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# SELAMAGRAM

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**C. P. Recreation Program**

**2nd and 4th Thursday (DARK June, July, August)**

Mornings starting at 9 am and ending after lunch.

Jeannie and David will welcome anyone interested in volunteering, to feed, talk or help in any way.

Volunteers are urgently needed; any questions call Jeannie 366-5089 or David Vincent 289-3716

P.S. from the Secretary: some of the links are not working in the PDF format. Don't know why.

## From the Chief Justice:

OK gang time for a short review of where we have gone in the first half of the year and then my plans for the rest of the year. We have wept over the death of friends, family, fellow brothers and sisters; even our beloved pets. We have celebrated the birth of new family members. We have participated in a *Christmas Parade, Seminole Parade, and a Picnic at Veteran Park, Saint Paddies Day Party, and Kentucky Derby Party.* Friday Night Socials, Stated meeting night dinners. Tuesday night OES card nights. We have participated at the annual Masonic Home Event and represented our Grotto in a fantastic manner. A kick butt Ceremonial for new Prophets. We have made visits to several Lodges and made presentations to them as well as welcomed new Prophets from those same Lodges.

**And the YEAR is ONLY HALF OVER!!!**



Now the fun will really get started. Summer is officially here and so are the really fun times. May 28<sup>th</sup> we have our first of 2 training days on how to be a clown and how to operate the clown cars. The start time will be at 9 a.m. and run until everyone is happy with their experience and confident with their new skills. Our next parades will be on July 4<sup>th</sup> there will be 2 on that day, Kenneth City and Gulfport. Time and locations will be announced as soon as we receive them from the city. WE WILL HAVE CLOWNS AND CARS FOR BOTH PARADES! So we need to be ready. Think we are done for the year WRONG~~~~~ after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parades the Supreme yearly convention will be held in New Orleans from July 17 to July 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### ***Still Not Enough?***

Well On August 6<sup>th</sup> starting at 4:30 p.m. and running until 7:30 p.m. Selama Grotto will be putting on it first ever all you can eat English Fish and Chips Dinner. This will be a fund raiser for Chief Justice David's run for 2<sup>nd</sup> vice president of the Florida State Grotto Association. The menu



for the evening will be English Beer Battered deep fried fish, Real English Chips (French fries for those of you that have never had English chips) Cole Slaw, English Mushy Peas, Sweet and Unsweet Tea. The cost for the tickets will be \$15 per adult, \$5 for children 8 through 14 and FREE for children under the age of 7 or over 90 (let's be honest how much can they eat? Though if I get enough response for the younger children wanting to attend. I will also add corn dogs for them as a treat if you wish at no charge).

WE are not done yet! ***FRIDAY NIGHT*** September 16<sup>th</sup> will be all you can eat Spaghetti and Meatballs dinner to be served with green salad and garlic knots for \$6 a head. This will be in place of our regular Friday night supper. Proceeds to go to our Clown Unit for new costumes and car improvements.



MORE??? OK How about a Shrimp Boil in October again details to follow this again will be a fund raiser for Chief Justice David's run for the State of Florida Grottos Association. And all money after costs will go to that cause.

November will have our *Thanksgiving Family Holiday* as usual and in December we will be setting the date for the family and adult *Christmas Parties*.

The Monarch and new line officers installation will be held on **DECEMBER 17<sup>th</sup>** starting at 12 noon so set your clocks for this yearly event. The current schedule is as follows **INSTALLATION** 12 noon, **MIXER** 1 PM to 1:45, **LUNCH** to be served starting at 1:45 PM with the completion of the day expected to be by 2:30 PM.

Sincerely, C.J. David Vincent PM



WANTED - CANDIDATES! The Cast Unit is looking for a few good (or bad) "actors" to help fill out our drama team. Current openings are for one each to handle the parts of His Majesty, Narrator, and Caldron Character. Narrator will only read from a prepared script behind the curtain assisted with a microphone. Caldron body only needs to groan and moan around other participants' script. His Majesty performs through two of the four acts and has a running dialogue with the Neophyte. As of this initial printing (May 2016) cast has parties interested in, but not committed to, his Majesty and the Caldron person. Contact Barry Dupré (727-815-9675) if you're interested in a unit full of PHUN and Fellowship here at Selama Grotto #147.

#### **From the Secretary:**

There is a short weekly email I put out about our Friday Night Social and upcoming dates. This is an opt in list, I CAN NOT add your email to the list. You must ask to be on the list.

Go to [www.selama.org](http://www.selama.org) and click on [Mailing List](#) near the center of the page.

P.S. If you know someone who wants to receive this Trestle Board have them send me their email address requesting to be added to the distribution list. This is different and completely separate from the mailing list mentioned above.

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