

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: 2018 – \$155.00

MAIL REMITTANCES TO SECRETARY

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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 Thursday Preceding the Stated Communication at 6:00 PM
at the Scottish Rite Temple

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

FROM THE EAST

December 16, 2017

Brethren,

I want to personally thank each of you who came out to our Election and Installation of Officers at our stated meeting on December 14, 2017. It is an honor to serve the Lodge as its Worshipful Master for 2018, and I am humbled by your confidence and support. I am very grateful for the Line Officers who will serve with me this year. Their support of this Lodge, and dedication to the craft, truly personifies what Masonry is all about. We are all very excited about the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead in the new year.

Congratulations to our newly elected Honorary Members of Metropolitan Lodge No. 11, Most Worshipful, Vernon Stuart Cook, and Worshipful, J. Thomas Wadkins, III. These fine brethren have made numerous contributions to the success of our Lodge over the years, and are most deserving of this honor.

Our speaker for our January stated meeting will be our very own Wor. Martin Myers, who has prepared a program centered around 50 Years of Epic Films, while highlighting actors in these films who were actually Masons. I'm sure that it will be an interesting and entertaining presentation.

Metropolitan Lodge was very well represented by its officers and members, at the annual MAHOVA Christmas Party on December 15, 2017. Our generous contribution to the MAHOVA activities fund, will allow for the purchase of a popcorn machine, to be enjoyed by the residents and staff.

I want to extend a special thank you to Wor. Tom Wadkins, for the taking of pictures at our December stated. Very professional and very well done Worshipful!

Brethren, during this Holiday Season please keep our Masonic widows, the sick and infirmed, the less fortunate, and especially our men and women in uniform, wherever so dispersed, in your thoughts and prayers. Wishing you and your families a Very Merry Christmas, A Happy Hanukka, and a Happy, Healthy, and Prosperous New Year.

Fraternally and Sincerely,

Richard C. Kidd
Worshipful Master

MEET YOUR NEW WORSHIPFUL MASTER

Worshipful Richard Clark Kidd, was born in Allais, KY. on May 3, 1942. He was educated in the public school system of Dayton, Ohio, and graduated High School in 1961. After serving four years in the United States Air Force, as an Air Policeman and Security Forces Specialist, he attended Sinclair College in Dayton, Ohio, with a major in Business Administration. While working as a Manufacturers Representative, Bro. Kidd was transferred to Richmond, Virginia in 1981. He petitioned and became a member of Temple Lodge No. 9 in 1984, where he was Initiated an Entered Apprentice on September 12, 1984, Passed to the Degree of Fellowcraft on October 10, 1984, and Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on November 2, 1984. Worshipful Brother Kidd served as Worshipful Master of Temple Lodge No. 9 in 1989, and 2014. On June 11, 2015, Worshipful Brother Kidd affiliated with Metropolitan Lodge No. 11, and has served the Lodge both as Marshal in 2016, and as Senior Warden in 2017. Worshipful Brother Kidd resides in Glen Allen, Virginia, with his wife of 53 years, Linda. They have two Sons, and three Grandchildren, all living in the greater Richmond area.



Worshipful
Rick Kidd

STATED COMMUNICATION – THURSDAY, January 11, 2018– 7:00 PM

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

DINNER – 6:00 PM

OPEN LODGE – 7:00 PM

Regular Business

Program – 50 Years of Epic Films - Worshipful Martin Myers

CLOSE LODGE

OFFICERS: Tuxedos with Black Accessories

MEMBERS, & GUESTS: COAT AND TIE

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

CALLED COMMUNICATIONS:

NONE SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Wednesday, December 27, 2017 at 6:00 PM – Possum Night at Manchester Lodge #14, 6787 Forest Hill Ave., Richmond

Saturday, January 20, 2018 at 8:00 AM – Division Leadership Conference – Scottish Rite Temple
(Officers are required to attend)

Saturday, January 27, 2018 at 9:00 AM – Masters and Wardens Association at Westhampton Lodge No. 302
Breakfast at 8:00 AM (All are welcome, Officers are ENCOURAGED)

Saturday, January 27, 2018 at 2:00 PM – Advisory Board Installation for Richmond Assembly Number 10,
International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, at the Scottish Rite Temple

LODGE OF SORROW

Brethren,

Since our last Stated Communication, the Supreme Architect of the Universe has seen fit to call Two of our Brothers from our midst.

	NOLAN AUBREY HUGHES	CHARLES OVERTON FRANCK, JR.
Born:	June 16, 1918	August 31, 1929
Initiated an Entered Apprentice:	March 17, 1949	January 17, 1963
Passed to the Degree of Fellowcraft:	May 12, 1949	February 21, 1963
Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason:	July 14, 1949	March 21, 1963
Worshipful Master:		1969
Died:	November 29, 2017	December 17, 2017

To Their Families we extend our deepest sympathies.

PAST MASTER HONOR ROLL – NOVEMBER, 2017 STATED

Billy B. McLaughlin, Charles S. Sarbaugh, Wade V. Evans, Jr., George H. Cooke III, D. R. Carter, Claude A. Bass, Jr., Robert E. Pagani, John Q. Sheppard, Barrye L. Absher, B. Kevin McLaughlin, Douglas V. Jones (GSW), V. Stuart Cook (PGM), J. Thomas Wadkins III, Christopher E. Loftus W. Martin Myers, Wade V. Evans III, Lambros G. Deligan, Albert A. Dranoff, C. Meredith Richardson, Jr. Richard C. Kidd, Omer E. LaRochelle

ATTENDANCE – DECEMBER 2017 STATED

Past Masters – 21 Members – 20 Visitors – 10 Total – 51

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, 2017 – 46

50 Years of Epic Films

Director, producer, writer and actor, he formed an alliance with vaudeville musician, Jesse L. Lasky, and a glove salesman named Samuel Goldfish (later Goldwyn) in 1913. In time he would be called "the founder of Hollywood", "the world's greatest director" and "the showman of showmen".

A prodigious producer during the silent era, he continued to make stars in the sound era, and appeared in front of the camera, playing himself in *Sunset Boulevard* (1950).

His name was Cecil B. DeMille (Prince of Orange Lodge No. 16, New York) and he died January 21, 1959.

Br. DeMille's best-known films include: *Samson and Delilah*, *The Ten Commandments* and *The Greatest Show on Earth*, for which he won an Academy Award. His remake of *The Ten Commandments* (Paramount, 1956), his last film, was as big a hit as his original, 1923 version.

At the opening of *The Ten Commandments*, 1956, Br. DeMille stated: "Man has made 32 million laws since the Commandments were handed down to Moses on Mount Sinai ... but he has never improved on God's law ... They are the charter and guide of human liberty, for there can be no liberty without the law."

President and M. W.: Br. Harry S. Truman (Belton Lodge No. 450, Grandview, Missouri) stated in February 1950: "The fundamental basis of this nation's laws was given to Moses on the Mount. The fundamental basis of our Bill of Rights comes from the teachings we get from Exodus and St. Matthew, from Isaiah and St. Paul. I don't think we emphasize that enough these days."

Br. Truman concluded: "If we don't have a proper fundamental moral background, we will finally end up with a totalitarian government which does not believe in rights for anybody except for the State."

This article was more 'compiled and edited' than written, by Wor. Br. Martin Myers, drawing upon numerous source materials, a list of source is available upon request.

FROM THE TREASURER & SECRETARY

Brethren,

2018 is now upon us and this means a new period for dues payments with the dues for 2018 being \$ 155.00. Therefore, if any one has not paid the 2017 dues of \$145.00, please do so ASAP so that you will not become a total of \$300.00 in arrears. For those Brethren who only owe their 2018 dues, your Dues Cards have already been mailed with the expectation that you will send in your check immediately upon receipt of it if you have not already done so.

We are offering a significant discount on the stated meals. For \$100, 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 \$100 refunded and get to keep the meal card.

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LIVING PAST MASTERS

Erhart, Jr, Charles Edward	1966	Jacobson, Kenneth A.	1990	John W. Edelin, III	2014
Brown, Platon A.	1968	Bennett, Jr., George L.	1991	Wade V. Evans, III	2015-2016
Hines, Elbert Richard	1968	Childrey, William E.	1992	Robert E. Cook	2017
Olphin, Jr., Walter L.	1970	Deligan, Lambros G. PDDGM	1992		
Kontopanos, John A., Jr.	1971	Cooke, III, George H.	1993	<u>AFFILIATE PAST MASTERS</u>	
Morrow, Gordon J.	1971	Howell, John W.	1994	Anaya, Samuel Crawford	(#1982)
Plotkin, Leonard	1972	LaFemina, Keith G.	1995	Bernhard, Lothar Arthur	(#19)
Graham, George Tiffany	1974	Carter, Donnie R., PDDGM	1996	Carter, Daulton L.	(#317)
McLaughlin, Billy B. PDDGM	1975	Richardson, William S. PDDGM	1998	Dranoff, Albert Abe PDDGM	(#53)
Yannis, Frank Y.	1975	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	Fitchett, Wayne E.	2002	Kidd, Richard C.	(#9)
Whitlock, K. Wayne	1981	Sheppard, John Q. PDDGM	2003	LaRochelle, Omer E. Jr.	(#244)
Lyell, John C.	1983	Absher, Barrye L. PDDGM	2005	Malbone, Theodore Irving	(#317)
Olphin, III, Walter L.	1984	McLaughlin, B. Kevin	2006	Martin, Frederick Garrison III, PGM	(#344)
Sarbaugh, Charles S. PDDGM	1985	Jones, Douglas V., PDDGM	2007	Owens, Edward Nelson	(#284)
Dixon, Johnnie L. PDDGM	1986 & 1996	Sykes, C. Thomas, PDDGM	2008	Richardson, Jr, C. Meredith	(#284)
Mayes, Heath W.	1986	Cook, V. Stuart PGM	2009	Rose, Daniel Lee PDDGM	(#161)
Houchins, Richard W.	1987	Wadkins, III, J. Thomas	2010-2011	Sanford, Steven Weldon PDDGM	(#4)
Wagner, Fredric P.	1987	Loftus, Christopher E.	2012	Taylor, Robert Wright	(#317)
Evans, Jr., Wade V. PDDGM	1989	W. Martin Myers	2013		