

TRESTLE BOARD



MERRITT ISLAND LODGE, No. 353

Free and Accepted Masons
Chartered April 28, 1966

STATED COMMUNICATION: 1st and 3rd Monday of the Month
Supper starts at 6:30 P.M. and meeting beings at 7:30 P.M.

RITUAL PRACTICE: Every Thursday of the Month

Fellowship and Receipt of Petitions at 6:30 P.M. Practice begins at 7:00 P.M.



Upcoming Events

JULY 4: MERRITT ISLAND 4TH OF JULY PARADE
JULY 7: STATED COMMUNICATION
JULY 12: MASTERS AND WARDENS
JULY 21: STATED COMMUNICATION
(DDGM OFFICIAL VISIT)



2025 LODGE OFFICERS

WORSHIPFUL MASTER	GEORGE C. GASPARD	(321) 412-0698
SENIOR WARDEN	AUSTIN D. COWART	(321) 271-6219
JUNIOR WARDEN	R.: W.: GREG DAVIS	(321) 383-1407
TREASURER	W.: JAMES CRAVENS	(312) 927-4651
SECRETARY	ZACH M. WALTERS	(904) 891-6120
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SENIOR STEWARD	MICHAEL E. LESTER	(321) 458-8012
JUNIOR STEWARD	JAMES L. ZUHLKE	(321) 537-7210
TYLER	R.: W.: THOMAS R. KRUSE	(321) 544-8440
CHAPLAIN	W.: JAMES E. HAWKINS	(732) 239-7271
MARSHALL	W.: JASON B. ESTES	(321) 514-0911
MUSICIAN	JAMES R. HOUGH	(321) 750-3520

2025 COMMITTEES

ACTIVITIES & EVENTS: AUSTIN COWART, R.:W.: GREG DAVIS

BOARD OF RELIEF: W.: M.: GEORGE GASPARD, W.: JAMES HAWKINS

CHARITY: W.: M.: GEORGE GASPARD, W.: JAMES HAWKINS

COMMUNICATIONS: W.:M.: GEORGE GASPARD, JOHN CROSSER

FINANCE: AUSTIN COWART, ZACH WALTERS

INVESTIGATION: W.: M.: GEORGE GASPARD, AS NEEDED

LODGE PROPERTY: R.:W.: GREG DAVIS, JAMES ZUHLKE

MASONIC EDUCATION: W.: JAMES HAWKINS, EUGENE FILIPOWICZ

MEMBER WELL-BEING: W.: JAMES HAWKINS, EUGENE FILIPOWICZ

PETITIONS: R.:W.: GREG DAVIS, R.: W.: TOM KRUSE

VIGILANCE: R.:W.: GREG DAVIS, W.: JAMES HAWKINS

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT: W.:M.: GEORGE GASPARD, AS NEEDED

PAST MASTERS

1966 LOUIS H. SCOTT
1967 DOUGLAS MCLAIN
1968 E.L. "LANK" GREEN (1)
1969 HARRY A. HENDRY (1)
1970 ALFRED N. KEE
1971 JESSIE L. ENGLISH
1972 CLINTON E. DUNN
1973 BERYL E. CLEMENTS
1974 J. LAMAR RICHARDSON
1975 ULMER CLELAND
1976 PERRY M. ROGERS
1977 VERNON G. HITCHCOCK
1978 JOHN C. ALEXANDER
1979 BORIS Y. SKORO
1980 A. ARNOLD WAGNER
1981 WILSON R. TIMMONS
1982 WILLIAM A. CLAUS
1983 CYRIL J. CHUPINA
1984 JEFFREY F. WHITE (1)
1985 VIRGIL P. BROWN
1986 CARL GOFF (1)
1987 WILLIAM JOE QUERRY
1988 LLOYD C. BLACKWOOD (1)
1989 JAMES D. RATCLIFFE
1990 JOHN C. SMITH (1, 2)
1991 WILLIAM G. ELLIS (1,2,3)
1992 WILLIAM L. SCHROEDER
1993 WILLIAM R. STOCKMAN
1994 MICHAEL D. HAWORTH
1995 RICHARD A. WOLFE (1,4)
1996 THOMAS W. STEWART
1997 PAUL D. AMOS

1998 ROBERT L. DUFF
1999 DANIEL E. FITCH
2000 FRANKLIN L. GLENN
2001 BARRY R. SCHAFER
2002 SABATO "SAM" DANIELE
2003 RAYMOND C. ASHMAN
2004 MICHAEL J. MCAFEE
2005 PATRICK KELLY CORRIDAN
2006 JOHN F. MILLHOUSE
2007 JAMES "JIM" STRICKLAND
2008 EUGENE C. "GENE" CRAWFORD
2009 STEVEN B. WALDEN (1,3,4)
2010 THOMAS R. KRUSE (1, 2)
2011 JAMES E. "JIMMY" HAWKINS
2012 MICHAEL L. ELLIOTT (1,2,4)
2013 JOHN MICHAEL BAUERNFEIND
2014 ALVIN "CHIP" GIPSON
2015 JOHN E. WINCHESTER, III
2016 MICHAEL CHRISTOPHER DAVIS
2017 JAMES K. CHARLAND
2018 MICHAEL J. OVENS
2019 EIRIK HOLBERT
2020 DONALD B. VARGAS
2021 DUSTIN A. CELESTIN
2022 RICHARD J. CRAVENS
2023 MICHAEL B. KELLY
2024 JASON B. ESTES

(1) PAST DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER (2) PAST DISTRICT INSTRUCTOR
(3) PAST GRAND LODGE OFFICER (4) GRAND REPRESENTATIVE



MESSAGE FROM THE THREE PILLARS

GREETINGS BRETHREN,

WOW, WHAT A MONTH?! THANK YOU TO W:. BARRY SCHAFER AND W:. RICHARD SCHULZE FOR AN OUTSTANDING PRESENTATION ON THE HISTORY OF THE AMERICAN FLAG! IT WAS ENLIGHTENING AND WONDERFULLY PRESENTED. ALSO, THANK YOU TO OYSTER SHOOTERS RAW BAR AND GRILL FOR HOSTING AN OUTSTANDING ST. JOHN'S DAY FESTIVE BOARD. IT WAS AN EVENING OF FUN, FELLOWSHIP, AND DELICIOUS FOOD!

UPCOMING, WE WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN THE MERRITT ISLAND INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE ON FRIDAY, JULY 4, 2025. FLOAT DECORATION WILL BEGIN ON THURSDAY, JULY 3, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO PUTTING FORTH A FLOAT AND REPRESENTATION OF MASONRY TO BE PROUD OF. WE WILL ASSEMBLE ON JULY 4TH AT THE LODGE AT 07:45 AND TRANSIT TO THE STAGING AREA SHORTLY THEREAFTER. THE PARADE BEGINS PROMPTLY AT 10:00 A.M. WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE A PACKED FLOAT WITH BROTHERS AND FAMILY TO HELP US CELEBRATE THE NATION'S 249TH BIRTHDAY!

WE WILL ALSO BE RECEIVING R:W:. CRAIG R. BOETTCHER, DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER OF THE THUNDERING 17TH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR HIS FIRST OFFICIAL VISIT TO MERRITT ISLAND LODGE ON JULY 21, 2025. PLEASE COME OUT TO CELEBRATE AND WELCOME OUR DEAR BROTHER DDGM!

FINALLY, AS ALWAYS, PLEASE KEEP YOUR EYES ON THE TEAMREACH APPLICATION!! TEAMREACH HAS OUR CALENDAR OF EVENTS ON IT AND ALL LODGE EVENTS ARE COMMUNICATED VIA THE APPLICATION. IF YOU HAVE NOT YET JOINED OUR GROUP, PLEASE CONTACT THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER OR BRO. S:. W:. COWART FOR ACCESS!

FRATERNALLY YOURS,
YOUR THREE PILLARS

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

BRO. STAN SMITH PASSED TO THE CELESTIAL LODGE ABOVE ON FRIDAY, JUNE 27, 2025. (SERVICE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW), AND ALL THOSE WHO GO UNSPOKEN.

Brethren,

Remember that it is incumbent upon us to keep our sick or distressed brothers and sisters in our thoughts and prayers.

CHARITY

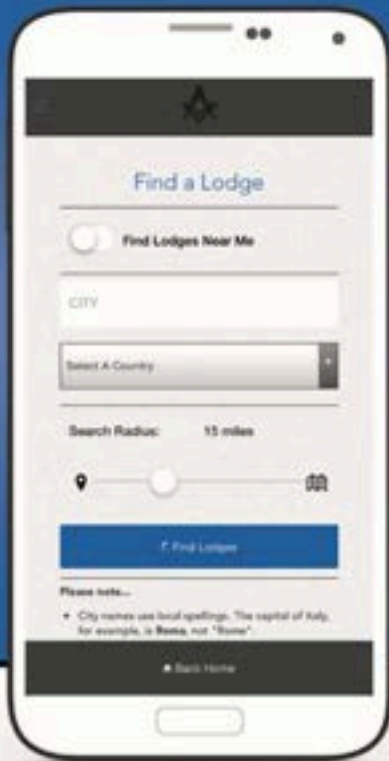
Brethren,

In contemplating that great moral charge of Charity, it is imperative that we remember that it is incumbent upon us to give as liberally as our brother's necessities require and our abilities permit.

PETITIONS & PROGRESS

Bro. Victor Anderson has petitioned for reinstatement after suspension. An investigation committee has been formed. A vote will be held at a future communication.

Bro. Thomas Castellucci has petitioned for reinstatement after suspension. An investigation committee has been formed. A vote will be held at a future communication.



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JAMES APPLEBY	GLENN FANNIN	JACOB MELLINGER	JOHN SULLIVAN
CHARLES ASHFORD	CLINT FARLEY	BENJAMIN MILES	MICHAEL SWEENEY
RAYMOND ASHMAN	DANIEL FITCH	JOHN MILLHOUSE	JOHN THOMAS
CHARLES BISHOP, JR.	DENNIS FITCH	KERRY MOSS	JOHN TOMME, SR.
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LLOYD BLACKWOOD	GEORGE GASPARD	HERMAN MURARIU	WILLIAM VON PLOENNIES
VIRGIL BROWN, JR.	MICHAEL GIBSON	DONALD NEAD	STEVEN WALDEN
WALTER BRYAN	FRANKLIN GLENN	EDMUND PERESLUHA, II	ANTHONY WANGER
WALTER BRYAN, II	CARL GOFF	MITCHELL PORTER	JOHN WAYNE
RICHARD BURBANK	ROSS GOODFELLOW	RONALD PURCELL	BRIAN WELSH
HOLLACE CHASTAIN	ELMER GREEN	JAMES RATCLIFFE	JEFFREY WHITE
GLENN CHURCH	JAMES HAWKINS	C VIDYA REDDY	RALPH WILKIE
WILLIAM CLAUS	JAMES HAWKINS, JR.	RALPH RICE, SR.	JEFFREY WOLFE
PHILIP COHEN	MICHAEL HAWORTH	ARVIN ROBERSON	RICHARD WOLFE
MICHAEL COLLINS	WILLIAM HEADLEY	ELWYN ROBINSON	JOHN ZUHLKE
NICHOLAS COLTON, SR.	VERNON HITCHCOCK	PERRY ROGERS	
ROBERT COVEL, JR.	EIRIK HOLBERT	OLLIE ROSE	
GEORGE COWART, SR.	EDWARD HOPPER	THOMAS SAVAGE	
RICHARD CRAVENS, JR.	JAMES HOUGH, JR.	WILLIAM SCHROEDER	
EUGENE CRAWFORD	OLIVER IRLAM	LOUIS SCOTT	
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MICHAEL ELLIOTT	STEPHEN MANGUM	CLAYTON SOREY	
RICHARD ELLIS	JOHN MARKLE	ROBERT SOWDEN, SR.	
WILLIAM ELLIS, JR.	WILBURN MCCLELLAN	GREGORY STEPHENS	
LAURENCE ESKELL	KEITH MCGREGOR	CURTIS STICKLE	

BIRTHDAYS

JEFFREY WOLFE
JACOB RICHARDSON, JR.
MICHAEL KELLY
CHRISTOPHER HILL
EDWARD HOPPER
KENNETH BALL
JOHN PANICCIA
DONALD VARGAS
OLLIE ROSE
JOHN KRUTZ

JOHN HEATHERLY
DANIEL FITCH
THOMAS BLABEY
JOHN BOLDING
TIMOTHY LISTON
MICHAEL GIBSON
JASON ESTES
MICHAEL OVENS
PHILIP PERRY

