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## President's Report

After a rainy start, our **Oktoberfest** turned into warmth and sunshine to make it a great family day, enjoyed by all. I personally would like to thank all the various area Chairpeople and volunteers for all of the work in putting the Oktoberfest together.

A fun time was had by all that attended our **Volunteer Party**.

Thursday, November 21, is **Election of Officers and Board Members**. Please try to attend. See you at the Turners at 7 P.M. for voting.

Enjoy Thanksgiving with your family and friends!

HEINRICH PFAFF, *President*

## Vice President's Report

I, too, want to thank everyone who helped with **Oktoberfest**, and all of you who came out to celebrate this wonderful festival day. The various Chairs did a great job of getting their areas up and running. It took a lot of preliminary work, as well as hours on Sunday morning setting up. We had a rocky start trying to get everything done on Sunday morning before 11 A.M. with the rain pouring down, but we did it! By 1:00 the rain had stopped and the sun came out, making for a beautiful day.

Everyone looked like they were really enjoying themselves eating, drinking, laughing, dancing, singing, and sharing in the *Gemütlichkeit*. After all, isn't that what Oktoberfest is all about? It's a lot of work, but when you see everyone enjoying themselves, it's all worth it! Seeing the children with their balloon hats and painted faces could put a smile on anyone's lips.

I want to thank the **Edelweiss Schuhplattler**s from Utica for volunteering to join us. They put on a good show, especially the children. **The Enzian Bavarian Folk Dancers** did a great job dancing and helped to get everyone up on the dance floor. It really turned out to be a wonderful day. It felt good to be back at Long Branch after all the years away.

It's hard to thank everyone without leaving someone out. However, I do need to thank **June Pardue** and **Richard Pfaff**

for the advertising that brought so many people out for that Sunday afternoon.

There will be a wrap-up **Oktoberfest Committee Meeting** on Tuesday, November 19, at 7 P.M. at the Turners. We need to talk about the good things that happened at Oktoberfest and discuss ways to improve next year. If you have suggestions, please attend the meeting or give me a call at 675-8321.

KLAUS RAITH, *Vice President and Oktoberfest Chair*

## Treasurer's Report

For a complete report on our financial situation, please attend the November Monthly Meeting on November 21 at 7 P.M. at the Turners.

JIM KOZLOWSKI, *Treasurer*

## Financial Secretary's Report

Thanks to all of you who helped out with serving the beer and wine. Pat and I enjoyed visiting with everyone at the beer and wine bars. We had a blast and hope you did, too!

Now for some business: Our membership is again increasing as we get closer to the 200 mark. We have three membership applications this month to be voted on at the November Monthly Meeting: **Bruce Barnes**, Baldwinsville, proposed by Sally Frenza, and **William & Joyce Cianciola, Jr.**, Baldwinsville.

If you have any membership questions, please contact me at 622-9145.

MICKEY PALUMBO, *Financial Secretary*

## CLUB MEETINGS

Nov 19      Oktoberfest Wrap Up Meeting, Turners, 7  
Nov 21      Board Meeting, Turners, 6  
                 Monthly Meeting and Elections, Turners, 7

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Dez 8      Christmas Party, Liverpool Fire Hall, 2-6

## Sunshine Lady

Fortunately, this month there were no sympathy cards sent out. A get-well card was sent to our member **Anna Bultjer**, who has been having problems with her knee and is awaiting surgery.

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

MARGARETHA MICHIO, *Sunshine Lady*

## From the House Committee

**O**ktoberfest is now over. We survived it, even in bad weather. I thank everyone who volunteered and helped in the kitchen. We had great teamwork. Our **Volunteer Party** went well, and I hope all the volunteers and guests had a good time. Also, thanks to **Tabatha's Restaurant** for the good food.

Now we come to our **Christmas Party**, which is on December 8 from 2–6 P.M. at the Liverpool Fire Hall. Admission is \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door, children ages 10–18 are \$9 in advance and \$11 at the door, and children under 10 get in free. **RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST!**

The menu will be pork or ham, veggies, salads, potatoes, yams, coffee, and tea. Please, if you can help out by making a dessert, it would be greatly appreciated. We are open to the public, as long as a reservation is made **BY DECEMBER 1**. So bring your friends and family for a fun afternoon!

Send checks or money orders only (NO CASH) made out to the German American Society of CNY to Brigitte Niebuhr, 319 W. Ostrander Ave., Syracuse, NY 13205.

We plan to have our annual auction, so if you are able, please bring something to auction off, such as baked goods, Christmas wreaths, or whatever you would like to donate. The auction is always a lot of laughs and raises some money to help offset the cost of the evening.

**The Enzian Bavarian Trio** will be playing for your listening and dancing pleasure. So bring those dancing shoes!

Also, please give me the names and ages from babies to 12 years old as I'm planning something a little special for our younger generation.

Please contact me at: cell—491-2573, home—469-5304, or e-mail—omib21@aol.com with any questions. Thank you and I hope to see you at the Christmas Party!

BRIGITTE NIEBUHR, *House Committee Chair*

## Election of Officers and Board Members

**W**ilhelm Rohrbach headed up the Nominating Committee. The following slate has been proposed:

President—Willi Kreuzer  
Vice President—Klaus Raith  
Treasurer—Jim Kozlowski  
Secretary—Erika Carneim

Financial Secretary—June Pardue  
Board Members: Henry Pfaff, Bob Kline,  
Brigitte Niebuhr, Richard Pfaff, John Ott

The slate will be voted on at the November 21 Monthly Meeting to be held at the Turners at 7 P.M. Please attend this important meeting.

## Goethe and Schiller Monument

**I**t is hard to think about it, but Christmas is not that far off. Why not buy a brick or two or three at the Goethe and Schiller Monument? What a great Christmas gift 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 451-1848 for further details or to get a form. Forms can also be obtained at any German American Society event or online at [www.germanamericanscnyc.com](http://www.germanamericanscnyc.com).

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

**B**efore I start my article, I think that we all need to give a big thank-you to **Klaus Raith** for once again heading up a great **Oktoberfest!** He has been doing this for many, many years and deserves our heartfelt thanks!

November is here, and it is a time of thanks. Veterans' Day is November 11, and a time to thank our veterans for serving our great country. So, when you see a Vet, shake her/his hand and say "Thanks!"

I would like to thank the people who have helped to get the *Zeitung* to you in 2013. No matter what or how much I write, if it were not for them, it would not get to your door. First is **Rick Groff**, who gets the *Zeitung* ready for publishing and off to the printer. It is then picked up and labeled by **Henry and Mary Pfaff** and taken to the post office.

Thanksgiving is the time for us to reflect on the many positive things that have happened to us over the past year and to count our blessings. When many families get together for Thanksgiving dinner, before the blessing is said, or one morsel of food is touched, they go around the table and each person, including the children, tell one thing that happened over the past year they are thankful for. It really

puts a positive spin on the day, and makes everyone think about their many blessings. We live in a free country, we have a roof over our heads and food to eat, friends and family, and, of course, we have our wonderful German American Society. We should give thanks for being able to wake up in the morning to face whatever is in store for us each day.

Have a wonderful and blessed Thanksgiving, and think about all we have to be thankful for!

Now, a little about *Erntedankfest*: Thanksgiving in German Europe has a long tradition, but one that is different in many ways from that in America. First of all, the Germanic *Erntedankfest* (harvest festival of thanks) is primarily a rural and a religious celebration. When it is celebrated in larger cities, it is usually part of a church service and not anything like the big traditional family holiday in America. Although it is celebrated locally and regionally, none of the German-speaking countries observes an official national Thanksgiving holiday on a particular day as in the U.S. However, during harvest time, visitors to German churches will find a plethora of fruits, vegetables, sheaves of grain, and baked goods as decorations around the altars. Visitors to market places and fairgrounds will often find an *Erntefeuer* (harvest fire) and other festivities to celebrate this occasion.

In the regions where wine grapes are grown, *Winzer* (vintners) will present their new wines and allow for a public wine-tasting. A *Bauernmarkt* (farmers' market) will allow visitors to purchase the freshest produce available, while the more immediate culinary needs are attended to in a *Festzelt* (party tent), where it can be assumed that some of the famous German beer will be available." For, after all, what is a German celebration without beer!?

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*

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### **Syracuse Turners**

The Syracuse Turners, 619 North Salina Street, will be holding its annual *Gemütlichkeit* on November 8 & 9. Dinner is 5:30-8. Friday night is *Sauerbraten* or fish dinner, and Saturday night is *Sauerbraten* or ham dinner. Adult tickets are \$9 in advance or \$10 at the door. Children are \$4 in advance or \$5 at the door. There are also raffles during dinner, games of chance in the bar, and entertainment both nights. After dinner, the fun continues in the bar, where you can try your luck at one of the gaming tables.

Why not come down and support our Turner friends at their fundraiser? If you have any questions, please contact the Turners at 471-9851.

### **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 German 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**

Located at 5535 Flanagan Rd., Marcy.

Nov 16 Schlachtfest Dinner Dance, 6 P.M.

If you have any questions regarding any of the Utica 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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