



O Ton Ta La Grotto
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O Ton Ta La Grotto No. 136

Mystic Order of Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm

A Regular O Ton Ta La Grotto meeting was held at Northern Light Lodge on January 21, 2026.

- Monarch Jessee Spillman opened O Ton Ta La Grotto in due form, **with 30 in attendance** at 7:30 pm.
- A **petition** for Lelan "Dax" Rice, of Northern Light Lodge 40, as recommended by Jesse Spillman, was read. The petition was accepted by unanimous ballot. A short form ceremonial followed as conducted by our District Grand Monarch Mark McCombs, Jessee Spillman, and Prophet Jerel Fish.
- Wesley Meijer, who petitioned in December of 2025, was unable to attend tonight. A short form ceremonial and initiation will be conducted in February.
- Minutes from the December 17, 2025, meeting were distributed before the meeting with no changes needed.
- Bills presented:
 - Dinner invoices: \$134.55 (Jesse Spillman) and \$235.67 (Matt Gloor)
 - **A motion to pay the bills was made** by Bill Pacak and seconded by Scot Ball, all in favour.
- Dinner donations were \$304.
- Treasurer's Report: \$18,400 income, \$14,858 expenses for 2025. Motion to accept by Matt Gloor, seconded by Scott Ball.
- Communications:
 - Newsletter from Islam Grotto, Notice of Supreme Council in Erie, PA, June 21-27, 2026
 - Enchanted Lanterns for: Jessee Spillman, Patrick Lambert, Matt Gloor, Adam Latham, Chad Brown, Robbie Franks, James French, Mark Harris, Tommy Hudson, Ted Korn, Matt Lumbrezer, Jason Shamy, Rob Slusser, and Doug Towslee.
- Old Business:
 - Regarding the **Poker Night** proposed by Tom Scott, more information at the February meeting.
- New Business:
 - Monarch Jessee Spillman presented a design for a new lapel pin specific to O Ton Ta La Grotto. Cost is variable based on quantity. 100 pins would be about \$2.60/pin; 200 would be \$2.03/pin. Eric Erickson made a motion that we accept it and order 250 pending a proof from the vendor. This was seconded by Matt Gloor. All were in favor.
 - Monarch Jessee Spillman posed some options for having a dedicated meeting for the Installation of Officers on the same night as our stated meeting in January. This will be tabled until February.
 - There is a need for a Hospitality Unit to help with kitchen duties and libations. For Prophets interested, please see the Monarch.
 - Next stated meeting, we will have a combined dinner with Zenobia Devan. We are encouraged to bring our families to the dinner.
 - Derby Day will be May 2 and will be bigger and better than ever. Mark your calendars!
- Good of the Order:
 - At the second meeting of Northern Light in February, a member of the Ohio Masonic Communities Foundation will be in to speak about their goals and what they do.
 - Prophet Scott Harder, also Grand Potentate of Zenobia Devan, spoke about the joint dinner on February 18. They are also holding a friendship night on the following Saturday and would like Grotto to talk a little about their organization. He also made mention of the Walleye Hockey night in April and would love Grotto to participate.
 - Past Grand Monarch, Mark McCombs, about how well we have done engaging our members and promoting the Supreme Council in June.
 - Monarch Spillman presented Past Monarch Jerel Fish with a Framed Certificate from Supreme Council.
- The Grotto was closed at 8:00 pm by Monarch Jessee Spillman.
- The next stated meeting is February 18, 2026, at 7:30 pm, with dinner at 6:00 pm.

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