

Holyrood Lodge # 257 Free and Accepted Masons

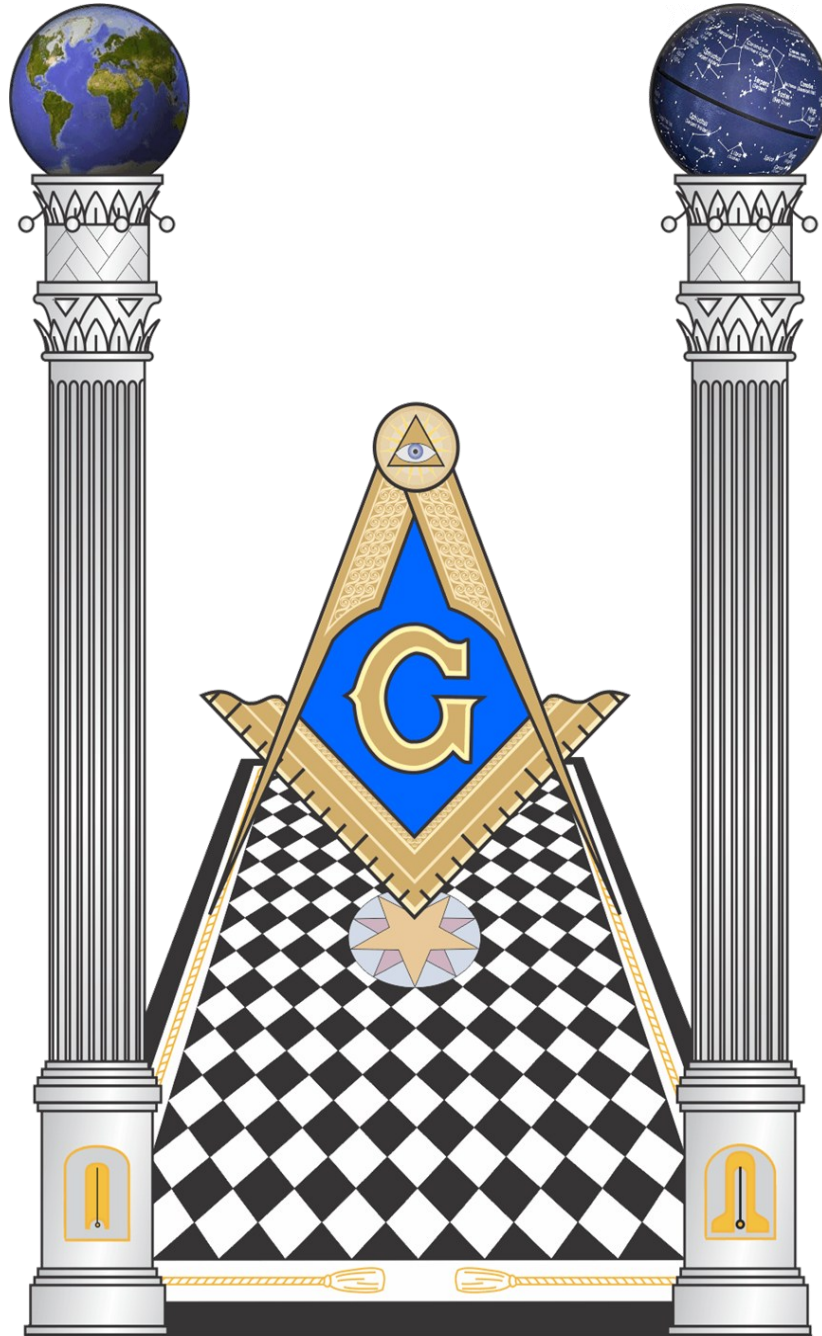
April 2026

Stated Communion 2nd Thursday at 7:30 PM

Education and ritual practice 3rd Thursday at 7:30 PM

Dinner at 6:30 PM

Family Night 5th Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM



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## Officers of Holyrood Lodge for 2026

Worshipful Master Jeff Agan [aganjeff@gmail.com](mailto:aganjeff@gmail.com) 808-384-6908

SR Warden Jamal Redfurn PM

JR Warden Jason Stuber

SR Deacon Scott McAlister PM, PDI, PDDGM

JR Deacon Larry O'Leary

Treasurer Bradford Lydon

Secretary Robert Welch [secretary@holyroodlodge.com](mailto:secretary@holyroodlodge.com)

SR Steward Eduardo Calderon

JR Steward James "Jamie" Lowrance

Tyler

Chaplin Paul Ippolito

Marshal Stan Dennison Jr.

## April Birthday

Michael Johnson	2nd
Brian Letavay	2nd
WB Frank Dyer III	10th
Eduardo Calderon	21st
Steve Bennett	24th

## From the East



### SYMBOLS OF THE APPRENTICE

Each of the symbols, emblems, and allegories of the First Degree has a meaning, which contains a lesson of the degree. The length of the cable-tow is frequently referred to in the language of Freemasonry. Formerly a cable-tow was deemed to be the distance a man could travel in an hour, which was assumed to be about three miles. Today, this is any reasonable distance from which a summons may be answered, health and business permitting. Each Mason is bound to all other Masons by a tie as long and as strong as he determines that his ability permits.

All through Masonry you will find that light has a great symbolic meaning. Before your Initiation you were in darkness concerning Masonry, but later you were partially enlightened; and in this sense light is a means of discovery.

The Three Great Lights in Masonry are the Holy Bible, Square, and the Compass. The Holy Bible represents the will of God as understood by man, the Square is the emblem of virtue, and the Compass signifies moral and spiritual life.

The Word and Grip are our means of recognition when among strangers and in distant places.

The Rite of Salutation, the respectful salute given by candidates and members, is a means of signifying their acceptance of the authority of the principal officers.

The Worshipful Master is a symbol, as well as the executive officer of the lodge. His title signifies that he has by service, training, and responsibility, earned the reverence, respect, and obedience of the brethren.

The Lambskin or White Leather Apron is an emblem of innocence and is the distinctive badge of a Mason. As a badge of a Mason, the apron signifies that Masons are workers and builders, not drones or destroyers.

## From the East



The Northeast Corner was traditionally the place where the cornerstone of a building was laid. You, an Entered Apprentice, one of the noblest symbols of the Craft, stood there as a cornerstone of the future Craft.

The twenty-four inch gauge and common gavel are the Working Tools of an Entered Apprentice and represent the moral and spiritual virtues, habits, and forces by which a man reshapes the crude and often stubborn materials of his nature to adjust himself to the requirements of human society.

We have the lodge:

The 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday for Catechism

Every Thursday for Lodge. With the 2<sup>nd</sup> being the stated meeting night. The 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday being family night. And three special event nights.

Fraternally,

Worshipful *Jeff Agan*



## Upcoming events for March 2026

- 4th MLT and School of Instruction John Darling Masonic Center 6 PM  
9th Scottish Rite Consistory meeting  
11th Egypt Shrine stated meeting 6 PM  
12th Holyrood Stated Meeting  
19th FC Degree Practice 6 PM  
26th FC Degree Practice 6 PM  
23rd Hillsborough Master Mason Association meeting at Egypt Shrine 6:30 PM  
25th Tampa Scottish Rite Club meeting 11:30 AM Village in Dale Marby  
27th Tampa-Ivanhoe Commandery 6:30 PM dinner 7:30 PM School of Instruction  
28th Zone School of Instruction John Darling Masonic Center 9 AM—12 PM

## April Masonic Anniversary

Willie Chaffin Jr.	12th
Josef Means	15th
Rand Gray	17th
Charles Olson	20th
Elmer Gustafson	24th
Thomas Edwards II	24th
Paul Ippolito	25th
Drew Davis	28th
Brian Letavay	28th

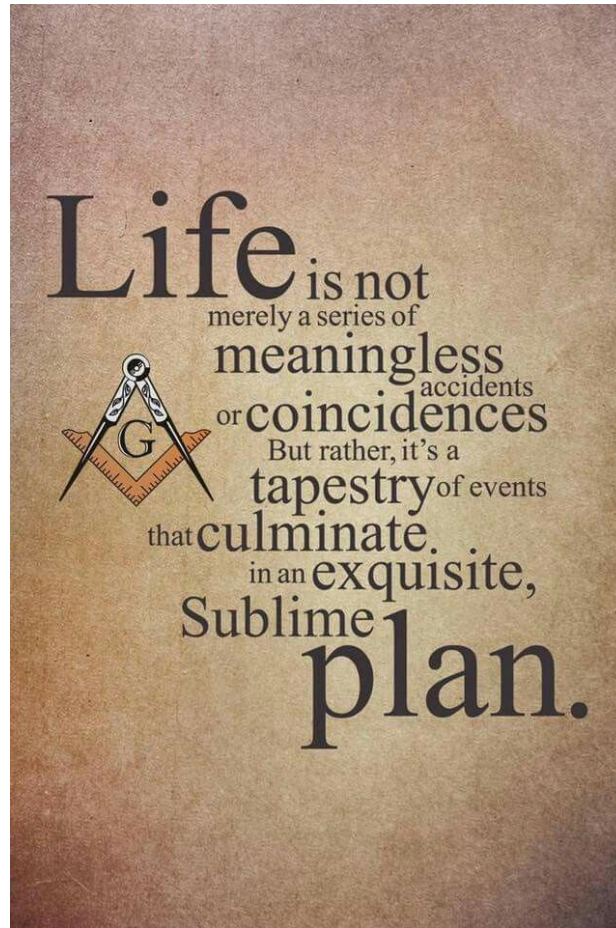
## Holyrood Lodge Committees 2026

Committee	Chairman	Member	Member	Member	Member	Member
Finance	Jamal Redfurn	Jason Stuber	Bradford Lydon	Stan Dennison		
Vigilance	Jason Stuber	Bradford Lydon	Stan Dennison			
Petitions	Scott McAlister	Jamal Redfurn	Paul Ippolito	Larry O'Leary	Ben Dobson	
Masonic Education	Scott McAlister	Jason Stuber	Ben Dobson	Paul Ippolito	Jamal Redfurn	Master Wardens
Mentor	Scott McAlister	Jeff Agan	Paul Ippolito			
Board of Relief	Jeff Agan	Jamal Redfurn	Jason Stuber			
Investigation	Jeff Agan	Paul Ippolito	Larry O'Leary	Robert Welch	Vasilos Nenos	Ben Dobson
Lodge Property	Robert Welch	Scott McAlister	Jason Stuber	Stan Dennison		
Contact Committee	Jeff Agan	Jamal Redfurn	Paul Ippolito			
Charity	Jeff Agan	Jamal Redfurn	Jason Stuber			
Renewal	Jeff Agan	Luiz Bisacchi	Larry O'Leary	Robert Welch	Vasilos Nenos	

### Charities/ donor list

We need to look at what Charities or Charity we wish to support the year.

# From the West



## Holyrood's Past Masters

- |                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| *1926 Frank P. Townsend             | *1971 Moses P. Taylor                     |
| *1927 Frank P. Townsend             | 1972 Julio F. Jimenez                     |
| *1928 Alexander Steuart             | *1973 George I. Crawford                  |
| *1929 William W. Trice              | 1974 Robert Groh (D)                      |
| *1930 Russell S. Bogue Sr.          | *1975 Homer E Brooks Jr.                  |
| *1931 John P. Shaddick              | *1976 Miguel Cuervo Sr                    |
| *1932 Roland Wilson Jr.             | *1977 Julio R. Jimenez                    |
| *1933 George T Taylor, <b>PGM</b>   | 1978 Timothy M. Badger (D)                |
| *1934 Louis C. McClure Sr.          | 1979 Raul A. Reyes <b>PDDGM</b>           |
| *1935 Frank P. Townsend             | *1980 James Bryant                        |
| *1935 Carl B. Smith                 | 1981 David N. Smith                       |
| *1936 Riley J McMaster <b>PDDGM</b> | 1982 Miguel Cuevo Sr. (D)                 |
| *1937 Charles A. Lewis              | *1983 Angelo LaMariana                    |
| *1938 George T. Taylor <b>PGM</b>   | *1984 Steve Van Hooser                    |
| *1939 Carroll C. Copp               | *1985 Conrad W. Weber                     |
| *1940 Charles A. Davis              | 1986 Terry R. Chillura                    |
| *1941 Charles H. Ross               | 1987 David R. Meade, <b>PDDGM</b>         |
| *1942 Henry Giddens JR.             | *1988 Richard Dickensheets                |
| *1943 Douglas L. Clark              | *1989 Joseph D. Coster                    |
| *1944 Malcom McKinley               | *1990 James P. Blasingame                 |
| *1945 Louis L. McClure              | 1991 John k. Lane, <b>PDI</b>             |
| *1946 Herschell Anderson            | 1992 Frank M Dyer III, <b>PDDGM</b>       |
| *1947 William Hunsinger             | 1993 Terry J. Mohr                        |
| *1948 Clarence C. Hoppe             | 1994 Frank M. Dyer III, <b>PDDGM</b>      |
| *1949 Charles H. Ross               | *1995 James P. Blasingham                 |
| *1950 Mason B. Hunt                 | *1996 Robert F. Springston                |
| *1951 Hon Trussell                  | 1997 Scott McAlister <b>PDI, PDDGM</b>    |
| *1952 Henry T. LaMotte              | *1998 Glen E. Bailey                      |
| *1953 Fred M. Bodden                | *1999 John E. Jackson                     |
| *1954 Edgar B. Walters              | *2000 B. Hugh Will                        |
| *1955 Carlos A. Rodrigues           | *2001 Glen E Biley                        |
| *1956 Norman M. Johnson             | 2002 -----                                |
| *1957 Louis F. Townsend             | *2003 Jeffrey Gruber                      |
| *1958 Walker L. Newton              | 2004 -----                                |
| *1959 John W. Brigger               | 2005 James F. (Robby) Robertson Sr.       |
| *1960 Erwin G. Leiss                | 2006 Paul B Bardua                        |
| *1961 Vernon Bland                  | 2007 Jason T. Lewis                       |
| *1962 John R. Manning               | 2008 Derek A. Free                        |
| *1963 Edward W. Netscher            | 2009 Thomas Edwards II <b>PDDGM</b>       |
| *1964 Charles C. Palmer             | 2010 Robert Lambert <b>PDDGM, PGM (D)</b> |
| *1965 James C. Starling             | 2011 Luiz A. Bisacchi                     |
| *1966 Coy B. Melvin                 | 2012 Stephan Korda                        |
| *1967 Robert O. Baker               | 2013 Michael H. Goldman <b>PDI, PDDGM</b> |
| *1968 Harry L. Combs                | 2014 Juan F. Giraldo                      |
| *1969 George W. Allegar             | 2015 Thomas Mitchell                      |
| 1970 Francis F. Bateman             | 2016 Juan F. Giraldo                      |

## Holyrood's Past Masters continued

2017 -----

2018 Robert Davis IV

2019 Donn Taylor (D)

2020 Benjamin Dobson

2021 Channing Applegarth

2022 Jamal Redfurn

2023 David Anderson

2024 Kenneth Tutor (D)

2025 Jeff Agan

### **Affiliated**

Henry A. Balestrieri

\*Theodore Betley

Rand I. Gray

\*Tom Van DeGrift

\*Thomas P. Walden

\* Joseph Caramato

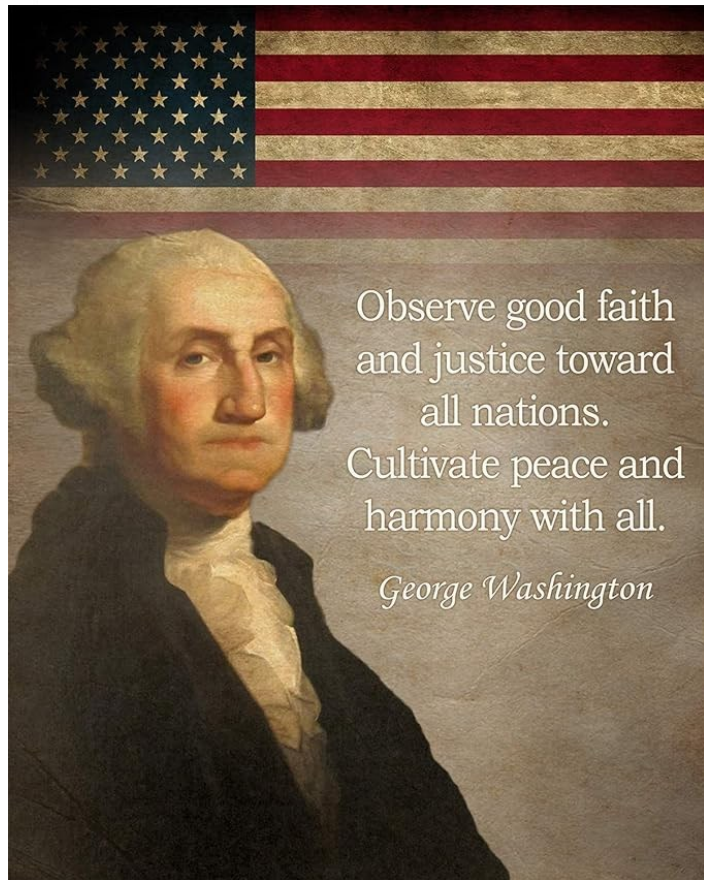
\*-Deceased

D- Demitted

## From the South



Greetings Brethren,



Observe good faith  
and justice toward  
all nations.  
Cultivate peace and  
harmony with all.

*George Washington*

Fraternally,  
Bro Jason Stuber  
Junior Warden



## **Masonic monthly history**

### **April**

6<sup>th</sup> International Order of Rainbow Girls Founded 1922

24<sup>th</sup> BR Theodore Roosevelt was raised a master mason in Matinecock Lodge NY 1901

# King Solomon's Crown February Stated Meeting 2026

1. The Annual Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge of Florida must be held? (Art IV, Sec 1)

- A. at a date set by the Grand Master
- B. Between April 1st and June 30th
- C. At a Place set by the Grand Master
- D. All of the above

2. In balloting For Grand Lodge Officers, if there be but one (1) Officer or proxy present can he cast three votes? (Art III, Sec 2)

- A. Yes  B. No

3. Balloting for Initiation, Passing, Raising and membership must obtain at least 3/4ths vote approval. (Art X, Sec 16)

- A. True  B. False

4. The jurisdiction of The Grand Lodge of Florida extends to states, provinces, or territories in which no Grand Lodge exists, therefore, the Grand Lodge of Florida can Charter Lodges in these areas. (Art 1, Sec 2)

- A. True  B. False

5. Rulings & Decisions set forth within the Digest are irrevocable, and permanently Binding. (Chap 1, Sec 1.01)

- A. True  B. False

6. Particular Lodges are at liberty to instruct their Masters and Wardens as how to vote on pending issues in an upcoming Annual Grand Communications. (Chap 1, Sec 1.11 Art. X)

- A. True  B. False

7. The Worshipful Master appoints all subordinate Officers of the Lodge, but the Senior Warden has the nomination of the Junior Deacon. (Chap 19, Gen. Prov.)

- A. True  B. False

8. The Worshipful Master has the authority to remove any Appointed Officer for any reason. (Chap 19, Sec 19.14)

- A. True  B. False

9. If a Brother becomes disorderly the Master can have him removed from the Lodge. (Chap 20, Sec 20.07)

- A. True  B. False

10. The Treasurer is the custodian of the Lodge funds even when only held in trust. (Chap 22, Sec 22.02)

- A. True  B. False

**Widow's Son Visit February Stateed Meeting 2026**

# Masonic Home Corky's Cupboard Wish List



## Masonic Home *of Florida*

### Corky's Cupboard Wish List

*(New items only, please)*

Cologne or body spray (men & women)  
Tissues (Cube Boxes)  
Body lotion (men's & women's)  
Lipstick (Reds, Pink, Neutral)  
Face Powder  
Blush (Pinks, Neutrals)  
Emery boards / nail clippers  
Electric Razors  
Jewelry (all types of women's and men's)  
Postage stamps  
Cash donations  
Gift Cards to: Walmart, Walgreens, CVS, Target etc.

**Send donations to: The Masonic Home of Florida  
3201 1<sup>st</sup> St. N.E. St. Petersburg, FL 33704**

**Rev:10/17/23**

# Masonic Home Donation Application

## Donate Now

### Choose an amount to donate

\$50.00

\$100.00

\$150.00

\$250.00

Custom amount

### Choose a fund type

- General Donation (Any Amount)
- Memory Garden Plaque\* (\$150)
- Masonic Home Endowment Fund
- First Lady's Project
- Corky's Cupboard
- Tree of Life Gold Leaf\* (\$100)
- Courtyard Brick\* (\$50)
- Grand Master's Charity
- Let your Pennies Make Good Cents (LYPMGC)
- Resident Treat Fund

### Personal info

Full Name \*

First Name

Last Name

Email \*

Phone Number

Address

Street Address

Address Line 2

City

State / Province

ZIP / Postal Code

### \* Engraving Notation (Only for plaque, brick, leaf donation)

Memorialization \*

Name/Dedication \*

0 of 112 max characters

### Payment type

Amount of your donation

\$0.00



Please keep my donation confidential.

Donate now

Donate | Masonic Home of Florida

<https://masonichomefl.com/donate/>







# The Masonic Low Twelve Club of Tampa

## APPLICATON

The Masonic Low Twelve Club of Tampa

P.O. Box 260157

Tampa, Fl. 33685-0157

The Masonic Low Twelve Club of Tampa is a Benefit Fund organized for Master Masons, whose membership, including dual memberships, is in a Masonic Lodge in Hillsborough County, Florida, the object of which is to provide, immediately upon the death of a member in good standing, of said Low Twelve Club, a sum of money equal to \$1,500.00

Only Master Masons in good standing in their respective Masonic Lodge, no over 65 years of age at last birthday, and in good health at time of applying for membership, are eligible and may become members of said Masonic Low Twelve Club. Annual dues are \$100.00 payable at \$25.00 quarterly.

I hereby make application for membership / reinstatement in the Masonic Low Twelve Club of Tampa. I am \_\_\_\_\_ years of age, in good health and a member in good standing of

\_\_\_\_\_ Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_.

I hereby name: \_\_\_\_\_ whose relationship is \_\_\_\_\_ as beneficiary. Ad-  
dress: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby name: \_\_\_\_\_ whose relationship is \_\_\_\_\_

as my second beneficiary. Ad-  
dress: \_\_\_\_\_

Print your  
name: \_\_\_\_\_

Ad-  
dress: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Sign name in  
full: \_\_\_\_\_

Application approved  
by: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Holyrood Palace



Holyrood Lodge was named after Holyrood Palace founded 1128 AD in Edinburgh Scotland, where several of our founding brothers hailed from in Scotland. This area is where the crowning of Scottish Kings took place and is shown in its current state.

