



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



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Meeting of: February 3, 2018

Location: Harbor City Lodge No. 318

This meeting was Called to order by our President at 9:00 a.m. with 29 Members and Visitors 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 :4

State Chairmen: 1

Past District Instructors: 2

Zone 5 Committeemen: 3

Past District Deputies: 5

17th District Committeemen: 6

Past Masters: 15

Worshipful Masters 17th Dist.: 7

Shrine Officers: 2

Senior Wardens 17th Dist.: 4

Past Potentates: 0

Junior Wardens 17th Dist.:3

District Instructor: Not Present

Past Grand Masters: 1

District Deputy Grand Master: Present

Motion made and passed to accept minutes as Corrected.

Motion made and passed to accept Treasurers report subject to audit.

Total of all funds: \$3077.63 as of December 31, 2017.

Bills Presented:

P.O. Box 1 year rental \$96.00.

Motion to pay Bills:

R.:W.: John Paniccia made a motion seconded by Brother Terry Lewis and approved by the Craft to reimburse W.: Kirk Hall \$96.00 for our P.O. Box rental.



Correspondence:

-None.

Fliers Distributed:

-None

Sickness and Distress:

-Please see Lodge reports.

Old Business:

- Please support our fundraisers! Our President would like to see us raise \$3000.00- \$3500.00 per year.

-Fund Raising:

We would like to see each Lodge donate \$100.00- \$200.00 to our Masters and Wardens Association if your budget permits. This will help off set the cost of the Grand Masters Official Visit and help us build up our funds.

August 4th we will have our second Annual Mini Golf tournament. R.:W.: Dayle Schrock will head up this fundraiser.

R.:W.: Ben Schwartz is looking into a Masonic license plate as fundraiser. He is still working on cost. It was discussed that preorders would be more beneficial to us.

Garage Sales were also brought up. We need to have one with specific items that we can sell not garbage.

A possible fund raiser would be mini raffles.

-M.:W.: Jorge L. George Aladro commented that on our annual Dues notices we can add a donation to our Association.

New Business:

-Our President has distributed a list of qualified lecturers for our District.

-Our March Masters and Wardens Association meeting will be moved from Merritt Island Lodge No. 353 to Indian River Lodge No. 90 and our June Masters and Wardens Association meeting will move from Indian River Lodge No. 90 to Merritt Island Lodge No. 353.

Table of Installations- 2019

<u>Lodge</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
Indian River No. 90	Dec. 29, 2018	2:00 p.m.
Brevard Lodge No.113	Dec.27, 2018	7:00 p.m.
Melbourne Lodge No.143	Dec. 28, 2018	7:00 p.m.



Harbor City Lodge No.318	Jan. 11, 2019	6:30 p.m.
Canaveral Lodge No.339	Jan. 12, 2019	10:00 a.m.
Merritt Island Lodge No.353	Jan. 5, 2019	6:00 p.m.
Beach Lodge No. 354	Dec. 29, 2018	10:00 a.m.
Gateway Lodge No.384	Jan.12, 2019	2:00 p.m.
Palm Bay Lodge No.397	Jan. 5, 2019	2:00 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:

- The North Brevard Christian Men’s group is hosting a breakfast on February 17th at 9:00 am. Guest Speaker will be Brother Sherriff Wayne Ivey.
- R:.W.: Dayle Schrock reported on our District website and that it is updated and working well!
- June 22, 2018 will be our Grand Masters Official Visit to our District.
- At our April Association meeting our guest speaker will be R:.W.: Jeff Foster candidate for the office of Junior Grand Warden.
- R:.W.: John Paniccia thanked his Lady Danielle, M:.W.: George Aladro, W:. Kevin Smithwick, W:. Michael Hutzler and R:.W.: Dayle Schrock for all their assistance in preparing breakfast and for preparing the Lodge room for today’s Association meeting.

Lodge Announcements:

Indian River No.90:

- 7:30 PM – 2nd & 4th Thursdays
- February 24th Fellow Craft Degree 9:00 a.m.
- March 14th 5:00 p.m. Widows Dinner.
- Brothers Don Marvin and Howard Wilkenson passed on to their Great Reward with the Supreme Architect of the Universe.

Brevard Lodge No.113:

- 7:30 PM – 1st & 3rd Tuesdays
- February 20th Entered Apprentice Degree.
- First and Third Wednesdays ritual and degree practice.



- J.W. Brother Jerry Miller is having heart issues.
- Assistant Secretary W.: Bruce Laubenheimer has bronchitis.

Melbourne Lodge No.143:

7:30 PM - 1st & 3rd Mondays.

- 8 Fellow Craft Brothers studying Catechism.
- 6 Entered Apprentice Brothers studying their Catechism.
- One candidate awaiting E.A. Degree.
- March 31st Master Mason Degree.
- April 20th Gun Raffle Drawing Azan Shrine at 7:00 p.m.
- W.: Ted Woodbury's wife Dottie has had Hospice called to their home for her failing health.
- W.: Mickey Goshen's wife Lady Mary has suffered mini strokes.

Harbor City No.318:

7:30 PM – 2nd & 4th Tuesdays

- One Master Mason Brother awaiting proficiency.
- York Rite Meetings 2nd and 3rd Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.
- Amaranth 3rd Friday
- Order of Eastern Star 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 7:30 p.m.
- Brother David Buettner broken tibia and knee replacement surgery.
- Brother Stanley Bell hip replacement.
- Brother Richard Huffman is having knee issues.
- We have one potential Widow Applicant for the Masonic Home of Florida.

Canaveral Lodge No.339:

7:30 PM – 2nd & 4th Mondays

- E.A. Degree TBD.
- February 18th from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Bowling at Shore Lanes.
- 2019 Installation of Lodge Officers 1/12/2019 at 10:00 a.m.

Merritt Island No.353:

7:30 PM – 1st & 3rd Mondays

- Master Mason Degree today at noon.
- April 30th at 5:00 p.m. Membership development Town Hall meeting.
- Switch M&W Meeting from March 3rd to June 2nd. Indian River Lodge No. 90 will host our March meeting.

Beach Lodge No.354:

7:30 PM – 1st & 3rd Tuesdays

- E.A. Degree T.B.D.
- W.: Douglas Seltzer's wife Missy was involved in a car accident.

Gateway No.384:

7:30 PM - 2nd & 4th Mondays

- Feb. 9th 2018 Spaghetti Dinner 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.
- February 10th 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Car Show at North Brevard Shrine Club.
- Brother Joe Lee Merckison passed on February 2, 2018.



Palm Bay No.397:

7:30 PM – 2nd & 4th Tuesdays

-February 13th E.A. Degree at 7:00 p.m.

-Stated Communication on February 20th will be dedicated to Masonic Education.

-February 17th 9:00 a.m. Port Malabar Gun Club Annual Trap shoot and gun raffle for 3 guns. \$25.00 per ticket plus a free round of trap.

-W.: Brother Ted Woodbury's wife is in care of hospice.

-Brother Billy Wilson's wife passed.

AZAN SHRINE CENTER:

Stated Communication First Thursday of the Month at 7:00 p.m.

President's Comments:

-Our President thanked Harbor City Lodge for hosting our Association meeting and providing breakfast.

-Our President also commented that it was a great turnout today and all 9 Lodges were represented today!

-R.:W.: Demenkow also advised our incoming District Instructor to have installation practices in November and December to make sure all Lodges comply with following the proper procedure for Installation of Officers.

-R.:W.: thanked everyone for attending today and for the continued support of our Masters and Wardens Association.

Vice Presidents Comments:

-Our Vice President thanked everyone for the confidence in electing him as Vice President.

-W.: Smithwick will work on finalizing the 2019 Installation schedule and will send it out to the Craft.

District Instructor comments:

Not present with us today but wanted to remind the Brother to support Open Books and R.H. Kruse is available to all Lodges who need him.

DDGM Message:

-Our D.D.G.M. read a letter from the State Chairman for the Committee on Work concerning violations during Installations. This matter was discussed and you must follow the approved Floor Work provided in the Floor Work Manual. Our D.D.G.M. also reminded the Craft that violations could result in losing your Charter.

-R.:W.: Elliott thanked R.:W.: Dayle Schrock and R.:W.: Jim Demenkow for their hard work with our District Website.

-R.:W.: Elliott thanked the Lodge for their support and especially his District Committeemen for their hard work and dedication.

-Membership Seminar hosted by Merritt Island Lodge No, 353 on April 30, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. Speaker is R.:W.: John Westerman III.

-February 24th new Secretary Workshop. Cost is \$15.00.

-March 17, 2018 Masonic Home Pilgrimage Day.

-Our Grand Master has designated March as Masonic Youth Month,

-Reminder that our Annual Grand Communication is on May 28-30th.

-In December Ashlar Lodge made a presentation to the Masonic Home on behalf of a Brother in the



amount of \$205,790.00 to renovate rooms at the home.

Next Meeting will be hosted by Indian River Lodge No. 90 on March 2, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. with Breakfast served at 8:00 a.m.

Closed with peace and harmony prevailing at 10:15 a.m. with Benediction by our Chaplain.

Respectfully Submitted,

Attest:

John Paniccia

James Demenkow

**R:.W:. John Paniccia
Secretary Master's & Warden's 2018**

**R:.W:. James Demenkow
President Master's & Warden's 2018**