

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– \$145.00

MAIL REMITTANCES TO SECRETARY
Brother Hank 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, MAY 12 – 7:00 PM

“Law Enforcement Night”

ASSEMBLE: Scottish Rite Dining Room, 4204 Hermitage Road @ 5:45 PM **DINNER – 6:00 PM**

OPEN LODGE – 7:00 PM
Regular Business –

PROGRAM: We have as our guest speaker, Mr. Jeffrey Everhart, a well-known and very respected Defense Attorney in Richmond, VA. He is certified by the Virginia Supreme Court to defend individuals accused of Capitol Murder and will be sharing some of his experiences and ‘stories’ with us.

CLOSE LODGE

OFFICERS, MEMBERS, & GUESTS: PLEASE WEAR BUSINESS ATTIRE

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

PAST MASTER HONOR ROLL – APRIL, 2016 STATED

W. L. Olphin Jr, B. B. McLaughlin, C. S. Sarbaugh, H. W. Mayes, G. H. Cooke III, D. R. Carter, W. S. Richardson, C. A. Bass Jr, W. E. Fitchett, J. Q. Sheppard, B. K. McLaughlin, D. V. Jones (GSD), C. T. Sykes, J. T. Wadkins III, C. E. Loftus, J. W. Edlin III, W. V. Evans III, J. L. Dixon, L. G. Deligan, A. A. Dranoff, D. L. Carter, L. A. Bernhard, R. C. Kidd, S. W. Sanford.

ATTENDANCE – APRIL, 2016 STATED

Past Masters – 24 Members – 16 Visitors – 4 Total – 44

Yearly Averages:

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

CALL COMMUNICATIONS:

Thursday, May 19, 2016 - Called Communication for Work in the Fellow Craft Degree
5:00 PM for light dinner and 6:00 PM for the meeting

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Sunday, May 15, 2016 - 11:00 AM - Family Day with the Richmond Squirrels in the ‘PFG Picnic Zone’

Saturday, May 21, 2016: Masters & Wardens Association at Westhampton Lodge No. 302
Breakfast at 8:00 AM and a short meeting following at 9:00 AM

July 28 - July 31, 2016 – The Reid J. Simmons Academy of Masonic Leadership

This School will be held at the Best Western Inn & Suites in Waynesboro, Virginia. This is a great opportunity for Officers trying to learn the catechisms, lectures and floor work for the Degrees; but know that it is open and available for all Masons who want to expand their knowledge concerning the ritual work. Start planning now to attend this summer. Contact Eddie Conner econner9@comcast.net for more information.

FROM THE EAST

April 28, 2016

Greetings Brethren,

Thanks to all of you that attended our Stated Meeting in April. We had a nice turnout and I appreciate the reception I received for my presentation on “Albert Pike - The Man, Not The Mason”.

Congratulations again to our newest Fifty Year Masonic Veterans, Wor. Lothar A. Bernhard Sr. and Bro. David F. Saleeba Jr.; we hope to see you both in Lodge again soon.

Please plan to come out for our May Stated Communication “Law Enforcement Night”. We have as our guest speaker, Mr. Jeffrey Everhart, a well-known and very respected Defense Attorney in Richmond, VA. Mr. Everhart attended Petersburg High School, The University of Virginia and The University of Richmond’s T.C. Williams School of Law. He is certified by the Virginia Supreme Court to defend individuals accused of Capitol Murder and will be sharing some

of his experiences and ‘stories’ with us. As always, we will have ‘Law Enforcement’ Members taking the Officer’s Stations and Places this month with Rt. Wor. Charlie Sarbaugh in the East; as we recognize all of our current and veteran Law Enforcement Brothers.

Bro. John Hughs of Virginia Barbeque has us all looking forward to breaking bread together as he prepared another excellent meal for us in April. Please come out and join us May 15th at 5:45 PM for dinner before our Stated meeting. I’m sure John will surprise us with yet another great meal.

I want to remind you once again about our “Family Day” scheduled for Sunday, May 15th starting at 11:00 am in the ‘PFG Picnic Zone’ for lunch and then watching our Richmond Squirrels vs. the Altoona Curve at the Diamond on the Boulevard. You are running out of time to sign up for this event. Please contact our Sr. Warden, Bro. Robert Cook (Home (804) 739-1743 - robertecook66@gmail.com) if you would like to attend.

Recently, we learned of the death of one of our members who had passed away. There was nothing mentioned in the newspaper obituary concerning his membership in our Fraternity. Why? Did his family know he was a member of our Lodge? Did they know about our beautiful Masonic Memorial Service? Many Brethren take their obligations to ‘keep the secrets’ very literally, and tell no one, not even their family about our Fraternity. Keeping the ‘secrets’ means you will not reveal the grips, words and signs (and parts of the obligation), and that’s it! It does not mean you cannot tell your family you are a Mason. As one PGM put it, “It is time to let the light out from under the basket”. You should be proud to tell the world you are a Freemason. Have you included instructions for a Masonic Service in your will or funeral instructions? Let your family know about our truly beautiful service. It is an opportunity for the members of your Lodge to pay our last respects, and honor you as a friend and Brother.

Please come out and enjoy some fellowship with your Brothers. I look forward to seeing you in Lodge.

Respectfully and Fraternaly,
Wade Evans III
Worshipful Master

FROM THE WEST

Brethren;

I’m very pleased that we have 26 signed up for our 2nd Annual Family Day on Sunday, May 15th. If you would like to attend the Flying Squirrels game and enjoy some fellowship, please contact me as soon as possible. I’ll pick up the tickets the day before our May stated meeting. I’ve also begun planning our ladies’ night for this Fall and plan to find a place for dinner and a play, hopefully within the same venue.

Sincerely,
Robert Cook, Senior Warden
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LODGE OF SORROW

Since our last Stated Communication the Supreme Architect of the Universe has seen fit to take from our midst two of our Brothers:

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| | SAMUEL FREDERICK TRUMP | EDDIE RAYMOND VAUGHN, JR. |
| Born: | December 10, 1934 | May 8, 1948 |
| Initiated: | December 1, 1999 | March 29, 1984 |
| Passed: | March 22, 2000 | May 16, 1984 |
| Raised: | April 10, 2000 | June 14, 1984 |
| Died: | April 21, 2016 | April 26, 2016 |

To their families we extend our sincerest sympathies!

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LIVING PAST MASTERS

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| Andre, James John | 1963 | Jefferson, Derwood R. | 1988 |
| Erhart, Jr, Charles Edward | 1966 | Evans, Jr., Wade V. PDDGM | 1989 |
| Brown, Platon A. | 1968 | Jacobson, Kenneth A. | 1990 |
| Hines, Elbert Richard | 1968 | Bennett, Jr., George L. | 1991 |
| Franck, Jr., Charles O. PDDGM | 1969 | Childrey, William E. | 1992 |
| Olphin, Jr., Walter L. | 1970 | Deligan, Lambros G. PDDGM | 1992 |
| Kontopanos, John A., Jr. | 1971 | Cooke, III, George H. | 1993 |
| Morrow, Gordon J. | 1971 | Howell, John W. | 1994 |
| Plotkin, Leonard | 1972 | LaFemina, Keith G. | 1995 |
| Graham, George Tiffany | 1974 | Carter, Donnie R. | 1996 |
| McLaughlin, Billy B. PDDGM | 1975 | Richardson, William S. PDDGM | 1998 |
| Yannis, Frank Y. | 1975 | Bass, Jr., Claude A. PDDGM | 1999 |
| Regan, Larry David | 1976 | Pagani, Robert E. | 2000 |
| Hiner, Henry L. | 1978 | Fitchett, Wayne E. | 2002 |
| Dracos, John A. | 1979 | Sheppard, John Q. PDDGM | 2003 |
| Eichost, William T. | 1979 | Norman, D. Patrick | 2004 |
| Phillips, Clyde H. | 1981 | Absher, Barrye L. PDDGM | 2005 |
| Whitlock, K. Wayne | 1981 | McLaughlin, B. Kevin | 2006 |
| Constantine, John E. | 1983 | Jones, Douglas V., PDDGM | 2007 |
| Lyell, John C. | 1983 | Sykes, C. Thomas, PDDGM | 2008 |
| Olphin, III, Walter L. | 1984 | Cook, V. Stuart PDDGM | 2009 |
| Sarbaugh, Charles S. PDDGM | 1985 | Wadkins, III, J. Thomas | 2010-2011 |
| Dixon, Johnnie L. PDDGM | 1986 & 1996 | Loftus, Christopher E. | 2012 |
| 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 |

AFFILIATE PAST MASTERS

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| Anaya, Samuel Crawford | (#1982) |
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| Carter, Daulton L. | (#317) |
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| Grotz, Clifford C. Jr PDDGM | (#3) |
| Holmes, Ray W. | (#317) |
| Kidd, Richard C. | (#9) |
| Malbone, Theodore Irving | (#317) |
| Martin, Frederick Garrison III, PGM | (#344) |
| Owens, Edward Nelson | (#284) |
| Richardson, Jr, C. Meredith | (#284) |
| Rose, Daniel Lee PDDGM | (#161) |
| Sanford, Steven Weldon PDDGM | (#4) |
| Taylor, Jr, Norwood (Zeke) Marshall | (#317) |
| Taylor, Robert Wright | (#317) |