



Lafayette Lodge # 83 AF&AM

4th QUARTER 2009

Welcome

2009

Brothers

Entered Apprentice

Bro. Charles
Ritchie

Bro. Daniel
Corrales

Bro. Shannon
Book

Bro. Robert
Ignelzi

Bro. Joseph
Pelingo

Bro. Chad
Shannon

Bro. Stephen
Armstrong

Fellow Craft

Bro. Bryan
Raynor

Bro. Abrahm
Polaski

Bro Jarrod
Solar

Master Masons

Bro David
Burford

Bro David
Williams

Bro Paul Morin

Masters Corner

Brethren,

I feel honored, privileged and proud to have served as Master of Lafayette Lodge.

I can't believe the year is gone already! It seems like only yesterday I was installed. We have accomplished a lot this year and I want to thank every Brother for his support this year. Lafayette Lodge was recognized at Grand Lodge for having received the most petitions for the degrees than any other Lodge in the state. This is due to our dinner / open house before each meeting and our brothers letting their Masonic light shine while out in the community, keep up the good work. I have no doubt that Lafayette Lodge will continue to grow and prosper in the future and I look forward to being part of it as Past Master.

Sincerely and Fraternally

Russ Jones

Master



Secretary's Desk

Brethren,

It is hard to believe another year has come and gone. What a busy year it was! Just wanted to let everyone know that 2010 dues statements have been mailed out. If you have not received yours please contact me.

Fraternally
Bro. Robert Savacool

Necrology Report

No Brothers lost this quarter

Brother Overseas Update

Please keep our brothers who are overseas in your thoughts and prayers. God Bless

Events

The adopt a widow program got off to a good start this year. If you were not part of this program in 2009 you should really try to get involved in 2010. There is nothing wrong with a widow having more than 1 sponsor. The time you will have to spend is minimal and the reward is GREAT. I am sure W Bro Ron Dudley will be asking for help for the 2010 year soon, do yourself a favor get involved in this great program.

Brethren we need your help. We need someone to take on the task as assistant treasurer. The duties would be to learn all parts of the job of the treasurer and be able to fill in if he is absent. Please contact W Bro Arthur Thorne or Michael Luna Master if you are interested.

VISIT YOUR WEBSITE

www.lafayettelodge83.com is the address of the Lodge website. Please visit it often and keep up with what is going on in YOUR Lodge. If you have some info you would like to see on the web site contact Bro Mike Wagoner. E-mail mike@lafayettelodge83.com- Cell # 910-382-9014.

2009

Brothers
Continued

*Master Mason
Continued*

Bro Tony
Frank

Bro Joshua
Beeler

Bro Jason
Quiram

Bro John
Hensley

Bro. Kevin
Rogowski

Bro Jacob Hill
Bro. Grady

Nichols

Bro. Aaron
Kinsley

Bro. Timothy
Abbey

Bro Steven
Antwine

Bro Paul
Crawford

Bro Jonathan
Snyder

Bro Dustin
Kirby

Bro John Petit
Bro James

Cudd



Masonic Trivia

The commissioner of patents in 1872 ruled that the Masonic Square and Compasses emblem could not be used in any trademark or trade name for commercial purposes.

The examination of a candidate for proficiency in the previous degree was first introduced in 1850 in Louisiana.

In 1892 the world's tallest building was the Masonic Temple at Randolph and State Streets in Chicago.

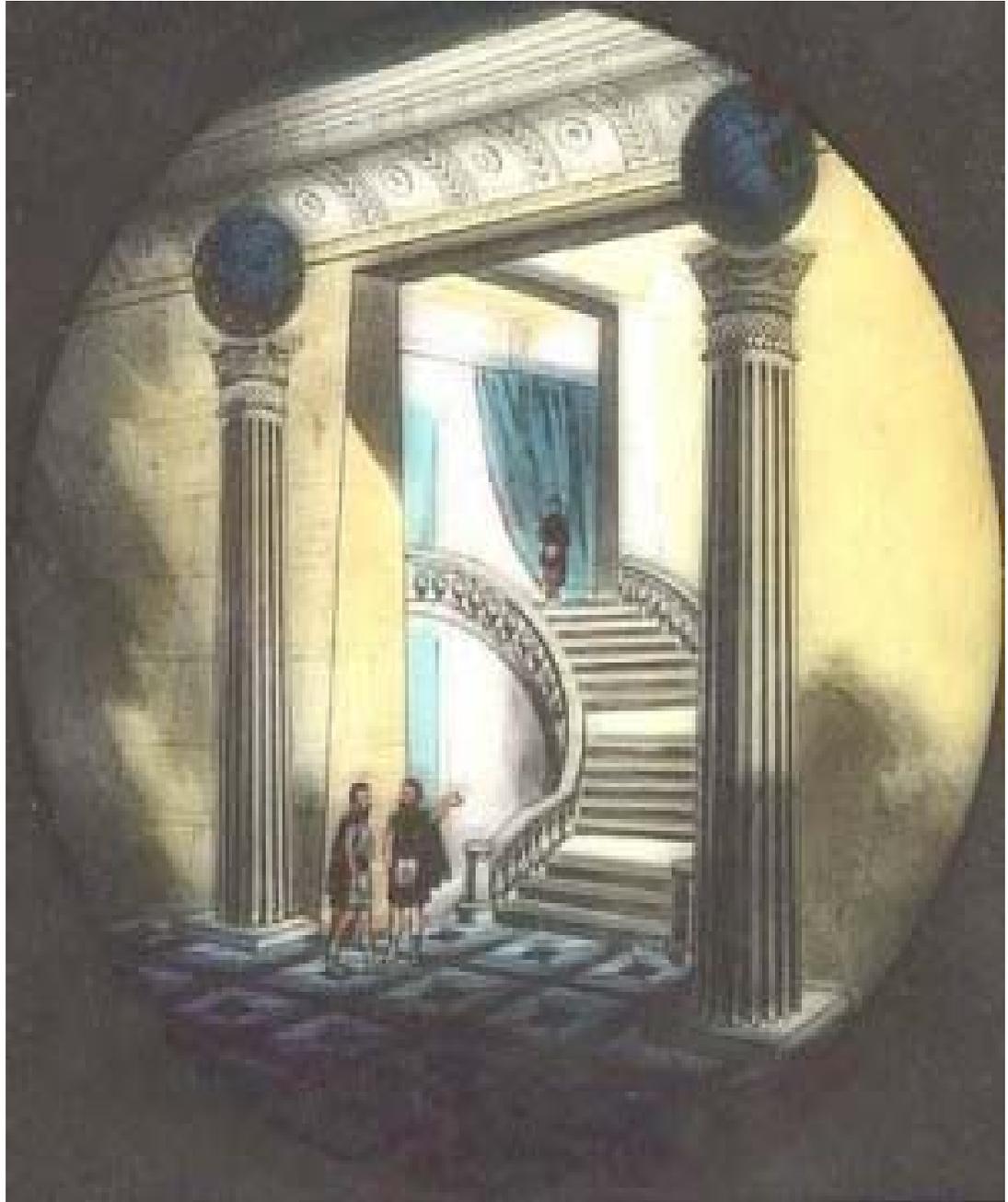
In 1952, eighty-nine percent of the U.S. Supreme Court Justices were Freemasons.

Every United States president from Tennessee (Andrew Jackson, Andrew Johnson, and James K. Polk) was a mason. All were born in North Carolina.

Masonic dates are written A.L. "for" Anno Lucis or "In the year of Light" which is 4000 years plus the current year. I.e. the year 2001 written Masonically would be 6001. This is because the practice has followed the ancient belief that the world was created when God said "Let there be Light", 4000 years before Christ.

The Masonic (Square and Compasses) ring is not an official item of Masonic Jewelry. General consensus seems to be that if a wearer wishes to advise others he is a Master Mason, then he should wear the ring with the Compasses points towards the fingertips. If the ring is worn to remind the wearer he is a Master Mason, then he should wear it with the Compasses points toward the wrist.

New Bern, the Colonial Capital of North Carolina is said to be the smallest city in the USA in which one can obtain ALL the degrees of Freemasonry, Entered Apprentice through the Scottish Rite, York Rite, and the Shrine.



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