

Meeting Notice for September 26, 2024







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Today was the final weekly meeting at the Stammtisch of President Ingrid's year at the helm of our great club, and it was far from a sad occasion. After ringing the bell to start the meeting, she called on Karen Kramer to offer an Invocation, asking for blessings of the harvest. The Pledge of Allegiance and 'My Country Tis of Thee' followed.

Today's Guests: Barbara Adams came to lunch with her hubby Richie (celebrated their 47th Anniversary this week); Trudy Eppich had her daughter Trudie and her friend Pat along; Maria was Vin Arcuri's guest; DPP Richie Huber paid for Ingrid's lunch, so technically she was his guest.

One of our more entertaining traditions each year is 'Name the Members', where the outgoing President is tasked with going around the room and recognizing the members in attendance for their part in making the year successful (and making sure that they were paying attention). President Ingrid was extremely prepared for her meetings all year, so it came as no surprise that she nailed it (although she almost slipped and called Leona Hansen 'Helmsley'). We expected nothing less.

One of Ingrid's fun meeting program items was "Did You Know?", where she would present fun facts about the day's news or program. This is her final submission:

- Did You Know...that TODAY is my very LAST meeting as President of the great Glendale Kiwanis Club! Where did the year go? It went so fast!
- Did You Know...that I enjoyed being President more than I thought I would!
- Did You Know...that I could not have done this without all of your support each and every one of you. And I thank you all for your help in doing the good works that we do for our community no matter if you did a lot of work or if you did a little bit of work, every bit counts, and I appreciate all of you. So, thank you again!
- Did You Know...that we had 50 Thursday general lunch meetings (not including Thanksgiving and the Fourth of July holidays) of which I attended 47 of those meetings; 6 Fundraising Events, 31 Service Events, and 2 conferences upstate New York, one in Albany and one in Syracuse, as well as an International Convention in Denver, CO. We sure were mighty busy, and yet the time just flew by!
- Did You Know...that I enjoyed working with all of you and getting to know each of you a little better, and that I've made some new friends along the way!
- Did You Know...that the two events that were most meaningful to me was the Christmas party for the sick children at the Ronald MacDonald House and, of course, our annual Scholarship Event which was my main emphasis as President. And thank you again to DPLG Debbie Kueber and her committee for always doing a wonderful job putting together this event.
- Did You Know...that it is now time to say goodbye as President, but NOT as a fellow member! I'll still be around!
- Did You Know...that next week at my President's dinner, I will be passing the gavel to our next President, Kathleen O'Hara, who will be the 72nd President of the Glendale Kiwanis Club. Yay, Kathleen!

• Did You Know...that the Glendale Kiwanis Club truly is the "Best in the West." And now I know why, because I have personally experienced it. Thanks again.

When she completed her list, she declared the meeting a club social, and opened the floor to the members, who raised Happy \$\$ for her year, or just reported on things they were up to. As always, there was/is a lot going on, and a lot of \$\$ were collected:

- Jon Kablack hosted and guest bartended at the Avenue last Saturday to raise funds for the Martin Luther HS basketball team for their annual trip to Jon's alma mater in Syracuse. He thanked the Kiwanis members who attended, especially SDPLG Bob Kueber and DPP Teresa Donahue, who were "major donors" if you know what I mean.
- DIPP Bruce Kramer and Karen took a trip to Ohio to visit our friends DPP Gary Milau and Debbie. They stayed with them for a few days, and visited the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland. Gary and Debbie send their regards, and they miss us. We miss them too.
- SDPLG Bob Kueber reported that this was a busy year for the editor of the *Plagiarist*, because he wrote 50 newsletters. DPP Paul Miceli corrected Bob, saying he wrote No. 47. Bob stood corrected, and said he wrote 51 newsletters this year.
- Pres Ingrid and DPP Richie reported that they and Rudy Jonke attended Wednesday's Past President Donald Trumps's Rally at the Nassau Coliseum. They said there were approximately 60,000 attendees, and after six hours in the parking lot, they were among the lucky 15,000 admitted inside. They showed pictures of the New York Post, and pointed out they were in the picture (although it was a 'Where's Waldo?' moment).
- DPP Richie raised a Happy 100 for his wife's year, and reminded Ingrid that he did predict the year would go by quickly. He also added that he is glad it's over. Doesn't sound like it went that quickly.
- Vinnie had a Mixed 101, happy for Ingrid and the club's year, and sad because he is unable to attend the Presidents Dinner next week. He will be in Pennsylvania hosting an annual golf outing.
- It was reported that unlike last year's debacle, the gong and gavel remained un-stolen this year.
- Werner Lehner stopped in to congratulate Ingrid, and thanked her for not being a problem all year.
- President-Designate Kathleen O'Hara joyfully announced that she was cleared to be presented for a Kidney Transplant. Everyone was ecstatic at the news. Prayers work.
- We were introduced to a new server at the Stammtisch, filling in for Kelly. Zeus received a 'Kiwanis Welcome', then promptly quit. (He did not).
- Our last late-to-the-meeting members of the year: First, DPP Richie. Next, DPP Vinnie Alberici. Finally, Mike Porcelli. Thanks for the dollars, gentlemen.



The rest of the meeting was taken by our members congratulating Ingrid for a great year, and since we do not do Happy \$\$ at the dinner, this was a great opportunity for one last push. Everyone is looking forward to next week's dinner.

Club News:

The Greater Ridgewood Historical Society will be hosting their annual *Harvest Festival* 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. 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: Vinnie Clarke for DPLG Kerrie Hansen, who donated the Attendance Prize

Invocation: Karen Kramer
Lunch Monitor: JR Velepec

7-11 Pot Passer: DIPP Bruce Kramer

7-11 Winners: Jon Kablack, "Pop A" (DPP Vinnie Alberici), DPLG Kerrie and Pres Ingrid

Winner and Losers: DPLG Kerrie

Losers: Leona Hansen, DPP Paul Miceli, George Schwille and Pres Ingrid
Winner: DPLG Kerrie, who gifted her own Attendance Prize to Ingrid.

Pig Walker: DPP Paul Miceli

Happy \$: 502 **Pig:** 72

Next Meeting: 71ST PRESIDENTS DINNER Sheriff: None Required

Calendar of Events:

| Sept 20 | KPTC BLACK & WHITE BALL | @ Leonard's Palazzo | 7:00pm |
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| Sept 24 | Board of Directors Meeting | @ Yer Man's Pub | 7:00pm |
| Oct 3 | Installation of Officers | @ Züm Stammtisch | 12:30pm |
| Oct 10 | Birthday and Business | @ Züm Stammtisch | 12:30pm |
| 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) www.glendalenykiwanis.org