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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 Monarch:

Prophets; As you know, this has been a busy year for Selama Grotto. We have been busy visiting blue lodges in the 20th and 21st district and we have been fairly successful in getting some new Prophets from these visits. The Chief Justice has been busy as well working inside the Grotto building and getting the parking lot resurfaced and relined. We want to schedule a work party to completely redo the float. This is going to take a lot of work, so I want as many volunteers as I can get, so that the work will go faster. I am also going to set up visits with at least 3 blue lodges to occur before the end of the year. We will be trying to visit Ormazd Grotto, hopefully some time in Sept. Brothers, as you can see, there is a lot going on, and we need everyone to come out and help. If you have any questions, please call me and I will try to answer them.

Yours in Brotherhood;
Joseph L Griffith Monarch

From the Chief Justice:

I would like to welcome back all our Prophets that have been away for the summer, and I am glad to see you return back safely from your travels. I will be briefly summarize all that has gone on this summer for those of you that were away.

First and foremost we lost a good Prophet this summer. Prophet Robert Kline passed away from all appearances a heart related problem. Bob was a regular at the H. Lee Griffith Foundation C.P. Program always ready to lend a helping hand. Bob not only thought of the C.P.'s but also of all the others in the world, so much so that he donated his earthly body to science so that others could learn from him. RIP our brother Prophet and thank you.

On the brighter side; we have continued to grow in numbers with our last initiation of the spring we brought in several new Prophets. Prophets that have a large potential of leading our GROTTTO into the future. Your Monarch and I look forward to working with these fine men and future leaders.

More good news the roof leak has been found and repaired, it was a minor problem that could not have been noticed during the re-roofing last spring. In addition the parking lot has been sealed

and re-stripped to what is a better format. **What is even better is that the cost of the project was donated to us by Can-Am Paving, to which we saved \$2,500. Thanks to those that donated their time to assist in getting this project done.**

On Good of the Order, there are a couple more things I would like to address. We have a lot ahead of us this year. **1)** I will be running for 2nd Vice President of the Florida State Grotto Association again this year and would like to thank you all for your continued support. We are setting membership records and Florida is finding out SELAMA GROTTTO is still out there and staying strong. **2)** Numerous Fund raisers are in the planning stages such as the upcoming Monty Carlo Night. Look for more information very soon. The annual adult Christmas party and children's Christmas party are also planned and the dates will be announced in September. **3)** As your new incoming Monarch I have also made plans for a all you can eat fish fry, all you can eat BBQ, ice cream social, I am working on a fishing trip in the spring as well as much much more. Some of these will be for funds to support the FSGA convention once I am elected and some of them will be for the Grotto to re-build our funds in the bank.

Sickness and Distress; in closing I would like to pass on information that many of you have asked about. For those of you that have not heard Jeannie Kinney was involved on a motorcycle crash on her way to Illinois. She had gotten as far as Kentucky when she hit a large rock while negotiating a turn in the road. She broke her left shoulder, damaged her left elbow and fractured her pelvis. Jeannie required surgery in Kentucky, but Jeannie as you all know, is a stubborn old cuss and called me to come pick her up this past weekend only 3 weeks after the accident. So in a marathon road trip of almost 2000 miles in less than 48 hours she and her trike are home and doing well.

Sincerely, C.J. David Vincent PM

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 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.
My email is selamagram@gmail.com.

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God (see Ten Commandments)
Mother Nature (can not be suspended or bypassed)
Constitution of United States
Bill of Rights and other Amendments
Federal laws
State laws
County laws
City laws
Rules of Governing Organization (like Little League International for local Little Leagues)
Your Constitution (if you have one)
Your bylaws (you better have one)
Common Courtesy (like don't interrupt unless emergency)
Roberts Rules of Order

Bruce L. Ward, Registered Parliamentarian
October 8, 2015

From the Supreme Council Convention

Opening Excellence Award 2016

David Vincent Selama (2015)
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Joe Griffith 2016 Membership Award

