

**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: 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  
Junior 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, JULY 13, 2017- 7:00 PM**

**ASSEMBLE:** Scottish Rite Dining Room, 4204 Hermitage Road @ 5:45 PM  
DINNER - 6:00 PM  
Program - Mark Greenough - Virginia State Capital Historian

**OPEN LODGE - 7:00 PM**  
Regular Business -

**CLOSE LODGE**

OFFICERS, MEMBERS, & GUESTS: LODGE POLO SHIRTS OR BUSINESS CASUAL

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

**PAST MASTER HONOR ROLL - JUNE 8, 2017 STATED**

Gordon J. Morrow, Billy B. McLaughlin, Charles S. Sarbaugh, D.R. Carter (DDGM), Claude A. Bass, Jr.  
Robert E. Pagani, Barrye L. Absher (GC), B. Kevin McLaughlin, Douglas V. Jones (GJW), Christopher E. Loftus  
W. Martin Myers, Wade V. Evans III, Lambros G. Deligan, Albert A. Dranoff, C. Meredith Richardson, Jr.  
Richard C. Kidd

**ATTENDANCE - JUNE 2017 STATED**

Past Masters - 16 Members - 14 Visitors - 4 Total - 34

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 - 52

**CALL COMMUNICATIONS:**

**Thursday, June 22, 2017** at 6:00 PM - Work in the Fellow Craft Degree (Lodge Room #1)

**Tuesday, July 11, 2017** at 6:00 PM - Work in the Fellow Craft Degree (Lodge Room #1)

Lodge opens at 6:00 PM, lite meal at 5:15 PM

Officers and Members - Coats & Ties

**SPECIAL EVENTS:**

**Saturday, June 24, 2017** - Grand Master's Wreath Laying Ceremony at Tomb of the Unknowns - Arlington Cemetery

**FROM THE EAST**

June 12, 2017

Brethren,

At our June Stated, "Bring a Friend Night", our guests enjoyed an excellent program by our Senior Warden, Worshipful Rick Kidd and we were all reminded about the lessons of Freemasonry with regard to friendship, morality and brotherly love.

Please congratulate Brother Danny Lee Barbour, who we raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason at the end of May. Our called work continues as we have three men in the process of joining our lodge. I'm hopeful that we will have some additional men knocking at the West Gate before the conclusion of this masonic year, as we build on the solid foundation that was laid by our predecessors.

With July bringing the celebration of our Nation's birth, I hope we have a great turnout to hear our guest speaker, Mr. Mark Greenough, who serves as the Virginia State Capitol Historian. Having toured the Capitol with him as our guide on at least five occasions, I have left each visit with new knowledge about the founding of our nation and the significant role Virginia played. I'm confident you will all enjoy his presentation.

During July, we'll also recognize our lodge scholarship recipients. Right Worshipful Wade Evans, Jr., Scholarship Committee Chairman, will recognize and present each of the students with their scholarship in the lodge room, prior to the meeting.

We have transitioned over to wearing our lodge polo shirts for the duration of Summer. If you would like a lodge Polo, please contact our Secretary and he will add your name to the order.

As the Eye of Providence is ever watching over us, may God's blessings remain upon you until we meet again. I ask that each member who has read the July bulletin seek me out during our July stated meeting for a special gift related to a famous mason.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,  
Robert E. Cook, Worshipful Master

**LODGE OF SORROW**

Brethren,

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

**GENE CARLETON LAYNE**

Born:	February 17, 1935
Initiated an Entered Apprentice:	July 15, 1992
Passed to the Degree of Fellowcraft:	February 17, 1993
Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason:	April 20, 1993
Died:	June 10, 2017

To His Family we extend our deepest sympathies.

**Brother Marie Joseph Paul Yves Roch Gilbert de Motier**

French statesman and officer; hero of the American Revolution. He was born September 6, 1757 in the family castle "Chavaniac" at Auvergne, France. His father, a soldier, had died at the Battle of Minden a few weeks before his birth, and his mother died in 1770, leaving him a vast estate. We know him as Marquis de Lafayette.

He refused a position in the French court to become a soldier in 1771. He withdrew from the service in 1776, outfitted his own ship, Victoire, and sailed with 15 other young adventurers, including Br. Baron de Kalb (Army Lodge chartered by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania), to fight with the American colonists.

At first their services were refused by Congress, but noting Br. Lafayette's full pocketbook, connections at the French court, and his offer to serve without pay, he was commissioned a Major General in the Continental Army on July 31, 1777. He became an intimate associate of W. Br. Washington.

At Brandywine he was wounded while rallying the American forces from a retreat. He was with Br. Washington at Valley Forge; fought at Brandywine, Barren Hill and Monmouth; served in Virginia; and Br. Lafayette led troops against the traitor Br. Benedict Arnold and commanded at Yorktown, pressuring Cornwallis to surrender.

In 1778-80 he was in France to assist M. W. Br. Benjamin Franklin in obtaining financial aid from France. Br. Lafayette returned to France in December 1781, almost as soon as the war had been won. He was now the hero of two nations, both America and France. He became a member of the French national assembly in 1789, where he showed his liberal sympathies. He was instrumental in bringing about the adoption of the French tri-colored flag.

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

**FROM THE TREASURER & SECRETARY**

Brethren,

2017 dues in the amount of \$145.00 are **PAST** due. If you have not yet paid, please do so now. Send your remittance to Brother Henry C. Payne, Secretary, 4013 Old Creek Road, Chesterfield, Virginia 23832-8387.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,  
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Erhart, Jr, Charles Edward	1966	Wagner, Fredric P.	1987	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	Wade V. Evans, III	2015-2016
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, GM	2009	Taylor, Robert Wright	(#317)
Dixon, Johnnie L. PDDGM	1986 & 1996	Wadkins, III, J. Thomas	2010-2011		
Mayer, Heath W.	1986	Loftus, Christopher E.	2012		

### AFFILIATE PAST MASTERS