



Hunter's Paradise Lodge #85



JANUARY 2023

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Message from Worshipful Master - Gary Dates

Brethren,

Hello everyone, I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and happy New Year! We had a degree in December and welcomed brothers Shannon Drake and Chris Guenther into our fraternity. Brother Earl resided in the East.

January 16th we will be having another first degree for John Larson with Brother Braden in the East. I would like to thank everyone that for signing up for the bell ringing we did in December.

We have an officer's meeting on ZOOM the first Monday, practice on the second Monday for the following Monday's degree. We are going to start having supper on the stated meeting night, fourth Monday. It is going to be a great opportunity for everyone to meet our prospective

members and possibly become mentors slash first line signers. Earl will be heading up our suppers, be sure to RSVP him. He will be posting the menu for the entire year.

I have asked several people to write articles for the trestle board. So far Job's Daughters, DeMolay, and York Rite representatives. If anyone in our Lodge would like to write something be sure to get with Brother Leo. All articles are due on stated meeting nights the month before. Example January's article was due December 26th.

January 30th Hunters Paradise will be hosting a Lodge of Instruction. The supper will be sub sandwiches. Our Lodge of Instruction will be given by WB Bill Enloe.

Please come out and support your BLUE LODGE!

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Upcoming Planned Activities

- 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
- Mar. 6 - Officer Mtg (Zoom) - 6:30 pm
- Mar. 13 - Practice night - 6:30 pm
- Mar. 20 - Degree night - 6:30 pm
- Mar. 27 - Lodge Stated Mtg - 7:00 pm

(The Master will update via email)

The 2022/23 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 as to the activity to be done.
- 4th Monday** - Stated meeting
- 5th Monday** - If it exists - NO meetings



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

Hello Hunter's Paradise,

As they say, when one door closes another door opens. So it is the same here at Hunter's Paradise.

The year 2022 is ending and 2023 is just off the horizon. I look forward to many wonderful experiences in the new year. We have the potential to build an even stronger Lodge with the strength and support of you, the members of Hunter's Paradise. We are always going to be a great Lodge, but improvements to the temple can always be made.

Personally, I want to make Grand View the ideal spot for you to get all your information from Grand Lodge and from our Lodge. This means that I may need to ask that everyone should (if they haven't already done so) register as a user. Next, I will enter the noteworthy events you'll need to know about, so the site can be informative and easy to use.

You may need to ensure your records are updated, so communication with you can be smoother and more efficient.

Last, feel free to write down what can be done to make Grand View better. We can then take that information and see if we can improve things ourselves or push it up to Grand Lodge for improvements for all using the tool. I've already received a suggestion that I will be submitting to Grand Lodge, so with your help this tool will help all of us not

just the small few who use it.

Finally, one improvement I would love to see is our Lodge having multiple qualified candidates wanting to move up the line. We have many talented members who show great potential as a leader in our organization.

Leadership can be improved, but a passion for ritual sometimes needs to be introduced. I think we can feed that passion by having a larger number of those wanting to take on memorized ritual parts. Once one reads and begins to learn the lessons taught in Masonry, he will want to continue that search for knowledge.

Our message is written in our written work and often plainly explained when those learn parts. Even if you don't feel the need to move up the chairs, taking on a learned part will bring you closer to the lessons we share. So, please come to down to the practices (on the second Mondays) and learn something new.

I'm confident you won't regret it.

Bill Enloe PM
Secretary HP85

**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
Phillip Lopez

Marshal
David Ruff

Tyler
David Lowery, PM

Chaplain
Austin Nisbet

----- Trustees -----

Mark Brown PM

Jim Thomas

Gerry Massey, PM

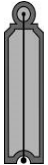
-Trial Commissioners-

Scott Garzuzi
Leo Balthazor
James Lippert
Jim Thomas
Ken Neusch



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.



The Plumb Line Junior Warden, Earl Gould

Brethren,

I hope everyone had a safe and happy Holiday Season, whatever holiday you celebrate, Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, it is my hope you had a safe and happy one, filled with memories and laughter.

This is the time of year where we look to the future, to see what is ahead of us and to try to finish up what we set out to do last year. Many of us beat ourselves up this time of year. Realizing we did not accomplish all we had set out to do at the beginning or the year. I like to use this time of year, not to look back, but to see what is ahead. Make goals which are difficult but attainable.

As I look forward there are several things which I want to achieve for myself and my family. My goals as a servant of this lodge are to work hard on obtaining my proficiency for the next step in my Masonic journey and to help solidify the line for future officers and member of Hunters Paradise. I will be working on the second-degree ritual as well as looking forward to this year's Grand Communication.

I will also be working with the WM throughout the year to raise our attendance numbers. We all joined for different reasons but one of the benefits of coming to lodge is the relationships we build. If you have not been to lodge in a while, please stop down, we have dinner before

every stated meeting or come out to a degree night and support our new brothers by sitting on the sideline as they embark on their own Masonic journey.

Feel free to stop in during practice, meet the new officers and allow us the benefit of your experience and wisdom. I welcome the opportunity to speak with others who have sat in the chairs, learn from their experiences, hear their success and mistakes. Please put Mondays down on your calendar and come out to the lodge and share your experience and knowledge with others.

Lastly, if you plan to attend the stated meeting and would like to join us for dinner, the cost is \$10.00. January's stated meeting dinner selection will be pasta, bread, salad, and desert. Please RVSP to me no later than Thursday 12/28/2022 if you wish to join us for dinner. My email is earl.gould.15613@gmail.com or text me at 716-800-7658 (please include your name and any guest that may accompany you), by RSVPing you will help ensure we have enough food for planning purposes.

Wishing you all a very Happy New Year and a prosperous and healthy 2023!

God Bless,

Earl P. Gould
JW Hunters Paradise #85