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ABBAS GROTTTO

Monthly Newsletter

ABBAS GROTTTO M.O.V.P.E.R.
The Fraternity that Friendship Built

Meeting the 4th Wednesday at 7:00 P.M.

AULT'S PARK

Home of

ABBAS GROTTTO

1839 1/2 Highview Road
East Peoria IL 61611



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MESSAGE FROM THE MONARCH

Dear Prophets, Ladies, and Friends of Abbas Grotto,

Greetings All!

The month of July is quickly coming to an end. I hope that you are all enjoying your summer and are keeping cool in this heatwave! As always, the Grotto is dark in July, so we have no stated meeting to report on.

I would like to remind everyone that the Grotto Garage Sale is coming next month, August 26, 27, and 28th. Anyone having donations that need picked up, please call me at 309-219-3005. No item is too big or too small. Cars, motorcycles, boats, jewelry...I don't care, we will take it!!!! If you could also please save your plastic grocery store bags, I would appreciate those as well.

Upcoming events for August include the Trustees meeting on August 5th at 7pm, Past Monarchs Breakfast on August 7th at 9 am at The Galley in East Peoria, our Monarch's Fish Fry on August 20th, and last but not least the Garage Sale on August 26, 27, and 28th.

I would like to invite you to attend our convention in late September. Please come and support Shannon and Joan Walden as we host The 74th Annual Midwest Grotto Association Convention. It's a guaranteed good time! Registration is due by August 31st.

In closing I would like to send a big THANK YOU to everyone who helps support AbbasGrotto and our charity. We truly appreciate what you do! I hope to see everyone soon! Take care and God bless you and your families.

**In Sympathy and Good Fellowship,
Jim Cloninger
Monarch
Abbas Grotto**



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Daughters of Mokanna



Hello Grotto family,

Has everyone been having a great summer? Mine has been very busy, but I have squeezed in some R and R.

The ladies convention is in Davenport Iowa this year. If any daughters need information about going to it, please contact me or Nancy Reed.

The men's convention is happening in East Peoria this year. Shannon Walden is the Midwest Grotto Association president. He has a lot of fun things planned for the convention, and he has made Abbas proud.

Don't forget to get back into the swing of things and come out to the fish fry on the 3rd Friday of the month. Also the meeting will be on the 4th Wednesday of the month.

If you have any donations for the garage sale, please contact Monarch Jim Cloniger.

**Sincerely,
Martha, MCO**



Abbas News from the Secretary

August 2021

2nd 2021 Dues Notice:

The Abbas Grotto 2021 2nd dues notices have been sent out. When returning your dues check, please include the bottom of the dues notice with your phone number and email address so we can update records Your email address is very important since this is how the Abbas newsletter is sent out. The newsletter is also posted on the Abbas Grotto Website at www.abbasgrotto.com

New Prophet Initiation Fee:

Just for information since I seem to get this question often, a new prophet's initiation fee is **\$105.00**. When a petition is read at the stated meeting it must have **\$25.00** with it in order to be read at the meeting. The petition is then held over until the next month's Stated Meeting where it will be voted on. The remaining **\$80.00** must be paid before the new prophet is taken into the Grotto.

Petitions are available at the Grotto or can be printed off the Abbas Grotto website at www.abbasgrotto.com.

Grotto Rental Prices:

Rental Cost: Per 6 hour block of time **Non-Member - \$500.00 (Grotto Member - \$250.00)** Hourly rate after 6 hour block of time is used \$100.00 per hour...unless previous arrangement* *Any special arrangements other than ones listed on the contract must be made through the rental chairman & brought before the board of Trustees of Ault Park Inc. for approval*. Special request: Cook outside on grill / Cash Bar / Outdoor Bartenders / Outdoor beer permit / etc. Set-up includes, DJs /caterers /decorating, etc., and will be done at a time previously agreed upon - 3 hr. max. (not part of 6 hour rental fee) Members for small groups of less than 50 people can use the Grotto at a discounted price.

Abbas Grotto Humanitarian Efforts:

In the history of the Grottoes of North America's "Dentistry for Children with Special Needs" program, Abbas Grotto is ranked at #2 with the number of dental cases and over 1 million dollars spent on the cases locally.

Gate and Door Combination Lock Change

The gate and door combination locks were changed in March of 2021. The combination number is on the back of your 2021 dues card.

Post Office Box:

Please note the Abbas Grotto PO Box is: P.O. Box 2386, East Peoria, Il 61611

Drawing at Stated Meeting For Dues Paid Next Year:

At the end of the Stated Meeting each month, a drawing is held and if the Abbas prophet whose name is drawn is in attendance his dues for the next year will be paid.

June meeting name drawn – James Warren – Not Present

Bob Wheeler Jr., PM, Abbas Grotto Secretary

Abbas Grotto Fish Fry

All You Can Eat Fish Dinner

Every 3rd Friday of the month

\$10.00



Fish, Baked Beans,
Coleslaw & French Fries.

Mar 19th
April 16th
May 21st
June 18th
July 16th
Aug 20th
Sept 17th
Oct 15th
Nov 19th
Dec 17th
Jan 15th

Kids Meals - Hot Dog or Corndog & Unlimited Fries \$5 each



OR

**\$5
EACH**



1839 Highview Rd,
East Peoria, IL 61611

5:30pm - 7:30pm

Abbas Grotto Annual Garage Sale Aug 26,27,28

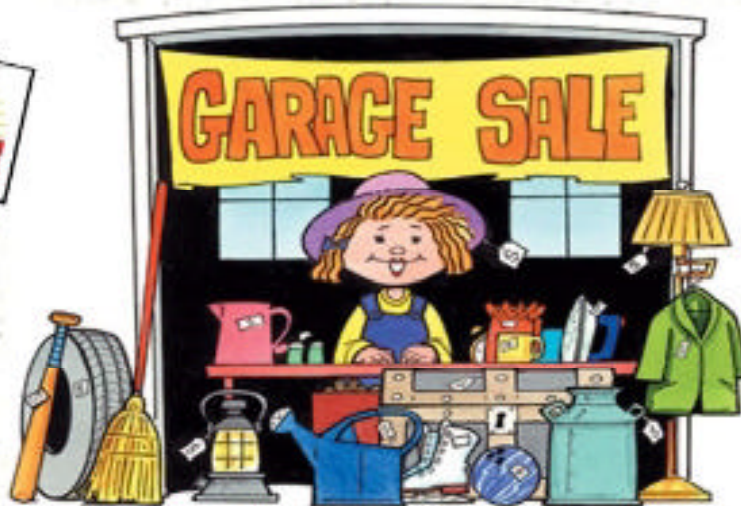
Located at Ault Park in East Peoria
1839 1/2 High View Road.



Food & Drinks



**50/50
Raffle**



- Sale hours each day 9am - 4pm.
- Sale is near Armstrong School
- Cash Food, Beverage and Bar
- Rain or Shine Sales
- 1000's of items to choose from
- Practice Social Distancing please
- Donations accepted for the sale

Proceeds go to Abbas Grotto & Abbas Charities

Abbas Grotto August 2021

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
1	2	3	4	5 Trustee Meeting 7pm	6	7 Past Monarch's Breakfast 9am
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20 Fish Fry 5:30pm	21
22	23	24	25 Stated Meeting 7pm	26 Garage Sale Ault's Park 9am-4pm	27 Garage Sale Ault's Park 9am-4pm	28 Garage Sale Ault's Park 9am-4pm
29	30	31 MGA Convention Registration Deadline	:			