

# HUNTER'S PARADISE LODGE #85





# **Greetings from the East...** Worshipful Master, James "JJ" Jennings

#### Brethren,

Here we are in September and the weather is finally beginning to feel like Fall. To that point as the summer winds down, and the temperatures dwindle, I look forward to winding up to another Masonic year.

Over the summer as we did our degree work, the impact of fewer brothers available was quite evident. This confirmed what we have always stated: each of the brothers is very important to our lodge and our degree work.

We knew that many of our brothers were traveling and they would not be there. Well, the lodge missed you. It is my hope to see all of you back safely to share in the brotherhood and fellowship.

September stated meeting is "Move Up" night when our line officers move up to the next position to demonstrate their proficiency at running our business meeting

October is election night and is a very important evening for our lodge as we prepare for the new masonic year.

I look forward to hearing of your travels and adventures when you make it back to lodge. If you are still traveling, I hope to see you soon and bid you "safe travels".

Fraternally and humbly yours,

James Jennings Worshipful Master

# **SEPTEMBER 2017**



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From Z Secretary's Desk: PM George Mather 1

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From the West: Senior Warden, Jonthan Beffel

From the South: Junior Warden, Bill Wright



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# **Upcoming** Activities

9/25 - Stated Meeting 7 PM- Move up Night

Open on 3rd Degree or at lowest member present, (Red Fez

not available)

- **10/13 Celebration of life for Brother Tom Johnston** in El Zaribah's auditorium at 5 PM.
- **10/16 E. A. degree** for Don Drysdale 6:30 PM
- **10/23 Stated Meeting 7 PM\* Electrons** — Open on 1st Degree, (Red Fez room availability is unknown at this time)
- All other activities will be announced by the Worshipful Master via email



# From the Secretary's Desk... By PM George "Z-Klown" Mather

#### Brethren All,

Welcome back from great summer adventures and vacations. We excited to finish the year strong and keep helping our newly raised Master Masons grow and become active members.

While we have a handful of members who have not sent in their 2017 dues we are hopeful

that we can make contact or that they will contact the Secretary so we may help them if we need to.

We will be sending out dues notices at the end of September for our 2018 dues which need to be paid by December 31, 2017. If you need a hard copy of the dues notice mailed to (Z Secretary continued on page 3)

# On the Level... Jonathan Beffel, Senior Warden

Greetings Brethren,

visit with my brethren there.

your brethren.

That being said, I want you to Come and show our new brethtake a moment and remember ren just how strong that chain your experience going through really is! the degrees of Masonry. Were the sidelines full of brothers Fraternally, there to support you and see you grow in Masonry or were Jonathan Beffel they mostly empty, filled by on- Sr. Warden

ly the usual suspects? How did that make you feel? Is there any-I am a member of two Lodges in thing about that experience the state of Arizona and chang- you'd like to maintain or even es in my family life have im- change for our up and coming pacted my ability to regularly brethren? If so, is there someattend one of my Lodges and thing you have the power to do that can make it happen?

I know firsthand how busy life I know that we are all connected can be and I understand if you by an indissoluble chain, so find it hard to make the time to please, if you haven't been by come to Lodge meetings with the Lodge in awhile, stop on by and enjoy some fellowship with your family who misses you.

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you please send the secretary an the information to you. If you email. Otherwise your dues notice will be sent electronically. could not be accomplished part and find it very enlightenwithout all the members help.

Grand Lodge has a new menprogram begins October 1, 2017. our relationship with each of If you are interested in entering

new candidates please let the you at the September Stated secretary know and we will get meeting on the 25th

are bringing us new good men Did each of you get the new dito become Masons we need you rectory Brother Leo worked on Our Lodge will soon hit the cen- to be their mentor and be with this summer for the Lodge? Call tury mark or 100 members. This them through all their degrees. I a Brother who lives near you is a great accomplishment and have read through the mentor and car pool to the meetings.

ing and will help you enjoy Fraternally, your candidates journey.

George tor / candidate hand book. This We look forward to renewing Z Secretary



# The Plumb Line... William "Bill" Wright, Junior Warden

cle is especially close to my heart.

To be honest, haven't we all no- is, if we take the time to find out ticed when new members seem why, we may open up an opthe lodge or maybe a long time brother's needs. brother hasn't been seen around the lodge in some time? I think we all look for the words or actions that could and would change the situation.

heart is that at times I have been you been? Why don't we ride lar case it was because of a host there something I could help of personal and professional is- you with? Or maybe just a well

This month's trestle board arti- sues that arose at the same time. placed comment such as, We

But, for others it could be a vastly different scenario. The point to fade from involvement with portunity to help address the The heart and soul of the lodge

I like to think that in most if not all cases, brothers we miss from lodge could be encouraged to attend with a gentle yet persistent contact. We should consider The reason this is close to my questions such as; How have unable to attend. In my particu- together to lodge this month? Is Fraternally Yours

have really missed you. Many brothers don't realize that the lodge really isn't the same without them.

is its members. Certainly as active men with family and community ties there are times when a time conflict does occur, but to be the strongest lodge we need the strongest bonds. A simple contact may have great results.

Bill Wright Junior Warden

# **Sickness and Distress**

Bro. Ken Jones: Had his 70th Birthday party, he looked good and was in good spirits, still in VA home. Bro. Gene Terrell: Is out and about and feeling quite good. He helped this month with 2nd degree. Bro. John Enloe: Still has health issues, but seems to be doing good with great spirits. He is still John! Bro. Mel Linberg: Has had his heart pacemaker replaced and he is recovering slowly and it will take time...