



**January 16, 2019 Meeting Minutes
Master's & Warden's Association
of the "Grand" 15th Masonic District of Florida
Hosted By – Mount Dora Lodge No. 238**

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 Mount Dora Lodge No. 238 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 – 0;	Past Grand Masters - 0;
District Instructor – 1;	Grand Lodge Committeemen – 3;
Worshipful Masters – 9;	Past District Dep. GM - 5;
Past District Instructors - 4;	Past Masters - 19;
Senior Wardens - 6;	Junior Wardens - 4;
Treasurer - 2;	Secretary - 5;
Chaplain - 1;	Marshall - 3;
Senior Deacon - 1;	Junior Deacon - 3;
Senior Steward - 0;	Junior Steward - 1;
Tyler – 1;	First Time Visitors – 4.

Minutes of December 19th, 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 for November and December, beginning balance for November was \$2,642.25. Income was \$347.00, expenses \$732.66, balance as of November 30th, 2018 - \$2,256.59. Beginning balance for December was \$2,256.59. Income was \$400, expenses were \$377.82, balance as of December 31st was \$2,278.77. Motions were made, seconded and passed to accept the November and December Treasurer's Reports, respectively, subject to review.

Installation of Officers: Immediately following the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer, R.:H.: Kent asked R.:W.: Larry Duff to Install the President and Vice President for the 15th Masonic District Masters & Wardens Association. W.: Bob Swiger was installed as President, and W.: David Dix was installed as Vice President. The Secretary and Treasurer were not installed as they both were re-elected. R.:W.: Duff charged the officers to support the District and the Particular Lodges therein, to faithfully fulfill the duties of their respective offices and to both support and torment the District Deputy Grand Master and the incoming District Deputy Grand Master during their terms in office.

Guest Speakers: None.

Hot Gavel: Currently located at: Mount Dora Lodge No. 238

Traveling Gavel: Currently at Peninsular Lodge No. 85

Correspondence: Grand Lodge Monthly Mail

Sickness & Distress:

Bro. Hans Bentzen, head and knee injury from a fall
Bro. Larry Shouse, Kidney surgery recovery
Bro. Ron Girardin, at Shands Hospital
M.:W.: Dale I Goehrig, upcoming surgery
Bro. Johnny Sutton, wife's upcoming surgery
W.:M.: Keith Potter, mouth surgery
R.:W.: Larry Duff, skin procedures on head

2 Minute Drill:

Leesburg No. 58 – 7 Officers; 1 Members

1st Saturday Breakfast \$6.00

TBD February; MM Degree

Upcoming Events with TBD Dates:

- Widows Night
- Past Masters Dinner
- Master's BBQ

Umatilla No. 65 – 3 Officers; 3 Members

25 February, FC Degree

22 April, MM Degree

2 New EA's are working on proficiency

29 April, R.:W.: John Westerman will be presenting Each One Reach One

5 August, Table Lodge, R.:W.: Lambert will be guest speaker.

TBD March, Ladies of the Table.

Peninsular No. 85 – 6 Officers; 5 Members

18 February, EA Degree

28 January; Panel Discussion regarding Schools Shootings and Lock-downs Panel: Lake Co. Sherriff, L.C. Schools Superintendent, School Board Member and 1 other panel member.

Wildwood No. 92 – 1 Officers; 4 Members

Last Saturday Breakfast 8-10:30

1 FC working on proficiency

Groveland No. 190 – 2 Officers; 1 Members

TBD February, FC Degree

9 March; Lodge Breakfast, 8:30 to 11:00 a.m.

30 March; Fish Fry, 12:00 to 4:00 P.M.
4 May; Widow's Night
5 October; Past Master's Night, 5:00 to 8:00 P.M.

Clermont No. 226 – 7 Officers; 1 Members

TBD; FC Degree

21 January; R.:W.: Tommy Turlington, “2020 Vision; Communication, Accountability and Unity in Masonry”

Mt Dora No. 238 – 4 Officers; 7 Members

2 Petitions in process

The Villages No. 394 – 4 Officers; 3 Members

Stated Communication time change: 2nd Monday, 1:30 PM, meal at 12:30

31 January; EA Degree

16 February; Valentines Day dance, 5:00 P.M.

21 January, Social Dinner, Orange Blossom

Upcoming District Events: MLT 3rd Saturday of each month

Old Business:

- 2019 Officer Installation, see above
- Elected officers for 2019 are as follows;
 - o W.: Bob Swiger – President
 - o W.: David Dix – Vice President
 - o R.: H.: Larry Kent – Director
 - o R.:W.: Larry Duff – Director
 - o R.:W.: Ed Mayfield – Treasurer
 - o R.:W.: Alan Heist - Secretary
- Lake County Fair – Masonic Information Booth; W.:M.: Eric Klienbach and R.:W.: Ed Mayfield updated the craft on the reservation of the booth, which included \$250 rental, \$100 table deposit and \$75 insurance. The Dates are 4 April through 13 April, 2019. Lodges and youth groups need to sign up with W.: Eric for manning the table.
- Poker Run Update - W.: Bob Swiger spoke with W.: Bill Nuzzi, who is in communication with Gator H-D regarding dates for the event.
- Humidor Raffle Update - W.: Bob Swiger is in communication with Corona Cigars regarding donation of a humidor with cigars, the owner was out of town and he will follow-up upon their return.

New Business:

- 2019 Dues reminder, \$3 for 1 year, \$25 for Life membership, please help support our District Association. A suggestion was made for each lodge to vote to have the lodge cover the Principle Officers membership each year.

- Raffle Idea: W.: Bob Swiger suggested that we do a raffle for a Sig 365, which is a very popular pistol and hard to get right now. Discussion was held regarding ticket pricing, number of tickets and dates for the raffle drawing. A motion was made, seconded and passed to print the tickets for \$20 each, 400 tickets to be printed, the date of the drawing will be the GMOV for 2019, and that we have W.: Bob Swiger order the pistol after 150 tickets are sold.
- District Turkey Shoot: W.: Bob Swiger suggested a District Turkey shoot at Bro. Trae's gun range in the late fall, possibly end of October, prizes could be a frozen turkey, frozen ham or Publix gift card. We could also have a cookout at the event. Discussion was tabled, to be discussed further at a later meeting, with positive responses.
- W.: Bob Swiger also brought up for discussion having the time for Memorial Lodge changed to 7:00 P.M. on the same nights as M&W Association, instead of following the meeting, it would increase attendance and participation for this important duty in Masonry. Positive responses were made and it was stated that Memorial Lodge will form a by-laws committee to draft the change for approval in Memorial Lodge.

Announcements: The next Saturday occurrence for Open Books will be on 6 April, 2019.

Presentations: R.:W.: Alan Heist, on behalf of the Board of Directors presented the Mason of the Year Award to W.:M.: Tom Papin in recognition of his lectures throughout the district, and the Master of the Year Award to W.: Ron Hicks of Leesburg Lodge No. 58 for his dedication to the District Veteran's Luncheon.

School of Instruction: February 13th, 2019, Peninsular Lodge No. 85
Open Books & School of Instruction

Topic of instruction will be Deacon's Workshop.

Traveling Cup Awarded to Peninsular Lodge No. 85

Next Meeting: February 20th, 2019 at 7:30pm Mount Dora No. 238
Supper will be served at 6:30

District 15 Memorial Lodge Meeting to follow

Closing Prayer: W.: Barry Rosenthal.

Meeting closed at 8:20 PM by W.: Bob Swiger, PM with peace and harmony prevailing.

Attendance: 42

Respectfully Submitted:

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

Attested By:

W.: Robert "Bob" Swiger, PM
President
Master's and Warden's Association
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