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Meeting Notice for November 2, 2023



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German Day at Zum Stammtisch is Wunderbar

There wasn't an empty seat in the big room at the Mecca of German cuisine in New York City for today's **German Day** gathering. Every year, we have a wonderful celebration of German culture, cuisine and contribution, and the program was exceptional today. President Ingrid Huber, dressed in a traditional blue and white *dirndl*, rang the bell on time, and began the meeting in her usual manner; she began with an Invocation by her *ehermann* DPP Richie, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and our Patriotic song. After announcing that her first German Day as president was very exciting, she walked the room and introduced the Past and Present Leadership in attendance. She quickly found out that performing this task in the big room is quite a chore. Still, she did an admirable job.



Today's Guests: Immediate Past Governor Joel Harris; New York Executive Director (and Honorary Member) Rich Hall, DPG Joe Corace and First Lady Nydia; Trudy Eppich treated Pat, Cathy and daughter Trudie Jr; Vin Arcuri introduced his aide Maria and Heidi Leschitz, Lou's daughter; DPP Big Bill Maher had his lovely bride Pat along; Rich Adams treated his wife Barbara; Rudy Jonke introduced his friend and co-worker Olaf; DPP Richie Huber had his friend Norbert along; DPP Fred Haller treat his office staff: Anita, Kaitlin and his sister Lois Hart; PP Paul Miceli had his lovely First Lady Joan with him today.

As he has done for the past few years, DPP Richie Huber was the host today. He promised that the program would be the "wurst" one ever, and boy was it ever! He began with a (not so brief) history of one of the staples of German dining, the sausage. It was enough to whet everyone's appetite.

Sausage, from the Latin word 'salsus', refers to a food processing method used for centuries. Sausage is traditionally meat combined with a mixture of fat, herbs, spices, and preservatives to keep it fresh. They are thought to have originated in Mesopotamia over 5000 years ago. In the centuries that followed, sausage was developed by China and the Roman Empire as a way to feed armies over long distances. By the 7th century, sausage making reached Britain with the Tudors. Following centuries would show different varieties being developed in North Africa, Italy and Germany, where the frankfurter was invented. Other countries continued to experiment with different flavorings, most notably the Spanish chorizo and the Polish kielbasa.

While there are many types and varieties of sausage, they are generally made the same way, which brings us to the next part of the program. DPP Richie passed the program over to the proprietor of our famous meeting place. Werner Lehner, wearing his special wurst-making shirt, gave us a live demonstration of sausage making, using a hand driven meat press. He explained the meat chilling process, the source of the casing from pig intestines, and within minutes, he turned out twenty feet of pork sausage, ready to be cooked. He also explained spicing and what different varieties contain. He noted that he has been experimenting on us for years, with great success (not sure if we needed to hear that). He loves working in the Pork Store, and hopes we enjoy the results. He had a Happy 100 for German Day and our club.



After the fantastic program, we passed the microphone, and everyone raised Happy \$\$ and told us about their experiences and love of the German people, including Happy 100s from DPPs Lou DiRico and Richie Huber, Happy 50s



from Rudy Jonke and SDPLG Bob Kueber, and a host of Happy 20s from the room. IPG Joel Harris told us that his father played trombone in an oompah band at Luchow's. PP Paul Miceli had \$\$ for the Germans that taught him the roofing business. He bought Kleinhaus Roofing from the owner who died too young, and made a wonderful career of it.



Trudy Eppich's daughter Trudie Jr baked and donated four *bundt*-style pound cakes, which were raffled off. DPP Fred Haller donated an edelweiss plant from his garden, which was also raffled off.

The final part of the program was President Ingrid's weekly 'Did You Know?' As previously noted, she was wearing a traditional German outfit called a *dirndl*. She noted the different pieces of the dress, and gave us insight into the apron. The way the apron is tied is significant: If it is tied to the left, the *mädchen* is 'available'. If tied to the right, she is married or otherwise spoken for. If tied in the back, she is either a widow or a waitress. Fascinating. She also spoke about other traditional garments, such as *lederhosen*, leather trousers worn by working class gentlemen, and Alpine and Tyrolean hats, with brushes made from goat beards.

Ich Bin Stolz, Deutscher zu sein

(I am Proud to be German)

Club News: The 53rd Annual *Glendale Kiwanis Halloween Parade* is scheduled for Tuesday, October 31. As usual, we need all hands on deck for our annual procession of children and families down Myrtle Ave, from 69th St to the *Stop & Shop Supermarket* parking lot. Chairmen DPP Fred Haller and Fred Velepec have everything organized for another amazing night of fun.

Along with all the fun at today's meeting, we also had time to catch up on some unfinished business. Pres Ingrid presented Rudy Jonke his **100% Attendance** tab and certificate for 21 years of perfect attendance. Congratulations Rudy.



Sheriff:	Gjorgi Kukuvikov for DPP Anthony Sauro (who donated the Attendance Prize).
Invocation:	DPP Richie Huber
7-11 Pot Walker:	IPP Bruce Kramer
7/11 Winners:	Bill Underhill, Gjorgi Kukuvikov, Trudie Jr, Abigail (Rich Adams), and Anita 2X.
W-L Finder:	DPP Steve Hansen
Losers:	Norbert, Kaitlin, Gjorgi and Rich Hall
Winner:	DPP Teresa Donahue
Pig Walker:	Richie Adams
Happy \$:	1004
Pig:	160
Next Meeting:	Birthday and Business
Sheriff:	George Schuille

Calendar of Events:

October 31	Halloween Parade	@ Myrtle Ave & 70 St.	7:00pm
November 4	First Saturday Food Drive	@ Stop & Shop Supermarket	10:00am-2:00pm
November 9	Veterans Day Program 	@ Züm Stammtisch	12:30pm
November 11	Veterans Day Ceremony	@ Glendale Memorial	11:00am
November 13	Thanksgiving Cheer Distribution	@ Sacred Heart Schoolyard	TBD
November 16	Club Thanksgiving	@ Züm Stammtisch	12:30pm
November 19	Pancake Breakfast	@ Redeemer Lutheran Church	9:00am-12:00
November 20	Queens West Division Meeting	@ GRYC, 59-03 Summerfield St	7:00pm
November 23	Thanksgiving Day	<i>NO MEETING</i>	
November 28	Board of Directors Meeting	@ Yerman's Pub	7:00pm
November 30	TBD		

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

