

We had a good number of members and guests at Zum Stammtisch today. President Ingrid Huber was running late, so DPLG / Secretary Kerrie Hansen opened the meeting. Kerrie rang the gong, and asked Karen Kramer to deliver an Invocation. We followed with the Pledge of Allegiance and our Patriotic song. Kerrie introduced our Past Leadership. DPP Richie Huber walked in late, and after paying the fine, took over for Kerrie. While he was introducing our guest speaker, DPP Fred Haller walked in, and another fine was collected. He was immediately followed by DPP Vinnie Alberici, and he kept Sheriff Richie Adams busy as well. After the program and a fine lunch, President Ingrid walked in late as well. DPP Vinnie Alberici generously paid her fine for her because he wasn't the last one in. She was just in time to read the Winner and Losers and close the meeting. It appears this club's meetings are so busy, it requires three Presidents to get them done.

Today's Guests: Barbara Adams joined hubby Richie; Vin Arcuri had his aide Maria with him once again; DPP Big Bill Maher was back with us today to treat his wife Pat; DPP Tony Sauro introduced his brother-in-law Sal Giocastro; our guest speaker Lt. Melissa Bonet was a guest of the club.

Our guest speaker today was our member Lt Melissa Bonet of the *Salvation Army Ridgewood Citadel Corps.* She reported that her church on Cypress Hills Street has been hectic during the Christmas season. Their annual *Angels Tree* program provided 218 children with clothing and toys during the holiday. She explained their *"Soup Kitchen Without a Kitchen"*, where they prepare hot home-cooked meals and travel to the areas where the homeless camp, and feed them and give them coats, clothing, blankets and personal supplies. They also provide a *Food Pantry* at the church to service the community, which we have often supported with our First Saturday Food Drives, Thanksgiving turkeys and Holiday Hams. They were in attendance at our Tree Lighting, serving hot chocolate to the guests that attended. She also proudly



announced that her nephew played with the Salvation Army Band in this year's *Tournament of Roses Parade* in Pasadena. As everyone knows, the Salvation Army holds their annual *Kettle Drive* during the holidays. Every year for the past thirty years or so, DPP Tony Sauro organizes our turn ringing the bell and collecting funds, and we

match the funds we collect. Today, we presented her a \$250 check. They are a wonderful community partner, and we are always glad to see them.



As some of you may know, Carole Aiello, DPG Joe's First Lady, has been struggling with some severe medical issues and had the Whipple Surgery to address the long term effects of her chronic pancreatitis on Tuesday. Reports are favorable, and we pray for a successful recovery. Fundraisers are being planned to help with the staggering costs. The first event will be a *Dinner Dance* on Saturday, March 16th at St Helen's School Auditorium in Howard Beach. The dance will include a hot and cold buffet, with soft drinks served. BYOB. Great dance music will be provided by Risky Business. There will be

raffle prizes, grids and a 50-50 offered. The cost will be \$85 a person, and the entire proceeds will benefit the Aiello family. **SAVE THE DATE** for this important service to Governor Joe.

Club News:

Reminder: We are hosting our second *Membership Social* this coming Tuesday, January 23 @ 6:30pm, at the *Avenue Bar Restaurant*, 71-22 Myrtle Ave, in Glendale. Rob Schoemig will be providing appetizers for all our guests and members. Bring a friend who thinks they could benefit from doing some community service.

SDPLG Bob Kueber won the **7-11 Pool** on the 11th, and had a Happy 20 for the win. He also won the 50-50 at Tuesday's QW Division Meeting, and today's Attendance Prize, which was two 7-11 tickets. He was last seen on the way to Resort's Casino.

Fred Velepec is running this year's *Super Bowl Pool*. About twenty are left. If you want to join in the fun, give JR a call. \$20 a box.





IPP Bruce Kramer announced the next *Karaoke Night*. It will be held at the *Avenue Bar Restaurant* on Saturday night, March 9th, starting at 8pm. Besides all the fun and nonsense, we will be raffling off several baskets and a 50-50, the proceeds of which will be donated to the Trade School Scholarship Fund, which is President Ingrid's major emphasis.

Rudy Jonke a Happy 20 because Marilyn is in Florida, his son is in Japan, and he's living the bachelor life (for a week anyway).

Sheriff:	Richie Adams			
Lunch Monitor:	Rosemarie Fitzsimons			
Invocation:	Karen Kramer			
7-11 Pot Passer:	IPP Bruce Kramer			
7-11 Winners:	Rosemarie Fitzsimons and Melissa Bonet			
W-L Finder:	DPLG Kerrie Hansen			
Losers:	DPP Tony Sauro, Rudy Jonke, Rosemarie Fitzsimons and Barbara Adams			
Winner:	SDPLG Bob Kueber			
Pig Stroller:	Richie Adams			
Happy \$:	154	Pig:	60	
Next Meeting:	the Shops at Atlas Park	Sheriff:	DPG Joe Aiello	

Calendar of Events:

January 23	Winter Membership Social	@ the Avenue Bar	6:30pm
January 30	Board of Directors Meeting	@Yerman's Pub	7:00pm
January 31	KPTC Annual Meeting	@Northwell Health Facility (TBD)	6:30pm





Frank Kotnik took it upon himself to reorganize the Pie Plate Box. It you are having trouble locating your name, you know who to blame.