

Worshipful Master - Bill Enloe P. M.

## Brethren,

March may seem like we are early in the year, but honestly, we only have 7 months until the next election.

Like many aspects in our life, we are limited on the time we need to complete so many things in the year. Our Lodge is relatively a newer Lodge and we are experiencing the same bumps and turns in the road that many other Lodges have experienced. The one difference may be that they did not fight the concerns with COVID and the limitations of meeting in specific spaces.

The COVID numbers in Arizona are reducing, the members of Hunter's Paradise have been meeting on a regular basis. We continue to need your help to make this Lodge successful and to ensure we stay strong in our progression. The Lodge has a strong selection of line officers that are doing the needful activities to become certified for future offices. Sure, there is always a constant search to find members that have a will and a desire to take on speaking parts in the Lodge.

This is your Lodge and as a member you should want to be part of its successes. It is important to note, that with you we can share in the successes, but without you we still share in its failures.

Going forward and with the reduction of the COVID case numbers, it feels like we should prepare for having more members in our Lodge. I feel the social distancing, masks, gloves, and sanitizing has been helpful in keeping our members safe. It has been our number one priority to keep our members safe, so we can welcome our entire membership back into the Lodge.

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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



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

Brethren,

What do COVID 19 and Hunters Paradise Lodge have in common for 2021 and beyond? Get your vaccination as soon as you are allowed.

The Lodge has been meeting regularly under the CDC guidelines and doing degrees for new members.

What we are missing is YOU! This is what we need to move forward and past the pandemic here at Hunters Paradise. In Lodge you are around people you know and miss being with. We miss and need YOU on the sidelines and helping with all three degrees for our new members.

It is a major decision we make to get out to Lodge during the current times. Once you cross make the decision to step out and see that you are in a safe environment at the Lodge we will feel better each time you come out.

Watch the emails from the Lodge and mark the dates on your calendar for the events coming up. Make the first move to come back out and be with your Brothers again.



## On the Level... Senior Warden, Gerry Massey PM

Brothers,

My Brothers, like you this Pandemic has hit me pretty hard. Not specifically COVID-19 itself, but it's effects have hit me hard.

First, my heart goes out to all who have had to deal with this virus first-hand. Secondly, I have noticed the secondary repercussions of C19. I believe one of the saving graces for me personally, has been the Zoom Meetings we have had and now, having our meetings in person.

Bro. Gary Dates worked diligently to get the CDC guidelines and create a plan to bring us in compliance while attending lodge. He took a no-nonsense approach and made sure we would all be safe. He deserves some kudos for his leadership in this role.

We understand the Pandemic has dropped our numbers for attendance in lodge meetings. But vaccinations are being given, and it is time we start living our lives again. If you are like me, the Lodge is a big part of your life and it does help your mental health and well-being when you return to see all the smiling faces and see your Brothers again.

When we started HP85, we would routinely have 20-25 Sideliners. I am looking forward to getting back to those numbers.

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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 Jon Weber 480- 430-0807

Junior Deacon Open

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 R

## The Plumb Line Junior Warden, Gary Dates Jr.

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with lodge activities despite the Covid normal. Many people have been able to get both shots, several of the people are lodge members. Until masks are no longer required for social activities Hunters Paradise will continue to pro- vide hand sanitizer, gloves and masks if you for-	practice, the third Monday we set aside for de- grees and the fourth Monday is for our stated meeting. If anyone has any questions on any- thing feel free to call any officer if they don't know the answer they will find it.	
get yours. Also, if you touch it clean it.	Fraternally,	
We are also able to keep with the six foot sep- aration. We have plenty of empty seats if you	Gary Dates Junior Warden	
(Bill Enloe P.M. continued from page 1) A social group such as ours strives on fellow- ship and without that physical interaction with our membership we lose the main reasons we are such a great organization. If the membership doesn't feel safe in the full return of the Lodge activities then we risk remaining at status quo. Staying stagnate is the birth of apathy and the	enemy of growth. We need you and we like to think that you need us as well. We will continue to come to each other's aide as far as we can do so without the risk of serious injury to ourselves or family. Fraternally. Bill Enloe P.M. Worshipful Master	
(George Mather P.M. continued from page 2) After reviewing all the MEMBERS and CAN- DIDATES we have there should be at least 32 members at each Degree or Stated meeting. We know many are active in other areas of Mason- ry or the Shrine. Please place Hunters Paradise	as a top priority for venturing out now that you have your shots and reconnect with your Lodge. We value your membership and need your visible presence. Sincerely and Fraternally, George Z Secretary	
(SW Gerry Massey PM continued from page 2)	and we miss you.	
Yes, we need to be "Socially Responsible" to help keep our Brothers healthy, but please start making plans to come back to lodge. It is safe,	Yours in the Faith, Gerry Massey, PM13 Senior Warden	
Brother's with March Birthdays	Sickness and Distress	
Brian Bednar 3/3 Jon Weber 3/5 Michael McGee 3/15 Brian Bednar 3/3 Dylan Mecca 3/29 Leo Balthazor 3/31	We continue to not have brothers get COVID 19 and many are getting their shots. Please prayer for your fellow brothers, so we can get through the pandem- ic and return to lodge in a very meaningful way.	