PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

March is coming to an end and your Board is actively improving your Liederkranz. The flowerbeds have been cleaned and enhanced with new shrubs. Our House Liaison, Dave Witt has been busy improving the club. A new security system has been installed, the audio system in the basement is being redone and a hand wash sink has been installed in the kitchen area. Before too long the outside doors will be repaired, the roof fixed and the ceiling tile redone. As Dave is inspecting the building more and more safety issues come to light and they will be addressed.

That brings me to the GermanFest Picnic in August. Without the income generated, thanks to so many dedicated people, the club could not take maintain our building in good condition. So, I thank you in advance for helping with our GermanFest Picnic.

I missed Fasching, but I heard many favorable comments about the evening. The decorations were outstanding and attendance increased significantly over previous celebrations. Sorry that I was unable to attend. Our next event is the Tanz Cafe on Sunday, April 3. Come and enjoy yourself in a relaxed atmosphere with music and dessert. This followed by our Spring Concert and Dinner on Sunday April 24, at 4:00 PM. Please refer to the flyer for additional information.

This year’s A World A’ Fair is on May 20, 21, and 22. That is always a good opportunity to sample foods from around the world and as always we will be looking for volunteers to help serve food and beer during the festival. The following week the Liederkranz will participate in the Nord-Amerikanischer Sängerbund Nationales Sängerfest in Pittsburgh on Friday May 27 - Sunday May 29, 2016. The Kolping Sängerchor will be joining us on the bus. I am looking forward to a great weekend.

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

Thanks for your support,
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UPCOMING EVENTS

- 3 April—Tanzcafe, 3-7pm
- 15 April—Spring Beer Tasting, 6pm
- 21 April—Raffle Ticket turn-in, 6-7pm
- 23 April—German Genealogy Group
- 24 April—Spring Concert and Dinner, 4pm
- 12-15 May—Inner Engineering program
- 14 May—German Genealogy Group
- 19 May—Raffle Ticket turn-in, 6-7pm
- 20-22 May—A World A’Fair
- 17 June—Raffle Ticket turn-in, 6-7pm
- 14 July—Semi-Annual Meeting
- 15 July—Raffle Ticket turn-in, 6-7pm
- 12-14 August—GermanFest Picnic
- 19 August—Thank-You Dinner

TANZCAFE

Give your dancing shoes a good spring cleaning and come to our next Tanzcafe on Saturday, April 3, from 3-7pm. The enclosed flyer has additional details for you to check out. See you there!

BIERFEST

Mark your calendars for Friday, April 15, for our next Bierfest beer tasting, featuring a variety of Spring and Summer beers. Since it’s tax day Friday, you can use it a good reason to celebrate your refund or drown your sorrows from your payment, depending on your situation. Either way, it’s a reason to drink! Check out the flyer for all the details.

SPRING CONCERT AND DINNER

Our choirs have been working all winter to prepare a little musical spring cheer for your ears to hear on Sunday, April 24, at 4pm. And Chef Jacob and his crew will be serving up a delicious dinner following the concert to round out a pleasant spring afternoon. The flyer has all you need to know for the afternoon, so be sure to take a look at it!
2016 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. New 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.

2016 Liederkranz Directory Update

We will soon publish an update to the 125th Anniversary Liederkranz Directory. New members will be added, non-renewing members will be listed for DELETION, and changes to addresses, emails, etc. will be noted. This is a LAST CALL to inform me of any name, address, phone, email or other information changes that you would like to include.

German Life Subscriptions

Members who wished to renew or to subscribe to German Life and so indicated on their 2016 Dues Invoices have been included in the DLT Group Subscription that will be sent shortly. All Patron level members will receive the publication automatically.

Recognition

Each spring the DLT recognizes those members who provide extra financial support for the Liederkranz. Life Members, who do not owe dues, but provide financial donations include:

Johann Rumpf

Patrons are those members who provide support at the $100 level. Patrons for 2016 include:

Paul Beck  Suzanne & Patrick Crippen  Eric Peterson
Johanne & James Downing-Groth  Robert Riner
Charles & Kathy Dulaney  William Roos
Laura Duncan  Johann Rumpf
Martin & Annie Foos  Doug & JoAnn Sabo
Dave & Heidi Gasper  James & Betty Jo Schneider
Helmut & Pat Kister  Brian Shaw
William & Barbara Knerr  Peggy Sisson & George Sine
John & Barbara Koerner  Ron & Theresa Warych
Ray Lemming  Robert Wolff
Tom & Mary Lou Lubinski  Carol Zahn

Correspondence

Please see the letter recently sent in by Life 50 members, Richard & Theresa Haber. It's always good for those working to support the DLT to receive some thanks:

A Faschingstanz to remember:

My wife and I want to thank all people, I am sure they were mostly volunteers, for the wonderful Fasching dance they put on on Saturday, February 6. It has been a few years since we went to a Fasching dance, and we were pleasantly surprised about the show these young people put on. We had a marvelous time, and I think so did everyone else. Although it was well attended, there could have been more. Let's hope the club can keep up the tradition and word gets around, and next year we will have a bigger turnout. Again, many thanks to the Fasching committee for a job well done.

Theresa and Richard Haber
Greetings Friends of genealogy,

On April 23, the GGG will feature Debra Nowell, of Columbus who will speak on DNA testing and the various differences among testing companies and their results.

The final presentation of the spring session will feature as a speaker a member of our group, Bob Bosshardt. Bob will speak on “Every Family has a Story—A tale of an Amateur Genealogist.” This presentation will be on an unusual date ---- Saturday, May 14, 2016, because the Dayton Liederkranz-Turner has obligations on both Saturday, May 21 and Saturday May 28, and I am committed to both of them.

To all those who helped at the GermanFest Picnic and those who have a portable computer, please help us out at the Genealogy Center located in the Visitors' Center at Carillon Park on Friday, August 12, Saturday, the 13th, and Sunday, the 14th.

Please mark your calendars for these dates and please note the unusual date May14, 2016.

Best Regards,
Louise Gaertner
A W O R L D A ’ F A I R

A World A’Fair, Dayton Convention Center, **Friday, May 20 - Sunday, May 22.**

It is time to start planning for A World A’Fair. Volunteers are needed again this year to help set up / decorate, make potato salad at Eintracht, volunteer to work during event, and tear down and unload on Sunday.

Not able to volunteer, yet want to attend? Why pay full price? Dayton Liederkranz-Turner, Eintracht, and Edelweiss will have Pre-Sale tickets available for purchase. You get in at a discounted rate and our German Clubs get a portion of the sale. Win - Win.

If you’re interested in more information and / or willing to help, contact Debbie Venys at 937-416-1545 or via a new volunteer email that has been set up at DLTvolunteer@gmail.com.

I N N E R   E N G I N E E R I N G

A four-day program entitled Inner Engineering will be offered in the Dayton area **12-15 May**, at the Dayton Liederkranz-Turner Hall on East 5th Street. Inner Engineering is a method, a tool to undergo a deep and lasting personal transformation. The course is a comprehensive system addressing every aspect of human well-being: from body, mind, and emotion to the fundamental life energy within us. This four-day weekend program offers the rare opportunity to experience life-transforming wisdom from an Isha Teacher trained by Sadhguru, yogi, mystic, and leading authority in yoga.

Fusing the ancient science of yoga with inspired wisdom for modern living, Inner Engineering is a holistic approach to well-being that has helped millions of people achieve greater health and happiness as well as a deeper experience of life.

[https://www.innerengineering.com/live/events/dayton/](https://www.innerengineering.com/live/events/dayton/)

Contact Dayton@IshaUSA.org or 937-540-ISHA(4742).

A R O U N D   G E R M A N Y

D I N N E R   T H A N K S

I would like to thank everyone who helped with the “Around Germany Dinner” in February. Thanks go to Jacob Hellickson, Steve Drabchek, his wife Christa, and their daughters Katarina and Valerie, Abby Shroyer, Kara Getrost, Ann Schlegelmilch, Tim Zwick, and Margie Wirth. They did a bang up job, from prep to clean up. I could not have done it alone. I hope that everyone had a great time and thanks to you for coming out.

Vielen Dank,

Lori

K A R L ’ S   K O R N E R

When I read these from Carl’s collection, I immediately thought he would have offered them in light of our just-passed primary and upcoming Presidential elections. Definitely words to consider in choosing the “best” of what’s to offer this time around:

- You can’t build a reputation on what you are going to do!
- A man of words and not of deeds is like a garden full of weeds!

Deadline for the next newsletter: **May 19, 2016**

Brian Shaw
cookiemon110@yahoo.com
252-0941
33rd ANNUAL GERMANFEST PICNIC
Carillon Park

August 12, 13, 14, 2016

WHAT: March, April & May Planning Meetings for 2016 Picnic
The March and May meetings will be GENERAL meetings addressing ALL Picnic topics. The April meeting will focus on facilities and vendors, but other topics welcome.

WHEN: Tuesday March 29, Wednesday April 27, & Tuesday May 31 2016, 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 2016, especially layout and anticipated changes, lessons learned, etc. Initiate sign requirements for activities.

WHY: To implement our goal of Continuous Improvement and to plan for continued success as a 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
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 7,000 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.
Join us on Sunday 3 April 2016
From 3:00 – 7:00 PM
Dayton Liederkranz Turner
1400 E. Fifth Street
Dayton 45402
937 – 223 – 9013
Music by DJ Max Tanzen

Tanz Café

• Entrance fee : $3.00
• Kids free
• Free coffee and dessert
• Bar is open
• Bring your dancing shoes!
• All are welcome
Spring/Summer Bierfest!

A Celebration of Seasonal Craft Beers

Friday, April 15, 2016   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 13 for a Discount
$14.00 Members — $18.00 Non-members
Contact John Koerner to preregister at 937-429-9251
or jabkoerner@aol.com

Price at the door $20.00 for all    Admission for Designated Driver is FREE!
APRIL 24, 2016 4:00 PM
SPRING CONCERT AND
DINNER

Come enjoy a beautiful choral concert by the Männerchor, Damenchor and Gemischterchor, followed by a delicious Springtime Dinner.

Menu for the dinner includes:

Frühlings Hühner Eintopf (Spring Chicken Casserole)
Gegrilltes Brot (grilled bread) und Salat (Salad)
Nachtisch (Dessert) mit Kaffee/Tee (Coffee/Tea)

$14 Members, $17 Non-members.

Prepaid reservations only to:
Lori Hemmelgarn, 3318 Sharon Ave, Kettering, OH. 45429
hemmelgarnl@yahoo.com  938-657-8489 by April 17.

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