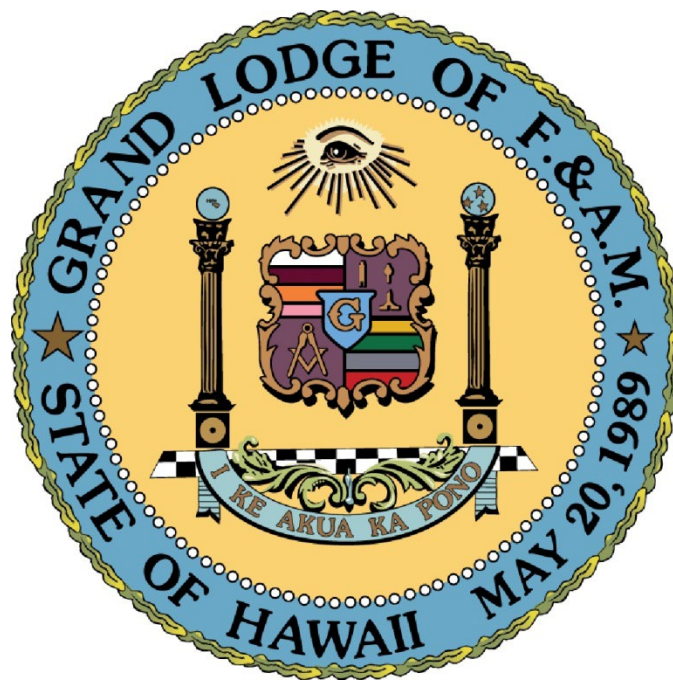


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The Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Hawaii held its Annual Communication on Friday April 20, and Saturday April 21, A.D 2012, A.L. 6012, at the Honolulu Scottish Rite Cathedral in the City of Honolulu, State of Hawaii.

**MAKIKI TEMPLE REDEDICATION  
Friday April 20, 2012 9:00 am**

The weekend's events began with a rededication of the Makiki Temple located at 1227 Makiki Street, Honolulu, Hawaii. Most Worshipful Monty and his Grand Lodge officers performed a Masonic building rededication while symbolically re-laying a corner stone that had a bronze plaque attached to it.

Representatives from all the new building owners were present: Hawaiian Lodge, Honolulu Lodge, Lodge le Progres de L'Oceanie, Pearl Harbor Lodge, Honolulu York Rite Bodies, and the Lei Aloha Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Following the rededication ceremony, a Hawaiian Blessing was performed with the following members of Pa Ku'i A Lua either performing or participating in the Ho'ola'a ritual:

Moses E. Kalauokalani - `Olohe Pilipa`a  
Edwina Noelani Mahoe - `Olohe Haka  
Nelson Kamilo Lara - `Olohe Lua  
Rodney Kahakauila Toledo - `Olohe Lua  
Jordan Ka`iola Farin - Haumana Mano  
Joshlynn Keahi - Haumana Mano  
Wendall Kalamaku Chong - Haumana Mano

**FORMAL GRAND LODGE OPENING**

At 1:45 pm, Illustrious William “Pete” Holsomback 33<sup>rd</sup> Degree Scottish Rite Mason and Personal Representative to the Illustrious Kenneth Berry 33<sup>rd</sup> Degree, Deputy Sovereign Grand Inspector General of Scottish Rite Masonry in Hawaii and Guam, called the craft to order and announced that the Grand Lodge Officers of the Grand Lodge of Hawaii Free and Accepted Masons were entering the room whereupon The Most Worshipful Monty J. Glover, Grand Master of Masons in Hawaii opened the Grand Lodge of Hawaii in ample form. The flag was presented by the National Sojourners. The Colors were then posted, and Brother John “JJ” Brown of the National Sojourners gave the Toast to the Flag.

After the Colors were posted, Most Worshipful Marty P. Alexander PGM, Grand Secretary, then called the roll of the Grand Lodge of Hawaii. The presence of the following Elected Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters was duly noted:

**Elected Officers**

- Most Worshipful Monty J. Glover..... Grand Master
  - Right Worshipful Antonio M. Ligaya.....Deputy Grand Master
  - Right Worshipful Frank M. Condello..... Senior Grand Warden
  - Right Worshipful Richard B. Huston – Not Present.....Junior Grand Warden
- NOTE: RW Huston was absent on the first day due to having surgery on his leg and MW Charles L. Wegener, PGM filled in for him at his position.
- Honorable Alberto Alarcon..... Grand Treasurer
  - Most Worshipful Marty P. Alexander, PGM ..... Grand Secretary
  - Most Worshipful Dennis S.A. Ing, PGM..... Grand Lecturer

**Past Grand Masters Present**

- Most Worshipful Frederick H. Overstreet .....1994
- Most Worshipful Donald W. Wilson .....2001
- Most Worshipful Lyle G. Phillips.....2002
- Most Worshipful A. Lee Skinner.....2003
- Most Worshipful Bruce H. Bonnell .....2006
- Most Worshipful Dennis S.A. Ing .....2008
- Most Worshipful Marty P. Alexander .....2009
- Most Worshipful Charles L. Wegener .....2010

Other Grand Lodge officers appointed for the year but not necessarily present for this Annual Communications were as follows:

### **Appointed Officers**

Very Reverend John B. Connell ..... Grand Chaplain  
Honorable Lopaka K. Kapanui ..... Grand Orator  
Worshipful Wilson S. Camagan ..... Grand Marshal  
Worshipful Vincent L. Gusman ..... Grand Standard Bearer  
Honorable Diamond M. Robinson ..... Grand Sword Bearer  
Worshipful Geronimo T. Mateo ..... Grand Bible Bearer  
Worshipful Dexter C. Carrasco..... Senior Grand Deacon  
Worshipful Stewart H. Enger ..... Junior Grand Deacon  
Worshipful Cyrus H. Wilson ..... Senior Grand Steward  
Worshipful Gilles Tisseraud ..... Junior Grand Steward  
Most Worshipful Raymond Wieckowicz, Jr. PGM .....Grand Historian  
Honorable Owen Shieh Grand Organist  
Honorable Gerhart Walch ..... Grand Pursuivant  
Honorable James R. Steinwandt .....Grand Tiler

### **Grand Lodge Inspectors**

Worshipful Manuel V. Aquino .....Hawaiian Lodge  
Worshipful Andrew L. Geiser ..... Honolulu Lodge  
Worshipful Donald W. Traller .....Kauai Lodge  
Worshipful J. Daniel Miller ..... Kilauea Lodge  
Worshipful Michael D. Janovsky .....Kona Lodge  
Worshipful James A. Sullivan ..... Ko’olau Lodge  
Worshipful Robert A. Schultz ..... Leeward Lodge  
Worshipful Orlando S. Ragudos ..... Lodge le Progres D’ le Oceanie  
Worshipful Stanley H. Takeuchi ..... Lodge Maui  
Worshipful Albert B. Alvarez ..... Pearl Harbor Lodge  
Worshipful Alexander A. Escasa ..... Schofield Lodge

**FRIDAY AFTERNOON BUSINESS SESSION**  
**APRIL 20<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

The Grand Secretary announced that the Committee on Credentials reported that at the close of registration, there were 6 Elective Grand Lodge officers present, 8 Past Grand Masters Present and 9 eligible lodge representatives present of the 11 Lodges chartered by this Grand Lodge. Therefore a quorum was present as required for the transaction of business.

The first order of business transacted by Most Worshipful Glover was to accept a motion from the floor to restore representation privileges to Kilauea Lodge and Leeward Lodge who had their privileges revoked for not paying the Grand Lodge per capita on time per HMC §2094. Most Worshipful Dennis Ing so moved and Right Worshipful Frank Condello seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The final Credentials Committee report also showed that 6 Elective Grand Lodge officers present, 8 Past Grand Masters Present and 10 eligible lodge representatives present of the 11 Lodges chartered by this Grand Lodge. Therefore a quorum still existed as required for the transaction.

The Grand Master then thanked all visiting dignitaries and visitors for joining with us for our Twenty Third Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge of Hawaii and then asked all of the Past Grand Masters from the Grand Lodge of Hawaii to retire so they could be properly received which were as follows:

Most Worshipful Frederick H. Overstreet .....1994  
Most Worshipful Donald W. Wilson .....2001  
Most Worshipful Lyle G. Phillips .....2002  
Most Worshipful A. Lee Skinner .....2003  
Most Worshipful Bruce H. Bonnell .....2006  
Most Worshipful Dennis S.A. Ing .....2008  
Most Worshipful Marty P. Alexander .....2009  
Most Worshipful Charles L. Wegener ..... 2010

After their introduction, the Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master proceeded West of the altar to greet them. Upon returning to the East, Most Worshipful Glover then recognized Most Worshipful Lyle Phillips who spoke on behalf of the past grand masters present.

The Grand Master then asked all visiting Grand Masters or their personal representatives and other visiting dignitaries to retire so they could be properly received which were as follows:

Most Worshipful Richard Martin, Grand Master of Oregon  
Most Worshipful Jerry Pinion, Grand Master of Alaska  
Most Worshipful Brook Cunningham, Grand Master of Arizona  
Most Worshipful William Bray II PGM, Personal Representative from California  
Right Worshipful Bruce Vesper SGW, Personal Representative from Washington  
Illustrious Sid Leluan, International President of High Twelve International  
Right Worshipful Terry Pruit JGW, Personal Representative Prince Hall Hawaii  
Illustrious William Holsomback, Personal Representative for Hawaii Scottish Rite  
Most Excellent Keith Isaacson, Grand High Priest for HI York Rite

After their introduction, the Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master proceeded West of the altar to greet them and presented them with kukui nut leis. Upon returning to the East, Most Worshipful Glover then recognized Most Worshipful Richard Martin, Grand Master of Oregon who spoke on behalf of the visiting dignitaries present. It was then noticed that one introduction was overlooked and Brother Mike Salazar, Grand Junior Counselor of DeMolay International was asked to rise and was then introduced and presented with a kukui nut lei as well.

The Grand Master then asked all sitting Hawaii Lodge Masters to retire so they could be properly received which were as follows:

Worshipful Raymund Liongson, Master Hawaiian Lodge  
Worshipful Gilles Tisseraud, Master Honolulu Lodge  
Worshipful Christopher Stowe, Master Kauai Lodge  
Worshipful Graham Knopp, Master Kilauea Lodge  
Worshipful J. Daniel Miller, Master Kona Lodge  
Worshipful Seth Connell, Master Ko'olau Lodge  
Worshipful Jerry Eiting, Master Lodge Maui  
Worshipful Andrew Geiser, Master Pearl Harbor Lodge  
Worshipful Darryl Lajola, Master Schofield Lodge

After their introduction, the Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master proceeded West of the altar to greet them. Upon returning to the East, Most Worshipful Glover then recognized Worshipful Andrew Geiser, Master of Pearl Harbor Lodge who spoke on behalf of the sitting masters present. After which, the Grand Master then recognized all Hiram and McKee Award recipients, and lodge Inspectors by asking them to stand and given a battery of 3 times 3.

## GRAND CHAPLAIN'S SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

After introductions were completed, the Grand Master called upon Very Reverend John B. Connell, our Grand Chaplain and Chairman of the Memorial Service Committee, to present the Service of Remembrance for our departed brethren, which is as follows:

*Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Hawaii, Honored Guests, and Brethren,*

*It is fitting and proper, that, as we open this Annual Meeting of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons in Hawaii, that we take a few moments to remember those of our brothers who cannot be with us today, because they have answered the summons of the Supreme Grand Master of Heaven and Earth, and have entered that Celestial Lodge above.*

*They have labored long and faithfully to erect their spiritual temples while here on earth, and have exhibited that wisdom, strength and beauty so essentially necessary to gain admission to that Heavenly Sanctuary. They have exhibited good work, true work, square work, and have proven themselves worthy to receive the wages of eternal peace and joy.*

*In every field of endeavor, members of our ancient craft have demonstrated their skills in the social and moral virtues. They have faithfully followed the designs in the great book of nature and revelation. They have lived in brotherly love, relief and truth, and practiced universal benevolence. And now they have ascended to that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens, and have been raised in that blissful Lodge which no time can close.*

*Our departed brethren will be deeply missed, but they will continue to live on in our hearts and minds, and every time we perform a good deed or a kind service to our fellow man.*

*Brethren, we must realize that we too are mortal. With every breath we take we too are moving closer to the time when we will have to answer that divine decree, and be called to travel to that heavenly lodge. The young may die, the old must die, and the wisest knows not how soon. So let us use our time and our faculties, to build industriously while our strength endures, and let us labor to complete our work before the week closes and the Sabbath of eternity sets in.*

*One of the greatest gifts we can leave for our families and loved ones is to leave complete designs on the Trestle Board showing how we wish to leave this world and enter the next. While you are still alive and in full control of your faculties, you should execute a Last Will & Testament, a specific written Advanced Health-Care Directive, perhaps even a Trust Agreement, etc. As a Priest, I have seen close, loving families torn apart at the death of a loved one, because they disagreed on "what daddy really wanted." For example, who do you trust to decide when to "pull the plug?" What about cremation? Who should get your Masonic Regalia or your favorite painting? How much do you want to bequeath to the Shriners Hospital, Knight Templar's Eye Foundation, or the Scottish Rite children's speech clinic? Etc. Make those decisions now, for*



*yourself, in writing, and save your loved ones from having to wrestle with these issues in the time of grief, guilt and sorrow.*

*And somewhere in your instructions, be sure to tell your survivors to contact the Master of your Lodge, or the Grand Chaplain, and say that you want a "Masonic Funeral." It is a beautiful, short, dignified, comforting, tribute, and is a witness before the world to something which has been an important part of your life, and to the genuine brotherly love and affection we hold in our hearts for our departed brethren. It can be done almost any place, either by itself, or in conjunction with a religious ceremony, and it shows that "Masons Care."*

*It is now my sad duty to read the names of those Brothers who have died since our last Annual Communication. If you are able, please stand.  
(in order of D.O.D.)*

<i>William H. Hallam</i>	<i>Harold B. Estes</i>	<i>Albert F. Falk</i>
<i>James K. Enos Sr.</i>	<i>Roy Merriman</i>	<i>Kwai F. Hee</i>
<i>Jimmie R. Muckridge</i>	<i>Franklin E. Dillard</i>	<i>Eugene Manley</i>
<i>William S. Au</i>	<i>Edmond B. Bennett</i>	<i>Paul H. Chung</i>
<i>Christopher B. Smith</i>	<i>Vincent Mozina</i>	<i>Arthur L. Ferris</i>
<i>Mark K. Oldag</i>	<i>William C. Mallion</i>	<i>Lyle A. Holmberg</i>
<i>Christian A. Pasis</i>		

*Let us Pray*

*Supreme Grand Master, Ruler of Heaven and Earth, who spoke us into existence, and who has knit us together in the bonds of brotherly love, relief and truth: we beseech thee to grant eternal peace to all of our brothers who have finished their earthly toils and have been raised in that celestial lodge above which has been open from the dawn of time and which will never close.*

*Comfort all who mourn, that we may have strength to meet the days ahead. Grant us comfort in the firm knowledge that our departed brethren are happy with you, where there is no more pain or sorrow or weeping or sighing, but only joy and peace.*

*Grant us who are continuing our travels on earth, in the midst of things we may not understand, to trust in your unfathomable wisdom, unconquerable strength, and incomparable beauty. Please grant us the perception to see that the designs on your divine trestle board will be faithfully executed to your honor and glory, so that all may dwell forever in the Light of your Love. AMEN.*

After the report was given, it was regularly moved and seconded that the Grand Chaplain's Service of Remembrance report be accepted and become a part of these proceedings. Motion was carried.

## GRAND TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT

Next, the Grand Master called upon Honorable Albert Alarcon , our Grand Treasurer for his Annual report. The final financial reports are included in these Proceedings.

### Grand Master's Budget May 1, 2011 to April 30, 2012

	BUDGET	APRIL 2012	YEAR TO DATE
<b>INCOME</b>			
Affiliations (Instate)	\$ 100.00	\$0.00	\$ 460.00
Affiliation (Outstate)	175.00		
Degrees (Applications)	1,750.00		
Degrees @\$1.00 per degree)	110.00		344.00
Dispensations (\$25.00 per degree)	175.00		250.00
Fast Class	1,500.00		5,650.00
George Washington Foundation	100.00		545.00
Grand Lodge	1,200.00		2,180.00
Per Capita Tax (\$25.00 per member)	43,550.00		44,950.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 48,660.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>54,379.00</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Annual Communication	\$ 3,000.00	157.06	354.55
Application Support	500.00		
Committee Information for Recognition	50.00		15.00
Computer Supplies	500.00		
Conference of Grand Masters Dues	250.00		
Conference of Grand Secretary's Dues	100.00		
Conference of Grand Masters Registration	200.00		300.00
Fast Class	500.00		1,366.46
George Washington Foundation	100.00		
Grandmaster's Pins	800.00		1,235.90
Masonic Education	1,000.00		
Masonic Services Association Dues	300.00		300.00
Name Badges	400.00		435.87
Office Supplies	1,000.00		2,004.59
Refreshment (EC Meeting)	250.00	83.47	83.47
Past Grand Master's Apron & Jewel (Pillars)	1,000.00	265.00	1,615.00
Photography & Printing	1,000.00		695.27
Rent	10,166.40	848.17	10,178.04
Secretary's Honorarium (\$600.00 per Month)	7,200.00	600.00	7,200.00
Secretary's Workshop	1,500.00		192.40
Tax Preparation Fee	500.00		500.00
Telephone	2,200.00		2,139.66
Travel (Greater of \$12,000.00 or 23.4% of Revenue)	12,000.00	232.60	15,095.68
Treasurer's Expenses	600.00	50.00	600.00
Website	100.00		
Youth Groups	800.00		400.00
Miscellaneous Expenses"	1,000.00	303.48	843.75
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 47,016.40</b>	<b>\$ 2,539.78</b>	<b>\$ 45,555.64</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 1,643.60</b>	<b>\$ (2,539.78)</b>	<b>\$ 8,823.36</b>

## Grand Lodge Financial Statement May 1, 2011 to April 30, 2012

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT For the Month of April 2012

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS AS OF 4/20/2012		
CASH IN BANK		60,355.59
BANK OF HAWAII #6801-622404 (Savings)		56,320.09
FIRST HAWAIIAN BANK (Building Fund)		23,503.79
FIRST HAWAIIAN BANK (Wealth Management)		289,291.73
<b>TOTAL LIQUID ASSETS</b>		<b>\$ 429,471.20</b>



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Hon. Alberto P. Alarcon  
Grand Lodge Treasurer

## Masonic Charities Financial Statement

GRAND LODGE OF HAWAII, F. & A.M.  
MASONIC CHARITIES OF HAWAII  
535 Ward Avenue #212  
Honolulu, HI 96814-3312

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT (As of April 30, 2012)

	Current Month	Year-to-Date
<b>BEGINNING BANK BALANCE (September 1, 2009)</b>		<b>\$ 8,570.31</b>
<b>INCOME:</b>		
Decal Fundraiser Net Revenue		1,789.97
Donations		598.60
Masonic Memorial Donation		1,054.67
Transfer from General Account (Bank of Hawaii)		2,240.00
Grand Lodge Polo Shirts/Caps		1,951.23
Bank Interest	0.17	0.45
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>7,634.92</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>		
Child I.D. Equipment		\$ 7,081.00
Child I.D. Printing Expenses		1,300.74
Child I.D. Expense (Oliver Morgan)		463.37
American Savings Bank Charge (blank checks)		15.00
Grand Lodge Polo Shirts		2,669.52
Printer		100.00
Tax Preparation Fee (Form 990)		350.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 11,979.63</b>
<b>ENDING BANK BALANCE (April 30, 2012)</b>		<b>\$ 4,225.60</b>

After the report was given, it was regularly moved and seconded that the Grand Treasurer's report be accepted and become a part of these proceedings. Motion was carried.

## GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Grand Master next called upon Most Worshipful Marty P. Alexander, PGM to deliver the Grand Secretary's annual report.

*Most Worshipful Sir and Brothers all,*

*While it is difficult to put in to a few words what this year has been like in our jurisdiction, what I can say it has been anything but boring.*

*Let's start off by talking numbers,...*

*For the period covering January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 we started off the year with 11 chartered lodges and we ended with 11 chartered lodges. There were no new lodge's chartered lodge and none were dissolved or merged.*

*We started the year with 1,743 and ended the year with 1,802 members. We had..*

*120 Newly Raised Master Masons  
26 New Affiliates  
7 Members were reinstated or restored*

*For a total of 153 new members. We did however have*

*52 Suspensions  
18 Dimits and  
24 Brothers who joined the Celestial Lodge Above*

*For a total of 94 who left our craft for one reason or another. This left us with an overall gain of 59 memberships. My Brothers, yes we are a small jurisdiction, but we have heart. I have search far and wide and I cannot find any statistic anywhere that shows any other US jurisdiction reporting a gain in membership for the last 4 years in a row. This is thanks to you, your leadership and your heart.*

*Now a little about recognition requests:*

*We had a total of 3 recognition requests this past year. The Grand Lodge of Tahiti, The Grand Lodge of Bulgaria and the Grand Lodge of Mauritius have requested Masonic recognition from the Grand Lodge of Hawaii.*

*The findings and recommendations of the Foreign Recognitions committee are as follows:*

*But before I report on them, please allow me a moment to read to you section §100d of our Hawaii Masonic Code.*

*Any grand body seeking recognition as a Sovereign Grand Lodge (in English speaking countries):*

- 1. Must be regularly formed by subordinate Lodges which trace their origin to regular and legitimate Ancient Craft Masonry;*
- 2. Must hold undisputed sway as the acknowledged supreme power in Ancient Craft Masonry in the territory in which it claims jurisdiction, must not render allegiance or obedience, in any sense whatsoever, to any other Masonic power or Supreme Council, must recognize the exclusive jurisdiction of all other Grand Lodges in their respective territories, and must not presume to project its authority or sovereignty into the territory of any other Grand Lodge;*
- 3. Must continue its authority and the exercise thereof to the three degrees of the Craft or Symbolic Masonry; and*
- 4. Must recognize and support the Ancient Landmarks which include, particularly, the Three Great Lights and belief in God and the immortality of the Soul.*

*Now for the report on the recognition requests, ....*

*Grand Lodge of Tahiti – Recognition is not possible at this time as the Grand Lodge of Nationale of France (GLNF) states they are the origin for the 3 lodges that wish to form the Grand Lodge of Tahiti and have not given up jurisdiction over these lodges. The GLNF further states that they do not authorize or support the formation of this new Grand Lodge as they still claim rights to that area and no treaty has been reached for the cohabitation of 2 Masonic jurisdictions.*

*Grand Lodge of Bulgaria – There are currently 2 operating Grand Lodges functioning in the country of Bulgaria. The United Grand Lodge of Bulgaria and the Grand Lodge of Bulgaria. The first, The United Grand Lodge of Bulgaria is currently the only Grand Lodge entity in that country recognized by mainstream Masonry. The Grand Lodge of Bulgaria was seeking to co-exist and even merge with the United Grand Lodge of Bulgaria. As there is no treaty between the 2 Grand Lodges to co-exist and as the United Grand Lodge of Bulgaria has not desire or intent to do so and as we already recognize the United Grand Lodge of Bulgaria, the Grand Lodge of Bulgaria's request cannot be considered at this time.*

*Grand Lodge of Mauritius – This request originally came our way in October 2006 but no reply had been sent them. We have since received another recognition request from them.*

*Here are the facts:*

- 1. The Grand Lodge of Mauritius was constituted on December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2004 and was consecrated by their Mother Grand Lodge of the Grand Lodge Nationale of France on March 12, 2005 which is a recognized Masonic jurisdiction and they currently have 16 operating lodges to this date.*
- 2. Other Grand Lodges including the United Grand Lodge of England and many other United States Grand Lodges have already established recognition with them.*
- 3. We find they do meet the established guidelines for recognition established by our jurisdiction and are able to be considered for recognition.*

*Now, a bit on our Grand Lodge Representatives Program. The Grand Lodge Representatives program can be a confusing program due to the way that the titles have been dubbed and it is debatable as to its usefulness and effectiveness. Even some jurisdictions are moving away from it as they do not see a value in it. If we don't put some effort into updating the way it works or is utilized to meet today's Masonic needs and ways of communications, it could go by way of the dinosaur. But, those are topics for another day, but here are the numbers.*

*We currently have 35 brothers from this jurisdiction appointed as representatives to other jurisdictions and 36 from other jurisdictions appointed as our representatives.*

*Next is a report on our ROLLS (RECORDS ON LINE FOR LODGE SECRETARIES) membership system.*

*ROLLS has seen several updates and tweaks this year. Most won't mean a thing to anyone but a lodge secretary but hopefully the membership will see the benefit through increased lodge secretary efficiency and reporting.*

*Some of the highpoints are.*

*Candidates reporting is more accurate and with more information;  
A Grand Lodge representatives list now available to Lodge Secretaries;  
There are more reports like, Hiram and McKee Awardees, Dues in arrears ;  
Addition of a Masonic Bodies contact list;  
There are more tools, forms and resources available in the Info Center and  
there is more to come in the future.*

*We had 2 Secretary/ROLLS Workshops last year. One on May 21<sup>st</sup> and the other on September 24<sup>th</sup>. All Secretaries from the state were invited to attend but we did not have 100% participation. This next year we are going to mix it up a little by taking the workshops to the neighbor islands as well. The intent is not only to get more secretaries involved but also to reach more people. By doing it this way, it is hoped to not only get more secretaries involved, but also the Master, Sr.*

*Wardens, Jr. Wardens and any lodge member who would like to learn more about the secretary's position and ROLLS.*

*Hopefully a by-product of having these type of workshops is also to help better prepare those looking to become a lodge secretary one day as well as help those progressing through the chairs of their lodge learn a bit more of what goes on administratively in a lodge. This is something that is apparent that has been overlooked lately. I hope that we can work together to make this jurisdiction as administratively successful as it is ritually.*

*Most Worshipful Sir, this concludes the Grand Secretaries report for this year.*

After the report was given, it was regularly moved and seconded that the Grand Secretary's report be accepted and become a part of these proceedings. Motion was carried.

*Most Worshipful Sir, before I leave the lectern, I would like to move that this jurisdiction extend Masonic recognition to the Grand Lodge of Mauritius but not to the Grand Lodge of Tahiti or the Grand Lodge of Bulgaria for the previous reasons stated .in the Grand Secretary's report.*

After the report was given, it was regularly moved and seconded that the Grand Secretary's annual report be accepted and become a part of these proceedings. Motion was carried.

## **GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS**

Most Worshipful Monty J. Glover then vacated the Grand East so that he could deliver his State of the Craft Address with Right Worshipful Antonio M. Ligaya occupying his seat.

*Most Worshipfuls, Right Worshipfuls, Very Reverends, Worshipfuls, Honorable Sirs, Brethren all,*

*I would like to again welcome you to the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Hawaii. For our visiting Brothers I hope you have had an enjoyable time since arriving in our islands and that if there is anything we can do to make your time with us more memorable to please let us know.*

*This year has been one filled with many challenges and also with some tough decisions being made for the betterment of the Craft. Not all the news is dire and ominous but even the good news comes with a bit of caution.*

*As you have heard in the Grand Secretaries report we ended 2011 with a total gain in membership of 59 Brothers. This is great news and it's in no small part due to the success of the Grand Master's one-day class where we raised more than 70 new Master Masons. However we also had losses of 94 Brethren with 70 of those because of suspension for non-payment of dues or demits. This is sad to see. I often wonder why we see so many suspensions (146 over the last 4 years). Is it because of the economy or are we bringing in people that are not having their expectations met in our craft? Are we making Masons that when they become full members that they just don't find it to be their cup of tea? I don't have the answers but I do believe that it is something we need to start addressing. We cannot expect to continue to grow when we are having such great losses. Each Lodge should have an outreach program in their Lodge to contact suspended or about to be suspended Brothers and try and get them active again. We should also pay close attention to those knocking at our door that they truly understand what our Craft is and is not.*

*During my term as Grand Master I have attended 10 of our Lodges Installation of officers and I have also attended the Annual Communications of Oregon, Washington and California. I was also honored to represent our jurisdiction at the Bi-Annual communication of the Supreme Council 33<sup>rd</sup> Degree of the Southern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite of America. And this past February I, along with the three Grand Pillars and Grand Secretary, had the pleasure of attending the Conference of Grand Masters of North America and the Western Conference.*

*I'm proud to say we came in under budget for the year however I was over budget in my travel. This is mostly due to the higher cost of travel and lodging. It is my opinion we will need to seriously consider increasing the limits for Grand Master's travel in the coming years if high travel costs continue.*

*There are several things that have been plaguing our beloved Craft for a long time and we have been more prone to look the other way, ignore its existence or just actively let it happen. The three major groups that I am speaking about are Apathy, Un-Masonic Behavior and non-compliance of Lodge Management.*

*Apathy has been a long-standing problem within Masonry in Hawaii at least since I have been a member. The success or failure of any given project or even a Lodge is often upon the drive and determination of two or three individuals while everyone else sits back and enjoys the fruits of their labors. Yet there never seems to be a lack of people to step up and criticize or accuse a hard working member of a Lodge of "Grabbing the Gavel" or some other equally poor comment. My Brothers the saying many hands make light work is true and if applied to our craft we would see, I think, happier membership and greater turn out at our meetings and events. We have all committed ourselves to work in the quarries of the Lodge regardless of rank or station. So please roll up your sleeves and give a smile to your Brother beside you who will toil alongside you in the work.*



*Another aspect of the Apathy I often see is very poor responses to requests from the Grand Lodge or Lodge Masters. Requests such as who will be attending a function, getting registration forms in, registering for dinners, signing up for service projects and most important providing required reports. Brothers you have to understand the great many problems you create for the hard working members who are trying to get things done for your benefit when you reply late or not at all. Please show some courtesy to your Brothers and be timelier in your replies.*

*Non-Compliance of Lodges in following the Hawaii Masonic code is becoming a real problem. This year at the opening of our session we had two Lodges that did not have a right to vote until it was restored by the voting members of our Grand Lodge. Their rights to vote were suspended purely because they didn't file reports by the required deadline. Both Lodges had many reasons why they could not have them in on time and wanted me to restore their votes. The issue to me however was that it would not be fair to the Lodges who worked hard to get their reports in on time if I was to just ignore the violations and act as if nothing happened. No lesson would be taught and the rule that is in the code is useless if it will not be enforced. I'm glad the Brothers restored the voting rights to these fellow Brothers however it's important to note that when you put your Lodge in a position where their votes are withheld you are at the whim of the whole Grand Lodge and I believe that if it continues to happen the Brothers will be less understanding and less likely to be willing to restore their voting privileges.*

*The problem with un-Masonic behavior has continued to be a big problem within our craft. There are members out there that spend a great amount of effort spreading lies and trying to destroy other Brother's Masonic lives. This sort of behavior is like a cancer in our craft and we must remove it from our organization or it will continue to grow. There are individuals out there actively trying to recruit membership away from a lodge because they dislike an individual in that Lodge. This sort of juvenile behavior should not be tolerated. We have had Brothers accuse other Brothers of being thieves and having stolen vast sums of money without any proof exposing us to risk from lawsuits. I understand no one wants to go through the pain of a Masonic trial but if we do not step up and start putting our feet down and crushing this behavior we will do permanent damage to our Craft and will lose good Brothers and be left with only the dregs.*

*During my term as Grand Master I have made 20 Grand Master's decisions or edicts. Most of these dealt with issues of dispensations for meeting times and locations and parades and such. Four decisions however bear more discussion however. Two dealt with the removal of a Lodge Master and placing a new Master of the Lodge of my choosing. This effectively put that Lodge under Grand Lodge management. At the time for Lodge election of officers upon consultation with the Grand Master appointed Master it was determined that the Lodge was*

*not yet ready for self-governance which lead to the second of the two decisions to not allow an election maintaining Grand Lodge control. This situation is still in effect and it is my understanding will continue under the next Grand Master. My sincere hope is that this Lodge is able to resolve its internal issues and emerge a stronger well managed Lodge.*

*The last two decisions were ones that I was happy to grant because they were in alignment with what I had wanted to accomplish during my term as Grand Master but had little time because of the above mentioned distractions. Those decisions were granting the Allied Masonic Degrees and the Rosicrucian's permission to establish organizations within the Hawaii Jurisdiction. These two organizations have been well established in many jurisdictions in the mainland and in the case of the AMD are established in 5 of the 6 jurisdictions of the Western Conference with Hawaii being the only one not having a chapter. Both of these organizations are focused on bringing more Masonic light to the members that participate but they accomplish them in different ways. AMD is an organization that is light on ritual and more focused on fraternalism and focused research among Brothers with similar interests in the craft. The Rosicrucian's are more focused on the more esoteric aspects of Masonry.*

*There are a few Brothers in our Jurisdiction that feel that the addition of these organizations will detract or take away membership in Scottish Rite, York Rite, the Shrine, and even the Blue Lodges. These fears have no basis in fact however. A perfect example of an organization that was chartered in Hawaii after we became our own Jurisdiction was the York Rite Sovereign College. This organization was charter in 1993 and has had Past Grand Masters as well as many other Masons of distinction as its members. The current Governor of the College is also the Wise Master of Honolulu Scottish Rite. The overwhelming majority of its current active members are also members of all the other Masonic organizations in Hawaii and most are very active in them all.*

*Another argument for not allowing these two groups to form is that they are invitation only. One Grand Master several years ago even said they we too exclusionary. Again this isn't the case at all. There are several invitation only bodies already established in Hawaii such as the Red Cross, Knight York Cross of Honor, York Rite College and the Royal Order of Jesters. AMD requires its members to be both Master Masons and Royal Arch Masons as a condition of membership. The Rosicrucian's require only that one be a Master Mason and Christian. In both cases the issue of invitation is to insure those who become members are compatible with the mission and focus of the organization. I liken it to a College setting where a group of students forms a study group to study math. You would not want to include a student that wanted to study biology in the study group because it would be a distraction to the other members and the biology student would not have their study goals met. The same is true with these groups especially AMD. The chapters are limited to no more than 27 members but there are no restrictions on the number of chapters that can be established. So one*

*group may be focused on the research of one Masonic topic while another will focus on something completely different. The end result is focused research, attainment of Masonic knowledge that can be shared among the rest of the craft and more engaged Masons.*

*For the last several years there have been presentations at the Conference of Grand Master surrounding the younger Masons joining our Craft and their desire to study the more esoteric aspects of Masonry. Many Jurisdictions are establishing new Masonic Organizations like AMD and also forming TO and Esoteric Lodges. Hawaii has continued to fall behind the rest of the Masonic world by taking an isolationist attitude toward anything new. I strongly believe that our Brothers crave something new to spark their Masonic interests and that in so doing they will continue to grow in Masonry and become valuable assets to the Jurisdiction if they do not prosper they will die off with no ill effects upon the Jurisdiction. These organizations have committed themselves to the support of all Masonic organizations in Hawaii and have committed to not create scheduling conflicts with any other established bodies. Each will meet quarterly and in the case of AMD they have been operating, without any negative effects on any other body of Masonry for the entire year.*

*I am also very pleased to announce that the Chapter of International High Twelve that had been established here several years ago and resulted in the formation of Kona Lodge has been re-chartered today by the Internal President Sid Leluan. Thank you, sir for bringing back a part of Hawaii's Masonic History.*

*I have also done some upgrades to the Grand Lodge. These you have no doubt noticed as the new collars our Grand Lodge officers are wearing. These custom made collars have the seal of the Grand Lodge of Hawaii proudly displayed upon them in full color and provide a uniformed look for all officers. We have also purchased custom made apron and jewel cases for all officers and Grand Lodge inspectors. This will allow those Grand Lodge officers that choose to take their Officer Aprons with them to protect them. Our aprons and collars will no longer be stuffed into Rubbermaid containers sitting at the Grand Lodge office and often forgotten for visitations and events. These cases also replace the aged and poorly functioning elected Grand Officer cases. Lastly we have also recycled the old traveling collars of the elected line for use by our Grand Lodge Inspectors who are now given a proper emblem of their office of a Past Master's Jewel and will be proudly worn by all those who volunteer to Labor and represent the Grand Master and Grand Lecturer in our Lodges. We have also established a sign-out log for the aprons and jewels to insure accountability.*

*In closing I would like to thank everyone for the support you have given me throughout the year and while I am sad to be leaving the Grand East, I am heartened by those who follow me in the chairs. We have continued to work closely as a team sharing the work that is a labor of love we have all chosen to undertake. I look forward to serving the next Grand Master as a member of the*

*executive committee and as Junior Past Grand Master. I would like to express my deep appreciation to Most Worshipful Marty Alexander for the hard work and dedication he has exhibited this year. He stepped up as Grand Secretary under trying times and has done an outstanding job. I think of him as a Radar O'Reilly from MASH. He seems to know what I need before I do. Thank you Most Worshipful for your hard work, tireless dedication to our Craft and for being a good friend and Brother.*

*And with that I would move that my Grand Master's report be accepted.  
Monty J. Glover., Grand Master (2011-2012)*

After his address was given, it was regularly moved and seconded that his State of the Craft Address be accepted and become a part of these proceedings. Motion was carried.

As the meeting was ahead of schedule afternoon, Most Worshipful Glover proceeded to give a few presentations. He called upon Brother Michael Sienkiewicz, Honorable Albert Alarcon, and Worshipful Dexter Carrasco to meet him west of the altar where they were presented with the William K. McKee Jr. Award for their outstanding service to Freemasonry in our jurisdiction.

Then he called upon the Grand Lodge of Hawaii Past Masters for 2011 to present them with their Past Master Certificates as well Past Masters from 2010 as this was not done at last year's Annual Communications.

They are as follows:

The Worshipful Masters from 2011 were .....

Worshipful Bernard C. Baldueza, Hawaiian Lodge  
Worshipful Dexter C. Carrasco, Honolulu Lodge  
Worshipful David W. Mason, Kauai Lodge  
Worshipful Sam M. Hansford, Kilauea Lodge  
Worshipful J. Daniel Miller, Kona Lodge  
Worshipful Dustin T. Verity, Ko'olau Lodge  
Worshipful Geronimo T. Mateo, Leeward Lodge  
Worshipful Stewart H. Enger, Lodge Maui  
Worshipful James R. Davis, Pearl Harbor Lodge  
Worshipful Keith N. Isaacson, Schofield Lodge

And the Worshipful Masters from 2010 were...

Worshipful Ricarte M. Taylan, Hawaiian Lodge  
Worshipful James R. Coleman, Honolulu Lodge  
Worshipful David W. Mason, Kauai Lodge  
Worshipful Sam M. Hansford, Kilauea Lodge  
Worshipful Michael P. Baker, Kona Lodge  
Worshipful Keaka K. Hashimoto, Ko'olau Lodge  
Worshipful Albert B. Alvarez, Leeward Lodge  
Worshipful Andrew L. Geiser, Lodge Le Progres  
Worshipful Stewart H. Enger, Lodge Maui  
Worshipful Arnold L. Winters, Pearl Harbor Lodge  
Worshipful Richard C. Gallano, Schofield Lodge

Those not present will have their certificates mailed to them.

After these presentations were made the Grand Master then called the Grand Lodge of Hawaii from Labor to refreshment to be called on again at the sound of the gavel in the East at 8 am sharp Saturday morning.

## **SATURDAY MORNING BUSINESS SESSION – APRIL 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012**

Most Excellent Keith Isaacson, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter for York Rite Masonry in Hawaii called the craft to order and announced that the Grand Lodge Officers of the Grand Lodge of Hawaii Free and Accept Masons were entering the room whereupon The Most Worshipful Monty J. Glover, Grand Master of Masons in Hawaii called the Grand Lodge of Hawaii from refreshment and resumed labor at 8:10 am. For the first order of business, The Grand Master called upon Honorable Robert Lopaka Kapanui to give his Grand Oration.

### **GRAND ORATION**

*Brethren and guests:*

*When we first petition to become a Freemason, one of the things we are told at our interview is that Freemasons take good men and make them better. Of course, we can't take a bad man and make him a good man but we can take a good man and make him better. Just as the good man must come of his own free will and accord under a tongue of good report and come well recommended, so must the good man WANT of his own free will accord to become better. How does that happen? Is there some magical transformation that takes place while the good man is hoodwinked with a cable tow tied around different parts of his body as he*

*goes through the degrees? Are his basic life tendencies now suddenly changed for the better? Has the light of Freemasonry suddenly dispelled the inherent dark nature that is within this good man and now made him better?*

*Everyone one of us begins our journey in this craft with the intent of becoming a better man. Because in our minds, we begin to imagine the way in which our more experienced brothers in Freemasonry are going to help us do this. It's quite simple. When you become a better man, you don't become better than everyone else.*

*You become wiser, compassionate, and selfless. Your concern is for the greater good of the many and not the satisfaction of just one person. You begin to think farther ahead into the future of your lodge. You begin to foster the younger members of your lodge, (and by younger I mean those brothers who are youthful in age and youthful in spirit) and prepare them to take your place and unselfishly make them better than you ever were. Because that it is what a true leader and mentor hopes for. His own glory is his least concern because, that example will live in the brothers he helps foster. That is how the good become better.*

*The good man sees one who is starving and feeds him.. The better or wiser man not only feeds the one who is starving but also teaches him to become prosperous and feed himself.*

*The good man listens to a Merchant who tells him that a Genie granted him one wish. The good man then encourages the merchant to wish to become rich beyond his wildest dreams. The merchant states his wish and it is granted. Now, whenever the man cries, his tears turn to pearls. The good man tells the merchant, that he should find many different reasons to cry, thus turning his tears to pearls and making him rich. But finally, the merchant on his own kills his wife, and his unending grief and endless tears yields a mountain of pearls that make him richer than he could ever imagine.*

*The better or wiser man meets the same merchant who is granted one wish by the Genie where his tears will turn to pearls and does only one thing to help the merchant realize his dreams.*

*He makes him smell an onion.*

*The better man is not superior to his peers. He is an equal among them.*

*The better man is aware of his short comings and works to better himself first and then proceed forward,*

*The good man is aware of his short comings and proceeds forward anyway, all the while hoping that everything will work itself out.*

*The better man is sometimes nameless and may never be recognized. But in the end, his wealth is represented by the countless number of people who attend his funeral.*

*In my humble opinion, this is how we take the good man and make him better. We raise him to be more than he ever was, but we help him become less of the former man that he used to be, and make him the man that he had been all along.*

*A Freemason.*

*We give him the working tools to help him chip away the transient granite of his rough ashlar, and over time, assist him in revealing his true nature as he becomes a perfect ashlar so to say. You're looking around the room right now brothers and thinking to yourself,*

*"Who the heck is he talking about?"*

*I'm talking about you. All of you. I'm talking about me.*

*The better men in our craft are the wiser men. The compassionate men. The men filled with mercy. The humble men who think of themselves last.*

*The Dexter Lums, the Warren Stremings, The John Dominis'...you're all here now. Better men. Many of us are better men but we don't even know it. The only to know this is to pay close attention to those who are still here to mentor us. Listen closely to our lectures in blue lodge because these are not just words we need to memorize, these words are our working tools that give us a lifetime of wisdom to chip away at the stone and make us all one more perfect ashlar to add to that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.*

*Mahalo*

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Grand Orator's report be accepted and become a part of these proceedings. Motion was carried.

## DEPUTY GRAND MASTER PRESENTS 2012 BUDGET

The Grand Master then called upon Right Worshipful Antonio Ligaya to present the 2012

Grand Lodge Budget

**GRAND MASTER'S BUDGET:  
May 1, 2012 to April 30, 2013**

Particulars		Budget	Totals
<b>INCOME</b>			
Affiliations		\$ 460.00	
Degrees (\$1.00 per Degree)		\$ 350.00	
Dispensations (\$25.00 per Dispensation)		\$ 250.00	
George Washington Memorial Foundation		\$ 550.00	
Grand Lodge		\$ 2,200.00	
Hawaii Masonic Charities		\$ 1,640.00	
Per Capita Tax (\$25.00 per member)		\$ 45,000.00	<b>\$ 50,450.00</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Annual Communications		\$ 3,000.00	
Application Support		\$ 500.00	
Conferences			
- Conference of Grand Masters Registration	\$ 300.00		
- Conference of Grand Masters Dues	\$ 250.00		
- Conference of Grand Secretaries Dues	\$ 100.00	\$ 650.00	
George Washington Memorial Foundation		\$ 2,190.00	
Grand Master's Pins / Emblematics			
- Pins	\$ 800.00		
- Plaques/Mementos, Others	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,300.00	
Masonic Education		\$ 1,000.00	
Masonic Services Association		\$ 300.00	
Name Badges		\$ 500.00	
Office Supplies		\$ 1,500.00	
Past Grand Master's Apron & Jewel		\$ 1,500.00	
Photography & Printing		\$ 750.00	
Rental		\$ 10,200.00	
Secretary's Honorarium (\$600 per Month)		\$ 7,200.00	
Secretary's Workshop		\$ 1,000.00	
Tax Preparation Fee		\$ 600.00	



Telephone		\$ 2,000.00	
Travel (Greater of \$12,000 or 23.4% of Revenue)			
- Grand Master	\$ 10,000.00		
- Grand Secretary	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	
Treasurer's Expenses		\$ 600.00	
Website		\$ 100.00	
Youth Groups		\$ 1,000.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses		\$ 1,200.00	\$ 49,090.00
<b>PROJECTED NET INCOME</b>			<b>\$ 1,360.00</b>

After a brief discussion, it was regularly moved and seconded to accept the budget as presented. Motion was carried.

## 2012 PROPOSED LEGISLATION

As all reports for the jurisdiction were now completed, the Grand Master then called upon Most Worshipful Dennis Ing, chairman of the jurisprudence committee to present this year's proposed legislation. Following is a synopsis of the legislation presented along with the outcome. The full form of each proposed resolution was distributed to each lodge and is also on record in the Grand Lodge Office as well.

- 2012-1 To amend the Hawaii Masonic Code by changing the composition of the Long-Range Planning Committee of the Grand Lodge.  
Required: 2/3 Received: 96% Result: Passed
  
- 2012-2 To permit establishment of Reserve Account(s) for the maintenance and repair of Masonic Temples.  
Required: 2/3 Received: 70% Result: Passed
  
- 2012-3 Out of Order N/A N/A N/A
  
- 2012-4 To give the Grand Secretary authority to Issue Certificate of Good Standing.  
Required: 2/3 Received: 96% Result: Passed
  
- 2012-5 To change frequency in which a Hiram or McKee Award can be given.  
Required: 2/3 Received: 59% Result: Carry Over
  
- 2012-6 Withdrawn by Proponent

- 2012-7 To change distribution method of Grand Lodge Proceedings and the Hawaii Masonic Code.  
Required: 2/3 Received: 74% Result: Passed
- 2012-8 To allow multiple candidates during degree work.  
Required: 2/3 Received: 28% Result: Failed
- 2012-9 To change procedure of notification of applications for degrees and affiliations.  
Required: 2/3 Received: 81% Result: Passed

After the voting on the legislation was complete, Most Worshipful Ing gave a brief Grand Lecturer's report that gave information regarding floor work manuals that were being developed as well as upcoming schools of instruction.

As the work of this year's Grand Lodge was complete, Most Worshipful Glover opened the floor for presentations before the process of electing next year's Grand Lodge Officers began.

Among the presenters were:

Right Worshipful Bruce Vesper, Senior Grand Warden from Washington who presented a Masonic tie, card holder and clock;

Most Worshipful Jerry Pinion, Grand Master from Alaska who presented an traditional Alaskan ulu with their Grand Lodge seal which is used in prepping fish;

Worshipful Timothy Yuen and Very Reverend John Connell from the York Rite Sovereign College who presented certificate of appreciation;

Most Worshipful Richard Martin, Grand Master from Oregon who presented a Masonic tie with the promise that it was not a Jerry Garcia tie;

Most Worshipful Lyle Phillips, Worshipful Dustin Verity, Worshipful Donovan Young, Brother Nicholai Khiterer and Brother Rick Banser who presented a distinguished service award on behalf of York Rite bodies;

Brother Mike Salazar, Grand Junior Councilor of Demolay International who presented a Demolay/Masonic pin;

And Most Worshipful William Bray, Past Grand Master from California who earlier presented a Masonic clock with a compass.

As the presentations were complete, the Grand Master again thanked all of the brethren for their support throughout the year and asked if any brother had anything to bring before this Grand Lodge as it was time for the election of the 2012 Grand Lodge Officers.

### **ELECTIONS OF GRAND LODGE OFFICERS**

The following Grand Lodge officers were then elected to serve this Grand Lodge for the year 2012.

Grand Master .....	Antonio M. Ligaya
Deputy Grand Master .....	Frank M. Condello
Senior Grand Warden .....	Richard B. Huston
Junior Grand Warden .....	Michael P. Baker
Grand Treasurer .....	Alberto P. Alarcon
Grand Secretary .....	Marty P. Alexander, PGM
Grand Lecturer .....	Dennis S.A. Ing, PGM

Upon completion of the election of officers, Most Worshipful Glover called the Grand Lodge from labor to refreshment until 3:00 p.m. this afternoon for the public Installation of Grand Lodge Officers.

### **INSTALLATION OF GRAND LODGE OFFICERS**

The Installation of officers for the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Hawaii began at 3:00 pm. With Most Worshipful A. Lee Skinner PGM as Installing Officer; Worshipful Wilson S. Camagan PM as Installing Master of Ceremonies, and Right Worshipful Severino Malajito as Installing Chaplain the 2012 Grand Lodge officers were installed as follows:

**Grand Lodge Officers  
2012 – 2013.**

Grand Master .....	Antonio M. Ligaya
Deputy Grand Master .....	Frank M. Condello
Senior Grand Warden .....	Richard B. Huston
Junior Grand Warden .....	Michael P. Baker
Grand Treasurer .....	Alberto P. Alarcon
Grand Secretary .....	Marty P. Alexander, PGM
Grand Lecturer .....	Dennis S.A. Ing, PGM
Grand Chaplain .....	John B. Connell
Grand Orator .....	Andrew L. Geiser
Grand Marshal .....	Wilson S. Camagan
Grand Standard Bearer .....	Scott M. Waracka
Grand Sword Bearer .....	Keith N. Isaacson
Grand Bible Bearer .....	Teofilo E. de Aquino
Senior Grand Deacon .....	Bernardo F. Biala
Junior Grand Deacon .....	Cyrus H. Wilson
Senior Grand Steward .....	David W. Mason
Junior Grand Steward .....	Vincent L. Gusman
Grand Historian .....	Bruce H. Bonnell PGM
Grand Organist .....	Lee D. Gordon
Grand Pursuivant .....	Geronimo T. Mateo
Grand Tiler .....	James R. Steinwandt

**Grand Lodge Inspectors**

Worshipful James A. Sullivan .....	Hawaiian Lodge
Worshipful Manuel V. Aquino .....	Honolulu Lodge
Worshipful Donald W. Traller .....	Kauai Lodge
Worshipful J. Daniel Miller .....	Kilauea Lodge
Worshipful Michael D. Janovsky .....	Kona Lodge
Worshipful Gerardo F. Biala Jr. ....	Ko'olau Lodge
Worshipful Eduardo L. Abutin .....	Leeward Lodge
Worshipful Albert B. Alvarez .....	Lodge le Progres D' le Oceanie
Worshipful Stanley H. Takeuchi .....	Lodge Maui
Worshipful Alexander A. Escasa .....	Pearl Harbor Lodge

After the installation of the 2012 – 2013 Grand Lodge officers, our newly installed Grand Master, Most Worshipful Antonio M. Ligaya addressed the assembly, to wit;

***THE FUTURE STARTS TODAY!!!***

*Most Worshipful Sirs, Right Worshipful Sirs, Very Worshipful Sirs, Worshipful Sirs, Distinguished and Honored Guests, Brethren All – Aloha and Mabuhay!!! Magandang hapon po sa inyong lahat, at maraming salamat sa inyong pagdalo. Good afternoon and thank you very much for honoring us with your presence!*

*I thank our Installing Team, led by **Most Worshipful A. Lee Skinner**, Past Grand Master, our Installing Officer, **Right Worshipful Severino “Ben” Malajito**, Past Senior Grand Warden, our Installing Chaplain, **Worshipful Wilson Camagan**, Grand Marshal, our Installing Master of Ceremonies, and Installing Organist **Sister Leloy Banks**, Past Worthy Matron, Order of the Eastern Star, for our most dignified ceremony. My sincere appreciation also goes to **Illustrious William “Pete” Holsomback**, personal representative to the Deputy of the Supreme Council of the Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite of Masonry, for hosting us in this beautiful cathedral. I am also grateful for the attendance of so many Brethren from near and far!*

*I will be forever indebted to **Pilar Lodge No. 15**, of the Grand Lodge of the Philippines – my Mother Lodge – where I was made a Mason over 31 years ago, **Sagamihara Lodge No. 13**, and **Yokosuka Lodge No. 20**, both of the Grand Lodge of Japan, where I served as Master (pro-temporé) in 1985, and Master in 1993, respectively, and our own **Hawaiian Lodge**, which entrusted me its stewardship in 2005.*

*I am also grateful for the association I’ve had with and lessons learned from such Brothers as **MW Oscar Jayme** – whom I’ve known since before either of us were Masons over 30 years ago, **MW Dennis Ing** – whose wise counsel is often sought and valued, **MW Lee Skinner** – indeed a big Brother I look up to, my co-workers in our Grand Lodge, both past and present, such as **MW Charlie Wegener**, **RW Frank Condello**, **RW Rick Huston**, **MW Marty Alexander**, and **Hon. Bert Alarcon**, and our newest team member **RW Mike Baker**, **Wor. Bros. Ed Abutin and Alex Escasa** – a couple of great friends in and out of the Lodge, and on and off the golf course, who’ve never been known to mince words to provide straight-forward advise, and others too numerous to mention by name! I especially commend **Most Worshipful Monty Glover** for his leadership and managerial skills in the manner he faced and dealt with challenges during his term!*

Finally I want to acknowledge the presence of, and introduce to you, the people who've been very supportive of me in all my endeavors in life, my most ardent fans and cheerleaders – my family; **from New York**, my oldest daughter **Michelle**, my son-in-law **Ashan**, our little princess **Nailah**, and my second daughter **Janice** and her fiancé Ryan Allison, **and from Mililani Mauka, in Central Oahu** – my third daughter **Theresa Angela** – a Past Worthy Advisor of Leilehua Assembly of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, my youngest daughter and current Grand Worthy Advisor of the Hawaii Assembly of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls **Catherine**, my mother – **Catalina**, and last but definitely in no terms the least – **my best friend, roommate, most trusted confidante, and wife of over 35 years – Fé.**

I look forward to seeing you all at tonight's Installation Banquet at the Hale Koa Hotel's "Waikiki Ballroom", which will start at 6:00 p.m. with a cocktail hour and subsequent dinner buffet, and dancing . . . Tickets are still available.

Brethren – I stand before you in the Grand East both humbled and excited — humbled by the honor you have bestowed on me, and excited by the opportunity to serve you in this office for the next 12 months.

This Masonic Year's pin is inspired by the sun, stars, this slice of paradise we call home, and the ever-present Square and Compass of our Fraternity. The sun and stars, which I borrowed from the flag of my native Philippines – where I first saw light, where I spent my formative years, and where I became a Mason – and which serve as constant reminders of my proud heritage, are emblems of that Masonic light in search of which every Mason travels. The islands of our beautiful State emblematically symbolize the Brethren in our Grand Jurisdiction united as one in supporting our beloved Institution – prominently represented by the Square and Compass in gold. Finally, the theme I've set for this term reminds us to move forward towards tomorrow!

During my quest for an Office in the Grand Lodge, I reported, "My goals are not different to those who have gone before me – **"To improve the position of our Fraternity in the community, to serve the Brethren to the best of my ability, and to expound the virtues of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth."** Realizing not one person can do everything alone I enjoin you my Brethren in these efforts and, with your support and assistance, leverage on past lessons learned and devise new strategies to improve the state of the Fraternity in this Jurisdiction, while implementing programs that will:

**Revitalize** our Brethren, which will in turn revitalize our constituent Lodges,

**Restructure** our Lodges, and give our younger Brethren more 'ownership' of Lodge affairs, as I believe the future of any organization – especially of ours – lies in the hands of its younger members, and, give our Order more **Relevance**; we must strive in changing the community's perception of our Order for the better

– and encourage the Brethren to ‘come out’ of the Lodges and get more involved in community affairs.”

Those goals remain the same, and as they dovetail our Grand Lodge’s **“Five Paddles of Progress”**, I now charge our Lodges to devise or improve programs and strategies, while optimizing such avenues as the Masters and Wardens Association, among others, for its successful execution, and, I will remain available and very much accessible, at all times, to steer the course and provide oversight, guidance and assistance every step of the way.

This afternoon, I do not want to dwell on the past, for while Freemasonry has a past, it is not passé. I would rather have us learn and grow from, than re-live, those experiences in moving forward to a brighter tomorrow!

The famous Irish playwright, co-founder of the London School of Economics, and only person to have been awarded both a Nobel Prize in Literature and an Oscar – George Bernard Shaw – said, **“We are made wise not by the recollection of our past, but by the responsibility for our future.”** I agree, and I say, tomorrow is the future, and **the future starts today!**

My vision of our Fraternity is that of one with inspired members – so inspired that they make Lodge meetings one of their priorities, one whose members would never even think of demitting from. I also envision our Craft cultivating and improving the minds of our members in everything they do, which will only cause more free-thinking men to knock at our doors to seek admission. I see our organization doing tremendous good for our communities that is well-known thus serving as a magnet that will attract community leaders to our Lodges, indeed a highly-regarded organization where the vast majority of the citizens know the good work the square and compass stand for.

I know you share this vision, which Very Worshipful Alden Sarmiento, Past Grand Lecturer of Washington, who is among us today, in a few words so eloquently and profoundly summed up when he said, **“we need to be an organization that members want and not just an organization that wants members.”**

The strength of Freemasonry in this jurisdiction is directly proportional to the strength of our Lodges. Now, more than ever, is the time for all of us to pull together with determination to help strengthen our Lodges, the foundation of our Fraternity, so Freemasonry can guarantee a bright future for both our members and society in general.

I agree with Most Worshipful Brother and Chief Justice Reynato Puno, Past Grand Master of the Philippines, when he said, **“Masons may err, but that does not make Masonry wrong. Masons may fail, but their failure is not the failure of Masonry”**, and, **“If Masons fail, it is because of lack of Masonry in**

***them. If Masons do not make a mark, it is because they have lost the marks of Masonry.”***

*I firmly believe that a proper and sound Masonic education should be the foundation of a productive life as one goes through his journey in our Fraternity. I submit that knowledge of our esoteric work in the degrees, lectures and other aspects of our rituals should not, by themselves, be the only focus in building our foundation; a good knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the Hawaii Masonic Code (HMC) should also be a primary goal. A good Masonic education, therefore, must not only concentrate on the rituals, but must also emphasize knowledge of the HMC. Moreover, the reading, publication and dissemination of materials emanating from research Lodges, research clubs, research organizations, or research committees of this or any other jurisdiction must also augment a proper Masonic education. Accordingly, Lodge Masters, working hand-in-hand with the Coaches, and the Lodge Inspectors – under the guidance of the Grand Lecturer, should follow this through, and I have no doubt we can only succeed!*

*We owe it to those who came before us – those who handed this great Fraternity down to us – to, at the very least, keep it in the same state it was left to us, or, even better, to improve it that we may be able to pass it on to those who will come after us in the best shape we can bring it up to!*

*It seems we might have become complacent and indifferent, if not apathetic, perhaps in a rush to ensure we increase our ranks with new members even at the expense of quality! If so, this is unacceptable and a disservice not only to the Craft, but more importantly to those members who might not have been given the proper tools to learn better – our Brothers who will carry on after us when we will later be either too old to attend Lodge or would then be gone to that Celestial Lodge, because, perhaps they did not know any better, and, those of us who are supposed to failed to teach them! Today, I call for an end to indifference, and for putting a period to our collective apathy!*

*Accordingly, in an effort to initiate actions that will hopefully start to turn this situation around, I am serving notice that after this present Quarter – or effective July 1<sup>st</sup> – all lectures, proficiencies and related subjects (such as the closing of the Lodge, as an example) for all degrees shall be given in the Regular Form, often referred to as the “Long Form”. I believe there is sufficient time between now and the end of this Quarter – or 71 days – to learn, or re-learn, as the case may be, these subjects. This notice will be formalized through a Grand Master’s Decision, or Edict, with §2068 of the Hawaii Masonic Code (HMC), and the subject, “Master Mason Short Form Proficiency” in the Appendix of the HMC, given full consideration.*



*Most Worshipful Brother Puno stated, “We simply can no longer materialize as Masons when convenient to do so and dematerialize when inconvenient; we cannot be part-time Masons and part-time profane!” Brethren, we must practice those obligations we all took on becoming Masons, and we must, indeed, go beyond the rituals we went through and practice out of the Lodge those great lessons we, hopefully, learned in it. Masonry must be our way of life!!!*

*Albert Pike reminds us that “Masonry is action, not inertness. It requires its initiates to work actively and earnestly for the benefit of their Brethren, their country and mankind...If we but eat and drink and sleep and let everything go on around us as it pleases; or if we live to amass wealth or gain office or wear titles, we might as well not have lived at all ... Remember that life’s length is not measured by its hours and days, but by that which we have done for our country and our citizenry”*

*In closing – to our Masonic forebears, I say: Thank you for this great Institution and your legacies; to future Masons, I say: We will make ourselves worthy of your emulation to the best of our abilities; to the present Masons, I say: Although we must not forget the past, let us not dwell in it; remember, there is no future in the past! There is work to be done, and we must do it if we are to ensure our future.*

*The future starts here. It starts now. And it starts with us.*

***“The future starts today!”***

*Marami pong salamat; Mahalo nui loa; thank you very much!!!*

*God bless us all!!!*

After his address, Most Worshipful Ligaya invited all Grand Lodge of Hawaii Past Grand Masters west of the altar for introductions. The Past Grand Masters present were as follows:

1994	Most Worshipful Frederick H. Overstreet
2001	Most Worshipful Donald W. Wilson
2002	Most Worshipful Lyle G. Phillips
2003	Most Worshipful A. Lee Skinner
2006	Most Worshipful Bruce H. Bonnell
2008	Most Worshipful Dennis S.A. Ing
2009	Most Worshipful Marty P. Alexander
2010	Most Worshipful Charles L. Wegener
2011	Most Worshipful Monty J. Glover

At that point, it was discovered that Most Worshipful Monty Glover was not properly clad. To remedy this situation, he was then presented with his Past Grand Master's apron, collar and jewel.

Most Worshipful Ligaya closed the 2012 Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Hawaii by proclamation where all would gather in the evening for the Installation banquet at the Hale Koa Hotel.

Respectfully Submitted



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