



**December 19, 2018 Meeting Minutes  
Master's & Warden's Association  
of the "Grand" 15th Masonic District of Florida  
Hosted By – Clermont Lodge No. 226**

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 Clermont Lodge No. 226 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 - 1;
District Instructor – 1;	Grand Lodge Committeemen – 3;
Worshipful Masters – 6;	Past District Dep. GM - 5;
Past District Instructors - 4;	Past Masters - 13;
Senior Wardens - 6;	Junior Wardens - 2;
Treasurer - 2;	Secretary - 4;
Chaplain - 2;	Marshall - 1;
Senior Deacon - 1;	Junior Deacon - 3;
Senior Steward - 1;	Junior Steward - 1;
Tyler – 2;	First Time Visitors – 4.

**Minutes** of November 21<sup>st</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** was received via email, as R:W:. Mayfield was not able to attend. Beginning balance was \$2,642.25. Income was \$347.00, expenses \$732.66, balance as of November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - \$2,256.59. Treasurers report was not available at the meeting and will be reviewed and voted on at the January meeting.

**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 Friday  
Hon. John Sharpe, got bitten by a cat.

## **2 Minute Drill:**

President, R.:H.: Larry Kent, reminded the brethren of the purpose of the 2-minute drill. He spoke that the purpose of the 2 Minute Drill is in helping share with the Lodges of our district upcoming degrees and events so that the brethren of the district are well informed of events and can participate in and support our sister Lodges and to please keep the content to this purpose.

The Installation schedule is attached. As such, Installation announcements will not be repeated here. Thank you for helping us save paper and electrons.

### **Leesburg No. 58 – 3 Officers; 1 Members**

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Breakfast \$6.00  
TBD January; FC Degree

### **Umatilla No. 65 – 2 Officers; 3 Members**

14 January, EA Degree, 6:30 PM  
27 December, practice for EA Degree  
24 December, delivering Christmas Presents to Lodge Adopted Family

### **Peninsular No. 85 – 3 Officers; 4 Members**

2<sup>nd</sup> Stated Communication of the month will have guest speakers  
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 – 2 Officers; 4 Members**

Last Saturday Breakfast 8-10:30  
20 December; FC Degree  
22 December; Children's Christmas Party

### **Groveland No. 190 – 1 Officers; 1 Members**

2 EA Candidates, degree TBD  
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 – 8 Officers; 3 Members**

TBD; FC Degree  
2<sup>nd</sup> Stated Communication will have Masonic related guest speakers  
21 January; R.:W.: Tommy Turlington, "The importance of Officer  
commitment"

### **Mt Dora No. 238 – 5 Officers; 4 Members**

No Report

## **The Villages No. 394 – 5 Officers; 1 Members**

Stated Communication time change: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of month, 1:30 with meal at 12:30

TBD January; EA Degree

TBD Jan/Feb; MM Degree, subject to Brother's health.

3<sup>rd</sup> Monday; Social Dinner

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

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

### **Old Business:**

- 2019 Officer Elections were held, a motion was made, seconded and passed to elect the officers by acclamation, as there were only 1 nomination for each office.
- 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.: Ed Mayfield – Treasurer
  - o R.:W.: Alan Heist - Secretary
- 15<sup>th</sup> Masonic District Outdoor Degree – R.:H.: Larry Kent, District Instructor, spoke about the Outdoor Degree, which, due to inclement weather, became an indoor degree held at Umatilla No. 65, hosted by Leesburg No. 58. 1 Candidate was raised and we had a good degree.
- Installation Schedules – Attached is the updated schedule.

### **New Business:**

- Discussion was held to sponsor a Masonic Informational booth at the Lake County Fair in April. A suggestion was made to ask each lodge to contribute \$25, as well as OES and Rainbow and DeMolay to cover the \$250 expense. A motion was made, seconded and passed to have the M&W Assn write the check to reserve the booth and get reimbursed by the Lodges and bodies. A committee was formed consisting of Bro. Eric Klienbach, R.:W.: Dennis Ricker, and W.: Bob Swiger to secure the booth with Lake County and establish guidelines for booth participants.
- Discussion was held to begin working on 2019 Fundraisers
  - o Poker Run; it was discussed to do the Poker Run again, as the last one raised over \$1,100 for the district and there were competing events on the same day, participants can not wear Masonic identifying clothing, and Masons cannot accept money, however spouses and friends can. Gator HD is the sponsor and donates the proceeds to the district for our participation in providing volunteers. Committee formed to contact Gator HD and determine date; R.:W.: John Haas, R.:H.: Larry Kent, W.: Bill Nuzzi, Bro. Brian Zeppa

- Cigar Humidor raffle; it was discussed to try to do this again as the last one raised over \$2,000 for the district. W.: Bob Swiger volunteered to contact Corona Cigar company to see if they will donate a humidor with cigars already in it.

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

**Presentations:** None.

**School of Instruction:** January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019, Peninsular Lodge No. 85  
Open Books & School of Instruction

Topic of instruction will be balloting.

**Traveling Cup** Awarded to Clermont Lodge No. 226

**Next Meeting:** January 16<sup>th</sup>, 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 8:15 PM with peace and harmony prevailing.

**Attendance:** 34

**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 15<sup>th</sup> Masonic District**

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

**Umatilla Lodge No. 65** – 7 Jan 2019 – 6:30 Supper, 7:30 Ceremony

**Peninsular Lodge No. 85** – 28 Dec 2018 – 6:00 Supper, 7:00 Ceremony

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

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

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

**Mount Dora Lodge No. 238** – 29 Dec 2018 – 9:00 Ceremony, Closed

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

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