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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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**NOVEMBER 2013 SPECIAL EVENTS**

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1	Madson, Nestor	20
3	Bainter, Linda	21
4	Ashburn, Margie	25
6	Bell, Donald	25
7	Gracheck, Ruth	25
14	Walker, John	26
15	Scalf, David	29

Axelrod, Linda	2
Hendricks, Maxine	3
Crawford, Sandy	6
Uphoff, Wanda	9
Simpson, Cheistna	11
Brenenstall, Micheal	
Cox, Dorothy	

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

2	Donald & Angie Bell
3	Gary & Bonnie Hermann
6	Wendell & Wanda Uphoff
9	Jerry & Bonnie Mankle
11	Mike & Emily Therry

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**



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# LETTER FROM THE MONARCH

Prophets, Ladies, and friends of Abbas Grotto,

Wow! This year seems to be going by fast. There have been a lot of good times so far but the years not over yet so come on out to the Grotto! This month on November 9<sup>th</sup> we are having our "Medieval times" theme party. There will be a dinner, bonfire, fun and fellowship. Everyone is invited and encouraged to dress in period attire (knights, noble ladies, jesters, wenches or whatever you come up with). My lovely lady Joan aka 'party planner' will I'm sure have fun activities planned so you won't want to miss it. Check out the invite further down in the newsletter for full details. Hope to see you all there!!

I would like to welcome our new prophets who took part in our fall ceremonial. I hope you enjoyed learning about our organization and look forward to getting to know you all better. My only advice is to suggest that you get involved. Our Grotto and all the Grottos of North America can be a great experience if you get involved. If you don't already know hit me or one of the other prophets up to get information on our activities, units, conventions etc...

Thanks to the prophets who participated in the ceremonial. I think it's one of our most important functions and I'm proud of the job we do in welcoming new prophets into our organization. I encourage you all to continue to recruit masons from around the area to join us and learn the joys of the realm!

As the New Year approaches our nomination committee is hard at work recruiting prophets to fill the various offices. There are opportunities to be an officer, trustee, or fill one of the many other spots so if you're interested please talk to Dave Rebmann, Bob Pool, or Fred Dawson and get signed up. These positions are a great chance to learn more about the grotto and help to guide it in a positive direction. Please think about filling one of the spots.

As always please support our Grotto dinners and functions. Without all of you this Grotto cannot function. I hope to see you all soon!

**SEE YOU AT THE GROTTTO!!**

Yours in Good Fellowship,

**Shannon Walden**  
**Monarch, Abbas Grotto**



Hello Again Daughters, Prophets, and Friends,

Well it's November already and you know what that means, yes my last newsletter for a few years. YEAH. No really it's always a joy to be your MCO, I hope you all enjoyed the year as much as I have.

Our installation of officers for 2014 will be a closed installation at our regular stated meet. Congratulations to our MCO elect "Sam" Pool and her officers. There will be a practice for this installation Tuesday Nov. 12th at 6:00pm. Please elected and appointed officer try to make this practice on time as it will make for an easier time at installation.

It was great to see Daughters Vickie Meyers and Wanda Upoff both at the October stated meeting. Nice to see you both coming along so well. Please try to behave yourselves in the future as we do miss you when your sick or injured.

I would like to thank Joe Sickles for setting up the room for our meetings again this year, and the other prophets that helped with putting the room back the way it belongs. Your help was and is greatly appreciated.

To all the PMCOs we will be having our Christmas get together on Dec 4th around 6:00pm. This will be at a restaurant in Washington, Il. We will be having an ornament exchange (\$3-\$5). More information will be out about the locations once reservations are made. Please try to attend as the more the merrier, and it is always nice to get together.

Well I think I covered everything. Thank you all once again everyone for your support this year. It's been a blast.

Yours in Friendship,  
MCO Donna



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## **NEXT QUARTER AUCTION - TUESDAY NOVEMBER 5TH**

**Bring your QUARTERS and plan  
to have FUN!!! FUN!!! FUN!!!**



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



**Bidding begins at 6:30 pm  
Doors open at 6 pm for previewing of items**

**Numbered auction paddles \$1 each at door.**

**Raffles & Door Prizes !!**

**PLEASE COME OUT AND SUPPORT OUR CHARITY!**

# Christmas

**The Abbas Grotto Clowns would like to invite you and your children to their Annual Christmas Party.**

**The party will be held December 14, 2013 at Ault's Park,  
1839 1/2 Highview Rd, East Peoria, Illinois  
10:30 AM - 12:30 PM**

**There will be hot dogs, chips,  
A cookie walk,  
And a visit from Santa Claus !!!**



**TO R.S.V.P., PLEASE CALL "SASSY"  
NANCY REED ASAP  
NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 1**

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# ***Hear Ye Hear Ye***



***The Monarch of Abbas Grotto and his lady request your attendance for a "Medieval night experience" A night under the stars.....***

***Please join us for our last party of the year with a roaring bonfire!***

***Bundle up and get ready for dinner, ale and celebration.***

***Saturday November 9***

***5pm revelry***

***630pm diner (\$10 per person)***

***\*\*\*\*\*Period Attire suggested\*\*\*\*\****

***Call 657-8052 for any inquiries.***



# Abbas Grotto – November 2013

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
					<b>1</b> Abbas Grotto Back Yard Cookout 6-8 pm	<b>2</b> Past Monarch's Breakfast
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Quarter Auction	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Medieval Times Party Ault's Park Dinner 6:30pm
<b>10</b> Unit Sunday 1pm	<b>11</b> Trustee Meeting 7 pm	<b>12</b> DOM Installation Practice 6pm	<b>13</b> Bunco Club 6:30pm	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Monarch's Fish Fry 5:30-7:30 pm	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> : Stated Meeting 7 pm	<b>28</b> Happy Thanksgiving!	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>