lodge as we work to bring our facilities up to current standards. Under the leadership of PM Dan and the committee, improvements are moving forward steadily, including updates that support our transition from gas to an all-electric kitchen setup. The goal is to have the work completed by the end of this month.

These upgrades will help modernize our kitchen, improve functionality, and better prepare the Lodge for future events and service to our members and guests. We are grateful for the hard work of everyone involved in planning and carrying this project forward.

As part of this transition, the current gas oven/range is being made available immediately. If you know of anyone who needs or would like to have a gas oven, please let Dan Maltby or Senior Warden Bruce Yelen know as soon as possible. Whoever takes the oven will be responsible for coming to Canaveral Lodge, taking it apart, and hauling it away.

**B. EXISTING COUNTERTOP
DOUBLE SINK**



**C. CLOSER LOOK – NEW SINK
& PRE-RINSE SPRAYER**



★ **Gas Oven Available –
Needed Out ASAP** ★



Contact: Dan Maltby or Senior Warden Bruce Yelen



**Must be taken apart and removed
from Canaveral Lodge**



Removal needed as soon as possible

*Barry Shaffer
Worshipful Master 2026*

From the West

Bruce Yelen, PM
Senior Warden

Brothers,

All of us have heard stories about how, during the "War Between the States," we came together to aid wounded brethren or hold joint Masonic memorials for their fallen. I want to share a very quick story I found on the Ohio Grand Lodge webpage:

A Savannah Story

Found in the records of a lodge in Savannah is a story of how, with war raging, Confederate soldiers helped a Union Brother complete a Masonic degree. According to an article from the Georgia Masonic Messenger, shortly after the start of the war, Union soldiers captured the beaches on Hilton Head. Before long, the northerners sent a message under the white flag: A Union soldier had passed through the Fellowcraft Degree before shipping out, and they wanted to see if a nearby lodge could test and raise him to a Master Mason.

Within days, a detail of Confederate cavalry escorted the Fellowcraft Mason and several Master Masons of the north safely through the Confederate Lines and over 30 miles of Confederate defenses to Savannah and the local Masonic lodge. The records note that this Brother was proficient in the Fellowcraft Degree, and he was raised to the Degree of a Master Mason. After the ritual was complete, the Confederate cavalry returned their Brothers to Hilton Head without incident.

I hope all of you are enjoying your summer and look forward to seeing everybody this September in the fellowship of our lodge.

Fraternally,

Bruce Yelen
Senior Warden 2026

From the South

Juan C. Avendano
Junior Warden

Brethren of Canaveral 339,

As we continue through our dark months of July and August, I hope each of you is finding time to rest, recharge, and enjoy the summer season with your families. Though the South is not calling the Craft from labor to refreshment at our regularly stated communications, the spirit of our fellowship remains as strong as ever.

While the Lodge is dark, important work continues behind the scenes with the renovations to our kitchen and social hall. I encourage any Brother with a few hours to spare to lend a hand in these efforts.

During this time away from our regular meetings, please take a moment to check in on a Brother you haven't spoken with recently. A simple phone call or a shared meal can mean the world, and it is in these quiet, ordinary moments that the true bonds of our Fraternity are strengthened.

I look forward to seeing the fruits of our labor and breaking bread with all of you when we return to our regular work.

May the Great Architect continue to bless and protect you and your families.

Fraternally,

J. Camilo Aberndano
Junior Warden 2026

From the Secretary's Desk

Todd Forschino, PM
Secretary

Brethren,

I hope this message finds you and your families doing well. I wanted to take a moment to reach out with a friendly and encouraging reminder to those who have not yet made their 2026 dues payments to Canaveral Lodge No. 339.

Letters have been sent, and I respectfully ask that you contact me as soon as you are able to discuss your dues status. If there is a concern, question, or circumstance that needs to be addressed, please know that communication is the first and most important step.

As Masons, we each have an obligation to our Lodge and to one another. Your dues help support the continued work, operations, fellowship, charity, and future of Canaveral Lodge. Every Brother's support truly goes a long way in helping us maintain the strength and stability of our Lodge.

We value each of you, and we want to ensure that every Brother remains connected and in good standing. Please do not hesitate to reach out directly.

You may contact me by email at Canaveral339@gmail.com or by phone at 321-588-1910.

Thank you for your continued support, your Brotherhood, and your commitment to Canaveral Lodge No. 339.

Fraternally,

Todd Forschino

Secretary, Canaveral Lodge No. 339

For the Good of the Order



Canaveral Lodge is working with the KAWANIS Club of Cocoa Beach to update the signs at all entry points into Cocoa Beach. Be on the lookout in the coming weeks.

Our new reflective sign will stick out both in the darknes and the light.

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

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/>

To: Worshipful Masters and Officers of All Particular Lodges Grand Lodge Officers
Past Grand Masters, District Deputy Grand Masters, and Brothers All

Re: Summary of Legislation – 197th Annual Grand Communication

Dear Brethren:

In compliance with Regulation 13.04 of the Digest of the Masonic Law of Florida, listed below are the Resolutions enacted at the 197th Annual Grand Communication held in Orlando, Florida, on May 25, 26, and 27, 2026. This summary should be reviewed by the Elected Lodge Officers and reported to the Brothers, in open Lodge, at the next Stated Communication after its receipt.

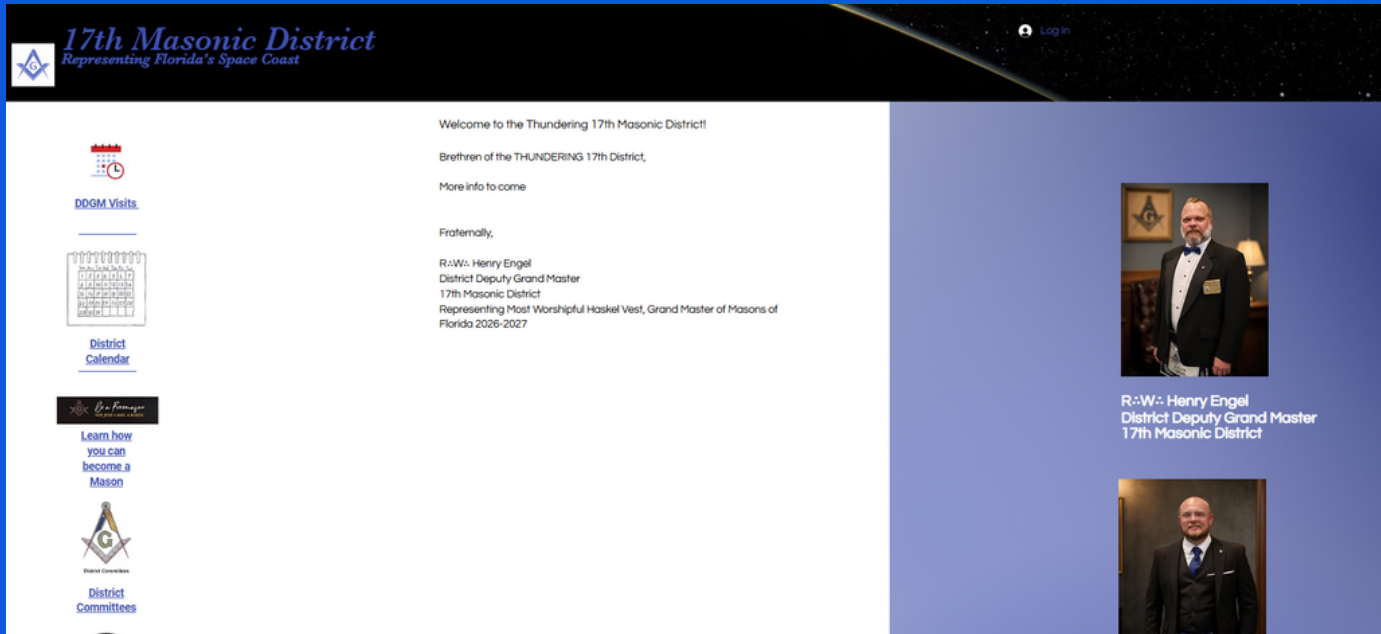
At the 197th Annual Grand Communication of The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Florida the following Grand Lodge Officers were Elected and Installed:

M.: W.: Haskell R. Vest, Jr., Grand Master
R.: W.: Rick Wendling, Deputy Grand Master
R.: W.: Robert W. Estell, Jr., Senior Grand Warden
R.: W.: John N. Dagneff, Junior Grand Warden
M.: W.: Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M., Grand Treasurer
M.: W.: Jeffery S. Foster, P.G.M., Grand Secretary

RESOLUTION TO RAISE THE VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS FOR LET YOUR PENNIES MAKE GOOD CENTS (L.Y.P.M.G.C.) (Adopted by majority vote)

Amending Regulation 22.06 of the Digest of the Masonic Law of Florida to increase the Let Your Pennies Make Good Sense (L.Y.P.M.G.C.) contribution from \$7.30 per member annually to \$18.25 per member annually.

For the Good of the Order



District 17 and its Masters and Wardens have a new website. Please save this address for all district events. www.thundering17.com



Thunder 17th Masonic District Committeemen



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For the Good of the Order

GRAND MASTER'S OFFICIAL VISIT

MOST WORSHIPFUL
HASKELL R. VEST, JR.

GRAND LODGE OF FLORIDA, F. & A.M.



THUNDERING
★ **DISTRICT 17** ★
SPACE COAST

★ **SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2026** ★

MORNING MASONIC FORUM

8:00 AM – Breakfast

9:00 AM

Masonic Forum with the Florida Grand Line
for District 13 & 17

Dress: Masonic Casual

INDIAN RIVER LODGE NO. 90

19 N Washington Ave
Titusville, FL 32796

OFFICIAL VISIT

5:00 PM – District 17 and our
Florida Grand Line Social

6:00 PM – Dinner

Dress: Suit

AZAN SHRINERS CENTER

1591 W Eau Gallie Blvd
Melbourne, FL 32935



FAITH ★ HOPE ★ CHARITY

Appendent Bodies



The Orlando Scottish Rite

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

Brothers, expand your Masonic knowledge by joining Scottish Rite. Did you know....

1. We have 4 Scottish Rite Clubs in the district if you can't make the stated meeting.
2. We help children with speech and learning disabilities
3. You are not forced to memorize
4. Open meetings throughout the year so you can bring your wife/family
5. Various social gatherings for dinners, lunch, and fellowship

Contact Terry Lewis at 405-501-3157 or vmloren@yahoo.com

Appendent Bodies



Calling All Master Masons... Your Next Step Awaits.

There comes a moment in every Mason's journey when the call to do more becomes impossible to ignore. To give more. To serve more. To be part of something that reaches far beyond the walls of our Lodges.

That moment is now.

At Azan Shriners, we don't just wear the Fez. We wear a commitment to compassion, brotherhood, and a mission that changes lives every single day. Through the incredible work of Shriners Children's, we help provide world-class care to children and families, regardless of their ability to pay.

This Fall, we invite you to take that next step.

Join us for our Fall Ceremonial November 20th-21st, 2026, at the North Brevard Shrine Club and become part of a fraternity that blends fun, fellowship, and a purpose greater than ourselves. Here, you'll find laughter, lifelong friendships, and the opportunity to make a real difference in the lives of children who need us most.

Why become a Shriner?

Because you believe in turning brotherhood into action.

Because you want to be part of the world's best hospitals.

Because the legacy you build today will echo in the lives you touch tomorrow.

👉 Take the first step today:

Visit www.beashriner.com

☎ Call or text: 321-588-1910

✉ Email: todd.forschino@gmail.com

Be part of something bigger... For the Children.

Appendant Bodies



York Rite Bodies

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 point of contact 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

Appendant Bodies

**FT PIERCE
YORK RITE**

FESTIVAL

**ROYAL ARCH
COUNCIL
COMMANDERY**

**FRIDAY
AUGUST 21**
STARTING AT
5:00 PM

**SATURDAY
AUGUST 22**
STARTING AT
8:00 AM

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No. 163
STUART, FLORIDA

BROTHERHOOD + TRADITION + COURTESY + SERVICE

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
MI Companion Paul W Friend
on 772-260-6404 / mipgm96@aol.com



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

Bruce Yelen



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

NONE FOR THIS MONTH





SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Terry Lewis

Barry Shaffer

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. 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

