



Hunter's Paradise Lodge #85

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Our Mailing Address

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Upcoming Planned Activities

- Dec. 5 - Officer Mtg (Zoom) - 6:30 pm
 - Dec. 12 - Practice night - 6:30 pm
 - Dec. 19 - 1st Degree night - 6:30 pm
 - Dec. 26 - NO MEETING - 7:00 pm
 - Jan. 2 - Officer Mtg (Zoom) - 6:30 pm
 - Jan. 9 - Practice night - 6:30 pm
 - Jan. 16 - 1st Degree night - 6:30 pm
 - Jan. 23 - Lodge Stated Mtg - 7:00 pm
 - Jan. 30 - TBD (Master's choice)
 - Feb. 2 - Officer Mtg (Zoom) - 6:30 pm
 - Feb. 9 - Practice night - 6:30 pm
 - Feb. 16 - Degree night - 6:30 pm
 - Feb. 25 - Lodge Stated Mtg - 7:00 pm
- (The Master will update via email)**

Message from Worshipful Master - Gary Dates



Brethren,

First of all, thank you for voting me to the East, it is a great honor and I hope to do justice to the position.

The ceremony was terrific! Almost everyone was there to be installed into their prospective chairs. When it came time for me to take the gavel I was speechless, frog in the throat. I was happy to see so many people there to cheer on their family members being installed.

A special thank you to Connie for putting the jewel around my neck! We rounded out the afternoon with cake and coffee, 45 min coffee, we started the coffee but forgot to put in coffee grounds. LOL.

We have two first degrees coming up. The first on December 19th with brother Earl in the east, and the second is a first de-

gree January 16th with Braeden in the East. There will be a Lodge of Instruction hosted by Hunter's Paradise on January 30th with subs and the fixings for dinner.

We are going to start having dinner on stated meeting nights. Earl has the menu for the entire year printed out for your enjoyment.

Our prospective members are going to start meeting on stated meeting nights for the dinner. Officer meetings are going to be on Zoom from here on out. The second Mondays will be practices for the degree on the following Monday. The same as before. Just changing officer meetings to zoom and prospective members meeting on Stated Meeting nights.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year



On the Level... Senior Warden

As of now we don't have a Senior Warden. We have Brother Earl Gould who is almost ready, but needs to finish his proficiency before he can be installed. Until then, we will have a Past Master sit in the West Chair.



From the Secretary's Desk...
By William Enloe, PM

Hello Hunter's Paradise,

This month we've been tasked with talking about preparation for next year, but I really would like to start off by congratulating our first non-repeat Worshipful Master in five years when WB Jonathan Beffel was presiding in the East. I, like those others that have had to be reseated in the East, have been looking forward to this time because it means growth and strength in the line.

We have officers in the progressive line that are committed to progressing to the East and are actively working on getting proficiencies to continue our trend of fewer repeats in the East. Gerry, Bob, and I have started the Third Timers club, but it is so exclusive that we really don't want any other members if we can help it. I can attest that we each would like to see new members join the ranks as a Worshipful Master of HP85 than any joining our invitation only club.

So, those of you that have a strength in leadership and would like to help progress Hunter's Paradise into the Future, come on down and see one of the officers and we'll work with you and let you know what it takes to become an officer. We are always in need of your help and will not turn you away if you would like to progress up the ranks. It does not matter if you have been in Masonry for 75 years or 2. If you have the desire and would like to help, we'll train as needed.

As far as how I am getting ready for

the new year, well I just received the dues cards from the Grand Lodge office. All those that have paid or expect a dues card will be receiving them shortly. If you are a life member, perpetual member, or any other member that has paid his dues should be receiving them in the next couple of weeks.

All members that still need to pay your dues, please feel free to make an electronic payment by remitting payment from HP85.org or mail a check to our PO box (all information will be on the email).

This is typically the busy time for dues payments and sending dues cards out. So, please be patient, but feel free to reach out if you feel it has been longer than expected to receive your card. I definitely want to be respectful to your travels or Lodge visits by having a current dues card. Please remember that to be one of the signers of a petition, you will need to have your 2023 dues card in order for it to be processed and approved for vote from the Grand Lodge office.

Lastly, I want to thank the officers and members of Hunter's Paradise for the support and friendship you have shared with me. It was a true honor to have been awarded the Mason of the Year. I am humbled to have received such a prestigious award and am still in disbelief that my name was called out at the Instal-

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Hunter's Paradise #85
Lodge Officers

----- Elected -----

Worshipful Master

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

Senior Warden
 TBD

Junior Warden
 Earl Gould
 716-800-7658

Treasurer
 Leo R. Balthazor
 602-740-5635

Secretary
 Bill Enloe, PM
 480-861-2440

----- Appointed -----

Senior Deacon
 Braden Gaines

Junior Deacon
 Chris Liristis

Senior Steward
 Brian Conner

Junior Steward
 TBD

Marshal
 David Ruff

Tyler
 David Lowery, PM

Chaplain
 Austin Nisbet

----- Trustees -----

Mark Brown PM
 Jim Thomas

Gerry Massey, PM

-Trial Commissioners-

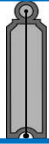
Scott Garzuzi
 Leo Balthazor
 James Lippert
 Jim Thomas
 Ken Neusch

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lation. Thank you for the high honor and appreciate the opportunity to continue to serve this

Lodge and make it the best Lodge in the state.

Bill Enloe PM
Secretary HP85



The Plumb Line Junior Warden, Earl Gould

Brethren,

As my first official act as the JW for Hunters Paradise I would like to thank all the Brothers for allowing me to serve in this position. It is an honor and I look forward to working with all of you to make our lodge better than it already is.

Unlike many of you HP#85 is the only Masonic home I have known. I look forward to working with the newest members of our lodge, helping them gain proficiency so one day they will be able to fill the officer chairs in the lodge. I also look forward to working with and hearing from our more experienced Brothers about their experiences and positions they have held in the lodge. What ideas worked, why they didn't, and what we as a lodge Dec.be able to do better. In my experience the success or failure of any organization comes down to one basic thing; Communications. I will strive to keep the brethren advised of all dealings and programs under my purview.

We will be having dinners before every stated meeting, beginning with the January 2023 stated meeting. I have submitted a menu for the year to the WM and it will be posted in the backroom of the lodge for all to see. PLEASE RSVP to me no later than the Thursday before the stated meeting. By RSVPing we will ensure we have the right amount so that all can be served. In keeping with the already established prices, meals will be \$10.00 and most meals will be brought in from various restaurants in the area and will include a main dish, salad, bread/Roll and desert.

Please RSVP to me via text at 716-800-7658 or email at earl.gould.15613@gmail.com I also look forward to seeing many of the members who have not been able to participate in the lodge. I would like to invite all member who Dec. have been away for awhile to stop in at a stated meeting, catch up with old friends and meet some new ones. We open on the EA degree, so even our newest brothers can attend.

Lastly as the JW, I would like to see us tackle a fund raiser, provide some assistance to the community, or even take on another service project. We can only do this if everyone is on board and wants to chip in. An hour or two from Brothers is all we would need to make any activity a success. I will have more on this as the year progresses. I look forward to any and all ideas any Brother who may have as a worth whiled project. Please see me after lodge or contact me via email at earl.gould.15613@gmail.com

Again, thank you for the opportunity to serve as your JW for the year 2023. I look forward to the fun we will have and the good we will do.

Respectfully,

Earl Gould

