

# SELAMA MAGRAM

## SELAMA GROTTTO, M.O.V.P.E.R.

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MARCH 2008

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**SESSIONS 2<sup>ND</sup> WEDNESDAY EVERY MONTH @ 7:30pm.**

**Monarch:** Fredrick P. Kinney

7316 Meadowlawn Dr., N.

St Petersburg, FL 33702, 528-2944

**Chief Justice:** Ronald L. McMillan, 243-7355

**Master of Ceremonies:** John Burrell, 321-0229

**Treasurer:** PM Danny H. Robinson, Pro tem, 577-4971

**Secretary:** PM Barry E. Dupré, 1-727-815-9675

**Venerable Prophet:** J. Robert Mullen, 527-2738

**Chaplain:** PM Alfred M. Rodgers, 343-4206

**Marshal:** William West, 526-9612

**Captain of the Guard:** Edward Simetz, 867-5616

**Sentinel:** Ed Flowers, 321-7464

**Supreme Council District Deputy:** PM Richard D.

Green, 345-2090

**Immediate Past Monarch:** PM Barry E. Dupré,

1-727-815-9675

**MARCH UPCOMING EVENTS** – please plan to attend and mark your calendar accordingly:

1. **Tuesday, 3/4**, Past Monarchs Unit @ 7:30pm

2. **Wednesday, 3/12**, Session @ 7:30pm with dinner @ 6:30 pm

3. **Friday, 3/12**, Traditional St. Patty's Day Dinner, 6:30pm, \$6.50 donation per person to offset cost, with **RESERVATIONS REQUIRED** (Please call Sec'y @1-727-815-9675 with your head count)

4. **Sunday, 3/16**, Motor Patrol Unit meets @ **8:00am**, Northside Lodge for breakfast & practice

5. **Wednesday 3/19**, Jokers Unit @ 7:00pm

6. **Friday, 3/21**, **OUR FNS CANCELLED DUE TO IT BEING GOOD FRIDAY**

7. **Tuesday, 3/25**, Board of Directors @ 7:00pm

8. **Wednesday, 3/26**, Cast Unit @ 7:00pm with full practice for 4/5 Spring Ceremonial

**Cerebral Palsy Recreation Program** Jeanni will welcome *anyone* interested in volunteering, to feed, talk, play games and just help with additional duties we've taken on in support of this important community function. We end each 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday's activities with a lunch for all. You volunteers can confirm a spot in this team by calling Jeanni and let her know you'll be there – 528-2944.

**Cast Unit:** We'll meet 3/26 and have a rehearsal for the 4/5/2008 Spring Ceremonial honoring Richard D. Green. Cast can still use a few recruits ("actors" or "hams" really) to our little thespian group. Can U help? We're looking forward to having new members to attend and view our little band in action.

**Appointed Committee Chairman Members:**

Membership – Fred P. Kinney, 528-2944

Suspension – PM Alfred M. Rodgers, 343-4206

Doctor of Smiles – PM Mark A. Fowler, 866-9047

Public Relations – PM Danny H. Robinson, 577-4971

Toothbrush Program – William West, 526-9612

Enchanted Lanterns - Ronald L. McMillan, 243-7355

Youth Coordinator - John Burrell, 321-0229

**Friday Night Socials** will be held every Friday Night during this upcoming year commencing at 6:30PM. This is an open potluck social for our friends, relatives and neighbors interested in good fellowship. Bring your lady, any non-Masonic members, a covered dish and the kids. Every social has a volunteer entrée cook with a supporting cast of varied and delicious covered dishes. Plan to attend and enjoy a portion of the "Master Mason's Playground".

**Selama Grotto Board of Directors:** Chairman Fredrick P. Kinney, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chairman Ronald L. McMillan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chairman John Burrell, 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Chairman J. Robert Mullen, Treasurer Pro tem PM Danny H. Robinson, Secretary PM Barry E. Dupré, 1yr term: William Woesbe and John R. Bennet, 2yr term: PM Mark Fowler & David Neveit: 3yr term: PM Hardy Bryan, III, & PM Franklyn L. Schreihofner

**Elected Trustee Officers:** 2008 PM Alfred M. Rodgers & Montague Chancey: 2009 PM Richard Renshaw & Dale Thomas; 2010 PM Roger Webb & George N. Owens

**Day-Light Lodge** meets 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday @ 10:00AM followed by a light, good lunch.

**Your church page:**

Pete Schreihofner, in memory of my loving wife Joan. Al & Anna Rodgers, with all of our warmth and support for Selama Grotto. Selama Grotto members, in memory of our dedicated and valued friend, Donald J. Minor, 33°, who journeyed to the Great Architect on high February 11, 2008. Selama extends all their warmth, sympathy and love to Don's relatives on his passing. In lew of flowers, Don's family is requesting that donations be made to the Selama Grotto Cerebral Palsy Endowment, Inc. fund.

Four-year-old thought for the day: A hand is to hold up when you want your turn.

**THIS IS YOUR TICKET REMINDER TO MAKE RESERVATIONS FOR OUR ANNUAL ST. PATTY'S DAY DINNER TO BE HELD ON MARCH 14<sup>TH</sup> @ 6:30PM. DONATION OF \$6.50 PER ADULT WILL HELP OFFSET OUR COSTS. MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS WHEN YOU SEE/CALL SECY BARRY (1-727-815-9675) CUT ON THE DOTTED LINE AND KEEP IT HANDY**

**Monarch's message:** Would like to thank all that came to the Memorial Service. March 14<sup>th</sup> is our St Patty Day dinner, as noted above. Make your reservations now with the secretary or myself. There will be **NO FNS April 21<sup>st</sup> due to it being Good**

**Friday.** FSGA Midyear Session is on the 29<sup>th</sup> of March in Osprey, FL. Plan ahead for our annual Festival of States parade and Monarch's Banquet, both scheduled for April 12<sup>th</sup> (parade at 9:00am with our evening festivities starting at 5:30pm). The 12<sup>th</sup> will find Selama hosting the Grand Monarch Samuel D. Lattin, Jr., PM, and his wife Rosemary. Contact me at 727-528-2944 for reservations or mail your reservations to the Grotto along with a check for \$18.00 made out to Selama Grotto M. B. Reservations close April 4<sup>th</sup>. The Masonic Home of Florida Pilgrimage Day, April 19<sup>th</sup>, with R.: W.: Robert P. Harry, Jr. attending, will be from 10am to 3pm with an outdoor BBQ, bluegrass and jazz music, along with several singing groups and classic car and motorcycle displays. They also plan a chili cook-off contest.

**Chief Justice:** Prophets, we have been slacking a little on our purchase of Enchanted Lanterns. I have only sold one this year so far and we are already two months into the year. Let's show the rest of the Grottos how active Selama Grotto is in this program. I always carry the forms with me, so please think about purchasing one soon. Also, please remember the full form ceremonial to be held at Selama on April 5th. Our Cast members put a great deal of time and effort into this. It is our duty to show up and show our support by being on the sidelines. I look forward to seeing you soon at the Selama Grotto activities.

**Past Monarch's Unit:** New President Hardy Bryan III has a planned meeting March 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.

**Motor Patrol Unit:** The Motor Patrol will meet at Northside Lodge 283, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month, with breakfast followed by our cycle drills for the Supreme Council **BIG BIKE** competition.

**Jokers Unit:** Seminole POW WOW parade will be 3/15 @10:00am w/setup @8:00am. We won **BEST CLOWN** award in the Pinellas Park Xmas parade.

**HAVING A BALL:** The answer to last months mind bender is explained on the enclosed sheet for your review. If you have any comments or questions see me at any meeting or FNS and we'll talk it over.

**WANTED ITEMS:**

- One Treasurer
  - Lots of New Prophets
  - Salvaged Aluminum cans
- (we get \$.40 to \$.50/lb at scrap yard)

**Chaplain:** I to would like to thank the twenty-one attendees at our annual Memorial Service for paying their respect to those Prophets that past to the Great Architect in 2007 and years past. Within our Grotto we find that Debbie Nevitt lost her father, and we lost Fran, Rosemary Flowers sister. Fran had so many friends that loved her they had to set up lots of extra chairs at her memorial services. I'm getting adjustments on my leg and it is helping the stump but not the back. Anna is still down a few days a week and up another few days a week. Don Minor was having a rough time at Bay Pines, especially with the poor circulation in his leg causing the necessity for amputation, prior to his passing. James Markey had news that lots of his ailments are better but waiting for appointment at hospital for his back situation. Dawn Scheihofer had the same operation as before and in surgery six-hours. We understand Dawn has added new terms to the staff personnel, for causing her pain, when they turned her to get her body positioned for a good MRI. Dawn went home for a while, reentered the hospital for more of that good food, and then came home again since we saw her out at the FNS. Glad to hear that John Barrrell is feeling Okay again.

Selama Grotto Cerebral Palsy Endowment, Inc.	&	Hyperbaric Program
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**Selama Grotto Cerebral Palsy Endowment, Inc.:** At a called Board meeting of the 2007 Selama Grotto Cerebral Palsy Endowment, Inc., held 2/13/2008, the members present elected the same 2007 Board members to the 2008 Board of Directors: President PM Hardy W. Bryan, III; Vice President PM Henry L. Griffith, Emeritus; Secretary PM Pete Schreihofer, with members at large PM Harold E. Malone, Carl Lewis, Stuart Early, David Neveitt, PM Danny H. Robinson, PM Mark A. Fowler, PM Alfred M. Rodgers, and J. Robert Mullen.

**Hyperbaric News:** The benefit concert has been scheduled for Friday, March 28th, at the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Tampa. The music will be provided by Jefferson StarShip band, two members of which are in the Rock and Rock Hall of Fame. Times, ticket prices and more details will be announced at the Grotto. This concert promises to be a huge fundraiser, complete with a silent auction. An HBOT presentation was the program at a luncheon of the NE Exchange Club on February 12th. This Club granted us \$8000 in 2006 and there is a request in process for additional funds. Our website was broadcast on the MUMS network and that brought responses from all over the US and some from foreign lands. Prophets, please keep your eyes and ears open for children who could benefit from HBOT.

Your individual "Late Dues Notice" was mailed the last week in January. **So REMEMBER: NO 2008 DUES CARD - NO ENTRY INTO ANY SELAMA GROTTTO OR F.S.G.A. SESSIONS**