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 *Albert J. Miller, P.M.....1968, 1988
 *David A. Calhoun, P.M.....1969
 *Kenneth A. Chantler, P.M.....1970
 David M. Isiminger, P.M.....1971
 *Frank H. Fricker, Jr.,P.M.....1972
 John H. Jester, Jr.,P.M.....1973
 *Francis C. Sargeant, P.M.....1974
 *Charles E. Pelot, Sr., P.M.....1975
 Ralph W. Lamenzo, Jr.,P.M.....1976
 *George F. Dunn,P.M.....1977
 *Raymond C. Welch, P.M.....1978
 *Jack D. White, P.M.....1979
 Milton L. Draper, Jr.,P.M.....1980, 2006
 *George B. McGlashan, P.M.....1981
 *Richard Valdes, P.M.....1982
 *William H. Hassall, Jr.,P.M.....1983
 Walter M. Myslewicz, P.M., PJGD.....1984
 Edward E. Boas, Jr.,P.M.....1985
 Ronald J. Hudson, P.M.....1986
 James N. Hutchinson, Jr.,P.M.,PSGD.....1987, 2002
 *Charles H. McDonald, P.M.....1989
 Robert D. Blackard, P.M.....1990

Toland S. Van Stan, Jr.,P.M.....1991
 *Charles B. Euston, Jr.,P.M.....1992
 *Murray W. Taylor, P.M.....1993
 James S. Russell, Jr. P.M.,PGM.....1994, 2005
 John F. Gleasner, P.M, PAGM.....1995, 2007, 2008
 H. Richard Hoffman, P.M., GM.....1996, 1999, 2009
 *Scott A. Dalton, P.M...PSGD.....1997, 1998
 Patrick M. Brown, P.M, PGT.....2000, 2001
 David J. Rice, P.M.....2003
 Stephen M. Tucker, P.M.....2004
 Michael J. Gamgort, P.M.....2010
 Daniel M. Brandt, PM.....2011, 2013, 2014, 2015
 Matt A. Nelson, PM.....2012
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AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS
 *Paul J. Spencer, PM.....1990
(McCulloch #737, Marion, IN)
 Richard J. Gendreau, PM.....2009
(Sunrise #288, Toms River, NJ)
 Bernard J. Bialecki, Sr., PM.....2015
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SOLOMON LODGE NO. 36

A.F. & A.M.

Constituted October 28, 1967

The Masonic Trestleboard



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Stated Communications Second Wednesday
 At 7:30 P.M. except July and August

Each Brother Bring a Brother

Visiting Brethren Always Welcome

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 ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

ATTENTION: FAMILY MEMBERS
 IF THE ADDRESSEE IS ILL OR INCAPACITATED PLEASE
 NOTIFY ANY MEMBER OR OFFICER LISTED INSIDE. ALSO
 IF A MILESTONE HAS BEEN ACHIEVED TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS
 TRESTLEBOARD PLEASE CONTACT THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER

SOLOMON LODGE #36 AF & AM

January, 2017 Trestleboard

You are invited to attend the 492nd Stated Communication of Solomon Lodge #36 to be held at the Newark Masonic Temple, 207 East Delaware Avenue, Newark, Delaware, Wednesday evening, January 11th, 2017 AD; 6017 AL, at 7:30PM in the evening.

For Stated business meetings we will be dressing business casual, and the Special Communications for conferring degrees will still be our standard tuxedos, suit and tie.

Stephen R. Hoops, Worshipful Master
Attest: Toland S. Van Stan, Jr., PM Secretary

FROM THE EAST

Entering the 5th month of our 49th year of brotherhood under the Charter of Solomon Lodge #36. It is that time of year again. Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to everyone and your families. From my first month of being a Master Mason, I have been in the officer line. Nothing makes me more proud than being able to help lead our Masonic journey as a Lodge in Newark, DE. We are now entering 2017, and I get very concerned when our attendance at our meetings continues to be very anemic. We have had some "OK" turn-outs at our Stated Communication, OK, not Good. However, our Degrees have been non-existent. At the risk of sounding repetitive, we need to do better as Mason's. We became Mason's to support our Brothers, their Families, their Widows & Orphans. I am asking all Brothers to make a New Year's resolution, that they will try and attend at least 4 meetings in 2017. Considering we will have around 24-30 meetings between Degrees and Monthly Stated Communications, I don't believe it is a stretch to ask you to attend at least 4 of them!

If you know one of our Brothers that has been away from the lodge for a bit of time, please reach out to them and welcome them back.

In your service,
Stephen R. Hoops, WM

Solomon CALENDAR

December 25th:..... **Merry Christmas**
January 1st..... **Happy New Year**
January 5th: Job's GL Shadow Night 7:00pm
January 10th: Officer Practice..... 7:00pm
January 11th: Stated Communication...7:30pm
January 17th: Officer Practice..... 7:00pm
January 18th: Master Mason Degree.... 7:30pm
January 19th: Job's Daughters meeting.... 7:00pm
January 24th: Officer Practice..... 7:00pm
January 31st: Officer Practice..... 7:00pm
February 7th: Officer Practice..... 7:00pm

Upcoming Degrees

We will be conferring the Master Mason Degree on 2 Candidates on Wednesday January 18th, 2017 at 7:30pm. I'm very excited to have the opportunity to raise 2 more of our Brethren to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. It was one of the most fulfilling days of my life when I was raised to Master Mason. It should be that way for every Mason. That being said, nothing is more deflating than having minimal attendance at a Master Mason Degree. It is not fair to our new Brothers. I am hoping that you can find it in your Masonic service to be present more often for the Degrees we confer on our new brothers. The Brothers are excited to become part of our Fraternity, and the Officers work VERY hard to make sure that the craft is well represented. Please find time to attend.

Upcoming Masonic Events

1. Committee on Education & Work – Officer's Training, Saturday January 21st 9am, Dover Masonic Temple
2. Solomon Lodge #36 Grand Master Visit – March 8th 5:30pm for Lodge, Dinner 6:30pm, GM Visit 7:30pm – Newark Masonic Hall
3. Brotherhood Night – Friday March 31st – Please see myself or one of the officers for tickets.

Solomon Lodge District II Nominations Official Notice to all Solomon Lodge Grand Lodge Members

We will have a quick meeting after we close the January 11th Stated and before refreshments for

the purpose of casting our ballots for one of the nominees for the Grand Lodge offices of Grand Master, Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, Junior Grand Warden, and for the Grand Lodge Award of Honor. Please do your best to attend.

December Cookie Party Report

Our Cookie Party was a big success this year. We had a tremendous turn-out of Brothers and their families, bringing home-baked cookies for us to make trays for our Widows, home-bounds and sick. We were able to deliver 29 trays of cookies between Solomon and Hiram prior to the holidays. The response from the Widows was very positive overall, and they love it when we visit and spend time with them. In addition, we were able to deliver a beautiful red poinsettia with each tray of cookies. A huge Thank You to the Brothers and wives that came out to help build the cookie trays. As always, it was a very rewarding time, and was very well received. Special thanks to PM Daniel Brandt who picked up the Poinsettias from the local grower and helped coordinate everything. If there was anyone we weren't able to visit, LET US KNOW, and we apologize. Please know we all send our love to you, and are all in our hearts and minds!

2016 Salvation Army Christmas Kettles

28 years. Who would have figured? What praise can I offer for the Solomon Brothers, Brothers of other Lodges, Families, their Friends and Friends of their Friends for serving 545 hours this year at the Stands. The Tenets of Brotherly and Relief apply to all Members of the Masonic Family. Is that GREAT, or what? We can reasonably expect that about \$23,000 will be raised by YOUR efforts in helping the Salvation Army. 92% of the donations go right to where they belong - People in Need, Children who would not have otherwise gotten presents, will. Housing and meals will be provided for fellow humans temporarily down on their luck. – And more. I say it every year. Volunteers who help the Needy understand just how a cold, windy night at the Kettles can become a warm and satisfying feeling that, coupled with the gathering of Family and Friends during the Season, completes the Joy of Christmas. On behalf of all who will be helped, Thank You!

Merry Christmas! Toland

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

This month Solomon Lodge is proud to congratulate the **15** Brothers who have a total of **485** combined years of Masonic Service!

Daniel M. Brandt.....11 years
Bennie Joe Cordell.....42 years
John R. Davis.....35 years
Jon C. Dufresne.....47 years
Ronald J. Hudson PM.....36 years
Charles E. Jones.....38 years
John D. Jones.....48 years
Brian C. Klingler.....4 years
Jacob H. Miller III GLAH.....35 years
Jeffrey A. Peoples.....4 years
William T. Purdy.....70 years
Griffin Smith.....7 years
Thomas J. Steele III.....36 years
Richard D. Stell.....47 years
George F. Walls, Jr.....25 years

Any Brother who attends the Lodge to celebrate his Masonic Birthday will have a donation made in their name to the Grand Lodge of Delaware Permanent Fund by the Worshipful Master.

Sick and Visitation

If anyone knows of any Brother or their family that is experiencing illness or hardships, please bring it to the attention to one of the officers of this Lodge, as well as any way you know we might be of assistance. Brethren – please keep each other and all our families in your prayers. If you know of a Brother who is having health issues, please inform one of your officers so our lodge has an opportunity to contact them and can follow up. Remember the times you have spent with them in Lodge, and the Fellowship that you shared over the years. Find a few moments to contact them! E-mail is thoughtful, but hearing the voice of a Friend or Brother has a healing power of its own. Very few have been so fortunate as to have had problems, health or otherwise, that could not have been easier to bear when our FRIENDS let us know how much they cared.