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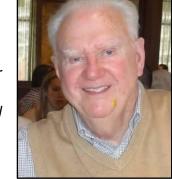
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In Memorium

A Eulogy by President Ingrid Huber

Bill Underhill was a longtime and dedicated member of our Kiwanis club since 1993; that's 32 years. He and his wife Connie, (who became a member in 2007), were regulars at our weekly meetings and at our fundraising and service events. They looked forward to our weekly lunch meetings, and everyone enjoyed their company.

Bill was involved in selling our monthly 7/11 fundraising tickets. Both Bill and Connie were on the House Committee. They helped stuff our giveaway bags for Community Day. They helped with our annual Christmas Party gift exchange. And, they both helped serve many hot dogs and sodas at our Community service events. Everyone enjoyed his storytelling and hearing about their trips, cruises and adventures. We will always remember Bill as a wonderful, kind, generous, and caring person.



One of my favorite verses in the Bible is from the book of Ecclesiastes, and it says, "To everything there is a season,

and a time for every purpose under Heaven. A time to be born and a time to die." And later in the verse it says, "A time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance. "It was now Bill's time to leave us, and he is now with the Lord and his beloved, Connie. And now it is our time - your time - to weep and mourn the loss of a friend and dad. May the good memories of him be a time for you to laugh and dance and bring you and your family comfort and peace. Please know that your

Kiwanis family is here if you need anything. May Bill Rest in Peace.

The Fourth of July weekend is upon us, and many of us take the opportunity to travel, or hit the beach, or whatever it is that you do to enjoy the summer. We had a small group at today's meeting, so it was a rather informal affair. President Ingrid Huber began the meeting in the usual fashion, and we observed a moment of silence for our departed friend Bill Underhill.

Today's Guests: Vin Arcuri introduced his aide Maria, our only guest today.

Our program today was a recap of the *International Convention* last week in Pittsburgh, presented by Karen Kramer, DPLG Debbie Kueber and SDPLG Bob Kueber. We had a strong showing of members in attendance from our club, the Queens West Division and New York District. Our nine members were: Richie and Barbara Adams, DPLG Kerrie and DPP Steve Hansen, Pres Ingrid Huber, SDPLG Bob and DPLG Debbie Kueber, and DPP Bruce and Karen Kramer. And, we were joined by two old friends; DPP Gary Milau and his First Lady Debbie drove up from Liberty Township, near Cincinnati, to hang out with us.

The Convention was held in a massive building by the Three Rivers, with over 2000 delegates and members. The Opening Session on Thursday morning featured a flag presentation carried in by Circle K members (who are celebrating 100 years in Kiwanis). The Keynote Speaker was a replacement for the replacement, who should have been asked first. Terry Bradshaw, 4-time Super Bowl Champion with the Pittsburgh Steelers, a man who hasn't bought a meal or a drink in the Steel City for 45 years, gave a rousing and entertaining presentation on teamwork and service.

Karen gave a report on all the social events that make conventions so much fun to attend. Pittsburgh offers many restaurants, shops and sports venues, and we took advantage of many of them over the four days we were there. On Friday, we took a lunch cruise on a paddle wheeler, hosted by Governor Gordy Soderholm and DPG Joe Corace. That evening, we traveled to PNC Park to see the New York Mets get their butts kicked by the Pirates.

Bob gave a report on the House of Delegates, and the results of the voting that occurred on Saturday. Thirteen hundred club delegates and delegates-at-large used their Blackberry voting devices and conducted the business at hand. Michael Mulhaul of Interlaken, New Jersey, was elected International President for 2025-2026. Serving as President-Elect will be Hope Markes of Hanover, Jamaica. Cathy Szymanski of Erie, Pennsylvania was elected Vice President. Two bylaw amendments were approved. The first cleaned up some language in the bylaws regarding submission of bylaw proposals. The second gave regional boards the power to submit proposals. A resolution which would have allowed remote voting on business normally conducted at the House of Delegates during the convention failed. Finally, the 2026 Kiwanis International Convention will be in Manila, Philippines, June 25-27.

Debbie spoke about the travel to and from the convention, and reported on some of the educational forums that were offered. It was a great weekend, and any Kiwanian should make an effort to attend one and enjoy the full Kiwanis experience firsthand.

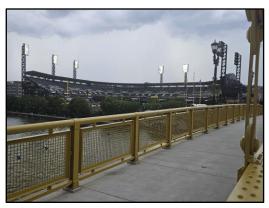






















In honor of our trip to Pittsburgh, Pres Ingrid presented her signature "Did you Know?" about the Steel City:

- Pittsburgh has 446 bridges, more than any other city in the world, including Venice.
- It is situated at the intersection of three rivers: the Allegheny, the Ohio and the Monongahela.
- It is the largest inland port in the country.
- The Pittsburgh suburbs were home to many great NFL quarterbacks: Joe Montana, Dan Marino, Joe Namath, Johnny Unitas and Jim Kelly.
- Pittsburgh gets more annual rainfall than the supposed US leader, Seattle.
- It is known for craft beers, with over 50 breweries in the city.
- Fred Rogers, from the children's show 'Mr. Roger's Neighborhood' is from Pittsburgh.
- Heinz Ketchup, the Big Mac and the first pull-tab on cans all originated in Pittsburgh.

On Saturday, June 21st, we participated in the *Relay for Life*, the annual fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. Each year, we are one of the major sponsors for the event, and donate at least \$2500 to support research and caregiving for people suffering from this dreaded disease. Our team, chaired by DPP Fred Haller, and the Coldwell Banker Kueber Realty team, led by DPLG Debbie Kueber, set up and walked the track at Juniper Valley Park in Middle Village, celebrating survivors and honoring those we have lost. We were joined by at least 30 other teams, and at last count exceeded their goal by raising over \$102,000. We have been a participant since the beginning in 2003, and it is a meaningful and enjoyable way to help others.



Club News:

DPP Steven Hansen announced that we will be hosting this year's *Veterans Barbeque* on Saturday, July 19th, at the *Sgt. Edward R Miller VFW Post 7336*, 71-32 Cooper Ave in Glendale. Each year, we use the funds raised by the 13 Run Pools, and donations from local restaurants, to thank the veterans for their service with a full-menu barbeque (and a few adult beverages). It's always a fun afternoon, and all are welcome to attend.



We are planning to hold this year's major fundraiser, the **\$100 Raffle**, on Thursday, August 21st, 2025 at Yerman's Pub, 70-26 88th Street in Glendale. We invite you to participate again this year. As usual, we reserve numbers purchased by last year's participants so that they may have their favorite number in this year's raffle. If you choose to participate in this year's event, please send your ticket and check to us as soon as possible,



made payable to *Glendale Kiwanis Foundation*. The deadline is *July 30th* for all ticket returns. At the bottom of the ticket, please note the area where you can elect to split the prize if you are in the final five tickets remaining. For information and tickets, contact DPP Bill Maher at 718-938-7745, or SDPLG Bob Kueber at 347-489-0068.

We have started to plan our 72nd annual *President's Dinner*. We will celebrate our service year, our departed President Kathleen O'Hara, all the Presidents that made cameo appearances this year, distribute anniversary and merit pins, and celebrate our seventy-two years of service. We also have the honor to welcome our new President, Anna Mastrolembo, and bestow her gavel. We hope to see all our members and friends. Contact Secretary DPLG Kerrie Hansen for information and tickets.

Sheriff: JR Velepec
Invocation: Karen Kramer
Lunch Monitor: JR Velepec

7-11 Pool: DPP Bruce Kramer

7-11 Winners: Anna Mastrolembo, Trudie Eppich and Rory (Karen Kramer)

Winner and Losers: JR Velepec

Losers: Maria, Karen Kramer, JR Velepec and Trudie Eppich Winner: SDPLG Bob K

Happy \$: 332 Pig: 22

Next Meeting: Big Joe Fitness Next Sheriff: PP Dan Vessio

Calendar of Events

July 8	Board of Directors Meeting	@ Yerman's Pub	7:00pm (NEW DATE)	
July 17	Birthday & Business	@ Zum Stammtisch	12:30pm	
July 19	Veterans BBQ	@ Sgt Edward R Miller Post	3:00pm	
July 20	Myrtle Avenue Street Festival	@ Fresh Pond Rd & Forest Av	11:00am-6:00pm	
July 21	QW Division Meeting	@ Lenny's Clam Bar	7:00pm	
July 24	Con Edison	@ Zum Stammtisch	12:30pm	
July 29	Board of Directors Meeting	@ Yerman's Pub	7:00pm	
July 31	Everyday Heroes	@ Zum Stammtisch	12:30pm	
Aug 7-10	NY District Convention	@ Desmond Hotel, Albany NY		
Aug 21	\$100 Raffle	@ Yerman's Pub	6:00pm	

