

Old Dominion Commandery No. 11

FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA

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Commander's Orders – January 2009

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A.O. 890-891

*“Be Thou Faithful Unto Death
And I Will Give Thee A Crown Of Life”*

A.D. 2008-2009

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* Past District Deputy Grand Commander

Sir Knights:

Happy New Year! I hope all of you had a fun and restful Christmas break.

Firstly I am pleased to announce that Old Dominion Commandery has unanimously elected Sir Knight **David Carroll Morris, PC**, to be Chivalric District 3's recommendation for District Deputy Grand Commander for 2009-2010. Congratulations to SK Dave for a well-deserved recognition for all he has done for Virginia Templary.

Secondly, I am equally pleased to announce the unanimous election of Most Worshipful and Sir Knight **Edmund Cohen** into our ranks as an Honorary Member. Congratulations, Sir Knight Ed, and welcome to your Commandery!

Sadly, with good news sometimes comes equally bad news. It is with a heavy heart that I must report the resignation of Sir Knight **Douglas H. Wood** from the progressive officer line of Old Dominion Commandery No. 11, citing personal/family considerations – a completely understandable rationale. We sincerely thank SK Doug for his service to the Craft, and to Chivalric Masonry in particular. In light of this change in the officer line, it has been decided to move all officers up one spot as “pro-tem” uninstalled positions, with the additions of SK **David C. Morris, PC** and SK **David R. Berger** (one of our newest Sir Knights) to temporarily fill some spots until regular elections may be held on March 25, 2009. I would like to sincerely thank both of these dedicated Sir Knights for their continued support for Old Dominion.

Our next Stated Conclave will be on **Wednesday, January 28, 2009, at 7:30 pm**. The program will be our annual *Past Commanders' Night*, a time when we pay our respects to those who came before us and listen to stories of the Commandery that many new members might never have heard before. Refreshments will be provided, as usual, ahead-of-time. We will be opening in **short form**, and three very prominent Sir Knights will be sitting at the dais, including the Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander of Virginia, Sir Knight **Mark W. Underwood**, the fore-mentioned selection for the next District Deputy Grand Commander, Sir Knight **David C. Morris**, and one of our most senior and respected members, Sir Knight **George D. Gilbreath, PDDGC, KTCH, KCT**. Please be in attendance to support the Commandery and reconnect with the history of the Commandery.

As a final notice, the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Sir Knight **Jeff Burcham**, would like everyone to be aware of the Festival of Rites that will be taking place two Saturdays on **January 17** (Royal Arch) and **24** (Commandery), **2009**. It has been decided that the Scottish Rite degrees would be conferred at the petitioners' home Valleys (Alexandria for our people) and **NOT** take place on January 31, 2009 in Richmond. The York Rite Degrees/Orders will take place at:

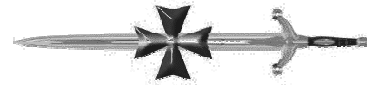
**Northside Masonic Lodge
4000 Woody Drive, Richmond, Virginia 23222-1770**

Registration commences at 8:00 am each Saturday morning and the Degrees/Orders begin at 9:00 am. Details and the petition for the Festival can be downloaded from the Grand Commandery website at <http://www.virginiaknightstemplar.org/> under the “Festival of Rites” and “General Order No. 10”. We already have a number of brethren and companions attending this special event. This is a rare opportunity to help boost our numbers for the future. Please support the Grand Commander and your Commandery in this special endeavor.

I look forward to seeing you again in the coming months.

Courteously,

Sir Knight James M. Stevenson
Eminent Commander 2008-2009/890-891



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George D. Gilbreath, KTCH, KCT * 1987
Carl R. Gagliardi * 1988
Walter P. Benesch 1990
Granville C. Canard, Jr. 1993
Frank R. Dunaway Jr. * 1995
George D. Seghers 1996
Mark W. Underwood, DGC 1997
F. J. Pepper * 1998
Pablo A. Rocha 1999
Matthew T. Szramoski * 2000
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Douglas J. Snow 2002
David C. Morris 2003
John Shroeder, Jr. 2004
Mark F. Arbeen 2005
Jason W. Lotz 2006
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- Revelation 2:10

ARE YOUR DUES OVERDUE?

Please check your dues card. If it does not read “**December 31, 2009**,” then it is out of date. You can upgrade your card by sending in your dues to our Recorder, ESK **Carl R. Gagliardi**. Or, better yet, come out to the next Stated Conclave and pay in person, then stay for the fellowship. Applying for a Life Membership in Perpetuity is also welcome and helps your Commandery into the future!

MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

Membership Committee – EVERY Sir Knight is a member of THIS Committee!
Don’t replace yourself, CLONE YOURSELF.

"EVERY CHRISTIAN MASON SHOULD BE A KNIGHT TEMPLAR"

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, February 6, 2009 – Stated Conclave – Arlington Commandery No. 29 (First Fridays)
Arlington Centennial-Glebe Lodge No. 81
1 South George Mason Drive, Arlington, VA
Dinner at 6:30 pm and Conclave at 7:30 pm

Wednesday, February 25, 2009 – Stated Conclave – Old Dominion Commandery No. 11
Generalissimo’s Night
NEW LOCATION: Kena Shrine Anek Facility, 9001 Arlington Blvd, Fairfax, VA
Dinner at 6:30PM and Conclave at 7:30pm

Thursday, February 26, 2009 – Stated Conclave – Piedmont Commandery No. 26 (Fourth Thursdays)
Manasseh Lodge No. 182
9810 Cockrell Rd., Manassas, VA
Dinner at 6:30 pm and Conclave at 7:30 pm

**Stated Conclaves of Old Dominion Commandery No. 11
are on the 4th Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm unless otherwise listed**

2008-2009 Stated Conclaves of the Asylum:

23 April 2008	22 October 2008
28 May 2008	19 November 2008
25 June 2008	17 December 2008
23 July 2008	28 January 2009
27 August 2008	25 February 2009
24 September 2008	25 March 2009