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## GRAND STRAND LODGE NO. 392



TRESTLE BOARD "ON THE LEVEL"

November 2011

Grand Strand Masonic Lodge No. 392 A.F.M 919 6th Avenue South - North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina www.mastermason.com/GS392

#### **Notes For The East**

Our Inspirational on Nov. 5th was a success, thanks to WBro Jeff Evans and Pawley's Island Lodge #409, our hosts. Bro Billy Roberts, Chaplin of Myrtle Beach Lodge #353 gave the Invocation and Benediction. WBro David McMillan Treasurer of Murrells Inlet Lodge #368 and part owner of Drunken Jacks provided us with a delicious meal. There were 168 Brothers and guests. Seaside Lodge #419 won the attendance award with 26 members and guests and Jordanville #297 had 23. I was disappointed with only 6 members and 5 guests from our Lodge: MWBro Bill Miskovic and his wife Cathlene, RWBro Dale Baldwin and his wife Peggy, our beloved Past Secretary of 40 years, WBro Del Vereen, our Chaplin Bro Lee "Pops" Hitchcock and his wife Gail and your District Deputy and Master of Ceremony RWBro Chris Holland and his wife Sugar. I received the following email;

From: Jeff Evans [mailto:evansjeff@hotmail.com] Sent: Monday, November 07, 2011 3:01 PM Subject: Inspirational!

My Brothers,

The Inspirational Dinner was one of the best Masonic events that I have been to since I have been raised. Susan Johnson (RW Eldred Johnson's wife) was the keynote speaker and she was fantastic. Hearing a wife's perspective of her husband and his 44 years as a Mason was incredible. One of her main points was to let your wife know what you are doing in the Lodge and not to keep it all secret. Another was that Masons should always do a little extra for people. I wish that more of our brothers would have been able to come and listen to her speak because it definitely stoked the fire that is already in our hearts. Hope you and your family have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Jeff Evans, WM

I couldn't understand why we didn't have more at the meeting. I asked two people and they said they were not aware of it. I asked where have you been? It has been in the Trestle Board for the last 4 months and announcements have been made in Lodge for 4 months. The answer was, I guess I wasn't paying any attention. Well Duh!

### "READ YOUR TRESTLE BOARD!" "READ DATES TO REMEMBER!"

Our regular meeting this past Monday was a good one. Our Stewards Chris Kensel and Joe Battista had a great meal. Meatloaf, peas, macaroni and cheese, rolls, tossed salad and homemade cupcakes. We counted 38 in the Lodge,

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#### **Entered Apprentice Degree**

The first degree, or that of the ENTERED APPRENTICE, is intended in its symbolic signification to furnish a representation of youth just entering on the struggles, the trials, and duties of an earthly and responsible existence. On his first admission into the Lodge, the candidate is reminded of the weak and helpless state of man on his entrance into the world-unprepared for the exigencies of the present, ignorant of the vicissitudes of the future, and dependent for his safety and very existence on that God in whom alone, in all trials and difficulties, is there any sure and abiding trust.

#### **Master Mason's Degree**

If the first degree is intended as a representation of youth, and the second of manhood, the third, or MASTER MASON, is emblematic of old age, with its trials, its sufferings, and its final termination in death. The time for toiling is now over; the opportunity to learn has passed away; the spiritual temple that we all have been striving to erect in our hearts is now nearly completed, and the wearied workman awaits only the word of the Grand Master of the Universe, to call him from the laborers of the earth to the eternal refreshments of heaven. Hence, this is by far the most solemn and impressive of the degrees of Masonry; and it has, in consequence of the profound truths which it inculcates, been distinguished by the craft as the sublime degree.

but only 33 signed the book. There were 6 guests: 2 from Ohio, 1-NY, 1-Atlanta, 1-NC, and 1 from Colorado who admitted he knew WBro John Johnson from Seaside Lodge #419.

WBro Tom Kronennetter presided over the nominations of the officers and they were duly elected for the year 2012. The officers elected are: Randall E. Black, Master, Gordon Best, Senior Warden, Alan Simeon, Junior Warden, Secretary, Wilson Rankin, Treasurer, Tom Kronennetter, appointed officers were Senior Deacon, Chris Kensel, Junior Deacon, Joe Battista, Chaplin, Lee "Pops" Hitchcock, Tiler, George Wertheimer and Stewards, Bradley Wiseman and Matt Davis.

Congratulations! All officers will be inducted at our December regular stated communication on Dec. 12th. Come on out and honor Grand Strand Lodge

#### THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

We wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving and pray you will give Thanks to the Great Architect of the Universe for all the blessings in our lives, but especially those in need. Please remember to give a special prayer to WBro Jack Terry and his family in their loss. Please Dear Lord take them in your arms and give them comfort. Also Dear Lord look after Bro Jim Griffith who needs your help to heel him and look after his family and comfort them.

Dues: Those of you who are delinquent have received a letter and most phone calls. There are only 6 left. Please either come to a Lodge meeting and give us a check or drop it in the mail to Grand Strand Lodge #392, PO Box 5671, NMB, SC 29597.

#### **Dates to Remember**

Nov. 28th – 6:00 pm Practice EA Degree

Nov. 30th – EA Degree Supper 6:45 pm Work 7:30 pm

Dec. 5th – 6:00 pm Practice MM Degree

Dec. 6th – MM Degree Supper 6:45 pm Work 7:30 pm

Dec. 12th - Regular Stated Meeting Supper 6:45 pm

Work 7:30 pm "Installation of 2012 Officers"

Dec 17 Boston Butt fundraiser at Grand Strand Lodge

#392, 2012 Installation.... An Entered Apprentice Degree will be on November 30th, we have 2 candidates. Come on out and show your support in Masonry. Also on December 6th, we will raise one Brother to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason. Here is an opportunity to also honor Masonry by your attendance.... Congratulations to our duel members from Southport Pythagoras Lodge #249. They had a very successful golf tournament and raised almost \$8,000 for their charity work. WBro Jack Terry, Master of the Lodge was Chairman He is stepping down after a successful year. BroDon Kelly will be installed as Master and Bro Roy Daniels, a 5th generation Mason will be Junior Warden. PM WBro Gary Grim and Bro Jim Griffith are also duel members. All regularly attend our meetings, for which we are fraternally grateful. Brother Jody Blackburn received the Grand Strand Lodge #392 Mason of the Year Award for his hard work this year. By the time you receive this TB the Turkey Shoot will be over, but he is still working on the Boston Butt sale. You will be receiving a letter with 2 tickets for you to sell or donate. They are \$30 each and "Butts" can be picked up on December 17th. So get out and help to make this a big success for our fundraising for our charitable work to help those in need.

Fraternally Yours, RW Chris Holland, DDGM and Editor... cvholland@sc.rr.com or 843-280-5430

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