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Ronald Davidson PM 2020
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William Woods PM 2022

Red Tassels

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Junior Past Monarch Message – Scott Allen PM

Fellow Prophets,

I would like to congratulate Conrad and all the new officers of Islam Grotto for 2021. You have a big job ahead of you and I will continue to support you and everything you do in the future! Good luck and I'm sure you will make us proud.

2020 has been a memorable year in many ways to say the least. Unfortunately, some unfavorable decisions had to be made with canceling some of our more popular functions, but that responsibility fell entirely on my shoulders. Every decision I had made had the health and well-being of our members and families first and foremost. None of us had been through anything like this before and it was uncharted territory for us and we learned a lot. That is why I am forever grateful to the Officers and Members who supported the decisions that were made and who were in constant contact with me throughout 2020. I will attest it is harder to keep a ship afloat when we don't meet on a regular basis, but everyone pulled together and we overcame. The success of our Grotto relies on every member and it showed. Thank you again!

In closing, to Conrad and his Officers, I hope your year is successful and memorable. To everyone that supported myself and the Officers 2020, I can't say thank you enough. I leave the position of Monarch in great hands and looking forward to seeing what 2021 brings. Thank you and God bless!

Sincerely and Fraternaly

Scott Allen – Junior Past Monarch 2020

Monarch – Conrad Wieloch III

I would like to take a moment to thank everyone for the opportunity to be Monarch this year. This year will continue to be challenging and we will need to commit to the changes as they come. This year I am hopeful that we will eventually open up for normal business without restrictions. We will not be having an installation this year because of current restrictions, however if at all possible, I would like to have a celebration later in the year.

Hopefully, this message finds you all in excellent health!

Sincerely

Conrad J. Wieloch III - Monarch 2021

Living Past Monarchs of Islam Grotto

1977 Richard Hoff	2006 Lenny Kolodziek
1979 Arthur Smaltz	2007 Michael Tomascin
1985 Tommy Lee **	2009 William Woods
1995 Ray Rietzel	2010 Ron Davidson
1996 Ted Colcombe	2012 Ron Troy
1999 Eugene Martucci	2013/2014 David Rasch
2000 Robert Metsger *	2015 George Gittins
2001 James Metsger *	2016 Robert Lorenz III
2002 Richard Roell	2017 Jeramey Wieloch
2003 Edward Foster	2018 Conrad Wieloch Jr.
2004 Max Pokorski	2019 Michael Karkalla
2005 Robert Lorenz Jr.	2020 Scott Allen

Suspended * Demitted **

***** Stated Meeting for January and February 2021 *****

Stated Meetings of Islam Grotto will be held virtually or at Islam Grotto Room at the Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center, 3579 Masonic Way, Pittsburgh Pa. 15237 depending on the restrictions at the center.

Thursday, January 21, 2021 at 7:30 PM –

Join Zoom Meeting – Note: this is an informal meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81990558884?pwd=TU9hOGVIRkpRU0c2QTZ5YllSeWhTQT09>

Meeting ID: 819 9055 8884

Passcode: Islam

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Thursday, February 18, 2021 at 7:30 PM

If the restrictions at the building are lifted, we will serve dinner before the February Stated Meeting at 6:15pm.

Secretary's Message:

Congratulations go out to the newly elected officers for 2021. I want to thank everyone for letting me serve you as your secretary for another year. Congratulations to our outgoing Monarch Scott Allen PM. It was a pleasure serving you and the officers during your year. I am looking forward to working with the new officers for 2021.

Tammy and I continue our travels. We went to Wisconsin on 11/5 – 11/9 to open a new Grotto called Artaban. We then went to Orlando Florida on 11/11 - 11/14 for the Board of Governors meeting. The hotel we stayed at in Orlando was the same place we will have the Supreme Council Session in June 2021. What a Great Place. We never forget about our own Grotto.

The 2021 dues statements have been sent out. Please pay in a timely manner. If you have already paid Thank You.

Still Missing Prophets: If you know of a new address for the following Prophets please let me know: Edward Switalski Jr., Robert Balent and Richard Trimble.

Safe travels and a Healthy and Happy New Year to all

Michael J. Tomascini PM – Secretary and Grand Chief Justice

Mark Your Calendars:

Take-Out Fish Dinners see the dates on the calendar. Flyer is attached

Note: pre-orders are preferred

March 13 Spring Ceremonial – Get your petitions to the secretary

Bob Lorenz Jr. PM Grand Orator Message:

Greetings Prophets,

Hope this finds you and your family safe and well.

Happy New Year, may this year be better than the last one. Hope your holiday season was blessed and enjoyed by all.

Congratulations to our new Monarch Conrad Wieloch, III and his Lady Sarah, plus the line offices of 2021. May you all have a great year. Please come out and support them. Remember this is your Grotto.

As some of you might know, I tested positive for Covid in early November and was unable to travel to the Board of Governors meeting in Orlando. After 14 days of quarantine, I am back to good health and work. Thank you for your prayers and phone calls to check on Lady Theresa and myself.

Come out and support your Grotto. If you know of any member that has not attended for awhile please contact me so that I can try to get in touch with them to see what we as a Grotto can do to bring them back.

As always home Grotto comes first for our event's. Lady Theresa and I look forward to seeing you all again when it is safe for us to all be together again.

Yours in Fellowship,

Bob Lorenz, Jr PM - Grand Orator

Schedule of Events for 2021

January

21 - Association Meeting 7:00pm
21 - Stated Meeting - Virtual

February

5-6 OGA Zone - Pittsburgh, Pa
18 - Association Meeting 7:00pm
18 - Stated Meeting -
Cooking Conrad Wieloch III
19 - Fish Dinner 5pm-7pm
26 - 19 - Fish Dinner 5pm-7pm

March

05 - Fish Dinner 5pm-7pm
12 - Fish Dinner 5pm-7pm
13 - Spring Ceremonial "National Grotto Day"
11:00am - 3:00pm
(Auditorium and Grotto Room)
18 - Association Meeting 7:00pm
18 - Stated Meeting -
Cooking Rich Hopkins
19 - Fish Dinner 5pm-7pm
26 - Fish Dinner 5pm-7pm
27 - Children's Easter Party 1-3 pm

Ohio Valley Rainbow Girls and Pittsburgh Demolay Fellowship Breakfast at the GPMC. Last Saturday of the month (Except December) 9:00am to 10:30am

April

02- Fish Dinner 5pm-7pm
15 - Association Meeting 7:00pm
15 - Stated Meeting
Cooking Purple Tassels
23-25 PGA Conference - Lancaster, Pa
30 - Prophets Night -
Soup Cook Off - Prophets All

May

08 - Mother's Day Lunch 11am - 1pm
20 - Association Meeting 7:00pm
20 - Stated Meeting -
Cooking Kyle Golic
28 - Prophets Night -
Cooking Ed Hanke

June

27 - July 4 = Supreme Council Session -
Orlando, Fl
17 - Association Meeting 7:00pm
17 - Stated Meeting -
Cooking Tom Newland
25 - Prophets Night -
Cooking Rich Hopkins

July

04 - 4th of July Picnic
30 - Prophets Night
Cooking Conrad Wieloch III