

# THE PLAGIARIST

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE KIWANIS CLUB OF GLENDALE, NEW YORK

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Meeting Notice for September 19, 2024







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Today's Guests: Trudy Eppich had her daughter Trudie along; Pat Maher was DPP Big Bill's guest.

Our program today was a smorgasbord of topics. We began with our monthly celebration of members' *Birthdays*. Oddly enough, we have very few September birthdays to celebrate: DPP Lou DiRico (11<sup>th</sup>) and Joe Bonventre (22<sup>nd</sup>), plus Honorary Member PDG Forbes Irvine (7<sup>th</sup>). Lou was the only one present for his "free" lunch on the club. He raised a Happy 50 (see what we mean by free) to celebrate his birthday, and his mother's as well, born on the same day. He reported that he will not be able to attend the Presidents Dinner because of a wedding commitment, but he presented a bouquet of flowers to President Ingrid to congratulate her for an excellent year as our leader.

Other members raised Happy \$\$ for family and friends: Rudy Jonke for his son Rudy Jr, who turned 21;

Frank Kotnik for his wife Tina's LX<sup>th</sup>; SDPLG Bob Kueber for his brother-in-law Ronnie Palladino (11<sup>th</sup>), a Vietnam veteran who passed at age 53; DPLG Debbie Kueber for her three nephews (Ronnie's sons), all born in September; DPP Vinnie Alberici for his dad 'Pop A' (11<sup>th</sup>).

Next, PP Paul Miceli and DPP Fred Haller presented the second part of our *Past Presidents Day* celebration. They shared our club history and stories of yesteryear that paved the way to our club's success. Members joined in with their memories, stories and well wishes celebrating 71 years of Glendale Kiwanis. We are always intrigued with our history, laughed at some stories and learned about the great men and women of the club that came before us. It is a long list of Past Presidents, many great service leaders. All the service projects and events we host each year are a tribute to these men and women and their clubs. It is our legacy, and we can rightly be proud to be a part of it.



Finally, we celebrated the seventy first birthday of our club with our annual *Charter Day*. As he always does, our unofficial club historian DPP Fred Haller told the story of our beginning, and threw a few tidbits as well. For instance,

- The New York District of Kiwanis International has played a key role in the history of the international organization, which was founded in 1915.
- The first club in the district was Rochester. The charter was completed on May 1, 1916; it was the fourth Kiwanis club in the world.
- New York jumped into Kiwanis early and often. Fourteen clubs were formed by 1919.
- Glendale was chartered on September 3, 1953. We were sponsored into Kiwanis by the Ridgewood club.
- Otto Herrmann Jr was our 1<sup>st</sup> President.
- Leo Schmid served as President in 1962. Moreover, he served as club Secretary for over thirty years. He kept very detailed records, many of which survive to this day.
- At one time, you could not address a fellow member as 'Mister'. Despite anyone's standing in the community, you were a peer in Kiwanis service. You would be fined a dollar if you strayed from this rule. (The only exception was 'Reverend' for our Sky Pilot, a member of the clergy).

It is always fun to hear these stories and how we have evolved over the past 71 years. We are grateful to have Fred and his wealth of information about us.

Happy Birthday, Glendale!

#### **Club News:**

SDPLG Bob Kueber had Happy \$\$ to thank everyone who helped make *Community Day* a success last week. It takes a village to make it work, and everyone pitched in, as they always do. Great work, Glendale.

Toni Binanti, owner of Rudy's Bake Shop and proud member, raised Happy \$\$ because she was able to join us today.

DPLG Debbie Kueber hit the **7-11 Pool** exacta this month. She raised a Happy 20 for winning on the 7<sup>th</sup>, and another Happy 50 for hitting on the 11<sup>th</sup>. Lucky lady.

We received a plaque from the American Cancer Society for our support of the *Relay for Life* event in Middle Village. We have participated in the fundraiser in Juniper Valley Park every year since its inception in 2003, and have raised well over \$50,000 for cancer care and research. DPP Fred Haller, our event chairman and a cancer survivor himself, presented the award to President Ingrid.

Our 71<sup>st</sup> annual *Presidents Dinner* will be held on Thursday evening, September 26<sup>th</sup>. 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. We will also be honoring several tenured members of our club, and passing the gavel to President-Designate Kathleen O'Hara. It's always a fitting way to close the club year, and we hope everyone can attend.

The Greater Ridgewood Historical Society will be hosting their annual *Harvest Festival* on Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup> 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. The event features a pumpkin patch for children, apple cider pressing and colonial crafts. Please come out and enjoy the first service of the year.

**Sheriff:** Frank Kotnik Jr for Leona Hansen, who donated the Attendance Prize

**Invocation:** President Ingrid Huber

**Lunch Monitor:** JR Velepec **7-11 Pot Passer:** DPP Paul Miceli

**7-11 Winners:** Tonia Broschart, "Pop A" (DPP Vinnie Alberici), DPLG Debbie Kueber

Winner and Losers: DPLG Debbie

Losers: Frank Kotnik Jr, DPP Big Bill Maher, SDPLG Bob Kueber, Irene Kofler

Winner: Pat Maher (two weeks in a row!)

**Pig Walker:** Frank Kotnik Jr

**Happy \$:** 379 **Pig:** 40

**Next Meeting:** "Name the Names" **Sheriff:** DPP Steve Hansen

### Calendar of Events:

Sept 14	Club Officer Training	@ Atlas Park Offices	10:00am
Sept 14	St Pancras Anniversary Gala	@ Roma View Catering	12:30pm
Sept 20	<b>KPTC Black &amp; White Ball</b>	@ Leonard's Palazzo	7:00pm
Sept 24	<b>Board of Directors Meeting</b>	@ Yer Man's Pub	7:00pm
Sept 26	71 <sup>st</sup> Presidents Dinner	@ Vetro's Restaurant	7:00pm
Oct 13	Harvest Festival	@ Onderdonk House	12:00-4:00pm



We meet every Thursday, 12:30pm at Züm Stammtisch, located at 69-46 Myrtle Ave, Glendale, NY 11385 (unless otherwise specified) <a href="https://www.glendalenykiwanis.org">www.glendalenykiwanis.org</a>

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has complied with all of the rules and regulations prescribed by

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and has been accepted as an affiliated club and is hereby vested with all of

the rights, privileges and authority of an affiliated Kiwanis Club and

by the acceptance of this charter has assumed all of the obligations.