

MASTER MASON'S ASSOCIATION - 27TH DISTRICT
Minutes of January 26th, 2017

Meeting was called to order by President Gene Marinelli at 6:45PM with Flag Salute and Prayer with 32 members present at Venice Lodge No. 301 hosted by North Port Lodge No. 406.

Sickness & Distress: None Reported.

A motion was made and seconded to wave reading of October, 2016 minutes as they are posted on the District 27 Website. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: RW Wermann reported there was no change in the bank balance from our last meeting, which was \$387.95.

Lodge Reports:

Manatee Lodge No. 31: Stated meeting 1st & 3rd Mondays. Work day, Saturday, Feb. 4th at 8AM. Monday Feb. 6th - Steak Night - \$10.00 6PM. Stated meeting, 7:30PM. Slide show by Mike Muhnough. Tuesday, Feb. 14th, planning meeting 6PM. Degree Practice off Mondays and every Wednesday 6PM.

Sarasota Lodge No. 147: Stated Communication, 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 7:30PM. Tuesday, Feb. 7th - 7:30PM E.A. Degree. Saturday, Feb 11th, 9AM-1PM open books. Saturday, Feb. 18th - 9:30AM-12PM Mentor's Summit. Tuesday, Feb. 21st 7PM - Degree Practice.

Venice Lodge No. 301: Stated Meetings 1st & 3rd Mondays:7:30PM. Family dinner 6PM on Feb. 20th. Stated Meeting at 7:30PM. Venice Council No. 42, 7:30PM Thurs. Feb. 16th.

Phoenix Lodge No. 346: Stated Meetings 1st & 3rd Tuesdays. Dinners at 6:30 and meetings at 7:30PM. Saturday, January 28th, Master Mason Degree 8AM. Tuesday, Feb 7th, Guest speaker Ret. Judge Lee Haworth, 12th Judicial Circuit. Tuesday, Feb. 17th - Guest speaker Dr. Rick Ver Helst, Coastal Behavioral Healthcare. Saturday, March 18th, Carrabbas

Fundraiser at University -Tickets only \$10.00. Seatings at 11 & 1130 or get it to GO.

Englewood Lodge No. 360: Stated Meetings - 1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 7:30PM. Eastern Star Wed. 8th & 22nd at 1:30PM, Chicken BBQ Sunday, Feb. 12th, 11:30AM - 1:30PM. Called Communication - EA Degree 7:PM. Master Mason Association Thursday, Feb. 23rd meeting at 6:45 PM and District School of Instructions to follow. Scottish Rite Club - Friday, Feb. 24th - 5:30PM. Sunday, Feb. 26th - Pulled pork dinner 11:30AM - 1:30PM. Tuesday, Feb. 28th, Lodge Practice 6PM.

North Port Lodge No. 406: Stated Meeting 1st & 3rd Wednesdays 7:30PM. Monday night practice at Englewood Lodge No.360 at 7PM.. North Port Masonic Lodge Children's Charity, 2nd annual yard sale, Old World parking 8-12 (Taking donations).

West Coast Lodge No. 409: Monday, Feb. 6th Fellow Craft Degree Practice. Monday, Feb. 13th, 7:30PM Stated Meeting with a President's Day Presentation by VFW Post 10141. Monday, Feb 20th - 6:30PM E.A. Degree Practice. Monday, Feb 27th 6:30PM family dinner, Stated Meeting 7:30PM. Color presentation by Commandery No. 16.

Liberty Lodge UD: Monthly meeting, Saturday, Feb. 11th at Manatee Lodge No. 31. Refreshments at 8:30AM, meeting at 9AM. Saturday, March 11th, same time at Manatee Lodge No. 31, DDGM official visit on March 11th. EA Degree in March to be announced.

Old Business: Scottish Rite Gun Raffle, see members for tickets.

New Business: Keep in mind for a candidate for Vic President of the Master Masons Assn. Gary Hall resigned as President and W. Marinelli has taken over the President for the rest of the year, as he was Vice President.

The newly appointed DDGM was introduced at the meeting, from Sarasota Lodge No. 147, Juan de la Rosa. Newly appointed District Instructor was also introduced to the Craft: J J Albritton..

Other Dates to remember: Sahib Shrine Pancake Breakfast, Sunday, Feb. 5th - 8AM-1PM. Master Mason Degree - Scottish Rite Valley of Tampa - Feb. 4th - 9:30AM. Scottish Rite Club Luncheon - Sahib Shrine, Feb. 10th - 11:30AM - 1PM.

Don't forget Next month's Master Mason's meeting will be at Englewood Lodge No. 360, meeting at 6:45PM and District School of Instructions to follow.

Texas Hold'em Tournament to support Samoor Grotto and Dental Care for Children with Special needs. If you would like to buy a ticket call: Al Light 941-371-3060 or Tom Carter 941-993-7911. Being held at Sarasota Kennel Club, 5400 Bradenton Rd. Sarasota, Fl. Free Parking \$75.00 a seat - April 27th, 2017- Thursday, 6:30PM, \$1500.00 MINIMUM GUARANTEED PRIZE POOL.

W. Barry Hart spoke on the Motor Corps Shrine Club Spaghetti Dinner being held at the Shrine on Sunday, February 19th at 3:30-6:30PM. Tickets are \$10.00 all you can eat and children 12 and under eat free.

Hillbilly Buffet every Thursday Night, all you can eat for \$9.00.

W. Marinelli announced that he will start the Leadership Training again in February 6PM - 10PM. More on this to come.

District picnic was discussed and a date has yet to be determined.

RW Edward J. Mayfield who is running for the South this year spoke for a few minutes on his qualifications and they seemed many.

Last but not least, Sahib's Shiner of the year is Brother & Noble Ron Johnson who is a member of Sarasota Lodge 147 and was raised to a

MM in early 2016. He also joined the last class in the Scottish Rite in Tampa.

No further business at this time, meeting adjourned at 7:29PM with Prayer and District School of Instructions to follow in the lodge room with D.I. Ron Baber with Prayer.

Respectfully submitted

Derl Smith, Secretary