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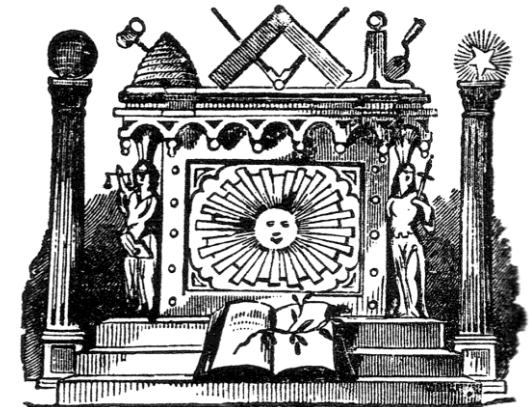
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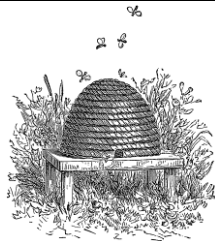
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LODGE CHARITY SCHEDULE

**1st Quarter: Brevard Association of the
 Blind**

2nd Quarter: Daily Bread

**Gun Raffle Fund Raiser April to June
 Challenge Coin Launch June 19, 2023**



OPEN BOOKS

June 7th: 6:00PM – 9:00 PM

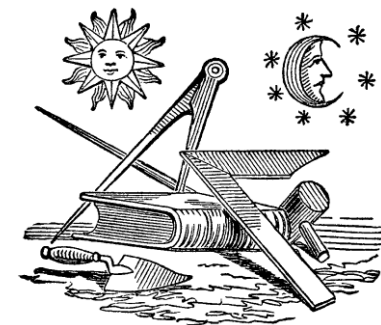
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- Check those letters in the Red Book
- Learn a Lecture
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ALL MASTER MASONS ARE INVITED

LODGE MEETINGS 17th MASONIC DISTRICT

Melbourne No. 143	1st & 3rd Mondays
Merritt Island No. 353	1st & 3rd Mondays
Canaveral No. 339	2nd & 4th Mondays
Gateway No. 384	2nd & 4th Mondays
Beach No. 354	1st & 3rd Tuesdays
Brevard No. 113	1st & 3rd Tuesdays
Palm Bay No. 397	1st & 3rd Tuesdays
Harbor City No. 318	2nd & 4th Tuesdays
Indian River No. 90	2nd & 4th Thursdays



From the East

Fund Raising & Charities: The Winter/Spring Fund Raising will be a Handgun Raffle. The funds for this raffle will be for the Brevard Association for the Advancement of the Blind and The Daily Bread Charities. It will run from April to July 2023. We need Brothers to sell raffle tickets, \$20.00 per ticket.

June 5 Stated Communication: A presentation will be made about the Brevard Association for the Advancement of the Blind, our first quarter charity.

June 19 will be an Entered Apprentice degree for 4 or 5 candidates. Degree Master, PM Craig Boettcher. We will need brothers for various parts in the degree. Contact Brother Boettcher.

Fellowship Dinners & Covered Dish Socials:
Red Ginger: 1700 W. New Haven Avenue, in the Melbourne Square Shopping Center: @ 6:30PM

For you brothers that have not attended lodge meetings, we miss you. We are trying to make our meeting interesting. Please help us.

FUTURE: July 3, 2023, a special presentation will be given about the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

The next officers' meetings is Wednesday June 28. Please plan on attending and making your voice heard.

We are always looking for speakers. We would like to have a speaker for August and September. Please contact me if you can help.

Fraternally,
Ron Lentz

From the West

Brethren,

We have had a busy May and it looks like our July is shaping up to be a good one too.

The Annual Grand Communication is in the books for 2023 and I would like to Congratulate the newly installed Grand Line and the State appointed Brothers and wish you a fantastic year!

We had a great pilgrimage to Mokanna Lodge No. 329 and were privileged to see the 2020 Grand Orator R.:W.: Donald Goldsby gave the Grand Oration that he was not able to deliver in 2020 due to covid affecting the Grand Communication.

We also visited Harbor City Lodge the following day for the Trial Recognition of FL Prince Hall Masons, and it was a pleasure to sit with Brothers who hopefully we will soon share recognition with across the state!

We have another Entered Apprentice Degree coming up followed by a Fellow Craft Degree in the not-so-distant future and I encourage you all to become involved. We always need Brothers to give a small part of their time to help Initiate, Pass, and eventually Raise these new Brothers and Candidates. Please see me if you are willing to help, we can use all forms of assistance to make this experience the best it can be!

Fraternally,
Craig Boettcher SW

From the South

Brethren,

June, a month brimming with historical importance, holds a special place in the annals of Masonic history. Freemasonry, a venerable fraternal organization with deep roots, has witnessed significant events and milestones during this month. From the establishment of lodges to notable meetings and celebrations, June has played a crucial role in shaping the heritage and influence of Freemasonry.

1. On June 24th, 1717, the Grand Lodge of England was officially founded at the Goose and Gridiron Tavern in London. This event laid the foundation for the organizational structure and principles that would guide Freemasonry for centuries to come. The day 24th is celebrated as World Masonic Day. Masonic organizations worldwide mark this day with various activities, including public events, charitable initiatives, and open lodge ceremonies.
2. The Declaration of Independence was signed on June 28th, 1776. Many of the signatories, including notable Freemasons such as Benjamin Franklin and George Washington, embodied the Masonic ideals of liberty and self-governance.
3. One of the most influential figures in Freemasonry, Albert Pike, was born on June 29th, 1809. An esteemed author, and leader, he played a pivotal role in the development and expansion of Scottish Rite Freemasonry in the United States.

Fraternally,
Dino De Rosa

June 2023

Melbourne Lodge No. 143, F. & A.M.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 <u>Master and Wardens</u> <u>Indian River</u> <u>#90</u> <u>Breakfast 8:AM</u> <u>Meeting 8:30 AM</u>
4	5 <u>Stated</u> <u>Communication</u> <u>Dinner 6:30PM</u> <u>Lodge Opens 7:30PM</u>	6	7 <u>Open Books</u> <u>Harbor City Lodge</u> <u>6:00PM</u>	8	9	10
11	12 <u>Fellowship Dinner</u> <u>Red Ginger 1700 W.</u> <u>New Haven</u> <u>6:30PM</u>	13	14 <u>Lodge Officers</u> <u>Meeting at 6:30PM at</u> <u>the Lodge. All</u> <u>masons are welcome</u>	15	16	17
18	19 <u>Stated</u> <u>Communication</u> <u>EA Degree @ 6:30</u> <u>Light meal @ 7:30</u>	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 <u>Officer's Meeting</u> <u>6:30 PM</u>	29	30	