## GENERAL MEETING MINUTES February 11, 2025

- President Tom Donch called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM. The meeting was held in Heneveld Hall, at the Wyckoff Reformed Church, Wyckoff, NJ.
- Fred Theile led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Reverend Andy provided the invocation. And as usual an excellent joke.
- Treasury Report The financial report was given by Gabe Carifi, Assistant Treasurer. He reported that since we are only 1 ½ months into the year, our cash balance is good. The only big event was the Beefsteak Dinner in January and enough members attended to cover all the cost. Also, he reported that some members have not paid their dues for 2025 which must be paid by March 1st to continue as an active member. Finally, members were reminded that the food pantry jars are in the back and in January over \$100 was raised for the Church's food program.
- Care and Concerns John Toth reported he sent 12 thank you cards and 7 get well cards in January. Condolence cards were not required. John asked for a moment of silence for those members who have passed. John led the attendees in singing Happy Birthday to those members celebrating a birthday in February.
- AU Membership Jim Webb advised our membership count is 326 as of February 10<sup>th</sup>. As of today, 60 members have not paid their 2025 dues. The Board will begin reaching out to each member. No new members have joined AU so far in February.
- Club and Event Updates
  - a. Jim Webb reported 38 members attended the beefsteak dinner on January 16<sup>th</sup> at the Midland Park VFW Hall. There was plenty of food for everyone. After all expenses were paid, the event made a small profit.
  - b. Joe Pullaro will be giving a talk on bridge inspection, testing, and rehabilitating our highway bridges at the History Club meeting on February 25<sup>th</sup>.
  - c. The first Investment Study Group meeting for 2025 was held on Tuesday February 4<sup>th</sup> at the VFW Hall in Midland Park. Fred Theile noted various subjects were discussed in a roundtable forum.
  - d. Bowling Club This new club was formed by Scott Japko. The club presently has 14 members, and its first session is February 28<sup>th</sup> at Montvale Lanes.
- Today's Speaker Adolph Galluccio introduced recently retired New Jersey Superior Court
  Judge Miquel Della Carrera. While a Superior Court Judge, he presided over a court
  sponsored program to assist people with addictions. The program allowed the offender to
  plead guilty and enter a detox program. Upon fulfilling the requirements of the program, no
  jail time would be served, nor would the offender have a criminal record for the offense.
- President Tom Donch adjourned the meeting at 3:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Marty P. Valerio Secretary