








# Hunter's Paradise Lodge #85

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**Taking Good Men - Making Them Better**



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### Message from Worshipful Master - Gerry Massey P. M.

Brethren,

Welcome back from the summer months! I hope each of you had time to rest and refresh yourselves. Lady Connie and I had a great time traveling and enjoying each of our adventures. While we did take time for us, we have also stayed busy with Masonic groups. I always joke that Masonry is not really "dark" during the summer, but we "dim" a little bit. LOL

Your officers have also been hard at work doing degree work and studying for their progression in the line. I am truly excited to see where they are going to take this Lodge moving forward. They have some GREAT ideas and I think they will do a great job. This month's Stated Meeting will be "Appendant and Concordant Bodies Recognition" Month for HP85. So, please wear your favorite shirt for your group. I don't

care if it is Shrine, York Rite, Scottish Rite, Eastern Star, Amaranth, a youth group or anything else, just as long as it is Masonic related. Please contact Bro Jon Weber for dinner reservations before the meeting.

Let's close out the year strong and hit the ground running!

Yours in the Faith,

Gerry Massey PM, WM



### On the Level... Senior Warden, Gary Dates

Good day from the West.

This month's article is reflecting on what we have accomplished to end the current year to create more growth in membership and lodge programs.

To start off we have had a degree every month this year. In June we raised two men to the sublime degree, this month we are bringing in two first degrees and Earl is sitting in the East for them. All officers are striving to be ready for moving up to the next chair as far as our ritual

expectations when elections come around. I am close on the second degree lecture and will be performing a third degree before the end of the year.

We have sent out requests and made phone calls to try and get men involved in Blue Lodge it hasn't quite worked like I would like it to, so if you think of something say something. We would like to get together a degree team for funerals and the second section of the MM degree please see me or

any officer if you are interested. We would like to include as many non-line officers as possible.

We are still trying to get bike for books to take off, we had a Feed My Starving Children, and we have a blood drive in the pipeline for December and ringing the bells. Possible carnival in spring. We could sure use volunteers for everything going on.

Gary Dates,  
Senior Warden



## From the Secretary's Desk...

### By William Enloe, PM

Hello Hunter's Paradise,

grow.

We are midway through the 2022 Masonic year and as we look back on the months of work we have completed, there is so much that needs to be completed before the end of the year.

Our Lodge is only as strong as the members we support, so please remember that the more you show up to the stronger presence our Lodge will have. Also, please voice your opinions on the different events you would like to see during the year.

We have your Senior Deacon working hard to get his certification to be eligible for being elected in the South, the Junior Warden working hard to get his certification to be eligible for being elected to the West, and your Senior Warden working hard to get his certification to be eligible for being elected to the East.

Our officers meet once a month and discuss the needs of this Lodge, so knowing what you want is much easier to plan for than the guesswork that has been happening in years past. This is our Lodge, we all have a voice in what we participate in. So let the officers know where you want to visit, volunteer, socialize, and fundraise and we will do them together. Your officers are here for you, so please don't just assume they know what you want because often we do what we have done rather than attempt new things. These new things may revitalize your involvement, but we won't know that until you let us know what you want to do.

You may be asking yourself "What can I do to assist?". Well in my humble opinion, you can come out to the different degrees and participate with much of the needed ritual parts. This will allow our hard-working pedestal officers to focus on what is needed for the strength and support of our future. Even if you do not come out and take on big parts, but just come out to support the candidate and our officers, you will be helping by supporting your Lodge as it continues to

Bill Enloe PM  
Secretary HP85



## The Plumb Line

### Junior Warden, Jon Weber

Brethren,

1 person in the next 2 months to visit us to learn more about Freemasonry.

If you have not done this yet, please go to the April Trestle Board and update find out how to update your profile on Grandview.

I know it has been a while since many members have attended lodge. Are you ready to challenge yourself and grow in Freemasonry? Take another step by memorizing one of the following and helping in a degree:

I'm asking each brother to look at the men around you and ask yourself, "Which of these men have inside them has what it means to be a Mason?" Invite them to visit your lodge on the 2nd and 4th Mondays per the calendar below. I would like each brother to invite at least

- ◆ 1st Degree Apron Presentation
- ◆ 1st Degree Charge

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## Hunter's Paradise #85 Lodge Officers

----- Elected -----

### Worshipful Master

Gerry Massey, PM  
623-229-0545

### Senior Warden

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

### Junior Warden

Jon Weber  
480- 430-0807

### Treasurer

Leo R. Balthazor  
602-740-5635

### Secretary

Bill Enloe, PM  
480-861-2440

----- Appointed -----

### Senior Deacon

Earl Gould  
716-800-7658

### Junior Deacon

Chris Liristis

### Senior Steward

Trent Pittard  
480-848-0337

### Junior Steward

Shawn Strohmman

### Marshal

Bob Cherry

### Tyler

David Lowery, PM  
602-237-0204

### Chaplain

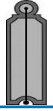
Braden Gaines  
516-456-7737

----- Trustees -----

Jim Thomas

Brian Bednar

Mark Brown PM



## The Plumb Line

### Junior Warden, Jon Weber

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- ◆ 2nd Degree 'G' Lecture
- ◆ 2nd Degree Charge
- ◆ 3rd Degree Second Section Jm or FC3
- ◆ 3rd Degree Charge
- ◆ Or learn the WM part and sit as Acting Master for a degree!

My biggest worry about going into the officer line to support our lodge was the memory work. It has always been tough for me to memorize things but even at 51 years old I'm succeeding at that challenge which I gave myself. You can too!

August 22nd is our next stated meeting and let's do another POTLUCK DINNER.

Potluck pŏt'lŭk' noun 1. A meal at which each guest brings food that is then shared by all.

Please call, text or email me with what you can bring for Dinner.

Jon Weber, Junior Warden  
480-430-0807  
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### Monthly Meeting Schedule

- 1st Monday 6:30pm - Lodge officers only meeting
- 2nd Monday 6:30pm - Ritual practice to help memorize and perform degrees - Prospective Candidate Education
- 3rd Monday 6:30pm - Degree night for scheduled candidates - Candidates that have already gone through the scheduled degree are encouraged to attend
- 4th Monday **5:30pm - Dinner**; a \$10 donation to help cover costs of food or raise money for the lodge - Prospective candidates and all brothers are encouraged to attend. - Prospective candidates, this is the time to get to know the members of the lodge and for them to get to know who they will be voting for to become members of the lodge. - If you do not plan on eating no donation is required, please attend, and enjoy the fellowship with our brethren
- 7:00pm - Stated Meeting begins.** All brethren who have at least gone through the 1st Degree are encouraged to attend.
- 5th Monday - 4 or 5 months throughout the year have a 5th Monday. We define that the 5th Monday work is at the discretion of the Master of the Lodge. Most 5th Mondays we are off but at times we may choose to hold a degree or some other activity.

Prospective Candidates who would like to be a Master Mason, the lodge encourages you to attend on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month.

Fraternally,

Jon Weber, Junior Warden