Meeting Notice for February 22, 2024



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Editor's Note: Due to an ongoing battle with the flu, I was unable to attend the meeting today. My Valentine, DPLG Debbie Kueber, took notes for me to put this newsletter together.

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Today we celebrated all affairs of the heart with our *Valentine's Day* meeting at the Stammtisch, and there was a large gathering of 28 members and guest in attendance. President Ingrid hit the bell and began the meeting. She asked Karen Kramer for an Invocation, and he delivered an appropriate message about love. We recited the Pledge and sang our Patriotic Song. Pres Ingrid introduced the Past Leadership perfectly.

**Today's Guests:** Vin Arcuri had his aide Maria along; Pat Maher was the guest of her cupid hubby DPP Big Bill Maher; Richie Adams treated Barbara to lunch; Trudy Eppich treated her daughter Trudie Jr and her friend Pat to lunch; Rudy Jonke brought his Valentine, his wife Marilyn; Tonia Broschart also joined us today.

Our program today was put together by Karen Kramer, a duty usually performed by our President-Elect. Since we do not have one at this time (hint-hint), she generously volunteered to handle the program. We began with a 20-minute musical program by our club's Music Director, PP Ken Voisin and his wonderful keyboard. Karen followed with some facts about the history of St Valentine.

Next, we raffled off some nice prizes, including some home baked cakes donated by Trudy Eppich. The lucky winners were: Tania Broschart, DPP Teresa Donahue, Pat Maher and Pres Ingrid Huber *twice*. Happy \$\$ were raised by many for today's meeting.

Karen was thankful for the help from Trudy, Kathleen O'Hara, Gjorgi Kukuvikov and Marisa Beckmann, and of course Karen's Valentine, IPP Bruce.

The *Fundraiser to Support the Aiello Family* continues to come together. DPP Richie Huber hosted a Bourbon Sampling event, and collected \$2000 in donations. The clubs of the Queens West Division continue to work hard on the *Dinner Dance* on Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> 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, including two big screen TVs and an I-Pad, prize grids and a 50-50 offered. The cost will be \$85 a person, and the entire proceeds will benefit the Aiello family. Tee shirts were also printed up and are on sale for \$20. The tickets for the 50-50 raffle were brought up to the NY District Mid-Year Conference in Albany, and making the raffle statewide should insure a large payout. The medical bills continue to grow for Carole Aiello's care, and we need this to be a big success.

## Club News:

IPP Bruce Kramer reported that Brian Dooley was the winner of the **7-11 Pool** on the 11<sup>th</sup> for \$500. Congratulations.

**Sheriff:** Marisa Beckmann **Lunch Monitor:** Rosemarie Fitzsimons

Invocation: Karen Kramer7-11 Pot Passer: Karen Kramer

7-11 Winner: ??

W-L Finder: DPP Steve Hansen

Losers: Barbara Adams, Marilyn Jonke, Pres Ingrid Huber and Karen Kramer

Winner: Rosemarie Fitzsimons

Pig Stroller: Richie Adams

Happy \$: 112 Pig: 80

**Next Meeting:** 104<sup>th</sup> Precinct Capt Chowdhury Sheriff: Toni Binanti

## Calendar of Events:

**February 20** QW Division Meeting @ Buccaneer Diner 7:00pm

**February 22-25** Mid-Winter Conference @ Desmond Hotel, Albany

February 27 **Board of Directors Meeting** @ Yerman's Pub 7:00pm February 29 **Greater Ridgewood Restoration** @ Zum Stammtisch 12:30pm March 9 Karaoke Night @ the Avenue Bar 8:00pm March 16 Aiello Family Fundraiser @ St Helen's School 7:00pm

April 12 Wine Pairing Fundraiser @ Gino'sTrattoria, NHP



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