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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**

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**FEBRUARY 2014 SPECIAL EVENTS**

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

2	Brenenstall, Sue	15
2	Rebmann, Dave	18
3	Thornton, Fran	18
4	Milligan, Bobby	19
4	Scott, Darrell	20
10	Waters, Barb	20
11	Stanley, June	21
14	Phillips, Brenda	29

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Crawford, Harry	10	Jim & Vickie Warren
Bailey, James	18	Earl & Janet Wys
Mallott, Mike	21	Harry & Sandy Crawford
Clayberg, James		
Bailey, Jane		
Clayberg, JoAnn		
Johnson, Lloyd		
Parsons, Larry		

HAPPY BIRTHDAY and HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO ALL OF YOU THIS MONTH  
From the Officers and your Friends at ABBAS GROTTTO

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**VISIT THE SICK**

**ATTEND YOUR BLUE LODGE**

**WEAR YOUR FEZ**

**PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS**



# LETTER FROM THE MONARCH

**Prophets, Ladies, and friends of Abbas Grotto,**

**A new year and a new Monarch, I would like to thank everyone who helped with the installation and dinner. Congratulations to all the new officers, MCO Sam Pool and her officers. I can't wait to get started this year and working with each of you to make this year fun and successful.**

**MONARCH**

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**The Humanitarian Quarter Auction is cancelled due to bad weather. We will resume on Tuesday, March 4th, so mark your calendars and come out and enjoy the evening.**

**The Super bowl party is Sunday 02/02/14 starts at 4:00pm that will be a fantastic party you won't want to miss.**

**The Fish Fry is the 3rd Friday of the month 02/21/14, a great meal, hope to see everyone there.**

**Again, congratulations to everyone!**

**More Sympathy and Good Fellowship,  
Jim Cornwell - Monarch, Abbas Grotto**



Greetings Daughters, Prophets and all,



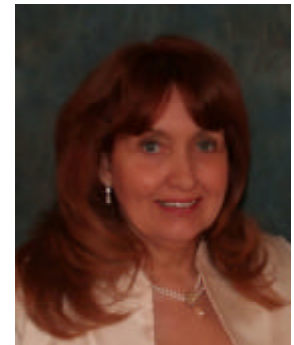
Wow! This weather has been extreme! Bundle up and snuggle up with your sweetheart as we wait for the glorious spring!

There is not much to tell you at this writing as we were severely impacted by the weather and illnesses at our last meeting. There were only 6 officers present and another daughter to pro tem. Hoping this month will be better as we prepare for better weather. Again, if you aren't a member of the daughters, we will be very happy to talk to you about becoming a member and anything that we can do to assist you to make it possible to join us. This organization has been around since 1919, so it has to be doing something right. If you can't join us, we ask that you support us with positive thoughts and speak well of the organization to those that do wish to join us.

Grotto families are like kinfolk. As I am supposed to be out of town for the February meeting, I have set a practice for our upcoming Supreme Visit in March. The date of the practice is February 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at the Grotto. We would surely like to have you at this practice if possible.

Stay warm and stay safe as you travel in this weather.

Elizabeth "Sam" Pool MCO  
Abbas DOM #49



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## "From The Secretary"

Just a reminder "Dues Are Due"

You should have received your dues notice but if you have not please contact me.

Bob Wheeler Jr., PM  
Abbas Grotto Secretary

# - ATTENTION -

The February Quarter Auction has been  
**CANCELLED**  
Due To Snow And Bad Weather



OK, Show of hands...  
Who's tired of snow?

**Stay home and be safe!**  
**We will resume on March 4th with a**  
**Flat Screen HDTV.**



# HUMANITARIAN FOUNDATION Lantern News

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## Fairchild Express Rolling Thru Realm

The Fairchild Express is ready to roll into your Grotto. Your Fairchild Team "Engineer" will be making contact with your Monarch to bring you information about the directions that the Humanitarian Foundation is heading in 2014. If you have questions, concerns or a contribution you would like to make, he will have the answers or will get it for you and be happy to accept any contribution.

2013 is not a part of the history books. I would like to share with you the Grotto / Foundation history that you helped make last year, to help so many special needs children. We received 990 new applications and paid on a total of 962 cases for a total of \$723,070,.82. Thanks to your generosity, the foundation took in a total of \$257,012.58 in contributions. As you can see, there was quite a deficit, but with the help of our investments and interest we were able to make these payments without any problems. In 2014 our Fairchild Team "Engineers" will be bringing you information about different ways you can make contributions and help us in locating special needs children that would benefit from the Dental



Care for Children with Special Needs program. With the changes in the health care system, none of us knows how it will impact these families, so it is important that you always keep your eyes and ears open to find these children. Give their information to your local Doctor of Smiles.

In 2013 with all of your generousities, we processed 2,057 Enchanted Lanterns. With the help and support of PGM Rebmann and now, GM Otto with the Grotto, many of you joined the **5 for 5 Program**, pledging to purchase one lantern a year for 5 years to help 5 children. To date we have pledges totaling \$55,750, receiving \$23,490 to the EL program.

## Thank You from Katelyn

Grottoes of North America  
Humanitarian Foundation,  
We just wanted to say "thank  
you so very much for making  
our Katelyn feel better." Since  
receiving her dental work she  
has felt so much better! She's  
smiling again, eating crunchy  
vegetables and loving life. This  
is a photo of her for you all!  
Thank you,  
Mandy.



The Fairchild Society Program is now a total of \$471,500 in pledges of which we have received \$380,318. In 2014 we hope to exceed \$500,000 in pledges. With your help and generosity I am certain we can get there. Can you help put us over the half million???

Dianna Bristle  
Executive Director

# Abbas Grotto – February 2014

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
						<b>1</b>  Past Monarch's Breakfast
<b>2</b>  Super Bowl Party Ault's Park 4pm	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>  Quarter Auction  CANCELLED	<b>5</b>  Trustee Meeting 7 pm	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b>  Unit Sunday 1pm	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>  Bunco Club 6:30pm	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>  Happy Valentines Day!	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>  Stated Meeting 7 pm	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>  Monarch's Fish Fry 5:30-7:30 pm	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	