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President's Report

Can you believe it? **Oktoberfest** is just around the corner. We are still in need of volunteers for the kitchen and volunteers from 3 to 7 in the ticket area. Please see the Vice President's Report for the Area Captain information. There is also an Oktoberfest Volunteer Form in this *Zeitung* that will provide the areas and times.

May we have beautiful weather on Sunday, October 6!

REMINDER: October is Officer and Board of Directors nomination time. Please see the article in this *Zeitung* for further information. The October Monthly Meeting is on the 17th at 7 P.M. at the Turners. Please try to attend!

I look forward to seeing you all at the Oktoberfest!

HEINRICH PFAFF, *President*

Vice President's Report

Well, it's getting really close. In fact, it's here! **Oktoberfest** is next Sunday, October 6, from 11 to 7.

T. J. Sheehan is our beer sponsor this year and they will be providing a good German beer—Spaten—as well as Budweiser products.

As I noted last month, this year we are trying something a little different. We will have "A Taste of Oktoberfest," where we will be offering wine, beer, and food tastes at a nominal charge. This will give the people who attend the Oktoberfest an opportunity to sample the Oktoberfest food and drink. They can then make an informed choice of what beverage and meal to purchase.

Here are the Oktoberfest Area Captains. If you have questions about volunteering in these areas, please give the Captains a call:

Oktoberfest and Entertainment Chair: Klaus Raith, 675-8321

Oktoberfest Co-Chair: Henry Pfaff, 437-8746, and

Jim Kozlowski, 622-2658

Money & Tickets: Henry & Mary Pfaff, 437-8746, and

Bob Kline, 458-6415

Setup & Security: Bill Nurk, 487-2472, and Eric Gang,

479-8281

Kitchen: Brigitte Niebuhr, 469-5304, and Ken Blechl, 458-6102

Beer & Wine: Mickey & Pat Palumbo, 622-9145

Bakery: Harold Smith, 676-3393, and Elisabeth Kallfelz,

699-8848

Limburger/Soda/Water: John Ott, 428-8764

Raffle/Advertisement/Promotion: June Pardue, 412-1761, and Richard Pfaff, 396-2001

Volunteers: Erika Carneim, 463-4304

Parking: Eric Gang, 479-8281

Hostesses: Helene Smith, 673-1002, and Margaretha Micho, 468-4541

Money Counting: Mary Pfaff, 437-8746 with Sue Foster & Betty Huppmann

We will also be honoring **German Heritage Day** at the Oktoberfest. If you would like to work at the Heritage Booth, please contact Sally Frenza at 345-6253.

2013 Oktoberfest Entertainment Schedule

Sunday, October 6, 11 am–7 pm

SPONSORED BY PRICE CHOPPER

- 12–2 Liverpool Community Band and the Syracuse Liederverein Mixed Chorus
- 2–5 The Twin Magicians—Dave and Paul
- 3 Opening Ceremony with Local Dignitaries
- 3–7 Enzian Bavarian Band and Dancers
- 7 Closing Ceremony and Raffles

There will also be several door prize drawings throughout the day. Plus Mary Pfaff has volunteered to put a **Basket Raffle** together.

Come and have a great time at Oktoberfest!

KLAUS RAITH, *Vice President and Oktoberfest Chair*

CLUB MEETINGS

- Okt 17 Board Meeting, Turners, 6
Monthly Meeting & Nominations, Turners, 7
- Nov 21 Board Meeting, Turners, 6
Monthly Meeting & Elections, Turners, 7

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Okt 6 Oktoberfest, Long Branch Park, Liverpool, 11–7
- Okt 19 Oktoberfest Volunteer Staff Party, Liverpool Fire Hall, 5:30–10:30

Treasurer's Report

For a complete report on our financial situation, please attend the October Meeting on October 17 at 7 P.M. at the Turners.

JIM KOZLOWSKI, *Treasurer*

Financial Secretary's Report

It is with great sadness that I note the passing of two more of our members: **Sally Drago** and **Edith Pierce**. You may remember Sally and Tony making and selling those great Limburger cheese sandwiches for several years at Oktoberfest. Edith was a constant sight at Oktoberfest and other events, arm in arm with John Holilhan. We will be missing these two great ladies.

Now to switch gears, we are hoping to get several new member applications at Oktoberfest. If you have any membership questions, please contact me at 622-9145.

See you at the Oktoberfest! Visit Pat and me at the wine and beer bars.

MICKEY PALUMBO, *Financial Secretary*

Sunshine Lady

We sadly have lost two more members. Sympathy cards were sent to the family of **Sally Drago** and **Edith Pierce**. Rest in peace.

Also, a get-well card was sent to our member **Bob Buchholz**, who had a heart attack while dancing at the Oktoberfest in Geneva, New York.

Please contact me at 468-4541 to report any illnesses, surgeries, deaths, monumental birthdays, or other events that are deserving of a card.

MARGARETHA MICHU, *Sunshine Lady*

From the House Committee

We are getting ready for **Oktoberfest!** I could still use some help in the kitchen for the second shift from 3 to 7. My contact information is below if you can help.

Our **Volunteer Party** will be October 19 from 5:30 to 10:30 at the Liverpool Fire Hall. All volunteers are welcome.

Our **Christmas Party** will be Sunday, December 8, from 2 to 6 at the Liverpool Fire Hall. It is open to the public and is always a lot of fun. More information will be in the November *Zeitung*.

Please contact me at 491-2573 (cell), 469-5304 (home), or e-mail at omib21@aol.com with any questions or to volunteer to help out at any of our events. You can also speak with me at the October Monthly Meeting.

Thank you!

BRIGITTE NIEBUHR

Oktoberfest 50/50 Raffle

There will be a 50/50 raffle at the Oktoberfest. The tickets are \$1 each, 6 for \$5, 12 for \$10, or 25 for \$20. If you have not already obtained tickets, they will be available at Oktoberfest to buy and sell. The more you buy and sell, the larger the pot!

Nominations for Officers and Board Members

It's that time again already. This year **Wilhelm Rohrbach** has volunteered to head up the Nominating Committee. If you would like to run for office, a spot on our Board, or if you would like to nominate someone, please contact Wilhelm. He can also provide information on the process. Candidates for office will be presented at the October Monthly Meeting on October 17 at 7 P.M. Nominations can also be made from the floor at the meeting.

You can contact Wilhelm at 610-972-4169 if you or someone you know would like to take an active part in the decision-making process of our great organization!

Goethe and Schiller Monument

Autumn is here and I want to make everyone aware that there is still an opportunity to purchase a brick at the Goethe and Schiller Monument. A single brick is \$50, 2 bricks are \$75, and 3 bricks are \$100, with each additional brick being \$30. These bricks can be purchased to honor or memorialize a loved one, friend, organization, etc. Please call me at 451-1848 for further details or to get a form. Forms can also be obtained at any German American Society event or online at germanamericanscnyc.com.

There will also be forms available at Oktoberfest at the German Heritage Booth. Why not buy a brick or two or three? What a great Christmas gift that would be for a loved one or organization!

As you may recall, bricks have been sold to help offset the cost of the Goethe and Schiller Monument Restoration Project, which was a joint venture between the German American Society and the City of Syracuse a few years ago. If you would like to assist with maintaining the area containing the bricks, please let me know, or contact Elisabeth Kallfelz at 699-8848 or Bill Nurk at 487-2472. There is still some fall clean-up to do.

Thank you to everyone who has helped in the past, and to everyone who has purchased bricks.

BOB DOMACHOWSKI, *Goethe and Schiller Monument Chair*

From the Editor

It's Oktoberfest time again, and many people have asked about how the Oktoberfest got started. Well, here's the story:

When Crown Prince Ludwig of Bavaria and the Princess of Saxonia, Theresia, were married in Munich on October 12, 1810, a national holiday was declared and the citizens were invited to the five-day wedding festivities celebrated in the fields outside the city's gates. The celebration was so popular that it became an annual festival in Munich with beer stands set up for town folks to quench their thirst. The original beer stands gave way to large beer tents in 1896, and are still part of this elaborate and festive German celebration. Fourteen big tents each accommodate thousands of people seated at picnic tables inside and thousands more outside the tents.

Germany is famous for its beers and its beer-brewing purity laws. There are six breweries highlighted at Munich's Oktober-

fest tents. Many revelers arrive at the beer tents in the morning to secure seats for the fun-filled days of drinking, singing, dancing, and eating.

Since the start of Oktoberfest, the dates have been changed from the original wedding date in mid-Oktober to September to have more favorable weather to celebrate the two-week long festival.

In Munich, Oktoberfest usually starts on the third Saturday in September, with the tapping of the first keg of beer by the mayor of the city to officially open the festivities.

So now you know "the rest of the story." Please volunteer at our Oktoberfest on October 6 at Long Branch Park. When not volunteering, enjoy the *Gemütlichkeit*, singing, dancing, laughing, eating, and everything that makes our festival and celebration of our heritage so great.

Everyone is Bavarian at Oktoberfest! Enjoy! *Ein Prosit!*

Have a topic you would like me to write about? Or do you have an article you have written and would like to see in print? Just let me know. My contact information is on page 3.

SALLY FRENZA, *Editor*

Members and Friends

St. Stephen Lutheran Church Sauerbraten Dinner

St. Stephen Lutheran Church, 873 Dewitt Street, Syracuse, will be holding its annual **Sauerbraten Dinner** on Sunday, November 3, from 12 to 3. The cost is \$9 for adults and children over 12, \$3 for children 6 to 12, and children under 6 are free. Take-outs are available for the same prices. The meal consists of Sauerbraten, noodles, red cabbage, dessert and beverages.

Come and enjoy a good meal and good fellowship with your family and friends. For additional information, contact St. Stephen Lutheran Church at 479-9912.

Syracuse Liederverein Chorus

The Syracuse Liederverein Chorus is always looking for new singers. You don't need to be able to speak or understand German to join our group. All you need is a love of singing and the desire to preserve a very important part of German culture: singing.

If you would like more information on joining the only Ger-

Your name could be here! \$15 for Patrons, \$10 for Sponsors, for one year. Send your check made payable to the German-American Society of CNY, attn. Sally Frenza, 4 Commodore Circle, Baldwinsville, NY 13027

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Oktoberfest Volunteer Form

Please fill out and send to:

Erika Carneim, 27 Watertree Rd., East Syracuse, NY 13057
or Henry Pfaff, 6286 Fly Rd., East Syracuse, NY 13057

Name _____

Telephone _____

Address _____

(Circle the booth and your choice of time.)

Booth

Hospitality	11-3	3-7
Raffle Tickets	11-3	3-7
Tickets	11-3	3-7
Popcorn & Soda	11-3	3-7
Limburger Sandwich	11-3	3-7
Cake	10:30-2:30	2:30-6:30
Pancakes	10:30-2:30	2:30-6:30
Kitchen	10-2:30	11-3:30 3:30-7:30

man chorus in our area, please contact George at 475-0282 for more information about the group and our rehearsal schedule.

Liverpool Chamber of Commerce

As many of you are aware, the German American Society of CNY is a member of the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce. So feel free to attend any of their meetings or events.

For further information on the Chamber or its events, please contact Lucretia Hudzinski at the Chamber at 457-3895.

Events at the Utica Männerchor

Upcoming events at 5535 Flanagan Road in Marcy:

Nov 16 Schlachtfest Dinner Dance, 6:00

If you have any questions regarding any of the events, contact the clubhouse at 735-5882. Please try to support our friends in Utica by attending their events.

Contact the *Zeitung!*

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