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Monarch's Message – Robert Lorenz III

Welcome back! It is hard to believe that summer is almost over and so is my year as Monarch.

Those of us who attended Supreme Council had a great time. Seen old friends and made a lot of new friends. We had a busy week there but it was great. Next, year the Supreme Council meetings will be held in Toledo, Ohio, please plan on being there in June 2017. We need everyone there to vote for Bob Lorenz Jr. PM, for Grand Captain of the Guard.

Upcoming events for the next few months:

September 17th is NIGHT AT THE RACES, please see Bob Lorenz for horses. They are \$10.00 a per horse and this is a BYOB for your table. Bring out family and friends for this night of fun and good fellowship.

October 7th-9th is the PGA fall meeting. We are hosting this meeting so let's make sure we have a good showing. Reservation papers are in Grotto hallway with all the information on the meetings and meals.

October 22nd, is our Fall ceremonial. Make sure to get all paper work in for this fall class.

On, November 19th, is the Monarchs Ball. Reservation papers are attached and on the table in Grotto hallway. Price is \$30.00 per person.

Anyone planning on running for the Grotto line, remember to get your letters into the Board members,

I would like to take this time to say THANK YOU to everyone who has come out this year and helped at events. Without you the events could not happen. I hope you have enjoyed my year so far and hope you enjoy the remainder of it.

Until next time. Remember fun and fellowship. God bless you all.

Bobby Lorenz III

Secretary's Message:

Well, Summer is almost over and we will be getting back to the stated meetings. Our Monarch has plenty of events planned so please mark your calendars and come out and support your Grotto.

Tammy and I had a wonderful time at Supreme Council. It was good to see old friends and meet new ones. I was installed as Grand Marshall and want to thank everyone again for the support. Time is flying by. All officers moved up and Victor Mann PM from Azim Grotto in New York is your new Grand Captain of the Guard.

Still Missing Prophets: If you know of a new address for the following Prophets please let me know: Edward Switalski Jr., Robert Balent, Charles M. Jones, Ray Long, Cecil Donahue, Charles Lang and Donald Craft PM.

There are 39 Prophets who have not paid the dues for 2016. Please submit your dues or If you cannot pay for any reason please let me know.

Safe travels to all,

Michael J. Tomascin PM – Secretary

***** Stated Meeting Notice for September and October *****

Stated Meetings of Islam Grotto will be held in the Islam Grotto Room at the Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center, 3579 Masonic Way, Pittsburgh Pa. 15237 on

Thursday, September 15, 2016 at 7:30 PM

Thursday, October 20, 2016 at 7:30pm.

Dinner will be served before the stated meeting at 6:15pm.

Schedule of Events for 2016 / 2017

August

18-20 OGA Convention

26 - Prophets Night

September

12 - Association Meeting

15 - Stated Meeting

17 - Night at the Races

30 - Prophets Night

October

7-8 - PGA Convention

17 - Association Meeting

20 - Stated Meeting

22 - Fall Ceremonial

28 - Prophets Night

29 - Masonic One Day Class

November

14 - Association Meeting

17 - Stated Meeting

19 - Monarchs Ball

25 - Prophets Night

December

12 - Association Meeting

15 - Stated Meeting

17 - Children's Christmas Party

January

16 - Association Meeting

19 - Stated Meeting

21 - Installation of Officers

27 - Prophets Night

Fall Ceremonial October 22, 2016:

Get those petitions to the Secretary. If you need one or more blank petitions, please contact the Secretary.

Living Past Monarchs of Islam Grotto

1977 Richard Hoff

1978 Donald Craft

1979 Arthur Smaltz

1983 John Clark

1985 Tommy Lee

1991 Jim Deller

1995 Ray Rietzel

1996 Ted Colcombe

1999 Eugene Martucci

2000 Robert Metsger

2001 James Metsger

2002 Richard Roell

2003 Edward Foster

2004 Max Pokorski

2005 Robert Lorenz Jr.

2006 Lenny Kolodziek

2007 Michael Tomascin

2009 William Woods

2010 Ron Davidson

2011 Joe Platts

2012 Ron Troy

2013/2014 David Rasch

2015 George Gittins



Islam Grotto

A Night at the Races

***Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center
(Grotto Room)***

Date: Saturday September 17, 2016

Doors Open at 5:00 PM

Dinner at 6:00 PM

Race's start at 7:00 PM

Horses are \$10.00 each which includes dinner and Camel's Milk or B.Y.O.B., Soft Drinks are also included.

See Bob Lorenz Jr. PM to buy your horses and pick your race.

***Any questions, please contact Bob at
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