

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

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JULY 2024 BULLETIN

TIME SENSITIVE MATERIAL – PLEASE DO NOT DELAY!



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



Meets in the Varina Masonic Temple, 1600 Burning Tree Road, Henrico, Virginia 23231
on the Third Thursday of each month

ANNUAL DUES: 2024 – \$165.00

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 with Varina Lodge No. 272 class on each Monday at 7:00 PM
at the Varina Masonic Temple, 1600 Burning Tree Road, Henrico, Virginia 23231

R. Lewis Gibbs Masonic Class – **(Dark in December)** Saturday Mornings – Tuckahoe Masonic Temple
5500 Bethlehem Road, Richmond, Virginia 23230

FROM THE EAST

June 27, 2024

Brethren,

If you missed our June stated meeting, you missed Bro. Randy Clouse's awesome barbecue and slaw! I believe all who attended enjoyed the meal and camaraderie, thank you again to Bro. Randy and those that assisted. Wor. Chris Loftus delivered a detailed message about happenings with the Correspondence Course and encouraged those interested in furthering their Masonic education to consider completing the course.

At our last meeting we also discussed moving our monthly stated meeting from the 3rd Thursday each month to the 2nd Thursday each month, which would return Metropolitan 11 to our traditional meeting night. There were very few comments, so we will prepare an amendment to our By-Laws formalizing this move, which will be read at our July stated meeting. The amendment will be laid over for the required four weeks, and then voted on at our August stated meeting. If approved, the target date of this change will be for our January 2025 stated meeting.

I will be out of town for our July stated meeting, which happens to be Senior Warden's Night, so Right Wor. Steve Sanford will be in the east. Dress code for our July meeting will be lodge polo or collared shirts.

IMPORTANT – we have agreed to volunteer for the July Blood Drive at Regency Square (details below). Several brothers indicated interest in volunteering, but we need a few more to help cover the shifts. If you can help our lodge, and the Red Cross, please contact me as soon as possible with the day or days you can assist.

Be safe, my brothers, I hope you can attend our July Stated and I look forward to seeing you at our August stated meeting.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Bro. Ashley Thomas
Worshipful Master

IF YOUR NEED A LODGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION, PLEASE CONTACT EITHER HANK PAYNE OR ASHLEY THOMAS AND ONE WILL BE SENT TO YOU.

FROM THE SOUTH

Greetings Brethren,

I am looking forward to our July Stated meeting as it will be Senior Warden's Night. We will be presenting changes to our By-Laws proposing to change our Trustees from 5 to 3, and proposing to change our Stated meeting night from the Third Thursday of the month to the Second Thursday of the month. There are no other Lodges in our District meeting on the Second Thursday which will allow us to visit other Lodges and other Lodges to visit us.

Brethren, we need you to become more involved in **YOUR** Lodge. From participating in Blood Drives to getting in Line to serve **YOUR** Lodge. Please contact your Officers to participate! Looking forward to seeing y'all in **July!!!**

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Right Worshipful Steve Sandford
Senior Warden

FROM YOUR SECRETARY

We are approaching the 7th month of the year and there are several who haven't paid their 2024 dues as well as some who still owe for 2023. Let this be a friendly reminder to take care of your obligations to the craft.

Sincerely & Fraternaly,

Brother Hank Payne, Secretary

STATED COMMUNICATION – THURSDAY, July 18, 2024– 7:00 P.M.
Senior Warden’s Night

OFFICERS, MEMBERS & GUESTS: Lodge Polo or Collared Shirt

ASSEMBLE: Varina Masonic Temple, 1600 Burning Tree Road, Henrico, Virginia at
5:45 PM

DINNER: 6:00 PM

OPEN LODGE – 7:00 PM

Regular Business – Proposed Changes to our By-Laws

PROGRAM:

Conclude Business

CLOSE LODGE

CALLED COMMUNICATIONS:

None Scheduled at this time

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Tuesday, July 8, 2024 – Blood drive at Regency Square, 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Tuesday, July 9, 2024 – Rainbow #10 meeting at Varina #272 starting at 7:30pm

Saturday, July 20, 2024 – Masters and Wardens at Tuckahoe Lodge 347, breakfast at 8am,
meeting starts at 8:45am

Sunday, July 21, 2024 – Blood drive at Regency Square, 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Thursday, July 18, 2024 – Metropolitan Lodge No. 11 Stated Communication

Tuesday, July 23, 2024 – Rainbow No. 10 meeting at Varina #272 - 7:30pm

PAST MASTER HONOR ROLL – June 2024 STATED

Heath W. Mayes, Donnie R. Carter, Claude A. “Buddy” Bass, Jr.
Robert E. Pagani, John. Q. Sheppard, V. Stuart Cook (PGM)
Christopher E. Loftus, John W. Edlin, III, Linwood G. Bennett, Jr.
George H. Cooke III, C. Ashley Thomas, Jr., Lambros G. Deligan
Albert A. Dranoff, Daulton L. Carter, Lothar A. Bernhard, Steven W. Sanford

ATTENDANCE – June 2024 STATED

Past Masters – 16 Members – 9 Visitors – 4 Total – 29

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, 2018 – 47, 2019 – 38, 2020 – 37, 2021 – 33, 2022 – 34,
2023 – 32, 2024 – 29

**Metropolitan Lodge No. 11
Masonic Birthdays for July 2024**

Member Name	Masonic Birthday	Years
Acampora, Richard Louis	7/14/1999	25
Adelstein, Edward Trant	7/13/1961	63
Bryant, Dale Addison	7/7/1999	25
Arrighi, Michael John	7/24/2001	23
Cook, Noah Christian	7/25/2017	7
Davis, William Lee	7/9/1970	54
Dunnam, Doyle Dewayne, Sr	7/15/2004	20
Ellis, Mark Allen	7/30/1997	27
Evans, Joseph Wade	7/22/2008	16
Hughes, Thomas Barnes	7/30/1985	39
Hodges, William Lee	7/11/1991	33
Hughes, William Benson	7/24/1956	68
Jonson, Gregory George	7/23/1987	37
Koedel, Taylor Lee	7/28/2016	8
LaRochelle, Omer E., Jr.	7/12/1958	66
Wade, George Bernard, Sr	7/23/2009	15
Wadkins, Richard Cleveland	7/23/2009	15
Total Masonic Years		541

OFFICERS FOR 2024

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James F. Hardee, PM	(C) 640-8953	(E) varinajim53@gmail.com	Tiler

LIVING PAST MASTERS

Brown, Platon A.	1968	Bass, Jr., Claude A. PDDGM	1999	Jason D. Clemmer	2019
Olphin, Jr., Walter L.	1970	Pagani, Robert E.	2000	Linwood G. Bennett, Jr.	2020-2021
Kontopanos, John A., Jr.	1971	Fitchett, Wayne E.	2002		
McLaughlin, Billy B. PDDGM	1975	Sheppard, John Q. PDDGM	2003	AFFILIATE PAST MASTERS	
Hiner, Henry L.	1978	Absher, Barrye L. PDDGM	2005	Bernhard, Lothar Arthur	(#19)
Whitlock, K. Wayne	1981	Jones, Douglas V., PGM	2007	Carter, Daulton L.	(#317)
Sarbaugh, Charles S. PDDGM	1985	Cook, V. Stuart, PGM	2009	Dranoff, Albert Abe PDDGM	(#53)
Dixon, Johnnie L. PDDGM	1986 & 1996	Wadkins, III, J. Thomas, PDDGM	2010-2011	Hart, John H. PDDGM	(#302)
Mayes, Heath W.	1986	Loftus, Christopher E.	2012	Holmes, Ray W.	(#317)
Bennett, Jr., George L.	1991	W. Martin Myers	2013	Kidd, Richard C., PDDGM	(#9)
Childrey, William E.	1992	John W. Edelin, III	2014	LaRochelle, Omer E. Jr., PDDGM	(#244)
Deligan, Lambros G. PDDGM	1992	Wade V. Evans, III	2015-2016	Malbone, Theodore Irving	(#317)
Cooke, III, George H.	1993 & 2021	Robert E. Cook	2017 & 2022	Martin, Frederick Garrison III, PGM	(#344)
LaFemina, Keith G.	1995	Rick C. Kidd, PDDGM	2018	Rose, Daniel Lee PDDGM	(#161)
Carter, Donnie R., PDDGM	1996			Sanford, Steven Weldon PDDGM	(#4)
				Taylor, Robert Wright	(#317)