



HUNTER'S PARADISE LODGE #85



Greetings from the East... Worshipful Master William Enloe, PM

Our Lodge does many things well, we are welcoming and are always ready to help a brother. We bring fun to the meetings and focus on fellowship. So, what can we improve on if everything we do is so excellent? I feel that the one thing we should improve is how we prepare those to take over. A wise co-worker of mine once told me that may never become promoted if you don't train and/or mentor someone to replace you.

It goes without saying that with many of the things we do correctly, we may lack in mentoring our officers to take over and lead us into the future. As a Lodge, it is important to plan and act on the opportunities for improvements.

Many years ago, when I first became a member of Masonry the mentorship program was to observe what we thought was right and to emulate that behavior. Though this can be a wonderful method for improving our path toward the East, it doesn't always work.

There are many lessons each one of us can learn as well as pass on to the next generation of officers. As a Lodge we can help build the future officers and ensure they are better prepared that some of us were when we began our journey to the East.

My personal thoughts are that the earlier you become qualified to sit in the East the more time you have available to plan for your time in the

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Upcoming Activities

Details will be sent via email by the Worshipful Master

January 28th - 7 pm

- **Stated Meeting** - open on 1st Degree, or the lowest degree of the members present.

Hunter's Paradise New Mailing Address

**Hunters Paradise Lodge No. 85
P.O. Box 1545
Mesa, AZ 85211-1545**



From the Secretary's Desk...

By George "Z-Klown" Mather, PM

Brethren,

We are starting off 2019 with a great corps of Officers. As a Lodge that started in 2013 with 35 Brothers we have grown to 105 Brothers. Making a decision to get involved with the line or chairs of the Lodge is and has been a hard decision to make for everyone who makes the decision to someday become Master of the Lodge.

Starting with the Deacons chairs and learning the ropes as you move up is the best way to begin. We as a Lodge were fortunate to have some Past Masters to start us off on the first few years and now

we are working to build the stations with the new Brothers in the Lodge.

If you have any thoughts of becoming Master some day or if you just want to serve the Lodge in a particular chair or take a specific part in any of the degrees now is the time to talk to any of the Officers and start learning.

Our goals are to have the best Officers and Degree teams for all the new Candidates that come to Hunters Paradise Lodge No 85 in the future. Come out and be a part of these teams.

A reminder that your 2019 dues are due by January 1, 2019. Due notices were mail

out to you in October. Please call the Secretary if you did not get a dues notice in the mail or if you have any concerns about your dues.

There are new Petitions for the Degrees available with the new fees requirements available. If you use an old petition with the old fee the petition it may be rejected by the Grand Lodge. The Secretary has some of the new Petitions for the Degrees and the Lodge Officers will also have copies come the first stated of 2019.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

George Mather PM
Z Secretary



On the Level...

By Mark Brown PM, Senior Warden

Greetings From the West.

The opportunity to serve as a Lodge officer has and will be one of the most demanding and most rewarding experiences of my life. It requires a blend of two key skill sets; knowing and demonstrating proficiency in the rituals of our order and the ability to effectively lead the Brethren in practicing and carrying out our Masonic tenants.

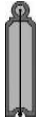
The ritualistic skills, as re-

quired by Grand Lodge, allow us to effectively open, close and govern ourselves within a Lodge meeting and to initiate, pass and raise good men to be better men. These skills are both easy and hard to develop. Easy in that all you need to learn and demonstrate is defined in the Arizona Masonic Ritual and monitor. The hard part is twofold; learning it, and then demonstrating it in an open Lodge before the

Brethren and/or candidate. The best approach is to start small, not only to better understand your personal acumen to memorize the material, but to create that initial success upon which to build others. No need to boil the ocean by learning a full degree lecture first jump out of the chute.

Leadership skills are the more ambiguous and hardest

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The Plumb Line...

By William Wright, Junior Warden

Greetings from the South,

Hunters Paradise is fortunate in that many of the charter members of the lodge, and indeed all of the past masters, have stayed deeply involved. This characteristic, along with able and willing side liners, is what makes it possible to train our up and coming officers and less informed brethren.

Many hours have been spent answering questions and practicing degree work. But the most important development time is the time between rituals or during times when something a bit unexpected has come up. These

times are truly what allows our brethren and officers to see the nuances and details of leadership, and our great craft, at work.

Welcome to the new year and please keep in mind that we all learn and take away different lessons from each gathering. But above all else, all gatherings are an occasion to practice and learn from the tenants of Free Masonry.

Stay Well Brethren,

Bill Wright
Junior Warden

They All Came Just For Me

Something big is going on here.
Or so I thought that night,
As the Masons came to gather round
the Great and lesser lights.

One from here and one from there
From places far and wide,
They came to do, I knew not what,
As they gathered there inside.

But from each man I was greeted
With a smile and voice of cheer.
One said, "so you're the candidate.
The reason that we're here."

I scarcely knew just what he meant,
For this was my "first degree."
There must be much for them to do
Before they got to me.

Surely these guys would not travel
for the sake of just one man.
Yes, there must be much for them to do,
Before my part began.

The "Brother Tiler" was my company
As I waited at the door

To step into this brand new realm
I had not known before.

They shared with me the three Great
Lights
and some tools of the trade,
That I might learn a thing or two
of how a man be better made.

When at last I had been seated
In this brotherhood of men
The Master then began to bring
The meeting to an end.

And with all things then completed,
They stayed a little more,
To eat and drink and share a laugh
Before heading toward the door.

But as we left I understood
And then began to see.
That they all came for one reason.
They all came just for me.

Dear brothers I pray every lodge
Will make new ones like me,
Feel as welcome as these brothers did,
When they held my First Degree.

Hunter's Paradise Lodge #85 - 2019 Officers (elected or appointed)

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East. So, I feel it is best to begin that path as a Steward and hopefully become ritualistically ready to sit in the East by or before sitting in the South. Of course, that is only one half of the problem.

So, what can we do as a Lodge to prepare for the business, logistics, and financial readiness needed to prepare someone to lead in the East? This may be the million-dollar question and how each of you

may assist.

I may not be the expert to prepare the future of our Lodge for these items, but I do know our Lodge is full of a diverse group of men that contains the knowledge needed to plan and take action for our future.

You are all Leaders or, at the very least, have potential to be leaders of our Lodge. This may not mean that you need to be a Worshipful Master someday, but it does mean that your Leadership can help

shape our future. So, whether you plan on sitting in the East or not it is our job to prepare you the best way we can and because of that we need to build a better plan to prepare our Lodge of Leaders for the future. So, let's build this plan for the Lodge and build a better future at Hunter's Paradise together.

Bill Enloe, PM
Worshipful Master

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to master. They are generally defined in a few key points which can be found in the dozens of books available, Lombardi and Maxwell being 2 that come to mind. Execution is the difficult part as each has their own individual style requiring a constant adjustment to be effective. The Grand Lodge of Arizona hosts a Leadership Conference every March to assist in development our next Masonic leaders. It is a great forum to better understand the non-ritualistic aspects of our fraternity and

meet your Arizona Grand Lodge officers and Brethren.

The general path of a Lodge officer starts with the Stewards, progressing to the Deacons and then to the pedestal officers. This path allows for not only demonstrating the ritual proficiency of the current office but learning those of the next in the progression; "walk before your run", "drink from the straw instead of the fire hose". It also integrates each officer into the overall responsibilities in the operation of the Lodge as they progress to the East. Whether your goal is to pursue a path

to the East or become more involved in the Lodge, ritualistic or non-ritualistic, the key is to let your intentions be known and start developing your Masonic skills now. The Lodge officers are there to assist you in that endeavor based on their own individual experiences. The key to building any structure capable of withstanding the rigors of the seasons is to start with a solid foundation.

Fraternally,
Mark Brown, PM
Senior Warden

Sickness and Distress

Bro. Ken Jones: Ken passed away on December 21.

His funeral arrangements are for Friday January 11, 2019

- **Funeral at 11:00 am** at the National Memorial Cemetery of Arizona, 23029 N Cave Creek Road Phoenix, AZ 85204
- **Meet after the Services:** American Legion Post 138, 107 E Broadway Road Tempe, AZ 85282