

**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

May 14, 2018

Brethren,

We had a large turnout of members and guests at our May Stated Communication, to honor those members of our Lodge who are serving or who have served as Law Enforcement Officers. Thank you all for your service. I hope everyone enjoyed our guest speaker for the evening, Mr. Andrew Freiden, of NBC12. It was an honor to present him with a Community Builders Award from the Grand Lodge.

Thanks to your generous efforts, the Richmond Assembly # 10, of the International Order of Rainbow Girls, made \$136.00 from their sale of baked goods, car wash tickets, and other various items. We will have them back with us in October, which is Past Masters Night, for another bake sale.

As our June Stated Communication has been designated “Bring A Friend Night,” I am hoping to have a number of potential candidates in our Lodge that evening to hear my special presentation. Hopefully this informative program will result in some much needed petitions for our Lodge. We all know someone that we feel would make a good Mason. Invite that person to dinner in June.

Worshipful Robert Cook will also present a short program on St. John’s Day, at this meeting. I look forward to his remarks and seeing him in the East once again.

Brethren, until we meet again, please keep our ill and distressed, those less fortunate, and our men and women in uniform, in your daily thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,  
Rick Kidd,  
Worshipful Master

### **STATED COMMUNICATION – THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 2018– 7:00 PM** **“Bring A Friend” Night**

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

**DINNER 6:00 PM**

**OPEN LODGE 7:00 PM**

**Regular Business**

**Program – Worshipful Robert Cook - Saint John’s Day**

**CLOSE LODGE**

**OFFICERS: Lodge Polo Shirts and Khaki Slacks**

**MEMBERS, & GUESTS: Lodge Polo Shirts and Khaki Slacks**

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

**CALLED COMMUNICATIONS:**

**NONE SCHEDULED FOR JUNE**

**SPECIAL EVENTS:**

Saturday, May 19, 2018 at 8:45 AM – Masters and Wardens Association at Westhampton  
Lodge No. 302, Breakfast at 8:00 AM (All are welcome,  
**Officers are ENCOURAGED**)

**SPECIAL EVENTS CONTINUED:**

Saturday May 19, 2018 at 7:05 PM - Squirrels Game with Scottish Rite -  
Celebrating the Craft

Monday, May 21, 2018 at 6:00 PM - Scottish Rite Stated Meeting, Scottish Rite Temple

Friday, May 25, 2018 at 11:45 AM – MAHOVA Bi-Monthly Lunch at the  
Masonic Home of Virginia

Thursday, May 31, 2018 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM - Metropolitan Lodge Blood Drive,  
Regency Mall Food Court

Sunday, June 3, 2018 at 2:30 PM - 60th Annual Memorial Service for Districts 15-A, 15-B  
and 15-C at the Masonic Home Chapel (Service Starts at 3:00 PM)

Thursday, June 14, 2018 at 6:00 PM - Metropolitan Lodge No. 11 Stated Meeting -  
“Bring A Friend Night”

**PAST MASTER HONOR ROLL – MAY 2018**

Charles S. Sarbaugh, Heath W. Mayes, Wade V. Evans, Jr., Claude A. Bass, Jr.,  
John Q. Sheppard, Douglas V. Jones (GSW), V. Stuart Cook (PGM), J. Thomas Wadkins III  
Christopher E. Loftus, W. Martin Myers, John W. Edelin III, Wade V. Evans III  
Robert E. Cook, Lambros G. Deligan, Albert A. Dranoff, C. Meredith Richardson Jr.  
Lothar A. Bernhard, Richard C. Kidd, Larry LaRochelle, Jr. John H. Hart

**ATTENDANCE – MAY 2018 STATED**

Past Masters – 20    Members – 19    Visitors – 18    Total – 57

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 – 50

**Last King of Hawaii**

When Prince Lot became interested in Freemasonry there were only two Lodges, Lodge le Progres de l'Océanie No. 124, A.A.A.S.R. of the Supreme Council of France, and Hawaiian Lodge No. 21, F&AM under the GL of California. Both were chartered during the reign of the Prince's uncle.

The French lodge was the first in the islands, founded by the Captain of the French whaling barque "Ajax" in 1843.

Hawaiian Lodge No.21, F&AM, chartered 1852, was the first American Lodge. The petition of Prince Lot Kamehameha for membership in Hawaiian Lodge No. 21 was read about one year after the Lodge had been Chartered. February 1854, Br. & Prince Lot Kamehameha was raised, the first full blood Hawaiian to become a Freemason.

Br. Samuel Clements (aka Mark Twain) arrived in Honolulu in 1866. In describing Br. & King Kamehameha V, Twain wrote "There was no royal nonsense about him ... he dressed plainly, poked about Honolulu, night or day on his old horse, unattended; he was popular, greatly respected, and even beloved."

W.: Br. Kalakaua retains the extraordinary distinction of being one of the few Monarchs in history, outside of Europe, to preside over a sovereign country and a Masonic Lodge simultaneously. Br. of unequalled passion, among the first 33° Masons in the Orient of Hawaii, also actively delved into the York Rite and the Shrine. His Masonic activities were no secret to those who kept company with him. The newly-completed Palace's first formal dinner a Masonic event, portions of the Palace's attic were converted into Lodge meeting space and an impromptu Masonic Temple.

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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 source is available upon request.

### Could Masonry Be Suffering from "The Tragedy of the Commons?"



Illustration of Aristotle (384-322 BC), a Greek philosopher and scientist, teaching Alexander the Great (356-323 BC). Aristotle is known for his contributions to logic, metaphysics, and philosophy of science in the Western culture. He tutored Alexander the Great from c.342-c.339 BC.

"The Tragedy of the Commons" is a concept introduced by the economist and ecologist Garrett Hardin, the Tragedy of the Commons states that in a system where a common resource is shared, with no individual responsible for the wellbeing of the resource, it will tend to be depleted over time.

The ancient Greek philosopher Aristotle pointed out the problem with common resources: 'What is common to many is taken least care of, for all men have greater regard for what is their own than for what they possess in common with others.'

So, could it be that Masonry suffers because of this concept?

Consider these statements:

The common resource is Masonry.

Increasingly no individual responsibility is taken for the well-being of the resource

The common resource, Masonry, is being depleted over time.

Maybe it's because some Brothers believe this:

"Masonry has survived for hundreds of years and I am sure there are many Brothers who are looking out for the well-being of Masonry so if I don't participate it won't matter. I am very busy with my career and my family. Masonry will be there when I have time. I just don't have the time now."

Or maybe you might hear:

"I don't go to lodge because it is boring, I wish someone would do something about it."

Or maybe just this:

"I supported Masonry with my time for many years, it's somebody else's turn."

These statements reflect an attitude of disregard for the shared responsibility for the fraternity we all have as Masons. If we all think this way, our valuable, common resource, diminishes over time.

Might I suggest we all think about these questions:

"What is it, even if it is something very small, can I contribute to the Fraternity?"

"What small amount of time can I sacrifice to ensure the well-being and continuation of our common resource?"

"When can I begin?"

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**LIVING PAST MASTERS**

Erhart, Jr, Charles Edward	1966	Childrey, William E.	1992	<b><u>AFFILIATE PAST MASTERS</u></b>	
Brown, Platon A.	1968	Deligan, Lambros G. PDDGM	1992	Anaya, Samuel Crawford	(#1982)
Hines, Elbert Richard	1968	Cooke, III, George H.	1993	Bernhard, Lothar Arthur	(#19)
Olphin, Jr., Walter L.	1970	Howell, John W.	1994	Carter, Daulton L.	(#317)
Kontopanos, John A., Jr.	1971	LaFemina, Keith G.	1995	Dranoff, Albert Abe PDDGM	(#53)
Morrow, Gordon J.	1971	Carter, Donnie R., PDDGM	1996	Grotz, Clifford C. Jr PDDGM	(#3)
Plotkin, Leonard	1972	Bass, Jr., Claude A. PDDGM	1999	Hart, John H. PDDGM	(#302)
Graham, George Tiffany	1974	Pagani, Robert E.	2000	Holmes, Ray W.	(#317)
McLaughlin, Billy B. PDDGM	1975	Fitchett, Wayne E.	2002	Kidd, Richard C.	(#9)
Yannis, Frank Y.	1975	Sheppard, John Q. PDDGM	2003	LaRochelle, Omer E. Jr.	(#244)
Hiner, Henry L.	1978	Absher, Barrye L. PDDGM	2005	Malbone, Theodore Irving	(#317)
Eichost, William T.	1979	McLaughlin, B. Kevin	2006	Martin, Frederick Garrison III, PGM	(#344)
Whitlock, K. Wayne	1981	Jones, Douglas V., PDDGM	2007	Owens, Edward Nelson	(#284)
Lyell, John C.	1983	Sykes, C. Thomas, PDDGM	2008	Richardson, Jr, C. Meredith	(#284)
Olphin, III, Walter L.	1984	Cook, V. Stuart PGM	2009	Rose, Daniel Lee PDDGM	(#161)
Sarbaugh, Charles S. PDDGM	1985	Wadkins, III, J. Thomas	2010-2011	Sanford, Steven Weldon PDDGM	(#4)
Dixon, Johnnie L. PDDGM	1986 & 1996	Loftus, Christopher E.	2012	Taylor, Robert Wright	(#317)
Mayes, Heath W.	1986	W. Martin Myers	2013		
Houchins, Richard W.	1987	John W. Edelin, III	2014		
Wagner, Fredric P.	1987	Wade V. Evans, III	2015-2016		
Evans, Jr., Wade V. PDDGM	1989	Robert E. Cook	2017		
Jacobson, Kenneth A.	1990				
Bennett, Jr., George L.	1991				