



## **Masters and Wardens Association** **The Thundering 17<sup>th</sup> Masonic District**

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**Meeting of** February 6, 2021

**Location:** Melbourne Lodge No. 143

**Call to order by:** Our President at 9:00 a.m. with 28 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 :4

State Chairmen:1

Past District Instructors: 1

Zone 5 Committeemen:1

Past District Deputies: 1

17<sup>th</sup> District Committeemen: 4

Past Masters: 10

Worshipful Masters 17<sup>th</sup> Dist.: 6

Shrine Officers: 1

Senior Wardens 17<sup>th</sup> Dist.: 4

Past Potentates: 0

Junior Wardens 17<sup>th</sup> Dist.: 3

District Instructor: Present

Past Grand Masters: 0

District Deputy Grand Master: Present

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The Craft elected to accept the minutes as corrected.

### **Bills Presented:**

N/A

### **Motion to pay Bills:**

N/A



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**Correspondence:**

-No correspondence today.

**Fliers Distributed:**

- MLT Flier.
- District Travel Voucher Raffle Fund Raiser Flier.
- Azan Fish Fry Flier.
- The Life and Legacy of George Washington hosted by Canaveral Lodge No. 339 Flier.
- North Brevard Shrine Club Valentine's Day Brunch.

**Sickness and Distress:**

Please see Lodge reports.

**Old Business:**

-No old business.

**New Business:**

-Our President opened the floor for Lodges to Volunteer to host Master's and Warden's thru the 2021 year and the are listed below:

**2021 District 17 M&W Association Meeting Locations:**

**January- No meeting.**

**February 6<sup>th</sup> – Melbourne Lodge No. 143**

**March 6<sup>th</sup>- Harbor City Lodge No. 318**

**April 3<sup>rd</sup>- Gateway Lodge No. 384**

**May 1<sup>st</sup>- Merritt Island Lodge No. 353**

**June 5<sup>th</sup> – Palm Bay Lodge No. 397**

**July 10<sup>th</sup>- Indian River Lodge No. 90**

**August 7<sup>th</sup>- Brevard Lodge No. 113**

**September 4<sup>th</sup>- Canaveral Lodge No. 339**

**October 2<sup>nd</sup>- Beach Lodge No. 354**

**November 6<sup>th</sup>- Gateway Lodge No. 384**

**December 4<sup>th</sup>- Melbourne Lodge No. 318**

-Today some Lodges reported their Installation dates and are listed under the Installation schedule.

-Our fundraiser this year is a \$1000.00 travel voucher raffle. Each Lodge and the Association Officers received tickets today. They are \$10.00 each. Please get out there and sell them!



**Table of Installations- 2022**

<b><u>Lodge</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>
Indian River No. 90		
Brevard Lodge No.113	Dec.2, 2021	7:30 p.m.
Melbourne Lodge No.143	Dec. 28 ,2021	7:30 p.m.
Harbor City Lodge No.318	Jan. 8 , 2022	10:00 a.m.
Canaveral Lodge No.339	Jan. 8, 2022	10:00 a.m.
Merritt Island Lodge No.353	Jan.1, 2022	6:00 p.m.
Beach Lodge No. 354		
Gateway Lodge No.384	Jan. 8, 2022	1:00 p.m.
Palm Bay Lodge No.397		
Azan Shrine Center	Jan. 7, 2022	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:**

-There will be a year-long Food Drive at the Azan Shrine Center open to all to donate dry food goods, gift cards, new packaged socks and new blankets.

-W: Kevin Gholston updated on the cancelled Cornerstone laying last year at Viera Elementary due to Covid-19 restrictions and they are hoping to have it in the Fall.



**Lodge Announcements:**

**9 of 9 Lodges Represented Today.**

**Indian River No.90:**

7:30 PM – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays

- February 4, 2021 Fellow Craft Degree for 4 Entered Apprentice Brother's.
- Entered Apprentice Degree scheduled for March date TBD.
- February 5<sup>th</sup> Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Open Meeting at 7:00 p.m. (Jim Ross)
- Every Tuesday Board of Relief.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month Spaghetti Dinner.
- Stated Communications every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday.

**Brevard Lodge No.113:**

7:30 PM – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays

- 4 Fellow Craft Brothers awaiting the Master Mason Degree.
- Investigating a potential Candidate.
- Treasurer Paul Main had a pacemaker installed.
- Senior Warden Billy Stewart knee replacement surgery.
- Junior Warden John Arel tested positive for COVID-19 as did his Fiancé. During the exam they discovered she had stage 4 Lung Cancer. They are in Boston as she is undergoing Cancer treatment and the Lodge has assisted in their expenses.

**Melbourne Lodge No.143:**

7:30 PM - 1st & 3rd Mondays

- February 8<sup>th</sup> Entered Apprentice Degree.
- February 15<sup>th</sup> Stated Communication.
- April 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. there will be the Drawing for the Brazilian Feast Raffle fund raiser.
- Brother Steve Chadwick Heart issues.
- Brother Scott Villa COVID-19.

**Harbor City No.318:**

7:30 PM – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays

- February 17<sup>th</sup> Entered Apprentice Degree Jeremy Zengler.
- February 9<sup>th</sup> Stated Communication at 7:30p.m. It will be the D.D.G.M. second Official Visit.
- W.: Marty Grossman passed due to COVID-19.
- W.: Wade Atchison's wife fell and broke her clavicle.
- W.: Wade Atchison's Father-in-Law had a major stroke at the end of last year and is now in Rehab.
- R.H. Jay Rodgers lost his Mother this week. Please keep him and his Family in your Prayers.

**Canaveral Lodge No.339:**

7:30 PM – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays

- March 11<sup>th</sup> Fellow Craft Degree for 2 Entered Apprentice Brothers.
- February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 p.m. will be an Open Meeting. Brother Steve Argo from Brevard Lodge No. 113 will be giving a Lecture about George Washington.
- September 4<sup>th</sup> Canaveral Lodge will host our Master's and Warden's Association meeting and will be serving breakfast.
- January 8, 2022 Installation of 2022 Lodge Officers at 10:00 a.m.
- W.: Terry Lewis injured his hand and is undergoing skin grafts.



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- Brother Danny Cook health issues.
- Brother John Tweedy health issues.
- There is a new Lodge web site and lay-out, a new Lodge phone number and a new sound system that was donated by Brother Cliff Schmitt. The Trestle board is available on-line.

### **Merritt Island No.353:**

7:30 PM – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays

- February 4<sup>th</sup> Courtesy Fellow Craft Degree from Indian River Lodge No. 90.
- February 10<sup>th</sup> Entered Apprentice Degree for 4 worthy Candidates.
- Brother Allen Cowart recovering from Bypass surgery.

### **Beach Lodge No.354:**

7:30 PM – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays

- 5 Entered Apprentice Brothers awaiting the Fellow Craft Degree.
- One potential Candidate in the process of being Investigated.
- Delores Levy had Massive Heart attack last year and is doing okay.
- Brother Gordon's wife broke her hip.
- W.: Harvey Levy having surgery on both hands.

### **Gateway No.384:**

7:30 PM - 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays

- February 13<sup>th</sup> Master Mason Degree.
- February 25<sup>th</sup> Fellow Craft Degree.
- Fellow Craft Degree TBD.
- Entered Apprentice Degree TBD
- A class of 5 Entered Apprentice Brothers and another class of 6 are working on their Catechism. .
- Brother Scott Sharp positive for COVID-19 and is experiencing financial hardship. There will be a fundraiser at North Brevard Shrine Club on February 27<sup>th</sup> starting at 10:00 a.m.
- Brother Biegler's Stepfather passed away on January 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Brother Jim Hough's wife has been battling Lung Cancer and Hospice has been called in.
- Gateway Lodge will host the April Master's and Warden's association meeting.

### **Palm Bay No.397:**

7:30 PM – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays

- February 20<sup>th</sup> Trap Match/Gun Raffle. Trap match with 3 place trophies and 3-gun raffle.
- Senior Warden W.: Bill Pittman had a tumor removed from his Brain.
- Stated Communication every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays. The second Stated Meeting of the month is dedicated to Masonic Education.

### **AZAN SHRINE CENTER:**

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

- February 14<sup>th</sup> Valentine's Day Brunch at the North Brevard Shrine Club starts 10:00 a.m.
- Every Friday night TGI Friday in the Oasis lounge starting at 5:00 p.m. ( on select Fridays there will be entertainment) Dinner will be served at 6:00 in the dining hall.
- March 4<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. Stated Meeting with dinner served at 6:00 p.m.
- April 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Fish Fry Noon- 3:30 p.m.



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**President's Comments:**

- Our President thanked Melbourne Lodge No. 143 for hosting our Association meeting and setting the bar with an extremely delicious breakfast.
- Our District website has all the District Information on it along with contact information and forms.
- Our President created a sheet for taking notes while at our Association meeting which would assist the Lodge representative to report back to the Craft..
- We are compiling a list of Brothers in our District who can deliver any of the Three Lectures. Please contact our Secretary to be added to the list.
- We would like to hear any new ideas for Fundraisers or interesting and fun things for Master's and Warden's Association.
- We will have an Appreciation event and the end of the year.
- Mini-Golf Tournament scheduled for May 15<sup>th</sup> and we will see if the Azan Shrine Center is available that day. W.: Darrell Schmitt suggested having it inside as it would be more comfortable for everyone and also added that each Lodge could create a putting hole with a monetary penalty for not creating one.
- Thank you for electing me to serve as President of Master's and Warden's for 2021.

**Vice Presidents Comments:**

- No closing comments today.

**Treasurer's Comments:**

- No closing comments today.

**Secretary's Comments:**

- Thank you for making time in your busy schedules to attend our Association meeting today.

**District Instructor comments:**

- Thank you for a successful Open Books this past Wednesday.
- Please keep our District Instructor informed of any upcoming Degrees.

**DDGM Message:**

- Our District Deputy Grand Master made almost all the District Installations.
- R.:W.: Durie looks forward to working with all the new Lodge Officers this year.
- Our D.D.G.M. gave a background on how the second round of Official Visits will run. There will be no Official Reception of the D.D.G.M. and you will not have to fill out the full checklist.
- The next MLT Session will be March 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. hosted by Merritt Island Lodge No. 353. Course 6-10 will be covered.
- Executive Order No. 4 is out and it reminds you to file your 990 prior to March 15<sup>th</sup>. If you need assistance please contact the Grand Lodge Office.
- The Annual Grand Communication is a go, and the Hotel information is on the Grand Lodge website. Make those reservations early to assure you have a room in the host hotel.



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Next Meeting will be held on March 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. hosted by Harbor City Lodge No. 318 with Breakfast served at 8:00 a.m.

This Association meeting was Closed with Peace and Harmony prevailing at 10:03 a.m. with Benediction by our Chaplain.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Attest:**

*John Paniccia*

*Mickey Goshen*

**R.:W.: John Paniccia  
Secretary Master's & Warden's 2021**

**W.:Mickey Goshen  
President Master's & Warden's 2021**