



HONOLULU LODGE F. & A. M.

TRESTLEBOARD

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF HAWAII



FROM THE EAST

WBRO. DALE PALILEO - WORSHIPFUL MASTER

Happy New Year!

Welcome to the first edition of this year's Trestleboard. We hope you like the new look, and more importantly, we hope this publication brings you closer to your lodge no matter where you are. I've always believed that communication is the foundation of understanding, and understanding is the pillar of brotherhood. This is the reason why publications such as the Trestleboard and our website are important -- they provide mediums for the lodge to communicate with its members and consequently, enables it to maintain the bonds of brotherhood among its members.

You're now seeing what the Trestleboard looks like. In a few weeks, we'll be launching our newly-renovated website, complete with a forum to enable Honolulu Lodge brothers from around the world to jump in and say 'Hi' whenever they want to. If they can't come to lodge because they're in another state or country, we hope that providing a forum on our website, we will be able to bring the lodge to them wherever they may be.

We're also planning a few activities within the next two months. We're planning to have a military appreciation night on the last Tuesday of January, and we're also looking forward to having a sweethearts' night on February.

Aside from those, we've also arranged to have a free eye checkup service on the lodge parking lot. *(Continued on page two)*

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FROM THE WEST

BRO. GARRY GRAHAM - SENIOR WARDEN

Tradition:

In 1895 the root of what has become the Honolulu lodge were set in motion. Our lodge walls display the pictures of past masters as a thread connecting this distant past from Worshipful Cooper through to today's new master, Dale Palileo. While our lodge, as most, had times both ruff and rugged; masonry still prevails. But, some things have been lost along the way. Many of the stories, the reasons, and traditions special to the Honolulu Lodge have faded with time. While we may not know what was discussed by Worshipful cooper at Clinton B. Ripley's home on that illustrious day in April 1895, we can recover much of our recent past.

Just as our current Master continues the line and traditions from that auspicious start, so does each brother who ever attended the lodge. We would love to have you stop by and share these stories. We need to learn the reasons and we must safeguard and preserve our traditions.

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FROM THE SOUTH

BRO. DEXTER CARRASCO - JUNIOR WARDEN

First and foremost, I want to thank the brethren who assisted with our Installation dinner: bro. Justin; bro. Lopaka; bro. George; bro. Noah; bro. Oliver and others. The evening was outstanding.

To our newly appointed Stewards: bro. Wesley and bro. Paul who will be in-charge of our dinners and refreshments for the ensuing Masonic year. Thanks to Meghan Davis (bro. Wesley's wife) for contributing her time and cooking skills in preparing some of our desserts.

Worshipful Master Dale Palileo, Bro. Senior Warden Garry Graham and I this year planned of having more picnic/ potluck and get togethers which will be excellent for enriching our fraternal bond in masonry and also including our wives and family who sacrifice at least one night a week so great men like us can help others to be better men.

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FROM THE EAST

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Organized by WBro. Arnold Widder, the Retina Institute of Hawaii will pay a visit to the lodge and offer free eye checkups for the early detection of retinal diseases, diabetes, cataracts and glaucoma. I invite you to bring your friends and family to this free event. In addition to the free checkup, we'll also have dinner prepared for them as well.

Look for more information about these events on Page 8.

I also would like to touch upon what we've been up to over the past month. Your new corps of officers was installed on December 1st, 2007 by WBro. Frank Condello, who was also the outgoing master of the lodge. A copy of his speech is included in this issue.

We also had the the lodge's Christmas Party at my residence in Kaneohe. Pictures of these events are also available in this issue.

On other fronts, your lodge officers have been busy attending installation ceremonies of other sister lodges. We're proud to say that we've attended all installation ceremonies on Oahu so far, with plans to attend Ko'olau Lodge's installation ceremonies on January 16th. Our secretary, WBro. Monty Glover, has been busy attending installation ceremonies on the other islands. We're actively supporting our brothers, which is one of our mandates for this year. We are also requested by the Grand Lecturer to exemplify the Third Degree sometime in February -- something that will again put Honolulu Lodge in the limelight.

If all this is a sign of things to come, then expect your lodge to be a busy, vibrant and lively lodge this year. For those of you who haven't come to lodge in a while, I invite you to come by even just for a meal and a chat. We'd be glad to have you by.

Come see the stronger, better Honolulu Lodge.

Fraternally & Sincerely,

WBro. Dale Palileo

FROM THE WEST

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Past masters, past officers, and brothers of the columns, if it's been awhile since you have been to lodge, please come by and feel the energy. We straggle in around 6:00 p.m. and usually start dinner by 6:30. Yes, we still eat before heading up to the lodge room. But, more

important, we don't all head up to the lodge room. There is usually a sizable contingent that remains down stairs and "Talk Story", play billiards or help some of our newly initiated brothers learn their proficiencies.

If it has been years or decades since your degrees, this can be a great way to clear out some of the cobwebs and share your journey with us. We also have multiple degree teams that ebb and flow on different nights. If you know the work, ever wanted to know the work, and desire (or not) to help confer a degree; then come and practice with us. We know that not every brother desires to become the master. But we each know that indescribable feeling that comes after your part is delivered. Try it. I think you'll like it.

If transportation or night driving is difficult, call me 737-1221. I will ask the brothers and find one driving your way that can pick you up. We would love to see you, meet you and learn. It does not have to be every week, but may be every other, once a month or any of our special events or pot luck picnics. The more often we meet, the better we can know you and then true fraternity and masonry can grow and we too can learn many of the forgotten stories, reasons and traditions. We can't do it without you and hope to see you soon.

For all those who do regularly attend, we appreciate it very much. You help make the energy of your lodge so great. To you, we make the same offer; join in the work, help an initiate and tell us your stories. We need your input, and your help.

A hui ho,

Brother Garry Graham, SW

FROM THE SOUTH

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The year 2008 is approaching and once again brings the opportunity for any brother master mason maybe interested in seeking further enlightenment in masonry by becoming a Knights Templar and joining the Honolulu York Rite bodies. As the Honolulu York Rite Ambassador to our lodge, please see me for the petition form. The soul searching teachings of the York Rite expand the lessons of the first three degrees and make them more meaningful as you actually rediscover the Lost Masters Word. The Commandery also adds the perspective of the New Testament. The additional instruction you receive on the "Great Lights" helps guide our thoughts and actions toward becoming better husbands, fathers, citizens and better men. (www.yorkritehonolulu.com & www.yorkrite.org)

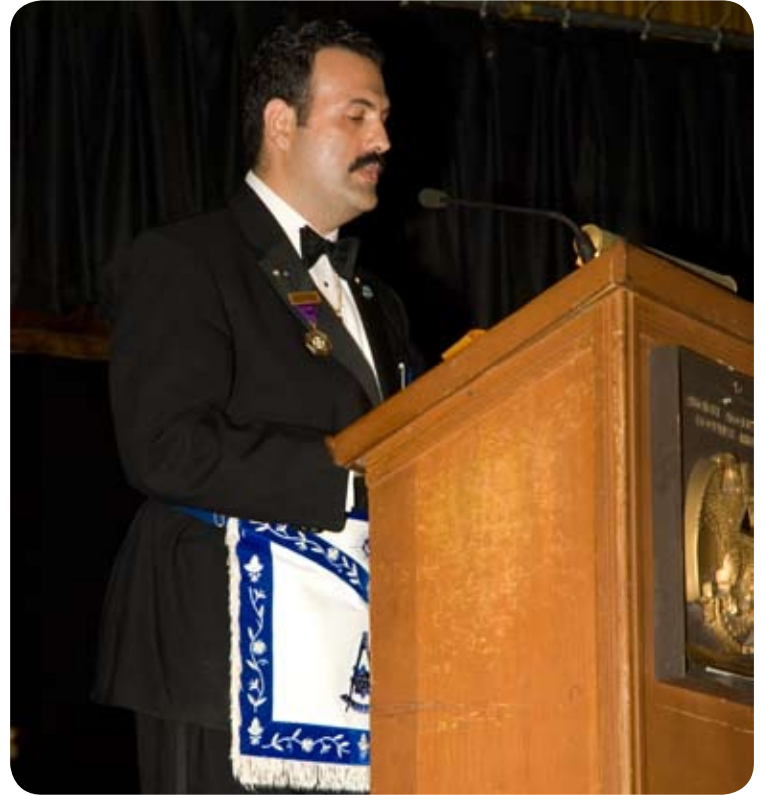
WBRO. FRANK CONDELLO'S OUTGOING SPEECH

NOTE: THIS SPEECH WAS GIVEN DURING HONOLULU LODGE'S INSTALLATION CEREMONIES ON DECEMBER 1ST, 2007 AT THE SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL. PICTURES OF THIS EVENT ARE AVAILABLE IN THIS ISSUE.

It has truly been an honor to serve Honolulu Lodge for a second time as Worshipful Master. As most of you know, I was previously Master in 2001. I never expected to be Master again, but when the lodge needed assistance at the last minute due to an unforeseen illness I was ready and willing to serve. I am glad I made that choice. In a way, it brought me closer to the younger Masons who were not even Masons when I was Master in 2001. It was wonderful to work with such dedicated and motivated brethren for the whole year. Whenever I asked for assistance I received it, with little hesitation. Remember that this is volunteer organization and brethren are already quite busy with their families, work, and other responsibilities. That is why it is so great to have had these brethren as my corps of officers for 2007.

Another amazing attribute of Honolulu Lodge is that there is virtually no dissent amongst the brethren. I have looked for it but I have not found it. We do not have back biting, or major arguments about what we do and I believe that we all respect and enjoy each others company. We also trust each other which goes a long way, especially since we are bringing in new men into Masonry each month and want them to be comfortable and enjoy and learn from the degree work that we perform.

On that note, I want to tell all of you how successful we have been this year. We have been a very busy lodge, dare I say the busiest in the jurisdiction of Hawaii. Honolulu Lodge has performed 65 Masonic degrees this year. Out of that, we have raised 24 brethren as Master Masons, which for the guests here tonight, is our highest degree that we confer in a lodge. That is a great number and I believe it is a record in recent years for any lodge. Don't get me wrong, we have not just been pumping out degree work for the sake of doing so, but I believe we have done excellent degree work and brought in men who are motivated and of good character. I am also very happy that I



WBro. Frank Condello delivers his speech during Honolulu Lodge's Installation Ceremonies.

was able to accomplish a special degree outside of the lodge in October. We had a special 3rd degree program at the Pacific Aviation Museum on Ford Island where we raised 6 brethren as Master Masons. It was an exciting evening and something different. Maybe that is why Honolulu Lodge is so successful. We are something different from the norm. I also want to thank Leeward Lodge for allowing us to use their lodge paraphernalia and pillars at the event. It made the event that much more successful.

As I leave the chair of Master likely for the last time, I want to thank my lovely wife Leah for supporting me all of these years that I have been a part of Masonry. It has been a sacrifice to be away from family for Masonic events and degree nights. Without the support of your family no Mason could accomplish much.

Again I thank all of you for coming this evening especially with the big UH game playing as we speak. Enjoy the evening and May the Great Architect of the Universe be with you all.

Frank M. Condello II
Past Master



INSTALLATION 2007

Below are photos taken during Honolulu Lodge's Installation of Officers held at the Scottish Rite Cathedral on December 1, 2007. Photos courtesy of Bro. Matthew Rowe and WBro. Dale Palileo.



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01: Ladies, families, brothers and guests during the Installation.

02: The elected officers marching into the installation room, led by MWWBro. Don Wilson, Master of Ceremonies.

03: WBro. Frank Condello III PM during his speech as outgoing master.

04: WBro. David N.E. Kaohelaulii PM being installed as Tyler of the lodge.

05: Bros. Wesley Davis and Paul Gao, being installed as Senior and Junior Stewards, respectively.

06: Bro. Oguz Goknur being installed as Marshal of the lodge.

07: Bros. Jimmy Coleman and George McClory, being installed as Senior and Junior Deacons respectively.

08: WBro. Monty Glover PM being installed as Secretary of the lodge.



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09: WBro. Frank Condello III PM being installed as Treasurer of the lodge.

10: Bro. Dexter Carrasco being installed as Junior Warden of the lodge.

11: Bro. Garry Graham being installed as Senior Warden of the lodge.

12: WBro. Dale Palileo being installed as Worshipful Master of the lodge.

13: WBro. Dale Palileo in the East for the first time.



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14: WBro. Frank Condello III PM being presented with a token of appreciation from the brethren of the lodge for his service as Master of the lodge in 2007.

15: WBro. Dale Palileo receiving a gift from MWBro. Raymond Wieckowicz PGM.

16: The installed officers of Honolulu Lodge for 2008.



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17 and 18: Brothers of Honolulu Lodge having a great time helping out in the kitchen.



Honolulu Lodge Christmas Party 2007



This year's Potluck Christmas Party was held at WBro. Dale Palileo's residence in Kaneohe, one week after the lodge's installation of officers. The occasion was well-attended, although some brothers could not make it due to prior engagements. Below are pictures of the event, courtesy of WBro. Dale Palileo and his lady, Sarah.



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01: Bros. Wesley Davis and Mike Dupree posing for the camera.

02: Bro. Paul Gao making himself feel at home.



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03: Bros. Garry Graham and Mark Stilt, with MWBro. Don Wilson enjoying the afternoon.

04: WBro. Kanani Baker with Bros. George McClory, Dexter Carrasco and Al Falk.

05 & 06: Brothers, sisters and friends enjoying each other's company over pupus.



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07: *Dinner time! Brothers, sisters and friends enjoying the meal.*



09: *The dessert table, with various delights brought by brothers and sisters.*

10: *Bro. Tito Medina sharing a moment with Bro. Wesley Davis' daughter.*



11: *Sis. Sarah with Bro. Dexter Carrasco, enjoying a drink prior to dinner.*

12: *Bro. Richard with his lovely wife, Bro. Matthew Rowe and Edward enjoying dinner.*



13: *Brothers enjoying each other's company after dinner. Clockwise from left: Bros. Mark Stilt, Dexter Carrasco, Noah-John de Guzman, George McClory and Al Falk.*

14: *Honolulu Lodge trustee Bro. Justin McNeal with his lovely wife.*



15: *Brothers "talking story." Left to right: Bro. George McClory, WBro. Monty Glover and Bro. Garry Graham*

16: *Bro. Garry Graham posing with Bro. Al Falk.*



MILITARY APPRECIATION NIGHT

TO SHOW OUR APPRECIATION AND SUPPORT FOR PROTECTING OUR FREEDOMS, HONOLULU LODGE WILL BE HOSTING A DINNER FOR OUR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY BROTHERS AND GUESTS.

COME AND BRING AN ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY PERSONNEL TO DINNER AT LODGE ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 29TH, 2008 AT 6:30 PM.

FREE CHECKUP

FOR DIABETES,
CATARACTS,
GLAUCOMA
AND OTHER RETINAL DISEASES

SPREAD THE WORD! Bring your relatives and friends to this free event on:

**Tuesday, February 19th, 2008 from
5:00pm to 8:00pm.**

Brought to you by the Retina Institute of Hawaii's Project Vision and hosted by Honolulu Lodge.

For more information about the Retina Institute of Hawaii, please visit <http://www.retinahawaii.com>.

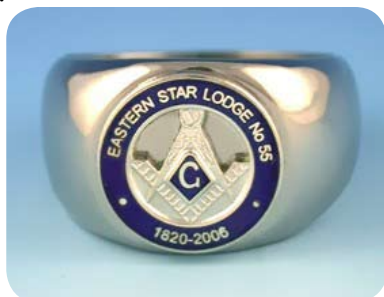
HONOLULU LODGE RINGS

Aloha Brethren,

I'm currently taking orders for Honolulu Lodge Rings at a cost of \$99.00 each. These are stainless steel rings made by a retired Brother Mason in Texas and as you can see they come out pretty sharp. Also, they will take 4-6 weeks to get here. I must have a minimum order of 10 to submit the order. Since they are stainless steel, no jeweler will resize the ring for you so you must get your exact ring size to me before you submit your order. Any jewelry place will have the tool used to size your finger, just ask. If you are interested, you can e-mail me at lwire48@aol.com or call me at 808-375-7493.

Fraternally,

Bro. Jimmy Coleman
Senior Deacon



Coming in February to Honolulu Lodge....

Sweethearts' Night 2008
A night to honor those who stand by us.

Dates and other information. available soon.