

The TAMBULI BREAKING NEWS!

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ELECTION RESULTS

May 11, American Room. The much anticipated annual election of the Lodge was held at the American Room at the 19th Floor of the Grand Lodge.

In keeping with custom, the Past Masters met before the election with the potential nominees to learn more of their plans if elected and how they would execute them. The Past Masters present also assured the "potentialibles" of their availability to counsel and assist in whatever way they could.

The newly elected officers for the next Masonic year are: Worshipful Master- **Bro. Ignacio Abe**; Senior Warden- **Bro. Albert Inguito**; Junior Warden -**Cesar Tipawan**; Secretary -**WB Dave Ignacio Jr.**; Treasurer- **WB Arthur Aurellano**; Trustee - **Bro. Ed Lingad**.

LODGE FAMILY HIT BY DEATHS

Six families belonging to our Masonic family suffered losses by death these past 5 weeks.

The families who lost loved ones are: WB Mar Samson lost his brother, Mr. Labantino Samson; WB Luis Guillen lost his brother, Mr. Enrico Guillen; RW Carlito Gallardo lost his father-in-law, Mr. Pedrodello Veneracion (Sr. Angie's father); WB Dave Ignacio lost his mother-in-law, Ms. Luz Gatmaitn (Sr. Julie's mother); Bro. Jimmy Locsin's father, Mr. Victoriano Locsin; Bro. Emerito Salud's brother, Dr. Augusto Salud.

To the Samson, Guillen, Gallardo, Ignacio, Locsin and Salud families, we offer our heartfelt condolences and fraternal love and sympathies. We pray for you and your families and may the power of the GAOTU give you hope, peace and strength as you go through these days of pain and sorrow.

YOU'RE STILL OUR CHAMPION- Bro. Rodene Ivan Cortes

Apr. 30, 2012, Grand Lodge. In an exciting finish of the Annual Regional MAGLA competition, Bro. Rodene Cortes representing the Fourth Manhattan District fell short in bringing home the Championship. "The field was very tough, Kuya! They were really good. But I tried my best."

Bro. Rodene belongs to Class 2010 under the mastership of WB Arvin Repil. He is still single but apparently "spoken for". A physiotherapist, he is also a student in the doctoral program of Utica College. In fact, he is only a few days away from earning a Doctor in Physical Therapy along with his erstwhile classmate, Bro. Amerigo Abonatilla also of 2010 Masonic Class, our webmaster and IT guru. Both will have PT, DPT after their names.

You're still our champion, Bro. Rodene. We are very proud of you! Congratulations both of you!

DDGM RW ALDO R. SMITH HONORED

Following an historic Stated Meeting on May 11, 2012, the Brethren and guests converged in the Collation room to honor RW Aldo R. Smith, the immediate past DDGM of the 4th Manhattan District and his staff officers: RW Carlito Gallardo, VW Mon Cruz, AGL, VW Rolly Tupaz.

Since the elections took a toll in time spent, an anticipated program consisting of sing-along did not materialize. After a sumptuous dinner graciously served under the direction of JW Bro. Tom Benolerao and his wife, Sister Jeanne, a specially tailored barong Pilipino was presented to RW Aldo Smith as a token of Jose Rizal Lodge's appreciation. In response, he expressed his gratitude and recounted his association with JRL. "I truly enjoyed my time with you and I'll never forget it. I'll still be around, so call on me if you need me." He said.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS FOR 2012- 2013

*May the road rise up to meet you,
May the wind be always at your back,
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
May God hold you in the palm of his hand.*

- An Irish Blessing

EVENTS CALENDAR

May 19, 2 PM Conferral of 3rd Degree
June 8, 7 PM Stated Meeting
June 16, 2 PM PUBLIC INSTALLATION
June 22-24 St John's Weekend, Utica
June 29-30 Spiritual Retreat, St. Mary's
Villa, Sloatsburg, NY