

# THE PLAGIARIST



## The Newsletter of the Kiwanis Club of Glendale, New York Inc. Established September 1953

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As we have been doing all year, we had another 'President for a Day' hosting our meeting today. We went all the way back to 1992, when DPP Fred Haller was the 39<sup>th</sup> president of our club. While he has hosted meeting programs for many years (Halloween Parade, Relay for Life, Past Presidents, Charter Day), this was the first time he actually rang the gong and started the meeting. He started with a Patriotic song, then the Pledge and an extended Invocation by PP Paul Miceli. Fred admitted he felt a little rusty, but enjoyed the opportunity to be up front, and work off his little note pad again. He introduced the Past Leaders in the room with little trouble.

**Today's Guests:** Guest Speaker Leslie Orlofsky was guest of DPP Fred Haller; Pres-Elect Anna Mastrolembo introduced her guests George and Angie Rotondo and hubby Robert; Vin Arcuri treated his aide Maria for lunch;

PP Paul Miceli was back with us again, only a few weeks after back surgery, and coopted the beginning of the meeting. He was grateful to be pain free for the first time in many years, and he looked good standing erect again. He thanked his wife/nurse Joan for helping him through the recovery, and put up Happy \$\$ to be back again.

(By the way, he will be hosting the *Memorial Day* meeting on May 22, an event not to be missed).

When Paul returned the meeting to Fred, he introduced our first speaker. Leslie Orlovsky, one of the many organizers of the American Cancer Society *Relay for Life*. The fundraising event, which has been held in

Juniper Valley Park in Middle Village for 22 years, will be there again on Saturday, June 21 from 3:00 -11:00pm. The fundraiser has been raising money for research, caregiving, transportation and lodging for cancer patients, and the relay is a fun, yet meaningful way to focus on the work being done. Our club will have a team present, and will raise funds and walk the track as we always have, while celebrating all the survivors. As they do every year, Wall of Hope® signs and Lumineria candles are available to memorialize





cancer victims or honor cancer survivors or caregivers. We have been a sponsor of the event since the beginning, and today we presented our sponsor fee to Leslie. We welcome everyone to come out and join us for a great day in the park.

Our other speaker today was George Rotondo of the *Forest Park Runners*, a local running club based in Woodhaven, Queens. Founded 45 years ago, they offer programs for all age groups. They meet Saturday and Sunday at 8am, and Thursday evenings, at the corner of Woodhaven Boulevard and Park Drive (by the Park entrance sign) to run or walk. The runs and walks return to the same location. The runs are 4-6 miles, and the walks are 3 miles. They all start at the same time but separate into smaller groups according to different paces.



Group runs include the trails, roads and track of Forest Park as well as through beautiful Forest Hills Gardens. To become a Forest Park Runner, you pay club dues of \$10/year, only \$5 for seniors 65 - 79, complimentary for seniors 80 and up. Members can participate in monthly meetings and enter races for their team. There are many health and social benefits to running, and they encourage everyone to give it a try.

#### Club News:

DPP Len Licata and his lovely First Lady Adele celebrated their 61<sup>st</sup> Anniversary on Friday. We wish them the very best.

Although he missed our salute to *Earth Day* last month, DPP Fred celebrated in his own way. He brought pink strawberry plants and edelweiss plants that he grows in his own garden to give out to our members.

On June 5<sup>th</sup>, 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. The program begins at 6:00pm. *The deadline for submitting applications has been extended until May 5<sup>th</sup>, due to a surprising lack of high school applications received.* 

Speaking of Trade School Education, Mike Porcelli gave us a link on the subject. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UjTtjqChFFA">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UjTtjqChFFA</a>. His newspaper articles are also attached.

#### The results of the *Kentucky Derby Pool* were announced:

Win	\$100	Sovereignty	DPLG Debbie Kueber	SDPLG Mike Miller
Place	\$50	Journalism	Rudy Jonke	DPG Joe Aiello
Show	\$30	Baeza	DPP Bruce Kramer	Ed Miller
Last	\$20	Admire Daytona	SDPLG Bob Kueber	Adele Licata

Congratulations, Jockeys. Thank you everyone for your support. Thank you JR for another great "little fundraiser".

On Tuesday, the **Board of Directors** approved the following donations:

- Tee Sponsor for Moose Lodge #1642 Golf Outing
- Mother's Day Donation to Hour Children

- Memorial Day Parade Donation to Continental Post #1424
- Donation to Vaughn College for the Thomas Broschart Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Our annual *Baby Shower* at Wyckoff Heights Medical Center will be held on Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> 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:** Mike Porcelli, who provided an Attendance Prize

Invocation: PP Paul MiceliLunch Monitor: JR Velepec7-11 Pot Passer: PP Paul Miceli

**7-11 Winners:** Frances Cottone, PP Paul Miceli, Ella (DPP Fred Haller)

Winner & Losers: Mike Porcelli

**Losers:** Trudy Eppich, DPP Ingrid Huber, DPP Teresa Donahue, Vin Arcuri

Winner: DPLG Kerrie Hansen

Pig Walker: PP Paul Miceli

**Happy \$:** 182 **Pig:** 41

Next Meeting: Birthday & Business Next Sheriff: Florenda Rose

### **Calendar of Events**

First Saturday Food Drive	@ Stop & Shop Supermarket	10:00am-2:00pm
Pancake Breakfast	@ Sacred Heart Church	8:00am-11:00am
Baby Shower	@ Wyckoff Hospital	11:00am-1:00pm
German Day	@ Zum Stammtisch	12:30pm
QW Division Meeting	@ Lenny's Clam Bar	7:00pm
QW Division 'Radio Bingo'	@ Howard Beach	7:00pm
Memorial Day Program	@ Zum Stammtisch	12:30pm
Memorial Day Parade	@ Myrtle Ave	11:00am
Board of Directors Meeting	@ Yerman's Pub	7:00pm
Principal's Day Meeting	@ Zum Stammtisch	12:30pm
Scholarship Dinner	@ Christ the King HS	6:00pm
Relay for Life	@ Juniper Valley Park	4:00pm
Myrtle Avenue Street Festival	@ Fresh Pond Rd & Forest Av	11:00am-6:00pm
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We meet every Thursday, 12:30pm at:

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