

Salvador, BA - July 17-18 (page 16)

Installed the new Board of Directors of the DeMolay Order for Brazil
Carlos Eduardo Braga Farias, 18^o
Grand Master

The V National Congress of the Order of DeMolay was opened by the National Grand Master, DeMolay **Paulo Estevão Massuda**. The event was presided by the Grand Master, Bro. **Guilherme Augusto Aguiar** and attended by a Delegation of the *DeMolay International* which included Bro. **Robert Cockerham**, International Grand Master; Bro. **Greg Kimberling**, Past International Grand Master; and DeMolay **Ryan Cockerham**, Grand Councillor (Missouri, USA). Many State Grand Councillors, Masonic and DeMolay authorities were present to witness the election of the new *Board of Directors*: Bro. **Carlos Eduardo Braga Farias** (from Pernambuco), National Grand Master; Bro. **Ederson Pereira Velasquez** (from Mato Grosso do Sul), Deputy National Grand Master; Bro. **Yhury Guimarães Aguiar de Oliveira** (from Distrito Federal), General Grand Secretary; Bro. **Evanir Marques Pereira** (from Paraná), Deputy General Grand Secretary; Bro. **João Bosco Monteiro da Silva Jr.** (from Mato Grosso), Grand Treasurer; Bro. **Omar Rogério Pereira Barbosa** (from Minas Gerais), Deputy Grand Treasurer; Bro. **Irineu Cocchini Jr.** (from São Paulo), Grand Orator; and Bro. **Luciano Escobar** (from Rio Grande do Sul), Deputy Grand Orator. Both Bros. **Carlos Eduardo** and **Ederson** were DeMolays and Active Legion of Honor, both made Masons in 1999. The *Supreme Council of the Order DeMolay for the Federative Republic of Brazil* was installed in August 21, 2002, warranted by the *DeMolay International* seated in Kansas City, Missouri, USA. In his speech, the SGC **Luiz Fernando**

Rodrigues Torres, 33^o, congratulated the *Confederation of the Symbolic Masonry of Brazil (CMSB)* and the *Supreme Council of the Order DeMolay for the Federative Republic of Brazil* for the outstanding job and pledged the support of the *Supreme Council of the 33 Degree of the A.:A.:S.:R.: of Masonry for the Federative Republic of Brazil* in everything possible and fair.

Beauty is essential

João Guilherme C. Ribeiro, 14^o

Thousand are spent to help packaging to promote sales. Sales mean production and production, jobs. With all inherent defects, capitalism has proven itself the the only feasible regime – “*the worst of regimes, excepting all others...*” shrewdly stated Bro. **Winstov Churchill**.

All alternatives succumbed turned from utopias into fascism of left or right wing. Beauty is essential to humankind since Neolithic man decorated caves and got the sobriquet of *sapiens*. For us, Masons, *Beauty* is one of the fundamental Columns.

The administrative shock given by SGC **Luiz Fernando Rodrigues Torres** needed a visual translation. A reborn *Supreme Council* needed a new look. This new look started with *Astréa*, its official magazine, but didn't stop there. Bro. **Johann Wolfgang von Goethe** studied human response to colors and influenced the colors of the new independent Hispanic countries flags of Venezuela, Colombia and Ecuador. In the same colorful principles were created the new certificates, forms, cards, medals and warrants, more than just a gathering of Masonic symbols, but powerful reminders of each lesson, function and motives of each Degree. And a demonstration of proud commitment to the Scottish Rite. ▲

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Is it possible?

My Dear Brethren

In our last message in *Astréa* no. 23 we pointed out one of the most sordid facts of everyday life: **the corruption devastating our country**. Then we asked: “*When and how will we see firm reactions against such chaotic state of things?*”

Well, we're seeing now loud protests, the alarm in the media, even swearing of the involved in bribery, scams and money swindling. Now the President of the Supreme Court decided to send a law proposal to the Congress proposing severe actions against corrupting and corrupted. In it the crime of corruption, active or passive, is classified as heinous and the penalties more severe. Good, but will this proposal be thrown among dozens of others forgotten in the tomb-like drawers of the Committees of our House of Representative? From another point of view, will such branding as heinous and the increase in penalties – if approved and transformed in law – instill fear into the corrupted and lessen corruption in our country?

There is no news, recent or remote, about condemnation of those guilty of corruption. Processes wait for years our courts until prescribed, thus saving the guilty from prison and confiscation of what gained illicitly. Then, winners at last, they can benefit of their wrongdoings. And we, forced taxpayers, frustrated electors, astonished, end up agreeing with Rui Barbosa: “*... man is ashamed of being honest*”.

We must increase our protests, shout louder, mainly to eliminate the privileged courts to observe what is stated in the 5th article of our Constitution: “*Everybody is equal under the law without distinction of any kind*”. We must persevere if intend to win. It's possible. May the *Great Architect of the Universe* help us.

Luiz Fernando Rodrigues Torres, 33^o
Sovereign Grand Commander

Belo Horizonte, MG - June 20
Emotion in the Installation of the Grand Master
Carlos Roberto Roque, 33°

The emotional words of the new Grand Master of the *Grand Lodge of the State of Minas Gerais*, Bro. **Janir Adir Moreira**, sensibilized all present at the ceremony of his installation. Thanking the many Grand Masters of other States, the Secretary of the *CMSB*, the *Confederation of the Brazilian Symbolic Masonry*, and the Sovereign Grand Commander, he emphasized the need of Masons to study. He counselled all Masons to enter the Higher Degrees of the Scottish Rite. There's no sense in stopping at the Master Mason Degree, for the tenet of Masonry is the perfection of Man. And that will happen only out of studying. And exhorted all to support to the Masonic organizations for of boys and girls, especially the *Orders of DeMolay* and *Job's Daughters*.

2009 full of important Events

Roilton Cunha, 33°,
CEO of the Secretary

Rio de Janeiro, RJ - June 27 (page 2-6)
33° Degree & Bronze Busts

Forty seven Brothers received the 33° Degree in a ceremony attended by the Sovereign Grand Commander, **Luiz Fernando Rodrigues Torres, 33°**, among them 17 Brothers of the Brazilian Rite, also initiated in the A. A. Scottish Rite. Before that historic bronze busts were unveiled. **Francisco Gê Acayaba de Montezuma** was the first SGC (1832-1834) and founder of the *Supreme Council for Brazil*. **Mario Marinho de Carvalho Behring**, eighteenth SGC

(1922-1933), created the Brazilian Grand Lodges system. Both busts were done by a celebrated sculptor, Mr. **Otto Dumovich**, who has several statues in public spaces in Rio de Janeiro, other Brazilian States and foreign countries. More than a hundred Brothers attended the meeting, many with their wife, as well as youngsters of the both the *Orders of DeMolay* and *Job's Daughters*. In his speech, SGC **Luiz Fernando Rodrigues Torres, 33°**, briefly told about the life and works of Montezuma and Behring, adding that every past Commanders will also be remembered in the future Museum of the Supreme Council.

Brasília, DF - August 28 (page 7)
Bros. Adolpho Porta, 33°, and Paulo Roberto da Silveira, 33°, received the 180 Years commemorative medal and certificate by the hands of the Grand Inspector, DF, Marco Antonio de Moraes, 33°.

Rio de Janeiro, RJ - June 4 (page 8)
Fourth Degree

Lodge of Perfection "Frei Caneca", presided by the Sovereign Grand Commander **Luiz Fernando Rodrigues Torres, 33°**, and directed by its Illustrious Master, Bro. **Roilton Cunha, 33°**, conferred the *Secret Master* Degree to several Brothers in a ceremony attended by many members of the SC: **Adelman de Jesus França Pinheiro, 33°**, General Grand Secretary of the SΛ; **José Soares Filho, 33°**, Grand Hospitaller, 33°; **Fernando Alves Bacellar, 33°**; **José Maria Bonfim, 33°**, and **Antonio Luiz Correia, 33°**, both Delegates of the 1st Region, Rio de Janeiro, RJ; **Sérgio Antônio Medeiros Vieira, 33°**, President of *Chapter RC "Simón Bolívar"*; and **Luiz Carlos dos Santos Bordallo, 33°**,

President of the *Chapter RC "Alberto Santos Dumont"*.

Rio de Janeiro, RJ - June 9 (page 9)

SGC **Luiz Fernando Rodrigues Torres, 33°**, received his old friend the Past SCG of the Supreme Council 33° of Argentina, Ill.: Bro. **Roberto Newmarket**, and his wife, **Magdalena Nagy**.

João Pessoa, PB - August 23 (page 10)

GL of Paraíba commemorates 82 Years As part of the festivities, 37 Brothers were invested with the 33° Degree, thirty from the States of Paraíba, four from Pernambuco and 3 from Roraima. It was possible thanks to the kindly invitation from Grand Master of the *Grand Lodge of the State of Paraíba*, **Marcos Antonio de Araújo Leite, 33°**, and the hardwork of Grand Inspectors José Soares de **Oliveira, 33°**, 1st Region – Campina Grande; **João Gomes da Silva, 33°**, 2nd Region – João Pessoa, PB; and **Geraldo da Costa Palmeira, 33°**, 3rd Region – Patos, PB. SGC **Luiz Fernando Rodrigues Torres, 33°**, presided the ceremony, also attended by Bros. **Jorge Luiz de Andrade Lins, 33°**, Grand Minister of State, and **Adelman de Jesus França Pinheiro, 33°**, General Grand Secretary of the S.:I.:.

Vitória da Conquista, BA - (page 11)
33° Degree

Also in Vitória da Conquista, in the State of Bahia, several Brothers received the 33 Degree in a ceremony presided by SGC **Luiz Fernando Rodrigues Torres, 33°**, and attended by the Grand Master of the State of Bahia, Bro.

Itamar Assis Santos, 33°, and the Grand Inspector of the 6th Region, **José Sílvio Bulhões, 33°**.

Goiânia, GO - July, 11-16 (page 15)
Supreme Council in CMSB's XXXVIII Assembly

Joining Masonic authorities from all over Brazil the Supreme Council attended the *Confederation of the Symbolic Masonry of Brazil*. The SC's Delegation included SGC **Luiz Fernando Rodrigues Torres, 33°**; **Jorge Luiz de Andrade Lins, 33°**, Grand Minister of State; **Adelman de Jesus França Pinheiro, 33°**, General Grand Secretary of the S.:I.:; **Rui Sílvio Stragliotto, 33°**, Active Member and Grand Inspector of the 3rd Region – Ijuí, RS; **Victor Conde do Nascimento, 33°**, Grand Inspector 5th Region – Santos, SP; and **Roilton Cunha, 33°**, CEO of the Secretary.

Goiânia, GO - August 15 (page 13-14)
Two more Temples in Palace Mario Behring
Licínio Barbosa, 33°, Active Member and Grand Inspector

As part of the festivities in the *XXXVIII Assembly of the CMSB* (Confederation of the Symbolic Masonry of Brazil) two more Temples – “*Benedito Barreira de Moraes*”, for Consistories, and “*Josias Nogueira de Oliveira*”, for Kadosh Councils – were inaugurated and sacred by SGC **Luiz Fernando Rodrigues Torres, 33°**. Now, there are five Temples in Palace Mario Behring, an old dream of Bro. **Licínio Barbosa, 33°**, Active Member and Grand Inspector of our *Supreme Council*.

The festivities included a short biography of the Brothers who gave their names do the Temples and were attended by the host Grand Master, **Ruy Rocha de Macedo, 33°**; **Nathaniel Carneiro Neto, 33°**, General Secretary of the *CMSB*; and by Grand Masters and Brothers from many parts of Brazil.