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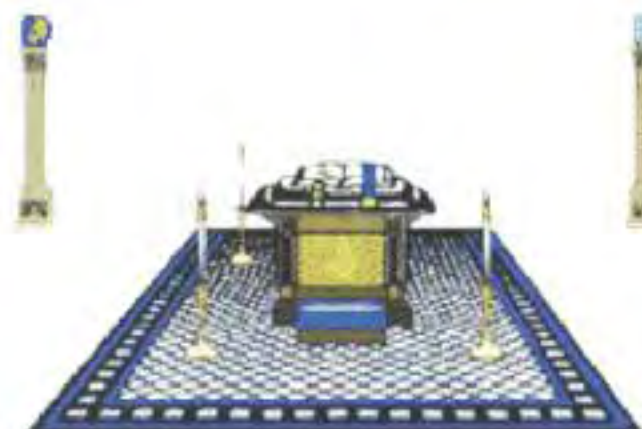


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Masonry is our obligation to God - Meeting second Monday (7:30PM) Dinner 7:00PM



# GRAND STRAND LODGE NO. 392



## TRESTLE BOARD "ON THE LEVEL"

September 2011

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## Notes For The East

On August 24th, 38 members and guests gathered to enjoy a good southern meal of ham, mac and cheese, "Masonic" beans, salad, bread and pound cake...topped off with brotherly love and conversation. There were 7 Bros from NC to see how it is supposed to be done, 6 SC Masons who were personal friends of the candidate, one coming from Greenville and several from the Columbia area, and 3 EA's from Loris to observe what they missed during their initiation. Jr Warden, Gordon Best did an outstanding presentation in the East and his son, Bro Buddy Best the youngest Mason to have been raised in Grand Strand Lodge 392 at age 18 gave a flawless first half of the lecture. We were honored to have Rawl Scheibler return for a visit to give his rendition of the lecture to his long time friend and now a Brother Mason, Roger Beaver who is a retired police officer from Columbia, now residing in Cherry Grove. Bro Don Kelley, Sr. Warden at Pythagoras 249 in NC and a dual member of GS Lodge 392 did an outstanding charge. It was a good showing of Masonic Brotherhood to give the candidate a look at a large group of Brothers at his initiation.

In our last Trestle Board and at our meetings, we made a big plea for clothes. Most of the Brothers who attend the lodge came through with bags of clothes for the people of Appalachia. Bro Jr Warden of Seaside Lodge 419, Ronnie King and his wife made a plea at their church and brought in 35 boxes. Bro Jody Blackburn talked to the owner Tonya Simpson of Mother Goose. She donated 17 boxes and 15 bags of clothes and equipment such as a crib, a bassinet, and a play pen she was unable to sell. We appreciate her generosity. Bro Carey said they were so appreciative when he arrived. Thank you all who contributed. Bro Carey plans another trip on the 19th of Dec. We had tried to make it easy for those who don't come to the Lodge by giving our telephone numbers and either George or I would come and pick them up for you. We did not get the first call, so I am going to give you another chance to help someone in need in Appalachia. But you are going to have to get up off the couch and do this. Talk to your wife or significant other and collect all those clothes you can't wear anymore and call George at 843-457-9420 or me at 843-280-5430 and we will pick them up. This will not cost you a dime. It will take about 30-45 minutes of your time. It will free up so badly needed closet space and it will take one phone call for pick up.

Prior to Sept 11th, Most Worshipful Master Jay Adam Pearson requested that all Lodges open on Sunday Sept 11th at 2:50PM for a prayer vigil. He asked that we invite families and neighbors. Unfortunately, the word did not get spread around until the last minute. Worshipful Master Tom Bennet, RW Bro Dale Baldwin, Bros Randy Black, Gordon Best, Allan Simeon, and our Chaplin, Bro Lee Hitchcock in full fireman's regalia, down to patent leather shoes. They opened the Lodge and gathered around holding hands and each offered a prayer. George Wertheimer and I did not get word and attended a joint ceremony between Seaside 419 and Socastee 421. This included family members

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### TRESTLE BOARD



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#### "Brother"

In the usages of Freemasonry, "Brother" is neither a sentimental nor familiar form of address but is a title--as much so as Worshipful, Right Worshipful or Most Worshipful, and must always be used as such. A man does not attend a Lodge Communication in his capacity as private individual, is not Joe, or Bill, or John, but is there in his capacity as a Master Mason. For this reason one should never in open Lodge refer to "Bill B." but always to "Brother B." in the same literal sense as any other officer in Lodge or Grand Lodge. A Brother sits in the Lodge-room in order to discharge the functions of that office, and these functions, as mentioned just above, are defined in the law, hence are not subject to the private caprices of any individual. Harmony as well as dignity would result if these facts were more widely understood and if they were more faithfully recognized in the conduct of Lodge affairs. Always address a Grand Lodge Officer at any Communication by his correct title and he in turn must show the same courtesy to other Grand Lodge Officers present as well as to the Worshipful Master and to the Bretheren of the Lodge. The rule of etiquette should be punctiliously observed, no matter what ties of family or friendship may exist. The use of the work "Sir" in conjunction with any Masonic title is improper.

and prayers and stories of where you were at the time. Bro George gave an interesting story that he was supposed to have gone to a meeting at a building just behind the towers that day, but the meeting was changed and he did not go. He was living in Staten Island then. They took all the debris from the buildings and piled it in one place on Staten Island and sifted through everything. They found fingers, arms, legs and other body parts that they were able to get DNA samples to match the victims to families to identify the dead. We prayed for continued support and comfort for all involved and for our country. God Bless the USA. We Shall Never Forget.

Brother Jody Blackburn reported on the plans for the two fund raisers. Tickets for the Boston Butt sale are being printed. You will be getting more info soon. The Turkey Shoot will be Nov 16-19. Save those dates. More info to follow. We voted to give \$100 to the Chuck Hargus Demolay Chapter Fundraiser. Bro Jody Blackburn is matching it and we passed the hat and received \$201 for a total of \$401 donation. Pythagoras golf tournament was cancelled due to the weather and is rescheduled for Oct 29th. We voted to sponsor a hole for \$100. We also voted to sponsor a hole at the Family Fun Day on Oct 1st. Bring you wife and children and come

**DUES:** Have you paid your 2011 dues? You have until Oct 31, 2011. If not paid by then, you will be declared NPD and unable to sit in the Lodge until paid. If you do not pay before Dec 31st, you will be erased from the rolls. Send the \$75 to : Grand Strand Masonic Lodge #392 PO Box 5671 North Myrtle Beach, SC 29597

#### THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Heavenly Father, Ruler of heaven and earth, we humbly come, asking Thy pardon for our Sins of omission. In our weakness, or our forgetfulness, we have failed to do the work we set out to do. We ask Thy forgiveness and we seek Thy blessing and Thy continued love. Give us strength when we are weak. When we doubt, give us the joy of renewed faith. Stir within our hearts an eagerness to serve Thee better. And, at the close of each day, before we sleep, accept our petition for continued courage and faith. And to Thee, we give all honor and glory. Amen.

#### Dates to Remember

Oct 1...Saturday Family Fun Day...9am-12 noon  
Young and older. Miniature golf,  
Masters and Wardens Fund Raiser  
\$10ea includes golf, lunch and drinks  
Mama, Papa, Kids, Grand Parents, Neighbors  
Oct 10...Monday Regular Stated Meeting...Supper 6:45, Work 7:30  
Oct 15...Outdoor Degree, 29th District. Supper 5:00PM  
Attalaya at Huntington Beach State Park  
Oct 17...Masters and Wardens Club, Jordonville Supper 7:30  
Oct 29...Southport, NC Pythagoras #249 Golf tournament,  
\$50 includes breakfast, golf, drinks, lunch and lots of fun  
Nov 5...29th District Inspirational Dinner  
6:00 at Horry Electric Coop Conway  
Nov 16-19..Turkey Shoot fundraiser Hwy 9 across from Big E's rest.  
Dec 16...Boston Butt fundraiser at Grand Strand Lodge...  
more info to follow

out for miniature golf from 9-12 and lunch. The weather is getting cooler. So come on out and have a good time at Buccaneer Bay across from Ocean Lakes Campground.

We look forward to seeing you around town, at lodge on Oct 11, at M&W Club, at Family Fun Day, at the outdoor degree or at the Inspirational Dinner. Join us to at least one occasion and /or to all. You only get out of Masonry what you put into it. God Bless You...Fraternally Yours, RW Chris Holland, DDGM and Editor...cvholland@sc.rr.com or 843-280-5430

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