



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.: John Davis, Worshipful Master

Greetings from the East!

It's time to return to work in the quarries -- to order, Brethren! Time to continue our work.

We have been cleared at this time to return to our Lodge at 1614 Welton on September 9th. Dinner at 6:00 p.m. and Lodge 7:00 p.m. Our first night back we should be receiving three guests for dinner. Help me to show our friendship and brotherly love to them.

At our first meeting, Brother Erick Benson will be doing a presentation on "The Great Circle". The second meeting in September will be for proficiencies on the Fellow Craft and the Master Mason.

Our third meeting will be the raising for the Master Mason degree. We will also plan for our biggest annual charity event, the Thanksgiving dinner hand-out for Volunteer of America.

Looking forward to seeing you soon!

W.: Bro.: John Davis

Worshipful Master



Please feel free to share this eTrestleboard!

From the West *Bro.: Nick Christoff, Sr.: Warden*

Brothers,

I hope you and your loved ones have all been safe during this pandemic and I look forward to seeing all who can safely attend the meetings in September!

As Masons, it is our constant labor to continually improve and change ourselves for the better. That is something the entire world has been pushed to do over the last six months, if not always successfully. That's why I urge each of you to consider your role and ability to help your common man during these times and all of the strife and difficulty brought on by them. For we not only have ability to improve ourselves but to inspire others to do the same.

Stay safe brothers and remember to reach out if anything is needed.

Bro.: Nick Christoff

Senior Warden

Secretary's Desk *WB.: Bro.: Lee Miller, Secretary*

Brethren,

When a new candidate is in the preparation room, nervously awaiting the first steps on his lifelong journey in pursuing light, his mind may be going in a dozen different directions on not knowing what awaits him on the other side of that door. If he has been duly and truly prepared, he has placed his upmost trust in the Wardens who stand beside him in his physical and spiritual darkness.

When he has finally been brought to light and see that his trust in his Supreme Being and in his newly-found Brethren has been well founded, he should feel a sense of reassurance and well-being. And when that new made Entered Apprentice comes back to Lodge, will he still feel that same sense of reassurance? Will he still feel that Lodge is something special, that the Brothers are giving him something to which he can aspire?

Or will he feel somewhat excluded as Brothers pause to say hello to him then go back to their own conversations without including him? Does his top-line signer keep in constant touch with him, or is he left with vague directions of "Your posters will get in touch with you"? Every one of us should be a mentor and stay in touch with our new Brothers, or risk losing them.

Sincerely & Fraternaly,

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

secretary@mdl41.com

From the South

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

Brothers,

I am excited to be returning to lodge after our extended absence. I know I have missed the camaraderie and lessons of Masonry, and I'm sure many of you have as well.

I hope everything is going well for everyone and you've been staying safe and healthy during these trying times. I would like to offer my help in any way I can to anyone who may be struggling during all this. I would also like to remind everyone who may be having financial troubles there are Masonic funds dedicated to helping brothers in need. I will do my best to get anyone who may need this type of assistance to get them in contact with the right people.

I'm looking forward to the upcoming meetings and hope it will raise everyone's morale.

With Light,

Bro.: Nick Miller

Junior Warden

Wednesday Sep 9th, 2020

18th Stated Communication

Open on the EA Degree

Dinner at 6:00pm – Open at 7:00pm

Presentation by Bro. Erick Benson

“The Great Circle”

Wednesday Sep 23rd, 2020

19th Stated Communication

Open on the EA Degree

Dinner at 6:00pm – Open at 7:00pm

Proficiency Night

Wednesday Oct 14th, 2020

20th Stated Communication

Open on the EA Degree

Dinner at 6:00pm – Open at 7:00pm

Master Mason Degree

Wednesday Apr 28th, 2020

21st Stated Communication

Open on the EA Degree

Dinner at 6:00pm – Open at 7:00pm

Education TBA

An agape will follow every Stated Communication. Bring your favorite libation and snacks!

Memorial Roll

No Brothers have passed to the Celestial Lodge above

“Gone, but not forgotten”



Directors of the Work

Nick Christoff - MM Degree

Nick Miller – FC Degree

Johann Ortner– 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

2020 Yearly Dues

Marquis de Lafayette: \$100.00

2020 Per Capita Dues: \$74.00

Total: \$174.00



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“The Aged Mason”

*He sits on the sidelines,
His hair has turned gray,
We pass by him, as if to say
Sorry old Brother, you've had your day.*

*If we would stop and shake his hand,
And tell him we are glad he came,
It would mean so much to a tired old man,
Just to feel the warmth of a friendly hand.*

*He lays no claim to renown or fame,
Only a few remember his name,
We may not know from whence he came,
But he's still our Brother, all the same.*

*He sowed the seeds for us to reap,
He paved the way so we could meet,
Ever humbled yet somewhat proud,
Ever alert to keep his vows.*

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Past Masters

Albert Pike 117

Emerson R. Bails 1959
Herbert E. Akins * 1979
Robert R Swope * 1984
Samuel L. Wittner 1986
Robert R Swope * 1987
James W. Oliver 1988
James W. Oliver 1989
David R. McDaniel 1990
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)

Christopher Wm. Scott 2011
Daniel R. McCune 2012
Jeremiah "Jay" Allen 2013
Richard M. Murray 2014
Dean McConnell 2015
Bill Busby 2016
Lee Miller 2017
Anthony Florez 2018

Pythagoras 41

Ricky Haskell 2017
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Harry Sanders 2019

Past Grand Masters

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

R. Keith Milheim, P.G.M. (1984)

Secretary Emeritus

Christopher Wm. Scott, PM (2012 – 2017)

Samuel Wittner, PM (1987 – 2011)



The Lafayette Apron