



2025 FAREWELL TO LAFAYETTE: A BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF THE MARQUIS' VISIT TO MASONIC LODGE NO. 3 CLAIBORNE, ALABAMA



FIELD TRIP FOR LOCAL 4TH GRADERS

The Perdue Hill-Claiborne Foundation, Inc., in partnership with The American Friends of Lafayette, The Lafayette Trail Inc., Monroe County Museum, Monroe County Public Library, the Masons of the Alabama Lodge No. 3, Daughters of the American Revolution, and the Sons of the American Revolution, is excited to celebrate the **200th Anniversary of Marquis de Lafayette's visit to Claiborne, Alabama.**

As part of our bicentennial celebration programming, we are excited to host an event on **Friday, April 4, 2025**, dedicated to educating local school children about Marquis de Lafayette and his legacy.

Students will have the chance to step back in time and learn about this important historical figure. They will hear from a Marquis de Lafayette re-enactor which will provide students with a unique opportunity to engage with history and learn about the significant impact he had on Alabama, the local community of Monroe County and beyond. Students will tour two of our historical structures: the Masonic Lodge (1824, one of the only two surviving structures in Alabama which Marquis de Lafayette visited during his 1825 tour across America) and William Barrett Travis House (1820). The field trip will also include a fun, hands-on craft activity that ties into the theme of the day.

DATE: Friday, April 4th, 2025

TIME: 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

LOCATION: The Masonic Lodge, Perdue Hill, AL

This unique experience will help students learn about Marquis de Lafayette, honor our rich heritage in Monroe County understand the legacy of Lafayette, the Frenchman who helped America win independence from Great Britain.

Sincerely,

The Perdue Hill-Claiborne Foundation, Inc. Board of Trustees

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ABOUT THE FOUNDATION

The Perdue Hill-Claiborne Foundation, Inc., located in historic Monroe County, Alabama, was created in 1981 as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. The foundation's mission is to enhance, maintain, and preserve the historic buildings and sites in Perdue Hill and Claiborne, Alabama. The foundation maintains four historic structures including the Masonic Lodge (1824), William Barrett Travis House (1820), William S. Moore Store (1895), and Perdue Hill Union Church (1878).

The Masonic Lodge is the oldest building in Monroe County and one of the only two surviving structures in Alabama which Marquis de Lafayette visited during his 1825 tour across America.