

Masonic Temple Wednesday Evening Apr 24, 2024

At a Stated Communication of St. John's Lodge #3, A.F. & A.M.

New Bern, North Carolina

HELD ON THE ABOVE DATE PRESENT:

Bro. Arthur B. Romans W.M.  
 Bro. Timothy J. Harris S.W.  
 Bro. Dominick P. Giorgianni J.W.  
 Bro Thomas L. Williams, PM Treas.  
 Bro. William C. Zerby, PM Sec'y.  
 Bro Mark E. Bledsoe Chaplain



Bro. Terry Tripp S.D.  
 Bro. Robert Mull J.D.  
 Bro. Nicholas C. Coyle Steward  
 Bro. Joseph S. Kawalski Steward  
 Bro. Kevin M. Yates Tyler  
 Bro. \_\_\_\_\_ as Marshall

Lodge opened on the third degree of Masonry in Due Form at 7:30 p.m.

St. John's Lodge #3 was opened in due form by the WM. After the Flag Ceremony there was an alarm at the door caused by the District Deputy Grand Lecturer for the 7<sup>th</sup> Masonic District, WB Wayne Lytton and by the District Deputy Grand Master for the 7<sup>th</sup> Masonic District, WB Bill Sanford The WM prepared the room and the DDGM and DDGL were received into the Lodge. The WM led the lodge in rendering Private Grand Honours.

The WM recognized all Veterans, Certified Lecturers, Past Masters, Coaches, First Responders, and prior/current District Officers.

Sick and Shut-ins: WB Johnny Surl's daughter had surgery  
Unspoken needs of our Brothers and Widows

Secretary read the Application for Advancement for bro Matthew Pitts. A vote was held and advancement was approved.

WM dispensed with labour in this MM lodge. WM asked the SD to conduct bro Matthew Pitts before the east for examination on the EA catechism, The examination was given by bro Tim Harris. WM found the examination to be satisfactory and congratulated bro Pitts. WM asked for all who are not MM to retire and labour was resumed in this MM lodge.

The minutes of the Stated Communication of Arp 10<sup>th</sup> and Emergent Communication of Apr 17<sup>th</sup> were read for information.

Treasurers Report: WB Tom Williams gave the treasurers report.	Gen Account	\$61,260.91
	Mngt Account	\$10,779.95
	Foundation Acct	\$31,949.61

Coaching: 1 st Degree: Matthew Arnold and Devin Carmichael.  
2 nd Degree:  
3 rd Degree:

Bills Allowed: \$61.47 to bro Tim Harris for Mar 27<sup>th</sup> Stated Communications meal  
\$15.97 to bro Joe Kawalski for beverages

Motion by bro Tim Harris 2<sup>nd</sup> by bro Bob Mull to pay the bills, motion carried.

WM assigned an investigation committee to Bro. Harry Sanders petition for affiliation.

The Petition for Degrees in Masonry for Mr. Jabaris Keon Stewart and Mr. Lawrence Wayne Basden were read aloud to the lodge

Important Dates

- Apr 25<sup>th</sup> – Vanceboro lodge 433 EA degree meal @ 6, degree @ 630
- May 1 – Saint John’s 2<sup>nd</sup> degree, meal @ 630, degree @ 730
- May 4 - Coffee & Donuts 9 am – 11 am
- May 17-18 – Pig-Jig @ the GottaBeNC Festival in Raleigh
- Oct 26 –PM & Ladies night dinner

The WM took a seat with the brethren and WB Bill Sanford, DDGM, presided in the East.

DDGM WB Bill Sanford thanked the lodge for the hospitality.

DDGL WB Wayne Lytton spoke on the ritual tradition of the fraternity, it’s meanings and the GM focus is on this.

The secretary and treasurers books were examined by the DDGM and found to be satisfactory.

DDGM spoke on the usage of lodge members using of Grandview.

DDGM delivered the GM message to the lodge and reiterated the importance of our rituals and the importance of social involvement. Also, introduced the new MM packet, costs and that it will be starting June 1<sup>st</sup>.

DDGM spoke on the Home for Children and the replacement of the furniture.

SD introduced our guests.

WM thanked bro Dominick Giorganni for the meal.

The meal was served in Lowthorp hall before the meeting.

There being no further business to come before this Lodge, the minutes were read and approved, and this Lodge was closed in due form.

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William C. Zerby, PM  
Secretary

Members Present:

Visitors: