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Unlike last week, the weather was absolutely miserable today, thanks to Melissa (the storm, not the Past Lieutenant Governor). Yet, we had a good group of members and guests in attendance. Pres Anna opened the meeting in the usual manner, calling on Karen Kramer for an Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and 'My Country 'Tis of Thee'. Pres Anna introduced the Past Leadership in attendance nicely. Since the start of the meeting means fines can be levied, and pie plates need to be worn, SDPLG Bob Kueber presented Peter LaBella with his new plate, so he was spared the expense.

Today's Guests: Rudy Jonke introduced his "wonderful" wife Marilyn; Pres Anna introduced her daughter Lianna; DPP Ingrid Huber introduced her guests, Rich Rejhon and Jack Rowan; DPLG Debbie Kueber introduced Viktoriya Borisova, Past Circle K Lt Governor 2020, as well as Anna Bajwa, Past Circle K Governor 2020. (Both served during Debbie's year as Lt Gov)

We began today's program with a presentation from the **Lessing Lodge #608**, which is a recognized Masonic Lodge in Whitestone. They are a part of the worldwide fraternity of Freemasonry, dedicated to promoting a spirit of camaraderie, service, and self-improvement among its members. They were searching for a service project for the holiday, and one of their brother Masons, DPP Richie Huber, suggested partnering with us on our **Turkey Cheer**. Lodge President Richie Rejhon (L) and Jack Rowan were on hand, and presented Pres Anna with a \$500 donation towards the turkeys, and they will be on hand on November 12th to help pack the dinner bags we distribute. It is this spirit of cooperation that makes community service so satisfying. DPLG Kerrie Hansen noted that because of the generous donation, we are looking for additional families to donate to.



Our guest speaker today was **Councilman Robert Holden**, who happens to be a dues-paying member of our club. As you might have guessed, the upcoming mayoral race and ballot proposals are a hot topic right now, and he weighed in on what's at stake this time. While trying not to make our meeting a political rally, he did take the time to explain the propositions on the back of the ballot and the potential consequences of the results. A brief discussion ensued about why it is critically important to be educated on the issues, so your opinion can be heard and your vote matter. Bob is finishing his final term as our councilman, and is confident that his successor will continue to serve the district well. He also confided in us that since his last birthday, he is looking forward to retirement. He has served our district well, and we wish him well wherever retirement takes him and his wife Amy.



One of our signature projects is our annual **Halloween Parade**. It was a chilly evening on Halloween night, but it didn't damper the fun. Hundreds of children (and adults too) dressed in colorful costumes joined the parade down Myrtle Avenue. The parade was led by the Color Guard from Sacred Heart Troop 427, and Mickey and Minnie joined in. Our Grand Marshalls, Pres Anna and LtGov Steve, welcomed the crowd in the corral at Stop & Shop Supermarket. After the goodie bags were handed out, and PP Ken Voisin entertained with Halloween music, the costume contest judging began. There were many great costumes, and the best received gift cards and prizes for their hard work. It was another great night for the longest running parade in NYC. Congratulations to JR Velepec, DPP Fred Haller and their committee that put it all together.





Club News:

It was announced at our **Board of Directors Meeting** on Tuesday that we have accepted *three* new applications for membership in our club: Pizza Classica will become a Corporate Member thanks to their sponsor Frances Cottone. Also, Past Circle K Gov Anna Bajwa is estatic about joining us after contacting DPLG Debbie. And, Lianna Mastrolembro will be joining her mother, Pres Anna. Their youthful enthusiasm is exactly what our club needs, to continue our mission of community service



Tickets are now available for our **Fall Pancake Breakfast** at Redeemer Lutheran Church on Sunday, November 16th, from 9:00am until 12:00pm. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children age 5-10. We are also putting together a new placemat, and if you want to advertise your business, contact DPLG Debbie Kueber.



We will be having our annual **Thanksgiving Cheer** distribution of full Thanksgiving dinner bags to families in our neighborhood on Wednesday, November 12th. With the help of our new friends from Messing Lodge, we will be packing and delivering the meals to the families in our community that can use the extra help.

We are beginning to plan for this year's **Christmas Tree Lighting**. A letter is being mailed out to raise funds for the purchase of trees, decorations and lights, and toys to give to the children in the neighborhood.



Sheriff:	JR Velepec walked the bag for Paul Cutrone
Invocation:	Karen Kramer
Lunch Monitor:	JR Velepec
Winner and Losers:	DPLG Kerrie Hansen
Losers:	Lt Gov Steve Hansen, Karen Kramer, DPP Ingrid Huber and Rudy Jonke
Winner:	SDPLG Bob

7-11 Pot Passer: Karen Kramer
7-11 Winners: Jake (Karen Kramer), Pres Anna Mastrolembro and SDPLG Bob Kueber
Pig Walker: Lt Gov Steve Hansen
Pig: 32
Happy Dollars: 157
Next Meeting: Veterans Day Program **Sheriff:** DPP Lou DiRico

Calendar of Events

Nov 4	VOTE	VOTE	VOTE	VOTE	VOTE	VOTE
Nov 8	First Saturday Food Drive			@ Stop & Shop Supermarket	10:00am-2:00pm	
Nov 9	MV Veterans Day Parade			@ Metropolitan Ave & 80 St	11:00am	
Nov 11	Veterans Day Observance			@ Glendale War Monument	11:00am	
Nov 12	Thanksgiving Cheer			@ Sacred Heart Church	8:00am	
Nov 16	Fall Pancake Breakfast			@ Redeemer Lutheran Church	9:00am-12:00pm	
Nov 20	Club Thanksgiving			@ Züm Stammtisch	12:30pm	
Nov 25	Board of Directors Meeting			@ Yerman's Pub	7:00pm	
Nov 27	Thanksgiving Day (No Meeting)					
Dec 9	Christmas Cheer			@ Sacred Heart Church	6:00pm	
Dec 18	Club Christmas Party			@ Züm Stammtisch	12:30pm	
Dec 25	Christmas Day (No Meeting)					
Dec 30	Board of Directors Meeting			@ Yerman's Pub	7:00pm	



Anna Mastrolembro, President

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