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Meeting Notice for July 18, 2024



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We are sad to report the passing of DPG Brenda Leigh Johnson.

Brenda Leigh, a member of the Kiwanis Club of Elmira, served as the 2020-21 Governor of the New York District. Before relocating to Elmira, she was a member of Huntington and Northport-East Northport Kiwanis Clubs. She served as Lt. Governor of the Suffolk West Division during the 2014-15 service year with Past Governor Eric Paul and during the 2015-16 service year with Past Governor Forbes Irvine. She continued her commitment to the children we serve by assuming a leadership role in the Kiwanis Children's Fund. She was a friend of our club, and attended our meetings when her schedule allowed.



Our condolences go to Brenda Leigh's "First Dude" Peter, and their son James.

Today was our monthly **Birthdays and Business** meeting, and what is usually a rather routine afternoon turned out to be quite extraordinary. Pres Ingrid Huber tried her best to get the room to quiet down, but it was a challenge. We started with an Invocation by DPP Richie Huber, and no sooner did he finish, but our Past Sky Pilot Rev Phil Hardt walked into the room. He said he didn't have anything to add. After the Pledge of Allegiance and our Patriotic song, she introduced our Past Leadership. Today, she committed a major *faux pas*. When she got to PP Vinnie Alberici, she had to ask if he was a Past President. You can imagine how that went.

Today's Guests:, Vin Arcuri introduced his guests, Jackie and his aide Maria; DPP Bill Maher treated his wife Pat to lunch; DPP Richie had his daughter Claudia as a lunch guest, and he got shanghaied into paying for Pres Ingrid as well.

As we noted before, today's meeting was quite a treat, as several special people showed up today, making it a real *Glendale Oldtimers Day*. DPP Len Licata came back after a long absence. DPP Lou DiRico shut the print shop door and came to lunch. "Member by Marriage" Lorraine Gering, DPP Charles' First Lady, came to the meeting, and brought Rev Phil Hardt along. As you can imagine, many Happy \$\$ were raised to see so many old friends. DPP Len had a Happy 100 to be back, and thankful for all the love shown for him and his lovely wife Adele. He also threw up another 50 to congratulate the club and our next President, Kathleen O'Hara. DPP Lou had a Happy 50 to see members old and new. Rev Phil threw in Happy \$\$ to see everyone again, and reported that even though he moved to Riverhead after retirement, and his wife still works in Tribeca, he is still happily married. When DPP Richie raised a Happy 50 and noted that he was still happily married after convincing Ingrid to be the President, Rev Hardt announced that he is available for marriage counseling, should anyone require it.

Our Birthday celebrants for July include: Irene Kofler (1st), Rosemarie Fitzsimons (11th), DPP Len Licata (12th), Karamjit Dhaliwal (12th), Nick Mulero (23rd), Leona Hansen (23rd), and Honorary Member PP Bill Schlegelmilch (19th). Irene, Rosemarie and Len were on hand to enjoy their "free" lunch. Pres Ingrid noted some famous celebrities that share a birthday with our members, and apparently DPP Len is the most famous person born on July 12. (Well, maybe Julius Caesar). It's always good for a laugh. Other members had Happy \$\$ for their friends and relatives as well.

The Business portion of the meeting was a report on the **International Convention** in Denver by our delegates, President Ingrid Huber and Treasurer DPP Teresa Donahue. They both said the city is beautiful, and there was plenty to do. They attended several forums, learned how to persevere from record-breaking endurance athlete Diana, and participated in the House of Delegates. The highlights were as follows:

- The newest members of the Kiwanis International Board have been elected. Lee Kuan Yong of the Malaysia District was elected as 2024-2025 Kiwanis International President. President-Elect Michael Mulhaul of the New Jersey District and Vice President Hope Markes of Eastern Canada and the Caribbean District were also elected.
- Three United States and Pacific Canada trustees were also elected to the Board: Dawn Puderbaugh Hodges of the Carolinas District, Jo Schwartz of the Kansas District, and Scott Sims of the Alabama District. Sadly, our own candidate, NY District DPG Eric Paul did not get elected.
- **Onetime Dues Increase (Amendment #1):** Submitted by the Kiwanis International Board, this amendment will increase Kiwanis International dues to US\$77 for clubs in Tier 1 and US\$34 for Tier 2. This amendment will bring in a projected additional revenue of US\$4 million annually. Combined with careful budget practices and ongoing cost reductions, the increase will help reduce future deficits and ensure the organization’s long-term financial health. **(Passed by 89% majority)**
- **Reduction of Dues Tier Levels (Amendment #2):** The Kiwanis International Board submitted this amendment, which will reduce the number of dues tiers from three to two. **(Passed by majority)**
- **Kiwanis International Board Composition (Amendment #3):** Submitted by the Kiwanis International Board, this amendment will reduce the number of Kiwanis International trustees from 15 to 12, beginning with elections in 2025 and being completed by the elections in 2027. This amendment will generate savings of US\$18,750 per year over current levels. **(Passed by majority)**
- **Election of District Trustees (Amendment #4):** The Kiwanis International Board submitted this amendment, which will allow a member from outside a district’s region to serve as district trustee if no one from within the region is willing or able to serve. **(Passed by majority)**

Next year, the Convention will be held in Pittsburgh, PA.

Secretary DPLG Kerrie read the **2024-2025 Slate of Officers** for the second of three times. The slate reads as follows:

President	Kathleen O’Hara	One Year Board	DPP Dave Fitzgerald
Immediate Past President	Ingrid Huber		DPLG Debbie Kueber
Vice President	<i>Open</i>		DPP Bill Maher
Secretary	DPLG Kerrie Hansen	Two Year Board	Richie Adams
Treasurer (Administration)	DPP Steven Hansen		Karen Kramer
Treasurer (Community Service)	DPP Teresa Donahue		Gjorgi Kukuvikov
Treasurer (Foundation)	SDPLG Bob Kueber	Three Year Board	DPP Fred Haller
			DPP Anthony Sauro
			<i>Open</i>

The slate has two open positions. **EVERYONE** is encouraged to consider joining the Board and contributing to the operation and success of our club. The slate will be repeated once again before elections are held.

Club News:

Werner Lehner came into the meeting today with a request. Due to a scheduling conflict at the restaurant, he asked us to hold next week’s meeting in the front room. This presents us with an opportunity. Because we didn’t have a program

scheduled, we will be holding a **“Bring a Friend to Lunch”** social. We have plenty of room, and it will give us a chance to introduced our club to new people who may want to know more about us. The meeting will start at the usual time, and you will be expected to pay for your guest’s lunch.

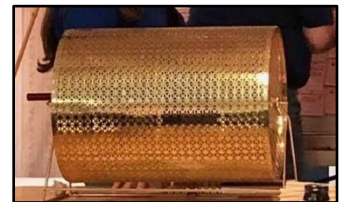
Dorie Figliola reported that the **Composting Bins** that are located in the Community Garden are in bad shape. Fortunately, they are being rebuild with lumber donated by *Mr. T Carting*.

We held our latest **First Saturday Food Drive** on the 6th at the Stop & Shop Supermarket on Myrtle Ave. DIPP Bruce Kramer was back with us after hip replacement surgery, and was accompanied by his wife Karen, Fred Velepec, DPLG Debbie and SDPLG Bob Kueber, Richie and Barbara Adams and Dorie Figliola. We collected another 18 cases of groceries and supplies, plus \$85 in donations. The groceries were delivered to the Legacy Center pantry.

DPP Steve Hansen announced the winner of the 3rd **13 Run Pool** is Billy Rabold from Sacred Heart. By the way: Billy purchased two \$100 Raffle Tickets with his winnings. By popular demand, we will be running a 4th pool, with a slight change. 1st place - \$400; 1st team with 0 runs - \$50; 1st team with 13 runs - \$50. Start date will be July 15. Teams will be selected once pool is filled. 18 positions have been filled, and 12 spots available. Contact Steve for yours.

DPP Steve Hansen reported that the next **Veterans BBQ** will be on Saturday, July 27, starting at **3pm** at the Edward R. Miller Post, 71-32 Cooper Ave in Glendale. Generous support of our 13 Run Pools have made this event possible. All members are welcome to participate.

The **\$100 Raffle** is coming around again! DPP Big Bill Maher announced that tickets for our annual fundraiser are available again. If you have a favorite number(s) from last year’s raffle, it is available for you again. The drawing will be held on Thursday evening, August 15 at Yerman’s Irish Pub, 70-26 88 St in Glendale. Doors open at 6:00pm, and the first ticket out of the barrel will be pulled at 6:30pm. A buffet dinner will be served, free for all ticket holders. Contact Big Bill, SDPLG Bob Kueber or DPP Steve Hansen for ticket information.



Our annual **Presidents Dinner** will be held on Thursday evening, September 26th. We will be returning to *Vetro’s Restaurant* in Howard Beach for our final meeting of our club year. The price for members is \$75 each, and guests are \$100. It’s not to early to **Save The Date** and make plans to celebrate another great year.

Sheriff:	Dorie Figliola		
Lunch Monitor:	Rosemarie Fitzsimons		
Invocation:	DPP Richie Huber		
7-11 Pot Passer:	DPP Teresa Donahue		
7-11 Winners:	DPP Len Licata, Luke (DPLG Debbie Kueber), DPP Richie Huber		
Winner and Losers	DPLG Debbie Kueber		
Losers:	DPP Big Bill & Pat Maher, DPP Richie & Pres Ingrid Huber		
Winner:	DPP Len Licata		
Pig Walker:	PP Paul Miceli		
Happy \$:	545	Pig:	73
Next Meeting:	Community Social	Sheriff:	DPP Dave Fitzgerald

Calendar of Events:

July 20 NY District Governor’s Visit @Skyline Cruises, Worlds Fair Marina 12:00-4:00pm

July 23	KPTC Cyclone Game	@ Maimonides Park, Coney Island	7:00pm
July 25	104 th Precinct Community Council	@ Zum Stammtisch	12:30pm
July 27	Summer Veterans Barbeque	@ Edward R Miller Post #7336	4:00pm
July 30	Board of Directors Meeting	@ Yerman's Pub	7:00pm
August 15	\$100 Raffle	@ Yerman's Pub	6:00pm
Sept 26	Presidents Dinner	@ Vetro's Restaurant	7:00pm



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