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Our 96th Year 2006

Pharaoh/Grand Jr. Warden Bill Celebrates with first lady Irene



Sciot William H. Berman, Pharaoh of All Sciorty, was elected to the office of Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of the State of New Jersey at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge in April.

Dear Sciots,

This will be my last message to you as your Pharaoh. The opportunity that you have afforded me to serve in that capacity is an experience that I will cherish for the rest of my life.

Due to the support of the elected officers of the Supreme Pyramid particularly Supreme Scribe Gary Parks, and many other Sciots from across the country, the goals of my year have not only been met, but have been exceeded.

The Promotion of the Order fund is very healthy, due to your generosity. The Supreme Pyramid has several thousand dollars now to produce high quality brochures, CDs, and Power Point presentations that will entice Masons to join our Order. My thanks to Sciot Howard Schermerhorn for heading this collection effort.

The Promotion of the Order Committee, also chaired by Sciot Schermerhorn, has developed a "Pocket Petition" for our Order. These are folded petitions for Sciorty that fit in your wallet. Now, when a brother asks you for a petition, you'll be able to immediately give him one, thus saving you the time and effort of contacting your Scribe or of going home to accommodate the request. It is hoped that the convenience of these "Pocket Petitions" will accelerate the process for your friends to join your Pyramid.

A special thanks to Sciot Paul Scheeler for his hard work in developing these petitions.

In the beginning of my year as Pharaoh, I asked each Pyramid to visit local lodges two times this year to show them Sciorty in action. Each Pyramid that complied with this request gained members through this outreach program. I urge you to continue showing the flag of Sciorty in your lodges, Valleys, Chapters, Shrines, and Councils. This is one of the most effective ways of encouraging your brother Masons to become Sciots.

My wish last November was that I leave Sciorty in better condition than I found it. Only history can judge if that is the fact. I can only say that I gave 100% of my efforts to make Sciorty better and I thank you for the chance to do that.

Always Boost One Another,

William H. Berman
Pharaoh of All Sciorty

Mobib's Message

Greetings O' Sciots and Ladies,

I wish to thank the Ladies of Sciorty and all Sciots that made our official visits to their respected Pyramids, such a wonderful time, thank you one and all. I am busy getting things ready for the Annual Supreme, to be held this year in Sacramento, California.

I wish to thank our Pharaoh Bill Berman for his leadership this last year. We have done a great deal to move Sciorty along. His guidance with the Promotion of the Order Fund as given us several thousand dollars, so that we can all promote Sciorty.

I received the bad news of the fire at Modesto. It was devastating to the Modesto Pyramid, but under the leadership of their Toparch "John" I am sure that they will make a comeback.

Yours Always to Boost One Another,

Clive W Moss
Supreme Mobib

Official Visitations of the Pharaoh-2006

July 14 th and 15 th Illinois #1 at Chicago, Ill. Chicago, Il	July 21 st and 22 nd Sciots Tract #11 Sacramento, CA
October 6 th Pharaoh's Homecoming Burlington, N.J.	November 10 th and 11 th Annual Sessions Sacramento, CA

GET FLYERS AT WWW.SCIOTS.ORG

Flyers Now Posted

Sciots Tract #11 Visitation Flyer

Illinois #1 Visitation Flyer

Pharaoh's Homecoming Event

Pastophori's Message

O Sciots:

Our Semi-Annual Supreme session is behind us now, and although there is much good news for Sciorty, there are also many reasons for concern. Our membership is falling, several of our Pyramids are experiencing difficulties, and there seems to be quite a bit of trouble attracting skilled leaders to our Order. We must all continue to promote Sciorty as best we can, and always be on the lookout for opportunities to talk to brother Masons about becoming Sciots.

We have a lot to offer, but no one knows it if we don't talk about it. As our Pharaoh has pointed out, it is a good thing to keep an application in your fez at all times. But remember to have applications with you when you don't have your fez, such as at Blue Lodge meetings, or York Rite or Scottish Rite meetings, Shrine gatherings, etc. It is never a bad time to talk about Sciorty.

On a lighter note, I want to talk about a trend that seems to be turning us into the "Ancient **Irish** Order of Sciots". This is the trend wherein we are continually referring to our fellows as O' Sciots, such as in O' Sciot Smith, or O' Pharaoh Bill Berman. So that you know, the prefix "O" was never intended to be a title. Rather it is a separate word, used as a form of address. So if you are speaking to a Sciot, you say, "O Sciot Smith". You would also say "O Pharaoh", or "O Toparch" if you were directly addressing either of these. But if you are referring to someone in the third person, you don't say "O Pharaoh Berman", or "O Toparch Jones", or "O Sciot Smith". You will notice that I began this message with "O Sciots". That is because I am speaking directly to each of you. But I would not refer to our membership, like perhaps, "I wrote a message to all the O' Sciots in Sciorty." I would say, "I wrote a message to all the Sciots..."

This may be confusing to some of you, but just remember, when speaking directly *to* a Sciot, use the prefix "O". When talking *about* him, do not use "O". O-Kay?

Randy Downey
Supreme Pastophori

Bits N' Pieces
From the Supreme Scribe's Desk

Sciots Tract #11 Official Visitation
July 21-22, 2006

Hello Sciots,

As we have a limited amount of space within the Supreme Newsletter I have mounted several flyers for the various activities and visitations on our web site: www.sciots.org for your review and printing. If you are unable to use a computer to get to this information, just let me know and I will mail you a copy of the flyer.

If you have not yet provided the Supreme Office a listing of your officers for the Scot year of 2006 please do so at this time. Also, the Supreme Office needs a listing of all your members so we can assure an accurate head count of members, provide mailings of our Supreme Newsletter to them, and cover them within your insurance for Scot activities.

I have several things to report on the condition of our members and Pyramids. First, I am sad to announce that Dorothy Jackson joined Clancey with our Supreme Master this past week. Secondly, the Modesto Pyramid building was destroyed by fire this past month and the Pyramid will be meeting at a local Blue Lodge for the near future. Thirdly, our effort to bring Sciortry into Nevada is proceeding with a new resolution having been drafted for consideration at their next Grand Lodge sessions. Fourth, our recent Semi-Annual sessions were a great success and many thanks to the fine members of Fresno Pyramid for again hosting this important event. Our Pharaoh and his lady Irene were a hit with the membership and a great time was had by all in attendance.

The new standing committee of Promotion of the Order has done a fantastic job of providing revenue for future efforts at expanding our order. A big thanks to Howard Schermerhorn and his committee. We will be issuing a new wallet-sized petition to join Sciots in the near future. Ask your Scribe for a copy to keep within your wallet and help expand Sciortry.

Congratulations to Willie Negron and PP Neal Leonard who were installed as DP of Pyramids #11 and #32.

If any Scot has something of interest about Masonry or Sciortry which they would like to share with their brother Sciots, just send it to me.

Fraternally,

Gary Parks, P.P.
Supreme Scribe

Hello Sciots,

Please go to our Sciots website www.sciots.org and print out our flyer for the Pharaoh's Official Visitation being held July 21-22, 2006 in Sacramento, California.

Enjoy Enchiladas or Chicken Dinner with your family and friends on Friday July 21st. The cost is \$12.00. On Saturday July 22, 2006 we will start with breakfast at 7:30 am served by a youth group at the Harding San Juan Lodge with a cost of \$5.00.

We will be holding a Third Degree at 9:30 am followed by lunch around noon at a cost of \$7.00.

A social hour will be held at 4 pm followed by a BBQ steak dinner at 6 pm at a cost of \$18.00.

Print out the complete form at www.sciots.org or if you do not have a computer contact the Supreme Office and a copy will be sent to you.

Reservations and payments must be received by July 7, 2006. Please make checks payable to:

Sciots Tract Pyramid #11 and mail to Clive Moss
11597 Colong Road, Galt, California 95631.
Phone number for questions is (916) 687-8785.

In addition, Sciots Tract #11 will be holding a Sciots Camp Out on July 21-22, 2006 at the San Juan Masonic Lodge grounds. Four rigs have already committed and electricity and water will be available.

Past Pharaoh Willie Seirer is serving as our Wagonmaster for the event and can be reached at (775) 857-4809 if you would like to attend.

They have room for rigs of all sizes and the fee is \$7.00 per night. Bring your rigs out and enjoy some round the campfire fun.

ANCIENT EGYPTIAN ORDER OF SCIOTS



IL. PYRAMID NO. 1

WELCOMES



THE PHAROAH OF ALL SCIOTRY

And his core of Supreme Officers

For his OFFICIAL VISIT

JULY 14-15, 2006

Starting with dinner at 7:00 PM on Friday, July 14th at the brand new

Medinah Shrine Center in Addison.

Dinner entrée choices are 10 oz. New York Strip Steak, Chef's Chicken, or Roasted Halibut
And include choice of Soup or Salad, Potato and Seasonal Vegetable, Assorted Breads and Butter,
With Your choice of Coffee, Hot Tea, or Iced Tea, and Ice Cream Dessert.

\$30.00 per person (includes dinner, tax, and tip) Cash Bar Available.

(Appropriate Dinner Attire will be Coat and Tie)

On Saturday, July 15th at 10:00 AM we will open IL Pyramid No. 1 and initiate new Sciots

At the **Jefferson Masonic Temple** in Chicago.

Following the Closing of the Pyramid we will join members of

EL JAALA GROTTA at 1:00 PM

As they host their 2nd Annual PIG ROAST at the MASONIC CHILDREN'S HOME in La Grange.
This will include an opportunity to tour the homes and facilities, and find out more about services provided.

ALL SCIOTS, LADIES, and FRIENDS are invited to join us for
Dinner on Friday night and for the PIG ROAST on Saturday Afternoon.

We have a block of rooms reserved at the RADISSON HOTEL CHICAGO OHARE
Located at 1450 E. Touhy Ave. in Des Plaines at a Group Rate of \$79.00 per night (plus tax).
To get this rate you must call the hotel directly at 847-296-8866 by JUNE 23rd and mention Sciots.
The Hotel provides FREE SHUTTLE SERVICE to and from Ohare Airport.

IL PYRAMID NO. 1 will provide transportation from the Hotel to all events.

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Name _____ No. Attending _____ @ \$30.00

Phone _____ Total enclosed \$ _____

Strip Steak _____ Chef's Chicken _____ Roasted Halibut _____

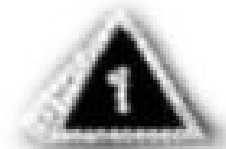
Make check payable to A.E.O.S, IL Pyramid No. 1, and mail to:

Illinois Pyramid No. 1

P.O. Box 2715

Des Plaines, IL 60017-2715

Paid reservations MUST be received by July 5th





New New Jersey Pyramid is Forming

The Pharaoh and several members of the elected and appointed Supreme Pyramid initiated fifteen new Sciots who will form the core of a new third Pyramid in New Jersey. The Pyramid will be centered in Carteret and will go by the name of Central Jersey Sciot Club for the time being.

Once the requirements to attain a charter are fulfilled, the third Pyramid of Sciotry within New Jersey will be officially welcomed.



Past New Jersey Grand Masters and Pharaoh

Pharaoh William H. Berman is pictured with many of the Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New Jersey. Each one of the Past Grand Masters pictured is also a Sciot.

**2006 Semi-Annual Sessions
Fresno, California**



THE PHARAOH'S HOMECOMING

HOSTED BY HAROLD D. ELLIOTT PYRAMID #1, NEW JERSEY PYRAMID #2,
AND CENTRAL JERSEY SCIOT CLUB

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2006

**BEGINNING WITH THE PHARAOH'S BANQUET
AT KOVE II CATERERS, PARK PLAZA, EDGEWATER PARK**

Directions to Kove II from Exit 5 NJTP. At red light after paying toll make left turn onto Route 541. Remain on Route 541 until you reach Route 130 South. Make left onto Route 130 south. Proceed approximately 3 miles. On the right will be PARK PLAZA (just before Cooper Street intersection). Make a right into PARK PLAZA and Kove II is in the rear of same.

If lost, call (609) 871-3018

5:00 P.M.- Complimentary Open Bar Social Hour. Open Bar continues through dinner.

6:00 P.M. Six Entrée, all-you-can-eat buffet, salad bar, and dessert table

Cost- \$35 per person

**FOLLOWED BY
THE OFFICIAL VISIT OF THE PHARAOH AND PERSONAL VISIT
OF THE GRAND MASTER OF MASONS OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**GRAND LODGE ROOM IN THE FELLOWSHIP CENTER
ON THE MASONIC CAMPUS IN BURLINGTON**

**7:30 P.M.- Opening of Joint communication of Harold D. Elliott Pyramid #1,
New Jersey Pyramid #2, and Central Jersey Sciot Club.**

**Reception of Sciot William H. Berman, Pharaoh of All Sciotry
and M.W. Douglas R. Policastro, Grand Master of Masons of the State of New Jersey.**

Initiation of candidates for Sciotry

Installation of Officers of Harold D. Elliott Pyramid #1 for 2007.

Remarks

Closing

ROOMS ARE AVAILABLE AT A DISCOUNTED RATE OF \$99.99 PER NIGHT (DOUBLE ROOM) AT THE
HOLIDAY INN SELECT, 18 WESTERN DRIVE, WESTAMPTON, N.J.

(609) 702-5800 WWW.HOLIDAYINNEXPRESSMTHOLLYNJ.COM

PLEASE MENTION SCIOTS WHEN MAKING RESERVATIONS

YES, I WILL ATTEND THE PHARAOH'S BANQUET ON OCTOBER 6, 2006

Name- _____

Phone number- _____

**Cost of the banquet is \$35. Please make checks payable to "H.D. Elliott Pyramid #1",
and mail to David Dorworth, 920 Walnut St., Palmyra, N.J., 08065, by September 10, 2006**

Questions?- Call 856 829-7463



Help Sciotry Grow

At our recent Supreme session in Atlantic City, Pharaoh William Berman called for the establishment of a standing committee for Promotion of the Order. Unanimously approved, it will be the task of this committee to develop programs and support materials to increase membership in existing pyramids as well as assist in the establishment of new ones. An outstanding group of Sciots from across the country are being recruited to work on this important effort.



As this is the first time in the history of Sciotry that this type of effort has been tried, it is

not in the budget as it stands. The Pharaoh has asked each of our dedicated Sciots to support this task by making a donation of \$15 or more to help Sciotry grow.

Any Sciot who chooses to support Sciotry with a donation of \$50 will receive a handy calculator with our emblem proudly displayed. These types of donations will go a long way to help produce high quality brochures and similar items to share the ideals of Sciotry with our Masonic brothers.



A gift of \$100 or more will entitle the Sciot donor to both the calculator and this

attractive folding knife. Your donation will also help us develop a display for Grand Lodge sessions and similar activities as well as other ways to advertise our programs.

Let's Boost One Another and Sciotry!

Clip & mail with your check payable to Supreme Pyramid and Promotion of the Order in the memo section

Mail to: Howard Schermerhorn, Promotion of the Order Chairman, PO Box 2715, Des Plaines, IL 60017

YES! I want to help Sciotry grow!

Name _____

Enclosed is my gift of

Address _____

\$15 \$50 \$100 Other _____

Pyramid _____

Elected Supreme Officers 2006

Bill Berman (HE#1) (Irene)Pharaoh
Clive Moss (11) (Betsy)Supreme Mobib
Art Meigs (43) (June).....Supreme Armeses
Randy Downey (9) (Micki)Supreme Pastophori
Duane Nead, P.P. (43) (Joan) Supreme Lecture
Gary Parks, P.P. (32) (Carole) Supreme Scribe
Chuck Bruggeman, P.P. (43) (Jan).....Supreme Chancellor
George Copus (32)Supreme Trustee 1 Yr.
Rick Taman (IL#1) SupremeTrustee 2 Yr.
Mark Carl (HE#1) (Carole)Supreme Trustee 3 Yr.

Deputy Pharaohs 2006

John Conlan (1) (Dell).....San Francisco # 1
Ken Edwards (5)Stockton # 5
Thomas Tefft (9) (Suzanne) San Jose # 9
Harry Dyck (10) (Bernice).....Fresno #10
Willy Negron (11)(Maria) Sciots Tract #11
TBA Modesto #15
Neal Leonard, P.P. (32) San Diego #32
Fred Bon (43) (Tammy).....Long Beach #43
David Dorworth (NJ1) (Donna)Harold Elliott #1
Ira Drucks (NJ2) (Lenore) New Jersey #2
Howard Schermerhorn (IL1) (Grace)Illinois #1

Appointed Supreme Officers 2006

Emil Cevik (43) (Koray)Supreme Mazai
Jan Eligh (43) (Margaret)Supreme Marshal
Paul Ferreira (NJ#2)(Semra)Supreme Proclamator
Saul Tisher (HE1) Mae)Supreme Chaplain
Raymond Thorne (HE1)Supreme Standard Bearer
Gill Chernack (NJ2) (Rose)Supreme Klaschr
James Dingman (9) (Patty)Supreme Neokori
John Ryan (NJ2) Supreme Auditor
William Sizemore (43) (Lynda).....Supreme Parliamentarian
Bud Ramsey (9)(Susan)Supreme Historian
Robert Thornborough (HE1)Supreme Adjutant
John Hammond (II)(Laura) Supreme Chief-of-the-Me
Chuck Mignosa (9) (Eileen) Supreme Mystic
Moe Crosby (11) (Donna)Supreme Mohar CA
George Apt (43) (Caroline)Supreme Mohar CA
Rowlan Francis (NJ2)Supreme Mohar NJ
Don Soderlund (HE1) (Lila)Supreme Mohar NJ
Manny Roth (IL1)Supreme Mohar IL
Paul Scheeler (IL1)Supreme Mohar IL
Mark Carl (HE1)(Carole) Pharaoh's Aide

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