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We had another light showing for today's meeting at the Stammtisch, with good reason. Some of our members were on their way to Corning, NY for the District Convention. Others were attending a family wedding. Only eleven members and two guests came for lunch, and for the first time in recent memory, there were actually more men than women in attendance. PP Paul Miceli hosted the meeting in President Anna's place, and he started the meeting with an Invocation by Karen Kramer, asking for safety for all our travelers this week. We followed with the Pledge of Allegiance, our Patriotic Song, and the Introduction of the Guests. Paul couldn't be bothered naming the Past Leaders, even though DPP Len Licata, PP Vinny Alberici, and SDPLG Bob Kueber were in the house.

Today's Guests: Vin Arcuri introduced Maria "the Hat" Hernais; Rudy Jonke introduced his wonderful wife Marilyn (after a late arrival).

PP Paul Miceli volunteered to fill in for President Anna, and though he did not come with a program per se, he never is at a loss for words. He began with reminiscing about his Kiwanis story. In 1986, he was asked by DPP Mick Ennis to join the club. His first meeting was a roundtable affair, due to a golf outing that day. The members were hard-working individuals, most of whom owned their own businesses. They were very generous with their time and money. His roofing business was starting slowly, but with the support of his Kiwanis friends, it grew into a successful enterprise. He said that Kiwanis was more than a chance to volunteer. It was a life experience, and he is grateful that he had the chance. He passed around some old pictures he had brought.

Due to the low attendance created by the NY Convention, the topic quickly turned to convention stories, especially PP Paul's riverboat casino adventure and DPP Big Bill Maher's attempt to purchase a tee-shirt from a Texan working the International Trustee campaign in Las Vegas. Vin Arcuri, DPP Len and SDPLG Bob all have fond memories of conventions past.

As is usually the case when there is time to fill, a lot of venting can occur. PP Vin Alberici raised \$210 Unhappy \$\$ to gripe about Honorary Membership and how he feels about being disrespected after lawsuits about graffiti removal. Other members disagreed, and more \$\$ were produced. Bottom line, dues fund programs. Period. Let's move on.

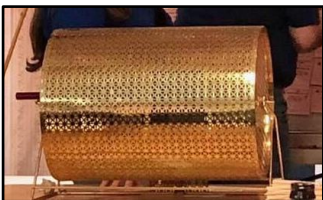
Rudy Jonke walked in late, and had a Happy 20 for us taking care of Marilyn in his absence. PP Len Licata won the 50-50 Raffle at PLG Melissa Verde-Montez' thank-you dinner, and donated a Happy 100 to our club. Karen Kramer reported that Pres Anna's nephew Alex has been working with our club a lot, at the Kids Tuesdays and the National Night Out, to compile service hours for school. He donated 10 Happy \$\$ for the opportunity to help. Despite our attempts to refuse to accept it, he is a determined young man, and it's in the bag.

It was a very unusual meeting, but nobody was in any rush to leave, and several rounds of adult beverages were consumed afterwards. PP Paul said that it reminded him of the Bar Association of years past. Some things never change.

Last Tuesday, our club participated in the annual **National Night Out** at Juniper Valley Park in Middle Village. The 104th Precinct Community Council did a fantastic job pulling a lot of vendors and organizations together for a fun community festival. As usual, we were on hand to man (and woman) the grilles, and we cooked 1000 hot dogs to serve to the hungry residents of Middle Village and beyond. Our hot dog machine was in good form, and we made quick work of it. Just another night in Kiwanis paradise.



Club News:



Next week, on Thursday, August 20th, our annual **\$100 Raffle** will be held at Yerman's Pub, located at 70-26 88th St, in Glendale. All 150 tickets are accounted for, and another sell out is assured. A buffet dinner for ticket holders will be served. Our largest fundraiser of the year is going to be a great night (for some of us anyway)! Doors open at 6:00pm. First ticket out (which is a *winner*) will be pulled at 6:30pm.

We are running our first **13 Run Pool** of the season. LtGov Steve Hansen is taking names for people that want a team. \$30 a chance. Get 'em before they're gone.



President Anna is getting the **Committee List** prepared for next year. If you wish to join one of our event committees, please let Anna know as soon as you can. We need all hands on-deck to make this club go.

Sheriff: JR for PP Paul Miceli, who ran the meeting and donated the Attendance Prize
Lunch Monitor: JR Velepec
Invocation: Karen Kramer
Winners & Losers: JR Velepec
Losers: DPP Len Licata, Vin Arcuri, Mike Porcelli and PP Paul Miceli
Winner: Maria the Hat
Pig Walker: PP Paul Miceli
Happy Dollars: 502 **Pig:** 10
Next Meeting: Birthday and Business **Sheriff:** Alice Montano

Calendar of Events:

Aug 11	Basketball Skills Day	@ Artistic Stitch Sports Complex	10:00-1:00pm
Aug 13	Birthday and Business	@ Zum Stammtisch	12:30pm
Aug 17	QW Division Meeting	@ Yerman's Pub	7:00pm
Aug 20	\$100 Raffle	@ Yerman's Pub	6:00pm
Aug 25	Board of Directors Meeting	@ Yerman's Pub	7:00pm
Aug 27	"What Schools Should Teach"	@ Zum Stammtisch	12:30pm
Sept 6	9-11 Memorial Ceremony	@ Dry Harbor Park Monument	1:00pm
Sept 12	Glendale Community Day	@ Dry Harbor Playground	10:00-4:00pm
Sept 18	KPTC Black & White Ball	@ Leonard's Palazzo, Great Neck	7:00-11:00pm
Sept 24	73rd Annual President's Dinner	@ Vetro's Restaurant, Howard Beach	6:00pm



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