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Second Wednesday of each month Social 5:30 pm - Dinner 6 pm - Meeting 7 pm



MONARCH
Sam Burnett

Dear Prophets and Ladies,

With the arrival of 4th of July, our nation celebrates its 249th birthday and our freedom. We should not be taking our freedom for granted, for our freedom has been tested many times throughout our history as a nation. To this day that freedom is always being tested. So when you are celebrating the birthday of our nation by attending parades, cookouts, fireworks, or any other activity you decide to do, remember that this freedom came at a cost and that some nations do not have the freedom we have.

During our stated meeting in June, we just had enough Prophets in attendance to conduct our meeting. Those that were not there missed out on a fine meal provided our Prophet Master of Ceremonies Mike Botts. We had Sloppy Joes, cheezy potatoes, and green beans. During the meeting it was decided that Mohassan Grotto will have a Masonic night at the Woodsmen Ball Park on Wednesday, August 20th, when the Bandits play the Great Lakes Loons (LA

Dodgers). Besides being open to Mohassan Grotto members and their family members, we will be inviting potential members (Masons or Non-Masons) and their families to attend. If we get over 20 people committing to attend the game, we will purchase a suite otherwise we will be in the bleachers. If you are interested in attending the game and planning on bringing your family and/or potential new members, please contact me (your Monarch) by email or by phone listed below before our July stated meeting.

During June 8th through June 14th, the 135th Supreme Council Session took place in Worthing OH. Our Past Monarch Thomas Hodges and his Lady Mary attended majority of the session, you can read their article within this issue. We can congratulate Illinois Grotto Association Past President Mark Victoria was elected as the Grand Captain of the Guard within the Grotto International.

Upcoming events for the Mohassan Grotto family. Besides the Mohassan Night at the Ball Park on August 20th at Modern Woodmen Park, we have from September 24 through 27 the Midwest Grotto Association Annual Convention. This year's Annual Convention will be held in Indianapolis, IN. For those interested in going to the Annual Convention can either reach out to myself or Past Monarch Thomas Hodges, or by going to the Midwest Grotto Association website (www.midwestgrotto.com) to download the

packet.

Our next meeting will be July 9th, the social gathering will begin at 5:30pm, dinner will be served at 6:00pm, and the meeting to follow at 7:00pm. The meal that night will be porkchops, potatoes, and vegetables. We hope to see you at our next meeting, showing your support for your Grotto and having more Good Fellowship. Without you we cannot continue to contribute to our charity efforts through the Enchanted Lantern of helping Kids with Cerebral Palsy, Muscular Dystrophy, Developmental Challenges, Organ Transplant Children, and Dental Care. If there is something you would like to see changed that is preventing you from attending, please let one of the Officers know.

I am at your service; anyone can contact me at any time. My contact information is listed below.

Fraternally,
Samuel C. Burnett
Monarch
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Martin Swanson, 62,
of Davenport, Iowa
passed away on
June 12, 2025.

Well done Good &
Faithful Servant!

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www.MohassanGrotto.org



CHIEF JUSTICE
Chris Soebbing

Greetings Prophets and Ladies,

Mohassan Grotto invites you and your family to come join us at Modern Woodmen Park on August 20th for our annual night at the ballpark. If you are interested in attending please contact Past Monarch Brice Chapman to RSVP.

Although it was not a Grotto event, several Prophets were at the ballpark on June 17th to see the River Bandits in action. While the home team lost 1-0, a great time was shared by all. We look forward to seeing you in August for more good baseball and good fellowship.

Fraternally,
Chris Soebbing
Chief Justice
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See the largest fireworks display in the Quad Cities! Fireworks will be shot in sync to music broadcast on 97X, from two barges in the middle of the Mississippi River.

More info at <https://www.redwhiteandboomqc.org>

Thursday,
July 3, 2025
Fireworks begin at 9:30 p.m.

LeClaire Park and
Modern Woodmen Park
in Davenport

Schwiebert Riverfront Park
in Rock Island
FREE Admission



June 11, 2025
Grotto dinner & meeting



PURCHASE AN ENCHANTED LANTERN

Help support dentistry needs for handicapped children and research to battle cerebral palsy.

2025 BOOSTERS

Sherman Rudnick
Nancy Rudnick

Bob Smith
Barb Smith

Roger
Heesch, PM

Charlie Roenfeldt
Charlene Roenfeldt

Otto Thiergart
Lois Thiergart

Monarch Sam
Burnett

Thomas Hodges
Mary Hodges



***Supreme Monarch Bob Lorenz
and Lady Theresa***



Dear Grotto Ladies,
Hello!

The Mohassan Grotto meeting was held June 11, 2025. Since Tom and I were attending the 135th Annual Supreme Council Session in North Worthington, Ohio, we were not in attendance.

The next Mohassan Grotto Meeting will be July 9, 2025. Hope to see you there.

It was so nice to see 2013 Past (Supreme) Grand Monarch Otto Thiergart and Lady Lois in Worthington, Ohio. They are such nice people, have Davenport, Quad Cities connections and still receive the Booster!!! It is always wonderful to get to see and visit with them.

Monday started out with the Board of Governors Meeting, the Grand Trustees Meeting, and the Humanitarian Foundation Meeting. Then, at 5 pm there was an Ohio Stadium Tour and dinner.

Tuesday had the same morning start and meetings, with a Grand Line Ladies Tea and Lunch. At 4 pm there was a Columbus Zoo dinner and tour.

Wednesday started out with the 8 am Shotgun Start Golf Outing along with Past Grand Ladies Breakfast, Starting of Registration and the Vendors Area opening for business. The Contest Committee Meeting was at 1 pm. Food Trucks were in the parking lot from 5 to 6:30. The Grand Opening of the 135th Session was at 6:30. Thursday was a flurry of activities, consisting of breakfasts, luncheons, Daughters of Mokanna

meeting and the Humanitarian Seminar with vendors open. That evening was a dinner followed by the Humanitarian Foundation Presentation.

On Friday the vendors were open, the Ladies and the Men had their General Luncheons. The afternoon had a Leadership and Training Seminar as well as the Vocal and Revelers Competition. The evening activities had a cocktail party before the Grand Monarch's Banquet for GM David Korb and Lady Kelly.

On Saturday the vendors were again open while there was the installation of officers, clown competition, and contest committee meeting. That evening the new Grand Monarch's Dinner for Robert Lorenz and Lady Theresa was held, followed by the Red Tassel Party. Of course, the hospitality room was open each night.

Tom and I were unable to attend the full Session due to other commitments, but certainly enjoyed activities and the many incredible visits with people while we were there.

Upcoming dates:

July 9, 2025: Mohassan Stated Meeting

Please note that the 78th Midwest Grotto Association Convention will be held September 24 – September 28, 2025 at Sahara Grotto, 7620 Madison Ave., Indianapolis, IN.

As always, contact me with any questions or comments about our Mohassan Grotto, the Illinois State Grotto Association, the Midwest Grotto Association, and/or the Supreme Council. I will try to find answers to your inquiry.

Please come and enjoy the meal and fellowship on July 9, 2025.

Best regards,
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JULY CALENDAR

9TH - Grotto Meeting

14TH - Booster Deadline



Humanitarian Foundation President



Red Tassel Party



Opening Ceremony

