



# Albert Pike Lodge

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**"If you have knowledge,  
let others light their  
candles in it."**



## From the East *W.:B.: Anthony Florez, Worshipful Master*

As I reflect upon the preceding twelve months of my life sitting in the Oriental Chair of Albert Pike #117, I would be remiss without mentioning how humbling the extraordinary experience has been.

The gravity that this chair holds is truly remarkable. I am but merely one man in the long history of our lodge's easternmost leadership, but it is you - my brothers of the craft - for which I am immensely proud. The honorable men that grace the inner walls of our lodge during every stated and special communication remain the true importance of the craft - without you, we are not but a symbol on the outside of the building, or a simple name on an address label.

Recently, Albert Pike Lodge underwent one of the most important votes in our lodge history. By a favorable vote of the brethren assembled, Albert Pike Lodge will merge with Pythagoras Lodge #41 to create a new lodge, Marquis De Lafayette Lodge #41. This vote expectedly met many emotions, but at the end of the day, we came together and voted for the good of Albert Pike Lodge #117 and for the good of Masonry. This merger will not only benefit our lodge for many years to come; importantly, let us not forget that in our association, we achieve the brotherly task of helping another Lodge - one that at times struggled to officially open some evenings. We keep their history alive and well.

The tall task of ensuring that both of our Lodge histories endure the test of time will fall upon the hands and shoulders of our Brothers today and tomorrow so that Albert Pike, Pythagoras, Wheat Ridge, Rob Morris and Schiller do not fade into the dusty jackets of Colorado Masonry's history books. My hope is that someday, many years from now, our future brethren will look upon the minutes of the year 2018 and say "well done good and faithful servants' - you served our Lodge well and put us on the path that we are on today."

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My Brothers, as we continue laboring in the sacred quarries into 2019 and beyond, let us not forget why we joined our beloved Masonry. Let us also continue to look for future Masons, those who would eventually be tasked with leading our revered Lodge into the future. Our continued growth and development will come from our youngest Masons and those yet initiated, so do well in guarding the west gate. However, understand that in reality, without fresh blood to keep our ranks full and invigorated, we may fade into the historic abyss and become a lodge long forgotten.

Thank you for all of your love and support you have given me during the Masonic year of 6018. I love each and every one of you and will never forget what this year has meant to me.

Your Faithful Servant,

*W:: Bro:: Anthony Florez*

Worshipful Master

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***Lest We Forget....***

***Armistice Day***

***100 Years on Nov 11th***

**From the West** *Bro.: Harry Sanders, Sr.: Warden*

Greetings from the West!

I just wanted to first take this opportunity to thank all of my Brothers for making this year such an enjoyable one so far. I have seen many Brothers step up and take on roles that they have never done before and that adds growth and strength to our Lodge. I always look forward to coming to Lodge, not because I am a Mason, but because I enjoy being in the company of such fine and bright Men. I also have the honor of calling these bright Men my Brothers.

So in reading lately, I found out something interesting to me, as Masons, most of us identify that the numbers 3,5 &7 are important to us. If you add those three numbers up, the sum is 15. Well., 15 of the 56 signers of Declaration of Independence were Freemasons. They were, Benjamin Franklin, Lyman Hall, John Hancock, Joseph Hewes, William Hopper, Roger Sherman, Richard Stockton, Thomas McKean, Thomas Nelson, Robert Treat Paine, John Penn, Matthew Thornton, George Walton, William Whipple and John Witherspoon. These were incredibly brave men. They knew by signing this Declaration they were possibly signing a death warrant.

There has also been only 15 United States Presidents that were Freemasons. They are George Washington, James Monroe, Andrew Jackson, James Polk, James Buchanan, Andrew Johnson, James Garfield, William McKinley, Theodore Roosevelt, William Taft, Warren Harding, Franklin Roosevelt, Harry S Truman, Lyndon B Johnson and Gerald Ford.

Fun facts or maybe just a coincidence, but I found it to be interesting, none the less. When it comes to Lodge, sharing thoughts, ideas or wisdom "are done for others". So in closing, I leave you with this quote: "What we have done for ourselves alone dies with us; what we have done for others and the world remains and is immortal. " -Albert Pike.

*Bro.: Harry Sanders*

Senior Warden

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**Secretary's Desk**

*W.: Bro.: Lee Miller, Secretary*

Brethren,

We have just come through a milestone in our Lodge history. In January, Albert Pike Lodge will officially become Marquis de Lafayette Lodge. We will transition our website to include a new web name. Several Brothers are diligently working on a new lodge logo so we can issue new Master's coins and hand out new lapel pins. Our tired banner will be replaced with a brand new one.

With all of this, I've vowed to keep Albert Pike Lodge's history alive, as well as that of Pythagoras and the other lodges that have all merged and make up our rich history. We'll have a new name and a new look, with the same traditions of excellence that make our superior lodge experience.

And... The happiest of holidays to all of the Brethren, their families and friends, and to our military members, law enforcement officers and all first responders wherever dispersed.

Sincerely & Fraternaly,

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

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**From the South**

*Bro.: John Davis,  
Jr.: Warden*

Brothers, the end of the year is near at hand!

We are needing for our EAs and FCs to continue on thru their degrees. We need you to help the Lodge to keep growing and to move into the chairs of the Lodge. I know that work and life keep us all busy and there is little time to ourselves. But ask yourselves why and "what came you here to do"?

In order to move up or go through the chairs it takes on more time and more responsibilities. More of your time to help your Brother as you were helped to grow in the Lodge. This is why as your Brothers we are here to help you move forward on your journey. These things must be known to you before your decision to go into the officer line. You are not alone! We have a number of Past Masters here to help you. They will help you with your floor work, planning, openings and closings, etc. Please understand just because you are in line doesn't mean that you are entitled to continue on in the line. As in your life if you don't do a good job or show up to your job, do you keep your job?

When you come to Lodge, I hope it is because you look forward to being there, that it is a joy to gather with your Brothers and remember why you were looking for Masonry to feel that wanting or need that brought you to the door of a Lodge.

*Bro.: John Davis*

Junior Warden

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**Wednesday Nov 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

500<sup>th</sup> Special Communication  
Open on the EA Degree  
Dinner at 6:00pm – Open at 7:00pm  
**Entered Apprentice degree work**

**Wednesday Nov 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

2039<sup>th</sup> Communication  
Open on the MM Degree  
Dinner at 6:00pm – Open at 7:00pm  
**Master Mason degree work**

**Monday Nov 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**Annual Thanksgiving Handout**  
Volunteers of America  
2877 Lawrence St  
Denver, CO 80205  
Join us from 9am until about noon  
**Open to Brothers, prospects, families and friends! We'll meet for an informal lunch after for those who wish to join us.**

**December 10th, 2018**

2040<sup>th</sup> Communication  
Open on the EA Degree  
Dinner at 6:00pm – Open at 7:00pm  
**Annual business meeting and election of officers**



**Memorial Roll**

**We are pleased to report that no Brothers have passed to the Celestial Lodge above**

*"Gone, but not forgotten"*



**Directors of the Work**

Harry Sanders - MM Degree  
John Davis – FC Degree  
Kyle Ennenga – EA Degree

**Posting Mentors**

**Entered Apprentice Degree** W Bro Jay Allen  
Bro Nick Christoff  
**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

<b>2018 Yearly Dues</b>	
Albert Pike:	\$100.00
<u>2017 Per Capita Dues:</u>	<u>\$67.00</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$167.00</b>



**Social Media & Internet**

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Bro. Bill Busby, PM

**Webmaster**

W. Bro. Lee Miller, PM

**Social Media Coordinators**

W. Bro. Lee Miller, PM  
Bro. Anthony Florez

## Past Masters 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		
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)

