

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

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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: 2016-2017 – \$145.00

MAIL REMITTANCES TO SECRETARY

Brother Henry C. Payne, 4013 Old Creek Rd, Chesterfield, VA 23832-8387

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

Number Eleven Class – Meets the Thursday Preceding the Stated Communication 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, JANUARY 12, 2017– 7:00 PM

ASSEMBLE: Scottish Rite Dining Room, 4204 Hermitage Road @ 5:45 PM

DINNER – 6:00 PM

OPEN LODGE – 7:00 PM

Regular Business

Presentations

Program – Official Visit by the District Deputy Grand Master for Masonic District 15-A,
Right Worshipful Donnie R. Carter

CLOSE LODGE

OFFICERS, TUXEDOS W/ BLACK ACCESSORIES
MEMBERS, & GUESTS: PLEASE WEAR BUSINESS ATTIRE

THE NO. 11 CLASS OF INSTRUCTION WILL BE HELD ON THE THURSDAY PRECEDING THE
STATES COMMUNICATION

PAST MASTER HONOR ROLL – DECEMBER, 2016 STATED

B.B. McLaughlin, C. S. Sarbaugh, H.W. Mayes, W.V. Evans Jr, G.H. Cook III,
D.R. Carter (DDGM), W. S. Richardson, C. A. Bass, Jr. R. E. Pagani, B. L. Absher
B. K. McLaughlin, D. V. Jones (GJW), J. T. Wadkins III, C. E. Loftus, J. W. Edelin III
W. V. Evans III, L.G. Deligan, A.A. Dranoff, D. L. Carter, C. M Richardson, Jr.
L.A. Bernhard, R.C. Kidd

ATTENDANCE – DECEMBER 2016 STATED

Past Masters – 22 Members – 13 Visitors – 6

Yearly Averages:

2005 – 76, 2006 – 77, 2007 – 74, 2008 – 72, 2009 – 69, 2010 – 60
2011 – 61, 2012 – 49, 2013 – 48, 2014 – 47, 2015 – 53, 2016 – 49

NO CALLED COMMUNICATIONS IN JANUARY

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Monday, December 27, 2016 at 6:15 PM – Possum Night at Manchester Lodge #14
6787 Forest Hill Ave. in South Richmond

Tuesday, January 10 & 24 at 7:00 PM – Ass’y #10, Rainbows

Saturday, 28 January – Masters & Wardens Ass’n at 9:00 AM w/ Bkfst at 8:00 AM

FROM THE EAST

December 11, 2016

Brethren,

December's stated meeting was an exciting and very busy evening. Congratulations to Brother Charles Frederick Beorn, our newest 50 year Masonic Veteran. Our open installation was a great event and my fellow officers and I are honored with the trust you have placed in us to lead our lodge during this masonic year. Thank you to all who were able to attend and thanks to our installation team, which did an outstanding job as usual. I'm excited about the opportunities that this year offers to our lodge and our craft. We will continue to enjoy good speakers, good meals and good fellowship. It will be a busy year with our own Most Worshipful V. Stuart Cook serving as the 172nd Grand Master of Masons in the Commonwealth of Virginia, our very own Right Worshipful Douglas V. Jones serving as Grand Junior Warden and our own Right Worshipful Donnie Ralph "DR" Carter serving as District Deputy Grand Master for Masonic District 15-A.

On December 9th, we held our annual Christmas party as the Masonic Home, with entertainment provided by the Homeward Bound band and lots of Christmas' cookies. Thank you to all who provided the cookies, cake and brownies. Thank you to the rainbow girls who helped distribute the goodies as well as making Christmas cards for the residents. In addition, many thanks to all those who were able to attend and spread the joy of this season with all the residents.

On December 27th, we'll celebrate St. John the Evangelist night by visiting Manchester Lodge #14, at the Masonic Temple, 6787 Forest Hill Avenue, Richmond. This is our traditional visit to commemorate "Possum Night", with dinner at 6:15 pm and lodge opening at 7:00 pm. We'll provide the doves to honor the tradition started by our brethren of Dove #51 many years ago and enjoy the entertainment of our Manchester brethren.

We'll kick off 2017 with our January 12th stated and the official visit by the District Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful Donnie 'DR' Carter. Please come out and support our DDGM as he has been very busy working to ensure that all the lodges in the district receive the leadership and support required.

In closing, may the blessings of God be upon all of you and your families during this especially joyous time of year. To each and every one, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Robert E. Cook
Worshipful Master

FROM THE TREASURER & SECRETARY

Brethren,

2017 is now upon us and this means a new period for dues payments with the dues for 2017 being \$ 145.00. Therefore, if any one has not paid the 2016 dues of \$145.00 please do so ASAP so that you will not become a total of \$290.00 in arrears. Remember, a member in arrears for two (2) years is liable for suspension according to the laws of the Grand Lodge of Virginia.

We are offering a significant discount on the stated meals. For \$80, you get a whole year worth of meals. That's 12 for the price of 10. This will only be offered through the February Stated. Extra bonus. In March, we will draw one ticket and the winner will have the whole \$80 refunded and get to keep the meal card.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Brother John G. Koedel, III, Treasurer
Brother Henry C. Payne, Secretary

SPECIAL NOTE:

The Lodge Roster of Life Members, Past Masters and Members are **NOT** included in the printed Bulletin this month. The information normally contained in these extra Rosters may be found on the Metropolitan Lodge No. 11 website at <http://www.metropolitanlodge.com>.

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LIVING PAST MASTERS

Andre, James John	1963	Wagner, Fredric P.	1987	John W. Edelin, III	2014
Erhart, Jr, Charles Edward	1966	Jefferson, Derwood R.	1988	Wade V. Evans, III	2015-2016
Brown, Platon A.	1968	Evans, Jr., Wade V. PDDGM	1989		
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		
Morrow, Gordon J.	1971	Cooke, III, George H.	1993	Anaya, Samuel Crawford	(#1982)
Plotkin, Leonard	1972	Howell, John W.	1994	Bernhard, Lothar Arthur	(#19)
Graham, George Tiffany	1974	LaFemina, Keith G.	1995	Carter, Daulton L.	(#317)
McLaughlin, Billy B. PDDGM	1975	Carter, Donnie R., DDGM	1996	Dranoff, Albert Abe PDDGM	(#53)
Yannis, Frank Y.	1975	Richardson, William S. PDDGM	1998	Grotz, Clifford C. Jr PDDGM	(#3)
Regan, Larry David	1976	Bass, Jr., Claude A. PDDGM	1999	Holmes, Ray W.	(#317)
Hiner, Henry L.	1978	Pagani, Robert E.	2000	Kidd, Richard C.	(#9)
Eichost, William T.	1979	Fitchett, Wayne E.	2002	Malbone, Theodore Irving	(#317)
Phillips, Clyde H.	1981	Sheppard, John Q. PDDGM	2003	Martin, Frederick Garrison III, PGM	(#344)
Whitlock, K. Wayne	1981	Absher, Barrye L. PDDGM	2005	Owens, Edward Nelson	(#284)
Constantine, John E.	1983	McLaughlin, B. Kevin	2006	Richardson, Jr, C. Meredith	(#284)
Lyell, John C.	1983	Jones, Douglas V., PDDGM	2007	Rose, Daniel Lee PDDGM	(#161)
Olphin, III, Walter L.	1984	Sykes, C. Thomas, PDDGM	2008	Sanford, Steven Weldon PDDGM	(#4)
Sarbaugh, Charles S. PDDGM	1985	Cook, V. Stuart PDDGM	2009	Taylor, Jr, Norwood (Zeke) Marshall	(#317)
Dixon, Johnnie L. PDDGM	1986 & 1996	Wadkins, III, J. Thomas	2010-2011	Taylor, Robert Wright	(#317)
Mayer, Heath W.	1986	Loftus, Christopher E.	2012		
Houchins, Richard W.	1987	W. Martin Myers	2013		

AFFILIATE PAST MASTERS