**MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF**

**FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE PHILIPPINES**

**Masonic District No. RIV-E**

**Mindoro Lodge No. 157 F.&A.M.**

March 29, 2011

**Brethren of Mindoro Lodge No. 157,**

**Stated Meeting**

On Saturday, April 2, 2011 at 3:00 o’clock pm, Mindoro Lodge 157 will hold its stated meeting at Flaviano Z. Ramirez Memorial Hall, your attendance is highly appreciated.

**Order of Business**

1. Reading and Approval of Minutes of last stated meeting dated March 5, 2011 and special meeting dated March 12, 2011.

2. Reports of 3 Lights/Treasurer/Secretary/Committee Chairmen/Almoner

3. Masonic Education

4. Reading of Grand Lodge Edicts/Circulars

5. Reception of Petitions

6. Miscellaneous and Unfinished business

**Agenda**

1. Membership & Chairmanship to different Committees
2. CAAP billing on Freemasonry Welcome Banner
3. Various Latest DeMolay Guidelines
4. DSWD proposed MOA for Public-Private Partnership

**Birthday Celebrants**

WB Isagani F. Delos Trinos------------ April 5

WB Maximo T. Gorgovez ------------- April 14

Bro. Aniceto P. Elveña ----------------- April 17

WB Wendell S. Dy --------------------- April 21

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| **LODGE LEADERSHIP**  *(continuation)*  Lodge leadership is the ability to produce unified lodge action toward an objective by the effective use and cooperation of its members.  How should we train our leaders?  We must make the Masters of our lodges understand that one of their principal responsibilities is training those who follow. We must insist that "going through the chairs" does not mean marking time, but does mean a time in which junior officers are being trained. The end result of a system of line officers must be a Worshipful Master conversant with all phases of lodge management.  The line officers should be assigned new duties and responsibilities each year, so that when the individual has assumed the Master's chair, he will be fully qualified and capable of carrying out his responsibilities of leading, teaching and encouraging his subordinates.  It is the responsibility of the Master to utilize the abilities of various brethren of the lodge on working committees. This accomplishes two-fold purpose: first, the development of potential officers; and second, it frees the officers from some of the routine operations of the lodge.  I would like to assert that the best measure of the success of a Master is not that of his year in the East. The real effectiveness of a Master cannot be measured until six years after his term of office. It is in those next six years that the men he helped train will have put their lessons into practice.  A word to Junior and Senior Wardens. I know you desire a most successful year as Master, and we all hope that you will achieve it. But your chances of success depend upon the amount of thought you put into it. The thinking and the planning comes first, for once you take the gavel as Worshipful Master, you will find other responsibilities awaiting your attention.  If a farmer wants a field of corn, he doesn't sit in the shade during the planting season. You must plant before you can harvest.  The process of revitalizing member participation in our lodges can best be achieved through planning and conducting meetings that will stimulate the interest of all members.  *To be continued . . .* |

**Lodge Secretary**