



Hound Dog Pound 204

SCRATCHING'S

September 17, 2023

OPENING BY RITUAL:

Growl called to order by Sir Pound Keeper PDD Paul Gunther at 0800 hours
 The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by prayer by Dog Trainer PDD Leonard Stielper.
 Dogs in Attendance: 23

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

Pound Keeper	PDD Paul Gunther	P
Sr. Vice Pound Keeper	PDD Pat Sharkey	P
Jr. Vice Pound Keeper	PDD Howard Koontz	A
Dog Robber	PDD Joe Wright	P
Smart Dog	PDD Ray Sturm	P
Dog Trainer	PDD Leonard Stielper	P
Mad Dog	PDD Woody Bowman	P
Police Dog	DD Norman Huffman	P
Watch Dog	DD Burt Helmka	P
Barking Dog	PDD Stuart Blair	P
Mascot Handler	DD Kevin McDermott	P
Timekeeper	DD Billy Wagner	P
Seeing Eye Dog	DD Glen Tabler	P
Sir Vicious Dog	DD Danny Baker	P
Sir I want a Job Dog	DD Wayne Miller	P

- PDD Burt Helmka graced us with his presence (late) and received an outstanding round of ovations!
- Uniform infractions were fined.

Sir Pound Keeper PDD Paul Gunther announced guests in attendance:

Honorary Jr Vice Chief Devil Dog – PDD Joe DeAngelo
Honorable Executive Director - PDD Ben Wells
Honorable Deputy Executive Director – PDD Ray Sturm
Honorable Deputy Lucky Dog – PDD Robert E Lee
Honorable Deputy Staff Veterinarian – PDD Paul Gunther
Honorable Deputy Dog Trainer - PDD Leonard Stielper
Honorable Deputy Mad Dog – PDD Tony Rust
Worthy Pack Leader – PDD Tony Rust
Worthy Sr Vice Pack Leader – PDD Pat Sharkey
Worthy Jr Vice Pack Leader – PDD Omar Jabr
Worthy Pack Dog Trainer - PDD Leonard Stielper
Worthy Pack Dog Robber – DD Burt Helmka
Worthy Pack Barking Dog – PDD Stuart Blair
Past Pack of Maryland Pack Leaders – PDD Stuart Blair (2019), PDD Ray Sturm (2020-2021)
Kennel Pack Dog Robber of the Year – PDD Paul Taylor
Kennel Pound Dog Robber of the Year – PDD Paul Taylor (2010)



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Pack of Maryland Dogs of the Year –PDD Paul Taylor (2002), PDD Ray Sturm (2016), PDD Paul Gunther (2018), PDD Ben Wells (2019)

Pound 204 Dogs of the Year – PDD Paul Taylor (2002), PDD Ray Sturm (2013), PDD Ben Wells (2014), PDD Joe Wright (2015), PDD Harry Hierstetter (2019) PDD Pat Sharkey (2020), PDD Stuart Blair (2021)

Scratchings: Were distributed via email.

OFFICERS REPORT

Pound Keeper: No report.

Sick and in Distress – PDD Don Elseroad passed away 9/13/23, PDD Don Benson is recovering from Surgery, PDD James Brady is recovering from a heart attack and surgery.

- DD Kevin McDermott has relinquished the honor of being the Mascott Handler to Pup Mike Jadoo.

Old Business – None

New Business – Motion was made to move the Growls to Saturdays to possibly bring in new Dogs. The motion was seconded and tabled until the next Growl so that all Dogs are aware of the motion. All Dogs are encouraged to attend the next Growl and discuss their views of moving the Growls from Sunday to Saturday.

Pound Officer Nominations and Installation – The following Pound Officers were sworn in by Jr Vice Chief Devil Dog Joe DeAngelo:

Pound Keeper – PDD Pat Sharkey
Sr Vice Pound Keeper – PDD Robert Lee
Jr Vice Pound Keeper – PDD Wayne Miller
Pound Smart Dog – PDD Ray Sturm
Pound Dog Trainer – PDD Leonard Stielper
Pound Mad Dog – PDD Woody Bowman
Pound Police Dog – DD Norman Huffman
Pound Watch Dog – PDD Burt Helmka
Pound Barking Dog – PDD Stuart Blair

GOOD OF THE ORDER: PDD Blair donated a machette to be actioned off. \$100 was raised from the auction.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS: Next Growl will be December 10, 2023.

CLOSING CEREMONIES: Sir Pound Keeper PDD Pat Sharkey closed the meeting IAW MODD rituals.

Respectfully submitted,
PDD Joseph Wright, Dog Robber
Military Order of the Devil Dogs, Hound Dog Pound 204