# GROTTOES INTERNATIONAL



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### A MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND MONARCH



Dear Prophets and Ladies:

I cannot believe that it is spring 2023 already. Time is flying by but what an exciting time to be a Grotto Member! There is excitement wherever I travel around the realm. Your Grand Line is also keeping busy with traveling and making the Grotto grow.

My travels have taken me to places I could only dream about but Tammy and I are having fun with everyone. I want to thank each one of you for the support and hospitality extended to Tammy and myself.

The 133<sup>rd</sup> Convention in Pittsburgh will be from June 26<sup>th</sup> to July 1, 2023. Tammy and I are having events that will make this an exciting convention that you do not want to miss. I want to personally thank all who are on the Convention Committee for all their hard work to make this a successful

convention. There has been an addition to the convention that is not in the magazine. On Monday and Tuesday, during the day, the hotel has a shuttle to "Rivers Casino" for anyone that is interested. For \$5.00 per person the shuttle will take you to and from the casino to spend the day. You will have to set this up with the hotel on times. Flyers with the details will be at the front desk at the hotel. Also, there has been questions about reserving the Hospitality Rooms. The hotel is handling the rooms and can be contacted. MICHELLE GOMEZ-GILBERT CONVENTION SERVICES MANAGER DOUBLETREE BY HILTON PITTSBURGH - GREEN TREE 500 Mansfield Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15205, USA Direct: 412.353.8155 | Cell: 412-699.4673 Email: Mgilbert@dtgreentree.com. Just mention your name, Grotto, phone number and email.

Have a Great and Healthy Spring and we will see you around the Realm especially at the 133<sup>rd</sup> Supreme Council Session!

In Grotto Love, Fun and Good Fellowship,

Michael J. Tomascin

**Grand Monarch** 

### **GRAND MONARCH'S TRAVEL ITINERARY**

March 10 – 12, 2023	2023 Aahmed Grotto Monarch's Ball	Fairdale, KY
March 17, 2023	El Tor Grotto Visit	Wheeling, WV
March 18, 2023	Islam Grotto Ceremonial	Pittsburgh, PA
March 24 – 26, 2023	PGA Spring Meeting	Cranberry, PA
April 14 – 16, 2023	ISGA and New Grotto	Illinois
April 20 – 23, 2023	Board of Governor's Meeting	Gahanna, OH
April 26 – 27, 2023	Ormus and Khana Shahar Full Ceremonial	Springfield, OH
April 28 – 30, 2023	New Grotto	North Carolina
May 5 – 6, 2023	SWGA	Houma, LA
May 12 – 14, 2023	OGA / Re-dedication Ali Baba	Warren, OH
May 19 – 20, 2023	SEGA	Alvin, TX
May 25 – 28, 2023	Chi-III Grotto Installation	Chicago, IL
May 29 – 31, 2023	Grand Lodge Flor	Orlando, FL
June 24 – July 2, 202	3 Supreme Council Session	Pittsburgh, PA



### SUPREME COUNCIL TO PITTSBURGH, PA

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### **133**<sup>rd</sup> Annual Supreme Council Session

DoubleTree by Hilton – Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania June 26, 2023 – July 1, 2023

### PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

Please make check payable to 133<sup>rd</sup> Supreme Council Session

\*\*DO NOT SEND TOUR or GOLF MONEY TO SUPREME COUNCIL OFFICE\*\*

SEND THIS FORM WITH YOUR CHECK TO:

133<sup>rd</sup> SUPREME COUNCIL SESSION GROTTOES INTERNATIONAL

430 Beecher Road, Gahanna, Ohio 43230

PAYMENT FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 1, 2023.

Prophet:		Grotto:			
Lady/Guest/Child N	ame:				
Guest Name:					
Address:					
	Street	C	ity	State	Zip Code
Phone:			Email:		
	PLEASE	CHECK THE APPR	OPRIATE SPACE	<u>:</u> :	
Prophet is a: VIP:	Past Monarch:				of Ceremonies:
·		Alternate:			
Supreme (	Council Number:				Dues Card)
	ORGET TO BRING YOU				
	NO REFUND AFTE	R JUNE 1, 2023 <b>(AL</b>	L PRICES IN U.	S. DOLLARS)	
Pre	-Registration Ev	ent	Cost	Quantity	Total Cost
Prophet Registration	on		\$20.00		
Lady / Guest / Child	d Registration		\$10.00		
•	tional Secretary and T	reasurer	\$37.00		
Luncheon					
Thursday - BBQ			\$45.00		
Friday – Men's Ger			\$30.00		
Ladies' General Lur			\$38.00		
	Friday -	- Grand Mona	ırch's Banqı	uet	
New York Steak			\$70.00		
Salmon			\$60.00		
Saturday- Red Tass	el Party		\$10.00		
	TOTAL EN	ICLOSED:			
Cred	it Card Payment: Nam	e on Card:			
Number:		Security Code:		Expiration:	
		Jecuity Code.			

# Schedule of Events 133rd Annual Supreme Council Session June 26—July 1, 2023

	<b>MONDAY, JUNE 26, 2023</b>	
Board of Governor's Meeting	9:00am - 4:00pm	Heinz
Grand Trustee's Meeting	9:00am - 4:00pm	Mellon
Humanitarian Foundation Meeting	9:00am - 4:00pm	PPG
Executive Lunch	12:00pm - 1:00pm	Salon 2
Teutonia Mannerchor German Club	5:00pm - 9:00pm	Teutonia Mannerchor
Islam Grotto Hospitality Room	9:00pm - ??	Interstate
State Prospicancy Nooth	TUESDAY, JUNE 27, 2023	meerotate
Board of Governor's Meeting	9:00am - 5:00pm	Heinz
Grand Trustee's Meeting	9:00am - 5:00pm	Mellon
Humanitarian Foundation Meeting	9:00am - 5:00pm	PPG
Executive Lunch	12:00pm - 1:00pm	Salon 2
Riverboat Dinner & Cruise	6:30pm - 9:30pm	Gateway Clipper
Islam Grotto Hospitality Room	10:00pm - ??	Interstate
· · ·	WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28, 2023	3
Golf Outing (8:00am Shotgun Start)	8:00am - 1:00pm	Moon Golf ClubR
Registration	8:00am - 4:00pm	Room across from Salon 2
Supreme Council Office Open	12:00pm - 4:00pm	Room across from Salon 2
Vendor Area Open	8:00am - 4:00pm	Outside Salon A-E
Contest Committee Meeting	1:00pm - 4:00pm	Frick
Grand Opening	6:30pm - 10:00pm	Salon C, D and E
Hospitality Rooms	10:00pm - ??	Ohio, Momongahels, Interstate, Salk, Allegheny and Starzl
	THURSDAY, JUNE 29, 2023	
VIP Breakfast	7:30am - 9:00am	Salon A
General Business Meetiing	9:00am - 12:00pm	Salon C, D, and E
Registration	8:00am - 4:00pm	Room across from Salon 2
Vendor Area Open	8:00am - 4:00pm	Outside Salon A-E
Supreme Council Office Open	12:00pm - 4:00pm	Room across from Salon 2
International Grotto Secretaries and		
Treasurers Luncheon	12:00pm - 1:00pm	Salon 1 and 2
Caucus Room (FSGA, SEGA, SWGA)	1:00pm - 3:00pm	Heinz
Caucus Room (OGA, MWGA, ISGA)	1:00pm - 3:00pm	Westinghouse
Caucus Room (NEGA, ESGA, PGA, ODGA)	1:00pm - 3:00pm	Frick
Caucus Room (NWGA, WGA)	1:00pm - 3:00pm	Mellon
Mokanna Cigar Afficianados (initiation)	3:00pm - 5:00pm	Duquesne
New Grotto Institution	3:00pm - 5:00pm	Salon C, D, AND E
Daughters of Mokanna	3:00pm - 5:00pm	Foster
Humanitarian Foundation Seminar		
(Formerly Dr. of Smiles)	2:30pm - 4:00pm	Mellon
Thursday Night Dinner	5:30pm - 7:00pm	Greentree Raquet Club
Humanitarian Foundation Presentation	7:00pm - 9:00pm	Salon C, D and E
Hospitality Rooms	10:00pm - ??	Ohio, Momongahels, Interstate, Salk, Allegheny and Starzl

	FRIDAY, JUNE 30, 2023	
General Business Meeting	9:00am - 12:00pm	Salon C, D, and E
Registration	8:00am - 4:00pm	Room across from Salon 2
Vendor Area Open	8:00am - 4:00pm	Outside Salon A-E
Supreme Council Office Open	12:00pm - 4:00pm	Room across from Salon 2
Ladies' General Luncheon	12:00pm - 2:00pm	Salon B
Men's General Luncheon	12:00pm - 1:30pm	Salon 1 and 2
Leadership & Training Seminar	1:30pm - 3:30pm	Salon A
Vocal & Revelers Competition	1:00pm - 3:00pm	Heinz
Grand Monarch's Banquet	6:00pm - 10:00pm	Salon A, B, C, D and E
Hospitality Rooms	10:00pm - ??	Ohio, Momongahels, Interstate, Salk, Allegheny and Starzl
	SATURDAY, JULY 1, 2023	
Vendor Area Open	8:00am - 4:00pm	Outside Salon A-E
Supreme Council Office Open	12:00pm - 4:00pm	Room across from Salon 2
Installation of Officers	10:00am- 12:00pm	Salon C, D, and E
Clown Competition	12:00pm - 2:00pm	Duquesne
Pass and Review	2:00pm -4:00pm	Back Parking Lot
Contest Committee Meeting	2:30pm - 4:30pm	Westinghouse
Red Tassel Party & Awards	7:00pm - 10:00	Salon A, B, C, D and E
Hospitality Rooms	10:00pm - ??	Ohio, Momongahels, Interstate, Salk, Allegheny and Starzl

### Did you know?

You can visit our website for up-to-date convention information! www.scgrotto.org





### 133rd SUPREME COUNCIL SESSION

### DoubleTree by Hilton Pittsburgh Green Tree - Pittsburgh, PA June 26 – July 1, 2023

### TOUR RESERVATION FORM

NAME:	GROTTO:	
GUEST NAME:		
ADDRESS:		
PHONE:	EMAIL:	
(All pr	rices in ITS Dollars)	

(All prices in 0.5. Dollars)

TOUR RESERVATION	COST	NUMBER OF TICKETS	TOTAL
Monday, June 26, 2023 – 5PM Teutonia Mannerchor German buffet with dessert & German dancers. Doors at 5PM. Dinner at 6:30PM. Includes transportation. Limit 200 people.	\$65 Per person		
Tuesday, June 27, 2023 – 5:30PM Gateway Clipper Fleet – The Princess Boat ride including buffet with dessert, cash bar, and dancing. Boarding at 5:30PM. Boat leaves at 6PM. Includes transportation. Limit 200 people.	\$125 Per Person		

TOTAL	ENCLO	DSED:			

Complete this form and enclose check or money order made payable to:

PITTSBURGH GROTTO CONVENTION FUND

Mail to:

**2132 VALLEY DRIVE DEERFIELD, OH 44411**  Reservations due June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

All inquiries contact Ron Wyatt BASSDUDE1266@YAHOO.COM



### TEUTONIA MANNERCHOR

JUNE 26, 2023 - LIMIT TO 200 PEOPLE



\$65.00 PER PERSON

INCLUDES: TRANSPORTATION, GERMAN BUFFET WITH DESSERT, GERMAN DANCERS.

DOORS OPEN AT 5:00 PM DINNER 6:30 PM

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: PITTSBURGH GROTTO CONVENTION FUND. MAIL TO: 2132 VALLEY DRIVE DEERFIELD OH. 44411



### GATEWAY CLIPPER FLEET THE PRINCESS JUNE 27, 2023

### LIMIT TO 200 REGISTRANTS/\$125 PER REGISTRANT

INCLUDES: TRANSPORTATION BUFFET WITH DESSERT, CASH BAR AND DANCING.

BOARDING AT 5:30PM BOAT LEAVES AT 6PM

ALL RESERVATIONS AND CHECKS PLEASE CONTACT: RON WYATT.

ANY INQUIRIES EMAIL RON AT BASSDUDE1266@YAHOO.COM

CHECKS PAYABLE TO PITTSBURGH GROTTO CONVENTION FUND. MAIL CHECKS TO 2132 VALLEY DRIVE, DEERFIELD, OH 44411



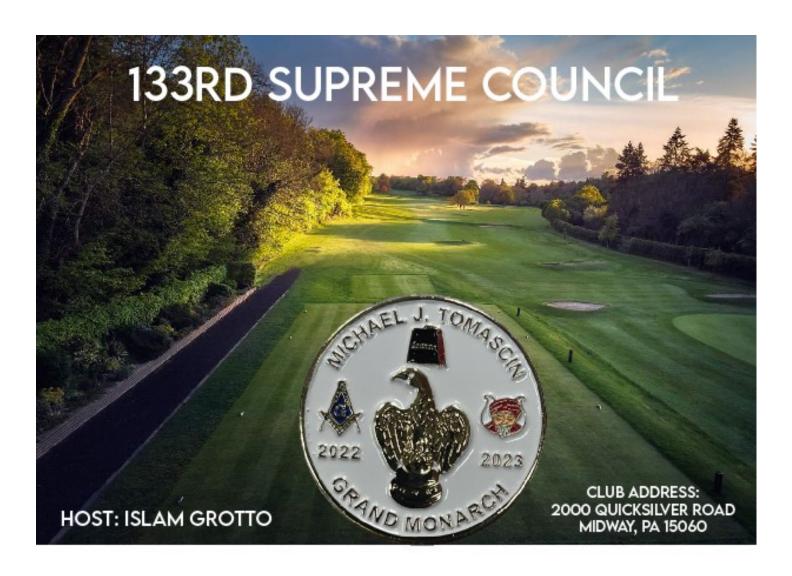
### BARBECUE DINNER

JUNE 29, 2023 - 5 PM TO 7 PM LIMIT 300 PEOPLE

\$45,00 PER PERSON

ST. LOUIS BBQ RIBS, GRILLED CHICKEN BREAST SOUTHERN STYLE BAKED BEANS MAC AND CHEESE, CORN, WATERMELON WEDGES ICED TEA & LEMONADE

PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS BY JUNE 1,2023



# ANNUAL SUPREME GOLF OUTING QUICKSILVER GOLF CLUB

JUNE 28, 2023 - TIME 8:00 AM SHOTGUN START - ALL START AT SAME TIME BUT AT DIFFERENT SPOTS ON THE COURSE

\$125 PER PERSON

MAKE CHECKS TO PITTSBURGH GROTTO CONVENTION FUND
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JERAMEY WIELOCH

2652 QUAIL RIDGE LANE
WEXFORD, PA 15090 (412) 580-5211

PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS BY MAY 20,2023

#### CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES AGES 5-12

### GROTTO'S LITTLE FLYERS



Monday Night: German Club with their family

Tuesday Night: Gateway Clipper Cruise with their family

Wednesday Night: Kids room at the hotel

7:00 to 7:30 Getting to know each other activities

7:30 to 8:00 Eagle Crafts

8:00 to 9:00 Board games

Thursday Night: Humanitarian night with their family

Friday afternoon: Kids room at the hotel

11:30 to 12:30 Crafts 12:30 to 1:30 Lunch

1:30 to 2:30 Card games

Friday night: Kids room at the hotel

4:00 to 5:00 Relay races

5:00 to 5:30 Water Globe Craft

5:30 to 6:30 Pizza Party

6:30 to 8:30 Building competitions

8:30 to 9:30 Free Play

9:30 to 11:00 Movie

Please text your child's age and t-shirt size to Barb Bradley 412-818-5083 no later than June 5<sup>th</sup>. The cost for lunch and dinner on Friday and t-shirt is \$30.00. Please write a check out to Pittsburgh Grotto Convention Fund for \$30 and mail to Barb Bradley 525 Jenne Drive Pittsburgh PA 15236. (There will also be a \$10 registration fee you will include with your registration to Supreme Council.)



### 133rd Supreme Council Session • Pittsburgh, PA

### PROGRAM ADVERTISING FORM

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY - ADVERTISING MUST BE RECEIVED MAY 12, 2023

NAME:						
GROTTO/BUS	SINESS/ORGA	NIZATION:				
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	SELECT YO	UR AD SIZE O	R LISTING BE	LOW BY MAR	KING BOX:	
Full Page \$300	3/4 Page \$225	1/2 Page—V \$175	1/2 Page-H \$175	1/4 Page-V \$85	1/4 Page-H \$85	Business Card \$40
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Mail to: 3579 Masonic Way, Pittsburgh, PA 15237 Questions call: Mike at 412-877-5626

### **CONTEST RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- 1. Penalty points will be assessed for late contest registrations. All registration forms must be received in the Supreme Council Office by the close of business <u>June 1, 2023</u>. Any individual contestant or unit whose registration form is received after the above date will have the penalty points deducted from their contest score at the convention.
- 2. The Web Page Contest will be the Best Web Page by a Grotto or Association. The rules for this contest are available from the Supreme Council Office and entries should be received by <u>June 1, 2023</u>, to give the Judges time to review and judge the web sites before they leave home for the Convention.
- 3. An award certificate will be presented to the winners at the Awards Ceremony on Saturday evening. After the

- Supreme Council Office personnel return home, they will prepare the checks and send them to the winning contestants and units.
- 4. The Theme for the Hospitality Room Contest will be held on Wednesday night, <u>June 28, 2023</u> following the Grand Opening. This year's theme will be "Tailgating." The rules for this contest are available from the Supreme Council Office. It should be noted that the registration forms for this contest must also be in the Supreme Council Office by <u>June 1, 2023.</u>
- 5. As a reminder, during the clown judging on Saturday, the clowns will be required to do a 3-minute act showing their clowning skills. This will be in addition to the judging of their makeup and dress.

#### —2023 CONTEST AND UNIT REVIEW ENTRY FORM -

Register your Motorized Units and Show-off your Stuff!

Grotto Name	_City
We wish to enter the following Units and/or Individuals, in compe	etition in Pittsburgh, PA. at the 133rd Annual
Supreme Council Session.	
INDIVIDUAL ENTRY	
A. List Category Entering	
B. Contestant (Fill in #1 and/or #2)	
If Prophet 1. My Name is:	
If Related 2. My Name is	
Check One: I am the Wife Widow Daughte	r Sister Mother of Prophet
(Prophet's name)	
UNIT ENTRY	
A. List Category Entering	
B. Approximate Number of Members in Unit Competing	
INSTRUCTIONS:	
Complete this 2023 Entry Form and forward to the Supreme OH 43230, prior to June 1, 2023. You will be sent Contest Rule	•
Individual or Unit entries received at the office or at the Supreme	e Council Session after the above date will be
assessed late points. All Contestants must be registered to	participate to compete at Convention.
PLEASE MAIL THE RULES TO:	
Name	
Grotto	
CityS	StateZip
Monarch's Signature	

## **CONTEST CATAGORIES Something NEW has been Added!**



### Do you like taking pictures?

Then we have a Contest for you!

#### **Three Categories:**

#1 - Grotto Functions #2 - Association Functions #3 - Photo with the Grand Monarch

#### Rules:

One (1) photo per category You may enter all 3 categories Photo must be a 5x7 Photos will not be returned!

#### Prizes:

1st Place: \$100.00 2nd Place: \$75.00 3rd Place: \$50.00

Note: Minimum number of three (3) contestants for each category for a cash prize to be awarded.

No professional photography.

# **GROTTOES INTERNATIONAL Contest Prize Awards**

Category	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	Ladies' 1st Place	Ladies' 2nd Place	Men's 1st Place	Men's 2nd Place
Concert/March Band	\$500	\$200						
Swing/Dance Band	\$500	\$200						
Pipe Band	\$500	\$200						3
Choral	\$400	\$200			2			
Solo-Male							\$125	\$100
Solo-Female					\$125	\$100		
Chorus-Mens	\$400			*				
Chorus-Women	\$400							
Men's Quartet	\$200							
Women's Quartet	\$200							
Clown-Whiteface					\$125	\$100	\$125	\$100
Clown-Auguste			1.5		\$125	\$100	\$125	\$100
Clown-Tramp					\$125	\$100	\$125	\$100
Clown-Character					\$125	\$100	\$125	\$100
Clown unit-Mech	\$175	\$125						
Clown unit-Non Mech	\$175	\$125						
Motor Patrol - 350 Up	\$500	\$200						
Motor Patrol - 350 Down	\$500.00	\$200						
3 & 4 Wheeler	\$500	\$200						
Unique Unit	\$200							
Drum & Bugle	\$500	\$200						
Men Patrol Drill	\$225	\$125						
Lady Patrol Drill	\$225	\$125						
Color Guard	\$200	\$125						
Officers Open/Close	\$225	\$125						
Revelers	\$300	\$200						
Goodfellow	\$125	\$100						
Poster Display	\$150	\$125	\$100					
Publication	\$125	\$125	\$125					
Balloon Making	\$100	\$75						
Web Page	\$150	\$125						
Hospitality Room Contest	\$350	\$250	\$150	\$100				
Grottoes Got Talent	\$400	\$200	\$100			(III		
Photography	\$100	\$75	\$50					

# COMPETITION COMMITTEE 2023 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 2023 CONVENTION COMPETITION

Convention and contest registered contestants for competition will be eligible for prize money, regardless of any other contestant registers for their event, however similar competitions may be combined to assure a spirit of competition. (Example: only one male soloist and one female soloist entered may be judged in a combined category of solo singer. See clown contest for a second example) NO UNAPPOSED CATEGORY CONTEST REGISTATION WILL BE ACCEPTED AT CONVENTION.

CHANGES IN COMPETITION RULES AS OF 2023 CONVENTION:

#### **BALLOON MAKING CONTEST:**

- 1. Contest is open to either Male or Female <u>registered</u> attendees.
- 2. Contestants shall furnish their own balloons.
- 3. Each contestant shall, in a 15-minute time period, make three balloon

creations. One Dog figure One cat figure and one figure of their own

choosing.

4. All Dog and Cat shall be Single Balloon creations. Figure of their own

choosing may be made with up to 5 Balloons.

5. Balloon figures must be made at the contest meeting and their construction

will be witnessed by a S/C Contest committeeman.

The Judge will not

witness their construction, however the contestants may witness the judging in silence.

6. FIRST PRIZE... \$ 75.00 SECOND PRIZE... \$ 50.00

### BAND CONTEST WILL BE CHANGED TO BAND/ INSTRUMENTAL CONTEST

CHANGE BAND MINIMUM FROM 15 TO 5 OR MORE MEMBERS

ALLOW FOR INSTRUMENTAL OF 1 OR MORE IN THE GROUP WITH JUDGING ON THE INTRUMENTAL PERFORMANCE, ALTHOUGH INSTRUMENTAL MAY ALSO INCLUDE VOCALS - ONLY INSTRUMENTAL WILL BE JUDGED.

VOCAL COMPETITION IS A SEPARATE CATEGORY AND WILL NOT BE JUDGED AT THE SAME

PERFORMANCE. This change allows prophets or ladies that play instruments (solo, trio, or more) to have a category of competition.

Prize money will vary depending on number of members competing.

#### **CLOWN COMPETITION CHANGES:**

If only 1 clown is entered in one or more category (Male Clown, Lady Clown, Whiteface, Tramp, Auguste, Character) clown categories may be combined to allow competition as a clown.

#### RITUAL CONTEST OFFICERS' OPENING AND CLOSING:

This competition is also open to Association officers.

#### <u>POSTER, PUBLICATIONS, WEBSITE, AND POSTER</u> CONTEST:

Since contest prizes are paid (in part or full) as part of the registration fee; all Grottoes entering these (and all) categories must have a registered grotto representative at convention to be eligible for prizes.

#### **GOODFELLOW CONTEST:**

Good Fellow is being reviewed for the 2024 convention which may lead to random draw of which scene or scenes contestants will be asked to perform.

### Mark McCombs, PGM

Contest Chairman



# HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ASKED? What does the Supreme Council give me or my Grotto?

The Supreme Council gives each Grotto, Prophet, and/or Grotto Lady 32 opportunities to compete and possibly win money for their Grotto, Unit, or Individual as well as have the pure fun of competition. Categories include Music (singing, instrumental), Clowns, Marching, Motorized, Officers, Balloon Making, Revels, Flag Patrol, Newsletter, Webpage, Hospitality Rooms, and even the Unique. The only true losers are the ones who could have but elected not to compete. Grotto parades used to last 1-2 hours and competition was spread out over two and a half days in order to make sure there would be time for all to compete. What a terrible shame it will be if competition is deemed unnecessary in the future because of a lack of participation. If you have won in the past you should compete to defend your title and give others the chance to compete against the past greats. No matter what other titles or duties you have at the convention you are eligible to compete. Still not sure? Call the Supreme Council and ask for the rules in the competition that interest you and see if it is the category for you or your Grotto. Don't guite know of a category for your talent, call Supreme or me and let's see what category your talent falls in to. Seek out and encourage your fellow prophets and ladies to compete.

Please Note: If there is only one participant, you will still be awarded a prize.

### Mark McCombs, PGM

### A LOOK TO THE PAST....

Take a look back to the Grotto units that competed at the Supreme Council Convention in 1922!



(Left) Achbar Grotto

(Right) Mohassan Grotto

### THE IMPORTANCE OF WEARING YOUR FEZ.

Joan and I have lived in our current home almost 30 years. We have decided it is time to clean out the attic. It was amazing to us just how much Grotto information was up there. Where it all came from, we don't really know. We did find an interesting article from the <u>The Grotto</u>, Fall 1991. The article was written by Allyn W. Burgstahler, PGM. Here is a shortened version of that article.

"The Grotto Fez, proudly displayed at most Grotto functions, will help strengthen the public's recognition of our great Fraternity, and perhaps entice other men to inquire of our membership.

The most distinguished item of apparel in all of Grottoism is the Black Fez, adopted by our founding fathers of the Grottoes of North America in 1890 has become synonymous with all that is good in a Prophet in our Great Fraternity.

That distinctive black fez with the long red tassel is what people recognize when they see men proudly parading down the street. It is the Black Fez that tells people they are not watching any parade, but a Grotto parade.

Wearing your Fez will help gain valuable exposure for the Grotto philanthropies – Dentistry for the Handicapped child and continued research for the Cerebral Palsy child. (Now Dental Care for Children with Special Needs program)

The next time you attend a Grotto function, and reach for a baseball cap or some other type of hat, stop and think of the small child who may miss an opportunity for treatment at the local dentist or one of our National Treatment Centers.

Wearing your Fez is one means of gaining valuable exposure for your Fraternity and your philanthropy. Donning your Fez could mean the difference between a potential donor making a gift or contribution to our Enchanted Lantern Program.

We have an illustrious past, with much to be proud of, and the Grotto Fez is a very important part of that past. Remember to wear your Fez and make that special distinctive symbol of Grottoism a part of the future."

Be proud to wear your Fez when displaying your Grotto or Association Banner and the flags of our great countries.

Submitted By

Mark L. McCombs PGM

**Grand Historian** 



### "Soaring with the Grottoes"

2022-2023 Membership Program
BEGINNING MAY 1, 2022 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2023

ACHIEVE THE SET GOAL OF 7% AND
THE SUPREME COUNCIL WILL REWARD YOUR GROTTO

\$100.00

GRAND MONARCH MICHAEL J. TOMASCIN
WILL PRESENT YOUR GROTTO A CHECK FOR \$100.00 AT THE
133<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL SESSION IN PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

ACHIEVING THIS GOAL WILL ALSO EARN RECOGNITION OF YOUR GROTTO IN THE FALL 2023

MAGAZINE

YOUR GROTTO'S GOAL IS A 7% increase in members.

7% will be based on your total active memberships

as of May 1, 2023.

Minimum number of new Prophets is seven (7).

#### **RULES:**

INITIATE NEW MEMBERS BETWEEN
MAY 1, 2022 AND APRIL 30, 2023



DUAL MEMBERS, DEATHS, DEMITS AND SUSPENSIONS
WILL NOT COUNT

### **MEMBERSHIP PROGRAMS**

#### VIP PROGRAM

Any prophet who sponsors a new member or reinstated member who has been out of the Grotto for at least 13 months between May 1st and April 30th will be awarded a VIP pin and card and is entitled to attend the Grand Monarch's VIP breakfast at the Supreme Council Convention in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

#### **SLEEP ON US.**

The first ten (10) Prophets sponsoring 10 (10) new or qualified reinstated Prophets between May 1st and April 30th will receive one (1) FREE night stay in the convention host hotel during the Supreme Council Session. The first Prophet to sponsor twenty-five (25) new Prophets will receive four (4) free nights at the host hotel.

#### **KEY PROPHETS**

Any Prophet sponsoring ten (10) new or qualified reinstated Prophets between May 1st and April 30th will be awarded a distinctive GOLD key emblem. Any Prophet sponsoring five (5) new members will receive a RUBY key and seven (7) or more new members a DIAMOND Key. A Prophet will receive one (1) key of the Highest level he has earned. If in attendance at the Supreme Council Session, the key will be presented by the Grand Monarch.

#### **MASTER MASONS NIGHT**

The Supreme Council will reimburse a Grotto 50% of the cost, up to \$300.00 for a Master Mason night once a year. Contact the Supreme Council Office for details and a REGISTRATION FORM. Pre-approval of the event must be obtained.

#### RECRUITER OF THE MONTH

The Prophet sponsoring the greatest number of new members initiated in the entire Realm in any month, with a minimum of two (2), will receive a \$100.00 cash award. The initiation report must be turned in to the Supreme Council office by the close of the following month. Awards will be split if a tie occurs.

#### "IT'S GREAT TO BE A PROPHET"

Booklets are available at no charge from the Supreme Council office. A Grotto may have up to 100 per year. Sufficient quantities will be given to every candidate of a one-day class if allowed by the Grand Lodge of that Jurisdiction.

#### **LODGE VISITATIONS & REFRESHMENTS**

We will reimburse a Grotto up to \$75.00 for attending and providing refreshments at a Blue Lodge Meeting. You must obtain preapproval and form from the Supreme Council Office.

#### TRADE SHOW STYLE DISPLAY

An eight (8) foot tall display is available for MASONIC HOSPITALITY and other similar events where a large number of Masons will be present.



# THE LEBOY

# CONVENTION ATTENDANCE AWARD



### **Rules:**

- -The Convention Host Grotto is ineligible.
- -Each Prophet counts once, and only for his home Grotto.
- -The Grotto with the most Prophets registered (minus no-shows) as of 9:00AM Saturday morning will be declared the winner.
- -In the event of a tie, the award will go to the Grotto with the most paid reservations at the Red Tassel Party on Saturday.
- -If there is still a tie, the winner will be the Grotto with the meeting location situated farthest from the address from the Convention hotel.
- -The Award will be presented during the Red Tassel Party Saturday night.
- -The winning Grotto must have a Prophet attending the Red Tassel Part to accept the award.



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### **DAUGHTERS OF MOKANNA**



To Grand monarch Michael Tomascin, Grand Officers, Past Grand Monarchs, Monarch's, and Prophets,

I am writing to inform everyone of some great news and exciting updates! The treasurer of the Humanitarian Foundation, Gene Meyers, is working with the Daughters of Mokanna to create a new Enchanted Lantern that will combine the old

Enchanted Lantern with the symbol of the Daughters of Mokanna! The Daughters of Mokanna are very excited to have this opportunity and can not wait to purchase and show off the new enchanted lantern!

There have been several inquiries since I have been in the East, about starting new Daughters of Mokanna Lodges. We encourage anyone that is interested in starting their own lodge to check out our website at <a href="https://daughtersofmokanna.com">https://daughtersofmokanna.com</a>. For any lady who will be at the 133<sup>rd</sup> Annual Supreme Council Session for the Grottos International in Pittsburgh, PA, there will be an opportunity for individual ladies who are related to a prophet or Master Mason in good standing to join the Daughters of Mokanna! The ceremonial for initiation into the Daughters of Mokanna will take place on Thursday June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023, from 3:00-5:00pm in the Foster room in the Double Tree Hotel.

On behalf of the Past Supreme Daughters of Mokanna, Supreme Officers, Mighty Chosen Ones, and Daughters of Mokanna blue caps, I want to extend my gratitude for your support towards our order!

Fraternally,

Elizabeth Rivera, SMCO

Elizabeth Rivera, SMCO



### **NEW GROTTOES**

# WELCOME, NEW GROTTOES! Khaddir and Armi



#### **Khaddir Grotto**

Longview, Texas
January 28th, 2023

#### **Armi Grotto**

Dade City, Florida March 4, 2023



### **GRAND MONARCH'S TRAVELS**



(left) Strawberry Festival in Florida

(below) George Washington Masonic Memorial



### AROUND THE REALM



(above) Members of the Ohio Grotto Association and Daughters of Mokanna visited East Palestine, Ohio to hand out water.

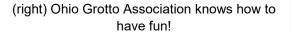
(above) Mokanna Cigar Afficianados gathered together.



(left and below) Zendah Grotto delivering smiles at a parade.



(above ) Wahoo Grotto Valentines "Gruise" (Grotto Cruise)





### **AROUND THE REALM**



(left) Ben Bey Grotto initiated multiple generations.

(right) Wahoo Grotto small cars



(left) Fez off!

(below) members of Zangi Grotto and the Humanitarian Foundation

(below) Members of Lier Grotto having fun



We want your pictures! Please send photos and captions of your Grotto to the Supreme Council office.

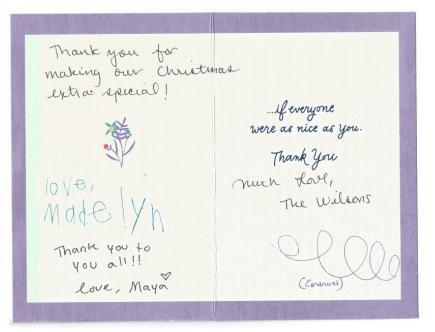
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Subject: Magazine Photo Submission

### **GROTTOES DOING GOOD**

Dear, dear friends at Selama Grotto,

How can I thank you for such a wonderful Christmas? Your kindness blessed not only my children, but a few others too! After getting warm clothes: hoodies, socks and hats for my children, I had enough money left over to buy a family annual zoo pass for Emanuel and his "brothers" at his group home. That is a gift they can use over and over throughout the year. Madelyn can go too, as a guest on the pass.

Everyone is getting so big. Emanuel is 6'3". Maya is an inch taller than me! Madelyn, still the runt of the litter,



is not going to get any taller, but she is still a firecracker! It is my maternal fantasy to one day have a family picture taken, y'know, with the kids all looking at the camera at the same





Thank you for helping me to give another wonderful Christmas to my kids and to others in their life. These smiles are not for me, they are for YOU!!

A humble and gracious thank you. Love, Elizabeth Wilson.



### **HUMANITARIAN FOUNDATION**

To all the Prophets in the realm,

We the Trustees want to thank you for your continued support of our Foundation. We are making great strides in updating the Enchanted Lantern, Fairchild, and Dental programs, which should make it easier and quicker for us to process any and all forms sent into the office. We have someone new in the office, Kimberly Gallion, and we hope you will welcome her to the Foundation family.

We hope you all are having a great year and are looking forward to seeing you at this years annual convention in Pittsburgh.



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Your Foundation Trustees

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