I would like to encourage all members to attend the Semi-Annual Meeting on Thursday, July 13 at 7:00 PM at the Clubhouse. This is your Club and your participation is very important. Find out what the DLT Board has accomplished the last six months and find out what is going on for the rest of the year.

*Our Germanfest Picnic is on August 11, 12 and 13 this year* and all of you know the importance of the Germanfest Picnic! As you know, we were forced to change location. The Picnic will be in Downtown Dayton at RiverScape MetroPark. The new location will bring many challenges and we need your help to make this a successful Picnic. Please volunteer! Without the income generated, thanks to the efforts of so many dedicated people, the Club would be unable to exist in its present form. It takes a tremendous amount of money to maintain our facility. So, I thank you in advance for helping with our
Germanfest Picnic. On **Friday, August 18, at 6:00 PM** is the **Thank You Dinner** for the Germanfest Picnic Volunteers.

For your information, our Octoberfest has been moved to **October 14**. The reason we moved the date is to ensure that the Oktoberfest would not interfere with German American Day on October 8.

Please support the club by volunteering and participating in our many varied activities.

**Thanks for your support,**
Uli Gaertner

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**Upcoming Events:**

- **Mon. July 3** - No German Dance Lessons
- **Wed. July 5, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.** - Pinochle Group
- **Thurs. July 6, 7:30 p.m.** - Choir rehearsal
- **Mon. July 10, 7:30 p.m.** - German Dance Lessons
- **Wed. July 12, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.** - Pinochle Group
- **Thurs. July 13, 7:00 p.m.** - Annual Meeting
- **Mon. July 17, 7:30 p.m.** - German Dance Lessons
- **Wed. July 19, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.** - Pinochle Group
- **Thurs. July 20, 7:30 p.m.** - Choir Rehearsal; 6:30 Music Committee
- **Fri. July 21, 6:30 p.m.** - Tabletop Games Night 6:30-11 p.m.
- **Wed. July 26, 7 p.m.** - FINAL Picnic Planning Meeting
The Wednesday Pinochle Group needs more card players.
We play from about 10 AM until around 2 PM.
We brown bag and bring our own refreshments. We’d love to see YOU!

URGENT NEED - Drivers
We need drivers (2 minimum) to drive our inventory trucks for the Picnic supplies. No special license needed. Driving shifts are Thursday afternoon (August
10), Friday morning (August 11), Sunday evening (August 13) and Monday morning (August 14). Most shifts are relatively short - pick up truck, drive to DLT, drive to RiverScape, etc. Please contact John Koerner at 429-9251 if you can help with this critical logistics function.

**POTATO PEELERS NEEDED**

Trudy needs lots of help to peel a ton of cooked potatoes for our famous German Potato Salad. This is actually an easy, sit-down job at the Dayton Liederkranz Clubhaus, 1400 E. Fifth Street. Volunteers are needed from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. on Wednesday, August 9 and Thursday August 10. And a delicious lunch is provided!

Please give Trudy Campbell a call at 937-864-5859, or click [HERE](#) if you can help either or both days.

Anyone who would like to volunteer to work for a 3-hour shift in the air-conditioned cash or counting office during the Germanfest Picnic, please contact Mike Venys at [937-313-2609](tel:937-313-2609). Thank you!
WORKER TICKETS and KRANZI KOINS
Attention all Chairpersons - if you need worker tickets for your helpers, please call Betty Lou Martin ASAP. 937-434-0048 If you prefer to use Kranzi Koins for your helpers, please contact Laura Duncan.

POLKA MASS
Singers are needed to help lead the Polka Mass at the Germanfest Picnic on Sunday, August 13 at 10:00 a.m. If you would like to sing, please come to a 1 hour rehearsal on Thursday, August 3 from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. We also need Holy Communion Distributors. If you are a commissioned Eucharistic Minister for your parish, and would like to help at the Polka Mass, please contact Judy Schneider.
If you are the proud owner of a Dirndl, Lederhosen or Trachten, please sign up to participate in the Fashion Show at the Germanfest Picnic at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 12 at RiverScape MetroPark. I will need your name and a short description of your outfit. Please let me know ASAP if you can help. Danke! Silvie

It's Germanfest Picnic Grand Raffle time!
The grand prize is A Trip for Two to Germany plus $1,000 spending money (or $4000 cash). The cost is just $2/ticket or $10 for six tickets. Tickets will be good for every drawing throughout the weekend. All help with selling the tickets prior to August is appreciated. If you would like to sell or buy some for yourself please contact me via email at hemmelgaml@yahoo.com and we will get them to you as soon as possible. Danke. Lori Hemmelgarn, Chair & Jeff Hemmelgarn, Co-Chair
Check your calendar today and sign up now to get your preferred shifts for Germanfest Picnic. Invite your friends to help, or come and make new ones.

New singers and dancers are welcome to join us at any time. Choir rehearsals are from 7:30-9:00 p.m. on Thursdays, and dance lessons are from 7:30-9:00 p.m. on Mondays. Come try it out!

The purpose of Liederkranz Life is to keep our members and friends informed of meetings, club events and German cultural happenings in the Dayton area.

DEADLINE: Liederkranz Life appears on the 1st and 15th of each month. If you have information to be added to or highlighted in this newsletter, please email The Newsletter Team by the 10th or 25th. PLEASE NOTE: Any events not on the DLT Website Calendar will not be included in this newsletter. Of course, if there is an immediate need to distribute information such as inclement weather or emergency issues, an additional newsletter may be sent, but exceptions will not be made for late material.