Meeting June 22, 2025

Meeting called to order by president Nicole Smith at 1:35.signature

Mikki Demarco was elected as an alternate arbitrator for the State for Sons and Daughters of Italy.

Vice President John Hujar reads the principals of our order. And reads prayer for Chaplain Dennis Paonessa.

Carol Wilson, Membership Chair introduces new applicant for membership, David Ginnetti, Chi Chi Cannizzaro and Debbie Hout are his sponsors. Motion from Bart Clemente and Cheryl Koshar to accept our new member.

Cheryl Koshar and Carol WIlson move to have meeting minutes waived from the last meeting since they were emailed.

Financial Secretary Jo Dusi, no outstanding bills at this time, as of June 1st, 103 members. Increase by 1 as of today. Pat Puhak and John Deptuch move to accept the report.

Treasurer Debi Rauckhorst gives a report. $1600 in scholarship donations. $9760.77 balance. Cheryl Koshar moves to approve subject to audit. Jack Schifano seconds the motion.

Cheryl Koshar gives a report for Initiation membership dinner. And thanks to all members that helped make the dinner a success.

Council updates, there's a festival coming up July 10, 11 and 12. Talks about a debutante ball/cotillion continue. Talks about possible fireworks all three days. Very big children activities set from 12-5 at the festival on Saturday. Mass will be at 5:00 at the foyer in the Civic Theater. Beer and signature drinks at the festival this year. We have 47 total vendors this year for the festival. We are sold out on spaces. Flag ceremony at 7PM Thursday. We have made 4300 meatballs so far. Another 2000 meatballs planned for next week.

John Mancinelli and Debbie Hout are chairing the summer picnic. August 24 at noon. Bring a gift for the basket raffle. Bring your own plates and utensils. Marsha Wineland asks if drawings can be earlier at the picnic.

Mikki Demarco and Angie Agnoni attended the State Convention. One club mentioned they have a family oriented function to get all family members involved. One club has the kids attend meetings. And they do not have them pay a membership fee until 30. Other organizations raise money by footballs squares, Kentucky Derby and Golf Outings. Have transparency of where donated monies are going. Nicole Smith said a lot of discussions about bylaws at the meeting. Bylaws updated from National and State have a couple of amendments to their bylaws. We should get understudies set up for our club officers and committees.

Deb Deptuch chair for Memorial Mass on November 16, at 10:30, Mass at St. Anthony and luncheon to follow at The Venue. Memorial Mass and Luncheon.

The Board had a meeting, Discussed $100 donation to the hospitality Mikki Demarco and Mary Schifano approved motion for convention. Deb Deptuch and Cheryl Koshar make a motion to approve $50 ad in booklet from convention.

Nicole Smith asked for an approval for up to $5000 for the festival, Cheryl Koshar and Jo Dusi approve the motion for funds. Pins were $50.40 and banner was $263.95. Motion for approval from Pat Puhak and Jack Schifano and he wants to donate $100 toward this.

John Vilello, mentions there should be something in the bylaws for the President's discretion so that the president does not need to go through every single request.

Donate for the Race for the Cure for Bozzelli. Nicole mentions they have reached out to her for solicitation this year. Cuyahoga Falls FireFighter donation. As a 501C8, we are required to donate 50% of our funds generated from Raffles. Cheryl Koshar moves for a $100 donation, and Mary Schifano seconds the motion for donation to the Bozzelli's.

Nicole Smith mentions our Sister Cleveland Club hosting an event July 19th in Highland Heights for a festival and good food.

We need a host for our September meeting, Deb Deptuch and Cheryl Koshar volunteered to host the September Meeting.

Meeting ended at 2:30 and John Hujar read the closing prayer.