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Another lovely day for a meeting at the Stammtisch, and with everyone back from last week's NY District Convention in Corning, we had a good-sized crowd in attendance. and for the second week in a row, the men outnumbered the women. President Anna's returned to take her place, and she started the meeting with an Invocation by DPP Bruce Kramer, asking for blessings on all our birthday celebrants on this **Birthday & Business** program. We followed with the Pledge of Allegiance, our Patriotic Song, and the Introduction of the Guests. Unlike PP Paul last week, she named the Past Leadership, smoothly I might add.

Today's Guests: Vin Arcuri introduced the lovely Maria Hernais; PP Vinny Alberici welcomed his eldest daughter Kelly; the dear Tina Kotnik joined us with her hubby Frank; Anthony D'Angelo introduced his co-worker Lauren.

Pres Anna began the meeting by introducing the members celebrating an August birthday. She also noted the celebrities who share the dates, and their National Celebration Day. For instance: Rob Mastrolembo (5th) celebrates on "National Work Like a Dog Day"; Frank Kotnik (10th) on "National Lazy Day"; DPLG Debbie Kueber (11th) on "National Sons and Daughters Day"; ditto George Schwille (11th); Werner Lehner (15th) on "National Relaxation Day" (something Werner isn't used to); Lucille Dwyer (25th) on "National Kiss and Make Up Day"; and SDPLG Bob Kueber (29th) on "National More Herbs / Less Salt Day" (really?). Bob revived the Birthday Table tradition, and Frank, Debbie, George and Bob raised a Happy 80 for their "free" lunch and a rousing 'Happy Birthday'. Other members raised \$\$ as well for family members they celebrate.



The Business portion of the meeting was very, very special today, because the NY District Convention yielded some special news. Lt Gov Steve Hansen gave a report on all the goings-on in Corning.

What Went Wrong.

The Radisson Hotel was a *disaster*. The cable and internet service was out for the entire weekend, which made forums and events difficult to present. The hotel was understaffed, so room services, dinner service and

bar service was terribly slow, if at all. And there was a fire alarm during the House of Delegates, caused by someone smoking in their room. The hotel actually refunded a portion of the room fee because of the poor service. It's safe to say the NY District will not be returning anytime soon.

What Went Right.

Our club had an amazing weekend!

- Lt Gov Steve Hansen received his Past Lt Governor Pin as his year as the leader of the Queens West Division comes to an end.
- President Anna Mastrolembo was awarded Fellowships from the Kiwanis Children's Fund, the NY District Foundation and the Pediatric Lyme Foundation.
- Glendale Kiwanis was named a Distinguished Club for the 2024-2025 year.

But there's more!

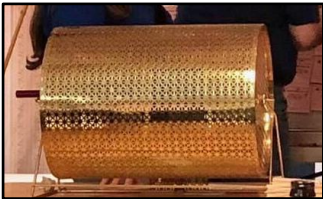
For only the second time in our club's history, the Governor-Elect of the NY District is coming from Glendale. DPLG Kerrie Hansen was elected to serve in 2027-2028 as the Governor of the NY District. The House of Delegates confirmed her candidacy after a nomination by SDPLG Bob Kueber and a second by Heather Henderson. Kerrie and Steve both received their pins from KI Trustee Linda Ramsey. It is an honor to have the state's leader come from your club, and we look forward to an amazing couple of years ahead.



We hosted the fifth and final **Kids Tuesday** at the Artistic Stitch Sports Complex on Cooper Ave in Glendale. We had another large group of children on hand to work on their basketball skills, enjoy a dance party in the disco, and have lunch to wrap up the afternoon. The program was a major success, and Pres Anna is to be commended for putting all the events together.



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.



Our first **13 Run Pool** of the season is sold out. You can track your team at www.free13runpool.com/glendalekiwanis

On Saturday, September 12th, we will be hosting our annual **Community Day**. This year, we will be relocating to a new and exciting venue, the Dry Harbor Playground at Forest Park, Myrtle Avenue and 80th Street in Glendale. We are fortunate to be partnering with Assemblywoman Joann Ariola's office and the Parks Department to expand the event. Additional funding will allow for Inflatable bouncy houses, the NYPD Rock Climbing Wall, a trackless train ride, a live DJ, a magician, face painters, cotton candy and popcorn machines. As usual, we will be entertained by three local dance academies, with music by PP Ken Voisin. There will be five food trucks on site as well. We will be distributing backpacks filled with school supplies for all the children who attend. We will need plenty of help, so please plan to attend and make this the best Community Day yet.

We will be celebrating the end of another Distinguished year with our annual **Presidents Dinner**, on Thursday, September 24th, at Vetro's Restaurant in Howard Beach. Besides celebrating President Anna Mastrolemba's amazing year, we will be recognizing fifteen of our members with a *Legion of Merit* or *Legion of Honor* award. These amazing individuals show true dedication and sincere commitment to the Kiwanian family.



Tickets are \$85 for members and \$110 for guests. We need a response by Friday, September 12th, to Secretary Kerrie Hansen to insure your place at this special gala.

Sheriff:	JR for Alice Montano who donated the Attendance Prize		
Lunch Monitor:	JR Velepec		
Invocation:	DPP Bruce Kramer		
Winners & Losers:	Lt Gov Steve Hansen		
Losers:	DPP Bruce Kramer, Lauren, Rob Mastrolembo and JR Velepec		
Winner:	Kelly Alberici		
7-11 Pot Passer:	George Schwille		
7-11 Winners:	Pres Anna, Rob Mastrolembo, JR Velepec		
Pig Walker:	Lt Gov Steve Hansen		
Happy Dollars:	258	Pig:	27
Next Meeting:	\$100 Raffle	Sheriff:	We won't be needing one

Calendar of Events:

Aug 17	QW Division Meeting	@ Yerman's Pub	7:00pm
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



Anna Mastrolembo, President

We meet every Thursday, 12:30pm at:
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