

MASTER MASON ASSOCIATION - 23rd DISTRICT
Minutes of June 22, 2017

Meeting was called to order by President Gene Marinelli at 6:45PM with Prayer and Flag Salute with 32 members present at Manatee Lodge No 31.

Sickness & Distress: Keep these Brothers in your prayers: David Rowe from West Coast Lodge No. 409, David DePhillips, Secretary of the Daylight Light passed away and Marcel Leclerc very ill with cancer and heart condition.

Minutes of April 27th, 2017, motion made and seconded to suspend the reading of the minutes as they are posted on District 23 Website, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: RW Wermann, Treasurer reported: total monies in bank as of April 17th was \$1,099.95 with deposits of \$220.00 leaving a balance of \$1,319.95 as of June 22nd, 2017. Available balance is \$947.95. Motion made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report and a copy filed for audit. Motion Carried.

Under New Business: The following lodges will host the monthly meeting for the next 12 months:

July 2017 - Venice Lodge No. 301

August 2017 - Englewood Lodge No. 360

September 2017 - Sarasota Lodge No. 147

October 2017 - WestCoast Lodge No. 409

November 2017 - Thanksgiving

December 2017 - Dark

January 2018 - Phoenix Lodge No. 346

February 2018 - North Port Lodge No. 406 -Meeting at Englewood Lodge No. 360

March 2018 - Liberty Lodge No. 412 - Meeting at Manatee Lodge No. 31

April 2018 - Peace River Lodge No. 66

May 2018 - Punta Gorda Lodge No. 115

June 2018 - Manatee Lodge No. 31

Lodge Reports: Manatee Lodge No. 31 - Stated Meetings 1st & 3rd Mondays. Dinner starting at 6Pm for \$10, meeting at 7:30PM. July 1st & August 5th - Work Days. July 22nd - South Eastern Guide Dog Fund Raiser, Publix at Lockwood Ridge and SR 70. Please sign up with Brother Tom Carter.

Peace River No. 66 - Stated Meetings 2nd & 4th Tuesdays 7:30PM -No Report

Punta Gorda Lodge No. 115 - Stated Meetings - 1st & 3rd Thursdays - No Report

Sarasota Lodge No. 147 - Stated Meetings 2nd & 4th Tuesdays 7:30PM. Saturday, July 15th - 12PM-3PM Ice Cream Social. Tuesday, July 18, 7PM, Degree Practice. Saturday July 22nd, 9AM - 1PM - Open books at Sarasota Lodge No. 147. August 1st at 7:30PM EA Degree and August 15th at 7:30PM, FC Degree.

Venice Lodge No. 301 - Stated Meetings 1st & 3rd Mondays 7:30PM. - No Report for July.

Phoenix Lodge No. 346 - Stated Meetings 1st & 3rd Tuesdays. Dark July 4th. July 18th - best meeting of the month. Great dinner, top Masonic Education by JD Roland Yates, BA, BMOC. Master Mason Give Back and Apron Presentation. Dinner speaker at 6:30PM is Laurel Lynch from Hope Family Services. September 5th: DDGM Visit.

Englewood Lodge No. 360 - Stated Meetings 1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 7:30PM. July 4th, Dark - Chicken BBQ Sunday, July 9th and July 23rd - 11:30AM - 1:30PM. Tuesday July 11th, Lodge Practice 6:00PM. Saturday, July 22nd, MM Degree 9AM. Officers Meeting, July 25th 6PM.

North Port Lodge No. 406 - 2nd & 4th Wednesdays at 7PM. Stated Meeting and DDGM Visit Wednesday, 7:00 PM at Englewood Lodge No. 360.

WestCoast Lodge No. 409 - Stated Meetings 2nd & 4th Mondays 7:30PM. Monday July 24th Family dinner night 6PM.

Liberty Lodge No. 412 - Stated Meeting at Manatee Lodge No. 31, 2nd Saturday of each month, 8:30AM for Breakfast, meeting at 9AM.

District 23 on July 29th will hold a fund raiser day for the Master Mason Association to be held at The Shrine Center on Beneva Road in Sarasota from 12 Noon - 2PM to help defray the cost of the Grand Master's visit in August. The

dinner will be pulled pork at \$10.00 per ticket. Each Lodge will be cooking their own pulled pork. Should be a lot of fun. Prize will be given to the top lodge.

W. Doug Dobbs reported information on the Traveling Gavel. If a lodge has the gavel for a certain length of time, they get to keep the small traveling gavel and he gave it to W. Mark Brewer, Master of Phoenix Lodge No. 346.

W. Dobbs also reported that District 23 took 2nd place in the degree competition at Grand Lodge in May. He asked all members who was on the Degree Team to stand and be recognized. He is sending the trophy around to all the lodges in the District.

DDGM will be visiting Peace River Lodge No. 66 on June 27th.

No further business at this time, meeting adjourned at 7:35PM with Prayer and District School of Instructions to follow in the lodge room with D.I. JJ Albritton.

Respectfully Submitted

Derl Smith, Secretary