As all of you know, the Dayton Liederkranz-Turner is celebrating its 125-year anniversary. That is quite an achievement, and we should all be proud. All members, singers, dancers, genealogists and social members have to work together to ensure the future of the Liederkranz. By volunteering at our events, especially, the GermanFest Picnic, you are ensuring the future of the Liederkranz. Our 125 year Anniversary Concert and Dinner will take place on November 14. So write that date on your calendar now.

Our district Sängerfest this year is in Evansville on May 29, 30 and 31st. You do not have to be a singer to join in the fun. In conjunction with Eintracht we are hosting the Sängertag on June 19, 20, and 21. Delegations from our district will be discussing ways to improve not just our district but also individual clubs. On Friday night June 19, Eintracht will be hosting a Cabbage Roll or Sausage Dinner. On the next night June 20, the Liederkranz will be hosting the delegates with a Rouladen Dinner. You do not have to be a delegate to attend the dinners. Come and have a good time.

Thanks for your support,
Ulrich (Uli) Gaertner

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Yes, everyone received 10 books of tickets. Yes, they are $2 for one and $10 for six. Some members will sell all 10, some will sell more, some will sell less and some will sell none. I expect all of the aforementioned to occur. It’s okay. I’ve included a return envelope for the sold and unsold tickets. You can put it in the box that I set up in the Ratskeller next to the regular mailbox. I will not judge anyone on what they sold or did not sell. Even one ticket sold is better than none. The unused tickets will be sold at the picnic. No problem.

All my neighbors and their families are purchasing tickets. My family are purchasing tickets. I’m reaching out to cousins in other states as well. I’m purchasing tickets. I have yet to find anyone who doesn’t want to win a European vacation for $10. Even my dentist bought tickets. Of course I come from a large family. Most do not. It’s okay. I even understand being too shy to sell something. I have a terrible time asking for donations for charity. All I’m asking is that you make an attempt. I’ll work really hard during the picnic to sell the remaining tickets.

Thanks for your support.
Lori Hemmelgarn, Grand Raffle Chairperson

Ps. Remember, the best way to eat an elephant is to start with a bite.
MEMBER CORNER

2015 Membership Dues

Many thanks to all those who renewed their memberships and to those who have signed up for the multi-year discounts. Multi-year memberships save you money, prevent forgetting to pay your dues, and lighten the administrative work. 2015 Membership cards and schedules have been mailed to all members in good standing. If you did not receive yours, please contact me. Life Members have permanent cards. If you need a replacement, let me know.

2015 125th Anniversary Liederkranz Directory

We will publish the new 125th Anniversary Liederkranz Directory this spring. The membership list will go to the printer next week. This is a LAST CALL to inform me of any name, address, phone, email or other information changes that you would like to include.

Directory Sponsorship

If you and/or your business would like to help sponsor the Anniversary Directory, please contact me or send me appropriate art work. A full page ad will cost only $50 and $25 will cover a half page ad. A business card would be suitable for a half page.

German Life Subscriptions

Members who wished to renew or to subscribe to German Life and so indicated on their 2015 Dues Invoices have been included in the DLT Group Subscription that was recently sent. All Patron level members will receive the publication automatically. We sent in 39 subscriptions this year, the highest total ever.

GERMANFEST PICNIC Jobs Available

Most new members indicate their willingness to assist the club in one or more ways. We currently have numerous JOB OPENINGS for the Annual GermanFest Picnic. The Picnic HELP WANTED slots include: Assistant Chairman, Assistant Volunteer Coordinator, Assistant Craft Vendor Coordinator, Pretzel and Menu Service Coordinators, and numerous other volunteer activities, some suitable for teenagers as well as adults.
Come to a Picnic meeting, call or email me for more information or to get on board with a fantastic community event and the key Liederkranz fund raiser. See April flier.

More

Contact John Koerner at 429-9251 or jabkoerner@aol.com

ALERT! ALERT!

This is to alert our members to a dinner and dance which is being added to the Dayton Liederkranz-Turner schedule on June 20, 2015. The Dayton Liederkranz-Turner is co-hosting the 2015 North American Singers Association Sängertag on June 19 and 20. For our guests, we are serving a Rouladen dinner, and there will be a dance afterward. We are opening the evening to all our members and to the public. More information will follow in the next newsletter regarding reservations.

Lois Lynch, 2015 Sängertag co-chair.

GARAGE SALE

We are having a garage sale June 11, 12, and 13. Items can be brought to club and put on the tables in the chorus practice room. We are looking for things that are in working order and clean. We will be putting up a clothes rack for clean gently used items soon.

KARL’S KORNER

- If you are willing to admit when you are wrong, then you are right!
- A smile is the lighting system of the face, the cooling system of the head, and the heating system of the heart!

Deadline for the next newsletter: April 23, 2015

Brian Shaw
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252-0941
WHAT: April & May General Planning Meetings for 2015 Picnic

WHEN: Wednesday April 22 & Wednesday May 20, 2015, 7:00 PM, DLT Rathskeller
Meetings are typically brief – less than 90 minutes.

WHO: All are invited. Especially need all event/activity chairpersons; crew chiefs, and
interested members, especially anyone volunteering to be more involved.

AGENDA: Address problems and needs, discuss Chairperson list including need for new chair
and activity volunteers, discuss plans and options for 2015, especially layout and
anticipated changes, new CP Brewery implications, etc. Initiate sign requirements
for activities.

WHY: To implement our goal of Continuous Improvement and to plan for continued
success as a 30,000 to 40,000 (or more!) attendance festival.

REGRETS: If you can’t make it, but have input, wish to comment or to volunteer
please contact me. Thanks

John Koerner, Chairman, GermanFest Picnic jabkoerner@aol.com, 429-9251
DAYTON LIEDERKRAINZ – TURNER’S

32ND ANNUAL
GERMANFEST PICNIC
Carillon Park

August 14, 15, 16, 2015

Sponsorship/Marketing/Publicity Opportunities

**Overall Event Sponsor: $7,000** – Exclusive naming rights with name/logo on all PR including all media (ads, brochures, etc), on fest signs/banners, on volunteer tee shirts; participation in opening ceremonies; booth space and facilities and food/drink tickets for booth staff.

**Overall Event Supporter: $5-$7,000** – Similar to above, but less prominent.

**Major Venue Sponsor: $2 - $5,000** – Venues include Liederkranz Food Tent, Heritage Exhibits, Spass Platz (band tent), two Bier Gartens, Kidz Zone; Craft Vendor Tents; signs & banners at venue; listings in PR materials and over 5,000 programs; booth space/ facilities.

**Major Activity Sponsor: $1 - $2,000** – Activities include Opening Ceremonies, Trachten Fashion Show, 5k/10k Run/Walk, Worker Party; Parking Shuttle: sponsor signage and promotion as appropriate PR listings; booth space/facilities

**Supporter/Donor: $100 - $1,000** – Listings in PR as appropriate; signage at the Main Event Stage

**In Kind/Community Service** - Opportunities exist for numerous “in kind” donations/sponsorships and for community service work crews. Appropriate levels of PR or compensation will be matched to fit.
April 18, 2015
5:30 pm Sauerbraten Dinner
7:00 pm Concert

The Spring Concert of the Dayton Liederkranz Turner will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 18. Admission is free, and the public is invited. The Concert will be preceded by a homemade Sauerbraten Dinner at 5:30.

The menu for the dinner includes Sauerbraten with Red Cabbage, Spätzle, Dessert and Coffee. Price is $18.00 Children under age ten – $10.00. Prepaid reservations must be made by April 15th.

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Celebrating 125 Years

Call Louise Gaertner at 937-434-7999.
Spring/Summer Bierfest!

A Celebration of Seasonal Craft Beers

Friday, April 24, 2015   6:00 p.m.

Come enjoy the next edition of the Liederkranz’s highly acclaimed beer tasting parties.
Sample some 10 different Craft Beers in our authentic Rathskeller.
Our sampling tour will begin at 7:00 p.m., led by Liederkranz member, Mike Schwartz, beer aficionado, home brewer, and owner of Belmont Party Supply, Dayton’s leading purveyor of fine beers and brewing supplies.
The Bierfest will include free snacks and great door prizes.
Food, including brats and metts, and a variety of beers and other drinks available for purchase.

Preregister by April 22 for a Discount
$13.00 Members — $17.00 Non-members
Contact John Koerner to preregister at 937-429-9251
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Price at the door $20.00 for all    Admission for Designated Driver is FREE!