



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

25 East 1st Street
Jacksonville, FL. 32206

CHARTERED January 10, 1849 - CELEBRATING 175 Years

<https://solomon20.com/>

E-Trestleboard April 2024



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4th Monday Stated

8th Masonic District - Zone 3

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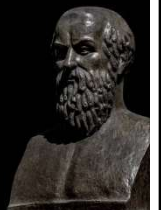
keep
learning.



Lodge Officer Training

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

~ Aeschylus
Greek playwright
b 525 BC



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

W.: M.: Benjamin Flanagan



Greetings from the East,

Spring signifies the period when nature rejuvenates after the chilly winter months, and I'm witnessing a parallel occurrence here at our lodge. We're welcoming new members, and individuals who were previously less active are re-engaging. Additionally, visitors from both local and distant areas are dropping by. It's akin to our lodge awakening from its winter slumber. We're accomplishing tasks and making progress for our lodge, and I extend heartfelt gratitude to all who have dedicated their time and efforts. Your contributions are indispensable, and we wouldn't be able to achieve this without you.

A heartfelt thank you to Brother Bryce Leonardo P.:M.: from Berkley Lodge #167 in Chesapeake, VA. who was only in town for a couple of days and yet took the time to stop by Solomon and stayed for our meeting.

I would also like to thank everyone who helped move all the lodge furniture into and out of the lodge room and special thanks to Bro. Robby Stokes, PDDGM for coordinating that effort. All of the hard work paid off. Everything looks great.

Take due notice: April 8th Stated Meeting (we will vote on the Board of Building Trustees).

April 22nd Family Night (more info to follow).

Fraternally,

W .: Benjamin Flanagan

Worshipful Master

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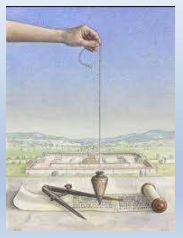
Greetings from the Senior Warden
Bro. Issac Williams



Greetings from the West,
Have a great April my Brothers!
Fraternally,

Brother Issac J. Williams Sr.
Senior Warden
Solomon Lodge No. 20

Image coming soon!



Greetings from the Junior Warden
Bro. David Land



Greetings from the South, Brothers!

I would like to thank the brothers who were able to participate in the street clean up, although we got rained out halfway through. We will pick up an extra clean-up day in April to compensate for that. We had a good March with our stated meeting and family night where we had our first cook out of the year. As we pass from winter to spring, let us appreciate how nature starts fresh and begins the year's growth anew.

The meal for our stated communication April 8th is planned for glazed ham, mashed potatoes, green beans, and glazed carrots, salad, and everyone's favorite dessert: cookies.

"What we do for ourselves dies with us. What we do for others and the world remains and is immortal."

- Albert Pike

Fraternally,

Brother David Land
Junior Warden
Solomon Lodge No. 20



Message from the Secretary David Straining PM



Brothers All,

Every brother's Name has been put in the new Amity app. The system is still being fine-tuned. If we had your email, you were sent a request from Amity to accept the app. If you have not done that yet please do so. You have to set the app up by logging in. The Amity app is showing Solomon has 143 members. We have about 70 members who have not logged in to the Amity app. 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.

The Rainbow Girls are selling Adopt a Teddy Bear for a fundraiser to send campers to Boggy Creek. Their goal is to raise \$30,000.00, that is 300 bears. They are selling the bear for \$100.00 apiece. Your Teddy Bear comes with a numbered Handkerchief, A Certificate of Adoption to showcase in your lodge or home. James Vick bought a Teddy Bear for Solomon Lodge to be displayed in our Lodge with the number 20 being on the Handkerchief. A Big Thank You to W. James Vick.

There are still about 10 brothers that haven't Paid their 2024 Dues yet, as of March 29th. Please pay for them asap. I will be sending you an email reminding you again this month. As the masonic digest states, dues are supposed to be paid before December 27th for the following year.

April Birthdays: (Happy Birthday Brothers)

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| 4-1 Bruce Oliver | 4-14 Roy Douglas Sr. | 4-23 Bobby Houser |
| 4-2 Thomas Meadows | 4-15 William Pitts | 4-26 Ira Smith Jr. |
| 4-3 Talmadge Leslie | 4-16 Kriston Hall | 4-28 Lewis Sharp |
| 4-8 Allen Johnson Jr. | 4-18 Charles Hall | 4-28 Richard Woods |
| 4-9 Donald Spence | 4-18 Charles Houser | 4-29 Edward Witt Sr. |

Fraternally,

David F. Straining PM

Secretary

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To see the 175th Anniversary Celebration in 4K video, simply click on the YouTube link: https://youtu.be/hGWHv_rQjpo



Congratulations to the following Brothers on their journey:

We have one petition Seeking Freemasonry: Seth Holt.

The following brothers are doing the EA Catechism: Mark Rosenlof, Adam Esquilin, Demetri Perkins, Calvin Oglesby, Luis Vargas, and Eric Santiago.

George Henry Arnau seeking reinstatement back into masonry for suspension at proposed first stated in May.

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: Benevolence Fund

EVENTS

Solomon Lodge No.20 schedule

Today April 2024

Print Week Month Agenda

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	Apr 1 6am James Heard Bi	2 6am Raymond Pasch 7am Thomas Meado	3 6am Talmadge Leslie 7am Leonard Kelley	4	5	6
7	8 6am Allen Johnson J 7am Roger Carman 6:30pm Solomon Sta	9 6am Edwin Blair Birt 7am Donald Spence	10	11	12	13
14 6am Roy Douglas Sr	15 6am William Pitts Bir	16 6am Kriston Hall Birt	17	18 6am Charles Houser	19	20 6am Andrew Miller E
21 8:30am Charles Hall	22	23	24 6am Kevin Khosrowz 6:30pm NEFMA Meet	25 Need Trestle Board	26 6am Ira Smith Jr. Bir 7am Aaron Dolan Bir	27
28 6am Richard Woods	29 6am Edward Witt Sr.	30	May 1	2	3 6am Robert Alexand	4

Events shown in time zone: Eastern Time - New York



Solomon No. 20 Calendar: Also available on our Website: <http://solomon2.com/events/>

WEDNESDAY, March 24th, 2024 AT 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Northeast Florida Masonic Association Meeting

Orange Park Masonic Lodge No. 267 F&AM, 511 Kingsley Ave, Orange Park



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

March 2024 Activities Around the Lodge



What was old is Blue again!
Our "new" Lodge furniture, beautifully restored, from Ezra Lodge.



W.: Ben Flanagan welcomes
Bro. Bryce Leonardo, P.:M.:
from Berkley Lodge #167 in
Chesapeake, VA.



W.: Ben Flanagan
presents Bro. Christian
Keifer, W.:M.: 2024 of
Orange Park Lodge No.
267, with an honorary
membership in Solomon
Lodge No. 20.

Congratulations and
welcome (formally as a
member because you
are always welcome) to
Solomon Lodge Brother
Bigfoot!

Members prepare to clean
the streets for the March
Adopt A Highway community
service street cleaning day.

Freemasons of Solomon
Lodge helping to keep
Jacksonville beautiful!





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

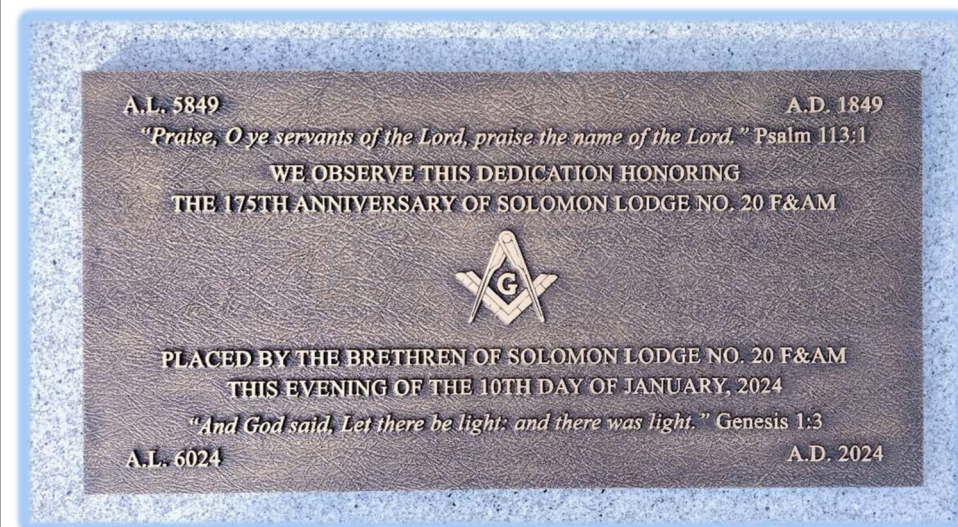
Masonic Rites: Samuel Bennett, David Kiraly, James Vick

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

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

Past Master 2012 & Founding Member - Lewis A. Armistead Lodge No. 403 F&AM

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If you missed the historic event at 3pm on January 10th, The 175th Anniversary Celebration of Solomon Lodge No. 20 F&AM was recorded and produced to preserve the moment in 4K video as a Masonic courtesy by the owner of Vanimation Studios, Brother Clayton Vandiver, Jr. PM. It is archived and available for viewing on YouTube at: https://youtu.be/hGWHv_rQjpo

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 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 1st. & 3rd. 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 and the team charge of this program will be forwarded your information. For more information, click here - <https://www.fdot.gov/maintenance/aahinfo.shtm>

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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.

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GOD BLESS AMERICA!