November 2011

Liederkranz Life
Dayton Liederkranz-Turner
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President’s Message
HOLLY, HOLLY, HOLLY, All in free! No wait I think that was supposed to be Ollie, Ollie, Oxen free? Well, never mind whichever is correct it just matters that you note the change to the DLT Christmas Party this year. The date has been changed to Sunday, 11 December, at 2 p.m. I hope that this has given you enough time to schedule it into your busy holiday calendar.

Now that I’ve gotten past the real important business let me remind everyone that the club needs leaders each and every year. In November the nominating committee will be calling on you to share your vision and expertise with everyone at the club. I hope that you find it in your heart and your schedule to run for office or be a trustee. Each and everyone one of you brings a unique perspective to the club. We need all the perspective we can get. So please think about volunteering and running for office. Don’t stand by and complain get in the game and change things.

See you at the all the wonderful fall gatherings at the DLT and at the Edelweiss and the Eintracht.

Lori

By-Laws Meeting
The BY-LAWS Meeting, rescheduled from July 15th will be held on Sunday, 20 November at 2:00 p.m. in the Ratskeller. I hope that you can make it. Change is never easy but it helps to have everyone there to vote.

Bierfest
The time has come once again for our Bierfest beer tasting event! Come down to the club on Friday, November 18, 2011 at 6 p.m. to try a selection of winter brews from a variety of craft and international breweries. Beer aficionado, owner of Belmont Party Supply, and Liederkranz member Mike Schwartz will be on hand to walk us through the various beers and help us voice our opinions of the various beverages at hand. And the kitchen will be open to help you satisfy your stomach while you satisfy your taste buds. It’s a fun night. If you like beer and want to try some new kinds, this is the place for you! And if you’re not a beer fan, you can still enjoy the camaraderie. There’s a special entrance price for designated drivers—free! There’s a flyer in this issue with all of the details, so be sure to read it!

U p c o m i n g E v e n t s
• 5 November—Schlachtfest Dinner, 6 p.m.
• 18 November—Bierfest, 6 p.m., Ratskeller
• 19 November—Genealogy Group meeting, 1:30 p.m., Ratskeller
• 20 November—By-Laws Meeting, 2 p.m., Ratskeller
• 3-4 December—Christkindlmarkt
• 11 December—Family Christmas Party, 2 p.m., Ratskeller
• 17 December—Christmas Concert, 7 p.m., Great Hall

Schlachtfest
A Schlachtfest is the German term for the ritual or ceremonial slaughter of an animal, which is often followed by festive meal. Today, it usually refers to the practice in many parts of Germany for a celebration or festival involving the ceremonial slaughter of a pig reared or bought by a private household or an inn for that purpose. Join us on Saturday, November 5 for our own celebration of this special event. The roasted pig will be served at 6 p.m., with doors opening at 5:30 for mingling with all of your friends. Check out the enclosed flyer with all the details, and make your reservations today! You won’t be disappointed!

Christmas Concert
Save the date! It’s hard to believe that the Christmas season will be on us in two short months! To get everyone feeling the season’s sentiments, the choirs have begun work on the selections they’ll be presenting at the annual Christmas Concert on Saturday, December 17, at 7 p.m. The concert highlights the cherubic voices of the Jugendchor, and also features performances by the Damenchor, Männerchor, and Gemischtchor. Please see additional information in the flyer that appears later in this newsletter. See you all there!

Jugendchor
It’s still not too late to join this year’s Jugendchor and sing in the Weihnachtkonzert. Young people between 8-18 years old are invited to participate in the Dayton Liederkranz Jugendchor. We meet on 6 Thursday Evenings (November 3, 10, and 17, December 1, 8 and 15) from 7:30-8:30 p.m. to prepare for the annual Christmas Concert on Saturday, December 17, at 7:00 p.m.
There is no cost to participate. Singers do NOT have to know German, but should be able to read English, and understand phonics. For more info, contact Judy Schneider at judyschneider@juno.com or 937-433-3451.
A Work-Share Session for all members. Please let us have all mentors present. All those desiring assistance please bring your research; others please share your knowledge.

Our new year for membership begins in November. Please, however, pay your membership fees in October, as we are in need of funds. These fees pay for speakers, materials and equipment for our group.

An annual election of officials will be held in November of each calendar year. All officers shall be present at this meeting. Voting is to be by members in good standing and will be open to E-mail voting for one calendar week. Please attend, as we need your help for planning and smooth functioning of this group.

There will be no December meeting so that you can spend time with friends and family during the Christmas season.

Best Regards to all,
Louise Gaertner

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**CHRISTKINDLMARKT**

Visit the Liederkranz on December 3 and 4 for the annual celebration of the centuries old Christmas market tradition that originated in Nuremberg, Germany. Quality vendors will offer hand crafted ornaments, handmade bath soaps and accessories, beer steins, children’s books (in German and English), German collectible items, antiques, stained glass items, unique jewelry, note cards & gifts, paper cut outs, etc. The annual Liederkranz Christmas Raffle will also feature many wonderful items.

**Food & Drinks**
The kitchen will be selling Bratwurst, Mettwurst, cabbage rolls, homemade goulash and lentil soups and European pastries and desserts, homemade German cookies. Specialty coffee drinks and Glühwein will also be available for purchase. The bar will be open with a great selection of German Biers and wine.

Hours are Saturday from 10:00 am to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday Noon to 4:00 p.m.
Contact person: Uli Gaertner (937) 434 7999
ughlhp42@aol.com

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**NOTICE**

If you are on our e-mail list and receive this newsletter by e-mail, you will not longer be mailed a hard copy. We have reduced the number of snail mail this mailing. If you would like to be on our e-mail list, let Brian know at cookiemon110@yahoo.com, and he will be happy to add you to the list. E-mail is quicker, more efficient, and more reasonable for the club.

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**KITCHEN THANKS**

Uli would like to thank two very special groups of people who helped pull off two very successful events in October. First, he sends his heartfelt thanks to all who helped in the kitchen at our recent Octoberfest. It was incredibly successful, in large part due to you!

Second, he gives a big Dankeschön to all who prepared the delicious Sauerbraten dinner on October 23. The reviews were raving, and he appreciates very much all you did to help!

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**BAR THANKS**

Thanks so much to everyone who helped out behind the bar at this year’s Oktoberfest. You all made everything run exceptionally smoothly. Thanks to Amy Kinter, Kevin Kinter and friend Tom, Sebastian Rock, Jim Venys, Mike Venys, Steve Venys, and Jacque Watson.

I’d like to send a special thanks to Jim Venys, who went above and beyond to order beer, order and install extra taps at the bars, and do a huge amount of the bar set-up for me. He doesn’t get the recognition he deserves for all he does for the club, and I want to tell him how much I appreciate his hard work. Thanks for making my job so much easier!

Brian Shaw, Bar Trustee

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**KARL’S KORNER**

Carl gives us two bits to think about as we age gracefully:

- When you get older it takes a lot longer to do nothing!
- Experience is what allows you to recognize a mistake the second time you make it!

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Have a great month, and Happy Thanksgiving!

Brian Shaw
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*Prepaid Reservations Only* to Heidi Gasper

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*by October 28*

- Roast Pork
- Mashed Potatoes
- Red cabbage
- Green beans
- Bread/Butter
- Dessert
- Coffee/Tea
- Mega meal includes choice of Leberwurst or Blutwurst
Fall/Winter Bierfest!

A Celebration of Seasonal Imported and Craft Beers

Friday, November 18, 2011 6:00 p.m.

Come enjoy the next edition of the Liederkranz’s highly successful beer tasting parties. Sample some 10 different seasonal Imported and 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 the famous Liederkranz brats, a variety of beers and other drinks will be available for purchase.

Preregister by November 16 for a Discount
$13.00 Members — $15.00 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!
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Saturday,
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Favorite German
Music of the Season, performed by the
Liederkranz
Jugendchor, Maennerchor, Damenchor
and Gemischtechor
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Dayton Liederkranz-Turner Ingendchor 2011

Who?
You! Singers from 8-18 years old

What?
Learn to sing favorite German Weihnachtslieder (Christmas Songs) auf Deutsch

Where?
Liederkranz Turner Hall
1400 E. 5th Street (corner of 5th and High)
Dayton, Ohio 45402

When?
Six Thursday Evenings:
November 3, 10 and 17; December 1 and 8
from 7:30 - 8:30
December 15 from 7:00 to 8:30

Why?
Christmas Concert
Saturday December 17, 2011 7:00 p.m.

For more information, or to join, contact
Judy Schneider
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Please note updated information!