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The Professional Locksmith" will be sent out by E-mail on the Thursday before a scheduled meeting to all members I have on file. It will arrive in your in-box a few days BEFORE the meeting. Messages and reports to be included must be received two day before mailing.

Our next meeting will be on Monday, November 18, 2019

Monday's menu

Give Thanks to our members feast

*Hot turkey in a thick gravy sandwiches with stuffing and
cranberry fixings and a heap of homemade mash potatoes
Chips, pretzels and a side salad
Assorted warm cookies and pumkin pie for dessert*

Food at 7,00 PM

Meeting at 7,30 PM

ORVIS WILL HOLD OUR OFFICER AND BOARD MEMBER ELECTION.

PROGRAM TBA.

**Come and get a free ticket for the \$100.00 bill drawing
AND FOR THE DRAWING OF ANOTHER LAB PIN KIT**

**Congratulation to Joe Reuste for winning the
\$100 bill drawing last month.**

Membership Notes.

All members in good standing are invited to attend our Board of Directors meetings, which are usually, but not always held on the first Monday of the month. Before planning to attend it is advised you contact our Board Chairman at 215-468-4819 to make sure the

Member 265, Tom Di Eva has been seriously ill for the last few months. Tom was operated for rectal cancer. The operation went well and his pathology was negative. He is doing well now and currently undergoing chemotherapy. Tom wishes everyone at GPLA happy holidays.

No one solved last months puzzle, so no Honorable Mention given!!!

Minutes of the October 2019 GPLA General Membership Meeting

The October 2019 GPLA General Membership Meeting was held at the GPLA Headquarters on October 21 2019 and was called to order at 7:32 PM by President Paul Kline.

Acting Sergeant at Arms Orvis Kline lead us off with the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Paul Kline welcomed our guests, Jim Handschuh Jr. from Detex, Christopher Meccia from Alarm Lock and Marks locks, Patty Trott from Houdini Lock and Safe and Darren Essen from Darren Essen Locksmiths.

Everyone thanked Sven Hellwig for bringing in the Incredibly Delicious German food to enjoy before the meeting.

Program: Jim Handschuh Jr. from Detex gave a very interesting and informative presentation on the Detex ES5200 Anti-Tailgating Detection System.

Previous Meeting Minutes: Cliff Shafer made a motion to accept the previous minutes as published in the Newsletter with a second by Joe Reustle.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Marty Arnold presented a comprehensive financial report to the Board of Directors which reviewed the Operating Accounts and the Convention Accounts for month of September 2019. The Treasurers Report was passed unanimously by the Board. Marty reminded all in attendance that any Member in good-standing may request a copy of the financial statement.

Correspondence In and Out: Correspondence Secretary Orvis Kline stated that he sent out an eBlast reminding everyone of the up coming GPLA meeting. Marty Arnold sent out a letter to Seth Blumberg thanking him for his generous donation to the Connelly-Singer Scholarship Fund.

President's Report: President Paul Kline thanked everyone for another great convention and thanked those who attended the Friday night social and the Saturday night banquet. Paul added that Marty Arnold set-up a dinner meeting for the installation of officers on January 18, 2020 at the Pennsauken Country Club.

Health and Welfare: Marty Arnold mentioned that Tommy Di Eva, member 265 is undergoing chemotherapy and has been in the hospital for 34 days. Marty asked those who know Tommy to get in touch.

Newsletter: Marty Arnold stated that the Newsletter went out with a wrong date and that is why he re-sent the newsletter. Everyone thanked Marty for all the nice pictures from the convention that were in the newsletter.

Convention: Cliff Shafer thanked everyone who worked on the convention committee and thanked all the committee chairs for the hard work putting everything together. Cliff added that the Friday night social was a really good time. Cliff then added that all members should at least go to the exhibits on Saturday adding that the exhibitors were happy with the turnout. Cliff then added that the numbers for the convention are not in, but we should be in the black. Paul Kline mentioned that we need to make a new plaque for Midwest Keyless because two of the letters were transposed. Ed Fitzgerald stated that the exhibitors at the convention were pleased with the turnout. Everyone gave Cliff, Ed and all the convention committees a round of applause for all their hard work putting the convention together.

Cliff then congratulated Marty Arnold for winning the Herman Hensler Award. Cliff added that Joe Cortie was quite humbled and honored winning the Philadelphia Award. Paul added that he was honored to present Judy Fitzgerald the Honorary Membership award. Marty Arnold thanked Ed Fitzgerald for getting the new electronic display board for the award recipients.

Building: Cliff Shafer stated that the ceiling in the bathroom is leaking.

Membership: Orvis Kline reported that three people applied for membership during open enrollment at the convention. They are Byron Clark from Stockton University, Jim Handschuh Jr. and Darren Essen.

This is Jim Handschuh Jr's second GPLA meeting and Darren Essen's first GPLA meeting towards GPLA membership.

N.J. Legislation: Ed Fitzgerald stated that there is nothing new to report.

P.A. Legislation: Orvis Kline stated that there is nothing new to report.

Bylaws: Orvis Kline stated that there are no changes to the Bylaws.

Meeting Program: Paul Kline stated that at this time there is no one lined up for next month.

Unfinished Business: Orvis Kline personally thanked Cliff Shafer, Ed Fitzgerald and Sven Hellwig for a really great convention.

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The logo for Locksmith Resource features a circular icon on the left containing a white padlock with a keyhole. To the right of the icon, the words "LOCKSMITH" and "RESOURCE" are stacked vertically in a bold, white, sans-serif font against a dark red background.

Minutes Continued

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Website: Nothing new to report.

Education: Cliff Shafer stated that there is no scheduled classes coming up.

Nominations: Orvis Kline read off the list of nominations so far for the Row Officers and Board of Directors.

Row Officers:

President: Sven Hellwig

Vice President: Maurice Onraet

Correspondence Secretary: John Williams

Recording Secretary: Open

Sergeant at Arms: Open

Board of Directors:

Ed Fitzgerald

Orvis Kline

Paul Kline

Michael Nimmo

Scott Roop

Orvis stated that there is one slot still open for Board adding that there are two members interested. Orvis then added that we can still take nominations from from the floor during this meeting. Orvis then stated that next meeting he will have a poster board up with all the nominations. Paul Kline mentioned that you do not have to pay the GPLA dues if you are on the Board.

Marty Arnold nominated Jim Handschuh for the Board of Directors with a second by Sven Hellwig.

Cliff Shafer nominated Joe Reustle for the Board of Directors with a second by Marty Arnold.

Marty Arnold nominated Nelson Dayton for the Board of Directors. Nelson stated that he is sorry but has to withdraw his name adding that he has too much going on.

Cliff Shafer nominated Cliff Shafer for Recording Secretary with a resounding second by all members of GPLA.

Orvis Kline then added that if we have enough members for the Board of Directors he will volunteer for position of Sergeant at Arms.

President Paul Kline asked if there are anymore nominations from the floor – then stating that the nominations are closed.

New Business: Paul Kline stated that he and Sven Hellwig went up to the Yankee Security Convention. Sven added that the show was quite good and they may be moving to a new venue next year. Ed Fitzgerald added that he was up at the show on Sunday.

Good of the Association: Sven Hellwig stated that Paul Kline and himself in December are teaching an automobile locksmith class in Hollywood Florida for UHS Hardware.

Paul Kline thanked Sven Hellwig for an awesome dinner adding that next month will be a full turkey dinner and announced that tonight we will be giving away \$100, a nice bottle of wine donated by Fried Brothers and a dozen fresh eggs and a Detex hats donated by Jim Handschuh and a GPLA truck decal.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dana Barnum and was seconded by Larry Schwalb at 8.50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Maurice Onraet, Recording Secretary

Official Slate of candidates for Row Office:

- President:** Sven Hellwig Sr.
- Vice President:** Maurice Onreat.
- Corresponding Secretary:** John Williams.
- Recording Secretary:** Cliff Shafer.
- Sargeant at Arms:** Orvis Kline.

Official Slate of Candidates for Board of Directors

Murray Bilker, Ed Fitzgerald, Jim Handschuh, Paul Kline, Joe Reustle, Barry Wilensky.

Nominations are now closed!

Last months program covered the Detex AT5200- presented by Doorwares Associates.



November Puzzle:

A Father takes his daughter on a 6 hour and 12 minute sailing trip and travels 17 miles East and 27 miles South. He stops at a marina to meet his wife who is 47 years old. After a 23 minutes break he sails back home with his daughter which took 74 minutes. His Daughter is 12 years old, **How old is the Father?**

The Editor wishes every one a joyful holiday season



MEETING NEWS

GPLA will hold the Officer installation ceremony at a diner meeting scheduled for Monday January 20, 2020 at the Pennsauken Country Club.

Details will be published in the December and January newsletter.

Two more pictures of GPLA's 2019 Awards Banquet.

It was a GREAT affair.



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