# Message From the East

I hope you all are enjoying this beautiful fall weather. At our regular November Communication we voted for our new officers for the Masonic Year 6009, the year of our Lord 2009. They are:

Worshipful Master	Roy D."John" Worley
Senior Warden	Wilson Rankin
Junior Warden	Calvin K. "Tommy" Bennet
Sr. Deacon	Randall E. "Randy" Black
Jr. Deacon	W. Kevin Causey
Secretary	Lewis Del Vereen
Treasurer	Thomas J. Kronenwetter
Sr. Steward	Jason Dunn
Jr. Steward	Rick W. Lewis
Tiler	George Wertheimer

We set a date for the EA Degree, Wednesday, November 19, 2008. Practice will be Tuesday Nov.18 at 6:00PM. The candidates are Walter Vick and Ty Bellamy, Grandson of Charles Bellamy. We hope many of you will join us to welcome the new candidates.

I would like to thank the Brothers, their wives, Grand-daughters, and significant others who attended the Annual

Inspirational Dinner. Our Most Worshipful Grand Master Gerald L. Carver gave an inspiring talk on the Brotherhood of Masonery much like Brother to Brother. We had 204 Brothers and guests. Winyah Lodge # 40 were the hosts and provided an outstanding meal from Inlet Affairs in Murrells Inlet of BBQ, Grilled Chicken, rice, slaw, beans, and a fruit Cobbler to top it off. No body went hungry. Grand Strand Lodge #392 won the attendance award with 24 attendees and W.Brother Chris Holland received the Masters and Wardens Club Mason of the Year Award.

Our meeting on December 8th is our Installation officers for 2009. We are honored that Right Worshipful Hugh "Hugger" Peteet our 29th District Deputy Grand Master will install the officers. Prior to our meeting we will honor continued, next column

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November 2008

## "Free Masonry Is"

Kindness in the home
Honesty in Business
Courtesy in society
Fairness in work
Pity and concern for the unfortunate
Resistence towards the wicked
Trust in the Strong
Forgiveness for the penitent
Love for one another
Reverence and love for God
Free masonery is many things, but mostly
Free masonery is a way of life



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2 of our Widows. Tom Kronenwetter will present Linda Funderburk and Billy Holmes will present Dorothy Fife with their Widows pins.

I would like to thank W Bro Rex Thompson for installing the closer, adjusting the hinges, and putting the sign on the side door.

We welcome Thomas Johnstone as a new member of our Lodge. He is from Pennsylvania and now resides on Little River Neck Road.

I wish you all a very Happy Thanksgiving

~ Worshipful Master, James Anderson

## **Thoughts and Prayers**

Our deepest sympathy and prayers go out to Randy Black and his family in the loss of his brother who gave him light and wisdom to follow. Also keep in your prayers Randy's wife Kathy who had a shoulder operation Monday. Our special prayers are also for Bob Cape (see addendum attached). We also pray for John Worley and his wife Tracy to give strength and comfort in caring for her father who has cancer and fell and had 17 stitches in his forehead. Also we pray for Kevin Causy and his family whose brother is stricken with cancer and George Wertheimer's father in law. Our Dear Lord, please place your hand upon them and don't let them suffer and also give comfort to the families.



Entered Apprentice Degree
November 19, 2008
Candidates: Walter Vick and Ty Bellamy
Supper 7:00PM:: Work 7:30PM
(Practice Tuesday, November 18 6:00PM)

#### **2008 Dues**

Those brothers who have not paid to date may no longer sit in lodge. If your dues are received prior to December 31st you will be reinstated.

#### **2009 Dues**

The Grand Lodge approved our amendment to the by-laws to increase the yearly dues to \$75. These dues may by paid at any time and will cover the year 2009. We hope that many of you will pay them on time and not wait until the end of the year as it puts a big burden on our secretary chasing them down.



#### All Officers:

Bring your RED BOOK to the December Meeting.

Masters & Wardens Club - 29th District Hosted by Grand Strand Lodge #392 November 17, 2008 Dinner 7:30PM

Grand Strand Lodge #392 - Installation of Officers December 8, 2008 :: Dinner 7:00PM - Business 7:30PM RW Hugh "Hugger" Peteet to Install

Lodge 392 website: www.mastermason.com/GS392 29th District website: www.mastermason.com/SC29

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Addendum - November 2008

#### An Historic Masonic Event!

As many of you know, Worshipful Brother Robert Henry Cape is under Hospice care and not doing veryh well at all. When Brother Wayne Carey and I visited with WB Bob on October 30th, I put Most Worshipful Brother Jerry Carver, Grand Master of Masons in SC on the speaker phone with WB Bob, his loving wife Carole and his EA candidate son John who was here from Texas to be with his Dad before he went back to Texas to get his EA Degree on November 4th from Humble Lodge 979 of Humble, Texas. Our Grand Master knew that Bob, who could not even move his head on his pillow, had asked to be put on a plane to Houston so he could be at his son's initiation. After speaking to the Cape family, MW Brother Carver asked John if he would like to have his EA Degree done here. John was in disbelief that such a wonderful thing could happen but said he would love it to be that way.

Within a couple of hours, MW Brother Carver had the consent of the Grand Master of Texas and Humble Lodge for Pawleys Island 409 to confer a courtesy EA Degree on John Cape in Bob's house! He gave us special Dispensation to do so and it was done at 8:00PM on October 30th, less than seven hours after the phone call mentioned above.

### **Excerpts from the Minutes of this wonderful Masonic event:**

- ♦ Secretary Peteet noted that this degree is very special because WB Bob Cape is bedridden under Hospice care and could not go to Texas to see his son John get his EA Degree which was scheduled for November 4th at Humble Lodge #979 in Humble, Texas. RW Peteet asked all to appreciate the effort of our Grand Master to clear this degree with MW Brother Tommy Griffin, Grand Master of Masons in Texas and WM Mark Mullins of John's Lodge which Most Worshipful Brother Carver accomplished within two hours earlier today.
- ... newly made EA John Cape gave a heartfelt thanks to all, but especially his father, WB Bob, who was his inspiration to become a Mason. Several Brothers spoke of their admiration for WB Bob Cape, but it was Bob's old friend Brother Bud Chestnut who spoke truly from his heart about his long-time love and admiration for all that WB Bob has done for the Craft and his brothers.
- ♦ I feel that, as Secretary, I must add a few parenthetical notes about this historic meeting:
  - I know that we could have filled a large hall with Brothers who would want to be here for WB Bob and his son John, but due to the venue and Bob's condition, I felt that I had to restrict the attendance to a small number. I apologize to all that did not know about this meeting. WB Bob's wife Carole has been his steadfast supporter in all things regarding our Craft for many years and she deserves all of our thanks for allowing us to intrude in her home at this time.
  - For those of you who haven't seen WB Bob lately, he is in really bad shape which is probably obvious when someone is under Hospice care. He is totally aware when he hears a Brother telling him that they are there, but he is unable to really communicate because all he can get out is a

barely audible whisper. But, if you could have watched him while this degree for his son was being done, you would have been amazed at his strength by seeing him focused on WM Seman and Candidate John while John was being obligated. It also brought tears of joy to my eyes when twice I saw WB Bob raise his hands and actually clap his fingers together. Once when his son John gave his thanks to the Lodge and his father for being his inspiration to join Masonry and secondly when his old friend Bud Chestnut spoke about him.

• Tonight has made me more proud of Masonry than anything else because I saw that this Brother-hood can accomplish all things if we just give it a try. It could have been a different Grand Master that approved this, it could have been a different Brother that was in distress, it could have been many things but tonight was proof to me that Masonry is what Masonry is -- Brothers caring for Brothers!

Fraternally yours,

Hugh C. Peteet, PM Secretary, PI 409 DDGM, 29th District