

# News from Our Lady of Lebanon

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## MAHRAJAN NEWS

### When and Where

The 2010 Mahrajan will be held on Sunday, August 15, at Site One, Levenson Shelter, Oglebay Park in Wheeling. Outdoor Mass begins at 10:30. Food service, booths and entertainment open at 12:00 noon. The festival closes at 7:00 p.m.

### New Band

We are excited to welcome The David Hakim Band of Cleveland, Ohio as our musical entertainment this year. David is an accomplished singer and violinist; he will be backed by a keyboardist and derbukke player. We are sure that David will bring a great deal of enthusiasm to his performance and keep the crowd on its feet all day.

### Alhambra Dancers

Conchi and her seven beautiful Alhambra Dancers of Cincinnati, will return to our stage this year for four, half-hour shows. The troupe's talent and fabulous costumes are always a crowd-pleaser.

### Table Reservations

To insure a comfortable spot to spend the day with your family and friends, reserve a banquet-style table under a tent for \$35, or a picnic table, for \$30. Each table will seat eight people. Use the enclosed form to indicate your table preference. Table space is limited and reservations will be made only when the appropriate fee is received.

### Raffle Tickets

There will be a drawing at the Mahrajan for a \$1,000 cash Grand Prize and for the following additional prizes: 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize—a 32" plasma TV donated by Drs. Rajai and Nahla Khoury, Dr. and Mrs. Adel Frenn and Drs. Mary Ann Cater and Rob Vawter; 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize—a \$100 Gift Certificate from Nicky's Garden Center; 4<sup>th</sup> Prize—an Olympus 12 MP digital camera; 5<sup>th</sup> Prize—a beautiful hand-appliqued quilt. A book of six tickets costs \$5.00. Please send the enclosed order form with your check in the appropriate amount to order your raffle tickets. Please send return address labels for all of the tickets that you purchase; we will use the labels to complete your ticket stubs and enter them in the raffle.

All tickets that are purchased and returned by Saturday, July 31, will be eligible to win the \$100 Early Bird Prize to be drawn after the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, August 1. The ticket of the Early Bird winner will remain eligible for the drawings at the Mahrajan on August 15.

### Souvenir Book

Our Mahrajan Souvenir Book, filled with photos and other features, will be distributed free to all Mahrajan visitors. Please consider placing an ad to promote your business, to honor your family members or loved ones, or simply to offer congratulations to the parish. We will do the artwork for free at your request. This is a great way to support the Mahrajan. Your family photos in the ad are always of interest to our guests.

Ads are available as follows: \$200 for Full Page (5" x 7"); \$100 for Half Page (5" x 3.5"); \$50 for Quarter Page (2.5" x 3.5"); \$25 for Eighth Page (2.5" x 1.5") or \$25 for Single-Line Patron Listings. Payment and ad copy are due by June 30. Call the church at 304-233-1688 for more information.

### Food and Beverages

When you attend the Mahrajan, you will support our most important fund-raising event by enjoying the food and beverages served by our hard-working volunteers. Menu items include kibbee, shish kabob, falafel, tabouli, hummus, grape leaves, hot dogs, tossed salad, watermelon, baklava and other Lebanese pastries, as well as ice cream treats, soft drinks and beer. Please limit the food and drink that you bring onto the festival grounds, as your purchases are so important in helping to defray the increasing overhead of this wonderful event, and in assuring its continuation.

Since our church is required to purchase a Special Events Beer License from the State of West Virginia, it is our responsibility to control the consumption of alcohol at the Mahrajan. We request that you do not bring any alcoholic beverages onto the festival grounds and limit your consumption to those drinks sold at the festival. Please drink responsibly.

### Mahrajan Mail

All Mahrajan related mail should be addressed to:

Our Lady of Lebanon Church—Mahrajan  
2216 Eoff Street  
Wheeling WV 26003

Please mark the "Memo" line with the purpose(s) of your check, e.g. Table, Raffle, Souvenir Book, Donation, etc.

### In Memoriam

Our prayers and condolences go out to the families and friends of those who have passed away since our last newsletter was published: Richard Shiben; Joseph Gonot; Lottie Elwartoski; Rosaline Saseen; Ferris Shia; Wilbur Breiding; Charles Coury; Mary Custer; Melo Wakim; Edith June Fahey. We have also said good-bye to Louie John, whose love and dedication for Our Lady of Lebanon Church was second to none. His presence in our church and our community will be deeply missed by all. We also sadly report the loss of Sam Elias, who served as lector at the altar for many years. After a long absence caused by health problems, the parish was elated when Sam returned to resume his familiar position. No one ever represented our church with more good cheer and dignity than Sam. May God rest all their souls.

### Births

Our warmest wishes and congratulations go to Jim George, Jr. and Jessica George, the parents of Liam Donovan, and to proud grandparents Jim, Sr. and Shirley; to Sam and Elizabeth Zinn, the new parents of Abigail Elizabeth, and to grandparents Debbie and Rick Davis, and great-grandparents Sam and Bernadine Elias; and to Sonia and Dustin Howarth, on the birth of Tyler Michael, and to grandmother Chamse Rahi.

### Save the Date

Our next Reverse Raffle and Dinner will be on Thursday, February 10, 2011. Look for details to come.