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Our monthly ***Birthday and Business*** meeting is normally a festive affair, celebrating members' birthdays and sharing celebrities who have the same. While we had a full backroom at the Stammtisch, and did recognize two members, it was a bit reserved, due to the observation of the 9-11 Memorials. Our 'President for a Day' was our President-Designate Anna Mastrolembro, and she opened the meeting like a veteran leader. She read a reflection on the day, followed by two more by Vincent Arcuri and PP Paul Miceli. Then, after the Pledge of Allegiance and 'My Country 'Tis of Thee', Karen Kramer offered an Invocation appropriate for the occasion. Anna followed with the introductions of our Past Leadership and guests, and looked perfectly comfortable doing so.



Today's Guests: Vin Arcuri paid for his aide, Maria Hernnias; DPP Big Bill Maher treated his bride Pat to lunch; Pres-Designate Anna introduced her daughter Lianna; Laura Hansen was with her mom Leona; Special guests Lotte Reinprecht, and Julius and Emma Richter from the Queens Blvd club and guest speaker Linda Monte.

While we will always acknowledge the events of September 11th, we believe that the best way to observe the day is with our friends and families, sharing our common beliefs and enjoying each other's company. We began the program with the celebration of two veteran members who were born in September: PP Lou DiRico (11th) and Joe Bonventre (22th). Neither were in attendance for their "free lunch", so they didn't hear about the celebrities they share a birthday with. We all wish them the happiest of birthdays, and hope to see them at our Presidents Dinner in a few weeks.

Our Guest Speaker today was Linda Monte, our longtime friend from the ***Greater Ridgewood Historical Society*** (and the Ridgewood 3-2-1 club), and one of the organizers of next month's Harvest Festival at the Vander Ende-Onderdonk House. We have been supporting their major fundraising event since 2009, and will be manning the grilles once again. As always, they will have the children's pumpkin patch, games, music, apple pressing and much more.

Besides the invite, Linda shared that GRHC will be organizing an 'Industrial Tour of Glendale', and she spoke about the businesses and farms that made the neighborhood vibrant. She is an amazing source of information about the knitting mills, farms, and other industries (as well as a tremendous number of taverns) that Dutch settlers established. It will be a don't-miss event. Always great to see you, Linda.



While our meeting was going on, our singing attracted the attention of a group of FDNY members enjoying lunch at the Stammtisch after the Memorial they attended. Two of them wandered in to say hello, and thanked us for our support of first responders: Captain Sweeney from Ladder Co 112 and Captain Harmon of Ladder Co 77. Always good to see our firefighters, and invited them back anytime.

Sheriff:	Bob Temkin for Fran Cottone for Marisa Beckmann		
Invocation:	Karen Kramer		
7-11 Pool:	DPP Bruce Kramer		
7-11 Winners:	Leona Hansen, JR Velepec and Pres Designate Anna		
Pig Walker:	DPP Paul Miceli		
Winners & Losers:	JR Velepec		
Losers:	JR Velepec, DPP Teresa Donahue, DPP Paul Miceli and Linda Monte		
Winner:	Fran Cottone		
Happy\$:	178	Pig:	64
Next Meeting:	NY & Atlantic Railway	Sheriff:	Vinnie Clarke

Club News:

Our 72nd annual **President's Dinner** is two weeks away. The gala event at Vetro's Restaurant in Howard Beach, on Thursday, September 25th is a can't miss party. We will celebrate our seventy-two years of service, our departed President Kathleen O'Hara, and all the Presidents that made cameo appearances this year. We will also distribute anniversary and merit pins, and welcome our new President, Anna Mastrolemba, with her gavel. Get your tickets while they last. contact Secretary DPLG Kerrie Hansen as soon as possible.



We had several **\$100 Raffle** winners share the wealth; DPP Fred Haller had a Happy 100 for his win, Louise Seleznow and Diane Fasullo had \$200, and SDPLG Bob Kueber kicked back a Happy 50 for his. Thanks, ladies and gentlemen.

Our **First Saturday Food Drive** has been rescheduled until September 20, first because of Community Day, then because Stop & Shop cancelled us to accommodate the NBC Citywide Food Drive.

Bill Dobranski walked into my office the other day carrying a bucket of gold: rolls of raffle tickets left over from the **Spaghetti and Eggs** dinners he ran for *Faith in the Future*. Raffle tickets have become rather expensive, and harder to find. These rolls should last into the 22nd century. Thank you, Bill.

Former member Lt Roberto Ciriaco of the Salvation Army won the **7-11 Pool** on the 7th for \$200, and Ken Schwille hit on the 11th for \$500. Congratulations, and thanks for your support.



Calendar of Events

Sept 15	QW Div. Mtg. "Pass the Banner"	@ Lenny's Clam Bar	7:00pm
Sept 20	"Third" Saturday Food Drive	@ Stop & Shop Supermarket	10:00am-2:00pm
Sept 25	PRESIDENTS DINNER	@ Vetro's Restaurant	6:30pm
Sept 30	Board of Directors Meeting	@ Yerman's Pub	7:00pm
Oct 2	Installation of Officers	@ Züm Stammtisch (Big Room)	12:30pm
Oct 12	Harvest Festival	@ Onderdonk House	12-4pm
Oct 16	Italian Day	@ Pizza Classica	12:00pm
Oct 31	Halloween Parade	@ Myrtle Avenue	6:00pm
Nov 16	Fall Pancake Breakfast	@ Redeemer Lutheran Church	TBD



We meet every Thursday, 12:30pm at:
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Vin Arcuri shared this reflection from the 9-11 Memorial last Sunday, in the rain at the Dry Harbor Playground Monument:

"These are not raindrops falling on us today. They are the tears of almost 3000 of our friends, neighbors and loved ones who were murdered twenty-four years ago by evil people. They are not crying for themselves; we weep in gratitude for us remembering and honoring them. May God continue to bless them, and this great country of ours."