



Behind the Veil



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I want to thank everyone for the great spirits and advice they have giving as we work to move our Grotto forward. March is a big month, we'll have our annual St. Patrick's paid dinner followed the next week by the first ever Grotto Day. This is a big thing for us, we have planned a day of fun and fellowship for our fellow Masons and their families. Supreme is waiving their fees for all new members so people joining on this day will only pay \$35. I know we have at least one petitioner that we'll vote on at the regular business meeting and we'll hold a special meeting that day for any petitioners we get that day. Invite your lodges and their families, let's show them why the grotto is the Master Mason's Playground.

March Birthdays

- 3-13 Jacquie Poteete
- 3-19 Travis Henson
- 3-20 Katy Long-Knight
- 3-22 David Jacobs
- 3-24 Tony Griffith

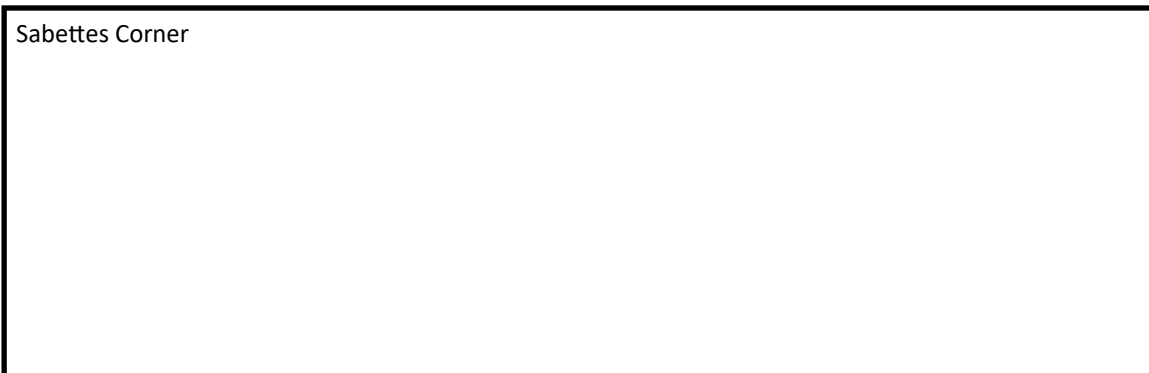
March Anniversaries

Thanks to Chris and Katy for the wonderful Dinner at our last stated business meeting.

Please keep PM Leon Poteete, and PM Matt Llewellyn in your prayers as they both continue to battle health issues.




Sabettes Corner



March 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9 Privet Event
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 St. Paddy's Dinner
17	18	19	20	21 Meeting	22	23 Grotto Day
24	25	26	27	28	29 CSGA	30 CSGA
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April 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6 Grotto Rented
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 Family Night Dinner
14	15	16	17	18 Meeting	19	20
21 Easter	22	23	24	25	26 Guys Night	27 Grotto Rented
28	29	30				 Tulsa Threat Outing

Upcoming Events

- 3-16 St. Paddy's Day Dinner ~ This is a fundraiser for Saba Grotto. Tickets are \$17 for adults and 12 for kids. We are working at having clog dancers this year. Dinner starts at 6. (G)
- 3-21 Stated Business Meeting (G)
- 3-23 Grotto Days ~ We have a lot planned on this day and hope everyone of you can make it out and help us introduce Saba Grotto to a lot of potential new prophets. We have a lot planned that day, a cornhole tournament, the Indian Degree team, the Cowboy Degree team, Prophet Dan Hanttula will speak about ma-sorry, magic shows/balloon twisting for the children, and more in the works. Also we will have a special meeting that day to vote on any new candidates that we get that day to be part of the spring class that we will initiate that afternoon/evening. (G)
- 3-23 Friends and Family Night ~ March's potluck is Mardi Gras theme. Wear your mask and come get your Cajun on and lets have fun. Come out and help us show the new members and from the spring class and others that our just curious about Saba what fun we have. (G)
- 3-29/30 CSGA - Columbia, MO
- 4-13 Friends and Family Night ~ April's potluck is Trivia Night. Bring your go to game day dishes and come to have fun. We will be playing Family Feud so get your "family" together and come out for some fun. (G)
- 4-18 Stated Business Meeting (G)
- 4-26 Guys Night (NC-17)
- 4-27 Grotto Outing ~ Tulsa Threat ~ Tickets are \$5 each if bought in advanced RSVP needs to be made and paid for by April 18th, tickets are \$10 at the gate. Tulsa Threat is an all Lady Tackle Football Team.

G – General Audiences

All ages admitted. .

PG – Parental Guidance Suggested

Some material may not be suitable for children.

R – Restricted

Contains some adult material. Parents are urged to learn more about the event before taking their young children with them

NC-17 – Adults Only

Social Media

Did you know that the Saba Grotto has a website?

www.sabagrotto.org

How about Facebook

www.facebook.com/SabaGrotto/

Check out all of our upcoming events and get tickets and special on line only deals at sabagrotto.wellattended.com

Greetings, Prophets! As not to reinvent the wheel, you'll see the dates listed by our Monarch for many events to celebrate Blue Lodge, the Grotto, and to bring in new members, so I won't go through those. What I will do is ask this question: How many candidates are you bringing? Our Monarch is working very hard to continue to improve our Grotto, both the building and organization itself, but it's all for not if we don't bring in new members to keep our Grotto alive well into the future.

I must again apologize that you've not seen me too often and that I'm not able to fully fulfill my duties as your membership chairman. In reality, because of my health at the moment, I'm filling the role in title only. If someone is able to step up and help physically, please contact myself or Crispy. On the plus side, my physicians believe they may be onto an answer so hopefully I'll be fulfilling this role to its proper capacity in the very near future. Until then, I miss you all and you're in my thoughts.

Matthew Llewellyn, PM



National Grotto Day will be celebrated on Saturday, March 23rd, 2019. We have a lot planned for this day and need everyone's help to make it a success. We will start the day off with a Cornhole tournament, this will be a 3-way split, 1/3 to the winning team, 1/3 to the winning teams Blue Lodge, and a 1/3 to Saba Grotto. We have the Indian Degree team to coming out to do a dance and education presentation for us. Prophet Daniel Hanttula will be coming up from OKC to do a talk. We will have magic, balloon twisting, music, food, door prizes and more. We will be pulling the winning ticket for the TV at 4PM, if you need a ticket or if you want a packet of tickets to sell contact Katy or Crispy. Tickets are 1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20. Around 4:30 or so the prophets that are here will move to the recently remodeled conference room to vote on any initiates that we may have received that day. We will have a ceremonial at 5 to initiate all of candidates into the Realm. We will end the day with a Mardi Gras themed friends and family night. The Supreme Council will be waiving the initiation fee for all new prophets made in month of March, also initiates and proposers will receive a commemorative lapel pin and membership certificate. We're working on a special gift for any Prophet that brings in 5 or more new candidates.

Grotto – The best kept secret in Masonry.

Submitted by Chief Justice Dewey Thompson

Let us face it! We as prophets, are very poor salesmen.

This statement can be proved, simply by looking at the total membership of our Grotto organization as compared to the total Masonic membership. There are about 9,000 Prophets throughout the Realm. There were one million, seventy six thousand, six hundred twenty six (1,076,626) members of the Blue Lodge in the United States in the year 2017. This means we still have over 1 million of men who are potential members.

A Sales manager would say that we either are not sold on our product or that we are lazy. Just what is the answer?

Let us look at our product – The Grotto.

Thomas Edison once said, “What the mind can conceive, the character of man can control”. This points to the real objective of the Grotto, because it deals with the character of Free Men. Over one million Free Men are members of the Masonic Lodge. Our membership is predicated on Masonic affiliation. The very purpose of the Grotto — Sympathy and Good Fellowship—offers expression of these two attributes or character.

During the past one hundred years, man has made fantastic progress in the field of Science, Medicine, and Technology. However, in the field of social science and of government, there has been very little progress.

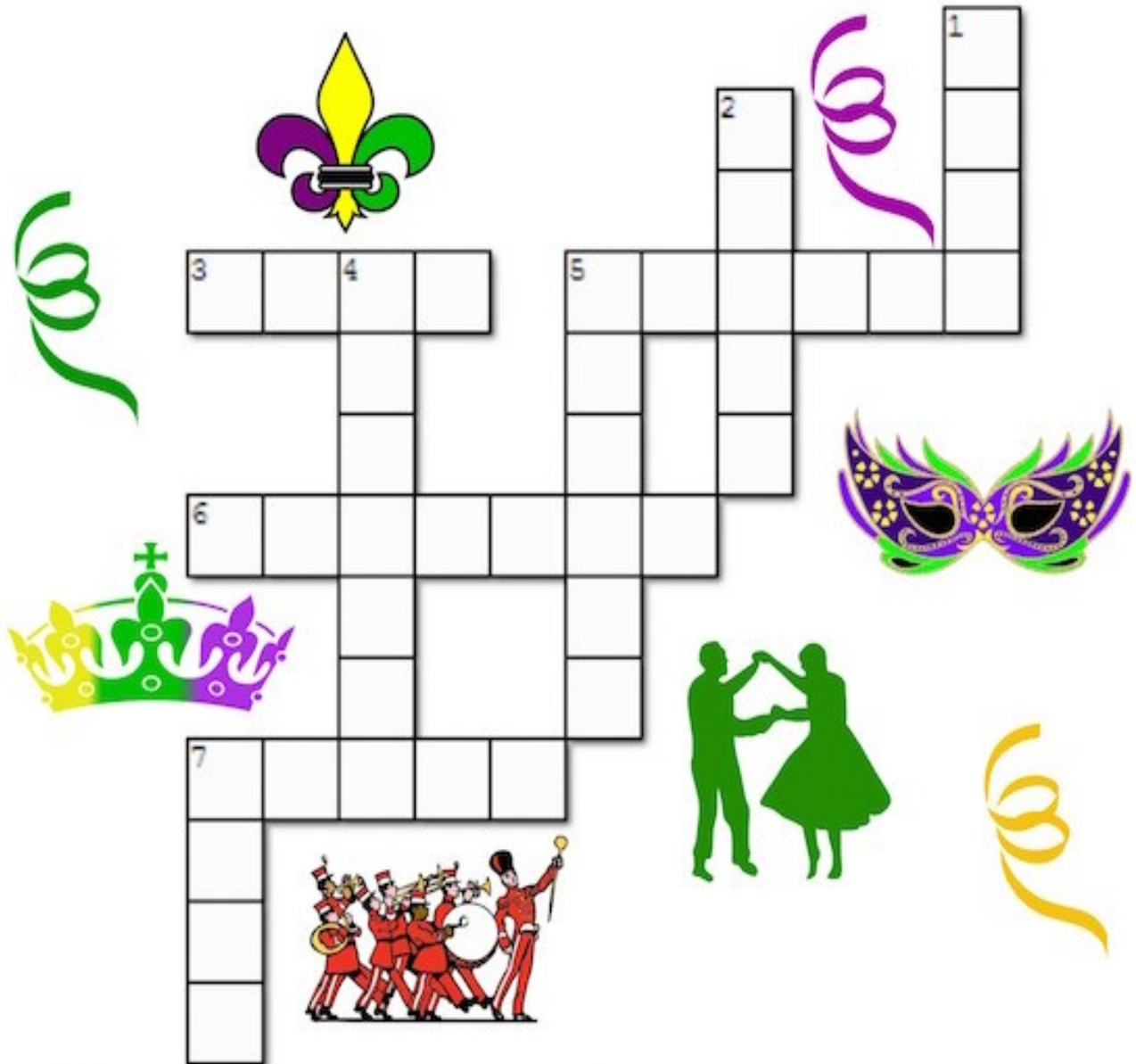
When the character of MAN is improved, then progress will be made in the Social Sciences. What greater challenge can an organization have than to “Improve the Character of Man”? What greater instrument is there than the Grotto?

As you work in behalf of the Saba Grotto, remember you are making a contribution to the improvement of Mans character.

Let me challenge you, as a Prophet and member of the Grotto, to assume individual responsibility in this great field of character building.

MARDI GRAS CROSSWORD PUZZLE

USE THE CLUES BELOW TO SOLVE THE CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



Across

3. 'Laissez les bons temps rouler' means 'Let the ___ times roll'.
5. People celebrate Mardi Gras by giving out ___, green and gold beads.
6. Mardi Gras is also known as Fat _____.
7. My favorite part of Mardi Gras is dancing to the _____.

Down

1. King ___ is a round baked good, decorated with purple, gold and green.
2. ___ Gras marks the end of Carnival Season.
4. Mardi Gras is celebrated every year in New _____, Louisiana.
5. I love watching the floats in the _____ go by.
7. On Mardi Gras I will wear a ___ to cover my face.