



Message From the East

Saturday, May 17, we had a real large time at our family night. Those that were not there missed a real nice affair. W Bro Rex Thompson and his lovely wife Wanda made all the arrangements for a delicious meal from the Todd House in Tabor City with all the trimmings from country ham and fried chicken to strawberry short cake and banana pudding and everything in between. W Bro Rhett Vereen brought two cakes, one decorated with a square and compass and another honoring our Secretary, Del Vereen for his 38 years in office. He also received a picture and plaque that will hang on the wall behind his desk. W Bro (washable) Billy Holmes and his very talented and attractive wife Lavina serenaded us with folk songs and she recited her funny rendition of "Rindecella" (Cinderella).

Thank you to W Bro Rex and his son for changing out our doors in the Lodge and Bro Leo Kosakoski for painting them. (work in progress)

My wife Peggy and I attended the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina. RW Bro Bill Miskovic and W Bro David Finn, Grand Representative of South Carolina as Liaison to The Washington DC District and their neighbor W Bro Ray McMullen attended the meeting as they know the Grand Master of Washington, DC who attended as a guest.

Congratulations to Bro Ken White who was initiated as an EA on April 28th, and to Bro Rick Lewis who took his FC Degree at Seaside Lodge # 419 on Wednesday May 22nd and Bro Grover Duty who was initiated as an EA at Loris Lodge # 205 Thursday May 23rd.

We will NOT have an EA degree on May 29th. I hope to see many of you at our June 9th meeting. We will be going dark in July and August, so come on out and have a friendly and brotherly get-together on June 9th. Supper is at 7:00PM. Don't be late.

~ Worshipful Master, James Anderson

Lodge Activities

2nd Monday of the Month....Regular Communication

3rd Monday of the Month... Masters and Wardens Club

*** May 27 & 29 EA Work Cancelled

Mason/Shriners Night at Pelican's Field
July 9 - 7:05p.m. Tickets call 1-877-918-tixx or visit the
Web myrtlebeachpelicans.com

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I Am Freemasonry

I was born in antiquity ~ in the ancient days ~ when men first dreamed of God. I have been tried through the ages and found to be true ~ the crossroads of the world bear the imprint of my feet and the cathedral of all nations mark the skill of my hands. I strive for beauty and symmetry ~ in my heart is wisdom and strength and courage for those who ask. Upon my altars is a book of holy writings and my prayers are to the One Omnipotent God ~ my sons work and pray together ~ without rank or discord and in the public mart and in the inner chamber. By signs and symbols I teach the lessons of life ~ and death and the relationship of man with God ~ and of man with man. My arms are widespread to receive those of lawful age ~ and good report who seek me of their own free will. I accept them ~ and teach them to use my tools in the building of men ~ and thereafter ~ find direction in their own quest for perfection ~ so much desired ~ and so difficult to obtain. I lift up the fallen and shelter the sick ~ I harken to the orphans's cry ~ the widows's tears - the pain of the old and destitute. I am not church ~ nor party ~ nor school ~ yet my son bears a full share of responsibility to God ~ to Country ~ to neighbor ~ and to themselves. Themselves ~ they are FREE-MEN ~ tenacious of their liberties and alert to lurking danger. In the end ~ I commit them ~ as each undertakes the journey beyond the vale into the glory of everlasting life. I ponder the sand within the glass ~ and think ~ how small is a single life in the eternal universe. Always have I taught immortality ~ and even as I raise men from darkness to light ~ I am a way of life ~ I am Freemasonry. ~ Submitted by Bro George Wertheimer

Attention all Lodge Officers
June 9th meeting - wear shirt & tie
Photos will be taken for Website

Bylaws Change Vote

This is to notify the membership of a by-laws change that will be voted on at our June 9th regular communication. The change has been read as required at our three previous meetings.

On March 10, the audit committee suggested the dues should be raised. We receive \$3,700 in dues, but our expenses are around \$10,000 each year. The following motion was made and was read at the last three meetings.

MOTION; The dues shall be changed from \$44.50 to \$75.00 per year, and the lifetime membership will change from \$500 to \$750, starting in January 2009.

Congratulations to:

RW Brother Hugh C. "Hugger" Peteet our new 29th District Deputy Grand Master. We will be honored and look forward to his visits. We thank RW Michael Kemp for his service to the 29th Masonic District as DDGM. We look forward seeing you and wish you all the best.

Family Night Committee:

Thank you Chairman W. Bros Steve Smith, Rhett Vereen and Chris Holland, and Bro Leo Kosakowski for setup, and a big hug for all the ladies and brothers who pitched in to help in the clean up. A lot of fun was had by all.

Committees

Building Maintenance & Improvement: W. Bro Rex Thompson, Chairman, W. Bros Rick Causey, Steve Smith and Rhett Vereen, and Bros David Sowell, Heath Stone, Wilson Rankin, John Worley, George Wertheimer and Mike Fowler

Past Masters Council: All Past Masters; W. Bro Richard Brown, Chairman

Funeral: All members; W. Bro Billy Holmes, Chairman

Trestle Board: W. Bro Chris Holland and Bro Randy Black

Website: W. Bro Chris Holland and Bros Randy Black and Lee Hitchcock

Charity: W. Bro Chris Holland, Chairman, W. Bros Richard Brown, Tom Kronenwetter, Milford Powell and Bros Heath Stone and Lee Hitchcock

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