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Monthly Newsletter



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### **JULY 2012 SPECIAL EVENTS**

# JULY BIRTHDAYS JULY ANNIVERSARIES

3	Pullium, Mary	2	Tony & Martha Presley
3	Sickles, Donna	5	Leonard & Dee George
8	Wheeler, Karen	11	Dave & Liz Rebmann
9	Larrison, Bobby	12	Keith & Amy Boone
9	Bethel, Norma	15	Randy & Sue Brenenstall
10	Scalf, Terri	19	Gordón & Janie Snow
	Rizzo, Lori	20	<b>Bob &amp; Joyce Mutters</b>
	Boone, Keith		Tom & Linda Jackson
	Walker, Karen	24	James & Beverly O'Connor
	Bach, Bob		,
	Potter, Bill		

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

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**WEAR YOUR FEZ** 



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## LETTER FROM THE MONARCH

Prophets, Ladies and Friends of Abbas Grotto,

The 122nd Annual Supreme Convention Council Session will be from July 2nd through July 7th in Orlando, FL. Our own Dave Rebmann will become the new Grand Monarch of the Grottoes of North America! Congratulations David, we at Abbas very proud of you!

We had the Humanitarian Golf Outing on Saturday June 16th. Everyone had a great time, and Prophet Marty Stover from Allepo Grotto got a hole-in-one! Please plan on attending our 2013 golf outing.

The annual Gao Grotto Beach Party is on Saturday, July 14th. This is a great party and many Abbas members plan on attending again this year.

Abbas Grotto will not have a Stated Meeting in July. Steak Dinner will be Friday, July 6th from 6 to 8 PM. The Fish Fry will be Friday, July 27th from 5:30 to 7:30 PM.

The annual Luau will be on Saturday, August 18th. We will have G&L as the entertainment. We will have pulled pork and many side dishes. Cost is \$20 per couple. Wear your favorite Hawaiian attire. Come enjoy the music, food, good fellowship and lots of fun! Bring your friends!

In Good Fellowship,
Wendell Uphoff
Wendell Uphoff
Monarch
Abbas Grotto



#### Hello All,

I hope everyone has a safe and wonderful Fourth of July. Summer is here, so instead of cooking out at home come on over to the Grotto for one of the meals.

The daughters will be having a luncheon to honor Daughter Donna Sickles for being a Supreme Officer this year. We will be going to Mackinaw Depot Tea Room on July 14th. We will meet at the Grotto at 10:15 to car pool, or you can meet us there at 11:00am. It has good food and is a cute gift shop also. Don't forget that we are dark in July.

We still need store bought desserts for the steak fry dinner on the first Friday of the month. Don't forget our bakeless bake sell. It will help cover convention costs. Please try to attend our monthly stated meetings. We have a few new members for you to come and meet.

A bit of news we have today, A "BAKELESS BAKE SALE" is on its way. So we've thought of a plan that's really grand, And feel quite sure you'll understand.

In these busy rushing days, Who wants to bake a pie or cake? In an envelope, please put the price, Of a pie or a cake or something nice.

You'd be surprised if you counted the cost, Of materials, heat, and time lost.

Without fuss or bother you've done your part. We hope you'll give with a willing heart.

Baking for sales is extra work, Yet nobody really wants to shirk. Now this is the end of our little tale. We're wishing success for our "Bakeless Bale Sale"

Please make checks payable to: Martha Presley 412 Marietta Peoria Hghts II 61616

See you at the Grotto! Martha, MCO



### TRIVIA AT ABBAS GROTTO!!!

That's right! The same trivia that is being played at many local bars & restaurants is at Ault Park!

Starting at 7:30 pm every 4<sup>th</sup> Friday after the fish fry Joan & Shannon Walden will bring this exciting fun filled game to Abbas!

This trial run is being made available to all for no cost currently so please come and try it out and let us know what you think! If this is a success we will be looking at continuing the fun in future months either after the fish fry or on a separate night for a minimal charge!

We hope to see everyone there with their trivia caps on!!!!



### Midwest Grotto Association Convention Sept. 26 – Sept. 29 Hosted by: GAO Grotto, Danville

Convention Registration and Hotel Reservations Deadline: <u>August 31</u>

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If you are new to the grotto or have never been to a Grotto convention you really need to try and attend. The conventions are a great part of belonging to the Grotto, full of good food and fun, hospitality rooms, great fellowship. Below is a brief schedule of events.

- Wednesday Sept. 26: "Ice Breaker Party"
- Thursday: "Brunch", "Golf Outing", "Dinner at the Grotto".
- Friday: "Ladies and Men's Luncheon", "Business Meeting", "President's Banquet".
- Saturday: Unit Competition (Clowns, Small Cars, Mini Bikes), "Red Tassel Party"

For More Detailed Information and Registration Forms, go to:

www.midwestgrotto.com
Or there are copies behind the bar at the Grotto

### QUARTER AUCTION CANCELLED FOR JULY



At Aults Park, Home of Abbas Grotto 1839 1/2 Highview Rd, E. Peoria, IL 61611

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Hi Everyone, July 2012

The Annual West Peoria 4th of July Parade is scheduled for Wednesday, July 4th. Our clown unit, Fire Patrol & "Boys with Toys" units are entered in the parade. Our parade number this year is 21, meaning we are in the 21st spot in the line-up. All entries will be lining up on Rohmann Ave, beginning at Rohmann & Sterling. They did not give us a cross street so we will just need to count 21 spots from the beginning, the number is also on the side of the road, marking our spot. The parade starts @ 10:00 am with line-up starting at 9:00 am. We may not have enough dressed clowns to hand out candy but we can still dress and ride the truck if unable to walk the route. I would like to get an idea of who will be dressing so, PLEASE LET ME KNOW.

As mentioned in an earlier email from Bobby, the Hodges have invited us to a pool party/potluck at their house following the parade. Pork chops & burgers will be provided, but everyone should bring a dish and their own beverage of choice. It will start around 1:00 p.m. and we will eat around 2:00. That way the clowns can get home and out of their make-up and the Fire Truck and the Boys with Toys cars can get back to the Grotto before the cookout. Don't forget your swimsuit because the pool will be open.

Thank you to the Rebmann's for again hosting the cookout/putluck prior to the Tremont Turkey festival. All the food and friendship was great!

Congratulations to David Rebmann & Lady Liz on your installation as Grand Monarch at the Supreme Convention in Orlando, FL. I'm sure you will have a great year! We are proud of you!

Keep Smilin! Smiley (Karen Wheeler) :0)





### Abbas Grotto Fire Patrol "New York Strip Dinner"

I would personally like to invite you to the Abbas Grotto Fire Patrol's monthly "World Famous" New York Strip Dinner on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month. If you have never been to the dinner or if it has been awhile, we would sure like to have you attend. Abbas Grotto truly is blessed with some very good cooks and I will tell you the steaks are as good as any steak in town at much less cost. The meal cost is \$14.00 and all steaks are cooked to order on a charcoal grill.

Please see below one change in the meal, the "10 oz. New York Strip" is BACK!!

The New York Strip Dinner includes:

- 10 oz. New York Strip grilled to order
- Baked Potato
- Green Beans
- Salad
- Roll

The ladies of Abbas Daughters of Mokanna also sell desserts for a \$1.00 extra.

Quite a deal, a New York Strip dinner and dessert for \$15.00 and there is no tipping. Also the Abbas bar has very reasonably priced drinks.

The meal is open to the public, so bring your friends!!!

Proceeds from the meal go towards the up keep and support of the Fire Patrol's 1934 Mack Fire Truck, along with helping support the Grotto throughout the year.

Hope to see you there, Bobby Wheeler Jr., PM, PP Abbas Fire Patrol "Railroaded" President

#### **Fire Patrol Members:**

Please see the Thursday Night "Potato Washing" signup sheet in the kitchen. If you have not signed up yet please give it a look as I believe there are still a couple open months.

# July 2012 Abbas Grotto

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	122 <sup>nd</sup> Supreme Council Session This Week Orlando, FL	No Humanitarian Quarter Auction in July	West Peoria 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Parade		Fire Patrol Steak Dinner 6-8 pm	Past Monarch's Breakfast Cancelled
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Unit Sunday 1pm			Past MCO Club Ault Park 6pm			Gao Grotto Beach Party Danville, IL
15	Trustee Meeting 7pm	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	No Stated Meeting in July	26	Monarch's Fish Fry 5:30 pm	28
29	30	31	·			

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