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## ES MACHT SPAß, DEUTSCHER ZU SEIN

*(It's Fun to Be German)*

Today, we celebrated one of the most entertaining meetings of the year. We had a large crowd (39 members and guests) in the main room of Züm Stammtisch for **German Day**. DPP Richie Huber took another turn as 'President for the Day', and opened the meeting with an Invocation from Karen Kramer, and the Pledge of Allegiance and our Patriotic Song. When it came time to introduce our Past Leadership, he delivered what some in the room considered the weakest effort of the year. He literally could have filled the Sheriff's bag on his own, but we were having too much fun to call him on it.

**Today's Guests:** Vin Arcuri treated his aide Maria for lunch; DPP Big Bill Maher introduced his First Lady Patricia; PP Paul Miceli had his wife Joan along; Rudy Jonke treated his wife Marilyn and his friend Olaf; Irene Kofler brought her friend Anna, and treated Trudy Eppich as well; Karen Kramer introduced her friends Kenny and Karen; SDPLG Bob Kueber and DPLG Debbie were thrilled to have their son Eric and his wife Joann join them; DPG Forbes Irvine and First Lady Helene were guests of the club.

Each year, we try to make the German Day program both educational and entertaining, and this year was no exception. With the help of our proprietor Werner Lehner, we introduced a truly Bavarian competition. DPP Richie began by talking about our favorite subject, BEER. He was wearing a tee shirt emblazoned with the words 'Ziegler Braü', an establishment in the town of Mainburg, a town of 15,163 residents in Bavaria where his father was born. According to Richie, Mainburg produces some of the finest hops in the world, which in turn produces some of the finest *bier* in the world. (Sounds like bragging).



Which brings us to today's competition. *Masskrugstemmen* (MAHSS-kroog-stem-men), otherwise known as Steinholding, is a traditional strength contest in which competitors hold a full one-liter beer stein out in front of their bodies with a straight arm. You hold it as long as you can, and the last person with good form is the winner. A full one-liter glass stein weighs approx. 5 pounds, and it is no easy task. There isn't a world-level competition, but the US record is considered to be 23 minutes, 40 seconds by some maniac in North Carolina. Werner set a table in the center of the room with two rows of glass steins, half-liter for the ladies, and one-liter

for the gentlemen. The ladies went first, and nine brave women gripped a stein and held it outstretched. After 6 minutes and 31 seconds, the winner was Marisa Beckmann. Then, it was time for the men to show their stuff. As you might suspect, the six daring souls were all of German descent. After 3 minutes and 33 seconds of self-inflicted pain, the winner was DPP Bruce Kramer. And, not a *single* drop was spilled, which would have been considered a sin. It was a hilarious contest, and lots of Happy \$\$ were raised for our contestants.



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After enjoying the wonderful cuisine that makes the Stammtisch so famous, we closed with a toast to everyone of German heritage, and everyone that wishes they were. *Prost!*

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On Wednesday, we hosted our 10<sup>th</sup> Annual **Baby Shower** at Wyckoff, and this year's was the best yet. Each year, in conjunction with the Wyckoff Medical Center, we collect baby supplies, clothing, diapers and furniture, and donate them to approx. 25 expecting mothers being cared for at the hospital. Our committee, with the help of our members and elected officials, collected a staggering amount of items, which were distributed to the women at a luncheon we hosted, with a generous donation from Redeemer Lutheran Church. We began this worthwhile program in 2015, and it has grown every year since. Committee Chair Karen Kramer wants to thank Marisa Beckmann, Anna Mastrolembro, Dorie Figliola, DPP Ingrid Huber, Trudy Eppich and Irene Kofler for a fantastic event, and everyone else who donated to this meaningful endeavor.



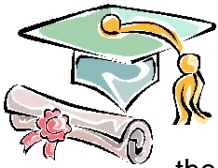




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### Club News:

DPP Bruce Kramer announced the winners of the **7-11 Pool** for May: DPP Richie Huber on the 7<sup>th</sup> for \$200, and SDPLG Carol Verdi on the 11<sup>th</sup> for \$500. Each month, we raise \$300+ for the club, and we have tickets available for \$10 each. Call Bruce if you want one.



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. DPLG Debbie Kueber said the applications are being reviewed by her committee, and announcements will be made soon. 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.

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<b>Sheriff:</b>	Kathleen Lyons, who provided an Attendance Prize		
<b>Invocation:</b>	Karen Kramer		
<b>Lunch Monitor:</b>	JR Velepec		
<b>7-11 Pot Passer:</b>	DPP Bruce Kramer		
<b>7-11 Winners:</b>	Nicholas (Irene Kofler), PP Paul Miceli, Marisa Beckmann 3X		
<b>Winner &amp; Losers:</b>	DPP Steve Hansen		
<b>Losers:</b>	PP Vinnie Alberici, Joann Kueber, Karen Kramer, DPP Big Bill Maher		
<b>Winner:</b>	Pat Maher		
<b>Pig Walker:</b>	PP Paul Miceli		
<b>Happy \$:</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>Pig:</b>	<b>97</b>
<b>Next Meeting:</b>	<b>Memorial Day Program</b>	<b>Next Sheriff:</b>	Walter Sabolboro

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## Calendar of Events

May 19	QW Division Meeting	@ Lenny's Clam Bar	7:00pm
May 20	QW Division 'Radio Bingo'	@ Howard Beach	7:00pm
May 26	<b>Memorial</b> Day <b>Parade</b>	@ Myrtle Ave (Westbound)	11:00am
May 27	Board of Directors Meeting	@ Yerman's Pub	7:00pm
May 29	Principal's Day Program	@ Zum Stammtisch	12:30pm
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:  
Zum Stammtisch, 69-46 Myrtle Ave, Glendale, NY 11385

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