

## **2016 Congress of Grottos Report to NSS Board of Governors**

The 2016 Congress of Grottos meeting convened on July 20<sup>th</sup> in Ely, Nevada with Vice-Chair Bill Stringfellow, presiding. Chair Blake Jordan had a last minute schedule conflict and could not attend the COG meeting.

### **Old Business:**

NSS President Wm Shrewsbury reported on the motion passed by the 2015 Congress relating to the Karst Information Portal (KIP).

### **New Business:**

Baltimore Grotto moved:

The COG strongly opposes the use of any money from any restricted fund, including the Life Membership Fund, to pay the mortgage on the NSS headquarters.

Following an extended discussion including an update by NSS President Wm Shrewsbury on the progress of fundraising and refinancing efforts the Congress DEFEATED this motion by a vote of 2 Abstentions, the rest voting No.

### **General Discussion:**

None

### **Elections of Officers:**

Chair: Bill Stringfellow, elected by acclamation.

Vice-Chair: Barbara Moss, elected by acclamation.

Meeting adjourned until next regular meeting of the COG by Vice-Chair Bill Stringfellow.

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