

# SOCASLEE EASTERN STAR NEWS



## Socastee Chapter #301 Order of the Eastern Star



Vol. 2, Issue 5

December 2008

### Officers 2008-09

Sue Cornell, PM, Worthy Matron  
Hank Hodges, Worthy Patron  
Sherry Johnson, PM, Assoc. Matron  
John Johnson, PP, Assoc. Patron  
Linda Hodges, Conductress  
Naomi Reese, PM, Assoc. Cond.  
Joyce Elliott, PM, Secretary  
Steve Bosch, PM, Treasurer  
Dottie Alexander, Chaplain  
Betty Heavey, Marshal  
Angel Jackson, Adah  
Michelle Lutz, Ruth  
Kathy Bosch, Esther  
Arlene Armstrong, PM, Martha  
Vacant—Electa  
Bob Armstrong, PP, Sentinel  
Jason Jackson, Warder  
Dru Chavis, Waccamaw Chapter  
Pro-Tem Organist

### From the Worthy Matron

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving and were able to share it with family and friends.

Thank you to all of the officers for a great job for the Official Visit. It was awesome standing in the East and seeing all of the beautiful ritual work being done.

A BIG THANK YOU to Sister Sherry and Brother John Johnson for preparing the meal and all of the other officers and members who helped make the banquet delicious and successful.

Associate Grand Matron Kay Bryden and Associate Grand Patron Lowell McDaniel had a wonderful time at the Official Visit. They enjoyed meeting the officers and attending our meeting. We received our “*Attainment of the Honor Roll*” certificate from Sister Kay on behalf of the Worthy Grand Matron Kathy Gerner.

Unfortunately, our *Family Photo Event* had to be canceled due to lack of scheduled photo sessions. We needed 35 for Olan Mills to come and take pictures. We will try

again in the spring.

On behalf of the Marines from Cherry Point, NC, I thank everyone who donated items to be sent to Iraq. I would also like to thank the Masons of Pawley’s Island Lodge for their contribution of items and monetary donations. Last week, I send three large boxes of items to them. There were some special items in the box for them to share for Christmas and New Year’s Eve/Day. With the monetary donations from the Masons, I was able to purchase enough phone calling cards for almost all of

*continued on page 2*

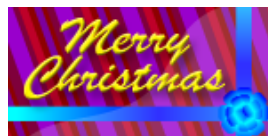
### Socastee Contacts

**Sue Cornell, WM**  
34 Saltwind Loop  
Murrells Inlet, SC 29576  
357-2119

**Hank Hodges, WP**  
1201 Trent Drive  
Murrells Inlet, SC 29576  
357-1780

**Sherry Johnson, AM**  
1036 Vestry Drive  
Murrells Inlet, SC 29576  
357-9115

**John Johnson, AP**  
1036 Vestry Drive  
Murrells Inlet, SC 29576  
357-9115



**Linda Hodges, Conductress**  
1201 Trent Drive  
Murrells Inlet, SC 29576  
357-1780

**Naomi Reese, Assoc. Cond.**  
10301 N. Kings Hwy 12-3  
Myrtle Beach, SC 29572  
361-9619

**Joyce Elliott, Secretary**  
9502 Cove Drive  
Myrtle Beach, SC 29572  
449-0659

**Steve Bosch, Treasurer**  
2513 Two Pine Drive  
Conway, SC 29526  
365-1635

## From the Worthy Matron (continued)

the Marines in my son-in-law's unit.

The phone cards will be used by those who do not have access to the communications phones and/or whose relatives do not live near their base (the base can patch a call through to local calls—no charge). This will give the troops an opportunity to call their family for the holidays.

The last box will be sent around January 1. Matt's unit will be coming home at the end of Janu-

ary. Thank you, again, for the support you have shown our troops in Iraq.

At our October meeting, we approved the by-laws as printed in the October newsletter. The committee was given the authority to make any grammar, typo, corrections necessary. The committee is in the process of putting together the revisions in the proper format to be submitted to Grand Chapter. Once approval is received, members will receive a copy of the new bylaws. Thank you to the



committee for all of your hard work.

At our November meeting, we voted to have a Christmas Party on Saturday, December 13, 4 PM, at my home. In addition, we drew names for Secret Santas. Gifts are to be brought to the party and Secret Santas will be revealed. I am supplying the ham and attendees signed up to bring side dishes. If you were not at the meeting and would like to come, please call me (357-2119).

At this time of year, we have much to celebrate. I hold in my heart thoughts, prayers, and love for you and your family. Have a glorious Christmas. If you are traveling, be safe and return home safely.

Star Love,

*Sue*



Official Visit, November 24, 2008

Front Row: Pat Vereen, District Deputy; Kay Bryden, Associate Grand Matron; Sue Cornell, Worthy Matron; Hank Hodges, Worthy Patron; Lowell McDaniel, Associate Grand Patron.

Second Row: Sandy Shilling, Protem Chaplain; Arlene Armstrong, Martha; Naomi Reese, Associate Conductress; Steve Bosch, Treasurer; Linda Hodges, Conductress; Michelle Lutz, Ruth; Sherry Johnson, Associate Matron; Angel Jackson, Ada; Jason Jackson, Warder.

Third Row: Dru Chavis, Protem Organist; Bob Armstrong, Sentinel; John Johnson, Associate Patron; Charles Casaer, Protem Marshal; Audrey Casaer, Protem Electa.

### From the Conductress

As we think of Christmas, we are reminded that just as the Star in the East was lighting the way to the birthplace of Jesus, our own Order of the Eastern Star lights the pathway of life by the lessons we learn in our Ritual. May this Christmas season be extra special for you and your loved ones. If you are traveling, please be careful and stay safe.

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!*

Linda Hodges  
Conductress



### Socastee Members' Birthdays

Please join me in wishing HAPPY BIRTHDAY to our Sisters and Brothers.

#### December

Mary Torrence	12/9
Marjorie Baldwin	12/13
Michelle Lultz	12/15
Ron Kinney	12/19

#### January

Ruth Fairgrieve	1/11
Barbara Lleuscher	1/16
Jon Harris	1/24



If I don't have your birthday, please let me know so that we can be sure to wish you a happy birthday. Look in the yearbook – if your birthday is not listed, then I don't have it.



### From the Desk of the Worthy Patron

This year is really flying by!

Have you ever noticed that Santa and Grumpy look a lot alike!



I am wishing all of you a very

*MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR*

As Tiny Tim said, "God bless us, everyone."

*Hank Hodges, W.P.*



### December 15 Meeting

Remember, this is our holiday meeting...ladies, wear your festive Christmas dress (long, please); and guys, wear your Christmas tie! (For those with comments, yes, guys wear a suit WITH a Christmas tie!)

Also, we will not have a dinner before the meeting. We will have refreshments following the meeting.



## December 2008

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 <i>Waccamaw #89</i> 7:30 PM	12	13 <i>Christmas Party</i>
14	15 <i>Stated Meeting</i> 7:30 PM (no dinner)	16 <i>Myrtle Beach</i> #180—7:30 PM	17	18 <i>Jordanville</i> #303 7:30 PM	19	20
21	22	23	24	25  <i>CHRISTMAS</i>	26	27
28	29	30	31 			

## January 2009

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 	2	3
4	5	6	7	8 <i>Waccamaw #89</i> 7:30 PM	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 <i>Jordanville</i> #303 -7:30 PM	16	17
18	19	20 <i>Myrtle Beach</i> #180—7:30 PM	21	22	23	24
25	26 <i>Stated Meeting</i> 7:30 PM	27	28	29	30	31



*Sue Cornell, PM  
34 Saltwind Loop  
Murrells Inlet, SC 29576*