



Λ<7<V> 2026 >F0V>L0-UEJF0

Noah Lodge No.357

Chartered April 28, 1966
Free and Accepted Masons of Florida
41 Willis Road
North Fort Myers, FL 33917

Noahlodge357.com

Stated Communication 2nd and 4th Mondays
at 7:30 PM

Elected Officers

Worshipful Master, W.: Edward D. Ciofani, PM
eciofani@me.com
239-656-0117

Senior Warden, W.: Jeffrey A. Tumbarello, PM
jeff.swflreia@gmail.com
239-671-8248

Junior Warden W.: Dana McGrath, PM

Treasurer, R.:W.: Michael O. Gardner, PDDGM
ddgmgardnerd24@gmail.com
239-707-8302

Secretary, R.:W.: Samuel J. J. Scardina, PDDGM
pm36797@gmail.com
239-738-6278

Appointed Officers

Chaplain, Brother Stephen Pfaff

Marshal, W.: Shawn Morton, PM

Senior Deacon, Brother Lawrence Shorter

Junior Deacon, Brother Charles Christman, Jr.

Senior Steward, Brother Timothy Martin

Junior Steward, Brother TBA

Tyler, W.: Raymond Brownlee, PM

2026 Committee Chairmen

10.02 Finance- W.: Jeffery Tumbarello, PM

10.03 Vigilance- W.: Dana McGrath, PM

10.04 Petitions – R.:W.: Sam Scardina, PDDGM

10.05 Education- W.: Raymond Brownlee, PM

10.06 Relief- W.: Edward Ciofani, WM

10.07 Investigation- As needed

10.08 Charity- W.: Jeffery Tumbarello, PM

10.09 Lodge Property- W.: Jeff Tumbarello, PM

10.10 Neglect of Committee- W.: Edward Ciofani, WM

10.12(a) Budget- W.: Jeffery Tumbarello, PM

10.12(b) Lodge Instructor- R.:W.: Lawrence Tomlinson, PDDGM

10.12(c) Website- Bro.: Larry Shorter

10.12(d) Trestleboard - Bro.: Larry Shorter

10.12(e) Harry Chapin- W.: Ray Brownlee, PM

10.12 (f) Public Relations- W.: Derek Vaneske, PM

10.12(g) Funerals- R.:W.: Michael Gardner, PDDGM

From the Desk of Your Lodge Secretary

Greetings my Brothers,

I mailed out Notice of Delinquent Dues. Twenty seven percent (27%) have not paid! Twenty seven percent that your Lodge had to pay to Grand Lodge for your per capita. I have received three payments since.

September 30th, by the Constitution written in the Digest of Masonic Law of Florida, I will mail out the Final Notice and Summons.

What I really hope for is not to have to mail out any.

If you need help, you must reach out and ask or explain. I am not a mind reader. I am a phone call, text or email away.

At the September 14th Stated Communication, the Lodge will need to vote on a resolution to waive past dues and reinstatement fees for a Brother. (see attached **Executive Order No. 2 and the resolution. See pages 11 & 12.**

One last bit of information and to help keep you updated with Grand Lodge, I will make the link [MONTHLY MAIL - The Grand Lodge of Florida - Freemasonry and Masonic Orders within the Jurisdiction of Florida](#) along with other links part of this Trestleboard. We keep expanding and growing!

Sincerely and fraternally,

R.:W.: Samuel J. J. Scardina, P.D.D.G.M.
Secretary

Lodges within the 24th District

Tropical Lodge No. 56

Stated Communications on the
1st and 3rd Mondays at 7:30 PM
10868 Metro Parkway
Fort Myer, FL 33966

R::W:: Robert Lippek, Secretary
239-600-9084

Cypress No. 295

Stated Communications on the
2nd and 4th Thursdays at 7:00 PM
5850 N. Tamiami Trail
Naples, FL 34108

W:: Scott Johnson, Secretary
Phone 239-352-1064

Noah No. 357

Stated Communications on the
2nd and 4th Mondays at 7:30 PM
41 Willis Road

North Fort Myers, FL 33917
R::W:: Samuel Scardina, Secretary
Phone 239-478-9822

Fort Myers Beach No. 362

Stated Communications on the
1st and 3rd Thursdays at 7:30 PM
17671 Pine Ridge Road
Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931

W:: George Baliotis, Secretary
Phone 239-560-4873

Cape Coral No. 367

Stated Communications on the
2nd and 4th Thursdays at 7:30 PM
10868 Metro Parkway
Fort Myer, FL 33966

R::W:: Bruce Rivera, Secretary, Pro-Tem
Phone 239-297-9400

LaBelle No. 379

Stated Communications on the
2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 7:30 PM
180 Jaycee / Lions Drive
LaBelle, FL 33935

W:: Isidor Lopez, Secretary
Phone 239-462-2101

R::W:: Jeffery A. Zimmerman
District Deputy Grand Master
239-895-5390

R::H:: Richard K. Pennewaert
District Instructor
254-258-4271

The ballot is both secret and inviolable. When it is taken the act is fateful for the Candidate and momentous for the Lodge. It is Etiquette for the Lodge Room to be in complete silence, the Officers should remain at their stations and places in silence and dignity. The Grand Lodge Constitutions make discussion of the ballot, on conviction thereof, a Masonic offense. Except the Holy Bible, the ballot is the most sacred thing in the Lodge. Every Mason owes to his Lodge the duty of protecting it against poor material and every Mason owes to every petitioner a fair ballot – the only protection a petitioner has against unfair discrimination and unreasonable prejudice. The upright man and Mason, true to the tradition of the Craft, will never allow personal spite or prejudice to influence his behavior at the ballot box.

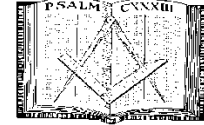
Copied from the GL208 Masonic Etiquette

**Have you checked out the
NEW Noah Lodge Website?**

www.noahlodge357.com

**Now you can stay informed about all that
is happening at
YOUR Lodge!**

For the Good of the Order



Petitions Committee:

Mr. Brian Keith Gregory

Investigating Committee:

For Plural Membership
Brother Jackson R. Canavan
Brother Richard Durling

For Ballot:

Petitions for the Degrees of Freemasonry

Petition for Affiliation

Petion for Dual Membership

Waiting for Entered Apprentice Degree 133rd Psalm

Mr. Amaury Gomez
Mr. Gary Scicluna

Working on Entered Apprentice Catechism

Brother Chauncy Solinger
Brother Gregory Lloyd Hill, II

Waiting for Fellowcraft Degree Amos 7:7-8

Working on Fellowcraft Catechism

Waiting for Master Mason Degree Ecclesiastes.12: 1-7

Working on Master Mason Catechism

1966 Earl C. Lewis*
1967 Robert L. Thompson*
1968 Gordon B. Mason*
1969 Louis A. Foss*
1970 David R. Grant*
1971 Charles E. Nelson*
1972 Walter E. Stillwell*
1973 John R. Lee*
1974 James T. Linton
1975 William B. Cowart*
1976 Wiley H. Welch*
1977 Gerald L. Keeton*
1978 Alexander J. Sibbald*
1979 Robert M. (Mike) Morrow*
1980 Fredrick W. Henningger*
1981 Upton S. Higginbotham
1982 Charles J. Christman, Sr., PDDGM
1983 Milton A. Bayliss, Jr.*
1984 Howard L. Ekiss*
1985 Olan J. Hilderbrandt*
1986 Charles R. Lawson*
1987 John A. Dean
1988 John R. Grabowski*
1989 Olan J. Hilderbrandt*
1990 Richard G. Bashaw*
1991 Norris W. Clark, Jr.
1992 Stephen G. Sibbald
1993 Alexander J. Sibbald, Jr.
1994 Dr. Mark C. Means
1995 Floyd D. Waddell*
1996 Dr. Rick A. Means
1997 Larry G. Hayes
1998 John A. Dean

1999 Dana P. McGrath
2000 Thomas E. Reedy*
2001 Lawrence A. Tomlinson, PDDGM
2002 Brian D. Harkins
2003 Robert M. (Mike) Morrow*
2004 Jerry W. Timberlake*PDDGM
2005 Robert L. Gilliland*
2006 David C. Dellinger, II
2007 Christopher D. Kelly
2008 Lawrence A. Tomlinson, PDDGM
2009 Thomas E. Reedy*
2010 Dr. Rick A. Means, PM
2011 Larry B. Newton*
2012 Lawrence A. Tomlinson, PDDGM
2013 James E. Hamilton, Jr.
2014 Rhett D. Tillman
2015 Michael W. Gardner, PDDGM
2016 Robert L. Sabo
2017 Edward D. Ciofani
2018 Jeffery A. Tumbarello
2019 Michael O. Gardner, PDDGM
2020 Joseph C. Krieger
2021 Christopher A. Pare'
2022 Michael O. Gardner, PDDGM
2023 Edward D. Ciofani, PM
2024 Edward D. Ciofani, PM
2025 Edward D. Ciofani, PM

Deceased*

Which admonishes us to have Faith in God, Hope in immortality, and Charity toward all mankind. The greatest of these is Charity; for our Faith may be lost in sight, Hope ends in fruition, but Charity extends beyond the grave, through the boundless realms of eternity.

$\begin{array}{ccccc} \square & \square & \square & \square & \square \\ \square & \square & \square & \square & \square \end{array}$



FROM THE SOUTH



Brethren All,

August already! Noah Lodge will be DARK during August. We're down to doing floors - there's light at the end of the lan tunnel. The flooring is going to be beautiful, unique and something impressive to see in 3 dimensions. WM Ciofani's getting creative again and I can't wait to see it happen.

On July 27th, we initiated two new Entered Apprentices. Both are interesting Men worthy of our efforts - you should come mentor them through the rest of their amazing journey. Several others are "in the process". We're growing like August lawns around here.

I'm keeping this short, but look forward to seeing you in Noah Lodge No. 357 in September.

If you need something, we're ready and willing to assist.

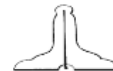
Fraternally yours,

W.: Dana McGrath, PM
Junior Warden

BY THE PLUMB.



FROM THE WEST



Brethren,

As we move into August, there is a great deal to be proud of at Noah Lodge No. 357. Our lodge continues to grow, both in membership and in the improvements we're making to our home.

By the time you read this, we expect to have initiated two Entered Apprentices into the Craft. Even more encouraging, we have two additional petitions already received and moving through the process. At the beginning of the year, when we developed our budget, we projected welcoming ten new members in 2026. Based on our current progress, along with several transfer requests, it appears we are well on our way to exceeding that goal.

That is a testament to the welcoming spirit of our Brethren and the reputation Noah Lodge has built within the community.

Growth, however, is about more than just numbers. It is about creating an environment where good men want to spend their time, learn, and contribute. That is why the continued improvements to our lodge building are so important.

Continued next column

The lodge room floor has now been completed, and it has transformed the appearance of the lodge. It is something we can all take pride in every time we open or close the lodge. At the same time, the kitchen renovation continues to come together.

As we continue through the year, I encourage every brother to stay involved. Attend lodge when you can, support our degree work, and introduce good men to Freemasonry. Our future depends not only on bringing new members through our doors, but also on providing them with an active, vibrant lodge where they can grow and eventually become the next generation of leaders.

I look forward to seeing each of you in lodge.

Fraternally,

W.: Jeff Tumbarello, PM
Senior Warden

ON THE LEVEL



From the East



My Brothers,
Noah Lodge continues to move forward with steady progress. Welcome to our new Entered Apprentice Brothers.

Fraternally,

W.: Edward Ciofani, PM
Worshipful Master

PART UPON THE SQUARE

A	A	T	C	H	K	Q	A	A	E	Z	K	U	O	T	Z	R	K	A	V	I	F	H	V	I	A	F	H	V	H
D	N	L	K	N	P	L	V	C	N	K	H	U	W	C	O	H	U	J	D	Z	G	D	O	T	D	A	D	A	I
O	C	Q	P	K	A	D	Z	N	D	R	D	C	T	D	I	E	R	N	V	I	R	E	V	Q	J	N	F	V	A
R	I	H	A	R	S	T	V	G	R	R	E	O	D	A	I	V	P	Q	I	F	S	P	I	D	F	A	B	B	T
A	E	A	M	S	N	H	I	B	I	I	C	O	K	P	E	T	A	R	I	I	E	Y	H	H	C	R	C	A	K
T	N	Y	V	E	A	R	T	F	Q	E	H	V	C	S	H	L	D	I	Q	H	H	A	J	H	D	W	C	N	A
I	T	K	R	O	A	B	I	Q	H	S	H	A	V	A	I	J	C	Q	I	F	S	E	V	C	F	R	O	A	R
O	J	P	J	I	U	C	Q	K	F	E	H	A	T	J	R	I	W	T	O	R	I	H	E	B	P	H	O	N	B
N	P	F	O	Z	J	V	H	N	I	E	Q	H	V	J	K	O	S	T	I	C	N	H	S	K	T	C	N	T	B
A	Y	G	L	Z	L	Q	S	N	E	Q	U	H	N	O	I	W	J	X	A	T	C	N	P	H	X	H	O	N	B
X	P	Y	B	Z	J	Q	O	A	L	D	K	D	I	A	K	S	T	X	R	M	A	K	B	V	Q	Y	C	N	B
U	Q	B	T	B	R	M	C	A	Q	E	H	Z	C	U	Q	K	Q	E	A	C	N	B	V	Q	Y	C	N	B	
A	S	H	L	A	D	M	U	X	J	Z	Z	R	T	K	J	N	F	G	E	T	N	W	Q	Y	C	N	B	B	
A	X	N	V	X	C	A	T	P	T	N	E	M	N	R	U	O	J	D	E	C	N	W	Q	Y	C	N	B	B	
Z	Q	I	O	A	C	N	H	P	L	A	Q	Z	W	U	Y	I	R	E	A	I	O	R	C	N	B	B	B	B	
U	B	X	O	I	A	I	S	N	S	Z	Q	D	J	B	W	T	B	I	F	A	P	A	Y	C	N	B	B	B	
Y	H	C	A	A	G	A	M	J	Q	L	E	T	I	H	C	R	A	V	Q	E	P	A	Y	C	N	B	B	B	
L	M	Z	V	D	M	C	R	D	T	C	H	P	D	O	Y	R	K	D	S	E	A	W	N	Q	Y	C	N	B	
E	L	O	R	W	K	R	Q	J	Q	Q	E	P	I	O	Q	U	A	V	F	I	P	A	Y	C	N	B	B	B	
I	V	A	N	Y	R	L	T	R	I	C	R	E	A	B	J	U	K	D	S	E	A	W	N	Q	Y	C	N	B	
O	W	I	M	O	R	O	W	N	C	F	T	C	X	X	C	U	L	R	F	L	S	Y	K	Y	C	N	B	B	
A	G	R	T	E	R	T	M	P	G	Z	F	C	X	X	J	Q	A	T	I	A	N	D	S	Y	C	N	B	B	
X	P	Z	X	C	N	I	S	N	O	I	Z	A	L	U	E	G	L	X	A	A	N	D	S	Y	C	N	B	B	
V	G	Z	P	J	A	A	H	A	Z	R	B	L	Y	B	J	M	G	B	V	Y	O	K	Z	Y	C	N	B	B	
P	A	A	G	V	S	A	A	A	Z	R	B	L	Y	B	J	M	G	B	V	Y	O	K	Z	Y	C	N	B	B	

AARON
ACTIVE
AFFILIATE
ALLEGIANCE
ANCHOR
APRON
ASTRONOMY

ABIF
ADJOURNMENT
AFFIRMATION
ALLEGORY
ANCIENT
ARCHITECT
AVOUCH

ACACIA
ADMONISH
AGE
ALPHA
ANNO
ARTIFICERS
AWARD

ACCEPTED
ADORATION
AID
ALTAR
ANNUAL
ARITHMETIC

ACCORD
ADVANCE
ALARM
AMEN
APPRENTICE
ASHLAR

Check out the **NEW** Mentor's Manual

[Grand Lodge of Florida Digital Library](#)

Grand Lodge of Florida Website

[The Grand Lodge of Florida - Freemasonry and Masonic Orders within the Jurisdiction of Florida](#)

Monthly Mail from Grand Lodge of Florida

[MONTHLY MAIL - The Grand Lodge of Florida - Freemasonry and Masonic Orders within the Jurisdiction of Florida](#)

New Petitions for the Degrees

[GL-601-PETITION-FOR-THE-DEGREES-OF-FREEMASONRY-1.pdf](#)

Education

[Education - The Grand Lodge of Florida - Freemasonry and Masonic Orders within the Jurisdiction of Florida](#)

These are a few.
Please take some time and visit!

TITLES*

The titles belonging to all Grand Lodge Officers are described in the Book of Constitutions, as follows: The title of the Grand Master and of Past Grand Masters is "Most Worshipful" and of the remaining Elected Grand Officers and District Deputies, is "Right Worshipful," the title of District Instructor is "Right Honorable" unless the Brother qualifies for the titles, "Right Worshipful" or "Most Worshipful" except the Grand Chaplain, whose title is "Right Reverend." The title of other Appointed Grand Lodge Officers and of Worshipful Masters and Past Masters is "Worshipful." A Lodge or Grand Lodge Officer, on any Masonic occasion, should be addressed or referred to by his proper title. Never address a Worshipful Master as "Worshipful Sir," but as "Worshipful Master," nor should the Grand Master be addressed in any manner other than as "Most Worshipful Grand Master" even when presiding over or closing a Particular Lodge.

PUNCTUALITY*

Punctuality is, as a lawyer would phrase it, of the essence of the contract wherein a Mason stands to his Lodge. For a Lodge, its Officers, or its members not to be punctual is a discourtesy and it is difficult to charge one group with a greater discourtesy than the others. If the Officers are absent, there is nobody present with authority to open Lodge, and the members, whose time presumably is

valuable, must wait; and where both members and Officers fall into the habit of unpunctuality, a vicious circle is set up. The members delay because the Officers are expected to be late, the Officers tend to be late because they expect the members to be, one group blames the other, and opportunity for friction is offered. The Worshipful Master is charged with the responsibility to break this circle by insisting that his Officers be on time, a thing that falls within his authority; and he should insist that his Officers notify him in advance if they expect to be tardy or absent in order that he may make provisions to have their stations or places filled. If he will Open his Lodge at the time prescribed by the By-Laws and when the constitutionally required number of Officers and members are present, and make a practice of doing so, he will find that his members will reciprocate in kind by also developing the habit of being on time.

VISITING MASTERS*

Visiting Masters and Past Masters are usually paid the honor of a welcome by name, with their proper title of "Worshipful" (unless they hold the title of "Right Worshipful") and the Master may invite them to a seat in the East if he wishes. The fact that they come as representing a Lodge, rather than in any private capacity, entitles them to all the courtesies and respect one regular Lodge owes another. copied from GL Etiquette

AUGUST	2026		SUBJECT	TO	CHANGE	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3 	4	5	6	7	8
9	10 DARK 	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 	18	19	20	21	22
23	24 DARK 	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

**The Charity for the month of August for Noah Lodge No. 357 is
Lighthouse of SWFL**

***ALL MASONS are invited and encouraged to attend. If you know a man who you would recommend becoming a Freemason you are encouraged to invite him to dinner and fellowship with the Brothers of the Lodge.**

L.Y.P.M.G.C.

Set your goal at 100%...only Two Pennies a Day!!

This time you are asked to put in your 2¢

**PRINT ME AND HANG ME ON
YOUR COLD STORAGE APPLIANCE
Just Remember to Change Me Every Month**

SEPTEMBER	2026	SUBJECT	TO	CHANGE		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Lodge Ritual Practice 7:30 PM 	8	9	10	11 GMOV at Tropical No. 56 5:30 PM	12
13	14 Stated Communication 7:30 PM* 	15	16	17	18	19 Masonic Day On the Water 
20	21 Lodge Ritual Practice 7:30 PM 	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 Stated Communication 7:30 PM* 	29	30			

**The Charity for the month of September for Noah Lodge No. 357 is
TBD at the Stated Communication**

****Dinner is at 6:30 PM***

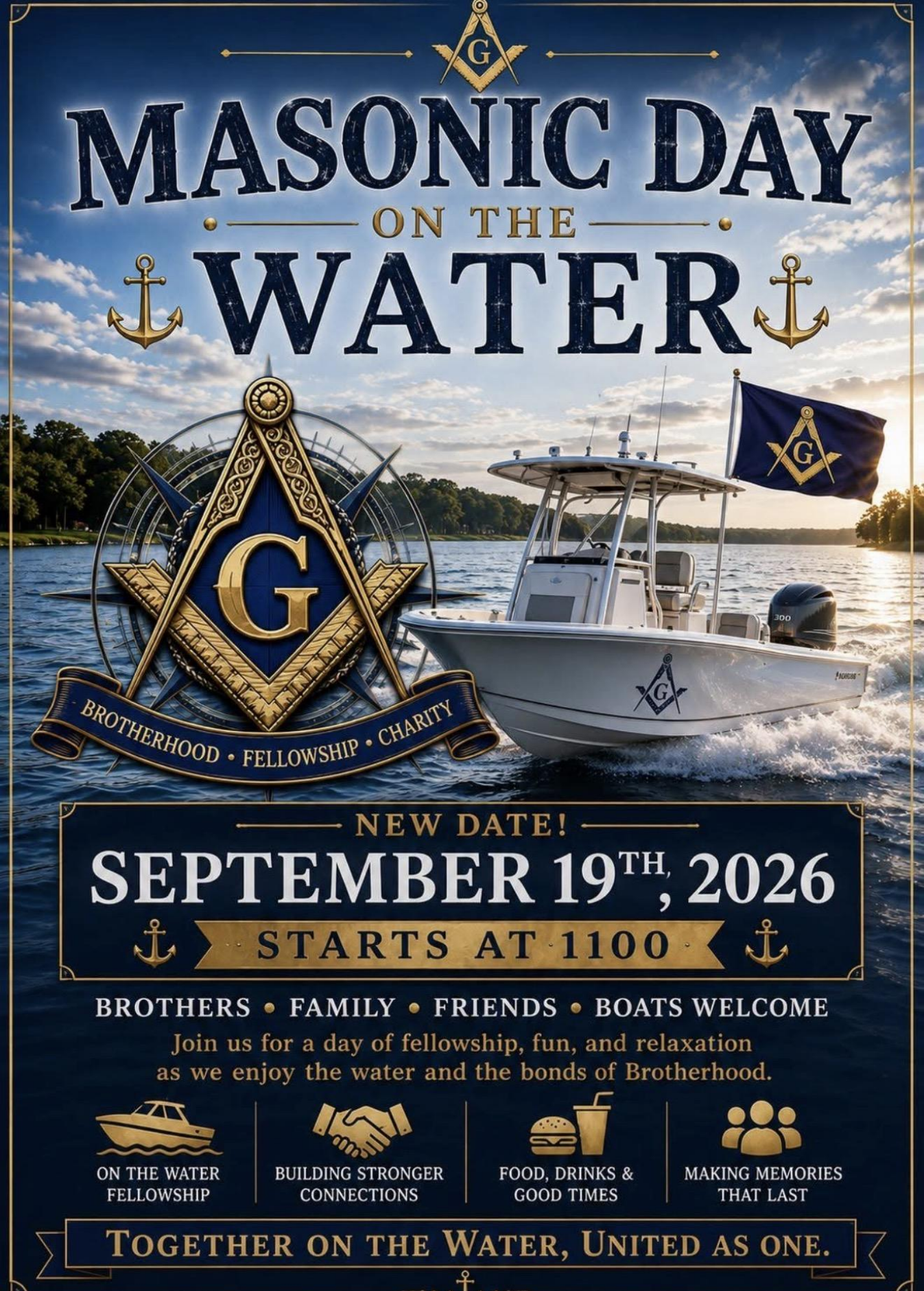
***ALL MASONS are invited and encouraged to attend. If you know a man who you would recommend becoming a Freemason you are encouraged to invite him to dinner and fellowship with the Brothers of the Lodge.**

L.Y.P.M.G.C.

Set your goal at 100%...only Two Pennies a Day!!

This time you are asked to put in your 2¢

**PRINT ME AND HANG ME ON
YOUR COLD STORAGE APPLIANCE
Just Remember to Change Me Every Month**

The poster features a background image of a white speedboat with a blue and gold Masonic flag flying from its stern, cruising on a lake at sunset. The sky is filled with soft, golden clouds. In the foreground, a large, ornate Masonic emblem is superimposed over the water. The emblem consists of a blue diamond with a gold 'G' in the center, surrounded by a gold border with intricate patterns. Above the diamond is a gold compass and square, and below it is a gold banner with the words 'BROTHERHOOD • FELLOWSHIP • CHARITY'. The text 'MASONIC DAY' is written in large, bold, blue letters with a gold outline, and 'ON THE WATER' is written in smaller, gold letters below it. Two gold anchors flank the text 'ON THE WATER'.

MASONIC DAY

ON THE

WATER

— NEW DATE! —

SEPTEMBER 19TH, 2026



STARTS AT 1100



BROTHERS • FAMILY • FRIENDS • BOATS WELCOME

Join us for a day of fellowship, fun, and relaxation
as we enjoy the water and the bonds of Brotherhood.



ON THE WATER
FELLOWSHIP



BUILDING STRONGER
CONNECTIONS

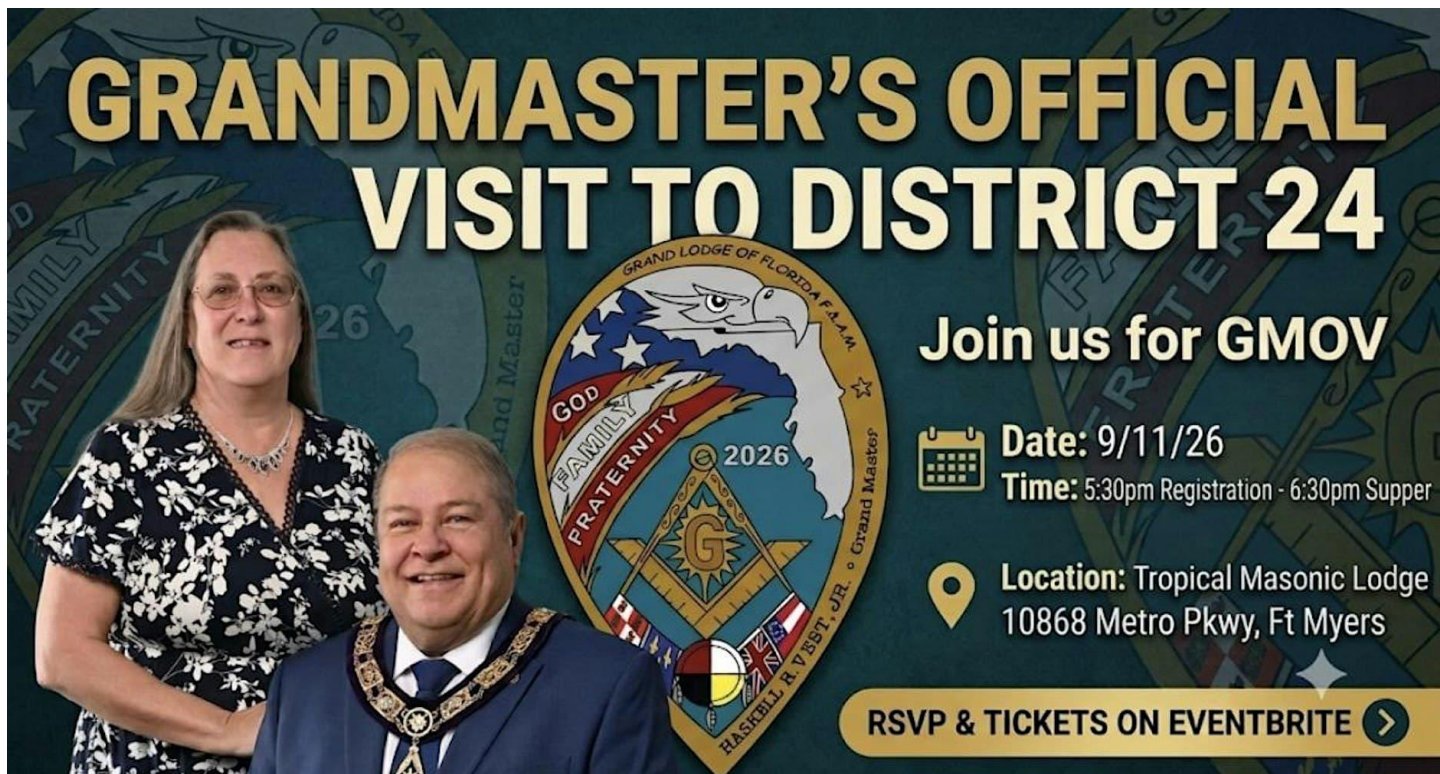


FOOD, DRINKS &
GOOD TIMES



MAKING MEMORIES
THAT LAST

TOGETHER ON THE WATER, UNITED AS ONE.



[Tropical Lodge 56 F & A M Fort Myers, FL](#)

Friday, September 11, 2026 5:30 PM - 9 PM

Overview

Official Visit of M.:W.:Haskell R Vest, Jr., Grand Master of Mason of Florida & Lady Joyce, along with the Elected and Appointed Grand Line Officers to District 24

Join us for the Official visit of our Grand Master in District 24!!

This year will be historic and deeply meaningful as our annual gathering falls on a date of profound significance. As we come together in the true spirit of Freemasonry, we will pause to honor the memory of those who lost their lives & all who were effected on that tragic day 25 years ago, reflecting on their sacrifice and the enduring resilience of our communities.

At the same time we will look forward with pride and gratitude as we celebrate the **250th Birthday of our Great Nation** - a heritage built on the very principles of liberty and brotherly love that we cherish in our craft.

Above all this evening is a celebration of our shared bonds, our leadership, and of the indomitable spirit of Freemasonry.

We're very excited to share this evening with you all!

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

HASKELL R. VEST, JR.
GRAND MASTER

9137 Merrill Road
Jacksonville, FL 32225-4364
Mbl. (850) 217-9325
Email: haskell.vest@grandlodgefl.com

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2

To: All Particular Lodges

May 28, 2026

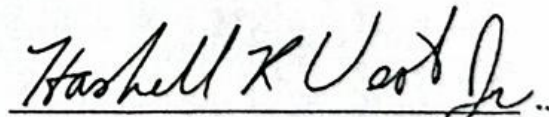
Whereas, it is my desire to implement the program to restore Masonic membership to Brothers who, through the years, have let their dues lapse and have thereby been suspended for Non-Payment of Dues; and

Whereas, it is beneficial to the Particular Lodges and The Grand Lodge of Florida that these Brothers be encouraged to again become an active member of our Masonic Fraternity.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Haskell R. Vest, Jr., Grand Master, do hereby order and direct, that effective until March 31, 2027, any Particular Lodge in our Grand Jurisdiction that desires to reinstate a suspended Brother without payment of past dues, may do so by adopting the attached Resolution, which adopted Resolution **must be returned to the Grand Secretary's Office over the Seal of the Lodge, in order to be effective.** And, if adopted, I hereby waive the provisions of Regulations 27.09 and Regulation 27.14 concerning the payment of past Per Capita Tax including the Per Capita Tax for 2026 due to the Grand Lodge. These Brothers may be reinstated according to the provisions of Regulation 27.13 of the Digest of Masonic Law and the payment of current year's dues.

DONE AND ORDERED at Orlando, Florida, this 28th day of May A.L. 6026, A.D. 2026.


Jeffrey S. Foster, P.G.M., Grand Secretary


Haskell R. Vest, Jr., Grand Master

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in the spirit of Masonic Brotherhood, it is the desire of _____
Lodge No. _____ F. & A.M., to reinstate those Brothers who have been suspended for Non-
Payment of Dues; and

WHEREAS, M.: W.: Haskell R. Vest, Jr., Grand Master of Masons in Florida, has issued an
Executive Order, waiving the Grand Lodge per capita tax for the year of suspension and the year
2026 for a Brother who is restored to membership by paying his current year's dues; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Lodge to waive past dues and reinstatement fees for a Brother
who is reinstated under this Executive Order.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that until rescinded by this Lodge or until March 31, 2027,
whichever occurs earlier, a Brother of this Lodge who has been suspended for Non-Payment of
Dues may be restored to membership by applying for reinstatement and being elected according
to the provisions of Regulation 27.13 of the Digest of the Masonic Law of Florida, and this Lodge
agrees to waive past dues, and any By-Law Provisions in conflict are hereby set aside until the
above mentioned date.

Adopted by action of the Lodge on the _____ day of _____ 20____.

Worshipful Master

Secretary

(Lodge Seal)

A Vote will be held to either accept or reject on September 14, A : L:6026 A. D. 2026

Brothers All,

The invitations for this year's GMOV are published. The Grand Master's Official Visit is a celebration! A time to honor our Most Worshipful Grand Master, the elected and appointed Grand Line Officers, and, most importantly, the "Tremendous" 24th Masonic District.

This year, we are trying something new by pairing our official visit with a special joint town hall:

Friday, September 11, 2026 Grand Master's Official Visit

- Location: Tropical Lodge
- Registration: 5:30 PM
- Supper Served: 6:30 PM
- Please register on Eventbrite. To properly obtain accurate headcounts this step is necessary. There is no direct fee to attend but if you are not registered no food will be prepared for you, and we don't want anyone to go hungry. Please help us by registering as SOON as possible.

Saturday, September 12, 2026 Joint District Town Hall (Districts 23 & 24)

- Location: Punta Gorda Lodge (25439 Airport Rd, Punta Gorda)
- There is plenty of parking across the street, we have been granted permission from the neighbors to use their parking lots
- Light Refreshments: 8:00 AM
- Town Hall Begins: 9:00 AM
 - Led by Most Worshipful Grand Master Haskell R. Vest, Jr.

Town Hall Expectations & Attire

- Dress Code: Business Casual (jeans or slacks with a collared shirt). **Strictly NO shorts and NO flip-flops.**
- This meeting is an opportunity to have a candid conversation on the level with the Grand Master and elected Grand Line Officers. Air concerns, ask about the future, and offer up new ideas.

Strong attendance at this Town Hall is critical to the future growth and overall health of our fraternity. Your voice matters, so please make every effort to participate!

I sincerely hope everyone can attend the GMOV. We all work hard throughout the year, and it is always a pleasure to gather with friends and brothers from across the state. Enjoying each other's fellowship is fantastic, but the work we are doing this weekend is genuinely vital to our Craft.

Please add both of these dates to your calendar today.

Thank you so much, my Brothers, for everything that you do for your lodges and our district.

Respectfully and fraternally,
R.:W.: Jeff Zimmerman, DDGM, 2026
District 24