May 1, 2018

Upcoming Events:
*Fri. May 4, 6 p.m. - Spring Bier Tasting  
*Sun., May 6, 4 p.m. - Spring Concert, 5:30 p.m. Dinner (Prepaid Reservations Only)  
*Fri., May 18, 5 PM to 11 PM - World A'Fair  
*Sat., May 19, 11 AM to 11 PM - World A'Fair  
*Sun., May 20, 11 AM to 6 PM - World A Fair  
*Tues., May 22, 7:00 p.m. - Board Meeting  
*Wed., May 23, 7:00 p.m. - Picnic Meeting

Please note date corrections for World A'Fair!

For more information on any of these events, and a more complete calendar, please visit  
www.daytongermanclub.org/?q=calendar-events
The first four months of the year are history and I am looking forward to the remainder of the year. 

**May will be a busy month** starting with the Spring Beer Tasting on the 4th of May. Two days later is the Annual Spring Concert and Dinner followed by the World A'Fair on the 18, 19, and 20 of May. 

**Please mark your calendar for Thursday, July 12** for our Semi-Annual Meeting at 7:30 PM to see what was accomplished in the first half of the year. All of you are always invited to our monthly Board Meetings to see what is happening in your club. All of us have to become more active to ensure the future of the DLT. If you have suggestions of how we can improve your club let the Board know. As most of you know the DLT is a (501C3) entity, which means that donations to the DLT are tax deductible. We need your help in obtaining monetary donations for the Germanfest Picnic. If you have a contact with a business, please see if you can obtain a monetary or in-kind donation. 

**As always, we need volunteers** to help with the upcoming World A'Fair and with our Germanfest Picnic the 10, 11, and 12 of August. This will be our 2nd year at Riverscape. The layout has been improved and to ensure a successful picnic we need you to volunteer. Of course, a nice weekend without rain would also help. 

**Last, but maybe it should be first**, is our relationship with each other and the public. A kind comment, a helpful hint or a compliment will never hurt. However, criticizing others, and unkind words will create friction in the club. We all have our strengths, weaknesses and talents. Let’s built on the positive aspect and we will be a better club.

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**SAENGERFEST MEMORIES**

Looks like a great time was had by all!
The German Genealogy Group will have its last meeting of the spring session on Saturday, June 23. Because of the Liederkranz Calendar and the commitment of the club to the World A'Fair, plus the holidays of Mothers Day and Memorial Day, the May meeting has been changed. The last meeting on Saturday, June 23, will feature a speaker and input from members as to what they would like the GGG to feature in the future. Please take the time to attend this session so that we may have your ideas. Annie Foos will join us this meeting.
Since we installed the new security system, quite a few people have lost their cards, and new cards have been issued.

**Effective immediately, the club has a "lost card" policy.** Your first card is free. If you lose your card, there will be a $20 fee. If you lose a second card, there will be another $20 fee plus you will lose your card access privilege for 2 months.

When a card is lost we have to scrub the card info in 2 different programs, the door access program and the alarm arming program. Not to mention the fact that anyone who finds the card can potentially walk right into the club at any time.

Also keep in mind that anyone who physically unlocks a door (or "dogs" it open) is also responsible for making sure that the door is relocked afterward.
The Dayton International Festival committee that plans and organizes A World A'Fair each year is looking for volunteers to assist with compiling the music used by the performers on the interactive and main stage, assistance with move in / move out coordination for the festival, and several other key areas.

A World A'Fair is a 3 day multi cultural festival held at the Dayton Convention Center on May 18, 19 and 20.

For more information regarding volunteering for this event, email Debbie Venys at the following email address set up specifically for volunteering in support of Liederkranz, DLTVolunteer@gmail.com or check out signups on Signup Genius http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e044faaa72baaf85-aworld1

To learn more about this 3 day event, go to https://www.aworldafair.org/.

Pre-sale tickets will be available for this event in early May along with opportunities to volunteer, attend for free the day(s) you volunteer, to support Germany.

The theme for A World A'Fair is ethnic attire. We are looking to borrow dress form mannequins to display some of the Trachten. Please email DLTVolunteer@gmail.com if you have a dress form mannequin that
we could borrow for the weekend event.

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.