Meeting Notice for September 12, 2024







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We had fairly light attendance for today's meeting at the Stammtisch. Pres Ingrid started the first meeting of her final month as President in her usual manner. DIPP Bruce Kramer delivered an Invocation, and after the Pledge and a Patriotic Song, Ingrid introduced the Past Leadership once again without error.

We had a special visitor today. Paul Cutrone was in town for a cancelled appointment and took advantage by dropping in to our meeting. He raised a Happy 100, partially for the gift of Uber car services for bringing him here efficiently, partially sad because of the death of an old colleague, George Nashak, and partially in appreciation of the selling skills of DPP Big Bill Maher, who sold Paul a second \$100 Raffle ticket after he double paid for his assigned ticket. Also, DPLG Debbie Kueber was happy to be back after a brief absence, and happy to see Paul Cutrone and Frank Kotnik join us.

Today's Guests: Vin Arcuri treated Frank and Tina Kotnik and his aide Maria to lunch; Trudy Eppich had her daughter Trudie and her friend Pat along; Anna Mastrolembo introduced her husband Robert (not sure who paid); DPP Big Bill helped his wife Pat continue her consecutive free lunch streak alive.

Our guest speaker was Linda Monte from the *Greater Ridgewood Historical Society*, better known as the caretakers of the *Vander Ende Onderdonk House*, the oldest Dutch Colonial stone house in New York City. The Greater Ridgewood Historical Society was established in 1975 by a group of local residents to prevent the demolition of the Vander Ende Onderdonk House. From 1975 until 1981, the GRHS raised funds to reconstruct the house which had been seriously damaged by fire, and in 1976, published a history of the greater Ridgewood area, entitled *Our Community, Its History and People*. With the help of Federal, State and local funds, the Onderdonk House was opened to the public in 1982. The society are the premier historians of this area.

Today, she spoke about a new project they are working on. St Pancras Church in Glendale is celebrating its 120th anniversary as a parish, as well as the 100th anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone for the beautiful church. As part of the commemoration of these milestones, they are hosting walking tours, explaining the architecture and history of the church. While researching the church history, they took particular notice of the beautiful stain glass windows. She explained that the windows are situated around the church in chronological order, beginning with the Virgin Mary, then the life of Jesus, then the Crucifixion and Resurection. All the windows were donated by local groups and families in the area, including the Mothers Club, the Altar Society, and the St Ann's Society Of particular interest was the window donated by the family of Otto Herrmann. Linda presented a brief history of the local businessman, originally a grocer, then listed as a builder in the census. The family started a hardware business in 1920 that still bears their name today. They were always active in community affairs, and in 1953, Otto Hermann became the president of a new service organization: the Kiwanis Club of Glendale.

She always presents amazing history lessons, and today was no different. She finished her program by announcing this year's *Harvest Festival*, which will be held on Sunday, October 13th from 12-4pm on the grounds of the Onderdonk House. We have attended and worked the food at the festival every year since 2009, and we will be there again.

On Saturday, September 7, we were back at the Shops at Atlas Park for our annual *Community Day*. As we do every year, and under threatening skies most of the day, we were joined by community organizations, local vendors and Kiwanis groups. Our club Musical Director PP Ken Voisin organized the entertainment, including two dance academies and keyboard selections for the occasion. While the dancers were performing, the sun actually came out shining brightly. They are magical.

This year, we were joined by several tenants of Atlas Park as our guests, including *Tribeca Pediatrics*, plus a demonstration by *Tiger Schulmann Karate*. The parent company of Atlas, Macerich Co., and the General Manager of Atlas Park, Peter DeLucia presented \$2500 to us to purchase and distribute school supplies to every child in attendance, which we put into our signature drawstring bags. And of course, we cooked and distributed hot dogs to everyone.

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It was another successful event, and all our members who turned out to work deserve the credit for another job well done.



































Club News:

Our 71st annual *Presidents Dinner* will be held on Thursday evening, September 26th. We will be returning to *Vetro's Restaurant* in Howard Beach for our final meeting of our club year. The price for members is \$75 each, and guests are \$100. Get your money to DPP Teresa Donahue or SDPLG Bob Kueber as soon as possible to celebrate another great year and thank President Ingrid for her year of service.

George Schwille announced that he will not be able to attend the Presidents Dinner, but he donated the money to the *Ritter- Huber Scholarship Fund*.

Sheriff: DPLG Debbie Kueber for DPLG Kerrie Hansen, who donated the Attendance Prize

Invocation: DIPP Bruce Kramer

Lunch Monitor: JR Velepec

7-11 Pot Passer: DIPP Bruce Kramer

7-11 Winners: Jon Kablack, Rudy Jonke, Luke (DPLG Debbie), Leah (DPLG Debbie again)

Winner and Losers: DPLG Debbie

Losers: Tania Broschart, George Schwille, DPP Big Bill, DPP Paul Miceli

Winner: Pat Maher
Pig Walker: DPP Paul Miceli

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Next Meeting: Charter Day / Past Presidents Part 2 Sheriff: Leona Hansen

Calendar of Events:

Sept 19	"Name the Names"	@ Züm Stammtisch	12:30pm
Sept 20	KPTC Black & White Ball	@ Leonard's Palazzo	7:00pm
Sept 24	Board of Directors Meeting	@ Yer Man's Pub	7:00pm
Sept 26	71 st Presidents Dinner	@ Vetro's Restaurant	7:00pm



We meet every Thursday, 12:30pm at Züm Stammtisch, located at 69-46 Myrtle Ave, Glendale, NY 11385 (unless otherwise specified) www.glendalenykiwanis.org