

INDIAN RIVER LODGE NUMBER 90 F & AM

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FROM THE EAST

Greetings From The East, Brothers,
Welcome to July. I vividly remember 1976 and the celebration of the 200th anniversary of our nation's founding. and here we are celebrating our 250th birthday. It's worth reflecting on the role that Freemasonry played in the lives and guiding principles of our founding fathers, and, ultimately, the role Freemasonry played in shaping the core principles that continue to guide this nation 250 years on.

How often do we reflect on the role Freemasonry plays in our daily lives? Freemasonry's core principles are the same today that our founding fathers found courage, strength and guidance in 250 years ago. I believe we should all recommit ourselves to the ancient and timeless principles of Freemasonry in harmony with the pure guidance of Sacred Scripture. One of the core strengths of our fraternity is BROTHERHOOD. There is something special in our association with one another; positive peer pressure for a lack of better term. That said, we would love to have you join us in Lodge. Please consider coming out for an evening. See you there.

Sam Rogero
Worshipful Master

FROM THE WEST

Greetings from the West,

This month we voted to elect Most Worshipful Haskell Vest as honorary perpetual member of the lodge, we had our DDGM visit and the guys at Gateway came out in force and took back their gavel.

We'll be discussing a Master Mason degree coming up after Brother Ramjas returns his FC catechism. Please reach out if you're interested in helping with that. Date TBD

Terry Andrews
Senior Warden



Committees & Committee Chairman

Finance Committee	Terry Andrews
Vigilance Committee	Brian Stoll
Petitions Committee	Jim Kirby
Masonic Education	Matt Hanks, PM
Board of Relief	WM Sam Rogero
Charity	Randy Klaus, PM
Lodge Property	Brian Stoll

Mason of the Month RW Lou Fields

New Members:

MM Catechism – William Murray
FC Catechism - Kiran Ramjas
Awaiting EA Degree - James Landon

ELECTED OFFICERS FOR 2026

Worshipful Master	Sam Rogero	321-480-8119
Senior Warden	Terry Andrews	407-340-5126
Junior Warden	Brian Stoll	321-7498588
Secretary	Eric Hall, PM	321-403-6606
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APPOINTED OFFICERS FOR 2026

Senior Deacon	Jesse Tibbets
Junior Deacon	Jim Kirby
Senior Steward	David Cell
Junior Steward	William Murray
Chaplain	Harry Stutzke
Marshall	Tom B. Carter, PM
Tyler	John Quest

FROM THE SOUTH

Happy July, Brothers!

This month is the 250th celebration of the United States of America's independence. This celebration of liberty and self-governance parallels the Masonic standards of personal and collective enlightenment. Many of America's Founding Fathers were Freemasons, including George Washington, Benjamin Franklin and John Hancock. The principles they espoused - freedom, equality and rational discourse - mirror core Masonic ideals.

July also marks the annual heliacal rising of the star Sirius, also known as the "Dog Star," in ancient Egyptian tradition. This astronomical event signaled the coming of the Nile flood, bringing renewal and fertility to the land. For Freemasons, Sirius holds symbolic value as a star of insight and illumination, sometimes associated with the "Blazing Star" seen in Masonic tracing boards, representing truth and enlightenment.

While July invites barbecues and fireworks, it also offers deeper opportunities for reflection on freedom, responsibility and personal development. These are the very principles Freemasonry encourages its members to explore, not just in lodges, but in everyday life.

Brian Stoll
Junior Warden

Happy Fourth of July to all my Brothers and their families!

The Rites

The Orlando Valley 's July Meeting will be on 7/24 at 6:30pm (open). It will be an Americanism program celebrating our Nations 250th anniversary! Fall Reunion (Degrees planned for mid October).

York Rite - two bodies in our District. Cocoa and Melbourne. See Matt Hanks for details. Degrees coming up in August or September. Seek more light.

Sickness & Distress

As we go through each day, we come across our Brothers and Sisters who have fallen ill, or who find themselves in distress and need good thoughts and prayers sent their way. This space provides a listing of people who need our thoughts and prayers, or perhaps a friendly call to let them know they are thought of. Let the Worshipful Master or Secretary know who we can add to this list.

PM Eric Hall - Back
Summer Nix - Wife
Scott Sharp - post-surgery

THE SECRETARY'S COMPASS

Greetings from the Secretary,

Brothers, Late Notices will be sent this month for those behind on dues.

Thank you for your continued thoughts and prayers as I heal from my procedures.

Enjoy your summer and thank you all for making our lodge great!

Eric Hall, PM
Secretary



AZAN Shrine

First Responder Diner at NSBC 7/18 from 3-6 pm
Hot Sands Ceremonial at NBSC in the Fall in November timeframe. Be on the look out!

Are you a great character interested in learning more about becoming a Shriner? Take the first step and reach out to Todd Forschino at Canaveral Masonic Lodge, 321-588-1910, or call Azan Shrine at 321-259-5302. You can become a Shriner as a Master Mason, go through the cold sands, and start attending our meetings.



Charity of the Month Grand Master's Charity

Indian River #90 Board Of Relief

The Relief Committee will be dark for the summer. Please reach out to Barbara Carter or WM Rogero if you need any assistance.

In sisterly love,
Barbara Carter

Trestle Board Boosters

Brothers, this is a place we will honor those who donate to help offset the costs of the Trestle Board. If you would like to be added to this list, please let the Secretary know.

Lou Fields	Stephen Deponty	Gary Tittle	James Burroughs
Bob Headley	Al Levine	Bill Butcher	Barry Mcamis
Dennis Stowe	Jimmie Privatt	Randy Klaus	Brent Spurlock
Jerry Reynolds	Sam Rogero	Tom Corbin	James Kolb
Jim Cheek	Jack Mcdonald	Martin Antoniono	

July Birthdays

Clyde Aldridge, Rene Aoun, Bradley Berry, Craig Bishop, Casey Crouch, Jeffrey Felver, Lester Green, Jack Hilderbrand, Kenneth Kelly, Lewis McNeill, Michael Owler James Patterson Jr, James Polly, John Quest, Joseph Reginaldi, Harry Stutzke III, Burton Tarr, Robert Wilson

District 17 Happenings & Special Events

Please check out the New District 17 website for information around the District. The first Saturday of every month is Masters and Wardens, a forum where each of the nine lodges come together over breakfast and discuss current events. All Masons are welcomed to attend. See Calendar for Info.

<https://thunderingdistrict.wixsite.com/seventeen>

The 17th District also has a new Facebook Private group: "Thundering 17th Masonic District"

Masonic Education

As America marks 250 years of independence, it's worth noting the presence and impact of Freemasonry during the nation's founding. Some of the men who signed the Declaration of Independence, led the Continental Army, and drafted the Constitution were Masons. George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, and Paul Revere are among the most well known, but the list extends broadly across the founding generation. General Rufus Putnam, who was elected Ohio's first Grand Master, served under General Washington during the Revolutionary War. Freemasonry provided these men with a shared set of values, such as brotherhood, equality, and the pursuit of truth. These ideals not only shaped their conduct in the lodge but their vision for a new nation. Some of the symbols central to our fraternity are still visible in American life today, in places most people encounter without realizing their origin.

The Eye of Providence: On the back of a dollar bill, on the left side, is the Eye of Providence, an eye set above an unfinished pyramid. It is also one of Freemasonry's most recognized symbols, popularized by Thomas Smith Webb in his book *The Freemason's Monitor* in 1797.

The Unfinished Pyramid: In Masonic tradition, an unfinished structure reflects the ongoing work of self-improvement, the idea that the labor of building a better man, and a better world, is never complete.

Masonic Apron: In Freemasonry, it became a symbol of the labor Masons undertake in building their spiritual temples. George Washington wore a Masonic apron in 1793 when he laid the cornerstone of the United States Capitol.

Living & Still Breathing Past Masters

1976 – Brent Cull	2004 – Barry McAmis	2016 - Peter Super
1981 - Joe Fowler, Jr.	2005 – Dennis Stowe	2017 - Randy Klaus
1985 – Keith Hendrix	2006 – John Hillman	2018 - Louis Fields
1988 – Thomas Corbin	2007 – James Kolb	2019 - Greg Seaman
1991 – Darrell Hamilton	2008 – Robert Headley	2020 - Ken Kelly
1993 – William Macken	2009 – Ben S. Schwartz	2021 - Darrell McCall
1994 – Gregory Davis	2011 - Jeffrey Bills	2022 - Greg Maruna
1997 – John Palmer	2012 - Jack McDonald	2023 - Matt Hanks
1998 – Jerry Reynolds	2013 - Gene Bryer	2024 - Eric Hall
1999 – James Cheek	2014 - Daryl DeBaets	2025 - Brian Carter
2002 – Silas Mullins	2015 - Michael Fisher	



July 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Open Books Harbor City Lodge No. 318, 6 pm	2	3	4 Independence Day
5	6	7 Board of Relief Coffee Hour is dark for July and August	8	9 Stated Meeting 6:00 pm dinner 7:00 pm mtg	10	11 Masters and Wardens Gateway Lodge No. 384, Breakfast 8 am, Mtg 9 am
12	13 Gateway #384 DDGM Visit 6:30 pm mtg	14 No Scottish Rite Meeting	15	16	17	18
19	20 Cocoa Prince Hall Visit to Merritt Island Lodge, 7pm	21	22	23 Lodge is Dark No Meeting	24 American Program at Orlando Valley (open to public) 6:30 pm	25
26	27	28	29	30 Simple Click Training at the Lodge., 6:30 pm	31	August 1 Masters and Wardens, Palm Bay Lodge No. 397 Breakfast 8 am, Mtg 9 am