

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, MAY 11, 2017– 7:00 PM

LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION NIGHT

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

DINNER – 6:00 PM

Program - Kimberly Ulmet, Victim/Witness Specialist for the US Attorney's Richmond Office

OPEN LODGE – 7:00 PM

Regular Business –

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, 2017 STATED

B.B. McLaughlin, C. S. Sarbaugh, H.W. Mayes, W.V. Evans Jr, G.H. Cook III, W. S. Richardson, C. A. Bass, Jr.,
R. E. Pagani, J. Q. Sheppard, B. L. Absher, B. K. McLaughlin, C. E. Loftus, J. W. Edelin III, W. V. Evans III, L.G. Deligan
A.A. Dranoff, C. M. Richardson, Jr., L.A. Bernhard, R.C. Kidd

ATTENDANCE – APRIL 2017 STATED

Past Masters – 19 Members – 17 Visitors – 4 Total – 40

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 – 54

CALL COMMUNICATIONS :

April 27, 2017 at 6:00 PM: Called Communication - Work in the Fellow Craft Degree

May 25, 2017 at 6:00 PM: Called Communication - Work in the Master Mason's Degree

Officers and members – Coats & Ties

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at 6:00 PM DEO/DIW Junior Wardens Exemplify 1st Section of Master Mason's Degree

Saturday, May 20, 2017 at 8:00 AM: Masters & Wardens Association, Westhampton Lodge No. 302

Breakfast at 8:00 AM, Meeting at 9:00 AM - All are welcome - Officers are expected

FROM THE EAST

April 14, 2017

Brethren,

With Spring upon us, bringing warm weather and blooming flowers, we have a reminder of the beauty of the Supreme Architect's designs. It is also a wonderful reminder that He is ever present and watching over us.

Please congratulate Brother Andrew John Patacca, who we raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason at the end of March. At our April stated meeting, we enjoyed a delicious meal, some good fellowship and a great presentation by Brother Jeff Katz. Our new tradition of celebrating Family Day at the Diamond has a record number signed up to attend this year. Also, our called work continues and looks to be gaining momentum. It is especially rewarding to see more men wanting to join our gentle craft, more especially, our lodge. I see our lodge continuing to build on the solid foundation that was laid by our predecessors.

Work continues to improve the appearance of our lodge, with the painting of the ante and preparation rooms planned and some imminent repairs to our furniture. We're also undertaking the task of cleaning out our Lodge closet, which is expected to take a couple Saturdays to complete.

With our May 11th stated meeting fast approaching, I'm looking forward to a great turn-out for our annual Law Enforcement night. Our speaker will be Kimberly Ulmet, who serves as the Victim/Witness Specialist for the US Attorney's Office in Richmond, handling issues pertaining to victims, victim's rights and Federal witnesses. We'll also enjoy a rare and very special presentation of the 60 year Masonic Veteran's emblem to Brother Victor Anderson that evening.

As I mentioned during our meeting, I'd like everyone to RSVP to Brother Hank by calling or sending an email to Brother Hank by May 5th, if you plan to attend the May stated meeting: HCP.93@verizon.net or (804) 229-1967. The sole purpose is to help in our planning for dinner and should never deter a brother from attending dinner and lodge. In May, our Rainbow Girls will be having a bake sale, so please plan to make a purchase for dessert that evening.

May God's blessings be upon all of you and your families and keep you safe until we meet again.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Robert E. Cook, Worshipful Master

FROM THE MARSHAL

Brethren,

On Saturday, June 24, 2017, the Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, our very own, Most Worshipful V. Stuart Cook, will be laying a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington. We have reserved one bus to take members of Metropolitan Lodge No. 11 and their spouses to the Wreath Laying. When we fill the bus we will not be hiring a second one. If the bus is filled the cost will be \$30.00 per person. The bus holds 55 and we already have 45 signed up. We will depart from the Scottish Rite / ACCA Shrine parking lot at approximately 9:30 AM on June 24th. We will be stopping at the Cracker Barrel on the way back to Richmond (no box lunch will be provided) returning to the Scottish Rite / ACCA Shrine parking lot at approximately 6:00 PM. If anyone wants to go they can e-mail me (wevans@metalsales.us.com) or call me 804/229-9705. "This is first come first served, so don't delay".

Wade V. Evans, III, P.M., Marshal

New York City's Masonic Police Commissioner

In the 1890s, New York City was a bustling chaotic city with no traffic lights and few traffic rules; horse carriages zigzagged any way up and down any street. Four elevated train lines spewed coal dust and soot. Top-hatted swells strutted along Fifth Avenue while immigrants slept in shifts in overcrowded tenements. At night, armies of beggars and streetwalkers accosted anyone and everyone. The din of foreign languages astounded even foreigners; the majority of the registered voters in New York in 1890 were foreign-born or first-generation Americans. The city packed more Irish than Dublin, more Germans than any city but Berlin... And Syrians and Swedes and Italians and Russians, too.

In 1895, Br. Theodore Roosevelt (Matinecock Lodge No. 806, Oyster Bay, NY), fearless and righteous and full of zeal, was appointed New York City police commissioner, assigned to clean up the Big Apple at what many said was its dirtiest, most rotten moment in history. Br. Roosevelt's quest, which, depending on your perspective, was either glorious and quixotic or the premise for a dark comedy. Br. Roosevelt was a man on a mission: He was going to root out the corruption, and vice and clean up the city. In hindsight, what he was trying to do, it's like somebody going into Vegas and just saying, there's gonna be no more gambling. While he met with only partial success, without his efforts, and establishing high standards, it is certain the city would have descended rather than flourish.

Br. Roosevelt's speech, delivered in Paris, 1910, illustrates his passion for doing what is right, not what is easy: "It is not the critic who counts ... The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena ... who strives valiantly ... who does actually strive to do the deeds ... who spends himself in a worthy cause ... if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who neither know victory nor defeat."

This article was supplied by Wor. Br. Martin Myers.

FROM THE TREASURER & SECRETARY

Brethren,

2017 dues in the amount of \$145.00 are 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,
Brother John G. Koedel, III, Treasurer and Brother Henry C. Payne, Secretary

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LIVING PAST MASTERS

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., DDGM	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
Eichost, William T.	1979	Sheppard, John Q. PDDGM	2003
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, GM	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
Wagner, Fredric P.	1987	John W. Edelin, III	2014
Jefferson, Derwood R.	1988	Wade V. Evans, III	2015-2016

AFFILIATE PAST MASTERS

Anaya, Samuel Crawford	(#1982)
Bernhard, Lothar Arthur	(#19)
Carter, Daulton L.	(#317)
Dranoff, Albert Abe PDDGM	(#53)
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)