



**October 15, 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 15<sup>th</sup> Masonic District of Florida was opened at 7:30 PM at Wildwood Lodge, hosted by The Villages Masonic Lodge No. 394 by President W.: Bob Swiger with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by Prayer given by the R.:W.: Ed Mayfield.

**Present were:**

Grand Master – 0	District Deputy GM – 1;
Grand Lodge Officers – 0;	Past Grand Masters - 0;
District Instructor – 1;	Grand Lodge Committeemen – 4;
Worshipful Masters – 7;	Past District Dep. GM - 6;
Past District Instructors - 4;	Past Masters - 19;
Senior Wardens - 4;	Junior Wardens - 4;
Treasurer - 2;	Secretary - 3;
Chaplain - 1;	Marshall - 2;
Senior Deacon - 1;	Junior Deacon - 2;
Senior Steward - 1;	Junior Steward - 0;
Tyler – 0;	First Time Visitors – 3.

**Minutes** of September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 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 October, beginning balance for September was \$5,706.43. Income was \$1,380.00, expenses \$513.60, balance as of September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019 – \$6,572.83. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the Treasurer's Report, subject to review.

**Guest Speakers:** R.:W.: Ben Schwartz, candidate for the Grand South presented his masonic and professional background and spoke about his goals if elected to the Grand Line. Several questions were asked of him regarding such topics as selling the GL building considering more central locations for it's location in the state, changing the date of the GL annual communication, and the presence of alcohol in our lodge buildings.

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

**Traveling Gavel:** Currently at The Villages No. 394

**Correspondence:** Grand Lodge Monthly Mail

## **Sickness & Distress:**

- R.:W.: Dennis Ricker, who was in town and visited, is not doing well, having several medical issues.
- Bro. Armal Nutter, who was recently remarried, his new bride passed away.

## **2 Minute Drill:**

### **Leesburg No. 58 – 3 Officers; 5 Members**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Breakfast; 8:30 – 11 a.m., \$7.00
- 10 Nov – District Veteran’s Luncheon
- 30 Nov – Adopt a Highway – 8:00 breakfast, 9:00 road cleanup

### **Umatilla No. 65 – 1 Officers; 5 Members**

- 19 Nov – FC Degree 6:30 PM
- 19 October – Wildlife Festival
- 14 December – Cracker Christmas

### **Peninsular No. 85 – 3 Officers; 5 Members**

- 4 Nov – FC Degree 7:00 PM
- 18 Oct – Widows Night
- 8&9 Nov – Lodge Garage Sale

### **Wildwood No. 92 – 4 Officers; 6 Members**

- Last Saturday Breakfast 8-10:30 a.m., \$7.00
- 19 Oct – Rib/Boston Butt fundraiser
- 1 Nov – Widows Night

### **Groveland No. 190 – 2 Officers; 1 Members**

No upcoming events

### **Clermont No. 226 – 3 Officers; 1 Members**

- 3 FC’s preparing for the Outdoor Degree
- 21 Oct – R.:W.: Alan Heist presentation: “Masonic Symbology; The Circumpunct throughout History and it’s Revelations”
- 4 Nov – M.:W.: William B Thomas presentation: “Service Flags”
- 27 Oct – Child ID at Clermont Farmers Market

### **Mt Dora No. 238 – 0 Officers; 6 Members**

FC Degree – TBD Nov

### **The Villages No. 394 – 6 Officers; 8 Members**

- 21 Nov – EA Degree – (Tentative)
- 7 Nov. – Rusty Nail Degree & Veteran’s Day recognition
- 19 Oct. – Dance & Social fundraiser

**Upcoming District Events:** 7 Dec – 15<sup>th</sup> Masonic District Outdoor Degree

**Old Business:**

- Raffle Updates – The Humidor Raffle was won by W.: Bob Swiger, the Sig P365 Raffle was won by Bro. Terry Ellis
- District Veteran’s Lunch – Sunday November 10<sup>th</sup> 12:00-2:00 W.: Freach smoke Ribs are being donated. The National Sojourners will have a guest speaker for the event. A motion was made, seconded and passed to reimburse Leesburg Lodge No. 58 for expenses, and the balance of the proceeds will be donated to the First Ladies’ Charity.
- 15<sup>th</sup> Masonic District Grand Masters Official Visit - R.: W.: Larry Kent, DDGM thanked all of the Brothers and their Ladies who attended, it was a very successful event and our turnout was much better than some other districts. A total of \$981.00 was collected for the Masonic Youth, \$708 went to Mount Dora Assembly #79, IORG, and \$273 went to Lake Sumter DeMolay
- The Grand 15<sup>th</sup> Masonic District Outdoor Master Mason Degree will be held on 7 December at Mark Draper’s Farm. Coffee & Doughnuts will be at 8:00 with the Degree beginning at 9:00 a.m.
- Please notify R.:W.: Kent of your 2020 Officer’s Installation dates and copy the District Secretary. A schedule is attached at the end of the minutes, please be sure to not schedule a conflicting date if it’s already taken.

**New Business:**

- Officer Nomination forms were made available for the 15<sup>th</sup> Masonic District M&W Assoc. The Secretary has received nominations for W.: David Dix for President and R.:W.: Ed Mayfield for Treasurer. R.:W.: Heist informed the assembled brethren that he will not be available for the Secretary position. There are 2 officer positions and 2 Director positions available.
- The topic of changing the meeting time for M&W from 7:30 to 7:00 PM was presented. After a motion was made seconded and passed to make the change a bylaws committee was formed consisting of R.:W.: Heist, W.: Swiger, R.:W.: Duff and R.:W.: Kent. The committee will meet at R.:W.: Swiger’s office at lunch time on 22 Nov.

**Announcements:**

The Villages Masonic Lodge presented \$400 to Bro. Trae Johnson to assist in his relief efforts in the Bahamas. Bro. Dale Doucet announced that he will be holding a workshop on 19 Oct at Clermont Lodge to assist Worshipful Masters in completing the MER 2 and MER 1A forms.

**Presentations:**

None

**School of Instruction:**

Nov 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019, Peninsular Lodge No. 85  
Open Books & School of Instruction  
Topic – Practice for second section of the MM Degree

**Traveling Cup**

Awarded to The Villages Lodge No. 394

**Next Meeting:** Nov 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:30pm at Leesburg Lodge No. 58  
Supper will be served at 6:30

District 15 Memorial Lodge Meeting to follow

**Closing Prayer:** R.:W.: Ed Mayfield.

Meeting closed at 8:23 PM by President W.: Bob Swiger, PM with peace and harmony prevailing.

**Attendance:** **37**

**Respectfully Submitted:**

**Attested By:**

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

W.: Robert "Bob" Swiger, PM  
President  
Master's and Warden's Association  
District 15



**2019 Meeting Schedule  
Master's & Warden's Association  
of the "Grand" 15th Masonic District of Florida  
Meetings rotate based on Lodge Number**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Host Lodge &amp; No.</b>	<b>Address</b>
<b>October</b>	<b>The Villages 394</b>	<b>103 Georgia St., Wildwood</b>
<b>November</b>	<b>Leesburg 58</b>	<b>200 Richey Rd., Leesburg</b>
<b>December</b>	<b>Umatilla 65</b>	<b>101 N. Central Ave., Umatilla</b>
<b>2020</b>		
<b>January</b>	<b>Peninsular 85</b>	<b>1234 Wells Ave., Tavares</b>
<b>February</b>	<b>Wildwood 92</b>	<b>103 Georgia St., Wildwood</b>
<b>March</b>	<b>Groveland 190</b>	<b>320 E. Jim Payne Rd., Groveland</b>
<b>April</b>	<b>Clermont 226</b>	<b>865 W. DeSoto St., Clermont</b>
<b>May</b>	<b>Mt. Dora 238</b>	<b>535 N. Donnelly St, Mount Dora</b>
<b>June</b>	<b>The Villages 394</b>	<b>103 Georgia St., Wildwood</b>
<b>July</b>	<b>Leesburg 58</b>	<b>200 Richey Rd., Leesburg</b>
<b>August</b>	<b>Umatilla 65</b>	<b>101 N. Central Ave., Umatilla</b>
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**2020 Installation Schedule  
For the Installation of Officers of the  
“Grand” 15th Masonic District of Florida**

**Leesburg Lodge No. 58** – 7 Jan 2020 – 6:00 Dinner, 7:00 Ceremony

**Umatilla Lodge No. 65** –

**Peninsular Lodge No. 85** – 28 Dec 2019 – 9:00 Breakfast, 10:00 a.m. Ceremony

**Wildwood Lodge No. 92** – 14 Jan 2020 – 6:00 Dinner, 7:00 Ceremony

**Groveland Lodge No. 190** – 4 Jan 2020 – 7:00 Breakfast, 8:30 Ceremony

**Clermont Lodge No. 226** – 28 Dec 2019 - 5:00 Supper, 6:00 Ceremony

**Mount Dora Lodge No. 238** –

**The Villages Lodge No. 394** – 4 Jan 2020 – 12:30 Lunch, 1:30 Ceremony

**Memorial Lodge No. 15** – 15 Jan 2020 - following M&W meeting