










# Hunter's Paradise Lodge #85



## FEBRUARY 2021

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### Message from Worshipful Master - Bill Enloe P. M.

My Brothers,

The trestle board topic for this month is the spring cleaning and activities to refresh the Lodge.

As far as spring cleaning, I will, more or less, discuss the figurative cleaning of the Lodge by stating we really need to have members of the Lodge take on ritual parts to keep our Lodge going. The problem with a recycle of Past-Masters is that we do not receive new leadership within the Lodge.

In order to keep the Lodge in good standing with Grand Lodge, we must perform each degree every year and each pedestal officer must be certified to be elected to their station. In other words, there is a strong ritual component to maintaining active status for the Lodge. When we recycle the same members year after year, we run the risk those members losing interest with

maintaining these certifications. It is then that the Lodge is at risk of no longer remaining a Lodge in the Grand Lodge of Arizona.

So, to spring clean we need to have new participants take an active part in performing ritual. We need members to want to be in the South, West, and East and want to keep this Lodge alive. This cannot happen with just a few members, but rather a much larger pool of members.

It is my responsibility, as part of that figurative spring cleaning, to prepare you to begin your ritualistic journey. The parts are repetitive, so that should assist with learning the parts, but they also contain a deeper symbolism of our Masonic teachings. So, you will learn more about the fraternity and our rich history by attempt-

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### Upcoming Planned Activities (The Master will update via email)

- Feb 1 - Officer Meeting 6:30 pm  
via ZOOM
  - Feb 8 - Ritual practice 6:30 pm  
2nd Degree preparation
  - Feb 15t - Degree meeting 6:30 pm  
Confer the 2nd Degree
  - Feb 22 - Lodge Stated meeting 7:00 pm
- The 2021 Monthly Meeting Plan**
- 1st Monday - Officers meeting (ZOOM)
  - 2nd Monday - Ritual practice meeting
  - 3rd Monday - Degree special meeting,  
if no degree, then the Master will advise.
  - 4th Monday - Stated meeting
  - 5th Monday - If it exists - NO meetings

### Sickness and Distress

Please prayer for your fellow brothers, so we can get through the pandemic and return to Lodge action in a very meaningful way.



## From the Secretary's Desk...

By George "Z-Klown" Mather, PM

Brethren,

As we clean up our Lodge records, we find that a Member has not let the Secretary know that he has moved, changed his email address, or changed his phone number.

The Lodge is now operating with the Grandview System of data management. When you receive your 2021 dues card we ask that you go to [az.grandview.systems](http://az.grandview.systems) on your browser and register. This site will give you access to your Masonic information at Hunter Paradise Lodge No. 85. You will be able to update some of your personal information. If you discover there are events that are missing or incorrect please call the Secretary.

We want our Lodge information to be as current as we can make it and your participation will ensure that it is for your records.

We know it is a tough decision on rather to come to a live Stated or Degree meeting. The Lodge is practicing all the CDC and Distance requirements. We welcome you all back to the Lodge and to be able to communicate with you face to face only 6 feet apart.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

George  
Z Secretary

### Hunter's Paradise #85 Lodge Officers

----- Elected -----

**Worshipful Master**

Bill Enloe PM  
480-861-2440

**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

----- Appointed -----

**Senior Deacon**

Joe Newby  
602-819-9673

**Junior Deacon**

Jon Weber  
480-430-0807

**Senior Steward**

Ken Neusch  
516-456-7737

**Junior Steward**

Braden Gaines  
516-456-7737

**Marshal**

Earl Gould  
716-800-7658

**Tyler**

David Lowery, PM  
602-237-0204

**Chaplain**

James Jennings PM  
602-821-2327



## On the Level...

Senior Warden, Gerry Massey PM

Brothers,

Something a little different in the way of an article.

**The Masonic Deck of Cards**

One evening a Lodge Mentor retired with a young Brother who could not witness a ceremony in a higher degree.

The Mentor produced a pack of playing cards and said to the younger Brother, "Did you know that you can learn a great deal about Freemasonry from these?"

"No, indeed," said the young

Brother. "What can they teach me?"

"They are useful for improving your memory," said the Mentor. "Look here, now."

- The ACE it reminds me of the Great Architect of the Universe.
- The TWO reminds me of the two great pillars at the entrance of King Solomon's Temple
- The THREE reminds me of the 3 who rule the Lodge,  
the WM,

*(Gerry Massey SW Continued on page 4)*



## The Plumb Line

### Junior Warden, Gary Dates Jr.

Hello brethren, it is February of 2021. I hope this finds you all well! I am going to start by posing a question to all of you. What made you want to become a member of Hunter's Paradise Masonic Lodge? Was it the chance to become part of a great volunteer organization? Was it for the ability to congregate with others that enjoy working towards a common goal? Was it the opportunity to learn more about an organization that has been around for hundreds of years? Was it perhaps, the opportunity of continuing a family tradition?

I ask this question, because we need to find a way to increase participation in all aspects of our lodge. This includes taking care of our building, business meetings, degree work, degree coaching, and of course fund raising and volunteer events. We want our lodge to get back to the active participation that it used to have so that all of our brothers want to come as often as possible

and also so that others become interested in joining.

Now, for my second question. What are three things that might encourage you to participate in more lodge activities? I am asking for anyone who reads this article to please respond to me via email or phone call with an answer to that question. Is it as simple as bringing back our monthly dinners? Does anyone just need a ride? Is there an incentive that we could introduce to entice you to participate?

I would like to add that we will be enforcing CDC guidelines for masks and social distancing so that everyone will feel safe and welcome.

Fraternally,

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*(Bill Enloe P.M. continued from page 1)*

ing to learn these parts. Also, the second Monday of every month, I am at the Lodge practicing ritual and will do whatever it takes to help you in this journey. I will be there practicing as long as you need or want me to do so. I am here for you because we are here for the Lodge and the constant longevity of Hunter's Paradise.

Apathy is the enemy, so when you feel someone else will do it or it is someone else's responsibility to keep our Lodge from merging or dissolving then we are all at fault when we dissolve or merge. We are all responsible in keeping

Hunter's Paradise alive for our son's, grandson's, and great grandson's future. So please don't miss out on your opportunity to help protect our future.

And now, to prove that you read my article. What do you feel is the biggest reason why you cannot or do not want to learn ritual? As well as, what do you feel we (or I) can do to help you?

Fraternally.

Bill Enloe P.M.  
Worshipful Master

### Brother's with February Birthdays



Jeffrey Varga 2/1	Andre Bourgeois 2/7	Roger Weber 2/19	Trent Pittard 2/23
Robert Moore 2/3	Dana Dobson 2/9	Scott Garzuzi 2/21	Keith Seplak 2/24
Robert Beffel PM 2/7	Frank Forrest 2/9	Don Hettervik 2/22	Jason Mansur 2/26

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the SW  
and the JW.

- The FOUR reminds me of our progression in the Craft  
Entered Apprentice,  
Fellow Craft,  
Master Mason,  
and Worshipful Master.
- The FIVE reminds me of the 5 noble orders of Architecture,  
Tuscan,  
Doric,  
Ionic,  
Corinthian  
and Composite.
- The SIX reminds me of the 6 principles of our order,  
Brotherly Love,  
Relief,  
Truth,  
Faith,  
Hope,  
and Charity.
- The SEVEN reminds me of the 7 liberal arts and sciences,  
Grammar,  
Logic,  
Rhetoric,  
Arithmetic,  
Music,  
Geometry,  
and Astronomy.
- The EIGHT reminds me that we have members from all faiths. Muslims believe that there are 8 paradises, signifying God's mercy. In Buddhism 8 is a lucky number.

- The NINE reminds me of the working tools. Three for each of the three degrees.
- The TEN reminds me of the 10 Commandments on which our order is based. TEN was also the Pythagorean symbol of perfection or completeness.
- The JACK reminds me of the word we share in the Fellow Craft Degree.
- The QUEEN reminds me of the widow who bore the famous son and, also our Sovereign.
- The KING reminds me of King Solomon the principal figure of our order.
- There are TWELVE face cards which remind me of  
the 12 tribes of Israel  
and the 12 signs of the Zodiac.
- There are TWO COLOURS which remind me of  
Night and Day.  
Good and Evil.
- There are FOUR SUITS which remind me of  
Prudence,  
Temperance,  
Fortitude  
and Justice.

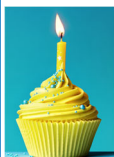
"I am most grateful," said the young Brother. "I will never forget all that you have said. But tell me, there are two cards which you haven't yet explained."

"Oh, those," said the Mentor. "Those are the two JOKERS who Proposed and Seconded you after telling you that it would take no more than one evening a month."

Yours In The Faith,

Gerry Massey PM/HP85-2013

**Brother's with January Birthdays ( Brothers we are sorry we missed you last month.)**



Chris Bolton 1/3  
Michael Saltz 1/4  
Jeff Klefstad 1/10

William Wright 1/10  
Braden Gaines 1/21  
James Schelin 1/24

Lyman Hatch 1/25  
Donald Main 1/30  
Jamie Frank 1/31