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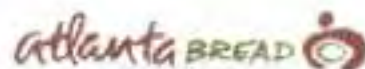
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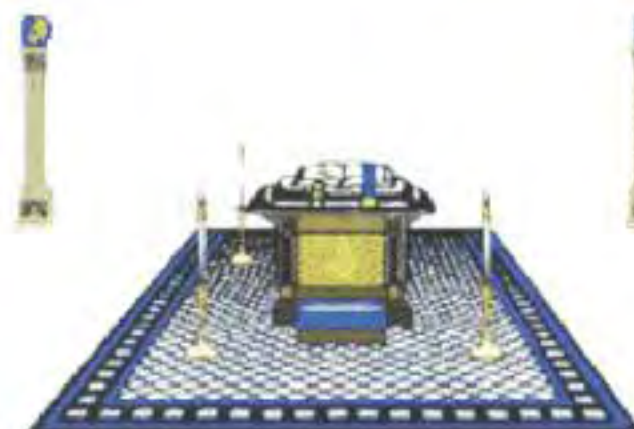


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Notes For The East

WOW! We have had a very busy month. Ever since our Nov. 14th Stated meeting, after a lot of preliminary planning Jody Blackburn and Rodney Williams dug holes and set up for the Turkey Shoot. Last year as you recall we got rained out on Saturday, but we broke even. This year we planned for 4 days, Wed. thru Sat., but we learned something. Midweek is very slow. Friday is pay day and Saturday is play day. Both evenings we had a good turnout. Many Brothers pitched in and helped out to make it a success. Bros Gordon and son Buddy Best, Jody's Mom and Dad, Bro Dick and Mary Blackburn. The team of WBro Steve St Clair and Bros Alan Simeon, Roger Bonner and David Rankin kept the line and targets moving. Others helping out were Bros Hunter Platt, Randy Black, Randy and his lovely wife Frankie Ridenhour and myself. Our Worshipful Master Tom Bennett spent some time with us on Saturday. We cleared over \$600, but if we did it two Friday and Saturdays in a row, we could triple that. We did not have any other support from the members...November 30th we had an entered Apprentice Degree. Our Stewards warmed us up with meatloaf, cheesy potatoes, peas and salad. WBro Reese Wesner of 353 brought a cake decorated with a square and compass to celebrate his Father's 45th Anniversary. RW Dick was surprised and honored. Our 2 candidates did not disappoint us as they both stepped up and performed as expected. WBro Rick Causey was at his best. We had 33 in the Lodge. Ten were guests from Shalotte, NC that enjoyed the ritual and to see how it is supposed to be done. Bro Buddy Best, who is juggling learning the EA Degree lecture and going to college, did an outstanding job on presenting the 1st half of the lecture and WBro. Steve St Clair did his usual smooth presentation of the balance of the lecture. Bro Don Kelly gave the charge. We had only 23 members, 14 were involved in the degree work. That left 9 members that attended. We have 154 members, Does that speak well to show support to our candidates? In the last 3 years we have raised 29 Master Masons, 6 were involved in the degree. Where were the other 23? At Church? At Work? Does that speak well of your obligation? Look to the East, Dec. 28th we are starting a new Masonic year. Our new Worshipful Master Randy Black, has some fresh ideas. He is going to need your help. Come on out to our January 9th regular communication and hear his plans. On Dec. 6th, we had a Master Masons degree. We had 36 Brother Masons. We had 22 Lodge members of which 11 were officers, plus 6 participated in the degree leaving 5 members in attendance for a Master Masons Degree. Again, a poor showing, but we were bolstered by 13 guests, 8 of which were from Shalotte Lodge and 5 close friends of our new

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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Master Mason, Roger Beaver, Raul Schreiber did a fabulous job as lecturer. Don Kelly did the charge and Roy Daniel did the walking prayer by memory. Comments from many Brothers were that they were so impressed and had never seen it done any better. All of this was done after an excellent meal. Chris Kensel and Joe Battista had stir fried chicken and vegetables over rice and a salad. Plus cake for dessert...As has been mentioned before on the last Tuesday of each month we open the dining area to the North Myrtle Beach Rescue Squad for their monthly meeting. They are a volunteer organization. We let them use it at no cost as a donation to their cause. In September they started a clothing drive as Wayne Carey of Pawleys Island Lodge #409 was making another run to Virginia on Dec. 15th. They collected about 40 bags. The article in the paper brought in another 20 bags. The biggest surprise was Ronnie King, Senior Warden of Seaside Lodge #419 and 2012 Master asked his church, Mt. Hebron at 1091 Red Bluff Road, Loris, SC 29569 that donated 37 boxes and bags in September to please donate more for the Christmas run. WOW! Did they come through. They filled 60 double file boxes and 7 miscellaneous items. What a wonderful present for the Bland Ministry Center that distributes the clothes, shoes and toys to needy people in Appalachia. Thank you.

Tonya Simpson of Mother Goose next to Walmart who had been very generous in September also came through again with 15 bags of children's clothes that she has not been able to sell in her store. Thank You Tonya...Our Stewards Joe Battista and Chris Kensel wanted to give you something to remember them for their last meal as Stewards. Grilled Chicken and Cajun seafood casserole over Penne pasta plus Caesar and/or green salads. There were dips and cheese and crackers and cake and ice cream plus sweets and strawberries. After all of that it was hard for "Pansy" Moose to stay awake.

Tom Kronenwetter sat in the East and installed our 2012 Officers. Dale Baldwin did a very nice job as Marshall. Congratulations to our new Officers.

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Father, I ask You to bless my friends, relatives and those Brothers that I care deeply for, who are reading this right now. Show them a new revelation of Your love and power.

Holy Spirit, I ask You to minister to their spirit at this very moment. Where there is pain, give them Your peace and mercy. Where there is self-doubt, release a renewed confidence through Your grace. Where there is need, I ask you to fulfill their needs. Bless their homes, families, finances, their goings and their comings. In Jesus' precious name. Amen.

DUES: You will be happy to know all delinquent dues have been paid. Thank you, Brothers. Now, 2012 are due January 1st. Some of our Brothers have already paid. Thank you.

Dates to Remember

Jan. 3rd – 6:00 pm All Officers – Open and Closing Ritual Practice
Jan. 9th – Regular Stated Meeting Supper 6:45 pm Work 7:30 pm
Jan. 14th – 6:00 pm (Winah) Instructional All Officers – meet and leave from Lodge 4:00 pm
Jan. 16th – Masters & Wardens Supper 7:30 pm Work 8:00pm
Graddy, Aynor
Jan. 19 Free Mason Instructional At 353 7:00 pm

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We were all sadden to hear WBro. Wilson was going to step down as Lodge Secretary, however we admire him for making that tough decision. Putting his family first and his business 2nd while thinking of his responsibility to the Lodge. We know it will be in good hands as WBro. Rex Thompson takes on that task. We wish them both well and God Speed.

Fraternally Yours, RW Chris Holland, DDGM and Editor...
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