



## ***Master's and Wardens Association*** ***The Thundering 17<sup>th</sup> Masonic District***

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**Meeting of:** June 3, 2023

**Location:** Indian River Lodge No. 90

**Call to order by:** Our President at 9:00 a.m. with 26 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 :2

State Chairmen: 1

Past District Instructors: 1

Zone 5 Committeemen: 1

Past District Deputies: 1

17<sup>th</sup> District Committeemen: 5

Past Masters: 12

Worshipful Master's 17<sup>th</sup> Dist.: 3

Shrine Officers: 2

Senior Warden's 17<sup>th</sup> Dist.: 5

Past Potentates: 1

Junior Warden's 17<sup>th</sup> Dist.: 4

District Instructor: Present

Past Grand Master's: 0

District Deputy Grand Master: Present

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The Craft elected to accept the minutes as presented.  
The Treasurer presented his report to the Craft.

### **Bills Presented:**

-No bills presented.

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

N/A



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**Correspondence:**

-None.

**Fliers Distributed:**

-District 17 Master's and Warden's Gun Raffle.

**Sickness and Distress:**

-Please see Lodge reports.

**Old Business:**

-Brother Angel Burgos distributed to the Lodges present 30 tickets for our District Gun Raffle. The drawing will be held on September 2, 2023 at the GMOV in our District. Please sell your tickets!

-W.: Randy Klaus reported on the District Mini Golf Tournament which will be held at the Azan Shrine Center on July 15<sup>th</sup>. We need hole sponsors!

-W.: Darrell Schmitt went over the Azan Shrine Backyard Barbeque competition scheduled for November 11<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. We have 6 competition teams signed up. Admission is \$10.00. The Oasis lounge will be open and possibly the bar in the Pavilion may also be open.

**New Business:**

-No new business presented today.

**Table of Installations- 2023**

<b><u>Lodge</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>
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	??????	
Canaveral Lodge No.339	Jan. 6,2024	10:00 a.m.
Merritt Island Lodge No.353	Jan. 6, 2024	6:00 p.m.
Beach Lodge No. 354	??????	
Gateway Lodge No.384	Jan. 13, 2024	1:00 p.m.
Palm Bay Lodge No.397	Jan. 13, 2024	1:00 p.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



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**Time: 6:00 P.M.**

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**Good of the order:**

-Today Director Dr. Michael Miller and Assistant Director Jefferson Smith gave a presentation of the transportation problems with the School Bus Driver shortage. If anyone is interested please contact them and they are also in need of mechanics.

Pamphlets and fliers were distributed.

-Azan Shrine Center will host their Annual First Responders Spaghetti Dinner on June 17<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. The dinner is free for all First Responders and their Families.

**Lodge Announcements:**

**9 of 9 Lodges Represented Today.**

**Indian River No.90:**

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

-June 22<sup>nd</sup> Entered Apprentice Degree for 5 Candidates.

-Congratulations R.:W.: Lou Fields!

**Brevard Lodge No.113:**

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

-Fellow Craft Degree TBD.

**Melbourne Lodge No.143:**

7:30 PM - 1st & 3rd Mondays

-June 19<sup>th</sup> Entered Apprentice Degree.

-June 12<sup>th</sup> @6:30 p.m. Fellowship Dinner at the Red Ginger.

-July 3<sup>rd</sup> Presentation of the Declaration of Independence.

**Harbor City No.318:**

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

-Stated Communication June 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. with Dinner served at 6:30 p.m.

-July 8<sup>th</sup> Master Mason Degree at 9:00 a.m.

**Canaveral Lodge No.339:**

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

-June 13 working meeting with the D.D.G.M. all Elected Officers will be present.

-Monday June 26<sup>th</sup> 6:30 p.m./7:30 p.m. Brother Steven Agid will be presenting the Signing of the Declaration of Independence. There will be a 4<sup>th</sup> of July theme with hotdogs and Hamburgers, mac and cheese, dessert and iced tea.

-W.: Danny Cook is recovering.

-Brother Billy Stewart knee.

-Brother Mike Swanberg back issues.

-Brother John Tweedy mobility.



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-Canaveral Lodge will go Dark July and August. We will be doing deep cleaning and administrative work still at the Lodge for the months.

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

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

- June 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> Stated Communication at 7:30 with dinner at 6:30 p.m.
- June 9<sup>th</sup> Steak Night at 6:30 p.m.
- June 12<sup>th</sup> DDGM visit with Lodge Officers at 5:30 p.m.
- June 24<sup>th</sup> St. Johns Festive Board 6:30 p.m. at the Whisk and Grind.
- July 8<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Special Olympics SUB at Kiwanis Park.
- August 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. W.: Battaglia presents %Points of Fellowship.
- W.: Gene Crawford's Wife Cindy passed away.

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

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

- Stated Communication the First and Third Tuesdays.

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

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

- June 26<sup>th</sup> Bible and Apron presentation.
- June 13<sup>th</sup> Spaghetti Dinner 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- Secretary Jesus Rodriguez foot.
- Cook Pete Metzger cancer.
- January 13, 2024 Installation of 2024 Lodge Officers at 1:00 p.m.

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

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

- 2 Petitions pending.
- 1 Entered Apprentice working on Proficiency.
- 1 Master Mason Brother working on his Proficiency.
- June 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. Birthday and Anniversary Dinner. Place TBD.
- June 26<sup>th</sup> D.D.G.M 1<sup>ST</sup> VISIT.
- Brother Billy Wilson is in memory care and suffering from Dementia.
- Will discuss at the next Stated Communication if the Lodge will go Dark in July and August.

### **AZAN SHRINE CENTER:**

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

- DARK July and August Stated Meetings.
- June 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. drawing for the \$1000.00 travel voucher raffle.
- June 17<sup>th</sup> First Responders dinner from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. First responders and their Families eat free. ,
- September 9<sup>th</sup> Fall Ceremonial.

### **President's Comments:**

- Thank you Indian River Lodge No.90 for hosting our Association meeting and serving a delicious breakfast.



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**Vice Presidents Comments:**

-No closing comments.

**Treasurer's Comments:**

-No closing comments.

**Secretary's Comments:**

-Our Secretary thanked everyone for attending and also thanked the Brothers present for caring about their District and for being strong leaders.

**District Instructor comments:**

-Our new District Instructor Right Honorable Matt Green introduced himself to the Craft.

-Reminder that Open Books at Harbor City Lodge No. 318 will start July 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Remember to bring your current Dues card.

-Our District Instructor is available to help individuals or groups of Brothers.

-R.H. Green also explained all the Proficiency cards and they are all available through our District Instructor EXCEPT for the Purple Card which is available through the Committee on Work.

**DDGM Message:**

-Our District Deputy Grand Master Right Worshipful Lou Fields went over the Legislation results and Ruling and Decision results from our 194<sup>th</sup> Annual Grand Communication.

-R.:W.: Fields announced his District Committeemen, and a list will be posted on our District Website.

-R.:W.: Fields announced that the scheduled D.D.G.M. visits have been sent us to all the District Worshipful Master's and Secretary's.

Four visits are scheduled. On the first visit the District Deputy will go over the Lodge books etc. with the Worshipful Master, Secretary, Senior Warden and Junior Warden. The Second visit will be the Official Visit to the Lodge. In 2024 the same process will be followed.

Next Meeting will be held on July 1, 2023 hosted by Brevard Lodge No. 113 at 9 :00 a.m. with Breakfast served at 8:00 a.m.

This Association meeting was Closed with Peace and Harmony prevailing at 10:16 A.M. with Benediction by our Chaplain.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Attest:**

*John Paniccia*

*Robert Gabriel*

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

**W.:Richard Earls  
President Master's & Warden's 2023**