



# Hunter's Paradise Lodge #85

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## Message from Worshipful Master - Gary Dates



Hello Brethren,  
May isn't as busy as April was for us. We had seven activities in April.

This May will be a relief from all of the third degrees we have done.

Our Peer to Peer program has taken off with five men showing up for dinner and fellowship. WB JJ is heading the group up. We had 44 men on the Grandview list and 17 responded!

In May we will have zoom meeting on the first Monday and practice the second degree on the second Monday. Our Stated Meeting for May is on the 20<sup>th</sup> not the 27<sup>th</sup>. We will have a second degree for brother Edward Largo in June with Braden in the East

Thank you to everyone that helped with the Spring clean up, Jeff , Earl, Luke, Leo, Jim, Braden, George and Keith. And the Spring Ceremonial

breakfast, Jeff, Earl, Phillip, Bruce, Austin and Leo. Please forgive me if I forgot someone's name.

Our lineup is strong as ever, you guys make me look forward to lodge every month.

5/6 Zoom meeting @6:30pm

5/13 Second degree practice @ 6:30pm

**5/20 Stated Meeting 7pm**

Fraternally,

Gary Dates WM

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### Our Mailing Address

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P.O. Box 1545  
Mesa, AZ 85211-1545**

### Upcoming Planned Activities

May 6th – 6:30 pm – Officer meet-  
ing via ZOOM

May 13th – 6:30 pm Practice for the  
2nd Degree

May 20th – 5:30 Dinner  
7 pm Stated Meeting

May 7th – Holiday day off

June 6th to 8th - 142nd Annual  
Grand Lodge Communication  
Sheraton Mesa Hotel

(Master's updates via email)

### The 2024 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 Members, Family, and Friends,

As we move into May, the temperatures are on the rise. Staying cool, safe, and healthy is our number one priority.

Well, as a Lodge our number one priority is you because without you we have a greater risk of not being a Lodge. So, come on down for a well visit for fellowship. We would love to have each and everyone of you come to a Stated or Degree meeting. I'm sure if we had to run downstairs to get more chairs to accommodate all our members at a meeting it would a great problem to have.

We are stronger together and together we will continue to make this Lodge continue. Our tenants have been around for thousands of years and with you it will continue to stay around for thousands more. As hu-

mans we are social beings and as a social organization we are in need of your attendance to stay a healthy Lodge. I promise we will keep the air conditioning at a cool setting for your comfort.

On another note, Grand Session is coming up and at our last meeting we read the synopsis of the resolutions that are being brought before the members for voting. If you are a voting delegate, please do not forget to register at [azmasons.org](http://azmasons.org). If you are not a voting delegate, but still would like to attend please go to forementioned address to register. I have sent out the resolutions in an email a month or so, but if you email me I'll resend it to you. I hope to see you all at our Grand Session, so until then stay safe, stay cool, and stay healthy.

Bill Enloe  
Hunter's Paradise Secretary

### Hunter's Paradise #85 Lodge Officers

--- Elected ---  
**Worshipful Master**

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

**Senior Warden**  
Earl Gould  
716-800-7658

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

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

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

---- **Appointed** ----

**Senior Deacon**  
Brian Conner

**Junior Deacon**  
Phillip Lopez

**Senior Steward**  
Austin Nisbet

**Junior Steward**  
Allen Nichols

**Marshal**  
Christopher Guenther

**Tyler**  
David Lowry PM

**Chaplain**  
Richard Lange, Jr

---- **Trustees** ----  
James Jennings  
Keith Seplak  
Jim Thomas

-**Trial Commissioners**-

Scott Garzuzi  
Leo Balthazor  
Jim Thomas  
Jim Leppert  
Bruce Bouldin

### Lodge Spring Cleaning Day

Was Saturday April 13th 9:00 AM – come down and see what we did.

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## On the Level... Senior Warden, Earl Gould



Greeting Brothers:

I want to start right out and thank everyone who came out early to support the lodge with the pancake breakfast we did again this year to support the El Zaribah Shrine Spring Ceremony. Even though we got up early and worked hard we had a lot of fun and laughs. It was great working with the brothers, joking and working towards a good cause. This little gesture not only shows our support for the Shrine but also brings us closer together as a lodge.

Most of us are Shriners and belong to El Zaribah as well. In that vein we pitch in and do things with our various clubs and units within the Temple, but this was strictly a lodge function, coming on the heels of our lodge cleaning day. I encourage everyone, no matter how long you have been a member, to show up to one of these events. There will be more opportunities soon. We are already talking about a second lodge maintenance day, to do a few things we did not get to as well as making plans to support the Shrine again with a pancake breakfast for the Fall

Shrine Ceremonial.

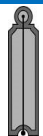
As we are moving into the summer, I want to encourage everyone to keep coming to lodge, the weather will be getting warmer, but the air conditioning in the lodge is working and it is a nice break to get out and attend lodge at least once a month. We have made noted improvement in the lodge this year, everything from cleaning the lodge to making a concerted effort to bring our members back to lodge. We have made many new Master Masons this year as well and I want to encourage everyone of them to come to the degree nights and stated meetings thought the remainder of the year.

No organization can survive without its membership being active, we need each and everyone of you to make Hunter's Paradise a strong and successful lodge. If you have any questions, please contact myself or anyone of the lodge officers.

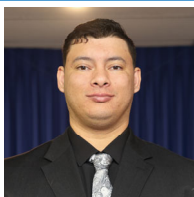
Looking forward to a great summer and seeing you all soon,

Yours in the faith,

Earl Gould, Senior Warden



## The Plumb Line... Junior Warden, Braden Gaines



Brothers,

This month is a busy one for one got a few extra events one of which includes the much-anticipated cleaning of the lodge on the 13<sup>th</sup>, for which food will be provide.

Coming into the spring and summer we are approaching the perfect weather for more activities. With that being said, I'm trying to come

up with ideas for the lodge that can fun and entertaining for our newer members and those that are inquiring member to keep coming back.

Some ideas are a nice little poker game, a BBQ down stairs with a couple games of corn hole. While these are just a few ideas, any brother that has a different interest please it share with me.

Braden, Junior Warden