



Masters and Wardens Association ***The Thundering 17th Masonic District***

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Meeting of: December 2, 2023

Location: Melbourne Lodge No. 143

Call to order by: Our President at 9:00 a.m. with 19 members present.

Our President led the Brothers in paying tribute to the Flag of our Country. Prayer was offered up by our Chaplin.

Introductions:

Grand Lodge Officers: 0

Past Presidents of M&W :3

State Chairmen: 1

Past District Instructors: 1

Zone 5 Committeemen: 0

Past District Deputies: 3

17th District Committeemen: 3

Past Masters: 12

Worshipful Masters 17th Dist.: 3

Shrine Officers: 1

Senior Wardens 17th Dist.: 3

Past Potentates: 0

Junior Wardens 17th Dist.: 2

District Instructor: Present

Past Grand Masters: 0

District Deputy Grand Master: Not Present

The Craft elected to accept the minutes as presented.
The Treasurer's report was presented before the Craft.

Bills Presented:

-None

Motion to pay Bills:

-None



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Correspondence:

-None

Fliers Distributed:

-None.

Sickness and Distress:

-See Lodge reports.

Old Business:

-The Cornerstone fund for Viera has raised the funds needed but we need to verify all funds turned in.
 -We are still raising funds for the Viera Middle School cornerstone scheduled for August of 2024.

New Business:

-Our President thanked everyone for their fundraising for the cornerstone at Viera High School.
 -Elections for our 2024 Officers were held and the results are as follows:

- President- W:. Wayne Paisley
- Vice President-Scott Sharp
- Treasurer- W:. Randy Klaus
- Secretary- R:.W:. John Paniccia
- Board Member 2 years- W:. James Jimmie Hawkins
- Board Member 2 years-W:. Richard Earls
- Board Member 1 year – W:. Darrell Schmitt
- Board Mmeber 1 year – R:.W:. Ben Schwartz

Table of Installations- 2023

<u>Lodge</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
Indian River No. 90	Jan 6, 2024	2:00- p.m.
Brevard Lodge No.113	Dec. 27, 2023	7:30 p.m.
Melbourne Lodge No.143	Dec. 28,2023	6:00 p.m.
Harbor City Lodge No.318	Jan. 13, 2024	10:00 a.m.
Canaveral Lodge No.339	Jan. 6,2024	10:00 a.m.
Merritt Island Lodge No.353	Jan. 6, 2024	6:00 p.m.



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Beach Lodge No. 354	Jan. 2, 2024	7:30 p.m. (CLOSED)
Gateway Lodge No.384	Jan. 13, 2024	1:00 p.m.
Palm Bay Lodge No.397	Jan. 6, 2024	9:00 a.m.
Azan Shrine Center	Jan. 4, 2024	7:00 p.m.

District School of Instruction and Open Books: First Wed. of the Month

Location: Harbor City Lodge No.318

Time: 6:00 P.M.

Good of the order:

- W.: Todd Forschino on behalf of W.: Darrell Schmitt thanked everyone who supported the Azan Shrine backyard Barbeque. It was a huge success and extremely fun event!
- Brother Angel Burgos thanked W.: Darrell Schmitt for allowing him to sell raffle tickets at the backyard barbeque.

Lodge Announcements: 9 of 9 Lodges Represented Today.

Indian River No.90:

- 7:30 PM – 2nd & 4th Thursdays
- No report presented today.

Brevard Lodge No.113:

- 7:30 PM – 1st & 3rd Tuesdays
- December 27th 6:30 p.m. Installation of 2024 Officers.
- Brother Billy Stewart knee replacement surgery.
- Brother Jerry Walters had a fall and broke some ribs. Has bad vertigo and is in rehab.

Melbourne Lodge No.143:

- 7:30 PM - 1st & 3rd Mondays
- 4 Fellow Craft Brothers working on their Catechism.
- December 4th Stated Communication Election of 2024 Officers.
- December 9th Lodge Christmas party 6-9 p.m.
- December 12th Family Dinner at Skewers Restaurant.
- December 18th Stated Communication cancelled.
- December 28th Installation of 2024 Lodge Officers.



Harbor City No.318:

- 7:30 PM – 2nd & 4th Tuesdays
- 2 Fellow Crafts working on their proficiency.
- December 13th Installation at 10:00 a.m.

Canaveral Lodge No.339:

- 7:30 PM – 2nd & 4th Mondays
- December 24th Surfing Santas Parking at Lodge.
- January 6th 10:00 a.m. Open Installation 2024 Lodge Officers.
- January 20th 11:00 a.m. Masonic Services for Ed Peresluha.
- Danny Cook health issues.
- Brother Mike Swanburg back issues.
- Brother Jimmy Cannon's wife passed.
- Brother John Tweddy health issues.

Merritt Island No.353:

- 7:30 PM – 1st & 3rd Mondays
- No report presented.

Beach Lodge No.354:

- 7:30 PM – 1st & 3rd Tuesdays
- January 2nd at Stated Communication Installation of 2024 Lodge Officers.

Gateway No.384:

- 7:30 PM - 2nd & 4th Mondays
- December 11th Elections.
- December 17th 1:00 p.m. Holiday Dinner open to all.
- December 25th Stated Communication cancelled.
- January 13, 2024 1:00 P.M. Installation of Lodge Officers.
- W.: Don Keiffer fighting cancer.
- Brother Pete Metzger fighting cancer.
- Brother Wayne Lenard fighting cancer.
- Brother Jim Houghs wife is fighting cancer.
- Brother Summer Nix fighting cancer.
- Brother Jesus Rodriguez is fighting foot problems.

Palm Bay No.397:

- 7:30 PM – 2nd & 4th Tuesdays
- No report presented.

AZAN SHRINE CENTER:

- Stated Communication First Thursday of the Month at 7:00 p.m.
- Azan Stated meeting on December 7th at 7:00 p.m. with 2024 Officer elections.
- December 8th North Brevard Shrine Club annual Christmas Party.
- December 15th Azan Christmas party at 6:00 p.m.
- December 16th organizing and toy gathering for the Childrens Christmas party 9:00 a.m.



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- Azan Childrens Christmas Party 1:00 p.m.
- January 4, 2024 Stated Meeting at 7: 00 p.m. with dinner served at 6:00 p.m. and Installation of 2024 Officers.

President's Comments:

- Thank you, Melbourne Lodge No. 143, for hosting our association meeting and serving a delicious breakfast.
- We have had a stellar year with good times. A lot was going on this year and was well supported by our District.
- Looking forward to next year.
- Suggestions for a District party to get everyone out and have a great time.
- Enjoyed this year and our President will stay involved and support our District.

Vice Presidents Comments:

- Thank you all for a wonderful year.
- Thank you to our President for a great year and looking forward to a productive year in 2024.

Treasurer's Comments:

- .No closing comments.

Secretary's Comments:

- Thank you to all for what you do for your Lodge and our District.
- I appreciate all the support through the year for our District! You all are great leaders!

District Instructor comments:

- . Right Honorable Matt Green announced that there are no Open Books for January.
- This week's Open Books there will be Instruction on Installation Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.
- Our District Instructor gave a quick tutorial on Installation preparation.

DDGM Message:

- Not present today.

Next Meeting will be held on February 3, 2024 hosted by Gateway Lodge No. 384 at 9 :00 a.m. with Breakfast served at 8:00 a.m.

This Association meeting was Closed with Peace and Harmony prevailing at 9:43 a.m. with Benediction by our Chaplain.

Respectfully Submitted,

Attest:



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District**



John Paniccia

**R.:W.: John Paniccia
Secretary Master's & Warden's 2023**

Richard Earls

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President Master's & Warden's 2023**