

Solomon Lodge #484

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Solomon #484 Officers 2015-2016

Upcoming Events

December 1

7 PM MM Practice

December 8

7 PM Tote Assembly

December 10

6:30 PM Meal

7:30 PM Stated Meeting

December 12

10 AM – 2 PM Masonic Santa

December 29

7 PM **FUN NIGHT**

Howdy Folks!

This is the monthly newsletter detailing the happenings at and around Solomon Lodge #484 in Taylor Texas. We will be adjusting format and content as we go so if there is something you would like to see or something you would like to contribute please contact us and we will see what we can do.

Masonic Anniversaries in December

Bill Miller	Raised 12/6/05
Justin Bosley	Raised 12/9/81
Hugh Tidwell, WM	Raised 12/9/08
David Brooks	Raised 12/12/85
Ruben Cantu	Raised 12/13/90

December Birthdays

Jimmie Graybill	12/3
David Wortham	12/3
Ronald Holton	12/5
Carlton Scott	12/5
Mathew Word	12/7
Jerry Hawkins	12/9
Jeremy Grassel	12/13
Donald Wheeler	12/14
Frank Hadden, PM	12/20
Richard Torres	12/20
Jesse Soliz	12/21

All dates were compiled by our Senior Deacon Robert Schier III (RS3)

Quote of the Month:

**“LITTLE STROKES FELL
GREAT OAKS.”**

**— BRO. BEN FRANKLIN
POOR RICHARD'S ALMANAC, AUG.
1750**

From the East

Brethren,

December brings with it Grand Lodge, Masonic Santa, and our Second Fun night. Grand lodge has many resolutions and changes before it this year and we request that you take a minute to stop by lodge and look at the resolution (Located in the East on the pedestal and voice your thoughts via email to one or all of the following:

Myself hugh_tidwell@pa-jer.com,
Jonathan Krueger jfkrueger1980@gmail.com
Michael Hollingsworth mdh@austin.rr.com

The input from our brothers will help us make good decision when we vote at Grand Lodge.

Masonic Santa is underway and we would like each brother find somebody to sponsor a tote. This helps with the cost of Masonic Santa. Dates to keep in mind are December 6th to wrap and buy toys, December 8th for filling Food Totes, and December 12th for Masonic Santa. If you have any questions please email robert.schier3@gmail.com (Robert Schier III) for additional information.

We look forward to doing a Game night on December 29th for Brothers, family and friends. We will have a kids movie playing on the projector, games and entertainment for everybody else. Please bring out the family for this event. We would like to have a really good showing and for our families to have a chance to hang out with each other.

Fraternally,
Hugh K. Tidwell
Worshipful Master
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Worshipful Master Hugh Tidwell and his wife Kelley

Local Stated Meetings

Austin Scottish Rite

1st Wednesday
Meal at 6:30 pm
Meeting at 7:30 pm

Post Oak Island #181 (Beaukiss)

1st Thursday
Meal at 6:30 pm
Meeting at 7:30 pm

Thorndale #978

2nd Saturday
Meal at 8:00 am
Meeting at 9:00 am

Liberty Hill #432

2nd Saturday
Meal at 6:00 pm
Meeting at 7:00 pm

Elgin #328

2nd Monday
Meal at 6:30 pm
Meeting at 7:30 pm

Colorado Commandery - Austin

2nd Monday
Meal at 6:30 pm
Meeting at 7:30 pm

San Gabriel #89 (Georgetown)

2nd Thursday
Meal at 7:00 pm
Meeting at 8:00 pm

Past Master Spotlight

Past Masters can be a valuable, and often vocal source of information and knowledge. In an effort to shine some of that Light on the Brethren we will be asking PM's a standardized set of questions every month.

This month we will be visiting with PM Don Wheeler. Brother Don Wheeler was installed as Worshipful Master of Solomon Lodge #484 in 2009. As WM of Solomon Lodge Brother Wheeler was the third Wheeler in a row to serve as our leader, he followed his sons who served the two preceding terms in our highest office. We welcomed him none the less. Brother Wheeler was also the driving force behind the Masonic Santa Program which has helped over 1,000 kids in our community experience a better Christmas than they would have otherwise. Thank you Brother Wheeler, you are an inspiration to many of us to speak up and put our ideas out there to see what sticks.

Why did you become a Freemason?

I knew some very good men then found out they were Mason's and decided I'd like to join the fraternity of these good men, so I asked the question.

What was the best advice you were given by a Freemason or about Freemasonry?

You get out of masonry what you put into it.

What was your most memorable event or occurrence from your time in the East?

To help raise my Grandsons and friends into the best origination in the World.

If you could give an EA or potential candidate one piece of advice what would it be?

This is truly an organization that makes good men better. Listen and learn.

What is one thing every newly raised Master Mason should know?

You are just beginning to learn what Freemasonry is all about and will continue to learn until you meet your maker.

If you could give one piece of advice to a new WM or another office "in the line" what would it be? Do your best and don't be afraid to make mistakes, but do. Also, depend on your brothers for they have a wealth of information.



Past Master Don Wheeler 2009

Local Stated Meetings cont....

Norton Moses #336 (Leander)

3rd Monday
Meal at 6:30 pm
Meeting at 7:30 pm

Round Rock #227

3rd Tuesday
Meal at 6:30 pm
Meeting at 7:30pm

YR Chapter & Council (Austin)

3rd Wednesday
Meal at 6:30 pm
Meeting at 7:30 pm

Ben Hur Shrine

3rd Thursday
Meal at 6:30 pm
Meeting at 7:30pm

What would you like to see in the newsletter? Is there a topic or question you would like covered? If so, send us an email and we will see what we

From the North

Howdy All,

First I would like to say thank you to all the brothers and friends who attended the Toy Dance last month. It was a great success and we really appreciate Ben Hur Shrine for hosting the dance again. All of the toys that were donated at the toy dance made their way to Solomon Lodge and we will be wrapping them this Sunday 12/6. We will start at 10AM. We will be at the lodge until everything is wrapped and the lodge is decorated for Christmas. We will also be meeting at the lodge on Tuesday the 8th at 7:00PM to put together the tubs for all of the families. It is looking like we will have the same amount of families and children as we have in the past few years.

The big day will start at 10AM on the 12th. We will have arts and crafts activities for the children to participate in, ponies available for pony rides, pictures with Santa, and a whole lot of fun. We also have some of the clowns from Ben Hur Shrine who have volunteered to come make the day more exciting.

We are still selling tub sponsorships this year for \$50. For more information or to request a sponsorship from please contact our Senior Deacon Robert Schier III (RS3). Please consider sponsoring a tub or reaching out to others you think may be willing. This year I would like to get the tub sponsorship up. If we could sign up just 40 sponsors it would go a LONG way in funding this event. Remember, the money for all of this has to come from somewhere.

Dates to remember

- 12/6 – Wrapping gifts
- 12/8 – Preparing tubs
- 12/12 – Masonic Santa

I am looking forward to a GREAT Masonic Santa program this year,

Fraternally,

RS3

Senior Deacon

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Senior Deacon Robert Schier III (RS3) and his Grandfather PM Bob Schier.

Local Masonic Events

Masonic Santa at Solomon Lodge #484 will be Saturday December the 12th from 10am-2pm.

We will have Santa, food, activities for the kids, and clowns!

If you know of an upcoming Masonic event in the area let us know!

ALL submissions for the upcoming newsletter are due by the 15th of this month.

Merry Christmas!