

KIWANIS CLUB OF RIDGEWOOD, NY 3-2-1

Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesday @ GRYC Clubhouse, 59-03 Summerfield Street, Ridgewood, NY 11385

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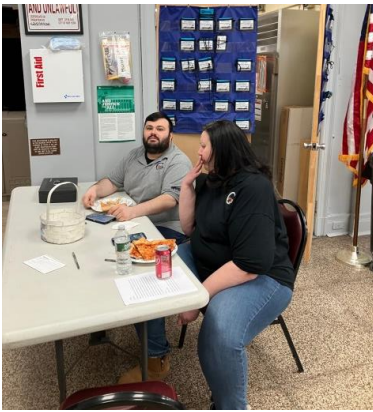


Race One: This was our New Year's Celebration and Resolutions Meeting. We had a lighter than usual crowd of members and friends in attendance. President Danielle Kleiman clapped the gong at 12:00 PM to call the meeting to order by asking those in attendance to rise for the Pledge to our Flag. After the Pledge, Danielle asked Bob to offer a blessing. It was thankful for our gifts and remembering those less fortunate in line with our attempts to comply with the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion principles.

Race Two: Today was a PIZZA Day provided by Grace Pizza in Glendale. All that you could eat and only \$10. The meeting was quiet, intimate and fun, all at the same time. After a short statement to members and friends by President Danielle, she asked her Chief of Staff to take over and after introducing our guest, Chief Christine Bastedenbeck from PBQN and Lt. Kevin Donnelly, Bob had everyone get up for their scrumptious meal. Showing everyone how it is done, Rozario Sylvain from Champion Elevators, enjoyed his pizza and made his resolution to spend more time with his children and family. Well done to our newest member and friend.



Race Three: This was a small gathering and we had everyone give their New Year's resolution and were they fun and interesting. Drinking more water was a funny one as two of our members said they need to do that while drinking soda with their pizza. What, Madame President, you meant starting NEXT week? There were a few dieting ones and there was even one to go for more walks with her husband. Why is Bob limping around the room??



Race Four: DPP Gino Ancona, DPP Janine Mahon and President Danielle Kleiman set up the room and tables to prepare for our large crowd. EVERYONE is equal in making things happen at the 3-2-1 club. Henrietta Maier was happy to give her resolution and enjoy some pizza along with DIPPY Bill Rennison, Tieless John Hennessey, Rozario and Jayne Wadhawan. DPP Gino Ancona was holding down the fort as he collected for lunch and took a few minutes to have his lunch. DPLG John Stahl and DPP Margie Stahl were in the house and HAPPY to say that they were off to Florida at the end of the week to celebrate 55 YEARS of wedded bliss. Also in attendance was DPG Joe Corace with Distinguished wife Nydia who made her New Year's resolution, in Spanish, to echo what Margie had said moments earlier, also in Spanish. They both had to do with their respective hubbies and patience. QW Lt. Governor Janice Bar was at the Clubhouse again to have some pure unadulterated FUN and Laughter. Joining that table was BettyAnn Monahan who loves to walk. DPG Joe Corace made the silly error of resolving to spend more time with Bob Monahan.



Race Five: Just as folks were completing their meals, Happy Dollars and Mixed Dollars started to flow around the room. John Hennessey gave sad money for an employee who had a massive heart attack and passed away at only 43 years old, coupled with the anniversary of his mom's passing from a stroke. JOHN, we all pray with you at this time. On the lighter side of things, John took his tie off because he knew that it was a NEW YEAR. Speaking of ties, we are planning to hang our latest addition from NYPD Chief Raymond Porteus who went for a whopping \$500. Seems that someone attended today's meeting and made good on that big number and just loves being with our 3-2-1 Club. Partnerships are what make Ridgewood Kiwanis a step above the rest and offering service to others at the highest levels possible.



Who loves Chief Christine Bastedenbeck? Every living soul in Ridgewood 3-2-1, that's who loves her. And let us not forget Lt. Kevin Donnelly who joined the Chief at our meeting.



So let us see who we have here; DPP Janine Mahon, DPP Liz Fitzgerald and Maureen Powell. Then, too busy chatting and eating were Dina DePaola and Xiomara Pina. Liz and Janine resolved to go out with friends more often, Dina said something about starting something maybe tomorrow and Xiomara chose not to give up her resolution. Maureen isn't going to sweat the small stuff for the New Year.



Race Six: It was nice to have Paul Hoffmann and Joan Hoffmann hanging around with our very own, Carlos "Papi Chulo" Rodriguez and his lovely wife Tracy Rodriguez. Paul resolved to eat better and Joan quickly replied that she could help in that resolution. Carlos said that he would eat more fruit and even went as far as to say that he was looking into a "FRUIT" vending machine for the GRYC. For some reason, Tracy resolved to be more patient with some folks. Dina DePaola said something about her gym membership & DIPPY Bill Rennison resolved to be the "BEST KIWANIAN HE COULD BE". Bob quickly replied, "Too late, you already are an incredible Kiwanian". Maureen Powell resolved to appreciate the little things in life and not sweat the small stuff. Shiv, like President Danielle said that he wanted to drink more water. Bob went last and resolved that the Ridgewood 3-2-1 Club would be like the POLAR EXPRESS heading for the North Pole with its members and partners on board. One direction, one focus to serve and welcoming for those who wish to hop on board to join us.

What time is it??

It's time to SERVE!!

Race Seven: Ridgewood 3-2-1 is having a Fundraiser for DPG Joe Aiello and his FIRST LADY Carole "Cookie" Aiello. As some of you may know, Carole has been struggling with some severe medical issues and will soon be having the Whipple Surgery to address the long term effects of her chronic pancreatitis. This surgery will remove the pancreas, gall bladder, spleen, and possibly other affected organs. This is major league serious and we are hopeful that, in true Kiwanis service, we will WORK TOGETHER to support Joe and Carole. The first part of our fundraiser is a \$100 Grid Box, selling as many boxes and grids as possible. The second phase will be a Dinner-Dance to be held in Early Spring. DPP Gino Ancona will be coordinating these efforts.



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Let's give back to the Aiello family.

Race Eight: Upcoming Events include:

- **January 10th – Ridgewood 3-2-1 Board Meeting @ 5:30 PM in the Clubhouse**
- **January 10th – QW Division DEI Committee Meeting @ 6:45 at 3-2-1 Clubhouse**
- **January 17th – Regular Meeting at noon in the Clubhouse at 12:00 Noon**
- **February 7th – Regular Meeting at noon in the Clubhouse at 12:00 Noon**

Race Nine: Danielle closed the meeting at 1:30 PM. There was \$825 for Happy Dollars, Tie Auction and Food Money. It was a phenomenal afternoon!!



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What makes you think that the Ridgewood 3-2-1 Club can get everyone to put aside differences to work together for this great cause?



How can you say that the 3-2-1 Club members are truly spirited, caring and totally understand what true service to the community is?



People may doubt what you say, but they will ALWAYS believe what you DO.



It is with extreme sorrow that we inform you of the passing of Edward Miller, father of SDPLG Michael Miller. Ed fell at home and broke his Femur and was taken to the hospital. He had surgery to repair his break and shortly after surgery, a blood clot traveled to his lung and he could not be saved. Our heartfelt condolences go out to Mike Miller and the entire Miller family at this time of deep sorrow. Rest In Peace, good and faithful servant.

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