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# Mohassan Grotto Booster

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## MONARCH

Martin Swanson

Greetings Prophets,

With the Mohassan Grotto we can all be thankful for the Goodfellowship and sympathy which the organization has shown creating leadership which develops character in the masonry we cultivate. The culture of ancient free and accepted Masons, can be a social network and a time honored tradition. The humanitarianism of the Grotto is a good aspiration to conceive of and the Mohassan Grotto is an example of that. Keep the Mohassan Grotto in mind when planning your legacy and show trust in the culture we try to cultivate.

The stated meeting in September will be an opportunity for more potential and talent to present itself. All Prophets are invited to participate as the 2017 season continues. If any Prophets wish to take part in the convention planned in Columbia, Missouri let me know.

Some of the new Prophets have shown consistent attendance and the Mohassan Grotto is evolving. The Davenport Masonic Center is facilitating the process of support for the community and the Grotto in and of itself. However, the Grotto depends on the Lodges to feed candidates into the organization.

Thank you for your participation and if you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask. There is a trade off between quality and quantity so keep that in mind when approaching to bring in new candidates. Consequently, have a safe trip to and from the



Grotto and may you minimize your regret.

Yours in the faith,  
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## CHIEF JUSTICE

Don France

Greetings Prophets,

Steak fry at August meeting was a great success and Iowa pork chop dinner for September should be equally good. Tom Taylor and his staff deserve all the praise we can give them.

We had no new members to initiate at the August meeting but if you will notice Dennis Soebing has posted events for the Masonic Center and there are a couple first degrees coming up. We all need to remember where our members come from and no new Masons, no new Prophets. We need to support our Blue Lodges so they can support us. I have heard several Prophets say they never attend the Blue Lodge but they need to so they can attract the new members we need. That said I hope to see you all at the September meeting and hope we have some new petitions.

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GROTTO WEBSITE

[www.MohassanGrotto.org](http://www.MohassanGrotto.org)

CHECK IT OUT!



# MASTER OF CEREMONIES

Don Courter

Greetings Prophets & Ladies,

Hard to believe that summer has passed so quickly. Kids are back to school and the snowblower is getting checked out.

The Model T's had a very good summer but they could use four or five more drivers for next year. Probably the last parade for the

Model T's will be the Halloween Parade in November. Discussions have been going on about adding another parade unit for next year. This is open for suggestions.

Let's take a look at the UNITY that Mohassan Grotto # 22 is building. Things are changing as they should because if you keep doing what you have been doing you are going to get what you already have. One of my several goals is to get the Caldron, the Ladies and the Past Monarchs more active in our activities. It takes a lot of work and planning to arrange the different activities and projects. After the wheels are put in motion it must be backed by participation of the membership. If it is not it will surely fail. It will take all of us plus a lot of hard work to Make Grotto Great Again.

The dinner for this month will be Iowa stuffed pork chops, mashed potatoes and gravy, rolls, veggies, salad, desert, plus olives and all the trimmings. Do not forget it is a Ladies night so bring her along. We will be trying to set up different activities for the Ladies while the Prophets are in their meeting.

Some important upcoming dates are September 14,15 and 16th is Grand Lodge of Iowa in Davenport. September 28, 29, 30, and October 1st is Midwest Grotto Convention in Columbia, Missouri.

With much sadness I must report the passing of Profit Johan "Mo" Muller. His Masonic Service was held August 2, 2014 and on August 3, 2014 his Celebration of Life Services were held at Weerts Funeral Home with his Earthly Resting Place at Davenport Memorial Park. Mo was the I FALL DOWN GUY of the Mohassan Mini Bikes. He would have been elected this year to be the 2018 Potentate of Kaaba Temple. His Lady Kathy was very active in the Caldron. Mo was well respected and will be missed by ALL.

As always I promise to do my very best to do



my very best. My cell phone always accepts calls with questions, new ideas and or constructive criticism.

Yours In Goodfellowship,  
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# VENERABLE PROPHET

Brice Chapman

Hello Prophets,

I am sad to announce the passing of Prophet Johan "Mo" Muller on July 29th. Mo was a member of Mohassan Mini Bike patrol where he was most noted for having the training wheels on his mini bike along with the sign that said "I Fall Down". He really enjoyed parading with the Mini Bikes. In addition to his membership in Mohassan Grotto Mo was active in KAABA shine and held the position of Chief Rabban , CSSA Legion of Honor 1st Lt. commander and was a Past Master of Early Morning Lodge. Our condolences go out to Kathy and his family.

On a brighter note we are hoping to have new candidates at the September stated meeting so I hope you and your lady are able to attend. There is an October Fest being planned for October 28th at the Masonic Center; Brats, Polka, Beer and Goodfellowship. Hope to see you there and at all our upcoming events.

Fraternally,  
Brice Chapman, VP  
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**MONTHLY MEETING**

*Remember  
September is  
Ladies Night*

**2nd Wednesday  
of Each Month  
511 Veterans  
Memorial Parkway  
Davenport**

# MIGHTY CHOSEN ONE

Billie Defenbaugh

Dear Daughters,

Not much happening. Getting ready for Supreme session in Canton, Ohio. Will report on this next month,

My thoughts and prayers are with Daughter Kathy Muller for the loss of her husband and life partner. It is never easy to loose a loved one.

Our next meeting will be September 27th, same time same place.

If you hear of a daughter in distress call Marion at 563-326-3906 or me at 326-697-5310.

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## DAUGHTERS OF MOKANNA NEWS

This was a sad month for the Daughters. PMCO Kathy Muller's husband "Mo" passed away. PSMCO Sandy Crawford, Abbas, her husband, PM Harry passed away also. Both very special men. To their wives and families our deepest sympathy.

September is our busy month, Supreme session in Canton, Ohio, with Nazir in charge. Hopefully we have a great time and I'll try to have pictures for next month.

Until next month take care.

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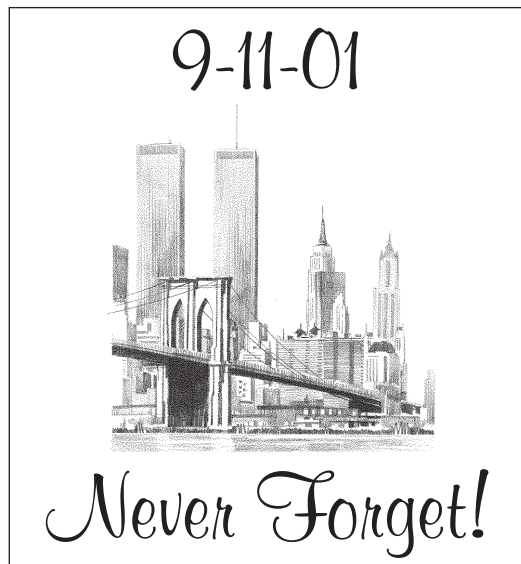
## MOHASSAN QUILTERS

We sure cranked out a lot of work this month. We managed to put together 6 quilts and tied 2 no sews (thanks Joan). And we did it in about 3 hours. Gee, we must know what we're doing. We always have a good time.

Sorry short column this month, getting ready for convention.

Hopefully some pictures of our finished work next month.

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**PURCHASE AN ENCHANTED LANTERN**  
Help support dentistry needs for handicapped children and research to battle cerebral palsy.

<b>2017 MOHASSAN BOOSTER BOOSTERS</b>	Todd Gullickson	Mary - Ruth Steffen	Patty Courter
	Dora Gullickson	Tom Taylor	Roger Heesch
	Gullickson Group	Diane Taylor	Charlie Roenfeldt
	Dave Mason	Don & Lois Cartwright	Charlene Roenfeldt
	Phil Steffen	Donald E. Courter, PP	



## MOHASSAN GROTTO

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Davenport, Iowa 52807

### SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>** - Grotto Meeting

**14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>** - Grand Lodge of Iowa

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup>** - Booster Deadline

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>** - Veterans Breakfast  
& Quilters

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>** - Caldron Meeting

**28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, October 1<sup>st</sup>** - Midwest  
Grotto Convention

## AROUNDAREALM

Mohassan T Patrol participated in the Durant Fireman's Day festival parade and to their surprise won a first place ribbon. Way to go T Patrol. By the time you read this email the T Patrol will have participated in the Wilton Founders Day parade and will be preparing to compete at the Midwest Grotto Association Convention. The T Patrol welcomes new member Ken Whyte. They are looking for more drivers so if you are interested contact Wally Kelding at 563-210-0617. One idea being considered is a combined parade unit made up of Grotto members and Shrine members. Both organizations are struggling with getting members that are able to parade.

Our night at the ballpark to watch the River Bandits was a great success. We had 40 in attendance to enjoy hotdogs, popcorn, chips and salsa and a 9 – 8 win over Peoria. This was the 3rd time we have had this event and it sounds like it will become an annual event. Everyone had a great time.

Mohassan participated in a fundraiser for Jefferson school and in addition to donating some funds to help buy school supplies for the children we donated 100 tooth brushes as part of our dental program.

We hope you were able to attend the Monarchs breakfast. Besides the normal breakfast fare an omelet station was manned by Russ Risely, Joe Laleman and Tom Taylor to make omelets to order.

If you are interested in attending the Midwest Grotto Association convention in Columbia, Missouri there is still time to sign up. Our own Mike Frymoyer will be installed as President of the Association and your presence is greatly appreciated. For details call Tom Taylor 563-320-2005.

Congrats to our very own T Patrol *(pictured left to right)*  
Wally Kelding, Tom Taylor holding 1st Place Blue Ribbon, and Skip Skeppstedt

