



HUNTER'S PARADISE LODGE #85



Greetings from the East... Worship Master, James "JJ" Jennings

Brethren,

I can't believe we are already approaching Spring! As freemasons, we learn to divest ourselves of the vices and superfluities of life to better fit our mind and consciences for the celestial lodge above.

Spring is also a time to divest our lodge of superfluities! I am asking for volunteers to assist me in cleaning up Hunter's Paradise #85. We need to dust, vacuum, clean the windows, move furniture and reorganize our assets.

I would like to declare March 25th as HP #85 day and ask that we spend a couple of hours in the lodge to prepare us for the remainder of the year. I look forward to seeing you there!

Fraternally and humbly yours,

James Jennings
Worshipful Master

Sickness and Distress

Over all status: No real changes from last month, we just need to keep these Brother in our prayers.

Bro. Ken Jones: Here is a photo of Debbie and Ken Jones with their newest grandson, Jax.

Bro. Tom Johnston: He is doing much better, but he still has a way to go.



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Upcoming Activities

- 2/27 - Stated Meeting 7 PM*
– Open on 3rd Degree or at lowest member present)*
- 2/28 - Mentoring Class - 6:30 to 8 PM
in Lodge Break room
(lead by Bro. Leo Balthazor)
- 3/6 - Special Meeting - TBD*
- 3/7 - Mentoring Class - 6:30 to 8 PM
in Lodge Break room
(lead by Bro. Leo Balthazor)
- 3/13 - Special Meeting - TBD*
- 3/14 - Mentoring Class - 6:30 to 8 PM
in Lodge Break room
(lead by Bro. Leo Balthazor)
- 3/21 - Special Meeting - TBD*
- 3/25 - (Saturday) HP#85 Day - time to be announced
- 3/28 - Stated Meeting 7 PM*
– Open on 3rd Degree or at lowest member present)*

* Meeting & Meal updates will be sent by the Worshipful Master prior to the meeting.



From the Secretary's Desk...

By PM George "Z-Klown" Mather

Brothers All,

We need your help when you are bringing in new petitions for new members or for dual memberships. Grand Lodge is very specific about us having correct information.

We must have a current dues card for any petition signer that is not a member of Hunters Paradise. On all petitions one of the signers must be a member of Hunters Paradise in good standing.

The three required references can be members of the Lodge but they may not be references and signers. Please give current complete addresses and phone numbers.

Please read all the questions on the petition that is being used. If you are not certain please call with questions. Please as the candidate to print as neatly as possible.

Wife and Mother's MAIDEN last name is not the same last name as her Husband.

If the candidate answers yes to question #20 on a new petition we do need all the information as to dates and the results of the situation.

If you need a petition call and we will mail you which every petition type you need.

Fees must accompany all petitions.
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On the Level...

Jonathan Beffel, Senior Warden

Greetings Brethren,

This month's theme is about Spring Cleaning and Activities to Refresh Our Lodge.

I would like to approach both aspects of this theme by first thanking all of the brethren who help setup and tear down the lodge for our ritual and stated meetings. I know that Bro Michael is grateful for your assistance in performing those du-

ties. One thing that I would like to ask though is that we remember to take our time when putting things away. Everything has a place on the cart and in the closets and if you aren't sure where something goes, please do not hesitate to ask. When we all work together, setting up and cleaning the lodge go really fast.

On the subject of activities, I would like to point out that we
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tions. Please do not bring in petitions just before we open Lodge stated meetings. The more time we have to process the petition before it is presented in Lodge the less chance we will have of it being sent back. If we do not have time to process the petition before Lodge opens it will lay over until the next month.

We thank you all for promoting Hunters Paradise Lodge No. 85 and bringing us new members. Remember you can call or email any questions you or your candidate may have.

Fraternally,

PM George Mather
Z Secretary

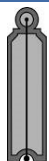
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have an outstanding challenge from Scottsdale #43 for a night of bowling and I think we should suggest a date to make it happen.

If there are other activities you guys would like to participate in, please reach out to the officers and the brethren to let them know!

Fraternally,

Jonathan Beffel
Senior Warden



The Plumb Line

William "Bill" Wright, Junior Warden

Greetings from the South,

As our Masonic year gets into full swing and our lodge continues to grow and prosper we should apply diligence to the care of our lodge as well as physical facilities. We are truly fortunate to have the beginnings of something special.

In the coming months we will schedule certain days at the lodge where as we can meet, tend to general upkeep and organization of our facilities.

Areas of interest include the Bill Wright preparation room, the storage Junior Warden

room(s), the foyer and of course the lodge room itself.

We have many members who seem to be at every event and most, if not all, stated meetings and degree nights. That is wonderful. However, this could also serve as an opportunity for others or maybe even a friend or co worker who is interested in freemasonry could see our lodge, ask questions and of course our masonic spirit.

Fraternally Yours,

The Masonic Education Corner

This quote is from, "Ellis Island - The Golden Door" and was written by a man who is not a Mason, Mr. Dennis Hearn, who work very closely with members of the Grand Lodge of New York and did a great deal of research into the history of Freemasonry as the Ellis Island project developed.



His association with Masons led him to this conclusion:

"The Freemasons among our Founding Fathers brought to their work the ancient Masonic Landmarks of Truth and Brotherly love, and they fashioned a constitution which, by the depth and strength of its conviction, embedded those principles in the conscience of a nation. While we as a people have not always lived up to them, neither have we been able to ignore them."

Those are very beautiful words to describe Freemasonry. Isn't it time we reintroduced ourselves to the meaning of Freemasonry and got back to living and practicing this beautifully descriptive picture of our order?!

*From MASONIC EDUCATION
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