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MEETING NOTICE

Monday November 15, 7.00 PM

Our Chef Sven has great plans for a November menu.

**It will include a great Holiday-themed
meal for all.**

Please plan to attend.

Program.

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Membership Notes:

Dues Invoices will be send by E-mail next week to all members who owe dues for 2022. Please reply by E-mail with your CC information, or send the attached stub by mail with a check or complete CC information to Marty Arnold, GPLA Treasurer 7229 Park Ave. Pennsauken, NJ 08109

LAST CALL:

Two Applicant approved by the Board to be introduced to the membership:

Bryan Clark: Applying for Active membership: Sponsor Sven Hellwig

Robin Rudisill: Applying for Active membership: Sponsor Sven Hellwig

Presidents Address – November 2021

Hello Members,

Please be advised that as usual, we will be holding a November membership meeting which will include a great Holiday-themed meal for all. Please plan to attend.

We will then be taking a Holiday break with no meetings in December. On that note I would like to wish everyone a joyful Holiday, with much to give thanks for.

May the spirit of giving bring you as much happiness as it does the recipient of your generosity.

At this Holiday time and always, please find it in your heart to help those less fortunate than you. May God bless you for keeping them in your thoughts.

As most of you know, the entire Board of Directors and Executive Officers have agreed to continue in their positions for another year due to the time that was missed during Covid restrictions. I would like to thank all of you for your continuing support.

With that being said, I think it would be appropriate to show our thanks by holding a re-installation ceremony and dinner meeting on Monday January 17 at the Pennsauken Country Club. It will be a minimal cost for members, and spouses and significant others at N/C. Additionally, we can welcome and install our two newest Board of Directors, who have stepped up to fill the empty Board of Directors positions. Those gentlemen are Mr. Ron Marcinkowski and Mr. Dana Barnum. Thank you very much to both of you.

Last but not least, a very very special thanks to someone whom without, our great association would not be as strong and vibrant, nor as well-financially established as we are. I have been saving the member of the month for about the last six months because this guy deserves every single one of them in his honor. He is none other than our revered Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, Web Site advisor, Building Stewart and more, Mr. Marty Arnold. He has reached a mile stone in GPLA with 50 years of dedication and devotion to his beloved association.

Marty, as President words are not enough to describe all of mine and all of the members appreciation to you. Thank you ! Thank you! Thank you! Your are awesome.

Respectfully Submitted,

Your President

Sven K. Hellwig Sr., CRL

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A GPLA General Membership meeting was held on October 18, 2021 at GPLA headquarters. There were 17 members in attendance. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by President S. Hellwig, Sr. The President introduced the following guests: Ken Cramer

This month's program was presented by Jim Handschuh, Jr. of Doorwares Associates

Previous Minutes: Motion to accept by M. Arnold, second by B. Wilensky. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: M. Arnold reported that the Board had approved the various Treasurer's Reports through August, 2021, and reminded everyone that a copy of the Report was available to all members in good standing upon request.

President's Report: S. Hellwig, Sr. expressed his pleasure with the 2021 GPLA convention and that other than some problems with the hotel staff shortages, he felt it was a great convention. The President thanked convention chairman Cliff Shafer and the rest of the convention committee and expressed his surprise and gratitude in receiving the Lee Rognon Award. The President also congratulated Barry Wilensky for receiving the Henssler Award. The President also reported that all of the current Row Officers and Directors had agreed to extend their terms for an additional year since the first year of the term had been during the COVID shut-down and quarantines.

Membership Committee: M. Onraet reported that he has sent email to Robin Rudisill and Bryon Clark advising each of them that the October membership meeting was their final chance to attend a meeting to fulfill the requirements before they can be brought to the membership for a vote. M. Onraet reported that he had not heard back from either of them.

Correspondence In: M. Arnold reported that he had received a "Thank you" note from Dan Billheimer for receiving the Lee Rognon Award.

Correspondence Out: As reported above by M. Onraet and M. Arnold reported that he had sent a donation of \$100.00 to Chabad of Hebron in memory of Murray Bilker, but that it had not been processed as of yet.

Education Committee: No report

Health & Welfare Committee: S. Hellwig, Sr. reported the passing of Board of Directors member Murray Bilker in September and long-time member Mike Cogan in July. It was also reported that Dee Mock was injured at the ALOA show but that she was pretty well recovered.

Building Committee: M. Arnold reported that the A/C had been repaired in time for the convention class held at HQ and that the landlord had replace the water-damaged tiles in the storage room.

Communications Committee: P. Kline reported that he had been sending out Constant Contact e-blasts when needed.

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Website: C. Shafer reported that the website has a "Thank you" notice posted for everyone who made our convention a success and that a list of the various Award recipients had been posted.

Legislation Committee: E. Fitzgerald reported that minutes from the NJ Locksmith Advisory Board July meeting recorded that 2 individual locksmith and 1 locksmith business application were received, and that the September meeting recorded that several classes were submitted for CEU approval, including classes from Allegion and SDC and that several more locksmith license applications had been received.

Convention Committee: C. Shafer reported that the convention had been a success with good attendance at classes, the exhibit, the Friday Night Under the Big Top Social and the Awards Banquet. C. Shafer thanked all of his sub-committee chairmen for their hard work in making the convention a success under the less-than-ideal conditions brought about the pandemic. C. Shafer mentioned that 6 Scholarships were awarded rather than the usual 2. C. Shafer also announced that the complete financial report on the convention would be made at the next Board meeting before being reported to the general membership, and to bear in mind that we did not solicit for any sponsors this year due to potential financial hardships created for sponsors by the pandemic.

Program Committee: P. Kline reported that the November meeting program is TBA.

Bylaws Committee: M. Onraet reported that he had requested the current version of the Bylaws be posted to the website. M. Arnold reported that the current version was now posted on the website.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: J. Reustle asked whether the Board was now short one member due to the passing of Murray Bilker. P. Kline reported that he had talked to several members about filling the vacancy and would have a confirmation by the next meeting.

Good of the Association: None.

50/50: \$43.00 was awarded to the winning ticket holder. Various other door prizes, including a dozen fresh eggs provided by Jim Handschuh, Sr. were won.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by J. Handschuh Jr., second by P. Kline. Motion was passed unanimously at 8:41 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Clifford L. Shafer, CPS, CML
Recording Secretary

The October meeting was well attended. Interesting information was presented by Jim Handschuh Jr. from Doorwares Associates on the SDC latch retraction exit devise. Some member might not know, but since last May Jim Jr. is an Associate member of GPLA holding membership # 303. His Dad Jim Sr. is Associate member # 228. Their late Father and Grandfather John Handschuh was Associate member 168.





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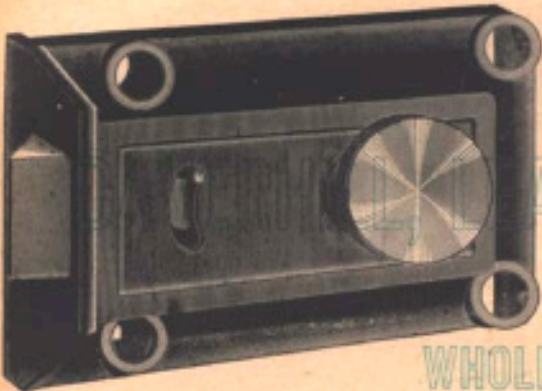


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