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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 Brethren, all of you have made this inaugural year of our newly merged Lodge such a productive, informative and enjoyable one. All of your cooperation, participation, determination have been deeply appreciated by me, and admired by other Lodges as well. We have shown unity a brotherly love with other Lodges, such as Paul Revere Lodge, Research Lodge, Nevadaville and of course our dear Brothers from Denver Lodge # 5.

We have had wonderful speakers this year, to enhance our Masonic Education. And we have had wonderful guests attending our meetings from other Lodges, both from Colorado and other States, as well as a few Grand Line Officers in attendance.

The collaborative efforts and commitments of all (even when weathering the threat of cyclone bombs) are what will make our first year as MdL No. 41 so memorable. I am blessed to have each and every one of you in my life and I know that I am a lucky man for it.

There are only a few more meetings left this year, and then the torch of leadership will be passed by your vote to another worthy Brother to continue to build our Lodge to bigger and better things.

I give thanks and have appreciation to all of the Brethren of MdL No. 41 for their support, and more especially for their zeal to the Institution.

W: Bro: Harry Sanders

Worshipful Master



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

Brothers,

The Holiday Season is knocking at the door.

This brings us to the end of the year. A time to pay annual dues and our annual vote. We as a Lodge have completed so much this past year.

But the future is coming for us all. I look toward you, my Brothers, to help us grow in the coming years. I hope all are willing to step up into new positions and new parts.

The learning of new things is "the light" that we are always looking for our future.

And we are it!

Bro: John Davis
Senior Warden

### Secretary's Desk wb.: Bro.: Lee Miller, Secretary

Brethren,

We're all aware of the Progressive Line. A man is appointed to one of the junior officer's positions, and moves up the line each year. By the time he is elected to the Junior Warden's chair, it is presumed he will be elected the next year as Senior Warden, and the following year he will be elected as Master of the Lodge.

It's a myth. There is no progressive line.

Search your Book of Constitutions. Read the Officer's Handbook. Check the appendices in the clear text key. Do a Google search. It just doesn't exist as a law or a rule anywhere. Instead, we have—as have almost all lodges -- informally adopted the *tradition* of a progressive line.

Appointments are an honor, bestowed upon worthy Brethren by the incoming Worshipful Master. But the principal officer positions are ELECTED BY THE BRETHREN. Don't vote for a man for one of these positions simply because he's next in line. Vote for him because he is the right man to lead our lodge.

Sincerely & Fraternally,

W:Bro: Lee Miller, PM - Secretary secretary@mdl41.com

#### From the South

Bro∴ Nick Christoff, Jr∴ Warden Brothers.

As we approach the holiday season and prepare to go dim for the next few months, I encourage us all to remember the importance friends and family play in our lives. Take the time to reach out those once dear to your heart with whom you have fallen out of contact with and to those who no longer have families with whom to celebrate in the coming months.

Thank you,

Bro: Nick Christoff
Junior Warden

### Wednesday Nov 13th, 2019

12<sup>th</sup> Stated Communication Open on the EA Degree Dinner at 6:00pm – Open at 7:00pm **Lecture on Ancient Geometry By WB Jay Allen** 

#### Monday Nov 25th, 2019

Volunteers of America
Thanksgiving Basket Handout

### Wednesday Nov 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019

No meeting Happy Thanksgiving!

### Wednesday Dec 11th, 2019

13<sup>th</sup> Stated Communication Open on the EA Degree Dinner at 6:00pm – Open at 7:00pm Annual business meeting & election of officers

### Wednesday Dec 25<sup>rd</sup>, 2019

No meeting – Merry Christmas!

#### Memorial Koll

No Brothers have passed to the Celestial Lodge above

"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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#### **Dues Notice**

It's that time of year again, and you will be receiving dues notices in the mail within a few weeks.

Our website, www.mdl41.com, allows for online payment via our Square store. The 2020 dues will be available to pay online by the time the dues notices are mailed.

Note that Grand Lodge has increased the per-capita for 2020 by \$7. This means your regular 2020 dues for Marquis de Lafayette will be \$174.

### **Masonic Quote**

"A wise man once said he wanted to join the Masons because his grandfather was a Mason, and he was a great man.

It was explained to him that Freemasonry didn't make his grandfather great.

Rather, his grandfather made Freemasonry great."

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#### Past Masters Albert Pike 117

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
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### **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