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Trustees

Purple Tassels

Robert Lorenz Jr. PM 2018
William Woods PM 2019
Ron Davidson PM 2020

Red Tassels

Richard Phillips 2019
Jim LaSalle 2020

Trustee Emeritus: Theodore Colcombe PM and John R. Clark PM

Committees 2018:

Membership ----- Ron Davidson PM	Enchanted Lantern ----- Jeramey Wieloch PM
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Monarch's Message – Conrad Wieloch Jr.

Hello Prophets:

The cold weather is approaching us and the holidays are near! Please make time to check on our older prophets and make sure they have what they need to survive the winter. Remember what the holidays stand for.

The Monarch's Ball (Oldies Dance) is November 10, 2018, 5pm - ? Casual dress or your make it fun with your best 50's, 60's or 70's dress. Prizes will be awarded for the best dress female and male. The cost is \$30.00 per person. Buffet dinner will be served. Make reservation to Conrad Wieloch, Jr at 412-323-2655. RSVP by November 6, 2018. Please come out, put your dancing shoes on and dance the night away! Hope to see you all.

The Grotto Ladies will have another Bingo November 17, 2018. The doors open at 4:30p, dinner served at 5pm and 6pm the first number will be called. Please come out and support our ladies as they have always supported us. For questions, please call Lady Theresa Lorenz at (412) 321-7195.

Christmas Party is December 15, 2018 in the Ball Room from 1p – 3p. Santa will visit. Remember names, ages and gender of the child is needed. Reservations are a must and there will be no exceptions. Call Mike Karkalla at 412-877-5626.

The soup cook off went very well. We had seven different soups that were very tasty. I would like some of those recipes. First place went to Dick Philips, 2nd place went to Kojack Clark. A special thanks to Kevin Carver for making the hoagies for us...they were awesome. Thanks to all who participated and helped.

Stated meeting is November 15, 2018 – Scott Allen is cooking. November 30, 2018 is Prophets Night cooking is the Past Monarchs.

There will be no Prophets Night in December.

November 15th will be nominations, Please, if your considering or wanting to be an officer, remember your letter of intent.

December 20, 2018 will be the Election of Officers – Good Luck!

I would like to wish you all a great Thanksgiving, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Thank You and God Bless

Conrad J. Wieloch Jr. - Monarch. Islam Grotto

******* Stated Meeting Notice for November and December 2018 *******

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, November 15, 2018 at 7:30 PM

Thursday, December 20, 2018 at 7:30 PM

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

Secretary's Message:

The last Islamite for 2018 WOW!

Tammy and I are continuing to be busy with our travels as Grand Venerable Prophet. We have a lot of events at our Grotto which we will be at and hope to see you there.

We will have nomination of officers at our November Stated Meeting. We need a Venerable Prophet, Orator and Three Year Trustee. If anyone is interested in these positions, please let me know.

The dues statements will be out soon. Please pay in a timely manner.

Still Missing Prophets: If you know of a new address for the following Prophets please let me know: Edward Switalski Jr., Robert Balent and Clarke A. Smith.

Hope everyone has Happy Holidays!

Safe travels and will see you around the realm,

Michael J. Tomascin PM - Secretary

Living Past Monarchs of Islam Grotto

1977 Richard Hoff	2004 Max Pokorski
1979 Arthur Smaltz	2005 Robert Lorenz Jr.
1983 John Clark	2006 Lenny Kolodziek
1985 Tommy Lee **	2007 Michael Tomascin
1991 Jim Deller	2009 William Woods
1995 Ray Rietzel	2010 Ron Davidson
1996 Ted Colcombe	2012 Ron Troy
1999 Eugene Martucci	2013/2014 David Rasch
2000 Robert Metsger *	2015 George Gittins
2001 James Metsger *	2016 Robert Lorenz III
2002 Richard Roell	2017 Jeramey Wieloch
2003 Edward Foster	

Suspended *

Demitted **

Mark Your Calendars:

See the schedule for the several Islam Grotto events.

March 2019 National Grotto Days:

We will be holding a ceremonial to coincide with all Grottoes around the Realm. On this day we along with the other Grottoes plan on bringing in a total of over 1000 members. Initiates and first line signers will receive a commemorative lapel pin and membership certificate. Further details to follow on the specific day but get those petitions to the secretary.

Schedule of Events for 2018 / 2019

October

- 12-14 PGA / Colonial Convention
Harrisburg
- 18 - Association Meeting 7:00pm
- 18 - Stated Meeting -
cooking Conrad Wieloch III
- 18 - Grotto Ladies Meeting 7pm - 9pm
- 26 - Prophets Night -
cooking Bob Lorenz Jr. PM

November

- 10- Monarchs Ball / Oldies Dance -
Banquet Room - 6:00pm - ????
- 15 - Association Meeting 7:00pm
- 15 - Stated Meeting -
Nomination of Officers
cooking Scott Allen
- 17 - Grotto Holiday / Beer Bingo
- 28 - Grotto Ladies Meeting 7pm - 9pm
- 30 - Prophets Night -
cooking Past Monarchs

December

- 15 - Children's Christmas Party -
Ball Room - 1:00pm - 3:00pm
- 20 - Association Meeting 7:00pm
- 20 - Stated Meeting -
Election of Officers
cooking Conrad Wieloch Jr.
- 26 - Grotto Ladies Meeting 7pm - 9pm
- 28 - No Prophets Night -
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

January 2019

- 17 - Association Meeting 7:00pm
- 17 - Stated Meeting -
cooking ????????????????
- 18 - Rehearsal for Installation
Grotto Room and Auditorium
- 19 - Installation of Officers
Ball Room and Auditorium
- 25 - Prophets Night -
Cooking ????????????????
- 30 - Grotto Ladies Meeting 7pm - 9pm

February

- 21 - Association Meeting 7:00pm
- 21 - Stated Meeting -
cooking ????????????????
- 22 - Prophets Night -
Cooking Chili Cookoff
- 27 - Grotto Ladies Meeting 7pm - 9pm

March

- 08 - Fish Dinner - Banquet Room
5:00pm - 7:00pm
- 15 - Fish Dinner - Banquet Room
5:00pm - 7:00pm
- 21 - Association Meeting 7:00pm
- 21 - Stated Meeting -
cooking ????????????????
- 22 - Fish Dinner - Banquet Room
5:00pm - 7:00pm
- 23 - Spring Ceremonial Grotto Room and
Auditorium Noon to 4:00pm
- 27 - Grotto Ladies Meeting 7pm - 9pm
- 29 - Fish Dinner - Banquet Room
5:00pm - 7:00pm- no Prophets night

April

- 05 - Fish Dinner - Banquet Room
5:00pm - 7:00pm
- 12 - Fish Dinner - Banquet Room
5:00pm - 7:00pm
- 17 - Association Meeting 7:00pm
- 17 - Stated Meeting -
cooking ????????????????
- 19 - Fish Dinner - Banquet Room
5:00pm - 7:00pm
- 20 - Childrens Easter Party -
Banquet Room 1:00pm - 3:00pm
- 24 - Grotto Ladies Meeting 7pm - 9pm

May

- 11 - Mother's Day Lunch - Grotto Room
11:00am - 1:00pm
- 16 - Association Meeting 7:00pm
- 16 - Stated Meeting -
cooking ????????????????
- 29 - Grotto Ladies Meeting 7pm - 9pm

June

- 16-23 - Supreme Council Convention
Branson Missouri
- 20 - Association Meeting 7:00pm
- 20 - Stated Meeting -
cooking ????????????????
- 26 - Grotto Ladies Meeting 7pm - 9pm
- 30 - Family Picnic and Fireworks
Grotto Room and Parking Lot -
5:00pm - ????

Fellowship Breakfast at the GPMC. Last Saturday of the month (Except December) 9:00am to 10:30am. Cost is \$6.00 for a buffet breakfast. Served by the Ohio Valley Rainbow Girls and Pittsburgh Demolay. Even though this is not a Grotto event please come out and support our youth. Note: No breakfast April 28, 2018.