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It was a perfectly wonderful day for today's busy meeting, and it showed. We had a full room at the Stammtisch, with plenty of special guests. DPLG Debbie Kueber took her second turn as our 'President for a Day'. She began the program in the usual manner, with Karen Kramer delivering a beautiful Invocation for persons with autism and their caregivers. Then, after the Pledge and our Patriotic song, she introduced the Past Leaders in the room, and there were quite a few.

Today's Guests: Vin Arcuri treated his aide Maria and his grandson Matt for lunch; DPLG Kerrie Hansen treated her mom Pat; DPP Ingrid Huber was accompanied by her daughter Claudia; Guest Speakers SDPLG Carol Verde and Queens West Lt Governor Melissa Verdi-Montes were guests of the club. DPG John Gridley and First Lady Rosemary were guests of DPLG Debbie Kueber.

DPLG Debbie started today's meeting with a report on everyone's favorite topic, *Tax Day.* The first federal income tax in the US was imposed to pay for the cost of the

Civil War. Congress enacted the Revenue Act of 1862, which levied a 3% tax on incomes above \$600, rising to 5% for incomes above \$10,000. It wasn't until 1913 that the federal income tax became a permanent fixture in American life. Congress proposed the Sixteenth Amendment, ratified in 1913, which states: *"The Congress shall have the power to lay and collect taxes on incomes, from whatever source derived, without apportionment among the several States, and without regard to any census or enumeration."* March 1st was the due date specified by Congress in 1913. In 1918, Congress set the date to March 15th, where it remained until the tax overhaul of 1954, when the date was again moved to April 15th. Happy Tax Day, everyone.

We were honored to have Queens West Lt Governor Melissa Verdi-Montes and SDPLG Carol Verdi join us today to present an interactive program on *Autism Awareness*. Due to time constraints, we received the abridged version of the forum from the Mid-Year Conference in Albany. Carol began by explaining the meaning of the puzzle piece logo, which represents the puzzle that is autism. No two cases are identical. People on the spectrum face a variety of challenges, many of which can be overcome. Many are productive members of

society. They process things in different ways, and we need to understand and incorporate their needs with our ways of approaching them. They gave several examples of how to approach children and adults, to connect with them in a way they can handle. Melissa read an emotional essay called "Welcome to Holland" by Emily Perl Kingsley, which describes the experience of raising a child with a disability. They finished by answering questions, and listening to our members own experiences. It was a memorable program for sure.

Club News:

DPP Bruce Kramer reported that he was the winner of the **7-11 Pool** on the 7th for \$200, and PP Ken Voisin was the winner on the 11th for \$500. There are always tickets available each month, \$10 each. If you wish to play, contact Bruce.

We passed around and signed Get Well Soon cards for PP Paul Miceli, undergoing back surgery, and Joe Vessio, who recently received four stints.

The annual Spring Pancake Breakfast at the Sacred Heart School auditorium is coming up on May 4th, from 8:00am until 11:00am. A breakfast of fresh pancakes, sausage, bagels, juice and coffee will be served. The tickets are \$10/pp. You may see DPLG Kerrie Hansen,

SDPLG Bob Kueber, DPP Richie Huber or Michelle Cook at Cook's Crafts to purchase tickets. DPP Kerrie is handling the ads for the placemats. See you there, and bring a friend.

On June 5th, we will be hosting our annual **Scholarship Awards Dinner** at the Constance Del Vecchio-Maltese Art Center at Christ the King HS in Middle Village. We will be awarding approx. \$14,000 in scholarships to deserving students in our community this year, including the newest award for Music and Art, awarded in memory of President Kathleen O'Hara. We

scheduled an evening meeting for members and guests so that we may show our support for the recipients and their families. There is a hot buffet being served, and there is ample parking available. Please make every effort to attend this inspirational dinner. The program begins at 6:00pm.

> JR Velepec said the pool was sold out for the next running of the *Kentucky* Derby, and he started a second pool. The race is on May 3rd. If you would like a \$20 horse, contact JR.









Our annual **Baby Shower** at Wyckoff Heights Medical Center will be held on Wednesday, May 14th from 11:00am until 1:00pm. As we do every year, we will be donating baby clothing and supplies to approx.. 25 expecting mothers being treated at the hospital. We will provide a luncheon for the mothers and hospital staff, and everyone is welcome. We are charging \$10 per member for lunch, and carpooling is recommended because of crowded streets around the hospital. Karen Kramer and Marisa Beckmann are collecting donations of supplies, and taking headcount. Let's make this year the best yet.

Sheriff:	JR Velepec for Doreen O'Hara, who provided an Attendance Prize.			
Invocation:	Karen Kramer			
Lunch Monitor:	JR Velepec			
7-11 Pot Passer:	DPP Bruce Kramer			
7-11 Winners:	SDPLG Bob Kueber, Claudia Huber, Rory (Karen Kramer)			
Winner & Losers:	DPLG Debbie Kueber			
Losers:	Pat Maher, Fran Cottone, DPLG Debbie, and Joanna Estrella			
Winner:	SDPLG Carol Verdi			
Pig Walker:	DPLG Kerrie Hansen			
Happy \$:	179	Pig:	20	
Next Meeting:	NYPD Crime Prevention	Next Sheriff:	Doreen O'Hara	

Calendar of Events

April 21	QW Division Meeting	@ Lenny's Clam Bar	7:00pm
April 27	Pediatric Lyme Gala	@ Crest Hollow CC	12:30pm
April 29	Board of Directors Meeting	@ Yerman's Pub	7:00pm
May 1	Forest Park Runners	@ Zum Stammtisch	12:30pm
May 3	First Saturday Food Drive	@ Stop & Shop Supermarket	10:00am-2:00pm
May 4	Pancake Breakfast	@ Sacred Heart Church	8:00am-11:00am
May 8	Birthday & Business	@ Zum Stammtisch	12:30pm
May 14	Baby Shower	@ Wyckoff Hospital	11:00am-1:00pm
May 15	German Day	@ Zum Stammtisch	12:30pm
May 19	QW Division Meeting	@ Lenny's Clam Bar	7:00pm
May 20	QW Division 'Radio Bingo'	@ Howard Beach	7:00pm
May 22	Memorial Day Program	@ Zum Stammtisch	12:30pm
May 26	Memorial Day Parade	@ Myrtle Ave	11:00am
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June 5	Scholarship Dinner	@ Christ the King HS	6:00pm
June 21	Relay for Life	@ Juniper Valley Park	4:00pm
July 20	Myrtle Avenue Street Festival	@ Fresh Pond Rd & Forest Av	11:00am-6:00pm



We meet every Thursday, 12:30pm at: Züm Stammtisch, 69-46 Myrtle Ave, Glendale, NY 11385 www.glendalenykiwanis.org

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