

## THE PLAGIARIST

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Former President Kathleen O'Hara

Immediate Past

President Ingrid Huber

Secretary

We are sad to announce that Adele Licata, beloved wife of DPP Len Licata, passed away on May 24, 2025 after a long battle with ALS. She was a wonderful woman who always brightened a room with her presence. We send our heartfelt condolences to DPP Len and his family.

Visitation will be held:

Tuesday, May 27th 2025 from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM and Wednesday, May 28th 2025 from 3:00 PM to 8:00 PM

> Charles J. O'Shea Funeral Home 2515 N Jerusalem Rd, East Meadow, NY 11554.

A Mass will be held on:

Friday, May 30th 2025 at 10:00am

St. Raphael R. C. Church 600 Newbridge Rd, East Meadow, NY 11554.

If you would like to make a donation in Adele's memory, please consider: the ALS United Greater New York 42 Broadway, Suite 1724, New York, NY 10004 Website: ALS-NY.org.

We had a smaller than usual group in attendance this week, mostly due to the lousy weather we have been experiencing all week. Nevertheless, we conducted our business as usual. Our 'President for the Day' was DPP Bruce Kramer, and he was happy to be hosting today's program, which was our annual observance of *Memorial Day*. He called us to order, and DPP Ingrid Huber offered an Invocation to salute the men and women who died serving our country, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and 'America the Beautiful'. When recognizing the Past Leadership, DPP Bruce did his usual masterful job.

*Today's Guests:* DPP Ingrid Huber introduced her daughter Claudia, back from college; SDPLG Bob Kueber treated DPLG Debbie to lunch.

DPLG Kerrie Hansen

Treasurer (Administrative Fund) DPP Steve Hansen

Treasurer (Community Fund) DPP Teresa Donahue

Treasurer (Foundation) SDPLG Bob Kueber

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The history of Memorial Day and its meaning and symbolism is an important part of American life. Sadly, many people have forgotten why we set aside a day to remember the sacrifices the men and women in the armed forces have made on our behalf. Today, our program served as a reminder of all we have, and why we have it. We had three speakers today, with DPP Bruce Kramer, SDPLG Bob Kueber and Mike Porcelli contributing parts of the history of this solemn day.

DPP Bruce began with two poems written to commemorate the day and the bravery of the soldiers who have served and perished for the cause of freedom. SDPLG Bob spoke about the history of the red poppies and added a poem written by a school teacher that advanced the adoption of the flower worn to honor the dead. Mike finished with a timeline of the history and changes to the holiday, from its origins after the Civil War until today. In observation of the Moment of Reflection, a nationwide minute of silence at 3pm on Memorial Day, we had a minute of silence to honor our military heroes.

Many have heard this program before, but it never loses its meaning, and we welcome the opportunity to have this meeting every year.

During his year as President, Bruce ended his meetings with a famous quote. Today, he had one appropriate for the occasion, attributed to the Greek Historian Thucydides:

"The Secret to Kappiness is Freedom. The Secret to Freedom is Courage"

## **Club News:**

We have some other sad news: Flo Rose is back in Wyckoff Hospital. Please keep her in your prayers.



On Thursday, 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.

Last weekend, the next Lt Governor of the Queens West Division, our own DPP Steve Hansen, completed his training, and is ready to take us forward. Congratulations, Steve.



Sheriff:	JR for Walter Sabolboro, who provided an Attendance Prize			
Invocation:	DPP Ingrid Huber			
Lunch Monitor:	JR Velepec			
7-11 Pot Passer:	DPP Bruce Kramer			
7-11 Winners:	Doreen O'Hara, Leah (DPLG Debbie), David (DPLG Debbie again)			
Winner & Losers:	JR Velepec			
Losers:	DPLG Kerrie Hansen, Mike Porcelli, Tania Broschart			
Winner:	DPLG Debbie Kueber			
Pig Walker:	DPLG Kerrie Hansen			
Happy \$:	182	Pig:	25	
Next Meeting:	Principal's Day Program	Next Sheriff:	JP Sanchez	

## **Calendar of Events**

May 26	Memorial Day Parade	@ Myrtle Ave (Westbound)	11:00am
May 28	QW Memorial Service	@ US Columbarium	7:00pm
June 3	Board of Directors Meeting	@ Yerman's Pub	7:00pm (rescheduled)
June 5	Scholarship Dinner	@ Christ the King HS	6:00pm
June 7	First Saturday Food Drive	@ Stop & Shop Supermarket	10am-2pm
June 9	NY District Governor Visit	@ Villa Russo	7:00pm
June 12	Birthday & Business	@ Züm Stammtisch	12:30pm
June 19	Con Edison Program	@ Züm Stammtisch	12:30pm
June 21	Relay for Life	@ Juniper Valley Park	4:00-11pm
June 24	Board of Directors Meeting	@ Yerman's Pub	7:00pm
June 26	Fun & Games Meeting	@ Züm Stammtisch	12:30pm
June 26-29	Kiwanis International Convention	@ Pittsburgh, PA	
July 20	Myrtle Avenue Street Festival	@ Fresh Pond Rd & Forest Av	11:00am-6:00pm
Aug 7-10	NY District Convention	@ Desmond Hotel, Albany	



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

All Correspondence can be sent to: 67-13 Myrtle Ave, Glendale, NY 11385 "We Shall Keep the Faith".

Oh! you who sleep in Flanders Fields, Sleep sweet – to rise anew! We caught the torch you threw And holding high, we keep the Faith With All who died.

We cherish, too, the Poppy red That grows on fields where valor led; It seems to signal to the skies That blood of heroes never dies, But lends a lustre to the red Of the flower that blooms above the dead In Flanders Fields.

And now the Torch and Poppy Red We wear in honor of our dead. Fear not that ye have died for naught; We'll teach the lesson that ye wrought In Flanders Fields.