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The holiday season is upon us, and we kicked it off with today's *Club Thanksgiving Luncheon* program. The main room at the Stammtisch was full with members, guests and dignitaries. President Kathleen O'Hara opened the meeting with an Invocation by DPP Bruce Kramer, followed by the Pledge and our Patriotic song. She introduced the Past Leadership in the room, and with so many guests present, she will be excused for missing a few.

Today's Guests: We had three Past Governors with us today: PDG Joe Corace and DPLG Nydia, PDG Forbes Irvine and President Helene, and PG Joe Ruggiero with President Toni. Also, IPLG Janice Bar. Barbara Adams was the guest of hubby Richie; Vin Arcuri's aide Maria was with him today; Anna Butscher was the guest of Irene Kofler; DPP Paul Miceli introduced his wife Joan; Pat Maher joined DPP Big Bill for lunch; Corporate Member Ben Messing from Phoenix Building Supply had his office staff with him, plus our old friend Alfred Ziegler, and Salvation Army-Ridgewood Citadel Pastor Franklyn Caraballo and Co-pastor Jashira Figueroa joined us today.

Our members and friends are blessed with so many things to be thankful for, and this annual feast is an appropriate time to count them. Werner and Hans Lehner prepared an awesome dinner including juicy turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes and sweet potatoes, creamed spinach, vegetables and cranberry sauce. Dessert was a generous slice of coconut custard pie. Of course, no meeting at the Stammtisch would be complete without a few adult beverages.

President Kathleen began the program with a list of "What I am Thankful For", especially being the newest president of our club. In two short months, she has already made many new friends and hosted several great events, and she is loving it.

She turned it over to Pastors Franklyn and Jashira from the Salvation Army, who thanked everyone for the support of their food pantry, the donations from Thanksgiving Cheer, and spoke about the Angel Tree program. (More later).

Next, it was DPP Richie Huber's turn. He gave his annual brief history of Thanksgiving and things to be thankful for, especially our freedom and all the little things that make life worth living. Of course, he couldn't help himself, and told a joke that added 'corn' to the menu, something about a nasty parakeet. He said to be thankful for making mistakes, for they are learning opportunities, and be thankful for being tired, because it means you are doing the Lord's work. When he finished, he raised Happy \$\$ for his personal blessings, IPP Ingrid's year and for Kathleen stepping up.

He began to pass the microphone, and our members did likewise. Most everyone was thankful for health, family and friends, especially Kiwanis friends. PDG Forbes Irvine was thankful that Helene wanted to attend our meeting instead of going shopping; he figures he's a \$1000 ahead. PDG Joe Corace said every day in Kiwanis is Thanksgiving Day, and donated two tickets for the next Black & White Ball, as he does every year, to be raffled at the Pancake Breakfast on Sunday. DPP Big Bill Maher was thankful for the little blonde drum majorette he married 63 years ago (and for Viagra). DPP Paul Miceli was grateful for Joan and the four children and *twelve* grandchildren they share together. SDPLG Bob Kueber is always thankful for Debbie and the boys, especially this year as they help him recover from rotator cuff surgery. Long time member and friend Joe Bonventre was happy to be back with the club, but confided that he honestly didn't see too many familiar faces, because the club is constantly evolving. We assured him that many of his Kiwanis friends are still with us and support our efforts all year long, as he does.

Trudy Eppich baked two delicious marble bundt cakes and donated them to be raffled. They raised \$115.

We closed with a rousing "When Kiwanis Calls", and a toast by SDPLG Bob for health and safety this year. It is always an enjoyable afternoon, and a great way to begin the holiday season.

Club News:

DPP Paul Miceli passed along a Happy 50 from his son Michael, who won the **7-11 Pool** on the 11th.



Our Annual *Fall Pancake Breakfast* will be held in the Church Hall of Redeemer Lutheran Church, 69-09 Cooper Ave in Glendale, this Sunday, November 24th from 9:00am-12:00pm. Tickets are \$10 each, and are available at McKenna's Florist, CB Kueber Realty, Cook's Crafts, or from DPP Richie Huber.

On Sunday, December 1, one of our brightest events of the holiday is the annual *Christmas Tree Lighting* on the triangle by Zum Stammtisch. We will be ringing in the season with music, refreshments, gift toys, the lighting of the beautiful trees and a visit from Santa Claus. All this is made possible by the generous donations of our neighborhood families, businesses and club members, and it is always a fun evening. We will be decorating the trees on Saturday at 11:00am, and all are welcome to assist.



A message from Lieutenant Jashira Figueroa, Corps Officer/Pastor, Salvation Army Ridgewood Citadel:

I invite you to play a vital role in our **Angel Tree** program, which supports children in our community. As inflation and rising living costs challenge many families, we have an opportunity to bring light and hope to those in need as the holiday season approaches. Your support can help your neighbors face the challenge of keeping their homes filled with warmth and joy during this time. Angel Tree Tags are available. These tags include essential information like sizes, age, gender, and wishes, allowing us to create a memorable Christmas for the children who need it most. Thank you for considering this meaningful opportunity!

Fred Velepec announced this year's *Christmas Cheer* event. It will be held on Tuesday, December 10th in the Sacred Heart Church basement, beginning at 6pm. Each year, we provide meals and toys to local families, plus a visit from Santa Claus. It is always a great way to give back during the holiday. Contact JR for headcount if you can make it there.

Our annual *Club Christmas Party* will be held on Thursday, December 19 in the Main Room of Zum Stammtisch. PP Paul Miceli announced the event will be free of charge for all members, due to the generous support of the Pig during the year. Guests are welcome for \$25. Wear your brightest Christmas outfit, and enjoy the camaraderie that only the Glendale club can share. We will be conducting a Gift Sharing Grab Bag. If you want to participate, bring an appropriate wrapped gift, approx. \$20 in value.

We are collecting *Toys for Tots* again this year. We have boxes set up at CB Kueber Realty. We will be donating new, unwrapped toys to the Marine Corps, Ronald McDonald House and East Coast Cars Toy Drive to St Mary's Hospital. Please be as generous as you can.

Many members are asking for club shirts with our logo on it. For the next two weeks or so, we will be collecting quantity and sizes for our blue polo style shirts. Contact DPLG Debbie Kueber ASAP, like by Dec 12th.

Sheriff: Frances Cottone for Martin Kappauf, who donated the Attendance Prize

Invocation: DPP Bruce Kramer

Lunch Monitor: DPLG Debbie Kueber

7-11 Pot Passer: DPP Bruce Kramer

7-11 Winners: DPLG Debbie Kueber, Joan Miceli, Pat Maher, Alfred Ziegler and Anna Butscher

Winner & Losers: DPLG Kerrie Hansen

Losers: DPLG Debbie Kueber, DPLG Nydia Corace, Victoria, and Pastor Franklyn Caraballo

Winner: Frances Cottone

Pig Walker: Richie Adams

Happy \$: 378 **Pig:** 60

Next Meeting: NO MEETING NO MEETING NO MEETING

Next Sheriff:

Calendar of Events

November 24	Fall Pancake Breakfast	@ Redeemer Lutheran Church	9:00am-12:00pm
November 26	Board Meeting	@ Yerman's Pub	7:00pm
December 1	Christmas Tree Lighting	@ Züm Stammtisch	6:00pm
December 10	Christmas Cheer	@ Sacred Heart Church Basement	6:00pm
December 19	Club Christmas Party	@ Züm Stammtisch	12:30pm



We meet every Thursday, 12:30pm at: Züm Stammtisch 69-46 Myrtle Ave, Glendale, NY 11385 All Correspondence can be sent to: 67-13 Myrtle Ave, Glendale, NY 11385

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