



**2023 Annual Ohio Grotto Association Convention
President Gary “Bonkers” Farrant Presiding**

AUGUST 3 – 5, 2023

Hotel Info – **Holiday Inn Fairborn**, 2800 Presidential Dr., Fairborn, OH 45324, 937-426-7800. \$132 per night plus tax (includes complimentary hot breakfast buffet). Mention “Khana Shahar Grotto” or group code KHA to get the special group rate. You can also use the below booking link online. DEADLINE for group rate reservations is July 3, 2023.

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Thursday, August 3, 2023 – Visit the **National Museum of the United States Air Force**, 1100 Spaatz St., Dayton, OH 45433. Open 9am – 5pm. Free admission and parking. Museum café will be open for lunch. There will be an aviation info scavenger hunt with prizes!

Since 1923 the museum has grown from a small engineering study collection to the world's largest military aviation museum and is a world-renowned center for air and space power technology and culture preservation. The museum is home to countless one-of-a-kind objects. Our once small engine collection now includes more than 350 aerospace vehicles and missiles, thousands of artifacts, and spans 20 indoor acres with additional outdoor Air and Memorial Parks that continue to grow every year. Transportation will not be provided; however, it is an easy 10-minute drive from the hotel. For our long-distance visitors who are flying in, contact Marty Trent, 937-543-3016, standrews619@yahoo.com, and he will assist with arranging a carpool.

7:00pm - Hospitality at hotel until 11:45pm

Friday, August 4, 2023 (note all are at the hotel)

9:00am – Board of Governors Meeting

NOON – Prophets and Ladies Lunch (by ticket)

1:30pm – OGA Business Session

5:30pm – Social (drinks may be purchased at the hotel bar and brought to the dining area)

6:00pm – “Godfather” Dinner (dress in your favorite gangster style) (by ticket)

8:00pm – THE GREAT RACE in the Hospitality Room. This is a crazy variation of the “night at the races” game with babies, opossums, rubber chickens, and crows racing for the prize! There will be 2 races with 12 racers in each race. Buy-in is \$20 per person and the Top 3 individuals with the highest cumulative point total will receive cash prizes. The remaining proceeds will benefit the Humanitarian Foundation.

Hospitality to 11:45pm

Saturday, August 5, 2023 (note all are at the hotel except lunch)

9:00am – OGA Business Session Continued and Election of Officers

NOON – Offsite Lunch (pay on your own) – Location to be announced at Convention – Meet in the hotel lobby at 11:45am to ride share

1:30pm – Ladies Activity in the Hospitality Room (Armstrong Room)

2:00pm – The Robert Dickie Degree. All Prophets are eligible. \$15.00 life membership fee. So, you are wondering what this degree is all about . . . you’ll just have to pay your \$15.00 and come see for yourself.

5:30pm – Social (drinks may be purchased at the hotel bar and brought to the dining area)

6:00pm – Banquet and Installation of Officers (preferred dress is formal with white dinner jacket, but black tux or dark business suit is also acceptable) (by ticket)

There will also be a gift basket raffle

Hospitality to 11:45pm

All Prophets attending any of the convention events are expected to pay the \$20 registration fee. This fee is to offset the cost of the meeting rooms and other convention expenses.