



# Hunter's Paradise Lodge #85

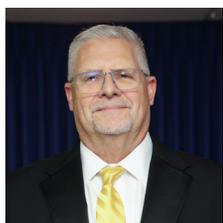
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## Message from Worshipful Master - Earl Gould



Brothers:

Welcome back from the darkness. I hope everyone was able to enjoy the time away from the lodge to rest and relax. I am in the final months of being Master of this lodge. I have enjoyed it immensely and I cannot express the thanks I have for each and everyone of you for supporting me and the lodge these past 9 months. While we were dark we added some chairs to the north side of the lodge room. These chairs were donated to us by Chandler thunderbird lodge. I would like to thank Darrell Mandrell, Austin Nesbit and Braden Gains as well as my son Luke for the help it getting the chairs into the lodge.

We will be kicking off the fall with our stated meeting on August 25, then in September things really rap up. In addition to our normal Monday

schedule, we will be making a lodge visit to Chandler thunderbird lodge for a degree they are holding on September 16, on September 18 we will do another Feed my Starving Children event, please sign up on the FMSC website. We will again be hosting Breakfast for the El Zaribah Shrine fall ceremony on September 20. We have a lot of activities planned and welcome any and all help. If you can make any one of the three events it will go a long way to making these events successful.

Lastly, as I look towards the end of the year I look forward to working towards next year's master architect award, setting up the 2026 year for the next Master of our lodge.

I look forward to getting back to business and seeing you all again soon.

God Bless and keep you safe,

Earl Gould, Master

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**Our Mailing Address**  
Hunters Paradise Lodge No. 85  
P.O. Box 1545  
Mesa, AZ 85211-1545

### Upcoming Planned Activities

- Sept 8: ritual practice @ 6:30 lodge Rm
- Sept 15: ritual practice @6:30 lodge Rm
- Sept 16: We visit Chandler lodge – FC degree, See page 3 for details
- Sept 18 Feed my Starving Children. See page 3 for details.
- Sept 20 Shrine Fall ceremony breakfast. See Page 5 for details
- Sept 22 Stated meeting Dinner at 6 pm menu – pulled pork with sides Gavel drops at 7pm

### The 2025 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

To the Members and Family of Hunter's Paradise,



At the time of this writing, we are in the short stretch for the 2025 Masonic term. You must ask yourself "What have you done with your time?". Some may say that they have attended meetings, others might say that they have served at "Feed My Starving Children", and yet others may say that they have traveled and provided well wishes from the Great State of Arizona. Sadly, however, there are still some who have not made the most of their Masonic Year. The good news is that there is still time serve your fellow men and women. There is still time to help the community, your friends, your family, or your Lodge. We will be asking many of you to join us ringing the bells, another Feed my Starving Children, Lodge visits, our own member's degrees, or even Stated Meetings. You can make the trek to the Lodge and socialize with your fellow Lodge Brothers. The best part of service is when we do it together. Service is our purpose, but enjoying your time is something only you can control. If there are service opportunities we have not considered, tell the officers and maybe we can do that event and bring joy to others.

Now for a bit more serious of a topic, your dues payment. Please understand that dues are an important

function of Lodge operations. We are charged, as a Lodge, per capita fees in February and when your dues are not covered early in the year there is the potential of the Lodge to lose money for covering a per capita payment that has not been paid by the member. We typically send out initial dues' payment requests in October or November of the current year for the payment of next year's dues. If you are receiving emails or letters at any time after January, then you are in arrears. You are at risk of being suspended for non-payment of dues when you are receiving notices in July and August. Often, we suspend these members after July, but before the October month again. Please do not confuse a request to pay your dues in arrears for next year's dues payment. If you are ever confused if you are current, you can log into Grand View and browse to your portal view. Your Lodge dues status will be there, and you will know if you are current or have payment pending. I'm here to help, so if you need assistance figuring out if you are paid or not, please contact me and I will let you know.

Bill Enloe  
Secretary  
Hunter's Paradise #85

### Hunter's Paradise #85 Lodge Officers

--- Elected ---  
**Worshipful Master**  
Earl Gould  
716-800-7658

**Senior Warden**  
Braden Gaines  
719-231-1433

**Junior Warden**  
Brian Conner  
719-231-1433

**Treasurer**  
Leo Balthazor  
602-740-5635

**Secretary**  
Bill Enloe, PM  
480-861-2440

### --- Appointed ---

**Senior Deacon**  
Felix Cwynar IV

**Junior Deacon**  
James Miller

**Senior Steward**  
Shawn Strohmman

**Junior Steward**  
Ben Carrillo

**Marshal**  
Christopher Guenther

**Tyler**  
James Hoover PM

**Chaplain**  
Darrell Mandrell PM

--- Trustees ---  
James Jennings PM  
Keith Seplak  
Gary Dates Jr PM

-Trial Commissioners-  
George Mather PM  
Leo Balthazor  
James Miller  
Jim Leppert  
Bruce Bouldin

Hunter's Paradise Lodge 85  
Feed my Starving Children

When: September 18, 2025  
Where: 1100 W Grove Parkway, Suite 101  
Tempe AZ 85283  
Time: from 7-9 PM

Register on-line at: [fmsc.org/volunteer](https://fmsc.org/volunteer)

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## HP #85 Official Visit to Chandler Thunderbird Lodge Tuesday September 16, 2025

**Brothers;**

We will be Visiting Chandler Thunderbird lodge , where they will be conducting a third degree. This will be a excellent time for us to thank them for their support to the lodge and for the new seats which have been placed on the North side of our lodge room.

**Where: Chandler Thunderbird Lodge  
Address: 88 W Erie St.  
Chandler, AZ**

**Time: Gavel drops at 7pm Sharp (no Meal prior to the degree so please plan accordingly).**

**Date: Tuesday September 16, 2025 & A M**

**The members of Thunderbird will retreat after the degree to San Tan Brewery - All are invited.**



## On the Level... Senior Warden, Braden Gaines



Dear Brothers,

I hope you all had a fun, restful, and safe summer break. I took the opportunity over the past month to study, spend time with family, and prepare for the year ahead.

As we return, I encourage anyone with ideas or events they'd like to see added to our schedule to reach out – your input is always welcome and

valued. Let's continue working together to ensure we meet our goals for the rest of the year.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone again soon and making the most of the months ahead.

Fraternally,  
Braden Gaines,  
Senior Warden



## The Plumb Line... Junior Warden, Brian Conner



Greeting from the south.

Ritual is one of the main tenants of our order but what does it mean when we are not perfect? I have not been a mason as long as some of the

brothers that I am friends with but something that I have learned in the last few years is that Ritual is one of the most important pieces of our order but we don't have to be perfect. To be honest I enjoy ritual and the study of it but I am not ignorant to think all of us are the same. I finished my SW ritual requirements before I was a JW but at the same point, I wasn't perfect. I just finally realized that it was the point of what was being said as opposed to whether I missed an "a" or changed an "of" the "the".

I know there are master ritualists that can do it all and I can say that I wish I could do the same but I still think the base of ritual is to get across the basics of what masonry is. If anything in masonry has taught us is that no one

is perfect. Each degree and lecture have a message and meaning to it but it doesn't matter if you miss one or two words but the point is that you have read and learned its teachings to where the new candidate "gets the point". So do not get discouraged. Keep studying and trying to do your best. I am aware that this thought process may arouse some ire from certain masons about perfection but at the same time I know that masonry wasn't based on memorization but rather based on making men into better men and that is what we need to memorize.

From the South

Brian Conner,  
Junior Warden

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## BLACKSTONE Griddle Raffle

- See any Hunter's Paradise Lodge Member for Details and Tickets!
- **Ticket \$5.00 Each or 5 for \$20.00**
- Prize 28" Two Burner Blackstone Grill w/Hood
- Blackstone Grilling Accessories: Grill Cover, Burger Seasoning, & Smashburger Kit.

**Drawing to be Held December 1, 2025.**

**Perfect time for the Holiday Season!**



**\*\* A Portion of the Proceeds will be to Benefit the Hunter's Paradise Charities\*\***

# El Zaribah Shrine Fall Ceremony

## CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

*sponsored by Hunters Paradise #85 and Chandler Chapter DeMolay*

When: September 20, 2025 serving 8am – 10am

Cost: A donation of \$10.00 per person (Children under 6 eat free)

### Continental Breakfast Menu includes:

- Eggs, Sausage, Bacon
- Fruit, coffeecakes, pastries
- Coffee, Juice

\*\* proceeds benefit Chandler DeMolay