

# Liederkrantz Life

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

24 July—Semi-Annual Meeting  
8-10 August—GermanFest Picnic  
23 August—Genealogy Meeting, 1 p.m.  
23 August—Bus excursion to GAF, Toledo  
10-11 October—Oktoberfest  
18 October—Fall Concert and Dinner

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

The weather is heating up and so are all the picnic plans and activities. There are plenty of openings for volunteers for this our 25th Annual GermanFest Picnic so if you would like to help, please call John Koerner for more details on how. We have a new configuration planned for the Fairgrounds this year so it should be a great way to spend the weekend. Don't forget to attend the Appreciation Party for the Picnic Workers in our Club on Sat. August 16. Another bus trip to the GAF Picnic in Toledo, Ohio is also planned for August 23. Those who went last year had a great time so make your reservations while there are still seats available on the bus. Put on your sunscreen, your sunglasses, your straw hat, relax and enjoy the summer.

Heidi Gasper  
President

## GERMANFEST PICNIC CULTURE DISPLAY

The theme for this year's Culture display at the German Picnic is Saxony and the Folk Art of the Erzgebirge region of Germany. This is where nutcrackers, smokers, Christmas pyramids, etc. are made.



If you have any items of this type that you would be willing to lend us to display **in closed glass showcases** at the Picnic in August, please let us know ASAP.

Thanks.

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**KINDERKORNER HELP NEEDED** We are very much in need of workers for the KinderKorner at the GermanFest Picnic Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, for 2 hour shifts.

Duties are to run children's games and distribute prizes. Call **Theresa or Ron Warych at 435-4854** or sign up at other functions and provide time(s) available. Thank you very much.

**WINE BOOTH HELP NEEDED** We're looking for some fine, upstanding, attractive, hardworking volunteers to man the GermanFest Picnic Wine Booth in August. Or, if you would like to volunteer instead that would be great also!



I have shifts open all three days, each shift runs three hours, with three volunteers in the booth continuously (so if you have two friends, let me know and I'll see what I can do to group you together. Or, if you have no friends then here is your opportunity to make two new ones). The booth will not be handling money, only tickets, so you can leave your TI 86's at home.

If you are interested, please call my cell at **937-830-1787**. Danke! Carol Zahn

## **GERMANFEST PICNIC FASHION SHOW!**

Interested in showing off your fabulous Trachten? The GermanFest Picnic Fashion Show is your chance! The fashion show is **Sunday, August 10, at 3:00 p.m.** Contact **Sarah Browning at 937-657-3807 or email [gaspersr@gmail.com](mailto:gaspersr@gmail.com)**. A short description of your outfit is required to participate. Thank you!



**CAKE DONATIONS** We are requesting cake donations for the cake booth at the Germanfest Picnic Aug. 8, 9 & 10th!! If you can donate a cake Friday, Saturday or Sunday, please call Cornelia Shockey at 937-253-8242 or email [corneliash@sbcglobal.net](mailto:corneliash@sbcglobal.net) We also need workers all 3 days, so if you're interested in working a 2 hour shift, please call or email me. Thank you!!

**CHOIRNEWS:** If you missed the practices this summer, you haven't heard all the complements we received for our work on Sangerfest this spring. I can only add mine, the choir was again outstanding and worked very hard on music as well as other jobs as

assigned. We should be very proud of the job we did. Some singers told us it was the best Sangerfest they ever attended, the Germans told us it was trip of a Lifetime for them.

Back to basics, our last summer practice will be July 31st at 7:30pm. Our regular practices begin again on Thursday, August 21st at 7:30pm. Remember there's always room for you to join our "great" choir. Grytha Always need help with MiniRaffle and see you at the Picnic


**GENEALOGY MEETING** The next meeting of the Genealogy Group will be held on **August 23, at the Dayton Metro Library, Auditorium at 1 p.m.** Please see the enclosed flyer for all of the details!

**SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING** Our Semi-Annual Meeting will be held on **Thursday July 24 at 7:30 pm in the Ratskeller.** All members including singers, dancers, and social members should attend



this meeting to be kept up to date on the activities and affairs of the club Mark your calendar so you will be sure to attend this meeting.

**PICNIC WORKERS' PARTY** Another date to mark on your calendar is **August 16 at 5:30pm**, for the Picnic workers party. All persons who helped or volunteered at the picnic, whether you are a member of the club or not, are welcome to come join in a post picnic party. More details to come.

**GERMAN AMERICAN FESTIVAL TRIP** Get your tickets now for the bus excursion to the German American Festival in Toledo on **Saturday, August 23!** Last year's trip was a hoot,  and this year promises nothing less than a repeat performance! You can make your reservations and payments by **July 31, 2008.** The enclosed flyer has all of the details, so check it out!

**PICNIC SET UP/ TEAR DOWN:** If you have some extra time on Thursday Aug 7<sup>th</sup> – please stop by the Liederkranz in the evening to help load up the trucks with Festgear. The more hands we have, the faster the load will go. We also need help with set up Friday, Aug 8<sup>th</sup> at the Fairgrounds and of course tear down and unload on Sunday night We will need a crew to help with cleanup at the club Monday morning, August 9<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!!

**WANTED!!** New dancers for the Dayton Liederkranz Volkstaenzer. A recent study released in Germany by two different hospitals

showed that learning a new skill and keeping active encourages new brain cells to grow in adults ages 50-67 years old. One good way of encouraging this growth would be to join the Volkstaenzer this Fall. We need new dancers. We will teach you to waltz and polka if this is necessary. Learning the patterns of the dances will keep your mind sharp and the exercise will be good for you. We practice on Monday nights from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. If you are interested, give Lois Lynch a call at 278-4606 or e-mail her at [loislynch@ameritech.net](mailto:loislynch@ameritech.net) You can also talk with her at the German Fest Picnic the weekend of August 8, 9 & 10.


**IN OUR THOUGHTS:** Please remember our members who are ill, hospitalized or in nursing homes or therapy facilities. Please pray for Herta Roth, Rosie Kratz, Raymond Shymansky and Jerry Laub and the speedy recovery of Philomene King and Margie Wirth who both had recent surgery. Also for our favorite newsletter punster, Carl Zahn who injured his shoulder.

**EMAIL ADDRESSES:** Just a reminder, if you would like to receive email blasts of upcoming events and other club related information, please provide us with your current email address. If you have been receiving emails in the past and have changed your email address, please let us know your new address. Your email address will not be used for anything other than club news. Send your email address (and your name) to Heidi Gasper at [heidig728@sbcglobal.net](mailto:heidig728@sbcglobal.net)

#### **NEIGHBORING GERMAN CLUB ACTIVITIES**

1 August—Edelweiss, Biergarten  
2 August—Eintracht, Saturday Fish Fry  
8 August—Edelweiss, Biergarten  
15 August—Edelweiss, Biergarten  
22 August—Edelweiss, Biergarten  
30-31 August—Edelweiss, Oktoberfest  
3 September, Eintracht, Fish Fry

**KARL'S KORNER** Now to something more important for the August Karl's Korner

In the old days, August was usually the vacation month. This is what usually happened: A  tourist is a person who travels for days to get a picture of himself standing next to his car!

A good exercise for the heart is to bend down and help another one up!

Thanks, see you at the German Fest Picnic  
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