



## Solomon Lodge No. 20 F. & A. M.

25 East 1<sup>st</sup> Street  
Jacksonville, FL. 32206  
Chartered January 10, 1849

<https://solomon20.com/>

*[E-Trestleboard January 2024](#)*



### **Worshipful Master: Benjamin Flanagan**

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“To learn is to  
be young,  
however old.”

~ Aeschylus  
Greek playwright  
b 525 BC



keep  
learning.

## Lodge Officer Training

The Grand Lodge of Florida encourages all members of the Craft to further their knowledge of Lodge operation, especially those concerning the Elected and Appointed Officers of each particular Lodge. The Lodge Officers Training program was designed to educate and test your knowledge of Lodge procedures, business, penal code, and other areas. Contact your District Instructor for details.

## Message from the Worshipful Master Elect



## W.: M.: Benjamin Flanagan

Greetings from the East,

First, I would like to thank all the Brethren for your confidence in me and for electing me to the East.

Second, I want to congratulate Tony Stevens, Austin Waters, and Ian Bozeman who were raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason on Dec. 30th here at Solomon. The Raconteurs, under the leadership of our own Brother James Vick, PM, did a fine job on the Master Mason Degree as always.

The 2024 officers of Solomon Lodge No. 20 will be installed on Jan. 6th, 2024 at 1:00pm - Luch to Follow. Please join us to help start off the New Year with a full Lodge.

Join us on Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at 3pm for all the excitement as we celebrate Solomon Lodge No. 20 F&AM turning an amazing 175 years old. The celebration will be held at the Lodge and you will want to be there among the Craft for this event. I look forward to seeing you not just on the day of the celebration but also throughout the coming year for this is a celebration that will last all year long.

Happy New Year to all the fine members of Solomon Lodge.

Fraternally,

Brother Benjamin Flanagan

*Worshipful Master Elect (at time of publication)*

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## *Greetings from the Senior Warden Elect* **Bro. Issac Williams**

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Happy New Year Brothers!

Fraternally,

**Brother Issac J. Williams Sr.**  
Senior Warden Elect (at time of publication)  
Solomon Lodge No. 20

Image coming soon!



## *Greetings from the Junior Warden Elect* **Bro. David Land**

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Greetings from the South my fellow Brothers,

I hope everyone has had a safe and blessed Christmas. I am honored to sit in the South this year as your Junior Warden. As we look forward to what 2024 brings, let us remember to give thanks for the opportunities each of us will have to be both student as well as teacher.

“Masonic labor is purely a labor of love. He who seeks to draw Masonic wages in gold and silver will be disappointed. The wages of a Mason are in the dealings with one another; sympathy begets sympathy, kindness begets kindness, helpfulness begets helpfulness, and these are the wages of a Mason.” - Benjamin Franklin

Fraternally,

**Brother David Land**  
Junior Warden Elect (at time of publication)  
Solomon Lodge No. 20

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## Message from the Secretary David Straining PM



Brothers All,

I hope everyone had a Very Merry Christmas and got to spend time with family and had a Happy New Years.

If you are having trouble with signing up or logging in to the new Amity app, please contact me. I will be glad to assist you with it. I would appreciate it if you would update your information with me if you moved or changed your phone number including your updated email address. I need to make sure your Masonic files are up to date. But most important we have a way of getting in touch with you.

Brothers I regret to inform you that the light has been cut off, 15 brothers are being suspended for non-payment of 2022 and 2023 dues. Every effort was made to contact them.

Also, there are about 21 brothers that haven't paid their 2024 Dues yet as of December 31st. Please pay asap. As the masonic digest states, dues are supposed to be paid before December 27th ,2023 for the following year. Note, if you pay your dues on Amity please pay what your dues notice reads. \$ 229.30. Also keep in mind that they charge you a fee of \$7.50. You can pay with a Check, Money order, Cash or Cash App.

Important Dates to mark in your Calendar and plan to attend:

Jan. 6th, 2024, time 1:00pm - Installation of Lodge Officers, Luch to Follow.

January 10th 3:00pm Our Solomon Lodge 175th Anniversary Celebration.

January 16th Courtesy EA Degree at Wesconnett Lodge No. 297 for Emanuelle Eric Santiago. 5917 Old Timuquana Road

### January Birthdays: (Happy Birthday Brothers)

1-1 George Ackley	1-16 Franciso Jacques	1-18 Nolan Chancey, Jr.	1-24 Thomas Clayton, Jr.
1-2 Hernan Chang	1-16 James Philips	1-19 Charlie Kirksey, Jr.	1-25 John Santiago
1-9 Stanley Stover	1-17 Clayton Osborn	1-20 Michael Stanski	1-27 Fitzhugh Powell
1-11 Richard Harris	1-18 Charles Wythe	1-22 John Young	1-30 Osbon Brooker

Fraternally,

David F. Straining PM

Secretary

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### Congratulations to the following Brothers on their journey:

Congratulations to the following Brothers on being Raised to Master Masons December 30<sup>th</sup> 2023: Ian Bozeman, Tony Stevens, and Austin Waters.

Congratulations on EA Catechism: Mark Rosenlof, Adam Esquilin, Demetri Perkins, Calvin Oglesby & Luis Vargas.

Congratulations Emanuelle Eric Santiago to be initiated our newest EA the 16<sup>th</sup>.

Applications Seeking Freemasonry: Lamont'e Earnest, Seth Holt

Congratulations on reinstatement: Samuel Lively Marsh.

Brandon James Tucker – Petition for reinstatement laying over 30 days.

W.: James Vick made a motion to make W.: Christian Kiefer an Honorary member of Solomon Lodge. Motion will Lay over 30 Days.

**Keep up the great work Brothers!**

**Remember Brother:** B ready 2 B the 1 asked, when they want 2 B 1.

**Last Month's Charity: Angels Year Round / Benevolence Fund**

# EVENTS

## Solomon Lodge No.20 schedule

Today ◀ ▶ January 2024 Print Week Month Agenda

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 6am Franklin Bailey	Jan 1 6am Nathan Hilborn 7am Thomas Richmond 8am Carlton Spence 9am George Ackley I 10am Detlev Wilkers	2 6am Hernan Chang I	3	4	5	6
7	8 6:30pm Solomon Sta	9 6am Robert Smith B	10 3pm 175th Annivers	11 9am Richard Harris E	12	13
14	15	16 6am James Phillips	17 6am Clayton Osbon	18 6am Nolan Chancey	19	20 6am Michael Stanski
21 6am Harry Jeffries	22 6am John Yonn Birth	23	24 6am Thomas Clayton	25 Need Trestle Board	26	27 2:30pm Fitzhugh Pow
28	29	30	31	Feb 1 8am Thomas Cooper	2	3

Events shown in time zone: Eastern Time - New York Google Calendar

Solomon No. 20 Calendar: Also available on our Website: <http://solomon20.com/events/>



**WEDNESDAY, January , 2024 AT 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM**

**Northeast Florida Masonic Association Meeting**

Mandarin Lodge No. 343 - 2914 Loretto Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32223

Remember School of Instruction / MLT's / Open Books schedule is most accurate online on the Lodge Calendar. Stay up to date at <http://solomon20.com/events/> for the latest information each month.



**Need A Ride?** Carpool to Lodge! Any brother that would like to carpool to the stated meeting, please contact James Vick at c. 904-638-6121 or email at [lamJamesVick@Gmail.com](mailto:lamJamesVick@Gmail.com)



## Solomon Lodge No.20 – 2024 – Committees

**Building and Property:** Benjamin Flanagan, Issac Williams, David Land, David Straining

**Board of Relief:** Benjamin Flanagan, Issac Williams, David Land

**Budget & Finance:** Issac Williams, Mike Davison, David Land, Jason Vymetal

**Charity:** David Kiraly, David Straining, Samuel Bennett

**Masonic Education:** Robby Stokes, James Vick, Sam Bennett

**Vigilance:** David Land, Tony Stevens, Austin Waters

**Building Trustees:** Benjamin Flanagan, Issac Williams, David Land, David Straining

**Hospitality:** Tony Stevens, David Land Derrick Coach, Austin Waters

**Catechism Instructors:** James Vick, Rory St. Johns

**Lodge Mentors:** James Vick, Issac Williams, Mike Davison

**Visitation:** David Kiraly, David Straining, Issac Williams

**Petitions:** Issac Williams, David Land, Derrick Coach, Tony Stevens

**Web - Social Media:** Russell Fisher, Thomas Meadows, Benjamin Flanagan

**DeMolay:** Benjamin Flanagan, David Kiraly

**Masonic Rites:** Samuel Bennett, David Kiraly, James Vick

**Widow's Program:** Thomas Meadows, Samuel Bennett, David Land, David Straining

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***Your e-trestleboard Editor:*** Clayton Vandiver, Jr., M.Ed.

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Members of The Raconteurs Degree Team at Solomon Lodge No. 20 on December 30, 2023 with Tony Stevens, Austin Waters, and Ian Bozeman who were raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason along with two other Brothers from district Lodges.

Congratulations to all for a day of great Masonic work!

## Do you know a young man who could benefit from developing Leadership Skills?

**Brother**, if you have not yet visited the International DeMolay website, please take a moment to visit and learn more about this organization for young gentlemen. Your sons and grandsons (ages now 12 to 21) are missing out on a great lifetime experience!

Visit [www.beademolay.org](http://www.beademolay.org) for more information and check out the "History" section to truly be impressed by all this organization has done for youth for the past 100 years.



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!

We Meet The 1<sup>st</sup>. & 3<sup>rd</sup>. Monday @7PM

CONTACT DAD TIM FERINCHECK AT 904 504-1141  
CONTACT DAD ROBBY STOKES AT 904 591-7163

One time membership fee and a lifetime of DeMolay



The Craft voted to join the Adopt-A-Highway Program. This is a great way to publicize both Solomon Lodge No. 20 and Freemasonry. This is a 2-year commitment but if we have a good participation this should not be too taxing on anyone. We as Masons are responsible for helping the community in addition to our charities. This is a way to give back to the community. Hopefully this is just the start of future community involvement.

We are looking for volunteers to work on the crew of the Adopt-A-Highway program. At least 10 – 12 participants, however, the more the better as it will expedite the cleanup.

If you and any of your family are interested in participating, (community volunteer hours look great on resumes for our teens...) please provide your names and ages (for any child). Email the Trestleboard editor Clayton at [vanim8@gmail.com](mailto:vanim8@gmail.com) and the team charge of this program will be forwarded your information. For more information, click here - <https://www.fdot.gov/maintenance/aahinfo.shtm>

## Masonic Tip of the Month

Explore The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free & Accepted Masons of Florida website. Click the link!



The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of  
Free & Accepted Masons of Florida

Please make every effort to keep Solomon Lodge No. 20 F&AM informed of your address, email address, and phone number. We want to keep in contact with you. If you see errors in the Trestleboard, please also let us know. Either email or call the editor, or call one of the officers listed. Thank you.



# It's Here!

## The 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

of

### Solomon Lodge No. 20 F&AM!

Brother's All and Ladies,

**January 10th, 2024 at 3:00pm** we will be celebrating **Solomon Lodge No. 20 F&AM** being **175 years old**. We plan on having a BIG Celebration and would like you and your family to come and celebrate with us. We hope to have the Grand Master and his entourage, The Governor of Florida, Jacksonville Mayor, City Council, and the broadcast media all join us for this great event.

We plan on doing something to commemorate the moment, possibly putting together a time capsule with a newspaper and other small items of interest about the Lodge from 2023 and 2024. Also, we will be unveiling a Historical marker about the Barnett mansion being placed in front of the Lodge on 1<sup>st</sup> Street. We plan on having local food trucks on hand also for everyone to enjoy some delicious food.

We hope to see you there to help celebrate this Great occasion. We ask if you plan on coming to please RSVP us with how many in your party will be attending. Please respond to:

[benjamin.Flanagan2024@gmail.com](mailto:benjamin.Flanagan2024@gmail.com) or [solomonlodge20secretary@gmail.com](mailto:solomonlodge20secretary@gmail.com)



**Help us Celebrate the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Solomon Lodge No. 20 F&AM January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024.**

**3:00 pm at the historic Barnett Mansion on 1<sup>st</sup> Street.**

**Bring the entire family for a great day in Jacksonville!**

# SOLOMON LODGE NO. 20 MEMORIAL BRICK PROGRAM

12 characters per line (including spaces.) 3 lines max


Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

DONATION = \$50.00 Cash

CHECK # \_\_\_\_\_ Payable to Solomon Lodge No.20      REMARKS = Memorial Brick Program.

*Mail or deliver check to ATTN: David Straining PM, Secretary  
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**GOD BLESS AMERICA!**