

# October 17, 2018 Meeting Minutes Master's & Warden's Association of the "Grand" 15th Masonic District of Florida Hosted By – Wildwood Lodge No. 92

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Master's and Wardens Association of the 15<sup>th</sup> Masonic District of Florida was opened at 7:30 PM at Wildwood Lodge No. 92 by President R:H: Larry Kent with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by Prayer given by W:. Barry Rosenthal.

**Present were:** Grand Master – 0 District Deputy GM - 1; Grand Lodge Officers – 2; Past Grand Masters - 0;

District Instructor – 1; Grand Lodge Committeemen – 4;

Worshipful Masters – 6; Past District Dep. GM - 7;

Past District Instructors - 6; Past Masters - 16; Senior Wardens - 2; Junior Wardens - 3;

Treasurer - 4; Secretary - 4; Chaplain - 3; Marshall - 2;

Senior Deacon - 1; Junior Deacon - 1; Senior Steward - 0; Junior Steward - 1; Tyler - 1; First Time Visitors - 0.

**Minutes** of September 19<sup>th</sup>, 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 \$4,642.25. Income was \$1000.00, expenses \$3000.00, balance as of September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017 is \$2,642.25. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, subject to review, was made, seconded and passed.

#### **Guest Speakers:**

R:W: Robert Lambert, Grand Marshal. R:W: Lambert addressed the Brethren Present regarding his candidacy for the Grand South. He is focused on 3 main goals for the Grand Lodge, Membership Development, Esoteric work and the Masonic Home. He supports the D:.G:.M:.'s Town Hall Membership goals of making good and active Masons, not just adding to the rolls. On the esoteric work he wants to focus on the meaning behind the words in our work so that Brethren can have a greater understanding of what Masonry is supposed to mean. He supports the Masonic Home being advised by a management consulting firm and having it separated from Grand Lodge so that it can operate more efficiently and expanded to include Independent Living and eventually additional facilities around the state.

**Hot Gavel:** Currently located at: The Villages Lodge No. 394

**Traveling Gavel:** Currently at Peninsular Lodge No. 85

**Correspondence:** Grand Lodge Monthly Mail

Letter from the Grand Master to the Brethren of the

Panhandle in the path of Hurricane Michael

Email from R:.W:. Haas, DDGM regarding restoration of

the Charter for Mount Dora Lodge No. 238

Email from Grand Lodge regarding Hurricane Michael relief and supplies as well as status on Lodges in the 5<sup>th</sup>

District.

Announcement on the passing of M:.W:. Samuel Lewis,

Jr., P.G.M.

**Sickness & Distress**: W:. Charlie Lovette of Clermont 226 major back issues

Bro. Jim Hicks of Clermont 226 moving up north to help

his daughter and Son-in-law care for a premature

granddaughter

R:.W:. Tommy Turlington's daughter Lisa, diagnosed

with Stage 4 cancer, moving to Florida for care. The family of W:. Vincent Bolevich, passed away R:.W:. Dennis Ricker's sister Pam Graham, Stage 4

cancer.

The Brethren and Lodges in the panhandle who are suffering in the aftermath of Hurricane Michael.

#### 2 Minute Drill:

## Leesburg No. 58 - 6 Officers; 3 Members

1st Saturday Breakfast \$6.00

21 October; Master's Picnic/BBQ \$9.00 all you can eat

18 November; District 15 Veteran's Luncheon

## Umatilla No. 65 – 3 Officers; 4 Members

EA Degree late November TBD

20 October; Child ID at the Umatilla Fire Station during the Wildlife Festival

## Peninsular No. 85 - 3 Officers; 3 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 - 4 Officers; 3 Members

Last Saturday Breakfast 8-10:30

19 October; OES rummage sale at Wildwood

26 October; Trick-or-treat at Wildwood City Hall

## Groveland No. 190 - 2 Officers; 1 Members

20 October; Safety Fair at 12:00 noon

29 October; 1 Candidate going through MM Degree at Clermont 226

18 Nov; District 15 Veterans' Lunch at Leesburg Lodge

5 Jan 19, Installation of Officers

## Clermont No. 226 - 1 Officers; 1 Members

29 October; MM Degree – 6:00 Supper, 7:00 Degree.

26 November; EA Degree – 6:00 Supper, 7:00 Degree.

4 Nov – Jobs Daughters Inception, Initiation and Installation, 3:00 PM.

2 December; Master's Picnic and P.M./Family day

## Mt Dora No. 238 - 4 Officers; 3 Members

Charter is back, next stated is 18 October.

## The Villages No. 394 - 4 Officers; 3 Members

MM Degree; TBD

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

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

10 November; Memorial Service for Bro. Donald Grapner at The Villages Lodge, Wildwood, 11:00 a.m.

## **Upcoming District Events:** MLT 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month

1 December; District 15 Outdoor Degree at Mark Draper's Farm, 9:00

#### **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 a revised 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.
- In light of the donation by Car Store Towing, a motion was made, seconded and passed that there would be no charge for guests attending the Veteran's Luncheon, however there would be a donation basket for anyone that wishes to contribute.
- A motion was made seconded and passed to create a plaque for Car Store towing expressing the districts appreciation for their donation.
- 15<sup>th</sup> 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, second section in November. Please contact R:.H:. Kent if you wish to fill a part in the second section of the degree or if you have candidates. He is limiting it to 3 candidates.

- A motion was made, seconded and passed to have the caterer that operates out of Leesburg Lodge prepare lunch for the degree at the cost of \$5.00 per meal.
- Installation Schedules Attached is the current schedule.

#### **New Business:**

- 2019 Officer Nomination forms were made available for the District. These can be accepted up to the beginning of the first meeting in November. Nominations received were;
  - o W:. Bob Swiger President
  - o W:. David Dix Vice President
  - o R:. H:. Larry Kent Director
  - o R:.W:. Ed Mayfield Treasurer
  - o R:.W:. Alan Heist Secretary

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**Announcements:** None.

**Presentations:** None.

School of Instruction: November 14th, 2018, Peninsular Lodge No. 85

Open Books & School of Instruction

Topic of instruction will be Second Section, MM Degree.

**Traveling Cup** Awarded to Peninsular Lodge No. 85

**Next Meeting:** November 21st, 2018 at 7:30pm Groveland No. 190

District 15 Memorial Lodge Meeting to follow

**Closing Prayer:** W:. Barry Rosenthal.

Meeting closed at 8:55 PM with peace and harmony prevailing.

Attendance: 31

Respectfully Submitted: Attested By:

R∴W∴ Alan Heist, PDDGM, PDI, PM R∴H∴ Larry Kent, D.I., PM

Secretary President

Master's and Warden's Association Master's and Warden's Association

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# 2019 Installation Schedule For the Installation of Officers of the Grand 15<sup>th</sup> Masonic District

**Leesburg Lodge No. 58 -** 12 Jan 2019 – 10:00 Ceremony, refreshment to follow

Umatilla Lodge No. 65 -

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

**Wildwood Lodge No. 92 -** 8 Jan 2019 - 6:00 Supper, 7:00 Ceremony

**Groveland Lodge No. 190 -** 5 Jan 2019 - 5:00 Supper, 6:00 Ceremony

**Clermont Lodge No. 226 -** 29 Dec 2018 - 5:00 Supper, 6:00 Ceremony

Mount Dora Lodge No. 238 -

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

Memorial Lodge No. 15 - 16 Jan 2019 - following M&Ws