



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

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Meeting of: September 2, 2023 **Location:** Melbourne Lodge No. 143 hosted by Palm Bay Lodge No. 397

Call to order by: Our President at 9:00 a.m. with 23 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: 1

Past Presidents of M&W :3

State Chairmen: 0

Past District Instructors: 2

Zone 5 Committeemen: 0

Past District Deputies: 4

17th District Committeemen: 6

Past Masters: 15

Worshipful Masters 17th Dist.: 3

Shrine Officers: 2

Senior Wardens 17th Dist.: 3

Past Potentates: 2

Junior Wardens 17th Dist.:2

District Instructor: Present.

Past Grand Masters: 0

District Deputy Grand Master: Excused

The Craft elected to accept the minutes as corrected.

Bills Presented:

The Craft elected to pay \$2061.04 for the GMOV to our District.



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Correspondence:

-None.

Fliers Distributed:

-None

Sickness and Distress:

-Please see Lodge reports.

Old Business:

-Brother Angel Burgos reported on the District Gun Raffle and we are short 140 tickets that needed to be returned.

New Business:

-There was a motion made, seconded and passed to reimburse D.D.G.M. for the Grand Master's Official Visit in the amount of \$2000.00.

-Our President introduced to the Craft R.:W.: Rick Wendling the W.: Grand Sword Bearer for the Grand of Florida and a Candidate for the office of Junior Grand Warden for the 2024 year.

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	??????	
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

Time: 6:00 P.M.

Lodge Announcements:

9 of 9 Lodges Represented Today.

Indian River No.90:

7:30 PM – 2nd & 4th Thursdays

- September 9th Fellow Craft Degree with Breakfast served at 7:00 a.m.
- September 14th D.D.G.M. Visit Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Stated Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- September 28th social at North Brevard Shrine Club.

Brevard Lodge No.113:

7:30 PM – 1st & 3rd Tuesdays

- Second Stated Meeting special dinner and open event.
- Fellow Craft Degree TBD.
- W:.. Billy Stewart knee infection.
- W:.. Barry Schaeffer leg injury.

Melbourne Lodge No.143:

7:30 PM - 1st & 3rd Mondays

- 2 Fellow Craft Brothers working on their catechism.
- W:.. Ted Woodbury has moved into the Masonic Home of Florida.

Harbor City No.318:

7:30 PM – 2nd & 4th Tuesdays

- One Master Mason Brother working on his Catechism.
- 2 Entered Apprentice Brothers working on their Catechism.
- NPD Brother petitioned for Reinstatement.

Canaveral Lodge No.339:

7:30 PM – 2nd & 4th Mondays

- September 11th D.D.G.M. Official Visit 7:30 p.m. with dinner served at 6:30 p.m.
- September 25th Stated Meeting with Bible and Apron presentation along with a 50-year Masonic Service Award presentation.
- Brother Ed Peresulah had many strokes and is in hospital.
- Brother Mike Swanburg back issues.
- Brother John Tweedy Parkinson's.
- Brother Richard Shulze sinus infection.
- Brother Billy Stewart knee issues.



Merritt Island No.353:

7:30 PM – 1st & 3rd Mondays

-E.A. from 2009 seeking to continue.

-September 18th dinner at 6:30 p.m. and Brevard County Sherriff Association presentation.

Beach Lodge No.354:

7:30 PM – 1st & 3rd Tuesdays

-September 19th D.D.G.M. Official Visit at 7:30 p.m.

-Dark thru September 19th..

Gateway No.384:

7:30 PM - 2nd & 4th Mondays

-Entered Apprentice Degree TBD.

-September 12th and 26th Taco Tuesday.

-September 30th Yard Sale

-Secretary foot issues.

-Brother Pete Metzger and Don K. cancer.

Palm Bay No.397:

7:30 PM – 2nd & 4th Tuesdays

-Entered Apprentice working on Catechism.

-Brother Freshwater work on Lecture card.

-September 5th D.D.G.M. Visit

--September 11th 10:00 a.m. Master Mason Class 1,2,&3 at Lodge.

-September 21st 5:30 p.m. Birthday and Anniversary dinner.

-Brother Billy Wilson in memory care.

-Keep the Monk Family in your prayers.

AZAN SHRINE CENTER:

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

-DARK July and August Stated Meet6ings.

-September 9th Fall Ceremonial.

-September 24th Annual Barbeque.

November 11th 2nd Annual Backyard Barbeque.

President's Comments:

-Thank you Palm Bay Lodge for a great breakfast.

-Next meeting will be October 7th hosted by Beach Lodge No. 354.

Vice Presidents Comments:

-Check on Brothers needing MLT qualification or who have not received credit for completion of the MLT program. It should be on your Masonic Record.

Treasurer's Comments:

-.No closing comments.



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Secretary’s Comments:

-No closing comments,

District Instructor comments:

- Our District Instructor covered the proper way to carry the Deacons and Steward’s staff.
- Open books the first Wednesday of the month hosted by Harbor City Lodge No. 318 at 6:00 p.m.
- We will host the Grand Master’s Official Visit this evening at the North Brevard Shrine Club.

DDGM Message:

-Our District Deputy Grand Master was not present today as he is busy preparing for the Grand Master’s Official Visit to our District this evening.

Next Meeting will be held on October 7th hosted by Beach Lodge No. 354 at 9:00 a.m. with Breakfast served at 8:00 a.m.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Ben Schwartz

R.:W.: Ben Schwartz
Acting Secretary for

John Paniccia

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

Attest:

Richard Earls

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