

**MEETING OF THE CORPORATE BOARD
OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE
OF FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF FLORIDA**

February 10, 2024

No. 20

A Meeting of the Corporate Board of Directors was called to order at 10:00 a.m. at the Masonic Home of Florida, St. Petersburg, Florida, and via video conference on Microsoft Teams by M.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, Grand Master, Chairman, with the following members present:

M.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, Grand Master, Chairman
R.: W.: Donald W. Cowart, Deputy Grand Master
R.: W.: Taleb T. Atala, Senior Grand Warden
R.: W.: Haskell R. Vest, Jr., Junior Grand Warden
R.: W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer
R.: W.: J. Paul Stellrecht, P.D.D.G.M.
M.: W.: Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M., Grand Secretary, Secretary to the Board

Absent: M.: W.: Richard G. Hoover, P.G.M. (Excused)

Also Present:

R.: W.: Stephen R. Gladstone, General Counsel	M.: W.: Stanley L. Hudson, P.G.M.
M.: W.: Robert J. Lambert, P.G.M.	M.: W.: Jorge L. Aladro, P.G.M.
R.: W.: Joseph M. Fleites, P.D.D.G.M.	R.: W.: Jorge L. Filgueira, P.D.D.G.M.
R.: W.: Jack W. Hampton, Jr., W.: Grand Historian	R.: W.: Anthony A. De Angelo, P.D.D.G.M.
R.: W.: Rick Wendling, W.: Grand Sword Bearer	R.: W.: Gary J. Gamache, Sr., P.D.D.G.M.
R.: W.: Robert W. Estell, Jr., P.D.D.G.M.	W.: John Eaton, W.M. of Tampa Lodge No. 240
W.: Demarcus A. Smith, W.M. of Pace Lodge No. 349	Brother W. Christopher Townsend

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by M.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, Grand Master, and prayer was offered by R.: W.: Donald W. Cowart, Deputy Grand Master. The Grand Master introduced the members of the Board and others present.

A motion was made by R.: W.: Donald W. Cowart, Deputy Grand Master, and seconded by R.: W.: Taleb T. Atala, Senior Grand Warden, to approve the Minutes of Corporate Board Meeting No. 19 of January 20, 2024. Motion carried.

MASONIC HOME ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – FEBRUARY

- COVID-19 Update – The Masonic Home entered COVID outbreak status on January 17th due to a positive resident. Testing of all staff and residents began on January 18th with three additional positive cases identified. The Home continues to follow County Health Department requirements including masking and visitor screening. The outbreak status will continue through February 15th pending any further positive cases.
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4. We received additional contractors to provide bids for the roof replacement over the dining room and laundry. We are awaiting their reply.

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2. Census:

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 - ii. Discharges/Deaths = 30 (10 Fraternal, 20 Private Pay)
- 3) Referral Summary:

Total Number of Referrals in Pipedrive	Private	Private Masonic	Fraternal	Undecided	Totals
Nursing	4		2		6
ALF	9		7	1	17
					23

Age Of Referral					
0- 6 months	11		7	1	19
7-12 Months	2		2		4
12+ Months					0

Referral Source	Website	Drive By	MD Referral	Other	Lodge/Mason	Magazine
	9	1		2	11	

3. **MISC.:**

- 1) **Additional Update of Insurance Claim for Chillers:** Communication has taken place with the insurance adjuster from Travelers. Loss information (e.g., make, model, theory to cause of loss, photos, etc.) has been provided and the adjuster is working on arrangements for a local field representative to inspect the loss.
- 2) **Property and Casualty Insurance:** Talks have commenced with our broker as to exploring ways to possibly reduce further premiums, loss control inspections, and adequacy of limits (such efforts will also include the upcoming status change with the Grand Lodge Building).

R.:W.: Donald W. Cowart, Deputy Grand Master, moved for acceptance of the Masonic Home Administrator’s Report, the Long Range Planning Committee Report, and the Operations Committee Report for February as printed and presented at the Board of Trustees Meeting. Second was made by R.:W.: Taleb T. Atala, Senior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

ADMISSIONS AND NON-RESIDENT RELIEF COMMITTEE REPORT – FEBRUARY

There were no funds distributed in February of 2024 for Non-Resident Relief. The Admissions Committee reviewed one Fraternal Care Application for George Williams, sponsored by John Darling Lodge No. 154, 19th Masonic District. Mr. Williams’ application has been approved pending results of the background check.

R.:W.: Taleb T. Atala, Senior Grand Warden, moved for acceptance of the Admissions and Relief Committee Report for the month of February as presented at the Board of Trustees Meeting and the motion was seconded by R.:W.: Haskell R. Vest, Jr., Junior Grand Warden. Motion carried.

NEW ACCOUNT NUMBERS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

During the month of January, the following new General Ledger Account Numbers were created:

ACCOUNT NO.	NAME:	ACCOUNT TYPE:
060 00-00 26342.008	Gonzalez, Victor (Private Pay)	Liability
060 00-00 26343.008	Miller, Janice (Private Pay)	Liability

R.:W.: Haskell R. Vest, Jr., Junior Grand Warden, moved for the adoption of the New Account Numbers Report for the month of January. Second was made by R.:W.: J. Paul Stellrecht, P.D.D.G.M., and the motion carried.

**CREDIT APPLICATIONS REPORT
GRAND LODGE AND MASONIC HOME OF FLORIDA FOR JANUARY**

During the month of January, there were no credit applications received and processed for the Grand Lodge Office or the Masonic Home of Florida.

R.:W.: J. Paul Stellrecht, P.D.D.G.M., made a motion for the adoption of the Credit Applications Report for the month of January which was seconded by R.:W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer. Motion carried.

**FUNDS RECEIVED FOR THE MASONIC HOME ENDOWMENT FUND, INC.
FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR THE MASONIC HOME BUILDING FUND**

The Board reviewed the funds received from estates and wills through the month of January for the Masonic Home Endowment Fund, Inc. (\$1,161,752.65). The Board then reviewed the funds available for the Masonic Home Building Fund (\$566,919.85). During the month of January there were no undesignated funds received for Estates and Wills and deposited into the Masonic Home Building Fund.

R.:W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer, made a motion for acceptance of the reports for the month of January which was seconded by R.:W.: Donald W. Cowart, Deputy Grand Master, and the motion carried.

LIST OF ESTATE ACTIVITY FOR JANUARY

The Board then reviewed the List of Estate Activity for January. R.: W.: Donald W. Cowart, Deputy Grand Master, moved for acceptance of the report for the month of January as printed and distributed. Second was made by R.: W.: Taleb T. Atala, Senior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

MASONIC RELIEF FUND REPORT – JANUARY

During the month of January, no funds were received and deposited into the Masonic Relief Fund. The year to date total received is \$11,000.00.

R.: W.: Taleb T. Atala, Senior Grand Warden, made a motion for acceptance of the report for January as printed and distributed. Second was made by R.: W.: Haskell R. Vest, Jr., Junior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

MASONIC HOME BUDGET REPORT – JANUARY

We report that we are currently 2.35% unfavorable to the final budget (\$204,892) after ten months of the fiscal year before any contingency is used, after amortizing for the insurance premiums already paid, and adjusting for the timing of maintenance.

R.: W.: Taleb T. Atala, Senior Grand Warden, made a motion for acceptance of the Masonic Home Budget Reports which was seconded by R.: W.: Haskell R. Vest, Jr., Junior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

LIST OF PROPERTY ACTIVITY BY COUNTY – JANUARY

After a review of the List of Property Activity by County for the month of January, R.: W.: Haskell R. Vest, Jr., Junior Grand Warden, moved for the adoption of the report as printed and distributed. Second was made by R.: W.: Taleb T. Atala, Senior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL

I. CONTRACT REVIEW/GRAND LODGE:

General Counsel reviewed and approved the contract with the Rosen Plaza Hotel for the 2025 Jurisprudence Committee Meeting.

II. ESTATES:

General Counsel continues to review files relating to open estates and/or trusts naming The Grand Lodge of Florida, the Masonic Home and/or the Masonic Home Endowment Fund, Inc., as beneficiaries.

III. PROPERTIES:

All property matters are listed on the Properties Committee Report.

IV. MASONIC HOME:

General Counsel has reviewed a boiler service agreement and continues to work with our Administrator in the Medicare application and related matters. General Counsel continues to work with the Admissions Committee, including undertaking title and asset searches for incoming residents as well as the preparation of their requisite documentation upon admission.

R.: W.: Haskell R. Vest, Jr., Junior Grand Warden, made a motion to approve the Report of the General Counsel as presented by R.: W.: Stephen R. Gladstone. Second was made by R.: W.: Taleb T. Atala, Senior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

REPORT OF THE PROPERTIES COMMITTEE

1. **Zone 1 Properties Committee Chairman W.: Kenneth E. Thorndyke**
The Blocker Property, a lot at 0000 Longhorn Trail, Gulf Breeze, FL
General Counsel will, based upon the local Property Committee Chairperson's report, and at the direction of the Corporate Board, be contacting the adjoining landowner(s) to determine if they have an interest in purchasing the property.
2. **Zone 2 Properties Committee Chairman R.: W.: Robert L. Gentry**
The Crofton Property at Davis Street, Quincy, FL 32351
The property is vacant land and we have posted a FOR SALE BY OWNER sign.

R.: W.: J. Paul Stellrecht, P.D.D.G.M., made a motion to accept the Properties Committee Report as presented by R.: W.: Stephen R. Gladstone, State Chairman. R.: W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer, seconded the motion which carried.

R.: W.: Donald W. Cowart, Deputy Grand Master, made a motion to approve the contract with the Rosen Plaza Hotel for the Jurisprudence Committee Meeting in 2025. R.: W.: Taleb T. Atala, Senior Grand Warden, seconded the motion which carried.

There being no further business to come before the Corporate Board the meeting was closed at 10:18 a.m. Benediction was then offered by R.: W.: Taleb T. Atala, Senior Grand Warden.

Respectfully submitted:



Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M., Grand Secretary
Secretary to the Board

Approved:



Glen B. Bishop
Grand Master

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THE MASONIC HOME OF FLORIDA
FEBRUARY 10, 2024**

The Members of the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Home of Florida met in regular session on Saturday, February 10, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at the Masonic Home of Florida with the following members present:

PRESENT:

R.: W.: R. James Rocha, Chairman
R.: W.: Kevin D. Smithwick, Vice Chairman
R.: W.: Michael S. Griffin, Secretary
R.: W.: Charles A. Dyer
R.: W.: Glen L. Garner
M.: W.: Stanley L. Hudson, P.G.M.
R.: W.: R. Patrick Jacob
Brother Michael R. Pender, Jr.

ABSENT: R.: W.: Douglas L. Ankeny

ALSO PRESENT: (in person or via Microsoft Teams) M.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, Grand Master; R.: W.: Donald W. Cowart, Deputy Grand Master; R.: W.: Taleb T. Atala, Senior Grand Warden; R.: W.: Haskell R. Vest, Jr., Junior Grand Warden; M.: W.: Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M., Grand Secretary; M.: W.: Robert J. Lambert, P.G.M.; M.: W.: Jorge L. Aladro, P.G.M.; R.: W.: J. Paul Stellrecht, W.: Grand Marshal; R.: W.: Jack W. Hampton, Jr., W.: Grand Historian; R.: W.: Stephen R. Gladstone, General Counsel; R.: W.: Joseph M. Fleites, P.D.D.G.M.; R.: W.: Gary J. Gamache, Sr., P.D.D.G.M.; R.: W.: Anthony A. De Angelo, P.D.D.G.M.; R.: W.: John A. Kraniou, P.D.D.G.M.; R.: W.: Oran B. Ellis, Jr., P.D.D.G.M.; W.:M.: Demarcus A. Smith; W.:M.: John H. Eaton; W.: Henry Barron, P.M.; W.: John Cotton, P.M.; Brother W. Christopher Townsend; Brother Angel Sardinias; Ms. Cristal Baer, Outreach Coordinator; Ms. Renee Verrier, Administrator of the Masonic Home; and other various, beloved residents of the Masonic Home of Florida.

CALL TO ORDER: R.: W.: R. James Rocha, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The Chairman welcomed all assembled and asked them to join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. M.: W.: Stanley L. Hudson, P.G.M., then gave the Invocation.

INTRODUCTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES: R.: W.: R. James Rocha, Chairman, introduced the members of the Board of Trustees and guests in attendance as listed above.

R.: W.: Michael S. Griffin made a motion that the Minutes from the last regular Board of Trustees Meeting be approved as printed and distributed. Second was made by R.: W.: Kevin D. Smithwick and the motion carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S BOARD REPORT:

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Renee Verrier reported that at our last regular Board Meeting we had 73 residents in the Home. During the month of January, we had three admissions, two deaths, and no discharges bringing the total to 74. Of those, 25 are men and 49 are women.

ADMITTED:

Rosemarie Rizzo, Private Pay (Non-Masonic)
Garry Buzzell, Private Pay (Gulf Beach Lodge No. 291)
Jerold Horwitz, sponsored by Oleeta-West Dade Lodge No. 145

ADMIT DATE:

01/17/2024
01/25/2024
01/29/2024

DECEASED:

Alyn Rovin, Private Pay (PA)
Admitted: September 1, 2022
John Clardy, sponsored by Marion-Dunn Lodge No. 19
Admitted: November 28, 2017

DECEASED DATE:

01/04/2024
01/17/2024

With three admissions, two losses by death, and no discharges the month of January ended with 37 Assisted Living and 37 Nursing Center for a total of 74 residents.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT FAILED EQUIPMENT REPORT:

1. Replaced a ten-foot section of 4" cast iron drain piping in the beauty salon ceiling. Also replaced a four-foot section of pipe that cracked but was not leaking. All iron pipe was replaced with 4" PVC pipe and no-hub connectors.
2. Replaced 30' of #8 wire to new chilled water pump motor in the main mechanical room.
3. Replaced Ditek surge arrestor servicing the east well pump after being shorted by a lizard.
4. Replaced fan motor in Fulton pulse boiler.

SECURITY DEPARTMENT REPORT: There were no reportable incidents for the month of January. There was one resident ID badge issued and two new employee ID badges issued.

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M.:W.: Stanley L. Hudson, P.G.M., presented the Long Range Planning Committee Report and then moved for its adoption. R.:W.: Glen L. Garner seconded the motion which carried.

LEGAL ADVISOR’S REPORT: The total funds received during the month of January from Estates and Wills was \$39,659.85, which brings the year to date total of funds received for the Masonic Home Endowment Fund, Inc., on behalf of Estates and Wills to \$1,161,752.65. During the month of January, there were no undesignated funds received for Estates and Wills and deposited into the Masonic Home Building Fund.

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3. **MISC.:**

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OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Ms. Verrier, on behalf of W.: M.: Rusty Valle, President of the Suncoast Master Mason Association, announced that their Masonic Home Resident of the Month for January is Ruby Combs. Congratulations Ruby!

Newly elected Resident Representative President Brother Fred Piasecki gave his comments and thanked the Board for all of their hard work.

M.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, Grand Master, offered his remarks, after which R.: W.: Charles A. Dyer gave the Benediction and the meeting was adjourned at 9:34 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

R.: W.: R. James Rocha
Chairman

R.: W.: Michael S. Griffin
Secretary to the Board of Trustees

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Florida

RICHARD E. LYNN, P.G.M.
GRAND SECRETARY

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March 29, 2024

To: ALL PARTICULAR LODGES

Re: LET YOUR PENNIES MAKE GOOD CENTS REPORT
PER REGULATION 22.07

Dear Brother Secretary:

Your First Quarterly Report of Collections for the Masonic Home Endowment Fund, "Let Your Pennies Make Good Cents Program" and remittance is due on or before April 15, 2024, per Regulation 22.07.

This return covers your collections through March 31, 2024, In the event you have no collections, please mark the Quarterly Return None and return to this office. Please be sure to fill in the space provided for Lodge Name, Address and Number. We need a report filed even though there are no collections for the quarter.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely and fraternally,



Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M.
Grand Secretary

REL/wj

Enc.

cc: Grand Lodge Officers
D.D.G.M.'s
LYPMGC Committee Chairman

Detach and Send Only White Copy to Grand Secretary. Keep Colored Copy for Your Lodge Records.
Return to: Grand Lodge of Florida, P.O. Box 1020, Jacksonville, FL 32201-1020

**SEND THIS COPY
TO GRAND SECRETARY
ON OR BEFORE APRIL 15, 2024**

1st QUARTERLY RETURN

Particular Lodge Report on "Let Your Pennies Make Good Cents"	
LODGE NAME, ADDRESS, AND NUMBER	RETURN FOR QUARTER ENDING MARCH 31, 2024
(No. 1) Amount Collected for this Quarter	\$ _____
(No.2) Check Attached	\$ _____
This return to be filed in the Grand Secretary's Office on or before	APRIL 15, 2024
<i>"Remember Our Masonic Home in Your Will"</i>	

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April 3, 2024

TO: ALL PARTICULAR LODGES

RE: SUNDAY, MAY 26, 2024, SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
195th ANNUAL GRAND COMMUNICATION
REGISTRATION
CHURCH SERVICE AND MEMORIAL SERVICE
GRAND MASTER'S RECEPTION (In Lieu of a Banquet)

Listed below is the schedule for Sunday, May 26, 2024, in connection with the 195th Annual Grand Communication at the Rosen Plaza Hotel, 9700 International Drive, Orlando, Florida 32819, (407) 996-9700:

Registration Ballroom Foyer Registration Desk	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Ladies Registration Ballroom Foyer	9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Church Service Ballroom A	11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Memorial Service – (immediately after Church Service) Ballroom A	11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Grand Master's Reception (In lieu of a Banquet) – Ballroom A (<i>Tickets Required</i>)	7:00 p.m.

Overflow Hotel:

For reservations at either overflow hotel call (407) 996-9700
Rosen Inn Pointe 9000 International Drive, Orlando, FL 32819
\$85.00 per night Group Booking ID 74412

Rosen Centre 9840 International Drive, Orlando, FL 32819
\$103.00 per night + Free Parking
Group: Grand Lodge of FL

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GRAND LODGE PER DIEM AND MILEAGE

Each Lodge that sends a representative to the Annual Grand Communication will receive, for the **HIGHEST RANKING OFFICER IN ATTENDANCE**, \$40.00 a day per diem, to be applied towards their expenditures. Also, one person, the driver of a vehicle, will receive .30 cents per mile.

This information will be requested when the attendees are asked to complete their registration forms.

Also, each member must remember to check in with their District Deputy Grand Master **each morning and afternoon** as the sign in sheet is the information source in which the attendees will be paid from.

Most Lodges, if able, subsidize the Lodge Representatives toward their actual expenses.

If the Officers of the Lodge cannot attend, then you may select a Proxy for the Officers. The Proxy Form was provided to the Secretary of the Lodge in the weekly mail mailed on April 4, 2024, along with other Grand Lodge information, to be completed by the **Officer giving the Proxy**. As many as three (3) or as few as one (1) may represent the Lodge. Each Lodge will have three (3) votes and if only one (1) person represents the Lodge he will be able to cast all three (3) votes.

The Returns and Credentials Committee will compile the per diem list and the information will be taken by them at the time of registration and the attendance list will be kept by the D.D.G.M.'s.

GRAND MASTER'S RECEPTION

TICKET ORDER FORM

Rosen Plaza Hotel – Orlando, Florida

Sunday, May 26, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.

Ballroom A - (Formal Dress)



***ORDER GRAND MASTER'S RECEPTION TICKETS - \$25.00 each**

_____ Tickets @ \$25.00 each = _____

Please make checks payable to *Grand Lodge of Florida* and note: *Grand Master's Reception*

For your convenience, the Grand Lodge also accepts major credit cards for this purchase. Should you prefer to charge your credit card, please complete the following:

Check One: Name on Card: _____

MasterCard No. _____ Zip Code: _____

Visa Expiration Date: _____

Discover 3-digit security code on back of card: _____

AMEX Billing Address for Card: _____

Daytime Phone Number: _____

MUST BE SIGNED: _____

MAIL TICKETS TO ME AT THIS ADDRESS:

NAME _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

SIGNED: _____

Mail to: Grand Lodge of Florida – 220 N Ocean Street, Jacksonville, FL 32202



Ladies Activities



Sunday, May 26, 2024

Registration – Ballroom Foyer – 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
and 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Monday, May 27, 2024

Ladies Coffee and Bingo (*Dress: Casual*) – Salons 5/6 (2nd Floor) – 9:30 a.m.
Registration – Salons 5/6 Foyer (2nd Floor) – 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday, May 28, 2024

Ladies Luncheon – Salons 7/8 (2nd Floor) 11:30 a.m. – \$50.00
(*Dress: Business Casual - Tickets Required - Limited Seating*)

MENU

Bonita Springs Chicken

Macadamia Crusted Breast of Chicken

Caesar Salad & Fresh Vegetables

New York Style Cheese Cake

Sugar Free Choice Upon Request – Strawberry Mocha Sugar Free Cake
Coffee and Tea

Special dietary needs such as sugar free, vegetarian, vegan, etc.: _____

***ORDER LADIES LUNCHEON TICKETS - \$50.00 each**

_____ Tickets @ \$50.00 each = _____

Please make checks payable to GRAND LODGE OF FLORIDA and note: Ladies Luncheon

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MasterCard No. _____ Zip Code: _____

Visa Expiration Date: _____

Discover 3-digit security code on back of card: _____

AMEX Billing Address for Card: _____

Daytime Phone Number: _____

MUST BE SIGNED: _____

Lady's Name attending if different from above _____

MAIL TICKETS TO ME AT THIS ADDRESS:

NAME _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

SIGNED: _____

Mail to: Grand Lodge of Florida – 220 N Ocean Street, Jacksonville, FL 32202

****You may also buy tickets at the Hotel when you register at the Ladies Registration.***

DeSoto Lodge No 105 BBQ Fund Raiser, to Net Profits to be donated to Southeastern Guide Dogs



\$20 for a BBQ Plate, with fixings. (Baked Beans, Potato Salad and Roll)

12PM to 4pm, April 13th 2024.

At Desoto Lodge, 10801 DeSoto Rd. Riverview, FL.

**50/50 Raffle will be drawn at 3:30,
50/50 Raffle tickets sold the day of the BBQ**

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Mothers Day Pancake Breakfast

Hosted by Dade City Lodge and Armi Grotto

Moms Eat Free

Proceeds benefit Dade City Lodge No. 48 & Armi Grotto

All you can eat PANCAKES

Saturday May 11th

8am-11am

Or until food is gone



Also serving Sausage, Eggs, OJ, Coffee

\$10 Donation

Location: Dade City Lodge No. 48

13642 21st St. Dade City, FL 33525

50 % of the proceeds benefit Armi Grotto and 50% benefit Dade City Lodge No: 48

Armi Grotto FLORIDA REGISTRATION NUMBER CH68668 . Dade City Lodge Florida Registration number CH58933 "A COPY OF THE OFFICIAL REGISTRATION AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES BY CALLING TOLL FREE 800.435.7352 WITHIN THE STATE OR VISIT WWW.800HELPFLA.COM. REGISTRATION DOES NOT IMPLY ENDORSEMENT, APPROVAL, OR RECOMMENDATION BY THE STATE. For additional information, please contact Dade City Lodge No. 48 F.&A.M., Phone: Contact (813) 810-9804

Approved for Distribution by M.W. Glen B. Bishop, Grand Master, on March 25, 2024

LEESBURG MASONIC LODGE NO. 58

RAFFLE

Half-Side Grass-Fed Beef*

Custom-Cut - Freezer-Ready

Approximately 250-300 lbs

Tickets: \$20 donation per ticket or \$50 donation for 3 tickets

All taxes included - not deductible as charitable contributions

Winning ticket will be drawn July 16, 2024 at 7:00 pm

Leesburg Lodge No. 58

1234 Wells Avenue

Tavares, FL 34778

To purchase tickets contact: Officers of Leesburg Lodge No. 58 or call 352-408-1909

Winner need not be present – must be 18 or older

***not exchangeable for cash**

**– winner required to pick up beef from
the processing plant in Bronson, FL**

Raffle Official Rules and Regulations: By entering this drawing, the ticket purchaser acknowledges that he or she is aware of and agrees to abide by the Official Rules and Regulations of this drawing. Leesburg Masonic Lodge No. 58 (located at 1234 Wells Ave., Tavares, FL 34778) is conducting a raffle pursuant to Florida Statutes to raise proceeds to benefit the Leesburg Masonic Lodge No. 58. The winning ticket will be drawn at random on or about 7:00 pm on 07/16/2024, at Leesburg Masonic Lodge No. 58, 1234 Wells Ave., Tavares, FL 34778 from all eligible raffle tickets received. The winner will be notified by phone. This prize was *donated to Leesburg Masonic Lodge No. 58 and has an estimated value of \$1000*. Ticket holders do not need to be present to win. One chance to win per ticket. The holder of the winning ticket shall be entitled to receive a Half Side of Beef, custom-cut and freezer-ready (Winner will pick up from the processing plant in Bronson, FL 32621), in one game awarded to one person, upon compliance with these Official Rules. All Federal and State laws apply. Failure to comply will result in forfeiture of prize. Prize is non-transferable. **No substitutions for prize will be made – no exchange for cash.** All prizes must be claimed within 30 days of winning drawing date. The winner is responsible for all applicable federal, state, local taxes and fees, and must be paid prior to prize delivery. Entrants must be 18 years of age or older. Tickets purchased through misrepresentation of age or identity shall be void. No purchase/contribution is necessary to enter; Donations are not deductible as a charitable contribution; a \$20/ticket or \$50/3 tickets minimum donation is suggested. Unauthorized person copying, selling, or altering tickets are subject to prosecution. Ticket will be void and no prize will be awarded if there is proof that the ticket was stolen, unissued, ineligible, altered, counterfeit in whole or in part, defective, printed in duplicate or printed/production in error. The odds of winning the prize will depend on the number of raffle tickets sold. Leesburg Masonic Lodge No. 58 reserves the right to limit the number of tickets distributed to each entrant. Leesburg Masonic Lodge No. 58 is not responsible for lost or stolen tickets or tickets redeemed in error by its agents. Leesburg Masonic Lodge No. 58 is not responsible or liable for any actions or for any events that occur during or as a result of winner acceptance and use of prize. Winner agrees to allow Leesburg Masonic Lodge No. 58 to use name and likeness to promote future drawings. *All (100%) donations go to the Leesburg Masonic Lodge No. 58.* For additional information, please contact Leesburg Masonic Lodge No. 58, 1234 Wells Ave., Tavares, FL 34778, Phone: 352-408-1909.

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HASTINGS LODGE NO. 183 CHARITY RAFFLE FOR DILLON KRONZ

TICKETS: \$5 each or 5 for \$20

Ruger LCP Max .380 Pistol
Lock box and cable lock included



For tickets call:

Raymond Winters – 386-972-6455

Richard Gray – 904-669-0104

Drawing held at Hastings Lodge No. 183
July 23rd, 2024 at 7:00pm

Proceeds benefit Dillon Kronz for Medical Care
Expenses

Winner must meet all Florida Laws for firearm purchase AND
is responsible for applicable taxes.

Donations are not tax deductible as a charitable donation.

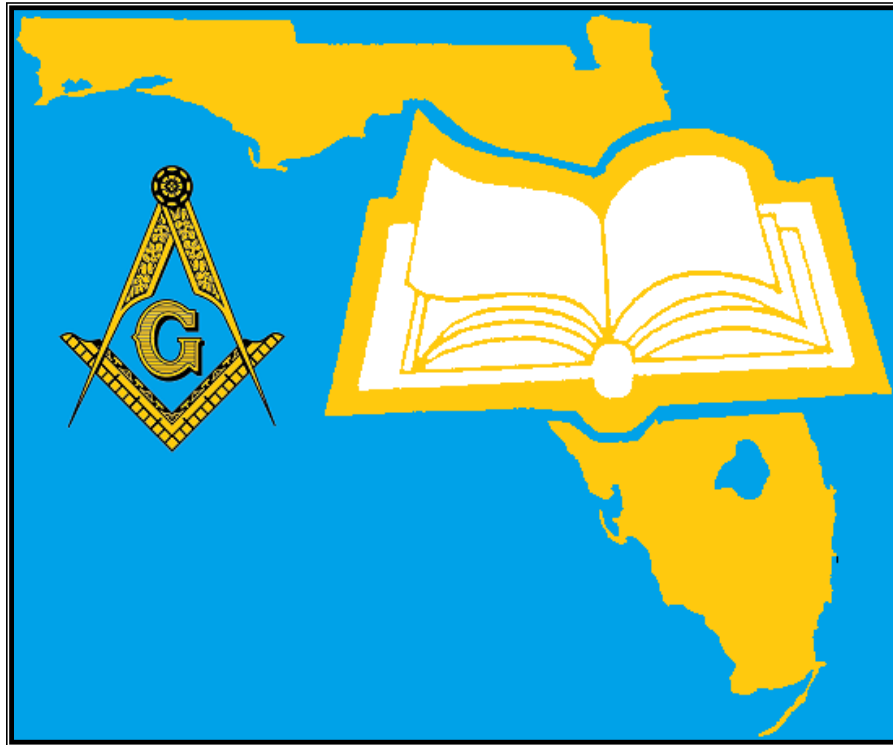
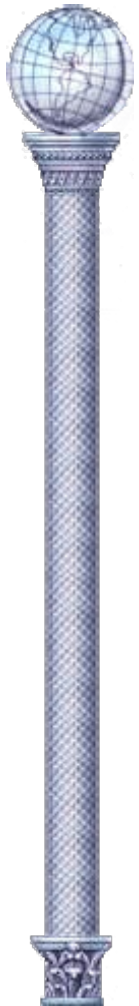
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Official Rules & Regulations: By entering this drawing, the ticket purchaser acknowledges that he or she is aware of and agrees to the Official Rules & Regulations of this drawing, Hastings Lodge No. 183 F.&A.M., raffle pursuant to Florida Statutes to raise proceeds to benefit Dillon Kronz Medical Care Expenses. One winning ticket for each prize will be drawn at random on or about 7:00PM on 07/23/2024, at Hastings Lodge No. 183 from all eligible raffle tickets received. Ticket holders do not need to be present to win. The winner will be notified by phone. 1 chance to win per ticket. The holder of a winning ticket shall be entitled to receive only the prize listed on the front of this ticket, upon compliance with these official rules. All Federal and State laws apply. Failure to comply will result in forfeit of prize. Prize is non-transferable. No substitutions for prize will be made. The prize must be claimed within 30 days of winning drawing date. The winner is responsible for all applicable federal, state, local taxes and fees, and must be paid prior to prize delivery. Elected officers of Hastings Lodge No. 183 F.&A.M. are not eligible to participate. Entrants must be 21 years of age or older. Tickets purchased through misrepresentation of age or identity shall be void. No purchase/contribution is necessary to enter; You may obtain a raffle ticket without making a donation by mailing a stamped #9 envelope with your name and address, to P.O. Box 334 Hastings FL 32145 by 07/02/2024. Only 1 entry per #9 envelope mailed. Donations are not deductible as a charitable contribution; a \$20.00 minimum donation is suggested. Unauthorized persons copying, selling, or altering tickets are subject to prosecution. Ticket will be void and no prize will be awarded if there is proof that the ticket was stolen, unissued, ineligible, altered, counterfeit in whole or in part, defective, printed in duplicate, or printed/production in error. The odds of winning the prize will depend on the number of raffle tickets sold. Hastings Lodge No. 183 F.&A.M. reserves the right to limit the number of tickets distributed to each entrant. Hastings Lodge No. 183 F.&A.M. is not responsible for lost or stolen tickets or tickets redeemed in error by its agents. Hastings Lodge No. 183 F.&A.M. is not responsible or liable for any actions or for any events that occur during or as a result of winner acceptance and use of prize. 100% of donations go to the Dillon Kronz Medical Care Expenses. For additional information, please contact Hastings Lodge No. 183 F.&A.M., Phone: 386-972-6455.

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Approved for Distribution by M.W. Glen B. Bishop, Grand Master, on March 29, 2024

FLORIDA LODGE OF RESEARCH



A Stated Communication will be held on Monday, May 27, 2024

At the Rosen Plaza Hotel

Location: 9700 International Dr., Orlando, FL 32819

Room Location Salon 8

Details of the stated Meeting: It will start at 6:30 p.m. after Grand Lodge Concludes their session for the day. All Master Mason in Good Standing are cordially invited to attend our meeting.

This is a Tyled meeting please bring your Apron with you.

Approved for Distribution by M.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, Grand Master, on April 3, 2024