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Important Notice: The German American Society Picnic has been changed to July 16. No other changes. More information in the House Committee Report.

President's Report

y the time you receive this *Zeitung*, I will be back from my vacation in California and ready to go forward with the business at hand.

There were some changes during my absence, but I am happy to hear that the Oktoberfest planning is moving along on schedule. I want to thank everyone for helping out during this time and getting business taken care of. I look forward to getting back in the swing of things and moving along as the Oktoberfest is getting close.

As June Pardue needed to step down, I will now be serving as Oktoberfest Chair with the assistance of Co-Chair Klaus Raith. The Oktoberfest Committee members will be called regarding the next meeting as soon as it is scheduled.

I wish everyone a good day and I will see you at the July 16 Picnic. WILLI KREUZER, President and Oktoberfest Co-Chair

Vice President's Report

s noted in Willi Kreuzer's article above, I will now be serving as Co-Chair of the Oktoberfest along with Willi. I look forward to a great Oktoberfest!

2017 Entertainment Schedule

Saturday, August 5

11-noon The Harmony Katz Barbershop Chorus

The Opening Ceremony and Alphorn playing contest Noon

with our local dignitaries

The Bavarian Brothers from Massachusetts and Noon-3

The Enzian Bavarian Folk dancers

The Twin Magicians, David and Paul Jackman and

face painting by Outback Steak House in the children's tent

The Edelweiss Schuhplattlers from the Utica Männerchor

The Enzian Bavarian Band and Dancers

Raffle Drawings

Sunday, August 6

11-noon The Harmony Katz

Noon-3 The Bavarian Brothers from Massachusetts and

The Enzian Bavarian Folk dancers

The Twin Magicians, David and Paul Jackman and 2-5

face painting by Outback Steak House in the children's tent

The Edelweiss Schuhplattlers from the Utica Männerchor 3 - 4

The Enzian Bavarian Band and Dancers 4-7

Raffle Drawings and Closing Ceremony

If you have any questions about the entertainment schedule or Oktoberfest, I can be reached at 315-675-8321.

Thank you and I look forward to seeing you all at the next Monthly Membership Meeting on July 20 at 7 P.M. at the Syracuse Turners.

KLAUS RAITH, Oktoberfest Co-Chair and Entertainment Chairman, Vice President, and Honorary President Treasurer's Report

Bruce Barnes

appointed to complete her term of office.

Just a reminder that all bills and financial communication should be sent to: The German American Society of CNY, PO Box 5548, Syracuse, NY 13220-5548.

Please attend the Monthly Membership Meeting on July 20 for a complete report on our financial status.

In the meantime, if you have any questions about our financial status or concerns that I can help you with, please speak with me at any of our meetings, or events or contact me at 315-437-8746.

Thank you.

RICHARD PFAFF, Treasurer

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Susan Foster

Financial Secretary's Report

elcome and congratulations to our new member, George McCormick, proposed by William Weigel and voted into membership at our June Monthly Membership Meeting. We hope to see you both at our monthly meetings and functions.

Our **Annual Picnic** at Camp Brockway will be held on July 16, so mark your calendars because you won't want to miss this fun event. If you know of anyone who is interested in becoming a member, please let them know that they can join for just \$15 at the picnic instead of the usual \$25.

If, however, anyone who wants to join and is unable to attend the picnic, new-member applications are available at our Monthly Membership Meetings, at our events, or at our website at www.germanamericanscny.com, or you can give me a call at the number below and I can send an application to you for the person you are sponsoring. The cost for a new member is \$25. The check should be made out to the German American Society of CNY and sent along

CLUB MEETINGS

Jul 18 Oktoberfest Committee Meeting,

Syracuse Turners, 7

Board Meeting, Syracuse Turners, 6 Jul 20

Monthly Membership Meeting,

Syracuse Turners, 7

Board Meeting, Syracuse Turners, 6 Aug 17

Monthly Membership Meeting,

Syracuse Turners, 7

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

Picnic at Camp Brockway, 1-5 Jul 16

Oktoberfest Setup, Long Branch Park, Aug 4

Liverpool, Noon

Aug 5&6 Syracuse Bavarian Oktoberfest,

Long Branch Park, 11-7

with a completed membership application to: The German American Society of CNY, PO Box 5548, Syracuse, NY 13220-5548.

Hopefully, everyone who has paid their 2017 dues has received a "17" sticker. If not, please contact me at the number below.

If you are going away for an extended period of time and would like your *Zeitung* held until you return, please contact the Editor. Or, if you will be away for an extended period of time, the *Zeitung* can be forwarded to you. Just contact the Editor to arrange for this complimentary service of the German American Society. Also, if you change your address, please contact me with the new information to ensure that the membership list is kept current and that the *Zeitung* reaches you.

If you have any questions concerning the above information, your dues, or membership, please contact me at 315-458-6415 or email at hkline8@twcny.rr.com. Thank you.

HELEN KLINE, Financial Secretary

From the House Committee

he next event is our **Picnic** on Sunday, July 16, at Camp Brockway from 1–5 P.M. See the map below for directions. Members and kids up to age 12 are free. Guests pay \$15 and have a chance to become members for their entry fee. See the Financial Secretary's report above for additional information.

We will be serving Bratwurst, hot dogs, hamburgers, Sauerkraut, red cabbage, German potato salad, coffee, beer, and wine. If the members could please bring a dish to pass or dessert it would be greatly appreciated.

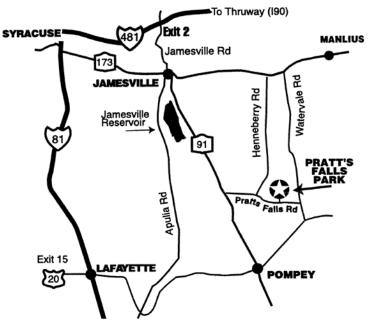
The Enzian Bavarian Quartet will be playing, so plan on doing some dancing. And I am sure Klaus Raith will lead us in some folk songs. It will be a lot of fun.

The House Committee should be at Camp Brockway between 11:30 and noon for setup and to get things going.

Something new this year: I am asking everyone who plans to come to the picnic to please call or text me at 315-491-2573 with the names and how many people will be attending, including any guests. This will help with planning for the meat and other things that the German American Society will be providing.

Hope to see you all at the July 16 Picnic! If you have any questions about the House Committee or our activities, please contact me.

Brigitte Niebuhr. House Committee Chair



Constitution and By-Laws Committee

The Committee, under the leadership of Chair Willi Rohrbach, has completed a draft of the revisions to our Constitution and By-Laws.

If you have not received a copy of the revised By-Laws, please contact Willi at warohrb@gmail.com. Or call Willi at 610-972-4169.

After you receive the revisions, if you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Willi at the above information. The deadline for membership input is July 10.

When all suggestions have been received and reviewed, the Committee will notify the membership regarding the next step in the acceptance process.

Sunshine Lady

n anniversary card was sent to **Hilmar and Monika Loerzel** for their 60th wedding anniversary.

Helene Smith continues to recuperate at home following her two heart attacks. I'm sure she'd love to hear from people. Please contact me at the information below and I will provide you with her contact information.

Please contact me at 315-468-4541 to report any illnesses, surgeries, deaths, anniversaries, monumental birthdays, or other events that are deserving of a card.

MARGARETHA MICHO, Sunshine Lady

The Syracuse Bavarian Oktoberfest 2017

he 2017 Oktoberfest Committee, which is now being Co-Chaired by Willi Kreuzer and Klaus Raith, is moving ahead with plans to have a great Oktoberfest on August 5 & 6 at Long Branch Park in Liverpool. As noted in the Vice President's Report, Klaus has confirmed the entertainment, which guarantees two fun-filled days for all.

The area captains have been working to secure volunteers for their areas . If you would like to volunteer, just give either Willi or Klaus a call and tell them where you would like to work, and the contact information for the area captain will be provided to you.

This year's Oktoberfest logo is the colorful Bavarian Crest, and will be on our commemorative beer steins and in our advertising.

We continue to solicit for vendors, so if you know of a business or organization that may be interested, please have them immediately call either Willi Kreuzer at 315-472-3507 or Klaus Raith at 315-675-8321. The cost is only \$50 for the weekend. Each vendor needs to supply their own tent and insurance.

Please feel free to call either Willi or Klaus with any suggestions or concerns about Oktoberfest. Please note that the Oktoberfest Committee will be notified of the next meeting as soon as scheduled.

WILLI KREUZER AND KLAUS RAITH, Oktoberfest Co-Chairs

Scholarship Program—Our 15th Year!

ell, things are winding down for the program for 2017. The students have till July 1 to send in the documentation for where they will be attending in the fall of 2017, and then the checks will be sent out.

I would once again like to thank everyone who attended and helped out with the April 24 German Student Scholarship Night. It was a wonderful evening spent honoring not only our Scholarship recipients, but also all students of German and their teachers who are charged with the task of promoting and preserving our German heritage, culture, and language. If you were unable to attend this year, please plan on attending in 2018.

At Oktoberfest there will be Scholarship donation jars at various locations. Any monetary donations will be greatly appreciated, and will go towards the 2018 program.

Also, there are German American flag pins for sale at all of our events, including Oktoberfest. They are only \$3 and will help out our wonderful scholarship program.

I have received a donation of some beautiful children's Dirndls and Lederhosen as well as other clothing. These clothes will be sold at Oktoberfest for reasonable prices, and the proceeds will go toward our Scholarship Program.

If you have any questions about the program, or if you would like to volunteer at the Oktoberfest Scholarship table, please feel free to call/text me at 315-345-6253 or by email at sallyzf@aol.com.

Thank you to all.

SALLY FRENZA, Scholarship Chair

Oktoberfest Basket Raffle

e will once again be having a basket raffle on Saturday and Sunday of Oktoberfest. We are in need of donations for these baskets, either in products or money to purchase needed items. These baskets are always a big hit at Oktoberfest and help raise money for our programs.

Please bring any donations to the July 20 Monthly Membership Meeting.

For more information, please contact Margaretha Micho at 315-468-4541.

Goethe and Schiller Monument

wimmer is here, and it is time to think about installing additional bricks at the Goethe and Schiller Monument. Why not buy a brick or 2 or 3? What a great graduation or birthday gift that would be for a loved one or organization! A single brick is \$50, 2 bricks are \$75, and 3 bricks are \$100, with each additional brick being \$30. Please call me at 315-451-1848 for further details or to get a form. Forms can also be obtained at any German American Society event.

As you may recall, bricks have been sold to help offset the cost of the Goethe and Schiller Monument Restoration Project that was a joint venture between the German American Society and the City of Syracuse a few years ago.

If you have any questions about the monument or the bricks, please give me a call at 315-451-1848.

Bob Domachowski, Goethe and Schiller Monument Chair

German American Flag Pins

Is noted in the Scholarship article, we continue to sell the flag pins, which have a German and American flag. They are \$3 each and can be purchased at any of our events or meetings including Oktoberfest. A portion of the proceeds from the sale of these pins goes to the Scholarship Program. What a great way to display pride in our heritage while also helping fund the German Student Scholarship Program!

If you would like more information about purchasing pins just call/text Sally Frenza at 315-345-6253.

Thank you.

From the Editor

The average temperature in Germany during the month of July is usually in the low to mid 70s, with an occasional rise above or

Thank you to the patrons who paid their \$15 to remain a 2017 Zeitung Patron. For those of you who did not send in your \$15 check, your name has been removed. If you would like your name to once again appear in the Zeitung, please send the \$15 check to the editor and made out to the German American Society of CNY with a note on the check that it is for being a patron.

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dip below these temperatures. In Germany nice sunny days and mild temperatures call for a picnic.

So let's get started. First we must gather up the food. Let's take ein Schinken (ham), etwas Bonbons (sweets), etwas Yoghurt (yogurt), etwas Käse (cheese), etwas Brötchen (rolls), etwas Frucht (fruit), etwas Schokolade (chocolate), ein Salat (salad), and of course, Bier, Wein, und Wasser.

The weather is great today, so we jump in our Volkswagen and head out on our adventure. Since we are in Hamburg, let's head out to Hiroshimapark in Kiel near Hamburg. The grass is green and there are so many beautiful trees. What a day! We spread out our blanket on the nice cool ground and set out our wonderful picnic foods. After we have our fill, including some liquid refreshments, have discussed all the various topics we enjoy, kicked around the soccer ball, and have sung a few folk songs, it's time to pack up the leftovers (which aren't much) and gather everyone in the trusty Volkswagen and head home.

As the sun is setting and we are back home relaxing, we think about our wonderful day, full of *Gemütlichkeit*, and reflect on how lucky we are to have spent time with those we love doing the things we love to do in our beautiful natural surroundings. *Wunderbar!*

Do you 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.

SALLY FRENZA, Editor

Members and Friends

Syracuse Turners

If you're looking for somewhere to have a nice friendly Friday night dinner, why not try the Syracuse Turners at 619 North Salina Street? They have great fish and other offerings on the menu, and all at a very reasonable price. Dinner is served from 5:30 to 8. They are currently operating on a summer schedule, so please give the Syracuse Turners a call at 315-471-9851 and they will let you know if dinner is being served that Friday and what the special will be.

Crystal Brook Resort—Mountain Brauhaus

This sponsor of the *Zeitung* will be having a German Festival July 22 & 23 and July 29 & 30 for all to enjoy. There will be entertainment from noon to closing as well as a 5K run/walk on each Sunday to benefit the Veterans and Juvenile Diabetes. Their contact information is on the back page of the *Zeitung*.

Events at the Utica Männerchor

The Utica Männerchor will be holding their annual **Bavarian Festival** on Friday and Saturday, July 14 & 15, from 5 to 11 P.M. and Sunday, July 16, from noon to 5 at the clubhouse, located at 5535 Flanagan Road in Marcy. The Festival will feature the **Frankfurters** for your dancing pleasure, as well as the **Utica Männerchor Edelweiss Schuhplattlers**. Come and enjoy the entertainment and good German food and beer.

For more information about the Bavarian Festival, the Friday night fish fry, or other upcoming events, just contact the clubhouse at 315-735-5882. Please try to support our friends in Utica by attending their events.

Contact the *Zeitung!*

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