



The Triple Crown Newsletter

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Race One: The meet began with a very nice attendance of about 55 members as President Gino was on hand to open the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. There was a nice mix of folks who heard Deacon Kevin Powell offer an invocation and grace. Great job Kevin, filling in as one of our Sky Pilot's in Ridgewood 3-2-1.

Race Two: Gino opened at exactly 12:00 noon and announced that if you come late you will be fined a buck. He went over some more of his Gino-rules and fined a few late comers to the meet. Echoes of Liz shouting out, "I bet you're missing me even more now". Seems that the case of bobble-heads was back in the house. Our sheriff couldn't make it, so Janine Mahon, our President Elect, stepped up to do the honors, with just the feed bag. Thanks Janine for jumping into the fray and doing an awesome job. Gino made some announcements, many of which are explained later on in this newsletter, so hang tight, we'll get to it.



Race Three: At that point, everyone was invited up for lunch. Today's lunch was provided to the club from Zum Stammtisch on Myrtle. We had 4 – 3 foot heroes; two German style and two American style, plus salads. It was quite a treat since many of the folks hadn't had the German variation of a three foot hero. Rumor has it that even Kenny Dunn enjoyed the meal and that is saying a lot, trust me, it's saying a lot. Seems P.O. Leza Craigg decided to muscle her way to the front of the food line and gave some lame excuse about not being able to find her meal ticket, or was it, Bob is my meal ticket?? Hmmm, pretty pushy there girl. The rest of the NYPD table got up to indulge but each of them had a meal ticket that they paid for themselves. WHAT??? LEZA should be the sheriff at the next meeting, just because. Kenny Dunn back in the saddle and messed with the law and got to the front of the line. The Vegetarian food was non-existent today, but, Diane was unable to attend, so we were off the hook. We did have salads, however. After folks got up to get their food, Gino hit the gong and started the happy dollar brigade. He announced that it was time to make some money.



Race Four: Hop-along Hank gave sad dollars for his Packers never showing up for their game last Sunday, JR had happy dollars for his Cowboys, Tom (DPM) Wilk gave bucks for the Steelers, but more importantly, gave money for the Islanders (yes, another sport called hockey) and their winning streak. Joe Aiello bucked up for the Jets only win and so did Chris McDougal ante up for the JETS. We made \$220 last week alone on the Football Pool thing going on each week at the Club. The club is \$1540 richer, no matter how it all happened. Lucian was unable to attend as he is preparing for hunting season. Happy dollars were given for our two NEW MEMBERS; Joan Hoffmann, mom of member Paul, and Ann Marie Dolphin, aunt of 321 member (and District Administrator for Builders Clubs) Ricky Wahmann. Lots of happy dollars were given to welcome them to our membership. That brings us back up to 105 members and 2nd Largest Club in NY District. Slow and steady will win the race this time around. President Elect Janine had happy dollars to say something nice about the AKTION Club Halloween Party and Haunted House here at the clubhouse. She also gave dollars that Gino isn't as bossy as she thought he might be as his President Elect. Newsflash: Janine's son, US Army Captain Colin Mahon has only 4 more months in Korea where he has his TANK command. Michael Addeo was down in Florida at a convention (yes, I'm sticking with that story) Jayne, minus Alex was at the ranch from Valley National Bank and Liran from Maspeth Federal joined us and spoke about the Fresh Pond Branch re-opening that will be about one week long with events and activities. Janine then said that her aunt Margie worked at Maspeth Federal for 53 years, her only job, before retiring recently.

Race Five: Alan Bellone was not at the meet, so he couldn't bother Carlos or Mary, or anyone else for that matter, BettyAnn joined us and had a nice conversation with Jayne and Joan. Henrietta had something in the City, Diane had something in Queens, Chris Jardin had something someplace, well, you get the picture. Some folks had excuses as to why they couldn't make the meet. The NYPD contingent PO Mike Berish, Detective Tommy Bell, our Captain Perry was back in the ranks, and "G" was back with his great smile and hugs. Great day for happy dollars and fun with our members. Wild Bill Rennison was there at 12 sharp and was joined by Kevin and Maureen Powell, along with Rafal from Oliwa Construction who had to fork over \$140 for the Patriot wins. Sorry Rafal, bad choice of teams.

Race Six: Tina Forte was hanging out with Mary and Carlos and has one of the best attendances in the club. Gino announced earlier in the meeting, but, I am using this race for the rest of the information about the Aktion Club Halloween Party that was held at the clubhouse on November 2nd. Lots of members cleaned out one of our classrooms, went shopping to buy stuff and then created a magnificent Haunted House for the clients and their caregivers. Thanks for all of that effort and time to make the Aktion Club members so excited. After they went through the Haunted House, they came downstairs to a very, very, very messy Chinese food Dinner. Rice all over the place to clean up at the end of the night. Claire Mahon, JR, Bill Rennison, Liz Fitzgerald, Joe Aiello and Gino helped with the preparing and serving of the meals, Janine Mahon'd (manned) the front door and directed everyone to the Haunted House, and Kenny Dunn and Dave monitored the area to assure safety. Hank, JR and I went to the regular meeting of the Aktion Club on Wednesday night and brought FOUR suitcases of White Castle's for them to eat. And mother of God can they eat. They were raving about the Halloween Party and are so looking forward to joining us again, with the Glendale Kiwanis Club, for their Christmas Party here at the ranch on December 14th. Phenomenal job by all, you made over 75 Aktion Club members very happy. Congratulation.!!



Race Seven: Linda Monte was back at the ranch and we were all very happy to see her. Has anyone seen Joe Florio, and if you do, please let him know that I have a gift for him in my office. DPLG John Stahl gave happy dollars to announce the Wine and Cheese Art Gallery Fundraiser that will be held at the clubhouse on November 23rd from 11 AM to 5 PM. Tickets are \$10 each and Pictures and other items will be for sale to those in attendance. This is a BIG fundraiser for the Club and the GRYC and we are hopeful that you will join us, buy tickets, drink wine, eat cheese, spend money and you get the picture. No pun intended. Bernie and Ann Zablocki couldn't attend as they had a doctor appointment in the City, Michele Woerner, Liz Fitzgerald and Shiv, came to break bread, literally since we had heroes. Oh wait, Shiv is a vegetarian, sorry. Along for the round-up were; Michaeline Von Drathen and Marc Darius, the two newest staff members of the GRYC. Marc has asked for his application and will be inducted in December. Beverly McBeth, Edwing and Oscar came to support Marc who has worked with them Part-Time for years. Beverly gave happy dollars to extend her congratulations for his Full-Time gig. Jennifer Lamberty was all aglow after collecting over \$1,500 from PS 153 for Trick or Treat for UNICEF. Liz Fitz was over \$1,200 at PS 128 and Cynthia Ortiz (fresh off her honeymoon) collected another \$400 at IS 128. As a club we will collect in and about \$6000 for UNICEF and that will be combined with John and Margie Stahl's collections at PS 229. Combined it will be over \$10,000. Yeah baby, this is what a great club can accomplish in less than one month. Ricky Wahmann, fresh back from seeing his buddy Rhoda Rosen who made some more baby blankets and wheelchair lap blankets, Catherine Siegel, Dina, Carmen, and of course our greeter, Ariel was at the front getting money and attendance slips. Unfortunately Maricelis had a death in her family and was with her family at this sad time. Liz did a fine job filling in that role. Christine, Maria and Danielle were checking things out and Maria is still GLAD to be back to work after having her second child. John Hennessey was unable to attend, but was going to Stammtisch with friends for dinner, so he really didn't miss our German food lunch. It was a great day and if I missed giving you a shout out, make some more noise with happy \$.

Race Eight: Upcoming Events include:

November 13th – Woodside Club Holiday Auction at Donovan’s Pub 7PM Interclub

November 20th – Thanksgiving Meeting of 3-2-1. Yes, all the trimmings and more to be thankful for.

November 23rd – Wine and Cheese ART GALLERY and Auction Fundraiser 11 – 5 and cost is only \$10 to get in

December 2nd – Astoria Club Auction Interclub at 7:00 PM

December 4th – Regular Meeting of 3-2-1 at the Clubhouse. Program to be announced soon.

December 9th – Next Board Meeting at the Clubhouse @ 6:30 PM, all members invited to attend

December 14th – AKTION Club Holiday Party at the Clubhouse. Joint effort with Glendale Kiwanis

December 18th – Grab Bag Meeting of the 3-2-1 Club at 12 noon in the Clubhouse. Gifts \$20 each

The Ridgewood Kiwanis 3-2-1 Webpage is about to launch. It is a work in progress and any suggestions are welcome. Check it out by clicking on the link below. Thanks Robert P. Monahan for putting this together and highlighting how great this club really is. If you haven’t seen the Scrapbook from last year, check it out in the Newsletter ARCHIVE section.

<https://robmonahan.wixsite.com/website-8>

Race Nine: Gino ended the meeting right on time by hitting the gong. Happy Dollars and Food Money collected for this meet was \$ 625.



The Ridgewood 3-2-1 KIDDY KIDZ Clubs collected over \$500 in coins for Trick or Treat for UNICEF !!

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Note from the Editor:

As I have mentioned, Ridgewood 3-2-1 removed over 50 members from the Active/Dues Paying roster to start this 2019 -2020 Administrative Year with 105 members. That makes Ridgewood 321 the largest club in Queens West Division and the Second largest club in NY District. We have begun to restore some members as Honorary and have added our first two new members of this year. We are in need of establishing our Committees and putting more people into the active working roles, allowing us to achieve even more awesome things. We are launching our webpage, tightening up our email list, creating a series of programs to enhance meetings, expanding our fundraising efforts to include events at breweries, cafes, and other local business venues, and most importantly, we need your input and support to make all of this possible. Keep up the energy, come down to meetings and join committees. If you are active and engaged, you will keep our communities vibrant and encourage others to have what we have. Thanks.



Hey Kenny, Did you remember to buy diapers for today's meeting. NEWBORNS Kenny newborn diapers for the Blessing Bags.

The older contingent of the club had a “brief” discussion about Diapers and things. Look below and see the partial donation of baby items for the Blessing Bags that will be distributed to Wyckoff Heights Hospital.



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Ridgewood Kiwanis 3-2-1

Wine & Cheese

Art Gallery Display

Date: Saturday, November 23rd

Time: 11AM-5PM

Where: The Greater Ridgewood Youth Council
59-03 Summerfield Street

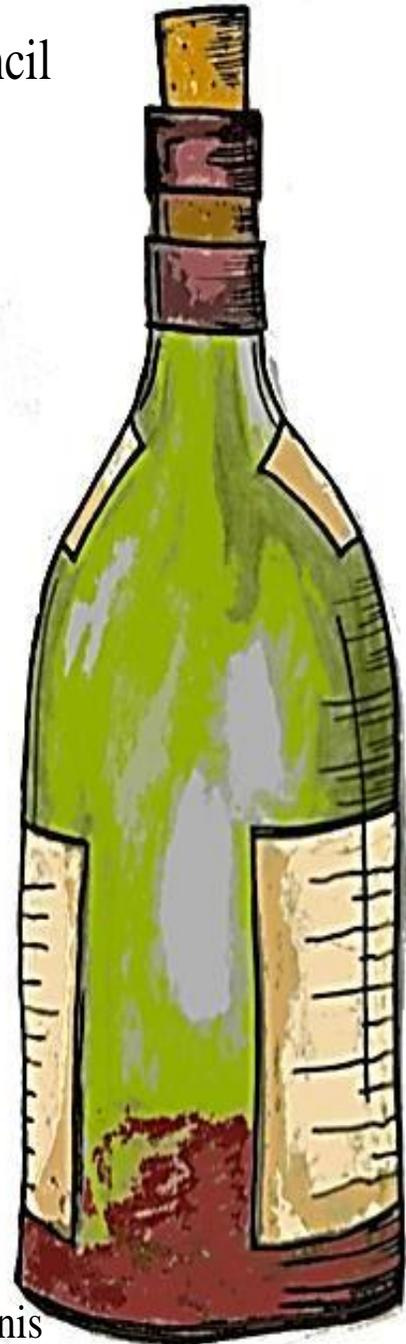
Advance Ticket Sales: \$10.00

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All Proceeds to support our Kiwanis
Community Service Projects



AKTION Club Members and their winning costumes at the Halloween Party







Diane Cusimano took this event very seriously as you can see. Next year it is planned to have a look-alike contest at the Party.

