



TRESTLEBOARD

Elected Officers 2025 - 2026

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September Meeting Call

Wednesday September 9, 2026

6::00 - Dinner

- ♦ Pulled Pork & Chicken, Beans, Cornbread, Salad

7:00 - Lodge Open

- ♦ Officer step-up opening
- ♦ Worshipful Master recognition
- ♦ Application to READ: Ross Gavlin



Important Dates

9/9 - Stated Communication

9/12 - Friendship Lodge
Annual

9/19 - Lafayette Breakfast

September Birthdays

Ryan Issler
Dennis Ledoux
Michael Stamp
Edmund Hague
Ray Pedro
Michael Gaffin
Harry Dyson Jr.
Laurent Lefebvre
Eric Chaika
Richard LeBlanc
Elia Haddad
Steven Tomasso
Shawn Pierce
Thomas Brown
Richard Paulousky
Lawrence Kortick
Aaron Pacheco

From the East

Brethren,

And just like that.... The summer expires. I hope all of you really enjoyed your time in warm weather with family and friends. I know I had a blast! That said, I am really excited to jump back into our new Masonic year.

First of all, let me congratulate our newest Master Mason to Lafayette Lodge! Paul MacGregor, Joe Silva, James Vose, and Ryan Oldmixon! I really hope that you enjoyed the degree in June! I also must thank every one of my Lafayette Brothers who helped to put on such a strong degree. I got to sit in the East beaming with pride as to how hard you all worked, and how well the evening went. A degree can only be as good as the commitment and dedication of the Officers and Brothers who put it on. That being said, I must thank you all as you have honored me with your support this year through all 3 degrees.

As we come together again as a Lodge in September, we get to spend time together both reflecting on our past as well as looking to the future. We will hear the proficiency from our newest Master Mason's and hopefully have them officially sign the book. We will invite Franklin Farm to present them with checks for support from our Farm breakfast that we do every year. I also get to publicly give thanks to each and every one of you that have helped me over that past year as well.

We also get to look to the future as SW Mike Sprague and his appointed officers get to open the meeting as it is step-up night. This is always a surreal moment as we get to see the grins on each officer's face as they adjust to a new chair, look at the Lodge through a new lens, and begin to absorb the reality of their new station. A combination of nerves, excitement, and a feeling of progression, all paused by a mere matter of weeks until the District Deputy officially installs everyone into their new roles.

Looking forward to seeing everyone on September 9th!

Faternally,

W: Matt Ludwig

Appointed Officers

Shawn Pierce, Senior Deacon

James Bray, Junior Deacon

Keith Milette, Senior Steward

Curt Abbott, Junior Steward

Ken Conca, Sentinel

Sean Schofield, Tyler

W.: Jesse Thom, Marshal

R.: W.: Larry Thienel, Music Dir.

Joe Volpicelli, Chaplain

W.: David Becker, Ritual Advisor

Monthly Breakfast!

The Bacon Meister declares that there will be breakfast!

September 19

7:00 - 10:00

Lafayette Temple



From the Secretary

TAKE NOTICE, Lafayette Lodge No. 47 has received dispensation to meet one week later than usual.

Meeting to be held on 9/9/2026

I hope you all had an enjoyable summer. I look forward to seeing you in Lodge.



GILBERT J. FONTES, JR.
GRAND MASTER
2026-2027

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of Free and Accepted Masons for the
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DISPENSATION

By the power invested in me as Grand Master of Masons for the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, I do, by these presents, grant permission to:

LAFAYETTE LODGE NO. 47 F. & A.M.

Allowing Lafayette Lodge No. 47 to move their stated September communication from Wednesday, September 2, 2026 to Wednesday, September 9, 2026, to accommodate the Worshipful Master's work conflict.

Witness by my hand and seal on this 22nd day of June A. .L. .6026 A. .D. .2026 at the Grand East in the City of East Providence, Rhode Island.




Gilbert J. Fontes, Jr.
Grand Master

Past Masters - Lafayette Lodge No. 47

*Simpson, Robert V., 1961	#Long, Kenneth M., 1989	Kennedy, Leo F., 2018
*Carpenter, Leon G., 1961	#Long, Kenneth M., 1990	Becker, David C., 2019
*M.:W.: Jenks, Kenneth W., 1962	#Long, Kenneth M., 1991	Pellerin, Kevin A., 2020
*Chmura, Francis J., 1963	*R.:W.: Poirier, Neil F., 1992	Switzer, Leo, 2021
*Sorrentino, Stanley L., 1964	Young Jr., George L., 1993	Demirs, John T., 2022
*R.:W.: Damon, Neil F., 1965	Ludwig, James L., 1994	Emery, Derek, J., 2023
#Conklin, Harley J., 1966	Ludwig, James L., 1995	Thom, Jesse, 2024
*>Anderson, Wendall B., 1967	#R.:W.: Gregoire, Andre L., 1996	Matt Ludwig, 2025
*#Wagner, Frederick W., 1968	#R.:W.: Gregoire, Andre L., 1997	
*Shackerlford, Andrew M., 1969	M.:W.: Smith, Steven E., 1998	
*Dennis, James C., 1970	R.:W.: Wright, David G., 1999	
*Collins Jr., Albert J., 1971	*R.:W.: Jannarelli, David A., 2000	
>Langille, Emery A., 1972	*Dolphin, Donald H., 2001	
*Johnson, William K., 1973	*Aquiline, Norman E., 2002	
*Large, Donald, 1974	>Dolphin, Craig M., 2003	
#Mercer, Frank J., 1975	>Dolphin, Craig M., 2004	
*Whatmough, John A., 1976	#R.:W.: Gregoire, Andre L., 2005	
*Fitzpatrick, James E., 1977	R.:W.: Wright, David G., 2006	
#Long, Kenneth M., 1978	Maddix, Robert R., 2007	
*R.:W.: Poirier, Neal F., 1979	Wheeler, Ronald E., 2008	
*Krueger, William E., 1980	#Bundeff, William P., 2009	
Turner, Robert J., 1981	R.:W.: Drisko, Robert A., 2010	
*Sawyer, Douglas M., 1982	R.:W.: Lyle, Robert D., 2011	
#DeBlois, Norman R., 1983	#Eddleston, Mark F., 2012	
Howles, David E., 1984	Cayer, Brian R., 2013	
Ledoux, Dennis M., 1985	R.:W.: Drisko, Robert A., 2014	* Deceased
Babcock, George W., 1986	Hague, Edmund T., 2015	# Demitted
>Stokoe, Philip T., 1987	Acello, Stephen J., 2016	>Dropped
#Long, Kenneth M., 1988	Frampton, John P., 2017	

Lafayette Lodge
Tyler Emeritus

*W.: Peter Kinforski

Past Masters - Redwood Lodge No. 35

#Noot, Meyer, 1878-79	*Hoffman, Felix V., 1911	*MacKay, Alexander M., 1942	*>Bomes, Robert A., 1972
*Hartman, Leopold, 1880	*Pierce, Benjamin F., 1912	*Rosen, Albert L., 1943	*Gordon, Stephen A., 1973
#Parker, Melvin, 1881	#Moir, George, 1913	*Entwistle, James H., 1944	*Maldavir, Melvyn S., 1974
*Spitz, John H., 1882	*Butler, Charles L. Jr., 1914	*Ress, Joseph W., 1945	*Silverman, Edward, 1975
*Green, Henry, 1883	*Taylor, Arthur, 1915	*Perrin, Howard S., 1946	Beranbaum, Stephen R., 1976
#Dawson, Thomas B., 1884	*Lincoln, Samuel E., 1916	*R.W. Novogrosski, Arthur, 1947	Kortick, Lawrence D., 1977
#Mullen, William H., 1885	*Baldwin, Henry f., 1917	*Cook, Walter R., 1948	*Jenkin, James, 1978
*Green, William H., 1886	*Harley, William F., 1918	*Strauss, Walter R., 1949	*Aron, Donald, 1979
*Mosely, William H., 1887	*Locke, Edward J, 1919	*Licht, Frank, 1950	R.W. Bromberg, Howard M., 1980
*Burlingame, Alvertus S., 1888	*Kelley, J. William, 1920	*Hendel, Maurice W., 1951	R.W. Sholes, Andrew G., 1981
*Clark, James W., 1889	*Misch, Walter P., 1921	*Hill, Henry M., 1952	*M.W. Wasserman, Arnold, 1982
*Boas, Herman, 1890	*Mason, Earl H., 1922	*Goodman, Max W., 1953	*Keating, Joseph, 1985
*Boulester, James E., 1891	*Brand, William C.H., 1923	*R.W. Cohen, Gerald P., 1954	R.W. Freedman, Mark H., 1986
*Lincoln, Eugene B., 1892	*Taylor, Burton RRR, 1924	*Michaelson, Julius, 1955	Krasner, Edward S., 1987
*Southey, Charles R., 1893	*R.W. Edwards, Ralph H, 1925	*Kumins, Albert, 1956	Chaika, Eric A., 1988
*Hahn, Jerome J., 1894	*Coppin, Charles b., 1926	*Robenstein, Louis Barach, 1957	*Myrow, Allan J., 1989
*Lincoln, Edwin B, 1895	*Mason, Williams H., 1927	*Bromberg, Morris H., 1958	*Goodman, Joseph, 1990
*Butler, Charles L., 1896	*Mowry, Walter H., 1928	*Arnold, Siegfried, 1958	#Charleson, James A., 1991
*Pierce, Charles E., 1897	*Wyman, Frederick W., 1929	*Mushnick, Frederick, 1959	Gaffin, Michael M., 1992
*Morton, Marcus W., 1898-99	*Beachman, Harold, 1930	*Millman, Benjamin, 1960	M.W. Sokoll, Richard, 1993
*Stanton, James W., 1900	*Brier, Charles, 1931	*Mandell, Leonard C., 1961	>Fishbein, Richard, 1994
*Perkins, Herbert R., 1901	*Whittaker, William B., 1932	*Haft, LeRoy, 1962	R.W. Lewis, Donovan J., 1995
*Bowen, Thomas A., 1902	*Taylor, Earl W., 1933	*>R.W. Brill, Marvin A., 1963	Chaika, Eric A., 1996
*Saunders, Harry L., 1903	*Lee, Howard S., 1934	*Rothman, Robert H., 1964	*Crisafulli, Frederick, 1997
*Albro, Seth M., 1904	*Garst, Arthur H., 1935	*M.W. Brombert, Malcolm, 1965	R.W. Elmekawy, Mekawy, 1998
*Lasell, Clarence K., 1905	*Baacke, Henry, 1936	*Schwartz, Abraham, 1966	R.W. Freedman, Mark H., 1999
*Smith, Alfred, 1906	*Rosen, Harry R., 1937	*Rottenberg, Louis, 1967	R.W. Miller, Samuel A, 2000
*Cutler, Harry, 1907	*Hartley, Richard H., 1938	*Miller, Meyer S., 1968	Hodges, James, 2001
*Boas, Bernard, 1908	*Gardner, Joseph J., 1939	*Malinou, Martin S., 1969	*>Richardson, Simon J., 2002
*Payson, Stephen R., 1909	*Davis, Harrie S, 1940	*Dressler, Abbott W., 1970	R.W. Miller, Samuel A., 2003
*Hawes, James A., 1910	*M.W. Abedon, Bernard, 1941	Gessman, Norman C., 1971	M.W. Kaufman, Gary S., 2004

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Ross, Micha T, 2005	Ponte, Michael, 2010	Cipriano, Dennis, 2015	Gessman, Roy, 2020
Kaplan, Andrew, 2006	Catanzaro, Kevin J., 2011	Goff, Robert, 2016	Geesman, Roy, 2021
R.W. Freedman, Mark H., 2007	Catanzaro, Kevin J., 2012	Alfonzo, Javier, 2017	>Meyette, Cory P., 2022
R.W. Miller, Samuel A., 2008	Ponte, Michael, 2013	>Rogovin, Michael, 2018	Brown, Andrew A., 2023
R.W. Bartlett, Harley W., 2009	Saunders, Jeffrey, 2014	Yaffe, Matthew, 2019	Sholes, Benjamin M., 2024

Redwood Lodge Chaplain Emeritus

*R.W. Rosen, Judah, 2012

Redwood Lodge Honorary Past Master

**R.W. Rosen, Judah, 2004

Redwood Lodge Affiliate Past Master

*W. Reis, Avraham A.

Redwood Honorary Members

*M.W. Curti, Alton T.,	*W. Haidenmenos, John	*W. DeHann, Lawrence
*W. DeHann, Jacob	*W. Yeah, Elmer	
*W. Lavine, Albert	*M.W. Cardoza, Paul	
*W. DeHann, Stanley	M.W Lopez, John	
*W. Rachins, Gary	*W. Warner, James	

* Deceased

Demitted

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Past Masters - Roosevelt Lodge No. 42

*M.W. Scott, Wilber A., 1921 - 23	*Rouslin, Benjamin, 1943	R.W. Sciaraffa, Charles C., 1963
*Green, William, 1923	*Blackman, Edward, 1944	*Davis, Phillip, 1964
*Docherty, Edgar M., 1924	*Emers, Lester D., 1945	*Ostarch, Henry, 1965
*Gregory, Ralph, 1925	*Docherty, Bruce M., 1946	Finkelman, Gerald C., 1966
*Vicario, Raphael, 1926	*Bloomberg, Harry A., 1947	*Cleinman, Samuel, 1967
*Friedlander, Israel, 1927	*Malzner, William I., 1948	*Macdonald, David A. Jr., 1968
*Pusateri, Augustus, 1928	*Goldman, Harry II, 1949	*Chaika William Y., 1969
*Brown, Charles, 1929	*Jagolinzer, Harry D., 1950	*Limer, Harry, 1970
*Workman, Samuel H., 1930	*Duetch, Edward, 1951	*Ludovici, Peter, 1971
*Berberian, Arthur S., 1931	*Bloomberg, Sheldon O, 1952	*Tomasso, George, 1972
*Garr, Samuel, 1932	*Weiner, Benjamin, 1953	*Lamorte, Donato, 1973
*Blackman, Abraham, 1933	*R.W. Wolf, Jacob G., 1954	#Pulner, Edward R., 1974
*Marsella, Augustus, 1934	*Klein, Robert A., 1955	*Soren, Robert, 1975
*Silverman, Charles L., 1935	*Pagano, Nicholas, 1956	Tomas's, Steven, 1976
*Greenstein, Jacob, 1937	*Fellner, William, 1957	Pettrarca, Carmine, 1977
*Roitman, Aaron, 1938	*Ostrach, Morris L., 1958	*Miller, Howard, 1978
*Selonek, Leslie M., 1939	*Goldberg, Bernard S., 1959	*Sugerman, Everett, 1979
*D'Antuono, Francis, 1940	*Silverstein, Al, 1960	*Iarocci, Michael, 1980
*Savasta, Stellerio, 1941	*Pagano, David, 1961	#DeBlois, Donald R., 1981
*Bolotow, Charles, 1942	#Dickens, Joseph, 1962	Davis, Alvin Jr., 1982

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Lafayette Temple Association 2025 - 2026

W.: Jesse Thom, President (2028)

WM.: Matt Ludwig, Vice President (ex officio)

W.: Ted Hague, Treasurer (2028)

R.: W.: Robert Drisko (2027)

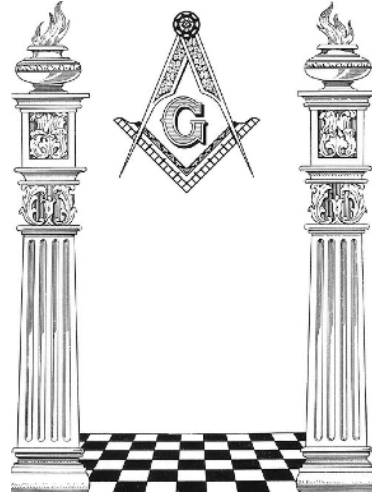
R.: W.: Andy Sholes (2027)

W.: David Becker (2026)

W.: Brian Cayer (2026)

JW .: Michael Sprague (ex officio)

SW.: W.: Derek Emery (ex officio)



Past Masters Assoc.

W.: Jesse Thom, President

W.: Matt Ludwig, Vice President

W.: Ted Hague, Treasurer

R.: W.: Robert Lyle, Secretary



Sick and Distressed

If any Brother or if you know of one that is not well, please inform:

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