

SELAMA MAGRAM

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

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SESSIONS 2ND WEDNESDAY EVERY MONTH @ 7:30pm.

Monarch: Fredrick P. Kinney
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Chief Justice: John Burrell, 321-0229
Master of Ceremonies: Office open at this writing
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

MAY & JUNE UPCOMING EVENTS - please plan to attend and mark your calendar accordingly:

1. **Tuesday, 5/6**, Past Monarchs Unit @ 7:30pm, but DARK in June, July, August and September.
2. **Thursday, 5/8 - 11**, Southeast Grotto Association, West Palm Beach, FL.
3. **Wednesday, 5/14**, Session @ 7:30pm with dinner @ 6:30 pm, also, **Wednesday, 6/11**, Session @ 7:30pm with dinner @ 6:30pm.
4. **Saturday, 5/17**, Toothbrush Drive.
5. **Sunday, 5/18**, Motor Patrol Unit meets @ 8:00am, Northside Lodge for breakfast & practice. but DARK in June, July, August and September.
6. **Wednesday, 5/21**, Jokers Unit @ 7:00pm, but DARK in June, July, August and September.
7. **Tuesday, 5/27**, Board of Directors @ 7:00pm, also, **Tuesday, 6/27** Board of Directors @ 7:00pm
8. **Cast Unit Dark** April, May, June, July, and August.
9. **June 2-8, 2008 Supreme Council Convention, Hot Springs, AR.**

Cast Unit: Our April 5th class honoring our own Richard D. Green, SCDD was very successful due to new bodies in new places for the drama. Great job guys! We're taking an early quit this spring going DARK April thru August, but we'll also start up early on September 24th. Our Fall Class has yet to select its Honoree for the October 18th Ceremonial. We can still (always) use extra personnel in the cast, so go ahead and volunteer for leading parts, backup parts, behind the scene parts or your own idea for a part. Call Director Dupré 727-815-9675.

Selama Grotto Boards & appointed Committees:

Directors - Chairman, Fredrick P. Kinney, 1st Vice Chairman, John Burrell, 2nd Vice Chairman, Open at this writing, 3rd Vice Chairman, J. Robert Mullen, Treasurer Pro tem, PM Danny H. Robinson, Secretary, PM Barry E. Dupré; 1yr term: William Woeshbe and John R. Bennet; 2yr term: PM Mark Fowler & David Neveit; 3yr term: PM Hardy Bryan, III, & PM Franklyn L. Schreihofner
Trustees - 2008 PM Alfred M. Rodgers & Montague Chancey; 2009 PM Richard Renshaw & Dale Thomas; 2010 PM Roger Webb & George N. Owens
Committees - 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 & Youth Coordinator, John Burrell, 321-0229

Friday Night Socials will be held every Friday Night during this upcoming year commencing @ 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".

Daylight Lodge #385 meets 2nd and 4th Saturday @ 10:00AM followed by a light, good lunch.

New BYLAWS

The first reading of the newly proposed Bylaws of Selama Grotto will be read at the Stated Session, May 14, 2008. In accordance with the current Bylaws of Selama Grotto this first reading of amendments and/or proposition changes will have to lay over for a minimum of 28-days before any action can be taken on the various propositions in the newly formatted, corrected and edited Bylaws. The scheduled second reading will be at the Stated Session, June 11, 2008. On 6/11/08 two-thirds (2/3) of the members present can vote to affirm the adoption of these new Bylaws. Please plan to attend both the 5/14 and 6/11 sessions.

Four-year-old thought for the day: Maybe you could hide things in a hole?

Your church page is back to fulfill a need for the ones we love and cherish. \$6.00 a year will get you and your designate listed for the current year. We'll prorate at \$.50 per month but not to extend past the current year (you must "reup" at years end for next year).

Pete Schreihofner, in memory of my loving wife Joan. Gene & Marlene Markey, in memory of Emily Pringle. With all of our warmth and support for Selama's great works: Lee and Ellen Griffith, Al & Anna Rodgers and Gene & Marlene Markey.

Monarch's message: I would like to thank all that came out to meet and greet our Grand Monarch Samuel D. Latin, Jr., PM and his Lady Rosemary. The time I spent with them will never be forgotten. Our parades and the Monarch's Banquet were the highlight of my year. I would like to thank all those who stepped up to the plate to fill any vacancy. We are all brothers of a great fraternity to strive for the betterment of all. If each member could bring one member in we can make our goal.

Chief Justice: Fellow Prophets, I would like to thank you for electing me as your New Chief Justice. I hope to fulfill the duties of this position to the best of my abilities and carry on with Lantern sales (got yours yet?) and Youth Coordinator activities. It's great to have Prophets like you come out to our monthly sessions. Keep it up! I'd also like to express my appreciation and thanks to our Ladies who help while we're in session to keep the dining hall presentable. Look forward to seeing you soon.

Past Monarch's Unit: The All Fools meeting (4/1/08) of the Past Monarchs produced positive information for their handling. They addressed the need for a full page Ad in the '08 Convention in AR.

Motor Patrol Unit: Meets every 3rd Sunday of the month at Northside Lodge for breakfast, meeting and practice. Please donate or buy a ticket for our fishing pole to help us go to Hot Springs, AR, to compete in the Supreme Council contest in June. Ticket sales for the Seven Eyes Rod & Pen Reel, at \$10 each or 3 for \$20, can be obtained thru the Monarch by sending a check made out to Motor Patrol at the Monarch's home address. The drawing will be 5/30/08 at the FNS. Good luck at the 2007-2008 Convention **BIG BIKE** competition.

Jokers Unit: The two Festival of States parades were a huge success for both Selama and our Grand Monarch Sam. Well done Jokers and crew.

WANTED ITEMS:

- **WE'RE GOING TO GET A TREASURER!**
- **Lots of New Prophets for the Fall class, October 18th**
- **Salvaged Aluminum cans, beer, soda or food, et al, CAN get \$.40 to \$.50/lb at scrap yard**

SPECIAL ELECTION NOTICE

Only the members of Selama Grotto, who are in good standing, will receive a separate letter with their copy of the MAY – JUNE Selamagram. Dispensation has been granted for this election and all nominations will be from the members in attendance and willing to accept the position nominated for if elected.

Chaplain: Anna Rodgers is a little worse and has been in bed over a week and consuming a soft limited diet offset with lots of ice cream. PM Alfred Rodgers back and stump still about the same. PM Harold Malone can now hear on the phone, and Jane still with the high BP and eyesight not to good. Debbie Neveitt had operation on hand and may yet need more surgery later but on a wait and see how this works through therapy. **HELP:** PM Harold Malone has misplaced his Fez, Fez box, PM collar and his badge. If anyone has seen it or knows of its whereabouts please contact any Prophet. James Markey was demonstrating how to "cut-a-rug" on the dance floor at the HBOT Hard Rock Concert along with PM Pete and daughter Dawn, which begs the question "Do they really have back problems?" With all the relatives, Selama friends and Prophets in attendance at the concert, the estimated two dozen parties had a great time for a great cause.

REMINDER

NOTE: Suspension Committee now working to pickup the stragglers for late dues, demits or drops (suspensions).

Just family! The 4th daughters name was Mary!

**Selama Grotto Cerebral Palsy Endowment, Inc.
C P Program and Hyperbaric Program**

Endowment's Board of Directors: President PM Hardy W. Bryan, III; Vice President PM Henry L. Griffith, Emeritus; Secretary PM Pete Schreihofner, 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.

Cerebral Palsy Recreation Program: We are on our summer hiatus for the months of June, July and August. We'll be back into the scheduled program September 11, 2008. See you all then!

Hyperbaric Program: The Jefferson StarShip Concert at Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino on March 28th was a smashing success! There was a comedy routine, band music and a silent auction. Between 300 and 400 attended, and attendees were dancing in the aisles. Dr. Paul Harch and his family were here and they cannot wait for our centralized Center to open. Perhaps the biggest winner was the publicity from Fox and CBS which provided news segments that featured the great achievements the chambers are producing along with information about the concert. Both stations indicated an interest in future segments, including a one-hour live morning show. Talk is already being heard about future concerts on both coasts of Florida. In chamber operation news, a family from Bosnia will be here for three weeks to treat a CP child and another CP baby is coming from Canada. A shaken baby is coming from New York for Selama's HBOT. We have begun treatments on a 14-month old girl who nearly drowned. While she was at St. Joseph's in Tampa, the attending doctor provided her parents with information on how to contact us and strongly recommended HBOT when she was released. He instructed the parents to bring the child back every two weeks for progress checks, but when the first post-hospital visit occurred, the doctor was so amazed at the girl's progress he changed the frequency to every two months. And in early April, HBOT was started on a near drowning toddler from Lutz. Our program is not only making a name for itself, it is bringing significant improvements to the lives of those we treat and their caretakers. You have every right to be proud of your Grotto!!