



Marquis de Lafayette Lodge No. 41



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TRESTLEBOARD

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**"I read, I study, I examine,
I listen, I reflect."**

- Marquis de Lafayette



From the East *W.:B.: Harry Sanders, Worshipful Master*

Greetings from the East!

My Brothers, time is flying by; we have two meetings left and then we go dark! This has been an extremely productive year for our Lodge and I couldn't be any prouder of what the Brethren have accomplished thus far. There has been a zealous enthusiasm and dedication in the degree work, which grows and honors our Lodge. Our education speakers have enlightened our curiosity for the craft. We have visited other Lodges and have had them visited us. Some of our Brothers have shown leadership qualities which will benefit our Lodges future as well. I will continue to try to balance the work that we do with education.

Saying that, the work that we do is educational in it of itself. I am excited, as we move forward, to encourage our Brethren to think about putting together educational ideas in hopes of having speakers from within our Lodge contribute the Craft.

Sitting in the East, I am learning from each and every Brother in the Lodge and I am looking forward to serving and learning more. Brothers, reach out to me if you have ideas that will help the growth or benefit of our Lodge in any capacity. I am surrounded by the best men and Masons that I know.

The future of Marquis de Lafayette Lodge No. 41 looks bright indeed.

Fraternally,

W.: Bro.: Harry Sanders

Worshipful Master



From the West *Bro.: John Davis, Sr.: Warden*

Greetings from the West,

This first half of the year is going by quickly.

Many of the Brothers are moving up in their degrees, wanting more light. I am proud of you all of you and if you need help we are here for you.

For the upcoming spring and summer months there are many events. For all Master Masons the York rite festivals will begin In June.

The mountain lodges will be open in the summer while we are dark. This is a wonderful chance to trip to other lodges. Tf you are not yet a Master Mason, let us know so that a MM can travel to the lodge and be your way to gain entrance. If you need someone to talk with about Masonic knowledge, a meeting time can be arranged to be with myself or any of the Brothers to pass an evening in fellowship.

Bro.: John Davis

Senior Warden

Secretary's Desk

W.: Bro.: Lee Miller, Secretary

Brethren,

I am humbled by your positive reactions to our new lapel pins and Master Mason challenge coins. If you haven't received yours yet, PLEASE let me know so that I can make sure you have one. Our new name badges are also here; they have been put in our storage closet. I know there were a few missing from our order, so check with me to make sure you get your new name badge.

I've been in extended design discussions with Bricks Mason for our new banner design. This is taking a bit longer as the design has been changed several times owing to limitations with their machine embroidery. Our contact just let me know yesterday they have some new methods which will greatly increase the quality of the finished banner and they will be submitting a new proof for me to review soon.

There won't be another trestle board until late August. Enjoy the summer!

Sincerely & Fraternaly,

W.: Bro.: Lee Miller, PM - Secretary

secretary@mdl41.com

From the South

*Bro.: Nick Christoff,
Jr.: Warden*

Brothers,

As we enter our last month before going dark for the summer I am amazed by the amount of work we have accomplished. In the last few months we have had as many, if not more, initiations, passings, and raisings as we typically see in a year. It is my personal hope that each of us is dedicating, or at least trying to dedicate, as much time to improving ourselves and lives outside of the lodge as within. For this reason I encourage everyone to use these longer days unencumbered with normal meetings to peruse their passions and self betterment.

Thank you,

Bro.: Nick Christoff

Junior Warden

Wednesday May 8th, 2019

6th Stated Communication

Open on the EA Degree

Dinner at 6:00pm – Open at 7:00pm

Lecture by **W. Bro. Kevin Townley**

Wednesday May 22nd, 2019

7th Stated Communication

Open on the EA Degree

Dinner at 6:00pm – Open at 7:00pm

Lecture by **W. Bro. Van-Troi Perozo**

**The Lodge will be dark
June, July, and August**

**Our next scheduled
communication after the
summer break will be on
September 11th**

Memorial Roll

**Bro. Lee Edwin
Schlessman passed in
late March. Services
were held before this
publication.**

"Gone, but not forgotten"



Directors of the Work

John Davis - MM Degree
Nick Christoff – FC Degree
Nick Miller – EA Degree

Posting Mentors

Entered Apprentice Degree	W Bro Jay Allen Bro Nick Miller
Fellow Craft Degree	W Bro Lee Miller
Master Mason Degree	W Bro Bill Busby



Fee for Degrees

EA: \$150 FC: \$50 MM: \$50 = \$250.00

2019 Yearly Dues	
Marquis de Lafayette:	\$100.00
2019 Per Capita Dues:	\$67.00
Total:	\$167.00



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Masonic Trivia

Hidden in plain sight:

The entire world watched very recently as a terrible fire destroyed parts of the famed Notre Dame cathedral. This plaque was found on one of the central pillars of the cathedral after the fire.



The plaque's writing in French, "*Cette flèche a été faite en l'an 1859 M. Viollet-le-Duc étant architecte de la cathédrale, par Bellu, entrepre - (neur en) charpente, Georges étant gacheur des Compagnons Charpentiers du Devoir de Liberté,*" in English means, "*This arrow was made in the year 1859 Mr. Viollet-le-Duc being architect of the cathedral, by Bellu, entrepreneur - (neur en) framework, Georges being gacheur Companions Carpenters of the Duty of Liberty.*"

In this very mysterious, yet somehow very familiar tracing, secrets are hidden in plain sight, including references to alchemy, Sacred Geometry, Craft Masonry and Royal Arch Masonry. My French is somewhat rusty, but http://hermetism.free.fr/Viollet-le-duc_architecte.htm provides fascinating reading about "Cette mystérieuse plaque est très peu connue des parisiens". (This mysterious plaque that is not well-known to most Parisians".)

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Emerson R. Bails	1959	Christopher Wm. Scott	2011
Herbert E. Akins *	1979	Daniel R. McCune	2012
Robert R Swope *	1984	Jeremiah "Jay" Allen	2013
Samuel L. Wittner	1986	Richard M. Murray	2014
Robert R Swope *	1987	Dean McConnell	2015
James W. Oliver	1988	Bill Busby	2016
James W. Oliver	1989	Lee Miller	2017
David R. McDaniel	1990	Anthony Florez	2018
David R. McDaniel	1991		
Robert R. Swope *	1994		
Stephen T. Parce	1996		
Curtis L. Sorensen	1997		
Douglas K. Parce	1998		
James M. Desmond	2000		
John A. Myers	2001		
Stephen T. Parce	2002		
James W. Oliver	2003		
Robert R. Swope *	2004		
Edward F Charter	2005		
David Parce	2006		
Keene Daiss*	2007		
James Oliver	2008		
Herbert Akins *	2009		
Robert R. Swope *	2010		

(* Deceased)

Active Past Masters 187

Richard L. Charmichel	1977	Kurt P. Larson	1982
Karl F. Biemel Jr.	1984	Herbert A. Krug	1993
Herbert A. Krug	1985	Kurt P. Larson	1994

Past Grand Masters

Glenn B. Van Fleet, P.G.M. (1958)
R. Keith Milheim, P.G.M.

Secretary Emeritus

Christopher Wm. Scott, PM (2012 – 2017)
Samuel Wittner, PM, KCCH (1987 – 2011)



The Lafayette Apron