



**September 19, 2018 Meeting Minutes
Master's & Warden's Association
of the "Grand" 15th Masonic District of Florida
Hosted By – Peninsular Lodge No. 85**

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Master's and Wardens Association of the 15th Masonic District of Florida was opened at 7:30 PM at Peninsular Lodge No. 85 by President R:H: Larry Kent with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by Prayer given by R:R: Brian Poole.

Present were:

Grand Master – 0	District Deputy GM - 1;
Grand Lodge Officers – 1;	Past Grand Masters - 0;
District Instructor – 1;	Grand Lodge Committeemen – 3;
Worshipful Masters – 8;	Past District Dep. GM - 5;
Past District Instructors - 4;	Past Masters - 15;
Senior Wardens - 5;	Junior Wardens - 3;
Treasurer - 2;	Secretary - 4;
Chaplain - 2;	Marshall - 1;
Senior Deacon - 1;	Junior Deacon - 1;
Senior Steward - 0;	Junior Steward - 0;
Tyler – 1;	First Time Visitors – 3.

Minutes of August 15th, 2018 were distributed by e-mail with original available for reading; Motion was made to waive the reading of the minutes and accept as distributed by email, seconded and passed.

Treasurer's Report is attached to the minutes, beginning balance was \$4,407.25. Income was \$235.00, expenses \$0.00, balance as of August 31st, 2017 is \$4642.25. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, subject to review, was made, seconded and passed.

Guest Speakers: R:R: Brian Poole, Grand Chaplain and candidate for the Grand South. R:R: Poole addressed the Craft regarding his vision for Grand Lodge and how to re-ignite interest in Masonry and ways to promote and advertise Masonry to the public. He also emphasized the Masonic Home and the need to make it a separate entity from Grand Lodge and it be administered separately so that it can operate more efficiently and profitably. He answered several questions from the member in our District following his address.

Hot Gavel: Currently located at: Leesburg Lodge No. 58

Traveling Gavel: Currently at Umatilla Lodge No. 65

Sickness & Distress: W:. Gordon Yahr, PM of Peninsular85 passed away
R:W:. Dan Hobson of Umatilla No 65 Heart

W.: Charlie Lovette of Clermont 226 major back issues
W.: Bob Swiger of Mount Dora 238 finished radiation
treatments today
Bro. Jim Hicks of Clermont 226 moving up north to help
his daughter and Son-in-law care for a premature
granddaughter

Correspondence: Grand Lodge Monthly Mail

2 Minute Drill:

Leesburg No. 58 – 3 Officers; 1 Members

1st Saturday Breakfast
Practicing for first section of MM for Outdoor Degree on 1 December
21 October; Master's Picnic/BBQ

Umatilla No. 65 – 4 Officers; 2 Members

EA Degree November TBD
22 September; Lodge Cleanup 9 am
6 October; Road Cleanup 8 am
15 October; Pot luck dinner and Family Night 6 PM

Peninsular No. 85 – 3 Officers; 6 Members

22 September; First Responders day at Golden Triangle YMCA 10:30 to 2
29 October; Lodge night out – location TBD
3 October; Lodge night out – at B-T-W in Tavares, 6:30 PM

Wildwood No. 92 – 2 Officers; 3 Members

Last Saturday Breakfast 8-10:30
25 September; EA Degree, supper at 6, Degree at 7 PM
22 September; Golf Tournament at Harbor Hills Country Club
2 October; visit Leesburg Lodge
19 October; OES rummage sale at Wildwood

Groveland No. 190 – 3 Officers; 1 Members

22 Sept.; Past Masters Night 5:00 PM
20 October; Safety Fair at 12:00 noon
17 Nov; Veterans' Lunch
5 Jan 19, Installation of Officers

Clermont No. 226 – 2 Officers; 1 Members

MM Degree TBD in late October or November.
4 Nov – Jobs Daughters Inception, Initiation and Installation, 3:00 PM.

Mt Dora No. 238 – 3 Officers; 3 Members

No Report.

The Villages No. 394 – 4 Officers; 0 Members

22 September; Memorial Service for W.: Gordon Yahr; St Timothy in Lady Lake 8:30 a.m.

22 October; Masonic Service for Bro. Holt Watley, former musician at Hiers Baxley on SR 466 behind Golden Coral, 11:00 a.m.

13 Oct; Party/ Fundraiser at Truman Rec. Center in The Villages.

29 Oct; 5 Day Lodge Cruise out of Tampa to the Caribbean

Upcoming District Events: **MLT** 3rd Saturday of each month

Old Business:

- District Masonic Veteran's Luncheon – discussion was held regarding the luncheon, times are 12 – 4 PM on 18 November at Leesburg Lodge. The chairman of the committee, R.:W.: Ron Hicks presented the budget for food and supplies for the event. The proposed budget did not include drinks for the event. Discussion was held regarding the cost per serving and other expenses. Please see attached Spreadsheet as presented. Veterans will eat for free. There will be table decorations made up that will be for sale, and there will be a donation basket placed to accept donations. There was discussion as to whether the lodges would be asked to contribute up to \$150 each to cover the expenses or if the District Association would. W.:M.: Garrett Paquette of Clermont Lodge offered for his company, Car Store Towing, to donate \$1,000 to the district to cover the expenses for the event. There was a motion made, seconded, and passed to authorize the committee to spend up to \$1,000 for expenses for the event.
- W.:M.: Jeff Snyder, District Committeeman for Masonic Education addressed the craft in regards to the MER 2 forms that will be due shortly to Grand Lodge from the Particular Lodges, please complete and submit your form to W.:M.: Snyder by **25 October**. He explained the difference between the MER 1 and MER 2 forms and emphasized the importance of getting the forms in on time. Please contact W.:M.: Snyder to complete your forms.

New Business:

- Installation Schedules – Lodges and candidates for Worshipful Master are already planning out their years and Installation of officers. Please contact the D.D.G.M., R.:W.: John Haas, to get your installation on the calendar. This will allow other lodges, and the DDGM to attend your installation and avoid conflicts in scheduling. Also, please copy the Secretary of the 15th Masonic District Masters and Wardens Association, R.:W.: Heist on your scheduling so that he can keep the tracking current and publish the schedule accordingly. Attached is the current schedule.
- 15th Masonic District Outdoor Degree – R.:H.: Larry Kent, District Instructor, spoke about the Outdoor Degree, which will be held on 1

December at Mark Drapers Farm. Practices will be held at our monthly school of instruction, first section in October, second section in November. He passed around a sign-up sheet for parts in the degree. Please contact R.:H.: Kent if you wish to fill a part in the second section of the degree or if you have candidates.

Announcements: None.

Presentations: None.

School of Instruction: October 10th, 2018, Peninsular Lodge No. 85
Open Books & School of Instruction

Topic of instruction will be First Section, MM Degree.

Traveling Cup Awarded to Peninsular Lodge No. 85

Next Meeting: October 17th, 2018 at 7:30pm Wildwood No. 92

District 15 Memorial Lodge Meeting to follow

Closing Prayer: W.: Barry Rosenthal.

Meeting closed at 8:45 PM with peace and harmony prevailing.

Attendance: 31

Respectfully Submitted:

Attested By:

R.:W.: Alan Heist, PDDGM, PDI, PM
Secretary
Master's and Warden's Association
District 15

R.:H.: Larry Kent, D.I., PM
President
Master's and Warden's Association
District 15

**2019 Installation Schedule
For the Installation of Officers of the
Grand 15th Masonic District**

Leesburg Lodge No. 58 –

Umatilla Lodge No. 65 –

Peninsular Lodge No. 85 – 28 December 2018 – 6:30 Supper, 7:30 Ceremony

Wildwood Lodge No. 92 –

Groveland Lodge No. 190 – 5 January 2019 – 5:00 Supper, 6:00 Ceremony

Clermont Lodge No. 226 –

Mount Dora Lodge No. 238 –

The Villages Lodge No. 394 – 5 Jan 2019 – 11am with dinner to follow

Memorial Lodge No. 15 – 17 Jan 2018 - following M&Ws