



# HUNTER'S PARADISE LODGE #85



## Greetings from the East... Worshipful Master Mark Brown, PM

Brothers,

Greetings from the East. Brethren, thank you for the confidence you have in me by allowing me the opportunity to serve as Worship Master for the year 2020.

The focus of the coming year can be summarized in 1 word; Planning. I firmly believe that the accomplishments and successes of any organization or effort, particularly the Lodge, all start with good planning. Areas of focus for the Lodge are ritual proficiency, officer development, degree conferral, membership, fundraisers, communications, dinners, social events, etc. The Lodge has recently implemented 3 forums and processes that will lead our planning effort.

This past summer the Planning Committee was created to develop and track the 1-, 3- and 5-year plans of the Lodge. This committee, which meets 4 times yearly, is responsible for ensuring a solid progressive officer line of leadership and proficiency requirements, ritual proficiency in all degree parts, financial investments, budgets, among others.

Officer meetings are now held on the 1st Monday of each month. These meetings are an extension to the Planning Committee as a working session to execute the 1/3/5-year plans.

The Policies and Procedures Manual sets forth not only the operational aspects of the Lodge, but also contains a  
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### Upcoming Activities

Watch for emails update from the Worshipful Master

- November 25th - 7:00 pm**  
- Stated Meeting open on 1st Degree. All Masons welcome!
- December 2nd - 6:30 to 8:00 pm**  
- Officer Meeting
- December 9th - 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm**  
- Practice session - come join us
- December 16th - 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm**  
- Degree night - the 1st degree
- December 23rd - NO STATED MTG**
- January 6th - 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm**  
- Officer and Planning Meetings
- January 13th - 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm**  
- Degree night - the 1st degree
- January 20th - 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm**  
- Practice session - come join us
- January 27th - 7:00 pm**  
- Stated Meeting open on 1st Degree. All Masons welcome!



## From the Secretary's Desk...

By George "Z-Klown" Mather, PM

Brethren All,

The 2020 Officers, Trustees and Trial Commissioners have all been elected or appointed. WB Mark Brown has an excellent corps of Officers for Hunters Paradise Lodge No. 85. They will be the first to operate with the guidance of the newly adopted Policy and Procedures manual. WB Mark has a schedule we will follow to keep you informed and keep our new Candidates moving forward-through the Degrees. Please

come out and enjoy the meals prepared by our Junior Warden and the Stewards on Degree nights and Stated meetings when we are not joining the LOS.

Contact our Marshall Brother James Leppert if you want to help ring the bells in December. He has sent out a flyer to all so please call if you have not done so already. This is another of our Community projects.

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## Hunter's Paradise Lodge #85 - 2020 Officers

(elected or appointed )

### Worshipful Master

Mark L. Brown, PM  
480-220-0209

### Senior Warden

Gerry Massey, PM  
623-229-0545

### Junior Warden

Gary F. Dates, Jr.  
520-568-6959

### Treasurer

Leo R. Balthazor  
602-740-5635

### Secretary

George S. Mather, PM  
480-254-5328

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### Senior Deacon

Bill Enloe PM  
480-861-2440

### Junior Deacon

Joe Newby  
602-819-9673

### Senior Steward

Jeff Klefstad  
480-947-3054

### Junior Steward

Trent Pittard  
480-848-0337

### Marshal

James Leppert  
623-516-9363

### Tyler

David Lowery, PM  
602-237-0204

### Chaplain

Brian Bednar  
602-809-8359

### Lodge Education Officer (L.E.O.)

Leo R. Balthazor  
602-740-5635



## On the Level...

By Gerry Massey PM, Senior Warden

Greetings from the West,

Thank you for allowing me to serve as the Senior Warden for this coming year. During our inaugural year in 2013, we got ALOT done. However, because we stood the Lodge up so quickly, there were a few "missed opportunities." These opportunities were projects that I really wanted to complete. Unfortunately, there was simply just not enough time to get it all done. In the years since, many of those items have been taken care of, and some are in the planning stages to be finished. I think you will like the final results.

WM Mark has taken a few steps

back, evaluated our Lodge and has seen a few of these missed opportunities as well as a few new ones that have arisen. Thanks to him, we now have some great plans in the works for this Lodge. I am really excited not only to see some loose ends being tied up, but also to be a part of the planning and reformation as well. WB Mark's Lodge Planning Meetings, Policies and Procedures Manual and Officer Proficiency and Education goals will be the foundation for our lodge moving forward. Please join with me in not only showing your support but being a part of our transition.

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position.

meetings.

roadmap of proficiency expectations of each officer, particularly, those in the progressive line. Following this roadmap or plan will result in a gradual continuous development of ritual proficiency required for election to a pedestal officer

I encourage anyone interested in pursuing an officer position to attend these meetings and review the P & P roadmap. They are great venues and learning tools to understanding the complexity of running the Lodge outside of the Stated

I'm looking forward to a great 2020 and planning for the future of Hunters Paradise.

Fraternally yours,

Mark Brown  
Worshipful Master

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If you are planning to turn in any petitions or Applications in November or after they must be accompanied by a 2020 dues card.

The 2020 dues are coming in nicely. We thank all who have paid. Remember that your dues are due by January 1, 2020. If you have a need for more time, please contact the Secretary and we will help you.

Since we are dark in December please have a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and a Very Happy New Year.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

George Mather PM  
Z secretary

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I look forward to continuing my work with all of you in making HP85 "Our Masonic Home, Away from Home".

Yours in the Faith,

Gerry Massey, PM  
Senior Warden, HP85

**Grand Lodge of Arizona, F&AM**  
**Annual Christmas Party**

**Saturday December 7, 2019**  
El Zaribah Shrine - 552 N. 40<sup>th</sup> Street, Phoenix, AZ 85008

6pm - No host cocktails  
7pm - CATERED dinner by Robert's Catering  
8pm - Gong Show style variety showcase featuring Arizona's most talented Masons

**Tickets:**

Early Bird Special - \$45.00 per person before Nov 15, 2019  
After Nov 15, 2019 - \$50.00 per person

Purchase tickets via PayPal link on Grand Lodge website  
azmasons.org (NOTE: \$2.00 PayPal handling fee applies)  
For those not using PayPal the cost is \$45 plus \$2 handling fee available at the Grand Lodge Offices only.

**Got Talent?**  
Contact JJ Jennings to enter Gong Show win prizes & gain fame as Arizona's most talented

**Questions? Contact:**  
JJ Jennings: 602-821-2327  
Or  
Debbie Vasquez:  
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**Did You Know...** On our website (HP85.org) has a link where you can pay your lodge dues online with your credit card. Need help with the process please contact our Treasurer, Leo Balthazor.