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

~ Aeschylus
Greek playwright
b. 525 BC



keep
learning.

LODGE OFFICER TRAINING

The Most Worshipful 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 (Right Honorable James Vick) for details.



W.: Derrick Coach - *Worshipful Master*



Brethren,

Welcome to May where flowers start to bloom and so should our time, promise, and growth that rises in the east. As the light of day stays lit so should our journey in Masonry and what better way to come out of your shell to rededicate yourselves to the principles of brotherly love, relief, and truth.

May represents growth in nature which alludes to our Masonic understanding and bonds. This will be a great season for us to strengthen our commitments, to support each other in our endeavors, Brothers locking arms with kindness, promoting charity and extending our hearts far beyond the cornerstones of the lodge.

This month renews broken-spirited hearts, and I encourage all brothers to reengage themselves to actively participate in our meetings and activities, to mentor our newer members, merge with other Lodges and to bring fresh energy and ideas to our Lodge. Together, we can continue to build a foundation of strength and harmony that will endure through the years.

Remember to let your light shine the brightest when shared with others. Let's keep that light burning bright during May.

Fraternally,

W.: Derrick Coach

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Masonic Tip of the Month

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



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Free & Accepted Masons of Florida**



Ian Dale Bozeman - Senior Warden



Greetings from the West, Brethren,

April has come and passed and May is here. May is a time of reflection for the sacrifices that are made for our country, for our community, and for our families. Let's take time this month to reflect on those who have made the greatest sacrifice so that we may enjoy all the freedoms that we are granted by God under this great country. So Mote it Be!

Spring is in full bloom and there are several activities on our calendars. Let us take advantage of the great weather and fulfill our roles as "traveling men." We need to travel to Neptune Beach on one of their first or third Tuesday meetings to reclaim our traveling beehive! Grand Lodge is also at the end of the month, and I know our top three officers will be there! Also, we have a Master Mason degree for Juan Romero and Scott Panken on May 9th and I encourage every Brother who has it within their cable tow to make it - to come out and support these two Brothers in their third step into this great fraternity.

Lastly Brethren, I hope everyone is doing exceptionally well and if there is any Brother out there that needs a helping hand email me, message me, or find me in the Lodge and I will provide whatever I can whether that be time, labor, or council. We are all here to serve and I welcome any opportunity to serve any Brother that may ask. Through service, skills are sharpened, generosity is encouraged, and the tight bonds of our fraternity are wound into a braid so fervently interlaced into each other's lives no Brother should ever escape its support.

Take Care my Brother's and call on the membership of our Lodge anytime of distress or tribulation. We are here for one another.

Salutations,

Brother Ian Bozeman
Senior Warden
Solomon Lodge No. 20



Luis Eduardo Rueda-Vargas - Junior Warden



Brethren,

As your Junior Warden, I would like to share a brotherly reminder about the importance of working together with proper communication, planning, and harmony. One of the great lessons of Freemasonry is that no great and important undertaking is built by one man alone. Every stone must be properly prepared, every tool must be used with purpose, and every Brother must understand his role before the work can rise in strength and beauty. Lately, it has become clear that many efforts are being handled individually, with plans and ideas being shared too late for proper discussion, support, or preparation. When information is given at the last minute, even good intentions can create confusion, missed opportunities, and unnecessary pressure on the Craft. This message is not about blame. It is about improving how we labor together.

As Masons, we are taught to work in harmony. Harmony requires communication. Communication requires time. And good planning requires that ideas be placed upon the Trestleboard early enough for the Brethren to review, discuss, improve, and act with unity. When we move in the same frequency, our work becomes stronger. When we share plans early, more Brothers can contribute. When we discuss ideas properly, we avoid misunderstanding. And when we act as one body, the Lodge benefits, the Craft benefits, and every Brother feels respected and included. I encourage all Brethren to bring ideas, plans, concerns, and proposed activities forward with enough time for proper consideration. Let us avoid last-minute decisions whenever possible. Let us use our meetings, committees, calls, and brotherly conversations to coordinate our work before action is required. A Lodge does not grow through isolated effort. It grows through shared labor, mutual respect, and organized communication.

May we continue to meet upon the Level, act by the Plumb, and part upon the Square - working together with one purpose, one spirit, and one frequency for the good of the Craft.

Fraternally,

Brother Luis Rueda-Vargas
Junior Warden
Solomon Lodge No. 20

The Secretary's Desk:



Clayton Vandiver, Jr. P.:M.:

Brothers All,

Grand Communication is coming up very soon this month. The pre-registration form has been delivered to Grand Lodge as required, but if you plan to attend, please let me know. I may still be able to get your name added so you can have a name badge upon check-in.

Please remember your help is needed! Solomon Lodge is currently being restored to its iconic beauty of the past and to the pride of Freemasonry for the future. You can make a difference today! Our Building Fund campaign needs your generous contribution to help repair the front of the building and the beautiful balconies that showcase our iconic Lodge to the world. Please help within bounds of your cable tow today.

Are you are a 50-year or Perpetual member and have no card yet for 2026? Please call me and update your USPS mailing address asap! I had more than a few cards get returned marked "undeliverable."

I continue to remind everyone that The Grand Lodge Amity App for your Apple or Android smart phone is a convenient way to pay by credit card. A fee to offset the vendor's expense of using a credit card is added by Grand Lodge to the Amity transaction in addition to your dues. A small price to pay for convenience. If you have any questions about installing or using the Amity app on your phone, please contact me. Mail a check, money order, or bring that old-fashioned thing... cash. It helps keep the lights on in our great Lodge! (And eating green beans in the dark has been proven to be risky for many Masons).

Birthdays (Happy Birthday my Brother!)

5-3 Jeffrey Roffman	5-5 Robert Alexander, Jr.	5-17 Fred Cauley	5-24 Robert Alexander, Sr.
5-4 Dominic Bucci	5-7 Walter Ponsell	5-17 Robbie Stokes	5-27 Ronald Wilson
5-5 Dylan Rettig	5-8 Johnnie Kilgore	5-18 Robert Swindell, Jr.	5-30 Charles Spencer

This will be a busy month with petitions to reinstate, petitions to become plural, and other important business for our office. Please come out to our Stated Communications and be a part of the action. Your Lodge truly misses you when you don't stay active. I promise - you will never be asked to eat green beans in the dark! BUT you will be warmly greeted and always enjoy your time among the Craft at Solomon.

Fraternally,

Clayton Vandiver, Jr. P.:M.:

Secretary

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

May 9th at 9:00 AM (light breakfast at 8:00 AM) Master Mason Degree for Scott Panken and Juan Romero.

Notice: Brother Jeffrey Norman Bradshaw has petitioned to be reinstated. An Investigations Committee in Seattle, Washington has been requested to assist with courtesy work by our Most Worshipful Grand Lodge F&AM of Florida.

Petition to reinstate has been received for Br. Arnel Maranon Filipinas.

Petition to reinstate has been received for Br. Russell Fisher, PM

Petition for Plural Membership has been received for Br. Brandon Kinerk.

Petitions are with the Investigations Committee.

Keep up the great ritual work Brothers!

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

Last Month's Charity: LYPMGS / Children's Home Society Fund

EVENTS

Master Mason Degree: (Scott Panken and Juan Romero)

5/9/2026 Solomon Lodge No. 20 8:00 AM light breakfast 9:00 AM Degree

Stated Communication:

5/11/2026 Solomon Lodge No. 20 6:30 PM meal 7:30 PM meeting.

School of Instruction:

5/13/2026 Neptune Beach Lodge Meal 6:00 PM – SOI 7:00 PM

Northeast Florida Masonic Association Meeting:

5/20/2026 Callahan Lodge No. 32 Meal 6:30 PM – Meeting 7:30 PM

Family Night TBA: (Grand Communication is in session 5/25 – 5/27)

5/25/2026 Solomon Lodge No. 20 6:30 PM light meal and fellowship (TBA)

Open Books:

1st Wednesday in April, May at Orange Park Lodge No 267. Books open at 6:30pm. No meal.

3rd Saturday in April at Hyde Park Lodge No 370. Books open at 9:00am. Breakfast at 8:00am.



Need A Ride? Carpool to Lodge! Any brother that would like to arrange a carpool to the stated meeting, please contact your Secretary at c.904-710-8884 or email at Solomon20sec@Gmail.com

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, call the editor, or reach out to one of the officers. Thank you.



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SOLOMON LODGE NO. 20 MEMORIAL BRICK PROGRAM

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