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The weather was a bit sloppy today, with a mix of snow, rain and cold. It definitely held attendance down, but seventeen members and guests who did show up had a good time regardless. SDPLG Bob Kueber took a turn as '*President for a Day*'. He opened the meeting in the usual manner; DPP Bruce Kramer delivered a fine Invocation, asking for birthday blessings. After the Pledge and our Patriotic Song, our guests were introduced.

Today's Guests: Frank Kotnik treated his wife/caregiver/cheerleader/chef/etc. Tina to lunch; Barbara Adams joined her hubby Richie.

Bob led a club meeting for the first time since he was President in 2009-2010. He presented some facts about his year, such as District and Division leaders, his major emphasis, club leaders, and more. He also made a rather startling observation: since 2010, only fifteen years ago, fifty-three current members of the Glendale club were not members when Bob was President. That is an amazing turnover of membership, and speaks volumes about the determination of our club to continue to grow and

evolve.

When DPP Bruce put up \$\$ to point out that Bob hadn't introduced the Past Leadership, DPLG Debbie pointed out that when Bob was President, we only introduced *visiting* past and current leaders that weren't members of the club. We only started introducing our own during DPLG Kerrie Hansen's year as President. Regardless, Bob walked the room and introduced our Past Leadership. He had an easy time of it, since there were only a few in attendance.

Today was our monthly ***Birthday and Business*** meeting, when we celebrate our members' birthdays and discuss some Kiwanis business and education. Each of our past presidents brought their own style to this program, so Bob took the opportunity to do it the way he did it back when. We only have four members who celebrate in February: Dave Koehler (5th), Paul Cutrone (6th), Richie Adams (20th) and Ben Messing (22nd). Bob listed famous celebrities who share the birthday, and made some comparisons to our members. Dave and Richie were on hand for their "free" lunch, and put up Happy \$\$ for the privilege.

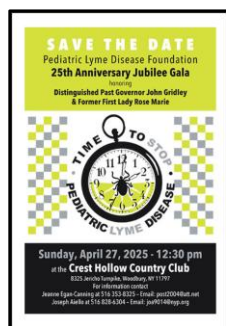
The business portion of our meeting was a discussion of **Service Leadership Programs** that Kiwanis is known for, led by DPLG Debbie Kueber. Kiwanis sponsors several Service Leadership Programs designed to give others an opportunity to learn leadership skills and serve their communities. These sponsored youth programs are usually associated with schools or other organizations that offer youth programs. The clubs are geared to specific age groups: K Kids for grade school children, Builders Clubs for middle school, Key Club for High School, and Circle K for college students. Debbie was proud to announce that we are sponsoring two new Builders Clubs, in conjunction with Maspeth Town Hall. Paperwork is complete, and we will getting started soon.



Club News:

DPP Bruce Kramer would like to thank Karen Kramer, DPLG Debbie Kueber, Dorie Figliola, DPP Teresa Donahue, DPP Fred Haller and JR Velepec for their help in making the **First Saturday Food Drive** a success once again. They collected 16 cases of groceries for the Sacred Heart Food Pantry, plus \$95 in donations.

DPP Bruce also announced our next **Karaoke for a Cause** fundraiser. It will be held on Saturday, March 8 at 7:30pm, at the *Avenue Restaurant & Bar*, 71-22 Myrtle Avenue. Proceeds will support an arts and music scholarship in honor of President Kathleen O’Hara.



The **Pediatric Lyme Disease Foundation**, one of NY District’s major foundations, is celebrating 25 years of raising awareness and funding for medical treatment for children with this disease. They are hosting a gala on Sunday, April 27th at 12:30pm, at the Crest Hollow Country Club in Woodbury (site of our 70th Anniversary Presidents Dinner). Tickets are \$125 each. Please consider supporting this worthwhile fundraiser, and honor DPG John Gridley and his First Lady Rosemary, for their 25 years of service to this cause.

- Sheriff:** Fran Cottone for Werner Lehner, who provided the Attendance Prize
- Invocation:** DPP Bruce Kramer
- Lunch Monitor:** JR Velepec
- 7-11 Pot Passer:** DPP Bruce Kramer
- 7-11 Winners:** Leona Hansen and Anna Mastrolembo
- Winner & Losers:** JR Velepec
- Losers:** Dave Koehler, Fran Cottone, DPLG Debbie Kueber, Barbara Adams
- Winner:** Doreen O’Hara
- Pig Walker:** Richie Adams
- Happy \$:** 145

Pig:

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Next Meeting:

Valentine's Day

Next Sheriff:

DPP Len Licata

Calendar of Events

February 13 – 16	NY District Mid-Year Conference	@ Binghamton, NY	
February 18	Queens West Division Meeting	@ Atlas Park	7:00pm
February 20	Wyckoff Update / Girl Scouts	@ Züm Stammtisch	12:30pm
February 25	Board of Directors Meeting	@ Yerman's Pub	7:00pm
February 27	German Day	@ Züm Stammtisch	12:30pm
March 8	Karaoke for a Cause	@ the Avenue Bar	7:30pm
April 27	Pediatric Lyme Gala	@ Crest Hollow CC	12:30pm



We meet every Thursday, 12:30pm at:
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