



# Deutsche Zeitung

of the German-American Society of Central New York

## März 2018

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**Please Note: If we have inclement weather on the day of any of our scheduled meetings, please call either President Willi Kreuzer at 315-472-3507 or the Syracuse Turners at 315-471-9851 to find out if the meeting is canceled.**

## President's Report

The February Monthly Membership Meeting was well attended, and that is a welcome sign for positive things to come.

We are well into the planning stages for our various events for this year. See the House Committee Report for a list of upcoming events. Volunteers and helpers are still needed for our parties and dances, so just give Brigitte Niebuhr a call at 315-491-2573 or email omib21@aol.com. We are especially looking for a member that would work on the advertising part for the Oktoberfest. If you have an interest in this, give me a call at 315-472-3507 or Klaus Raith at 315-675-8321.

We lost several longtime members the last few weeks and I ask you to keep their families in your thoughts. There is more information in the report from The Sunshine Lady.

I will miss the March meetings as I will be visiting my son in Florida during that time. Gloria and I will see you all at the April meetings and the Scholarship Night for sure.

The next Monthly Membership Meeting is March 15 at 7 P.M. at the Syracuse Turners. Please attend if possible.

WILL KREUZER, *President*

## Vice President's Report

The February Oktoberfest Meeting was not well attended. Just a reminder to the Board Members that you are all on the Oktoberfest Committee, so please try to make the meetings. If you are unable to make a meeting, just give me or Willi Kreuzer a call.

Plans for Oktoberfest are moving along. We are now in negotiations for a vendor for the hot kitchen, and things are looking pretty good. I have the entertainment set. In addition, on Saturday, August 4, the military band that everyone enjoyed two years ago will be entertaining at 11 A.M.

The logo for our written Oktoberfest materials and the beer steins has been chosen. There will be more information available on this and other areas at the next Oktoberfest Committee Meeting.

As mentioned in the President's Report, we are still in need of someone to take over the advertising and sponsors for the Oktoberfest. Please contact me as soon as possible if you can help on this. If you would like to serve on the Oktoberfest Committee, please plan to attend the next meeting scheduled for March 13 at the Syracuse Turners at 7 P.M. New ideas and suggestions are always welcome.

In the meantime, if you have any questions that I can help you with, or if you would like more information on the Oktoberfest Committee, especially in the area of the sponsors and advertising, just give me a call at 315-675-8321.

Thank you!

KLAUS RAITH, *Vice President and Honorary President*

## Treasurer's Report

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 March 15 Monthly Membership Meeting at 7 P.M. at the Syracuse Turners for a complete report on our financial status. In the meantime, if you have any questions 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*

## Financial Secretary's Report

There were no new-membership applications submitted during the past month. Thank you to everyone who sent in their 2018 dues.

**Reminder: The 2018 membership dues were due January 31.** The dues for renewing members remain at \$15 a year. Checks need to be made payable to the German American Society of CNY (please add annual dues in the message portion of your check).

### CLUB MEETINGS

- Mär 13 Oktoberfest Committee Meeting, Syr. Turners, 7
- Mär 15 Board Meeting, Syracuse Turners, 6  
Monthly Membership Meeting, Syr. Turners, 7
- Apr 17 Oktoberfest Committee Meeting, Syr. Turners, 7
- Apr 19 Board Meeting, Syracuse Turners, 6  
Monthly Membership Meeting, Syr. Turners, 7
- Mai 15 Oktoberfest Committee Meeting, Syr. Turners, 7
- Mai 17 Board Meeting, Syracuse Turners, 6  
Monthly Membership Meeting, Syr. Turners, 7

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Apr 30 Scholarship Night, Syracuse Turners, 5-9
- Mai 12 Maitanz, Syracuse Turners
- Jul 8 Picnic, Camp Brockway
- Aug 3 Syracuse Bavarian Oktoberfest Setup,  
Long Branch Park, Noon
- Aug 4&5 Syracuse Bavarian Oktoberfest,  
Long Branch Park, 11-7

An invoice has been sent to members who had not paid their 2018 dues by February 15. The letter noted that the dues must be paid by March 15 to remain a member in good standing. After March 15, any member who has not paid his or her dues will be automatically terminated without further notice. Any terminated member must reapply as a new member.

Please remember: We are always looking to expand our membership. If you have anyone to propose for membership, just have the person complete a membership application and forward it along with their \$25 check made out to The German American Society of CNY to: The German American Society of CNY, PO Box 5548, Syracuse, NY 13220-5548.

Applications can be obtained at any monthly membership meeting or any of our events, or on our website at [www.germanamericanscny.com](http://www.germanamericanscny.com). Or, just contact me. My contact information is found below.

**Another Reminder:** If you will be away for an extended period, the *Zeitung* can be forwarded to you or held until you return. Please 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 latest information to ensure that the membership list is kept current and that the *Zeitung* reaches you.

To discuss any of the above areas or if you have any questions regarding your dues or membership, please contact me at 315-458-6415 or by e-mail at [hkline8@twcny.rr.com](mailto:hkline8@twcny.rr.com).

Thank you in advance for your help and cooperation.

HELEN KLINE, *Financial Secretary*

## From the House Committee

The February *Zeitung* included the various events that will be taking place in 2018, including a **Maitanz, Club Picnic, Oktoberfest Volunteer Party, and Christmas Party.**

The first event is the **Maitanz** on May 12 at the Syracuse Turners. Dance music and entertainment will be provided by **The Enzian Bavarian Quartet.** There will be more information on the cost, time, and menu in the April and May *Zeitungs*.

If you have any questions about the House Committee or our activities, or if you would like to serve on the Committee or help with the Maitanz, please give me a call at 315-491-2573 or email [omib21@aol.com](mailto:omib21@aol.com).

Thank you, and I look forward to all the 2018 fun events!

BRIGITTE NIEBUHR, *House Committee Chair*

## Constitution and By-Laws Committee

As noted in the February *Zeitung*, the Revised Constitution and By-Laws have passed and the Committee is now working on obtaining a printed booklet. There have been price quotes provided and a decision is in the works for who will print the booklet. As soon as it is completed, the printed Constitution and By-Laws will be available to all members in good standing.

If you have any questions, please contact Willi Rohrbach, Committee Chair, at [warohrb@gmail.com](mailto:warohrb@gmail.com) or by cell or text at 610-972-4169.

## Sunshine Lady

During the month of February, three sympathy cards were sent to the family of each of the members who passed away:

**Eric Doell** was a lifetime member who spent many hours working behind the bar at Oktoberfest in years gone by. He had a wonderful singing voice and sang for many years with the men's chorus. Eric and his wife **Else** could be seen twirling on the dance

floor at our events. As a matter of fact, dancing is what brought them together in Germany many years ago.

**J. William "Rocky" Herrmann**, was another lifetime member. He was also a member of the Stein Club and could be seen many times hoisting up that stein of beer. Prosit, Rocky!

**Helene Smith** was a woman who spent many hours helping at German American Society events. She was behind the making of the beautiful baskets that were raffled off at Oktoberfest, where she also volunteered at the Hospitality Booth. If there was an event, Helene was there helping.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the families of these long-time members of the German American Society.

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 MICHIO, *Sunshine Lady*

## Installation of Officers

At the February 15 Monthly Membership Meeting, **Sally Frenza** was installed as the Secretary for 2018.

## Goethe and Schiller Monument

We have once again begun to receive orders for commemorative bricks at the Goethe and Schiller Monument. Mother's Day, Father's Day, graduation, birthdays—these are all great times to purchase a brick or 2 or 3. What a wonderful 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 or at [www.germanamericanscny.com](http://www.germanamericanscny.com).

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*

## Scholarship Program

The scholarship applications have been sent to the schools. We will now prepare to celebrate our 16th year of the Scholarship Program.

The graduating high school seniors of German who meet the criteria for the German American Society Scholarship Program will be sending in their applications and all required attachments postmarked by March 14. The Scholarship Committee will then meet to review the applications and the scholarship recipients will be chosen. The Board of Directors has approved five \$800 scholarships, with an additional \$800 scholarship being donated by our member **Richard Schoeck** and his wife **Dianna**.

German Student Scholarship Night is on April 30 from 5 to 9 at the Syracuse Turners. The cost will be \$10. Students of German, regardless of year in school, and their teachers attend at no charge.

Many German American Society members have attended this event in the past, and hopefully will attend this year to support the wonderful students of German and their dedicated teachers. It is always a lot of fun and a great celebration of the accomplishments of the students! **Klaus Raith** will be entertaining with his songs and zither accompanied by **John Besten** on his guitar. There will also be a German folk song sing-along. And of course, the **Enzian Bavarian Folk Dancers** will be there to entertain and

do the Pretzel Dance with some of the students and whoever else they can entice onto the dance floor to show off their moves!

Just a reminder: Please buy the German American flag pins to benefit the Scholarship Program. They are only \$3 and can be purchased at any of our meetings or events.

I also still have some of the donated children's clothing for sale. Please call me at the number below if you are interested and I will let you know what is left. There is also a pair of men's *Lederhosen* that have never been worn, size 32/34, and another men's pair that is gently used. Money raised from the sale of these items will also benefit the Scholarship program.

If you would like more information about the Scholarship Program or if you would like to help, please contact me by text/call at 315-345-6253 or e-mail at sallyzf@aol.com.

SALLY FRENZA, *Scholarship Committee Chair*

## From the Editor

**S**t. Patrick's Day is almost here. Let's see how it is celebrated in Bavaria.

It is said that St. Patrick became a Christian in the fifth century and then proceeded to convert the Irish. The legend is that he used a shamrock to illustrate the Holy Trinity to the Celts, and it has been the national symbol since. The shamrock plays a leading role in St. Patrick's Day, from leading parades to hats, badges, and, of course, songs.

We Americans celebrate St. Patrick's Day in a really big way. But, whoa, hold on a minute . . . can it be???? Yes, there is a big celebration in Munich! Green abounds to celebrate St. Paddy! Munich's St. Patrick's Day celebration is one of the largest in Europe. (Those Bavarians love a party!)

Irish people and Irish fans or wannabes have been celebrating in Munich since 1996. It started out as a small private celebration and quickly blossomed into a large, two-day festival. There is a parade from Münchner Straße to Odeonsplatz. I watched the 2016 and 2017 parades on YouTube. There was singing and dancing in the streets, Irish dancers, and polkas. Some revelers in the parade were dressed in traditional Bavarian clothing and wearing a green top hat, suspenders or bow tie. It looks like so much fun. Makes me wish I was going to be there this year.

Places like Allianz Arena and the Olympic Tower are bathed in green light. According to the information I read, there are now more than 50 groups participating in the parade and thousands of spectators. Even St. Patrick marches in the parade. I bet the Hofbräuhaus was jammed to the rafters. Irish jigs or *Schuhplattling*? Whatever they do will be a blast! I guess I'll have to go find out. Whatever the dance, whatever the beer, whatever the food, I'm sure everyone in Munich will party hardy! The Bavarians know how to do it up right!

If you want to get a look at the celebration, just type St. Pat-

Just a reminder that if you want to continue as a 2018 patron of the *Zeitung*, please send in your \$15 check to the editor at the contact information in this *Zeitung*. If your check is not received by March 15, you will no longer see your name in the *Zeitung* as a sponsor. Thank you.

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rick's Day in Munich on the search line of your computer or cell and see for yourself. You'll love it!

Do you have a German, Austrian, or Swiss topic you would like me to write about? Or do you have an article you have written or found and would like to see in print? Even some German recipes would be a highlight. Just let me know.

SALLY FRENZA, *Editor*

## Members and Friends

### Master Works Choral

The Master Works Choral will be presenting their program *Song and Spirit* at St. Stephen Lutheran Church, 873 DeWitt Street, on Sunday, March 11 at 4 P.M.

Keyboardist **Fred Willard** will accompany the full choir as they span two centuries of harmony, from Haydn in 1750 to Rutter in 1985. There will be a reception following the program.

For more information contact the church office at 315-479-9912.

### Syracuse Turners

If you are looking for somewhere to have a nice friendly Friday night dinner, why not try the Syracuse Turners? 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 and there's always a special. Please give the Syracuse Turners a call at 315-471-9851 and they will let you know what the special will be.

They will be having their annual *Frühlingfest* in April. More info will be in the April *Zeitung*.

### Events at the Utica Männerchor

For more information about upcoming events at 5535 Flanagan Road in Marcy, just contact the club at 315-735-5882. Please try to support our friends in Utica by attending their events.

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