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Were so gallantly streaming.
And the rocket's red glare?
The bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night
That our flag was still there,
O say does that
Star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free
And the home of the brave?

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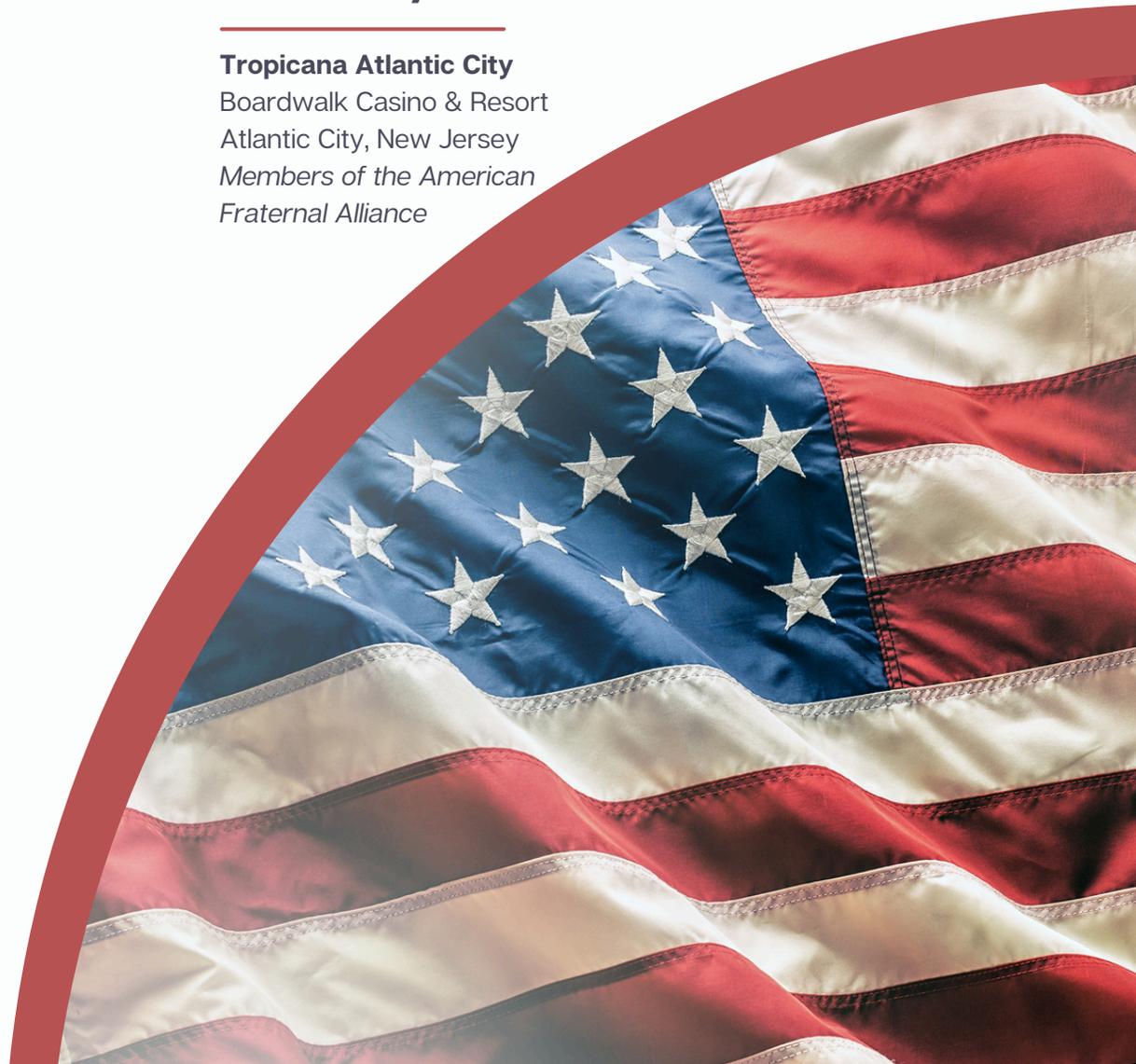
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Land that I love,
Stand beside her
And guide her
Through the night with the light from above.
From the mountains, to the prairies,
To the oceans white with foam,
God bless America
My home, sweet home,
God Bless America
My home sweet home.

92nd Annual Convention

Thursday, October 2, 2025

Tropicana Atlantic City

Boardwalk Casino & Resort
Atlantic City, New Jersey
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Agenda

Thursday, October 2, 2025

8:00 AM	- Breakfast	Salon 2
8:30 AM	- Registration	Salon 1 Foyer
9:00 AM	- Business Meeting	Salon 1
1:00 PM	- Luncheon	Salon 2

Agenda

Thursday, October 2, 2025

8:00	- Breakfast	
8:30	- Registration	
9:00	- Meeting	
	Call to Order	Jennifer Stockdale <i>GBU Life President, NJ-NY Fraternal Alliance</i>
	Invocation	Very Reverend Taras Lonchyna <i>Providence Association of Ukrainian Catholics</i>
	Pledge of Allegiance	Assembly
	Welcome	Jennifer Stockdale <i>GBU Life President, NJ-NY Fraternal Alliance</i>
	Memorial Service	Frederick M. Durso, Sr., FICF, CSA <i>Knights of Columbus</i>
	Registration and Credentials	Theresa Kluchinski <i>LPSCU Life</i>
	Approval of 2024 Minutes	
	Secretary/Treasurer's Report	Cynthia Macon <i>Supreme Council of the Royal Arcanum</i>
	President's Report	Jennifer Stockdale <i>GBU Life President, NJ-NY Fraternal Alliance</i>
	Audit	Joseph Stefka, Jr, FIC <i>National Slovak Society</i>
	Constitution/By-Law	Myron Soltys, FIC <i>Providence Association of Ukrainian Catholics</i>
	Membership Committee	William E. Swirsding <i>Artisans Order of Mutual Protection</i>
	Presentation	Kendra Ansley <i>Managing Director, American Fraternal Alliance</i>

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Thursday, October 2, 2025

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Presentation

Allan Ferrone
Hause Actuarial

Presentation

Fran DiBacco
F.E. DiBacco, Inc.

Open Forum
Nominating Committee

Bryan Werner
Artisans Order of Mutual Protection

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Thursday, October 2, 2025

1:00 Lunch

Invocation

Welcome

Jennifer Stockdale
GBU Life | President, NJ-NY Fraternal Alliance

Presentation

Tara Schwegler,

PhD

Donation

William E. Swirsding and Robert Franklin

Artisans Order of Mutual Protection and Atlantic City Rescue Mission

Youth Award

Robert Galdon

Supreme Council of the Royal Arcanum

Fraternalist of the Year

Frederick M. Durso, Sr., FICF, CSA

Knights of Columbus

Installation of Officers

Jennifer Stockdale

GBU Life

Passing of the Gavel

Jennifer Stockdale

GBU Life

Closing Remarks

Roman Hirniak

Ukrainian National Association, Inc

Gift Raffle

Benediction

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Croatian Fraternal Union of America
First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association
GBU Life
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Providence Association of Ukrainian Catholics in
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1979* George R. Roache, Royal Arcanum
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1999* Ihor Smolij, Providence Assn. of the Ukrainian Catholics in America
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2004* Sharon Quinn, FIC, Polish Roman Catholic Union of America
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2006* Theresa A. Kluchinski, Ladies Pennsylvania Slovak Catholic Union
2007* Anthony C. Beke, William Penn Association
2008* Robert A. Galdon, Jr., Supreme Council of the Royal Arcanum
2009* Charlotte L. Androckitis, FIC, Polish Union of the US of NA
2010* Monica Kanopka, FIC, Thrivent Financial for Lutherans
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2012* Frederick M. Durso, Sr. PGK FICF, Knights of Columbus
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2023* Joseph Stefka, Jr., FIC, The National Slovak Society of the USA
2024* Scott Pogorelec, FIC, Slovak Catholic Sokol
2025* Jennifer Stockdale, GBU Life

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1934-35* Warren Benedict
1936-37* J. E. Long
1938-39* E. R. Deming
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1948-49* Rubyana Koenig
1949-50 Charles W. Rhodes
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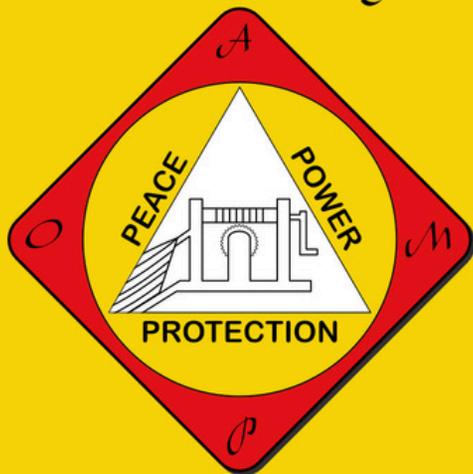
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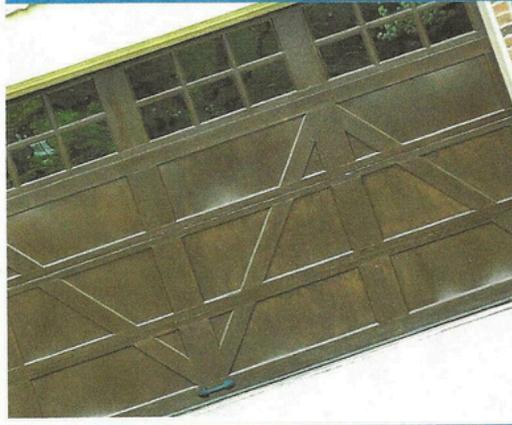
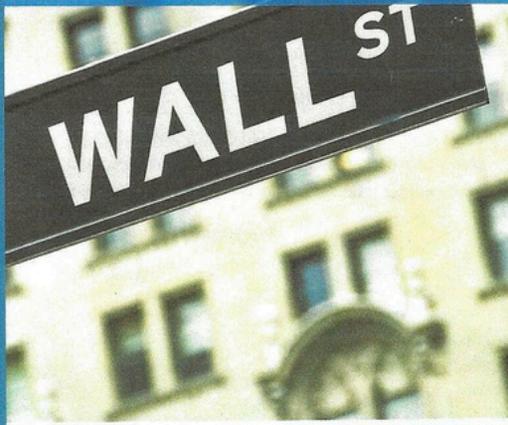
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