I would like to thank all of you for supporting the Dayton Liederkranz-Turner for the last five months. Summer is around the corner and club activities are slowing down. We have had a wonderful Spring Concert and a dinner following featuring Jacob’s Käsespätzle. Both were outstanding. We thank Jacob Hellickson and his whole family for preparing an outstanding dinner. As all of you well know, our 29th GermanFest Picnic is coming up. Mark your calendar for the 10-12 of August. Come, by supporting your club by participating in the many volunteer opportunities. Tell your friends, come down to Carillon Historical Park, and enjoy the festivities. We have it all: music, dancing, genealogy, Trachten Parade, Dayton brewing history, and of course good food and a wonderful selection of beer and wine.

By participating, you are not only benefitting the Dayton Liederkranz-Turner but helping to assure the presence of German heritage and also honoring your German family heritage.

Enjoy the summer and the GermanFest Picnic, Uli

**Picnic Guide**

This is the last newsletter for two months, and the next reminder for the GermanFest Picnic will come just before the event. For that reason, John Koerner has provided you with a handy GermanFest Picnic guide that will give you all of the current details and contact information for the people associated with the event. The guide appears after the newsletter. Please take time to review the guide and find the best place for you to fit in to the plan for the weekend. It takes a huge amount of planning and volunteerism to pull off the Picnic each year, and we need your help! Everyone can contribute in some ways, or many ways. There is a job for everyone. Let us know what you can do to help guarantee the success of this year’s Picnic. We’ll see you there!

**Semi-Annual Meeting**

Please join us on Thursday, July 12, at 7:00 p.m. in the Ratskeller for our semi-annual business meeting. Board Members and Liaisons will be reporting on the various activities we have had the first six months of 2012. It is important that you attend so you know what has transpired and all the exciting things planned for the rest of the year.

**Garage Sale**

We need volunteers to work the three days—May 31, June 1, and June 2. Please call or email Brenda Stahl at 254-1477 or stahltw@yahoo.com. Also, bring your items to the club so we can price them ahead of time. Call the hall to be sure Jim is there to open the door.

Thanks,
Brenda Stahl

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**President’s Message**

Additional content is present in the document but is not directly relevant to the query.
M e m b e r C o r n e r

2012 Membership Cards/Member Benefit
Your 2012 membership card will get you free admission to this year’s Liederkranz Oktoberfest. But you must show the card to obtain free admission. Life members can use their permanent cards. If you need a replacement or would like a duplicate for yourself or a family member, please contact me.

German POW Mural
The WPAFB tour of the German POW mural is slated for mid-June. Those who expressed an interest in seeing and/or photographing the mural will be contacted once I have details as to date and time.

Scholarship/Grant Winners
Congratulations to the 2012 winners of the Dayton Liederkranz Academic Scholarship and Education Grant programs. Our top scholar is Jonathan Meyer, a DLT family member along with his parents Brian and Monica Meyer. Jonathan is a senior at Chaminade-Julienne High School with an outstanding resume of academic achievement, community involvement, and support for German heritage. His $1,500 scholarship will be awarded at the Picnic. A second place scholarship of $700 is being awarded to Audrey Martin, a senior at Xenia High School. She received all A’s through high school and has been very active with the Liederkranz. She is the Granddaughter of Butch and Betty Lou Martin. Our Education Grant this year goes to Tara Fugate, a continuing theater student at Sinclair Community College and the daughter of Mike and Debbie Venys.

Many thanks to the review committee of Margie Wirth, Ed Ruetschle, and Brian Shaw. The applications were very competitive and the funds never enough. Over the last 12 years, however, the DLT has awarded over $35,000 in scholarships and grants.

Membership Recruitment
We encourage all members to enlist friends and family as new members of the Liederkranz. We are holding our own in terms of member numbers as losses due to death, relocation, or other reasons are balanced by new members. For growth to occur, something that would benefit all members, more new members are needed.

Membership Chairman:
John Koerner, 429-9251, jabkoerner@aol.com

29th Annual GermanFest Picnic
Plans for the annual Picnic on August 10, 11, and 12, are well underway. Major publicity is in the works and fliers and business cards are available. Our Facebook page is up and running as we seek new “Likes”. If you have not heard, the GermanFest Picnic was ranked recently among “The Best of Dayton” as one of the top three festivals in the region. The remaining Picnic planning meetings will be held at the DLT on May 30, June 28, and July 26. See the Picnic Guide Insert for full details.

C a k e B o o t h
It’s time to start thinking about the GermanFest Picnic and once again, I’m asking for cake donations and cash donations to help pay for the Bienenstich and Strudel. I’m also looking for workers to work a 2 hour shift that weekend. If you can make a donation or work, please call me at 253-8242 or email me at corneliash@sbcglobal.net. Dankeschön!!!

K i n d e r C o r n e r
Volunteers are needed to help with children’s games and prizes in the Kinder Corner at the GermanFest Picnic. There are two-hour shifts on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday. Please contact Ron and Theresa Warych at 435-4854. Thanks for your help!

Cornelia Shockey
Karl’s Corner

Carl’s words of wisdom this month have to do with love. He says:

I heard that June is the month for brides and love. How about this one:

- These be three silent things: the falling snow, the hour before dawn, and...LOVE!

And this one:

- If your heart is full of love, you always have something to give!

Deadline for the next newsletter: July 19, 2012

Brian Shaw
cookiemon110@yahoo.com
252-0941

Other Club Events

- 1, 8, 15, 20, 29 June—Eintracht Friday Biergarten Nights
- 9 June—Händlmaier’s Freunde Weißwurstessen at Mecklenburg Gardens, 11 a.m.
- 6, 13, 20, 27 July—Eintracht Friday Biergarten Nights
- 8 July—Händlmaier’s Freunde Weißwurstessen at Mecklenburg Gardens, 11 a.m.
- 20 July—Eintracht Smoked Pork Chop Dinner
- 3, 10, 17, 24 August—Edelweiss Biergarten with Frank Svet
- 11 August—Händlmaier’s Freunde Weißwurstessen at Mecklenburg Gardens, 11 a.m.
- 18-19 August—Eintracht German Day in the Park with Jay Fox and Hank Haller
- 1-2 September—Edelweiss Oktoberfest with Die Sorgenbrecher
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Karl’s Korner

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If you would like to become our Treasurer, please give me a call if you are interested at 434-7999 or uhghlp42@aol.com. I know that Jerry will be there to help you get started.

Thank you so much,
Uli Gaertner

Treasure Needed

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Mulching Thanks

I want to give a big thank you to Uli Gaertner and Paul and Inge Longbrake for helping me with the mulch on the clubhouse grounds. We managed to get it all done in one day. It was so much easier with their help!! I really appreciate it!! Sehr vielen Dank!!!

Cornelia Shockey

Bier Stein Wall

It’s been several years since we updated the names and steins on our beer stein wall at the Ratskeller bar. Many spaces are being taken up by people who no longer use them, and several members have been waiting patiently for their turn at the wall. All members who would like to have/keep their steins on the wall are requested to pay the yearly rental fee of $10 per space. You can send your name (first and last) and payment to Brian Shaw by May 31, 2012. After that date, all steins currently on the wall that are not renewed will be removed to make room for the paid rentals. Checks can be made out to Dayton Liederkranz-Turner and sent to:

Brian Shaw
4448 Corinth Blvd.
Dayton, OH 45410

Please write clearly the name(s) associated with the Stein(s). Thank you!

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Jerry Schenking

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Jerry Schenking
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29TH GERMANFEST PICNIC GUIDE

The 29th Annual GermanFest Picnic will be held August 10, 11, & 12 at Carillon Park. The theme this year is **History of Dayton Breweries**, a tour through the overwhelmingly German breweries and brewers who influenced the Miami Valley. Other than E-Mail and Facebook, this insert will be the last printed information before the Fest – please review!

We had a record year in 2011 with fine weather and the Clydesdale horses. With everyone’s help and good weather, we expect some 30,000 visitors in 2012. After all, we were voted the **#3 festival** in the region last year. We continue to need a good return to sustain not only the Picnic, but the club itself.

**We need all members and their families and friends to support the event** – first by volunteering to work and/or secondly, by attending the Picnic and encouraging everyone you know to attend. Our volunteers make all the difference including various community groups from Special Olympics and the St Anne’s Hill Association as well as Boy Scouts and church groups.

**Urgent needs** –

**#1 Raffle** – **Sarah Boone** is again chairing the Grand/Mini Raffle. We now need folks to solicit donations for the Mini Raffle—gift coupons, free pizzas, merchandise, hair sessions, etc. Please ask—the worst they can do is say no. We also can use booth volunteers—contact her at 614-582-5919 or sannika15@hotmail.com or **Brenda Stahl** at 254-1477 to help or with prizes/questions. We will have a $5,000 50/50 for the Grand Raffle—only 500 tickets will be sold at $10 each. They are available now—please step up and buy/sell some—contact **Ron Sagasser** at 937-271-7876.

**#2 Loading, Set-up, Teardown, Cleanup**

We need folks on Thursday August 9th, 6PM at the clubhouse to help move items from storage to staging area and then to load the trucks and on Friday, August 10th at 8:30AM at the park to help with set up. Tables, chairs, bunting, decorations, cooking area, pop up tents, etc all need set up. Many hands are needed. Lunch and drinks will be provided. We reverse the process on Sunday starting at 5PM and then unload trucks at the DLT. Cleanup at the Klubhaus begins on Monday at 9AM.

**#3 Wine Booth**

We will have two wine booths again this year—contact **Sue Peterson** at 865-9322 or **Nichole Lashley** at 409-2066 to volunteer. These booths have become very popular along with our Winegarten.

**#4 Workers/Volunteers**

It’s time to start volunteering, signing up for work shifts. Contact your chairperson—beer, food cooking/serving, children’s area, etc. Call **Eben Bonear 438-8552** for master volunteer listing. If you don’t know who to contact call me – **John Koerner-429-9251**.

We are trying to set up electronic volunteering and slotting – check our website for the latest.

**Food**

Eben Bonear/Cashiers – 438-8552  
Chair – Uli Gaertner -434-7999  
Main Tent/Potato Salad – Trudy Campbell – 864-5859  
Warmers/Grilling – Mike Venys – 313-2609
Schnitzels – Ron Sagasser -271-7876  
Sandwich Tent – Margie Lewis – 477-7286  
Cakes – Cornelia Shockey – 253-8242, Maria Duncan – 293-6004 (need cake donations)  
Inventory – Lois Lynch – 278-4606  

**BEER**

We will have a special craft beer trailer this year in addition to our usual unmatched selection of German brews. We are in need of workers to handle everything from pouring and serving to handling money, tickets, and wrist bands in a typically fast-paced pressure environment during peak hours.

**John Banford – 848-9070**/ Rick Ordeman – 293-3611  
Tickets – **Margie Wirth** – 254-4110

**Genealogy Corner/Cultural Heritage**

Louise Gaertner – 434-7999/Judy Schneider – 433-3451

**Kinder Korner**

Theresa Warych – 435-4854

**Pretzels/Landjaeger**

The Goudy Family – 435-3978

**Trachten Show/ Beard Contest**

Support the true German ethnic spirit by appearing in the Trachten Show. Call **Sarah Browning – 291-3974** or **Amy Kinter - 890-0812** to participate. We are also planning on having a beard contest – perhaps beards and Lederhosen. More to follow.

**#5 Sponsors/Donors/PR**

Volunteers to help the Chairman solicit sponsors, donations, and push the PR window—need NOW. A sponsor/donor guide is available. Donations can be made to Dayton History/Carillon Park for tax purposes, earmarked for the Picnic. PR has already started with a brochure distribution at World Affair and other locations. Press releases and ads have been done. Fliers available now. Yard signs will be available late June.

**#6 12th GermanFest Picnic 5k**

Unique awards and tee shirts will again be featured at our 5k race/walk starting at 6:30PM on Friday the 10th. Registration forms are available at [www.keysports.net](http://www.keysports.net), or Active Dayton. Andrew Koerner – 269-3359 or djkoerner24@aol.com is our new Race Director. Our Opening Ceremony – scholarship awards and keg tapping is slated for 6:30 Friday with TV 2’s Jim Bucher.

**#7 Future Picnic Meetings**

Future Picnic meetings will be **May 30th, June 28th, July 26th—7PM** at the DLT. Please attend, especially Chairfolks. Come down to pick up fliers for distribution, 50/50 tickets, and yard signs(June) for placement. **John Koerner, Chairman  429-9251  jabkoerner@aol.com**