



# Hound Dog Pound 204

## SCRATCHING'S

December 11, 2022

### 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 Jr. Vice Pound Keeper PDD Howard Koontz.  
 Dogs in Attendance: 19

### 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	P
Dog Robber	PDD Joe Wright	P
Smart Dog	PDD Ray Sturm	P
Dog Trainer	PDD Leonard Stielper	A
Mad Dog	PDD Woody Bowman	P
Police Dog	DD Norman Huffman	A
Watch Dog	DD Burt Helmka	P
Barking Dog	PDD Stuart Blair	A
Mascot Handler	Pup Kevin McDermott	A
Timekeeper	Pup Billy Wagner	P
Seeing Eye Dog	DD Glen Tabler	P
Sir Vicious Dog	DD Danny Baker	A
Sir I want a Job Dog	DD Wayne Miller	P
Assistant Bone Collector	Mini Pup Sean Allen	A

Sir Pound Keeper PDD Paul Gunther announced guests in attendance:

**Honorary Chief Devil Dog & Kennel Staff Artist** – HCDD Jack Severn

**Deputy Kennel Executive Director** – PDD Ray Sturm

**Deputy Kennel Mad Dog** – PDD Tony Rust

**Honorable Staff Veterinarian** – HCDD Jack Severn

**Deputy Staff Veterinarian** – PDD Paul Gunther

**Worthy Pack Leader** – Pack of Maryland – PDD Tony Rust

**Pack of Maryland Sr Vice Pack Leader** – PDD Pat Sharkey

**Past Pack of Maryland Pack Leaders** – HCDD Jack Severn (2005-2006), PDD Mike Hadley (2009-2010), PDD Ray Sturm (2019-2021)

**Kennel Dog of the Year** – HCDD Jack Severn (2009)

**Kennel Pack Dog Robber of the Year** – PDD Paul Taylor

**Kennel Pound Dog Robber of the Year** – PDD Paul Taylor (2010)

**Pack of Maryland Dogs of the Year** – PDD Paul Taylor (2002), HCDD Jack Severn (2005), PDD Michael Hadley (2009), PDD Ray Sturm (2016), PDD Paul Gunther (2018), PDD Ben Wells (2019), PDD Tony Rust (2020)

**Pound 204 Dogs of the Year** – PDD Paul Taylor (2002), HCDD Jack Severn (2003), PDD Michael Hadley (2004), PDD Ray Sturm (2013), PDD Ben Wells (2014), PDD Joe Wright (2015), PDD Pat Sharkey (2020), PDD Woody Bowman (2022)



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**Scratchings:** Distributed via Pound e-mail.

### OFFICERS REPORT

**Pound Keeper:** PDD Gunther advised everyone that the Pound is in arrears on filing our 990. This is being worked on by PDD Wright, PDD Sturm and PDD Wells.

**Application for Membership:** Mutt Mike Jadoo – Detachment 1428.

**Dog Robber:** PDD Wright reported there is \$1,506.47 in our account.

**Old Business** – None

**New Business** – None

**Pound Dog of the Year** – PDD Woody Bowman was presented with the 2022 Hound Dog Pound 204 Dog of the Year award. Long overdue!

**GOOD OF THE ORDER:** PDD Ben Wells advised that Kennel had to get a new trailer for Ship Store and saved almost \$8,000 from original bid to purchase.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** PDD Tony Rust notified everyone that the next Department Meeting and Pack Growl will be February 11<sup>th</sup> at Pax River. PDD Eve Remines is stepping down as the Pack Dog Robber and DD Burt Helmka is taking on that role.

The Growl was temporarily paused for Sir Pound Keeper to take a personal phone call and bones were collected. Several Dogs chose to join in and call his phone as well. Many fines were issued...

**CLOSING CEREMONIES:** Sir Pound Keeper PDD Paul Gunther closed the meeting IAW MODD rituals. The next Growl will be held on February 12, 2023.

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