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DDGM Philmore Balmaceda, DGLs Dante Balbas and Rogelio Torices, GLI Manuel Estillore, Installing Officer Rey Cadiz and Marikina City Vice Mayor Marion Andres with the newly installed officers of Marikina Lodge No. 119 Free and Accepted Masons led by Worshipful Master Miguelito M. Cruz

Marikina Lodge No. 119 F.A.A.M installs officers for Masonic Year 6006 A.L.

The changing of guards of Marikina Lodge No. 119 took place last 04 February 2006 at the newly constructed Marikina City Hall of Justice.

The Lodge was opened in tiled form at 8 am. Public Installation followed at 9 am with the reception of dignitaries of Masonic District No. 11 led by District Deputy Grand Master VW Philmore E. Balmaceda, District Grand Lecturers VW Dante Balbas & VW Rogelio Torices, and Grand Lodge Inspector WI Manuel Estillore. Next to be received were the installing team led by VW Reynaldo N. Cadiz (MD

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DDGM Philmore Balmaceda receiving an award of appreciation from outgoing Worshipful Master Dante Ypil

**Brotherly Love
Relief and
Truth**

Installation of Officers

February 4, 2006
Marikina City Justice Hall



The elected and appointed officers of Marikina Lodge during the installation ceremony.



Senior Warden John Briones



Junior Warden Bugs San Juan

The peace of the Great Architect of the Universe be with you!

First of all, I thank the members of Marikina Lodge No. 119 for finding me worthy of the responsibility of the Worshipful Master of our Lodge.

I thank all the other elective officers who have been very active and enthusiastic during our Public Installation Ceremony last February 4, 2006.

And I am grateful to the appointive officers who are known for their talent, dedication, and loyalty to our Fraternity for finding in their heart the generosity to accept willingly their respective positions, and who, together with the elective officers, are just as enthusiastically doing their respective obligations. To all the officers, I am truly inspired and at the same time humbled by your zealously in giving your time, talent and resources to our Lodge.

My heartfelt thanks to the following brethren for their generous contributions and efforts during the Public Installation Ceremonies: Kapayapaan Lodge and Ang Tipolo Lodge for the props; Bro. Dominic for the seafoods; Bro. Rolly for the *dinakdakan*; Bro. Ed Pasco for the transportation; the Brethren from LWUA for the lechon; WB Rudy Valentino & VW Jessie for the lechon; Bro. Tony for our sponsors Carlo Rossi and Emperador who provided the streamers and drinks; Bro. Jojo Atienza for the photos; Bro. Rey Cadiz, our installing officer; Bro. Manny Diesta for the sounds, music and our emcee; Bro. Rolly Acosta for his '*makababag-damdaming*' Tribute to the Flag; Fellowcrafts Neil and Ariel for physical arrangement; Congressman Del, Vice Mayor Marion and the City Council for providing us the venue; Brethren and all the friends and family of Masons for making the affair very memorable.

This year, we will be undertaking one fellowship or community project per month. This March, we will be having our family day and tree planting project. This potluck affair's tentative date and venue is March 19 at La Mesa Dam. The Project Chairman is VW Rey Cadiz. Details will be announced during the meeting.

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Bro. Miguelito M. Cruz

Worshipful Master, 2006





Secretary VW Greg



Treasurer VW Rolly U.



Senior Deacon Bro. Freddie



Junior Deacon Bro. Majid



Senior Steward Bro. Tony



Junior Steward Bro. Edwin

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No. 9 DDGM) Installing Officer; VW Manny Diesta, Master of Ceremonies; and VW Gregorio C. Mendoza, Assistant Master of Ceremonies. Last to be received was Honorable Vice Mayor Marion Andres, who proxied for the guest of honor and speaker Hon. Del De Guzman, Representative for the Lone District of Marikina City.

Vice Mayor Marion is the son of our Brother Jose Andres.

Bro. Manuel Gaerlan, Marikina City Chief of Police and a member of Cosmos Lodge No. 8 together with other brethren from all over the country

were also present to grace the event.

The newly installed Worshipful Master, Bro. Mike Cruz is a businessman and a native of Marikina. He has been a Freemason for six years. Other officers installed were John B. Briones, Senior Warden; Richard M. San Juan, Junior Warden; Rolando P. Ubaldo, PDGL, Treasurer; Gregorio C. Mendoza, PDGL, Secretary; Dominic Failoga, Chaplain; Joel A. Villanueva, Marshall; Frederick N. Baldonado, Senior Deacon; Maguid P. Benito, Junior Deacon; Emmanuel E. Ambrona, Orator; Lloyd F. Soria, Almoner; Rolando C. Acosta, Lecturer; Antonio S.A.

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Reception of DDGM VW Philmore Balmaceda, DGLs VW Rogelio Torices & VW Dante Balbas, and GLI VW Manuel Estillore



The installing team led by District 9 DDGM VW Rey Cadiz, Installing Officer; VW Manny Diesta, Master of Ceremonies; and VW Greg Mendoza, Asst. Master of Ceremonies.

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Munsayac, Senior Steward; Edwin B. Maquinto, Junior Steward; Edgardo F. Pasco, Organist Magdaleno Dante J. Ypil, PM, Tyler.

Marikina Lodge was formed on May 15, 1947, just after World War II. The Lodge is now in its 59th glorious

year of brotherhood and fellowship. With the support of its senior officers and members, guided by the principal tenets of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth and inspired by the cardinal virtues of Temperance, Fortitude, Prudence and Justice, the Marikina Lodge remains one of the most active Lodge in the District and still growing strong.



Outgoing Worshipful Master Dante receiving the Past Master's Jewel and apron from VW Greg, as Sister Judith looks on



Vice Mayor Marion Andres



Left: VW Fred delivering the ancient charges. Right: Bro. Rolly giving tribute to the flag



Organist Bro. Ed Pasco



Chaplain Bro. Dominic Failoga



Marshall Bro. Joel Villanueva



VW Jessie Cruz introducing the guest speaker



WI Manuel Estillore accepting his award of appreciation from WB Dante.

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Master of Ceremony Bro. Manny declaring all officers duly installed



The lovely sisters and friends of Masons.



The installation ceremony was graced by Past Masters & brethren from different lodges