

METROPOLITAN LODGE NO. 11, A.F.&A.M.

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Masonic Recognition Day
on the First of Each Month

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**Metropolitan
Lodge No. 11
A. F. & A. M.
Chartered December 11, 1860**



Meets in the Scottish Rite Temple, 4204 Hermitage Road, Richmond, Virginia 23227
on the Second Thursday of each month

ANNUAL DUES: 2015 and 2016 – \$145.00 each

MAIL REMITTANCES TO SECRETARY

Any case of Illness or Distress of any member that may come to your attention should be promptly reported to the Junior
Warden, Secretary or other Officer of the Lodge.

Number Eleven Class – Meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 6:30 PM at the Scottish Rite Temple

R. Lewis Gibbs Masonic Class – Saturday Night – Scottish Rite Temple – 7:00 PM
Lodge Blood Drive Number – 2795

STATED COMMUNICATION – Thursday, December 10, 2015

ELECTION & INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

OFFICERS DRESS – Tuxedos w/Black Accessories

MEMBERS & GUESTS: Please wear Business Attire (Coat & Tie).
THE NO. 11 CLASS OF INSTRUCTION WILL NOT MEET IN DECEMBER

ASSEMBLE: Scottish Rite Dining Room @ 5:45 PM

OPEN LODGE – 7:00 PM

Regular Business
Annual Reports – Secretary, Audit, Trustees
Lodge Memorial Service
Close Lodge of Sorrow

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2016

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS FOR 2016

Open Lodge of Sorrow
Appoint Grand Lodge proxies
Conclude Business

CLOSE LODGE

CALL COMMUNICATIONS: NONE IN DECEMBER

SPECIAL EVENTS

Friday, December 11, 2015 at 6:30 PM – Christmas Party at Masonic Home

Saturday, January 23, 2016 at 9:00 AM – Masters & Wardens Ass'n at Westhampton #302
Breakfast at 8:00AM

Monday, December 28, 2015 at 6:15 PM – Possum Night at Manchester Lodge #14
Masonic Temple, 6787 Forest Hill Ave. in South Richmond

PAST MASTER HONOR ROLL – NOVEMBER 2015 STATED

W. L. Olphin Jr. – B. B. McLaughlin – C. S. Sarbaugh – H. W. Mayes – G. H. Cooke, III
D. R. Carter – W. S. Richardson – C. A. Bass Jr. – R. E. Pagani – J. Q. Sheppard – B. L. Absher
B. K. McLaughlin – D. V. Jones – C. T. Sykes – V. S. Cook – J. T. Wadkins, III – C.E. Loftus
W. M. Myers – J. W. Edelin, III – G. T. Graham – J. L. Dixon – L. G. Deligan – A. A. Dranoff
L. A. Bernhard Sr. – D. L. Carter – F. G. Martin III – R. C. Kidd – S. C. Anaya

ATTENDANCE – NOVEMBER 2015 STATED

Past Masters – 28 Members – 26 Visitors – 3 Total – 57

Yearly Averages:

2005 – 76, 2006 – 77, 2007 – 74, 2008 – 72, 2009 – 69
2010 – 60, 2011 – 61, 2012 – 49, 2013 – 48, 2014 – 47

FROM THE EAST

Brethren,

Thanks to all of you that attended our “Past Masters Night” Stated Meeting in November. Worshipful D. R. Carter did an unbelievable job making the evening special for our esteemed Past Masters and their Ladies. Thanks again to Worshipful D. R. for putting that all together, and to the exemplary work performed by our Past Masters in the “Chairs”. It was a most enjoyable and memorable evening.

Congratulations to Rt. Worshipful Barrye Absher for receiving the annual “William D. Ellen Award for Masonic Excellence” at our November Stated Meeting. There is not a more worthy recipient in our Lodge.

December is when we elect and install our new Line Officers for the coming Masonic year. We will be having a Closed Installation this year, which means we will be meeting at the regular times for both Dinner (6:00 PM) and our meeting (7:00 PM). I would like to invite you all to come out and celebrate this great occasion as we set the stage for 2016 in Metropolitan #11. Your Line Officers work very hard all year to make our great Lodge what it is and deserve your recognition by attendance.

I would like to thank Bro. John Hughs of Virginia Barbeque for the outstanding job he has done preparing our dinners this year. I'm sure he will have something delicious prepared for our December Stated meeting. Please come out and join us Thursday, December 11th at 6:00 PM for dinner before our Stated meeting. I promise, you will be glad you came.

Speaking of meals, Metropolitan Lodge will again sell meal tickets in advance for 2016. However, there will be an interesting twist. Buy your meals for the year at \$80.00 (that is getting **two months free**) and we will throw all the tickets purchased into a hat and the one that is drawn in February will get his \$80.00 refunded. You can't lose, save money on your meals for the year **AND** get a chance to have your meal money refunded.

Our Rainbow Girls from Assembly #10 will be back in December with more goodies at their Bake Sale during dinner, so please take a minute to support our Girls and take something sweet home with you!

Please plan on attending our annual Christmas Party at the Masonic Home of Virginia on Friday, December 11, 2015 at 6:00 PM, in the Cafeteria. We always have a great time and the residents love the hospitality and entertainment we bring. So, bake those cookies, cakes and goodies and bring your family out to celebrate with the Home residents and enjoy the Holiday spirit.

We are observing our annual 'St. John the Evangelist Night' at Manchester #14 on Monday, December 28th. 'Possum Night' festivities begin with Dinner being served at 6:15 pm. Historically we at #11 bring the "Doves" for dinner and 'Possum Lodge' brings the possum. The 'Players' at #14 have worked hard on this presentation, so please plan to attend this fun evening at the Masonic Temple, 6787 Forest Hill Ave. in South Richmond.

Lastly Brothers, I would like to thank you all for your enthusiastic support this past year, it has been more memorable and satisfying than I could have ever imagined. I look forward to again serving you as Worshipful Master in 2016, if it is your will and pleasure. Please come out and enjoy some fellowship with your Brothers. I look forward to seeing you in Lodge.

Respectfully and Fraternaly,
Wade Evans III
Worshipful Master

LODGE OF SORROW

Since our last Stated Communication the Supreme Architect of the Universe has seen fit to take from our midst one of our Brothers:

BROTHER CHARLES EUGENE BURCH

Born	March 16, 1932
Initiated	May 25, 1971
Passed	September 28, 1971
Raised	January 25, 1972
Died	November 17, 2015

To his family we extend our sincerest sympathies!

FROM THE TREASURER & SECRETARY

The dues cards for 2016 have been received from the Grand Lodge and are ready for distribution. As in previous years the cards will be mailed to all members who have paid their 2015 dues. This mailing is done to reduce double mailing costs and will place the cards in the members possession at the time the dues are paid. Remember, brethren, the 2016 cards should not be used **UNTIL** the 2016 dues of \$145.00 is paid. For those who owe 2015, please remit \$145.00 to bring yourself current and remove the possibility of future suspension for non-payment of dues. We thank you all for your prompt attention to the payment of your dues.

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LIVING PAST MASTERS

Andre, James John	1963	Wagner, Fredric P.	1987	Loftus, Christopher E.	2012
Erhart, Jr, Charles Edward	1966	Jefferson, Derwood R.	1988	W. Martin Myers	2013
Brown, Platon A.	1968	Evans, Jr., Wade V. PDDGM	1989	John W. Edelin, III	2014
Hines, Elbert Richard	1968	Jacobson, Kenneth A.	1990		
Franck, Jr., Charles O. PDDGM	1969	Bennett, Jr., George L.	1991		
Olphin, Jr., Walter L.	1970	Childrey, William E.	1992		
Kontopanos, John A., Jr.	1971	Deligan, Lambros G. PDDGM	1992	<u>AFFILIATE PAST MASTERS</u>	
Morrow, Gordon J.	1971	Cooke, III, George H.	1993		
Plotkin, Leonard	1972	Howell, John W.	1994	Anaya, Samuel Crawford	(#1982)
Graham, George Tiffany	1974	LaFemina, Keith G.	1995	Bernhard, Lothar Arthur	(#19)
McLaughlin, Billy B. PDDGM	1975	Carter, Donnie R.	1996	Carter, Daulton L.	(#317)
Yannis, Frank Y.	1975	Richardson, William S. PDDGM	1998	Dranoff, Albert Abe PDDGM	(#53)
Regan, Larry David	1976	Bass, Jr., Claude A. PDDGM	1999	Grotz, Clifford C. Jr PDDGM	(#3)
Hiner, Henry L.	1978	Pagani, Robert E.	2000	Holmes, Ray W.	(#317)
Eichost, William T.	1979	Bouscher, Gene E.	2001	Malbone, Theodore Irving	(#317)
Phillips, Clyde H.	1981	Fitchett, Wayne E.	2002	Martin, Frederick Garrison III, PGM	(#344)
Whitlock, K. Wayne	1981	Sheppard, John Q. PDDGM	2003	Owens, Edward Nelson	(#284)
Constantine, John E.	1983	Norman, D. Patrick	2004	Richardson, Jr, C. Meredith	(#284)
Lyell, John C.	1983	Absher, Barrye L. PDDGM	2005	Rose, Daniel Lee PDDGM	(#161)
Olphin, III, Walter L.	1984	McLaughlin, B. Kevin	2006	Sanford, Steven Weldon PDDGM	(#4)
Sarbaugh, Charles S. PDDGM	1985	Jones, Douglas V., PDDGM	2007	Taylor, Jr, Norwood (Zeke) Marshall	(#317)
Dixon, Johnnie L. PDDGM	1986 & 1996	Sykes, C. Thomas, PDDGM	2008	Taylor, Robert Wright	(#317)
Mayes, Heath W.	1986	Cook, V. Stuart PDDGM	2009		
Houchins, Richard W.	1987	Wadkins, III, J. Thomas	2010-2011		