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Lodges of the 3rd Masonic District

AT&T No. 77	2 nd & 4 th Thur
Fulton Friendship No. 102.	1 st & 3 rd Tues
Mosaic No. 194	1 st & 3 rd Thur
Temple No. 173	1 st & 3 rd Wed
Salomon No 306	1 st & 3 rd Fri
DLI	1 st Mon

COMICIONES/COMMITTEES

**PLANIFICACION ESTRATEGICA/
STRATEGIC PLANNING**

Alberto Hernández, Ludwin Álvarez,
Heriberto Cruz

FINANZAS/ FINANCE

Conrado Lezcano, Rolando Núñez, Jorge L.
Álvarez

INVESTIGACIONES/ INVESTIGATIONS

Ludwin Álvarez, Alberto Hernández,
Heriberto Cruz

**DESARROLLO DE LA MEMBRESIA/
MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT**

Ludwin Álvarez, Cristian Reyes, Florentino
Falcon

**INSTRUCCIÓN RITUAL/ RITUAL
INSTRUCTION**

Heriberto Cruz- Olivieri

**MEDIOS DE COMUNICACIÓN SOCIAL/
SOCIAL MEDIA**

Ludwin Álvarez- Heriberto Cruz

LIVING PAST MASTERS

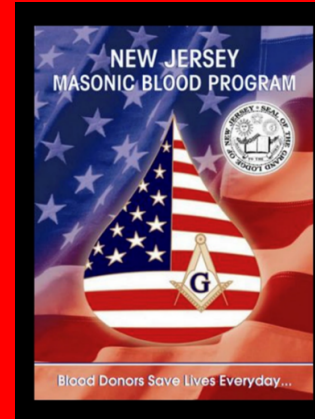


Alberto Hernandez-2019

Ludwin Alvarez-2020&2024

Heriberto Cruz- 2022-2023

AMERICAN RED CROSS



HONORARY MEMBERS

MW∴ Gregory J. Scott, PGM 2019

MW∴ J. Eugene Margroff, GM

RW∴ Omar S. Morris, DGM

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

FREEMASONRY promotes a way of life that binds like-minded men with the principles of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth in order to serve God, Family, Country, Neighbor and Self.



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**SALOMON LODGE No. 306,
of Free & Accepted Masons**

EST-JANUARY 6th, 2019



November 2024



**Regular Meetings 1st and 3rd Friday of
every month with the exception of July
and August at 7:30pm**

Ridgefield Park Masonic Temple

129 Main Street

Ridgefield Park, NJ 07660

MENSAJE DEL ESTE

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Mis Hermanos,

El Maestro

Quiero empezar este mensaje del este dando mis felicitaciones a los 6 maestros nuevos de nuestra logia. No solo por haber alcanzado el sublime grado de maestro masón sino por el trabajo y dedicación entregados durante este proceso. Como ya saben en la masonería cada final es un comienzo y este no es la excepción. Ahora empieza una etapa en sus vidas masónica muy importante porque no van a parar de seguir siendo los aprendices que entraron por las puertas de la logia un días sino que ya son responsables de ser sus columnas e impartir ese conocimiento a las nuevas generaciones. Si ya no es un deber seguir aprendiendo sino una responsabilidad y si un Maestro no es más que un eterno aprendiz con la única diferencia que el aprendiz estudia, crece, y aprende para su beneficio propio y el aumento de su curiosidad. El maestro hace todas estas cosas no solo por el beneficio propio sino por la responsabilidad colectiva y el crecimiento de todo aquel que pueda tocar con si maestria.

Por eso es muy importante entender que es ser un Maestro Mason incluso cuando creemos que los que están al lado de nosotros no lo entienden. En lo personal creo que este concepto no todo lo entendemos de la misma manera por eso aquí me gustaría compartirles mi punto de vista de lo que es un maestro y su misión.

Un Maestro Masón es mucho más que un título o un rango en la masonería; es un faro de

sabiduría, un guardián de la tradición, y un ejemplo de integridad y honor. Ser un Maestro Masón significa haber recorrido un camino arduo de autoconocimiento, haber superado pruebas tanto internas como externas y, finalmente, haberse consagrado al servicio de la luz y la verdad. No se trata solo de liderar ceremonias ni de ostentar un puesto, sino de encarnar los valores más nobles: la fraternidad, la justicia y la caridad.

El Maestro Masón es el corazón palpitante de la logia, la persona en quien los demás encuentran un consejo sabio y una presencia calmante. Él ha aprendido a ver más allá de las apariencias, a escuchar con empatía y a actuar con prudencia. Sus palabras inspiran, sus acciones motivan y su ejemplo transforma. En un mundo donde la confusión y la división a menudo reinan, el Maestro Masón se erige como un recordatorio viviente de que la humanidad puede aspirar a algo más elevado.

Pero lo más importante es que el Maestro Masón es consciente de que la verdadera grandeza no radica en la acumulación de logros personales, sino en la capacidad de compartir su luz con los demás. Su verdadera misión es guiar a sus hermanos, enseñarles a construir no templos de piedra, sino templos invisibles de sabiduría y virtud en sus propias vidas.

Ser un Maestro Masón es, en esencia, un acto de amor y compromiso eterno con la mejora de uno mismo y del mundo que lo rodea. Es un llamado a ser faro en la tormenta y un puente en tiempos de división. Quien alcanza este grado lo hace con la humildad de quien sabe

que la búsqueda de la verdad es infinita y que el aprendizaje nunca termina.

Mis hermanos aquí comienzan su viaje como Maestro Mason una de las cosas más honorables que van a hacer en sus vidas sino es la más. Espero que lo disfruten hasta el final de sus días como los estoy haciendo yo. Les deseo que este viaje sea increíble y aun en los días que se sientan con deseos de rendirse y abrumados por la complejidad del reto que tienen enfrente sientan que todo ha valido la pena y siempre valdrá la pena dar una milla por lo que creemos que es justo y valioso.

Ya mi segundo término como Venerable Maestro está llegando a su fin pero no me puedo sentir más orgulloso de lo logrado este año. Solamente poder haber sido parte de su proceso hasta este sublime grado de M.:M a valido la pena cada día de esfuerzo espero que algún día puedan entender este sentimiento indescriptible que va más allá del ego de ocupar un cargo o cualquier otro reconocimiento. Y como les dije al inicio de mi mensaje nosotros los Maestros Masones entendemos que cada final de un viaje es el nuevo comienzo de otro así que estoy ansioso por terminar mi termino como V.:M no para descansar sino para unirme a ustedes en las columnas y ser parte de su viaje masónico.

Un Fuerte abrazo a todos los M.:M de Nuestra Respetable Logia Salomon #306.

Salud ∴ Fuerza ∴ Union ∴

Al Signo del orden!

VM ∴ Ludwin Álvarez, PVM

MESSAGE FROM THE EAST

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My Brothers,

The Master

I would like to begin this message from the East by congratulating the 6 new Masters of our lodge. Not only for having attained the sublime degree of Master Mason but for the work and dedication given during this process. As you know in Masonry every ending is a beginning and this is no exception. Now begins a very important stage in your Masonic lives because you will not stop being the apprentices who entered the doors of the lodge one day, but you are now responsible for being its columns and impart that knowledge to the new generations. If it is no longer a duty to continue learning but a responsibility and if a Master is nothing more than an eternal apprentice with the only difference that the apprentice studies, grows, and learns for his own benefit and the increase of his curiosity. The master does all these things not only for his own benefit but for the collective responsibility and growth of everyone he can touch with his mastery.

That is why it is very important to understand what it is to be a Master Mason even when we believe that those who are next to us do not understand it. Personally, I believe that not all of us understand this concept in the same way, so here I would like to share with you my point of view of what a Master Mason is and his mission.

A Master Mason is much more than a title or a rank in Freemasonry; it is a beacon of wisdom, a guardian of tradition, and an example of integrity and honor. To be a Master Mason means to have traveled an arduous path of self-knowledge, to have overcome both internal and external trials, and finally to have consecrated oneself to the service of light and truth. It is not just a matter of leading ceremonies or holding office, but of embodying the noblest values: fraternity, justice and charity.

The Master Mason is the beating heart of the lodge, the person in whom others find wise counsel and a calming presence. He has learned to see beyond appearances, to listen with empathy and to act with prudence. His words inspire, his actions motivate and his example transforms. In a world where confusion and division often reign, the Master Mason stands as a living reminder that humanity can aspire to something higher.

But most importantly, the Master Mason is aware that true greatness lies not in the accumulation of personal achievements, but in the ability to share his light with others. His true mission is to guide his brethren, to teach them to build not temples of stone, but invisible temples of wisdom and virtue in their own lives.

To be a Master Mason is, in essence, an act of love and eternal commitment to the betterment of oneself and the world around one. It is a calling to be a beacon in the storm and a bridge in times of division. Those who attain this degree do so with the humility of one who knows that the search for truth is infinite and that learning never ends.

My brothers here you begin your journey as a Master Mason one of the most honorable things you will ever do in your lives if not the most. I hope you enjoy it until the end of your days as I am doing. I wish you an amazing journey and even on the days you feel like giving up and overwhelmed by the complexity of the challenge in front of you feel that it has all been worth it and will always be

worth going the extra mile for what we believe is right and worthwhile.

My second term as Venerable Master is coming to an end but I could not feel more proud of what I have accomplished this year. Just to have been part of your process to this sublime degree of M.:M has been worth every day of effort and I hope that someday you will understand this indescribable feeling that goes beyond the ego of holding an office or any other recognition. And as I told you at the beginning of my message we Master Masons understand that every end of a journey is the new beginning of another so I am anxious to finish my term as V.:M not to rest but to join you in the columns and be part of your Masonic journey.

A strong embrace to all the M.:M.: of Our
Respected Salomon Lodge #306.
Salud :. Fuerza :. Union :.

On the Level,

WM :. Ludwin Álvarez, PM

MASTER’S INSTRUCTIONS OF EVENTS

Dear Brothers:

You and your Masonic friends as cordially and fraternally invited to attend the Stated Communication of Salomon Lodge No. 306, F.&A.M., to be held on the 1st and 3rd Friday of every month with the exception of July and August at 129 Main Street; Ridgefield Park, N.J. 07660 at 7:30 pm.

Attire: Black Suit, White Shirt, Black Tie, Dark Shoes.

November/Noviembre:

1st Regular Stated Communication- Suit and Tie@7:30pm- Nominación/ Nominations
4th DLI/ Instrucción del Distrito- Cancelled due to GL Annual.
4th-7th- GL of NJ Annual Communication @ Tropicana, Atlantic City, NJ
15th Regular Stated Communication- Suit and Tie@7:30pm
22nd- Emergent Communication

D.L.I./ Ritual Instruction

The 3rd District Lodge of Instruction is held on the 1st **Monday** of each month at **7:00 pm**. A minimum of **7 Officers must attend**. Suit and Tie unless informed otherwise.

Profanos

Mr/Sr. Marco Aurelio Zaldívar
Mr/Sr. Julio Cesar Reyes

Awaiting Degree/En espera para el Grado de Aprendiz

Mr. Carlos Alex Arturo Vega Pena*
Mr. Danis Rodriguez Cabrera

Entered Apprentice Mason/ Aprendiz Masón:
Bro. Didier Hernandez

Fellow Craft Mason / Compañero Mason
Bro. Cesar Hurtado

MM Exam / Examen de Maestro Mason
Bro. Washington E. Andrade
Bro. Álvaro Aparicio
Bro. Mikel Morales
Bro. John Salguero
Bro. Daniel A. Menéndez

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Appointed Officers

Bro. Jovian Hernández	Sr. Deacon
Bro. Rodolfo Zanetti	Jr. Deacon
Bro. Gabriel Cisneros	Sr. MC
DBro. Nelson A. Jaquez	Jr. MC
DBro. Conrado Lezcano	Sr. Steward
Bro. Alberto C. Hernández	Jr. Steward
Bro. Rolando Núñez	Historian
	Musician
Bro. Jorge L. Álvarez	Chaplain
RW. Bro. Angelo Aponte	Marshall
Bro. Washington Rodriguez	Tyler

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Coming Soon!!

The Grand Lodge Education Committee is in the process of creating some new and improved sessions for all levels of our membership. Here are a few of the programs currently in development to include leadership, management, and business skills necessary to lead our Fraternity:

Grand Chaplain Education Program - Provides an overview of the duties and suggested options for Grand Chaplains to perform their duties in their Districts. Provides documentation for them to manage their year. This is scheduled for January 19.

DDGM Education Program - Provides an overview of the duties and suggested options for District Deputies to perform their duties in their Districts. Provides documentation for them to manage their year.

DRI Education Program - Provides an overview of the duties and suggested options for District Ritual Instructors to perform their duties in their Districts. Provides documentation for them to manage their year.

DEO Education Program - Provides an overview of the suggested options for District Education Officers to perform their duties in their Districts. Provides documentation for them to manage their year.

Worshipful Master & Warden's Program - Provides an overview of the essential obligations of a Worshipful Master and Warden. Provides suggestions of issues to consider in the preparation, management, and leadership of a Lodge year.

Secretaries and Treasurers' Program - Provides an overview of the essential obligations of a Secretary and a Treasurer. Provides suggestions of issues to consider in the preparation and management of a Lodge year.

Much more to come soon! Watch for more on social media, our Grand Lodge website, and via our Email distribution lists.

Take the Society of King Solomon Online Course

This free-of-charge, prestigious educational program, will be open to all Master Masons in good standing in our Grand Jurisdiction and will cover a wide variety of educational material that will give the seeker a solid foundation and the appropriate tools to pursue his own path of enlightenment.



District Group

A texting site has been created on

GroupMe.
To join, go to:
https://app.groupme.com/join_group/66067104/u2nkaebC

Grand Lodge Officers 2024-2025

Grand Master	<u>J.Eugene Margroff</u>
Deputy Grand Master	Omar Morris
Senior Grand Warden	Bruce C Golway
Junior Grand Warden	Bernard J Madgey, V
Grand Treasurer	Douglas R Policastro
Grand Secretary	Larry S. Plasket

- **TA,AA,51,P7:** Committee on Temple and Lodge Finance
 - Pass
 - **TA,AA,51,P7:** Mergers & Liquidations
 - Pass
 - **TA,AA,P17:** Surrender of Property: Former Members
 - Pass
 - **TA,AA,P4:** Committee of Investigation
 - Fail
 - **TA,AA,P12:** Candidate Advancement
 - Pass
 - **TA,AA,51,P1 / TA,AA,53, P1-A / TA,AA,51,P1 / TA,AA,51,P1 / TA,AA,51,P1 / TA,AA,51,P1 / TA,AA,51,P1 / TA,AA,51,P1:** All pertaining to Annual Communication of GL
 - Fail
 - **TA,AA,59, P5A & E:** Annual Membership Assessment, Subsection A
 - Pass
 - **TA,AA,12,S1, P1A & B:** Regalia of the Grand Master
 - Pass
 - **TA,AA,12,S1, PC & D:** Regalia (New Parts)
 - Pass
 - **TA,AA,58, P5E & F:** DeMolay/Rainbow Support
 - Pass
 - **Resolution Authorizing the Board of Trustees of the MCF of NJ to Amend the Bylaws and to Transfer Certain Assets and Liabilities Relating to the Operation of the Masonic Village at Burlington**
 - Pass
 - **2025 Budget (with \$5.00 increase to both DeMolay and Rainbow)**
 - Pass
 - **2025 Assessment will be \$76.00**
- Elections (winners with * at end): 943 Total Votes**
 - Junior Grand Warden
 - Hodges 492*
 - VonDerHeide 451
 - Grand Secretary
 - Pasarik 531*
 - Quintana 412
 - Grand Lodge Trustee
 - Monacelli 308
 - VanPelt 635*
 - Historic Trenton Masonic Temple Trustee
 - Foon 335*
 - Schutt 390*
 - Pelzer 218* (fills a 2-year unexpired term)
 - Masonic Charity Foundation Trustee
 - Barbara 745*
 - Jacobs 766*
 - Ostermayer 534
 - Weiss 784*

1st Annual Ritual Competition Winner: Adoniram #80

Worshipful Master of the Year: Giuseppe LoPocolo – January/June #28 / John Davis – Ocean City #71 (Tied); Daniel Kaufman – Harmony #6 (Honorable Mention)