

Solomon Lodge No. 20 F. & A. M. 25 East 1st Street Jacksonville, FL. 32206 Chartered January 10, 1849

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Worshipful Master: David Straining

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Message from the Worshipful Master $W \therefore M \therefore$ David Straining



Greetings from the East Brothers,

Hope everyone is doing well. I heard we had a good turnout for family night. Great job David Kiraly, Benjamin Flanagan and the First Lady Mary Straining for helping making it a successful night. A big thank you to all who showed up to make it a success.

A big Thank you to RW Robby Stokes for contacting Jeffrey Woodward and inviting him to our family night.

Let's keep W. Jack Capra and his family in our prayers. We will be having Masonic Rites for him July 16th at 11am. Will be at the Lodge so if within you cable tow please attend the service.

Don't forget the Lodge is Dark July and August see everyone in September.

If any of you plan a vacation this summer please be safe in your travels and enjoy the time with your family and friends.



Greetings from the Senior Warden!



Bro. Dave Kiraly

Greetings from the West.

We had a great family night of fellowship this past Monday. We christened the pool table and video arcade in the lodge and the kids present had a great time playing corn hole outside.

For those of you who don't know, Worshipful Jack Capra laid down his working tools this past month. He will be missed. Masonic rites will be held for Brother Capra at Solomon on Jily 16 at 11. Alas, my brother. Breakfast and a chore will not be held in July as it was scheduled foe July 16. We will have it on August 20 from 8 to 11.

And finally I want to wish everyone a safe and happy summer until we reconvene in September. Quote of the month:

"In order for the light to shine so brightly, the darkness must be present." -Sir Francis Bacon



Greetings from the Junior Warden!

Bro. Benjamin Flanagan

Greetings from the South,

First and foremost, I would like to ask that everyone continues to keep the family and friends of Worshipful Jack Capra in their prayers. Even though he laid down his working tools last month I'm sure comfort is still needed.

As a reminder: Masonic Rites for Wor. Jack Capra will be at Solomon #20 Saturday July 16th at 11:00am.

Seeing as how we are dark this month and next. Stay safe and enjoy your summer Brothers. Looking forward to seeing everyone in September.

Fraternally, Bro. Benjamin Flanagan

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27, 2022 AT 7:30 PM

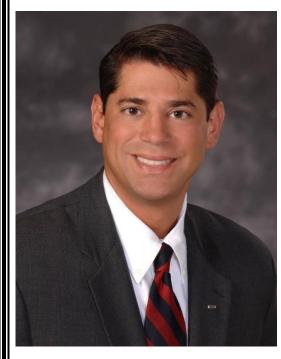
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Alas My Brother, In Memory Of: John R. "Jack" Capra PM-2013 AUGUST 19, 1965 — JUNE 15, 2022

My Brothers,



Each of us, having been found worthy, have had the hallowed rights of the first 3 degrees of Freemasonry bestowed upon us. This was neither a minor decision on our parts, nor that of the Craft. Rather, it was taken by us as a sacred obligation, one with the expectations that our lives would be enriched by the vast histories and mysteries that the Craft had to offer, and to lead us on the path of improving our lives and citizenship. Remember also that the bond is reciprocal, we were not chosen by fate or happenstance, but rather for the character and maturity that we showed when this remarkable invitation was extended to us. In my case my acceptance into the Craft has been beyond anything I could have imagined.

I was Initiated, Passed, and Raised at Solomon Lodge No. 20 in the fall of 2007. I had already been put on alert that I would be going back on active duty and serve my 3rd tour in Iraq with the Navy Reserves in early 2008. The brothers, and especially the Worshipful Master at the time, arranged to have the first 3 degrees awarded to me and help me study and pass my catechisms before the end of the year and in time for me to re-deploy to Baghdad. It was while working at the U.S. Embassy in Iraq that I first discovered how far the network

of my new Masonic brethren extended. While working in the Court translation office an older Iraqi gentleman saw my shiny new Masonic ring and approached me. With tears of joy in his eyes, he told me how he became a Mason years ago, but the Saddam Hussain regime had outlawed all secret organizations so on pain of torture and death he had never admitted to a soul that he was a Mason, not even to his wife of many years. It was a very moving experience for me, not only as a Mason, but also as an American.

In 2012 I became Junior Warden, but near the end of that year of service the Senior Warden announced his intention to relocate and so I was elected to the position of Worshipful Master for the 2013 term. From the very start I was overwhelmed, but the brothers were always there to assist in anything that I needed. That year the brothers voted on a major capital improvement to the Lodge, the badly needed repairs to the front balcony, which was not safe at that time to even walk on. I regret we could not muster the funds to re-roof the Lodge, but that will happen eventually. It was also during my term that we had a great year for membership, as we brought several new members into the Craft. The most meaningful to me was gaining the Grand Lodge's approval to hold a one-day 3-degree ceremony for 3 U.S. Navy Sailors how were deploying out of Mayport Naval Station, Jacksonville. It was more or less an all-day affair for three new Mason's who were about to deploy for several months.

Since being Raised at Solomon Lodge 15 years ago (actually, it was out at Brother Fitzhugh Powell's hunting cabin where I was attacked by red fire ants as I was waiting), I have had an unbelievable journey in the Craft. I have since left the Jacksonville area, but I joined first Ashlar Lodge No. 98 in St. Augustine, Florida, and presently am also a plural member with Jackson Lodge No. 1, Tallahassee, Florida. I have also become a member in both the Scottish Rite as well as the York Rite. But the greatest honor I have had, so far, in Masonry was when my Blue Lodge brothers and peers elected me to serve in the East for that wonderful year.

John R. "Jack" Capra, Ph.D. Captain, JAGC, US Navy (Retired) Attorney-at-Law

Fellow Crafts in CATECHISM:

- 1. Derrick L. Coach
- 2. Kelvin A. Fishburne
- 3. George Nance
- 4. Donald Kraus



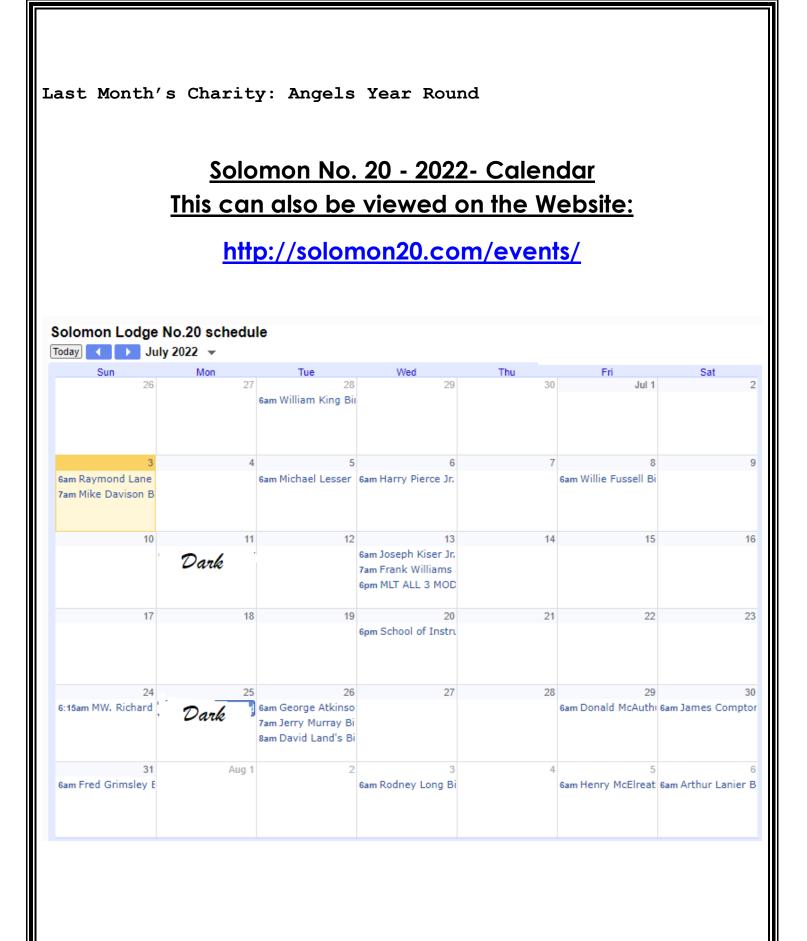
ORDER OF DEMOLAY HURLBERT CHAPTER AT SOLOMON NO. 20 LODGE BROTHERS, OUR DEMOLAY ARE LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS. IF YOU HAVE SONS OR GRANDSONS

13 YEARS AND UP TO 21. WHAT A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR THEM:

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Building and Property- David Straining, Dave Kiraly, Benjamin Flanagan, James Krahn, Issac Williams

Board of Relief – David Straining, Dave Kiraly, Benjamin Flanagan

Budget & Finance - David Kiraly, Mike Davison, David Land, Jason Vymetal

Charity – Sam Bennett, James Vick, David Straining

Masonic Education - Robby Stokes, James Vick, Jim Boone

Vigilance - Benjamin Flanagan, Issac Williams,

Building Trustees - David Straining, Dave Kiraly, Benjamin Flanagan

Hospitality - Dave Kiraly, David Land, Dominic Bucci

Catechism Instructors - James Vick, Bill Watson, Rory St. John's

Lodge Mentor- Dave Kiraly, Mike Davison, Jason Vymetal

Visitation - Sam Bennett, James Vick, Dave Kiraly

<u>Petitions</u>- Dave Kiraly, Mike Davison, David Land, Dominic Bucci, Jason Vymetal, Issac Williams

Web – social media - Russell Fisher, James Vick, Benjamin Flanagan

DeMolay- Benjamin Flanagan

Masonic Rites - Sam Bennett, David Straining, James Vick, James Krahn,



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If you do not use email, you can call one of the officers listed.



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