

Holyrood Lodge # 257 Free and Accepted Masons

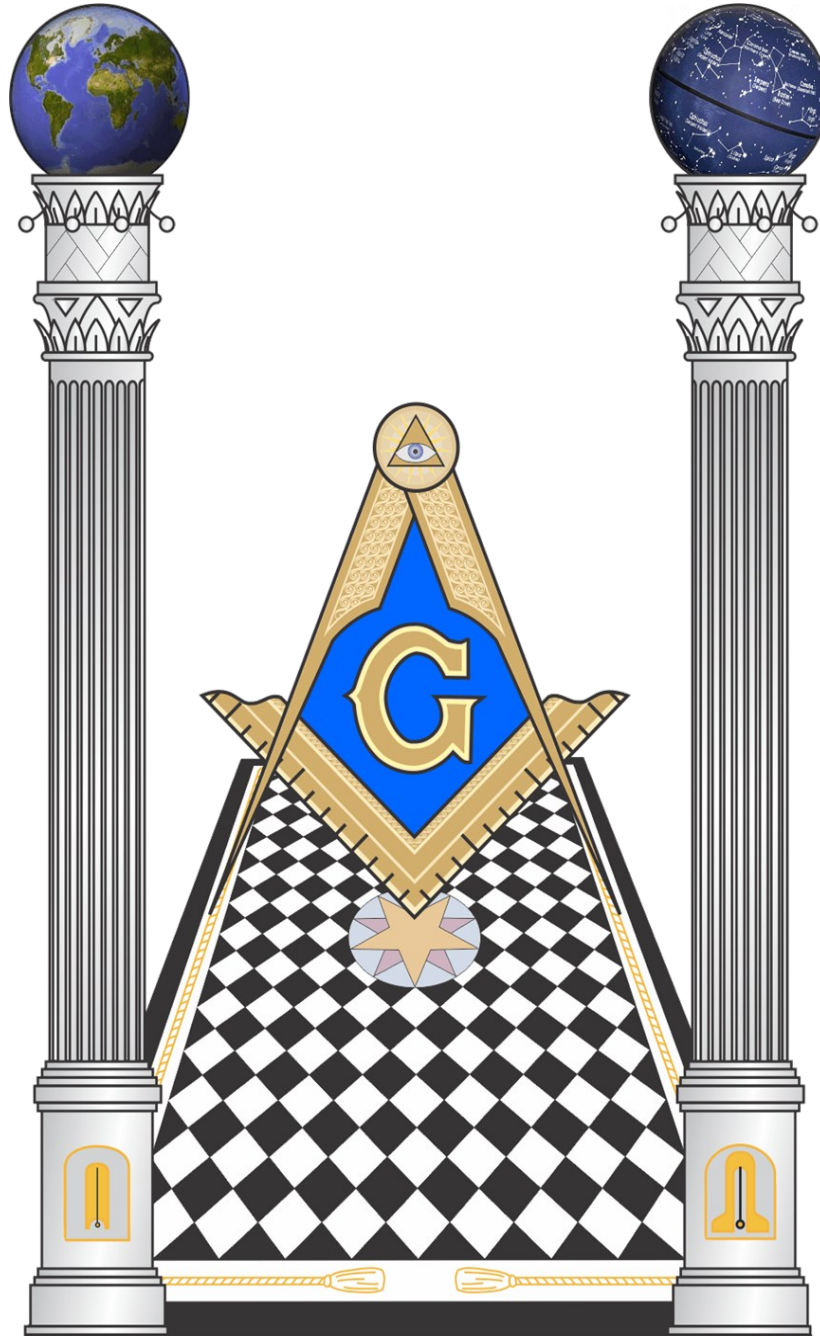
May 2026

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

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SR Steward Eduardo Calderon

JR Steward James "Jamie" Lowrance

Tyler

Chaplin Paul Ippolito

Marshal Stan Dennison Jr.

## May Birthday

Thomas Edward II	1st
WB David Smith	4th
Joseph Osborne Jr.	6th
Connie Simmons	10th
Dean Ontiveros	17th
Paul Ringer	21st
Michael Bush	23rd
Helmer Flores	23rd
WB Robert Davis IV	26th
Duane Scott Jr.	30th

## From the East



### FELLOW CRAFT DEGREE

On being Passed to the degree of a Fellow Craft. As a new Fellow Craft you need to return to the lodge hall and walk through the process of your Passing with your mentor. You should be conducted to the several Stations and he should explain their significance. You also need to be instructed in the pass, token of the pass, grip, and word of the degree. Any questions you may have concerning the degree can be addressed at this time.

#### **What are Your Rights as a Fellow Craft?**

As Fellow Craft you have the right to sit in your lodge when it is opened on either the Fellow Craft or Entered Apprentice Degree. You may also visit another lodge opened on the Fellow Craft or Entered Apprentice Degree with permission of its Worshipful Master, provided that a brother is present who has sat in open lodge with you and will vouch for you.

#### **What does the term a “Fellow Craft” mean?**

In operative masonry, those just beginning to learn their craft were apprenticed to a master craftsman. They received no wages except for their food, clothing, and sleeping quarters. If they showed sufficient skill, they were entered, usually after about three years. After seven more years, if they displayed sufficient skill, were made Fellow Crafts. This meant they could work on their own. In speculative Masonry, after the Entered Apprentice has demonstrated the required knowledge and proficiency, he will be Passed to the Fellow Craft Degree.

#### **What are the basic teachings of the Second Degree?**

The Fellow Craft Degree symbolizes the prime years of manhood and your attendant responsibility during your life on earth. During these years, you acquire knowledge and apply this knowledge to the building of your character and to improving the society in which you live. In the Ritual of the degree you, as Fellow Craft, are urged to advance your education in the liberal arts and sciences.

#### **The Preparation**

The changes in dress from an Entered Apprentice to a Fellow Craft have been explained in the ceremony. Gaining admission into the lodge was similar to the First Degree, with the addition of a pass and to ken, which were given for you by your conductor. The Fellow Craft degree teaches that knowledge is freely given toward gaining the privileges of Freemasonry, and that by the aid of others you are able to advance.

## From the East



### The Reception

You were received into the lodge on the angle of the square, and were told that the square should be a rule and guide in all your future transactions with mankind. A square meal (complete), a square deal (fair), and a square person (honest) are examples of this idea.

### The Obligation

The Obligation is the focal point of every degree and its solemnity is crucial. Each Fellow Craft pledges obedience, assistance, and protection to each other, binding us by a tie that should last our Masonic lifetime. The penalties have the same significance as those invoked in the First Degree and are symbolic rather than physical.

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

## May Masonic Anniversary

Stanley Dennison III.	1st
Kenneth Medley	12th
Connie Simmons	19th
Francis Bateman	20th
James Snapp	21st
Christopher Anderson	21st
WB Benjamin Dobson	24th
WB Stephan Korda	24th
Michael Bush	25th
Philip Caswell III	25th
Chester Pyle	25th
David Seals	25th
Eugene Le Floch	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

Collecting donations for local food shelf.

From the West



Life is not merely a series of meaningless accidents or coincidences. But rather, it's a tapestry of events that culminate in an exquisite, Sublime plan.

A Masonic symbol consisting of a square and compasses with a letter 'G' in the center.

## 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

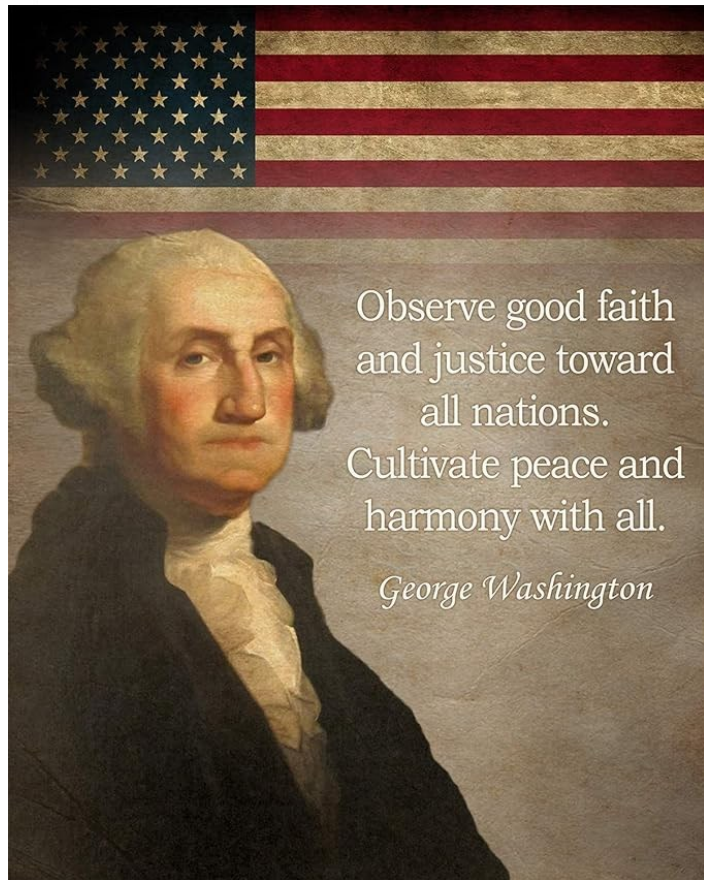
\*-Deceased

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**

### **May**

1<sup>st</sup> BR William McKinley was initiated in Hiram Lodge 21 VA 1865

22<sup>nd</sup> BR Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's Birthday 1859

31<sup>st</sup> Supreme Council 33<sup>rd</sup> degree Founded 1801

31<sup>st</sup> The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Florida Organized 1895

## Master Mason Question May 2026

11. The Lodge Secretary or Grand Secretary shall send dues notices to each member between October 15th and December 1st. (Chap 22, Sec 22.06)  A. True  B. False

12. Members of Particular Lodges must pay their dues to the Lodge Secretary annually. (Chap 27, Sec. 27.05 )  A. True  B. False

13. A member who is under charges by a Court can still pay his annual dues. (Chap 27, Sec 27.07 R&D)  A. True  B. False

14. All documentation concerning the sale or disposal of property must be signed by the Chairman of the Lodge Property Committee. (Chap 28, Sec 28.02)  A. True  B. False

15. Consumption of alcoholic beverages of any kind is strictly prohibited on Lodge property. (Chap 28, Sec 28.06 & 28.06.1)  A. True  B. false Revised 7/1/18 3

16. Memorial Lodges do not have to report changes of membership status and make Annual Returns at times prescribed. (Chap 46, Sec 46.09)  A. True  B. False

17. All proxies must be handed to the Committee on Returns and Credentials at or before roll call of Grand Lodge on the first day of session. (Chap 29, 29.02)  A. True  B. False

18. There are citizenship restrictions on candidates for the Degrees in Freemasonry. (Chap 31, Sec 31.03.1 R&D)  A. True  B. False

19. Particular Lodges may not print their own form of Petition for the Degrees, but must use the required form furnished by the Grand Secretary, or Grand Lodge. (Chap 33, Sec 33.02)  A. True  B. False

20. If a candidate of a Florida Lodge receives courtesy work in another Grand Jurisdiction that charges for coaching courtesy candidates, the candidate should pay the fee for such coaching. (Chap 39 R&D)  A. True  B. False

# DDGM visit April Stated Meeting 2026



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# April Family Night 2026



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# 40 Year Award



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

## Forty Year Certificate

Whereas

**Stanley Robert Dennison Jr**

A Master Mason of Holywood Lodge No. 257 of Tampa, Florida, was Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on the 10th Day of November, 1985, and has been active in Masonic service for more than Forty years,

Now Therefore, in grateful recognition of his forty years of devoted service and his loyalty to Masonry, and pursuant to the order of The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Florida, we do hereby issue this certificate of appreciation.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Grand Lodge to be hereto affixed.  
Dated at Jacksonville, Florida, this 16th Day of October, A.L. 6025, A.D. 2023



ATTEST:

*John J. [Signature]*  
Grand Secretary

*Paul [Signature]*  
Grand Master

# 40 Year Award



# April Family Night 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.

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# 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: \_\_\_\_\_

# FACEBOOK AND SOCIAL MEDIA



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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.

