



O Ton Ta La Grotto 136 M.O.V.P.E.R.

A **Regular** meeting of O Ton Ta La Grotto
was held at Northern Light Lodge, on
February 19, 2025

- **Monarch Jerel Fish** opened O Ton Ta La Grotto in due form with **18 in attendance** at 7:30 pm, and the Pledge of Allegiance was given by all.
- **Minutes** from the January 15 meeting were read with no corrections. M: Franks S: Gloor, all approved.
- **Treasurer** account balance reports were given.
- **Bills to present:**
 - Forms and Books \$409.92, Supreme Council Per Capita \$4,283, and \$290.36 for steaks.
 - \$245 was taken in for dinner.
- **Communications:**
 - Baku Grotto newsletter. 11th District Assoc request for GNR sponsorship. Northern Light Pancake Breakfast sponsorship form. Maru Grotto (Indiana) Brian Mullins wanted to extend greetings after having an opportunity to meet several grotto members.
 - A motion was made by Matt Gloor and seconded by Robbie Franks to donate \$100 to Northern Lights Pancake Breakfast benefiting the Kidney Foundation.
 - A motion was made by Matt Gloor to sponsor a Grand Lodge Officer for the 11th GMR for \$200, as well as the hospitality room for \$250 and 6 dinners for \$300. This was seconded by Robbie Franks, and all were in favor. Sponsored dinners from Grotto Include: Robbie Franks + 1, Jessee Spillman + 1, Bill Pacak, and Pat Lambert.
- **Old Business:**
 - Regarding the 7-Act Ceremonial: Rituals have been received from Supreme. Matt is still lining up the parts with our prophets.
 - Regarding Grand Lodge 2025: we are still waiting for the Grand Secretary to respond to our request for a table in the marketplace.
 - Regarding the dues collection: we still have 37 unpaid prophets.
 - Regarding the locking cabinet: we are on hold pending a proposed remodel by Northern Light.
 - Regarding possible renovations of the third floor as a club/cigar room: a pending remodel will let us know what we would have left to renovate.
 - Regarding Supreme Council: if you are unable to get a room at the host hotel, you may need to call the hotel as Friday night is showing sold out, but they do have plenty of rooms.
- **New Business:**
 - New Petitions: Scott Ball of Northern Light (recommended by Matt Gloor), Chad Brown of Edon Lodge (recommended by Jessee Spillman), Michael Lea of Rubicon Lodge (recommended by Tom Scott), and Benjamin Miller (recommended by Matt Gloor, not present, fees pending). The candidates were unanimously elected to be initiated into O Ton Ta La Grotto.
 - A Short Form Ceremony was conducted by Monarch Jerel Fish, Jessee Spillman for those new prophets.
- **Sick and Distressed**
 - Tom Abner is still struggling with back issues but is undergoing treatment.
 - Carl Hussell is under the weather.
- **Good of the Order:**
 - Kyle Sweet was selected to receive an Enchanted Lantern, eligible prophets for the next meeting include: Tom Scott, Robbie Franks, Robert Smith, and Jordan Harris
 - Robbie Franks brought up the idea of having a "homecoming" to bring back our prophets. He will head up a committee including Craig Szczublewski, Jay Harris, Jessee Spillman, Jason Willman, Tom Scott, and Kyle Sweet.
 - We were reminded of our other events such as the Kentucky Derby Party, the 4th of July, and the Valley of Toledo Fall Reunion Afterglow party.
 - The Grotto was closed at 8:55 pm by Monarch Jerel Fish.

- Pat Lambert informed us of an Appendant Body Open House on April 29 at Fulton Lodge.
- A motion was made to remit the dues of those prophets we remitted in 2024, along with Richard Brown, by Matt Gloor and seconded by Pat Lambert. All were in favor.
- Robbie Franks informed us of the Leukemia Foundation 10-week campaign to support patient care, the goal is to raise \$25,000. Robbie asked that if you know of any corporations who would want to sponsor, please get them in contact with him. He also asks that you promote his efforts on social media.
- **The Next Stated meeting is on March 19, 2025 at 7:30 pm, with dinner at 6:00 pm.**