P R E S I D E N T ’ S M E S S A G E

I enjoyed our Spring Concert. I also heard many favorable comments after the concert on April 18, and that feels good after many hours of rehearsals. Attendance was also up from the prior year, another good sign for our club. Now the singers are looking forward to the Sängerfest in Evansville, Indiana on the last weekend in May. In conjunction with Eintracht, we are hosting the Sängertag on Saturday, June 20, at the Liederkranz. Delegates from our North American Singing Association will be in town to discuss ways to improve the association and individual clubs as well. The Liederkranz will be serving a Rouladen Dinner at 5:30 followed by dance from 7:00 to 10:00 PM. All members are encouraged to attend. The cost of the dinner will be $15.00 (prepaid). Please call me at 937-434-7999 for your reservations. Checks should be made out to the Dayton Liederkranz-Turner and mailed to:

Uli Gaertner
891 Deer Run Rd.
Centerville, Ohio 45459

The GermanFest Picnic is approaching rapidly. Please plan to volunteer at the picnic; we can use all the help that we can get. Mark your calendars for August 14, 15, and 16. Volunteers are needed to help in the kitchen preparing potato salad, assisting in loading the truck, and setting up on Friday and tearing down on Sunday. Help is needed in preparing and serving food, pumping beer, assisting at the genealogy center, etc. You can go on our web site and volunteer. You can pick your day and time and enjoy working among fun people and making new friends.

Sarah Papp (614) 582 5919, sanni-ka15@hotmail.com, is asking all members for help in obtaining donations for our raffle and also for help in manning the booth and selling raffle tickets.

Uli Gaertner

S E M I - A N N U A L M E E T I N G

Take the time to attend our Semi Annual Board Meeting on Thursday, July 16, at 7:00 PM. It is important that you attend so that you know what has transpired and all the exciting things planned for the rest of the year.

Monies the membership has previously authorized have been used to update our building. Please look around at the improvements. Your Board will be asking for additional funds to further improve the building and provide easier access to our Ratskeller. Information will also be available on our 125th Anniversary Celebration on November 14, 2015.

Mark your calendar for July 16. This is your German club, and your voice is important to the Board’s planning for the next 125 years.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you.

Uli Gaertner
President, DLT
MEMBER CORNER

Danke, Danke, Danke

We would like to acknowledge those members who have supported the Liederkranz for 2015 as PATRONS. Patrons support the Liederkranz at the $100 dues level. This year marks the highest number of Patrons since the program was initiated.

Paul Beck
Tom & Kathleen Cooney
Charles & Kathy Dulaney
Martin & Annie Foos
Dave & Heidi Gasper
Helmut & Pat Kister
William & Barbara Knerr
John & Barbara Koerner
Ray Lemming
Tom & Mary Lou Lubinski
Dave & Anne Pepiot
Eric & Janet Peterson
Robert Riner
William Roos
Johann Rumpf
Doug & Jo Ann Sabo
James & Betty Jo Schneider
Brian Shaw
George Sine & Peggy Sisson
Ron & Theresa Warych
Robert & Kay Wolff
Carol Zahn

We would also like to acknowledge Life and Life 50 members (who do not owe dues) who have made 2015 financial contributions to the Liederkranz:

Paul & Inge Longbrake
Johann Rumpf

The financial support of these members as well as the tireless contributions of our volunteer workers is a hopeful sign of future success as the Liederkranz celebrates its 125th anniversary. Thanks to all.

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

G A R A G E   S A L E

Our club garage sale will be June 11, 12, and 13, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Lunch will be available during the sale. We do need help moving the items on Monday, June 8, and we will also need help during the sale. Items can be brought to the club and left in the choir practice room. Call first if you do not have a key card. Call Brenda Stahl at 254-1477 or by e-mail at Stahltw@yahoo.com for any questions.

GARAGE SALE

C A K E   B O O T H

It's once again time to start planning for the GermanFest Picnic! I am looking for volunteers to work a 2-hour shift and/or make cake donations. If you don't want to bake a cake, then I am also accepting donations toward the purchase of Bienenstich and Strudel. Please call or email me to volunteer or make a donation. There will also be a sign-up sheet in the Ratskeller. Vielen Dank! Cornelia Shockey, 937-253-8242 or cornelia79@roadrunner.com.

B E E R   T I C K E T   B O O T H

If you would like to work in the beer ticket booth at GermanFest August 14, 15, or 16, please contact Margie Wirth at 254-4110. We will be checking ID, putting on wristbands, and selling beer tickets.
At the last meeting of the spring for the German Genealogy Group, Amie Tennant of the Miami County Historical and Genealogical Society presented, "When the Easy Stuff is Done".

Now our genealogy group looks forward to helping the public at the German-Fest Picnic find their German heritage. I am in need of GGG members with portable computers to serve as volunteers at the picnic. There are many 2-hour time slots to fill. I will need approximately 40 people. So please volunteer and hopefully some of you will work a double shift—4 hours—or work more than one day.

**The Schedule for the GermanFest Picnic Genealogy Center**

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Chairperson, Louise Gaertner

**GRAND RAFFLE**

It's not long till the GermanFest Picnic will be upon us. It's a little scary, since the response for the ticket sales has been slow. All tickets, sold and unsold, need to be returned by 1 August. If you have not received your books to sell please call me at 937-657-8489. It's only ten books per family. They are easy to sell. Who doesn't want to win a trip for two to Germany/Europe? It's $4,000.00 in travel cash to be used for flights, sightseeing, river cruises, hotels, etc... Then there is an additional $1,000.00 in spending cash. The voucher for the travel cash is good for one year. The winner does not need to fly out of Dayton, OH, so feel free to sell them to friends and family out of state. Janet Boehmer is on her second set of ten books. Feel free to ask her how easy the first ten were to sell.

Thanks for your support, and good luck to everyone who bought a ticket.

Lori Hemmelgarn, Grand Raffle Chairperson

**Food Help**

Have you ever volunteered to help with pre-dinner duties, potato peeling, Spätzle making, etc.? If not, then you don't know that you not only help the club but you also socialize with other volunteers. It is a great way to meet members of the club and others who wish to preserve the German heritage. If food is not your thing, then volunteers are always needed with the landscaping. Please ask how you can help. Don't wait for someone to pull you out of your house. It's amazing how good I feel after helping out. Please don't deprive yourself of that wonderful feeling.

Lori Hemmelgarn, former DLT president and active volunteer.

**Karl's Korner**

Carl reminds us to keep laughing and smiling with his bits of wisdom this time:

- Our five senses are incomplete without the sixth—a sense of humor!
- You can't turn back the clock, but you can wind it up again!

Deadline for the next newsletter: **July 23, 2015**

Brian Shaw

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OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

SAENGERTAG WEEK-END

Eintracht Park on Friday, June 19, 2015
FREE ADMISSION
Live Music in the park 6:00 pm to 10:00pm
Special Dinner Feast: $15.00 each
Dinner served 6:00 to 8:00pm
2/Cabbage Rolls, Buttery Mashed Potatoes
Home made Polish Sausage, Seasoned Kraut w/pork

Dayton Liederkranz Turner on Saturday, June 20, 2015
5:30pm to 10:00pm
Travel on down the road to the Dayton Liederkranz Turner
Special Dinner: 5:30 to 7:30pm. $15.00 each
Salad, Rouladen, Spaetzle, Red Cabbage
Assorted Desserts, Coffee. Hot Tea
Dance 7:00 to 10:00pm open to the public $8.00 each
Dance to the Alpen Echos from Cincinnati, Ohio

Dinner Reservations requested for both Clubs
CASH BAR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY
Call: Rose Nolf, 275-0911, 238-0481, Lois Lynch, 278-4606
32nd ANNUAL GERMANFEST PICNIC

Carillon Park

August 14, 15, 16, 2015

WHAT: Final Picnic Coordinaton Meetings

WHEN: Wednesday June 24 & Thursday July 30, 7:00 PM, DLT Rathskeller

WHO: All are invited. Especially need all event/activity chairpersons; crew chiefs, and interested members, especially anyone wishing to help get things done.

AGENDA: Review decisions made – discuss lay-out, distribute and collect raffle tickets, Finalization of sign/facility orders, distribute yard signs, distribute parking passes. Make final decisions

WHY: To implement our goal of Continuous Improvement and to plan for continued success as a top community festival with 40,000 attendance.

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

John Koerner, Chairman, GermanFest Picnic jabkoerner@aol.com, 429-9251
The 32nd Annual GermanFest Picnic will be held August 14, 15, & 16 at Carillon Park. The theme this year focuses on the 125th Anniversary of the Dayton Liederkranz - Turner. Special exhibits will include materials from club archives and other sources. Other than E-Mail, Facebook and possibly Twitter/Instagram, this insert will be the last printed information before the Fest – please review!

If you would like to refresh your memories of the event, watch the video highlights of our 2013 Fest. A one minute version and a 14 minute version are available through our website: www.daytongermanclub.org. Open the Picnic tab. Or you can go to You Tube – Dayton GermanFest – there are some older versions on You Tube. These videos will definitely get you into the Fest spirit.

We had one of our best years in 2014 with some 40,000 visitors. We were voted the #3 festival in the region in 2011 and last year we were named by the Dayton Daily News as being one of the top 11 food festivals in the region.

We need all members and their families and friends to support the event – first by volunteering to work, secondly by attending the Picnic and encouraging everyone you know to attend, and lastly by publicizing the event and selling our Grand Raffle tickets. Our members and 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 – Lori Hemmelgarn is chairing the Grand Raffle with its great prizes including a Germany trip and $1k cash. All members should have received her letter along with tickets to sell. There are awards for ticket sellers. Net proceeds will help us defray our $30,000 to $40,000 fixed costs. Contact Lori at 937-657-8489 or lhemmelgarn@gmail.com. Sarah Papp is again chairing the 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 have donation request letters that can be left with merchants. We also can use booth and ticket selling volunteers—contact her at 614-582-5919 or sannika15@hotmail.com or Brenda Stahl at 254-1477 to help or with prizes/questions.

#2 Loading, Set-up, Teardown, Cleanup

We need folks on Thursday August 13th, 6PM at the clubhouse to help move items from storage to staging area and then to load the trucks and on Friday, August 14th 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 Sponsors/Donors/PR

Volunteers to help solicit sponsors, donations, and push the PR window—needed NOW. A sponsor/donor guide is available and was recently issued with the Newsletter. Donations can be made to Dayton History/Carillon Park for tax purposes, earmarked for the Picnic. PR is well underway with brochure distribution at World Affair and other locations. Press releases and ads have been done. Fliers available now. Yard signs available at the June Picnic meeting and remaining supplies will be at the Klubhaus.

#4 Volunteering

It’s time to start volunteering, signing up for work shifts. Contact your chairperson—beer, wine, food cooking/serving, children’s area, etc. Call the respective Chairperson or Debbie Venys - 313-2609 for master volunteer listing. If you don’t know who to contact call me – John Koerner-429-9251.
We have electronic volunteering and slotting – check our website for the latest.

#5 Food

We will continue our reduced number of outside food vendors and our expanded Liederkranz food service, including the EXPRESS DINNER line – this was a huge hit last year.

Eben Bonear/Cashiers – 438-8552
Card Readers – Benita Dorn-Collins – 545-7227
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 – Debbie Venys – 416-1545
Sandwich Condiments – Jillian Seib – 470-7876
Cakes – Cornelia Shockey – 253-8242, Maria Duncan – 293-6004 (need cake donations)
Inventory – Lois Lynch – 278-4606
Food Service Soft Drinks – Meyer Family – 278-9258

#6 Beer/Wine

We will again have the special craft beer trailer this year in addition to our usual unmatched selection of German brews. We plan on using the Carillon Brewery Bier Garten as well as our usual Bier & Wine Gardens. 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 – 558-6993/Michael Kerr – 681-4397/Amy Clark
974-3634 Wrist Bands/Tickets – Margie Wirth – 254-4110

#7 Genealogy Corner/Cultural Heritage Area

We need help at the Genealogy Corner – you don’t need to be an expert; we have Ancestors.com programs. And Judy can always use help promoting the Liederkranz and our German Heritage.
Louise Gaertner – 434-7999/Judy Schneider – 433-3451
#8 Kinder Korner

Theresa Warych – 435-4854
Theresa can use some help with the small children who flock to this booth.

#9 Pretzels/Landjaeger

Delicious Landjaeger and pretzels from Rinaldos -The Goudy Family – 435-3978

#10 German Pretzels

Pretzels from Rahn’s -- Inge Longbrake – 433-3252

#11 Trachten Show

Support the true German ethnic spirit by appearing in the Trachten Show. Call Silvie Schrumpf – 705-6060 to participate. The new features she introduced in 2013 were a big hit. Jamie Jarosik, TV2 meteorologist, is expected to emcee the show

#12 15th GermanFest Picnic 5k/10k

Unique awards and tee shirts will again be featured at our 5k/10k race/walk starting at 630PM on Friday the 14th. Registration forms are available at www.keysports.net, or www.itsyourrace.com. Andrew Koerner – 269-3359 or dkoerner24@aol.com is the Race Director and could use help from 5pm on Friday. The 10k race is part of a new race series –The Gem City Classic 10k Series.

#13 Opening Ceremonies

Our Opening Ceremony – scholarship awards and keg tapping is slated for 6:30 Friday with TV 2’s Brian Davis. We will announce the scholarship winners and kick off the Festival. Brian will likely do the weather report from the Spass Platz as he did last year.

#14 HQ Booth

The HQ Tent houses our raffles, but is also where first aid, lost & found, general inquiries, etc are fielded. This is also our major center for selling DLT souvenirs including tees, posters, pins, etc. Help is always needed. Contact Sarah Papp -614-582-5919/Brenda Stahl 254-1477.

#15 Golf Cart Shuttle

We shuttle a six-passenger golf cart from the parking areas to the event doors, especially for those patrons needing assistance. Drivers are always needed. Contact Butch Martin – 434-0048/Bob Eddy – 429-0103.

#16 Final Picnic Meeting -- Thursday, July 30th, 7 PM - Ratskeller