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JANUARY 2013 SPECIAL EVENTS

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

2	Barry, Sandra	19
3	Hodges, Chris	20
4	Stanley, Verdie	20
5	Milligan, Judy	20
8	Axelrod, Steven	24
12	Mankle, Jerry	26
13	Warren, Jim	30
14	Haskett, Blaine	

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Reed, Nancy	4	Grant, Gary & Marlys
Bach, Judy	24	Hodges, Harry & Chris
Daniels, Ross		
Stanley, Brian		
Yarbrough, Jim		
Robison, Jon		
Mutters, Bob		

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

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ATTEND YOUR BLUE LODGE

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LETTER FROM THE MONARCH

Prophets, Ladies, and Friends of Abbas Grotto,

Happy 2013 to all! There is no turning back now, you guys are stuck with me as Monarch for the next year. I would first like to thank Wendell and Wanda Uphoff for a great year! Hopefully 2013 will be great as well.

We have a lot planned for the year and we hope to have as much involvement as possible from all of you! Please check out the save the dates page that's in the newsletter. If you would rather have a calendar view of the upcoming year check out abbasgrotto.com or it can be emailed to you. We are also on facebook so if that's your thing ask to join the Abbas Grotto group and check us out for updates, notices, pictures, etc. If the computer is not your cup of tea call me or get a hold of any of the other officers for any info you need.

My lovely lady Joan will be serving as my official party planner this year so watch out! For those of you that have been around for some of her parties, games, etc you know what to expect. For those that don't know I assure you they will be fun and enjoyed by all!

It is my goal this year to get as many people out to events, dinners, and functions as possible. The first event of the year is the installation of officers ceremony and party on January 19th. Ceremony starts at 5pm at Hilton lodge with the celebration afterwards at Ault park. Hope to see you all there!

I love this place and all the friends I have gained by becoming a member. I know that I have only met a small fraction of our membership and I want to get to know all of you so please come out and have fun!

Please let me know throughout the year if I can do anything to make your Grotto experience a better one.

SEE YOU AT THE GROTTTO!!

Yours in Good Fellowship,
Shannon Walden
Monarch Elect Abbas Grotto



Please join us for the

**Abbas Grotto 2013
Installation of officers at**

**Hilton Lodge 1143
2030 Pekin Ave.
East Peoria, Illinois**

**Party to be held at Abbas Grotto at the
conclusion of the installation.**

**Looking forward to seeing you all.
Its gonna be a great year!**

**Shannon Walden
Monarch Elect**

Installation of Officers

**Abbas Grotto
MOVPER**

**January 19, 2013
5:00 pm
East Peoria, Illinois**



**Hilton Lodge 1143
A.F. & A.M.
2030 Pekin Ave
East Peoria IL**

Daughters, Prophets, and Friends

Well I'm back for the third time around. Hope they don't keep making me do this until I get it right!

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday with lots of special memories.

I would like to congratulate Wendell on his year as Monarch. See Wendell time does fly when you're having fun. Shannon, I'm looking forward to your year as Monarch, know the caldron will be there to support you and your officers when ever we are needed.

There is not much news going on right now as with the holiday we are all very busy doing family things.

Don't forget to support the Grotto by attaining their meals on the 1st and 3rd Fri. and the installation of officers on Sat Jan 19.

**Yours in friendship,
Donna**



Due to the holidays, there will be no Quarter Auction in January.



We will return on Tuesday, February 5th. Thanks to everyone for a great year, and for supporting this event and our charity!

Because of your support and generosity, we have been able to provide additional support to our special needs children, and also support several local charities for the holidays.

Check out the big kid in the back!

Your donations have helped to support the following local charities:

1) The Crittenton Center - \$1000.00

Children's Christmas gifts donated at the Quarter Auction were given for children at the Crittenton Center.

2) East Peoria Youth Council - \$500.00

3) Renaissance Childrens Home - \$500.00

4) Madison Ave. Methodist Church Food Bank - \$500.00

2012 donations to the Humanitarian Foundation exceeded \$5000.00. This includes contributions from charitable fundraising events, including the Abbas Golf Outing, Car Show, and Quarter Auction.

This does not include the individual giving generosity of our Prophets and Ladies that give personally to the Foundation. Many thanks to everyone for your generosity and support!



2013 SAVE THE DATES

EVERY 1ST FRIDAY STEAK DINNER

EVERY 3rd FRIDAY FISH FRY

01-19: ABBAS GROTTO INSTALLATION

02-03: BOYS WITH TOYS SUPERBOWL PARTY

03-10: CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER

03-16: SPRING CEREMONIAL (GRAND MASTERS CLASS)

03-23: ABBAS KIDS EASTER PARTY

05-04: KEEP THE LIGHTS ON PARTY

05-12: MOTHERS DAY BREAKFAST

06-15: GOLF OUTING ??????

06-16: FATHERS DAY BREAKFAST

06-23: CAR SHOW

07-01 THRU 07-07: SUPREME COUNCIL SESSION

07-13: CHRISTMAS IN JULY PARTY

09-14: ABBAS LUAU

10-02 THRU 10-06: MIDWEST CONVENTION

10-19: FALL CEREMONIAL

11-09: THEME PARTY "MEDIEVAL TIMES"

12-14: ABBAS KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTYS

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CLOWN NEWS



Hello everyone,

I am the new clown president for the 2013 year. Hopefully we will have a great year. I am working on new ideas for the Easter and Christmas Parties.

This year's Christmas party was a lot of fun. The kids really enjoy making the ornaments, doing the cookie walk, and especially the visit from Santa. There were about 30 kids at the party. Everyone is invited to come and bring your family and friends at no charge. The more the merrier. Mark your calendar for the Easter party in March.

Anyone interested in becoming a clown please contact Karen Wheeler or myself. We really need some help.

I hope everyone has a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



**Sincerely,
Martha Presley, PMCO
Clown President**

Abbas Grotto – January 2013

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
		1 HAPPY NEW YEAR! Humanitarian Quarter Auction Will Return on February 5 th	2	3	4 Fire Patrol Steak Dinner 6-8 pm	5 Past Monarch's Breakfast 9am Gao Grotto Installation 6pm
6	7	8	9 Past MCO Club 6pm	10	11	12 Sahara Grotto Installation 6pm
13 Unit Sunday 1 pm	14 Trustee Meeting 7 pm	15	16	17	18 Monarch's Fish Fry And Trivia 5:30 pm	19 Abbas Grotto Installation 5pm
20	21	22	23 Stated Meeting 7pm	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 :	31		

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