



Marquis de Lafayette Lodge No. 41



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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!

I would like to again say job well done to our newly proficient Fellow Crafts, Brothers Justin and Lawrence. All were truly impressed with your hard work. We look forward to your raising on our Special Communication on Saturday, March 28th.

Our first meeting in March will be a joint communication with Paul Revere lodge. Brother Eric Benson will also be doing his Master Mason proficiency. We will also hold an agape. Please, bring your favorite snacks and libations! The second meeting will be a true education night. WB Martin Sugg will be speaking on the Masonic Quest: The Path of Initiation and the Hero's Journey.

Our first meeting in April will hear from all committees on the on goings of our lodge and discussion for the rest of the year's events. The second meeting will be WB Kevin Townley speaking on the Tree of Life.

My Brothers, please, invite Brethren from other lodge to attend when we have Masonic speaker in lodge so we can share the Light with as many Brothers as possible. Don't forget to ask them to RSVP for dinner.

W.: Bro.: John Davis

Worshipful Master



Please feel free to share this eTrestleboard!

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

Brothers,

With the passing of our sixteenth regular communication as Marquis de Lafayette Lodge No. 41 I am reminded that we have officially passed the year marker of the joining of Pythagoras and Albert Pike. Over the last year our lodge has achieved a great deal to be proud of, from the successful joining with our new brothers, to the amount of education and degree work that took place. All of this points to a bright future for our lodge. Given our recent success I would like to both inform the newer members and remind the others that it is the individuals that make up this vibrant brotherhood and that it is our shared experiences that keep us all coming back meeting after meeting.

For this reason, I encourage everyone to continually think of ways that they can heighten the lodge experience; be that by improving our degree work, sharing knowledge that you have acquired, or in some other way. Brothers I look forward to sitting in lodge with each of you again and to continually working towards a better self by your sides.

Bro.: Nick Christoff

Senior Warden

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

Brethren,

Who is responsible for Masonic mentorship? Certainly we expect our Brothers who lead postings to be mentors, and we all look to the East for guidance and mentorship.

But ultimately we are *all* mentors.

I feel blessed to have had so many Masonic mentors over the years: WB Chris Scott and WB Jay Allen provided me with education and challenged me to expand my mind. WB Jim Oliver and WB Herb Akins were constant reminders to me of how gentlemen should interact with everyone. There were so many Brothers who influenced me in the Scottish Rite and in the York Rite that I don't have room to list them.

Brothers, it's up to each one of you to act as a mentor to a new Mason, from his first visit to our dinners until the day we lay down our working tools. Everyone has something to teach, and we are all lifetime learners.

Step up and be a mentor. It's not your beliefs that make you a better man and Mason – it's your actions.

Sincerely & Fraternaly,

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

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From the South

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

Brothers,

So far the year has been going along well. As you know, the annual communication of Grand Lodge has been held and we have a new line of GL officers as well as some new district lecturers. I would like to congratulate WB Dean on his installation as our Grand Marshall as well as my father WB Lee on being selected for a district lecturer position. These positions require a great deal of commitment and it is commendable to take them on.

Additionally, I have recently gotten the opportunity to travel to Naval Lodge No. 4 in Washington, DC and visit with our brother Phil Theune. This has been a great opportunity and reminder of the importance of seeing how Masonry is done outside our lodge. I encourage the brethren to sojourn as much as possible. Anyone who would like to go to another lodge, I would be happy to try and attend with you, or vouch for you if you're an EA or FC.

WM John is looking to receive the traveling gavel which is not only an opportunity to see other lodges, but it also gets us honor lodge points.

Lastly, I'm always open to suggestions for the dinners. I like to provide the best meals I can, and it is always better if I can provide food that is suggested.

Thank you,

Bro.: Nick Miller

Junior Warden

Wednesday Mar 11th, 2020

17th Stated Communication
Open on the EA Degree
Dinner at 6:00pm – Open at 7:00pm
Visit from Paul Revere Lodge

Wednesday Mar 25th, 2020

18th Stated Communication
Open on the EA Degree
Dinner at 6:00pm – Open at 7:00pm
Presentation WB Martin Sugg
“Masonic Quest: The Path of
Initiation and the Hero’s Journey”

Saturday Mar 28th, 2020

1st Special Communication
Open on the MM Degree
Open at 9:00am
Master Mason Degrees for Bro Justin
Szymik and Bro Lawrence Laurent

Wednesday Apr 8th, 2020

19th Stated Communication
Open on the EA Degree
Dinner at 6:00pm – Open at 7:00pm
Review of Committee Progress

Wednesday Apr 22nd, 2020

20th Stated Communication
Open on the EA Degree
Dinner at 6:00pm – Open at 7:00pm
Presentation by WB Kevin Townley
“The Tree of Life”

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

2019 Yearly Dues
Marquis de Lafayette: \$100.00
2019 Per Capita Dues: \$74.00
Total: \$174.00



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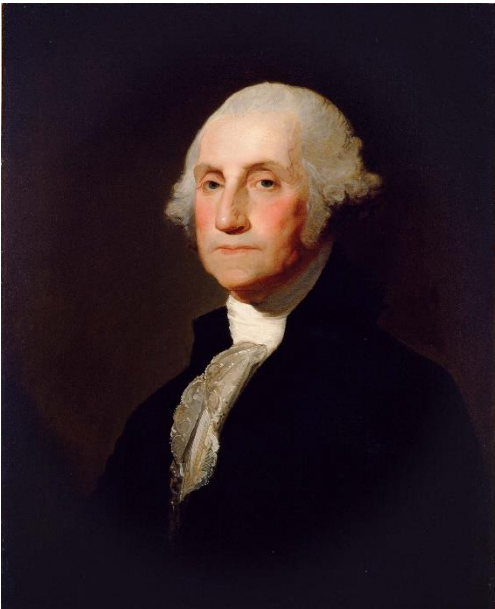
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Masonic Quote

“To enlarge the sphere of social happiness is worthy of the benevolent design of a Masonic institution; and it is most fervently to be wished, that the conduct of every member of the fraternity, as well as those publications, that discover the principles which actuate them, may tend to convince mankind that the grand object of Masonry is to promote the happiness of the human race.”



Brother George Washington
1st President, United States of America

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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