



# Deutsche Zeitung

of the German-American Society of Central New York

## September 2013

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## President's Report

Summer is quickly coming to an end.

As you are aware, the **2013 Syracuse Oktoberfest** will be held October 6 from 11 A.M. until 7 P.M. at Long Branch Park in Liverpool. Volunteers are needed in all areas. Shifts are 11-3 and 3-7. Please fill out and send in the form on page 3. We are looking forward to a great turnout! Pray for beautiful weather!

To answer questions about Sunday sale of alcohol: beer and wine will not be sold until 12 noon.

I am looking for three volunteers to serve on the Nominating Committee. Please let me know if you are interested by giving me a call or letting me know at the September 19 Monthly Meeting. Nominations will be presented in October, with the election held in November.

Please note: Donations are needed for the basket raffle and door prizes. Contact Mary Pfaff at 437-8746, or bring any donations to the September Monthly Meeting. Thank you.

See you at the Monthly Meeting on September 19 at the Syracuse Turners!

HEINRICH PFAFF, *President*

## Vice President's Report

Well, it's getting close. Oktoberfest will be here before you know it!

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 & Entertainment Chair: Klaus Raith, 675-8321
- Oktoberfest Co-chair: Henry Pfaff, 437-8746; Jim Kozlowski, 622-2658
- Money & Tickets: Henry & Mary Pfaff, 437-8746; Bob Kline, 458-6415
- Setup & Security; Bill Nurk, 487-2472; Eric Gang, 479-8281
- Kitchen: Brigitte Niebuhr, 469-5304; Ken Blechl, 458-6102
- Beer & Wine: Mickey and Pat Palumbo, 622-9145
- Bakery: Harold Smith, 676-3393; Elisabeth Kallfelz, 699-8848
- Limburger/Soda/Water: John Ott, 428-8764

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

Volunteers: Erika Carneim, 463-4304

Parking: Eric Gang, 479-8281

Hostess: Helene Smith, 673-1002; Margaretha Micho, 468-4541

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

We will also be honoring **German Heritage Day** at the Oktoberfest. If you would like to assist with this or have ideas or questions, contact Sally Frenza at 345-6253.

The food and drink prices were set at our last Oktoberfest meeting. We still have the best value for the money!

## 2013 Oktoberfest Entertainment Schedule

Sunday, Oktober 6, 11 am-7 pm

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- 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.

### CLUB MEETINGS

- Sep 10    Oktoberfest Committee Meeting, Turners, 7
- Sep 17    Oktoberfest Committee Meeting, Turners, 7
- Sep 19    Board Meeting, Turners, 6  
Monthly Meeting, Turners 7
- Okt 17    Board Meeting, Turners, 6  
Monthly Meeting and Officer Nominations, Turners, 7

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Okt 6    Oktoberfest, Long Branch Park, Liverpool, 11-7
- Okt 19    Oktoberfest Volunteer Staff Party, Liverpool Fire Hall

We will be having our last two Oktoberfest Committee Meetings on Tuesday, September 10, and Tuesday, September 17. Both meetings are at 7 P.M. at the Syracuse Turners. If you would like to attend, it's not too late to help out.

KLAUS RAITH, *Vice President and Oktoberfest Chair*

## Treasurer's Report

For a complete report on our financial situation, please attend the Monthly Meeting on September 19 at 7 P.M. at the Syracuse Turners.

JIM KOZLOWSKI, *Treasurer*

## Financial Secretary's Report

At the August Monthly Meeting the membership approved 15 new members: **Eva Brey**, Macungie, Pennsylvania; **Sean Cameron Scott**, Utica; **Corrine Kraus**, Manlius; **Holly Gang**, Marietta; **Ruth Ziemer**, Baldwinsville; and **Else Doell**, Syracuse. WELCOME to you all!

Our total membership is again increasing and was at 196 as of the last Monthly Meeting. With your help in recruiting your friends and family, this increase will continue. However, since the membership total was provided at our last Monthly Meeting, we lost a very loyal member, **Herb Bauerle**, who passed away on August 19. If you attended any of our events you will remember Herb helping out the House Committee wherever he was needed.

If you have any membership questions, please contact me at 622-9145. See you at the September 19 Monthly Meeting!

MICKEY PALUMBO, *Financial Secretary*

## Sunshine Lady

Recently sent get-well cards to **Helen Allman**, **Joe Frenza**, and **Sally Drago**.

Unfortunately, we have lost three members in the last few months and condolences have been sent to the **Jaeger**, **Schilling**, and **Bauerle** families for their loss. The loss is also for us as we think about the wonderful members and friends we will no longer see. Rest in peace!

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

MARGARETHA MICHIO, *Sunshine Lady*

## From the House Committee

Our 2013 **Oktoberfest**, which is also **German Heritage Day**, is coming up very quickly. As you are probably already aware, Oktoberfest is returning to Long Branch Park in Liverpool from 11 A.M. to 7 P.M. I'm looking for volunteers for the kitchen. I need some grill people, but they have to be 20 years old or older. Hours are: 10-1:30, 1:30-4:30, and 4:30-7:30.

Please contact me on my cell, 491-2573, or at home, 469-5304, or by email at omib21@aol.com. I need to know the time you would like to work and your contact number.

P.S.: There are no open-toed shoes or flip-flops allowed in the kitchen. The Volunteer Party will be at the Liverpool Fire House on October 19; the time will be announced in the October *Zeitung*. Thank you.

BRIGITTE NIEBUHR, *House Committee Chair*

## Oktoberfest 50/50 Raffle

There will be a 50/50 Raffle at Oktoberfest. The tickets are \$1 each, 6 for \$5, 12 for \$10, or 25 for \$20. Get your tickets from Richard Pfaff or Mary Pfaff at the next Monthly Meeting on September 19 or give her a call at 437-8746. It was decided to not send out tickets to each member this year, but rather have each person get them from Mary and Richard.

## Goethe and Schiller Monument

Summer is winding down 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 of or to 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 [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 that 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.

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

This month I am including a couple of articles I didn't write. The first is taken from our Oktoberfest flier put together by June Pardue and Richard Pfaff about German Heritage Day, commemorating the date in 1683 when thirteen German families from Krefeld near the Rhine landed in Philadelphia and subsequently founded Germantown, Pennsylvania, the first German settlement in the original thirteen American colonies. First celebrated in the nineteenth century, German-American Day died out during World War I as a result of the anti-German sentiment that prevailed at the time.

The holiday was revived in 1983 when President Ronald Reagan proclaimed October 6 as German-American day to celebrate and honor the 300th anniversary of German immigration, which brought their culture to the United States.

On August 6, 1987, Congress approved S.J. Resolution 108, designating October 6, 1987, as German American Day. It became Public Law 100-104 when President Reagan signed it on August 18. A proclamation (#5719) to this effect was issued on October 2, 1987, by President Ronald Reagan in a formal ceremony in the White House Rose garden, at which time the president called on Americans to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

The second article was given to me by our member Bob Kline. He found the information on the internet and felt it was really interesting and something the members would enjoy. It's about our Oktoberfest site—Long Branch Park. In 1882 Ben and George

Maurer purchased the land and developed Long Branch Amusement Park. Named for its famed Chestnut trees, the park offered something for everyone, including picnic areas, baseball fields, playgrounds, skating parties, and fireworks on the Fourth of July. For the sportsman, the park offered ice boating, row boating, bowling alleys, a billiards room, and a shooting gallery.

There was also a dance pavilion, a restaurant, an arcade, and a number of amusement rides. A carousel, brought to Long Branch Park around 1926, remained there until the park closed in 1938. Roseland, an amusement park in Canandaigua, purchased the carousel in 1941 and it revolved there for 43 years until the park's closing. The Pyramid Company later purchased it at auction and restored it to its original look. The carousel is now the centerpiece in the Carousel Center section of Destiny USA, where people can still take a ride on it and enjoy its splendor.

Have a topic you would like me to write about? Have an article you've written that you'd like to see in print? Just let me know. My contact information is below.

SALLY FRENZA, *Editor*

## Members and Friends

### **St. Stephen Arts and Music Festival**

St. Stephen Lutheran Church, 873 Dewitt Street, Syracuse, is presenting **Nine More Operas in Ninety Minutes** on September 15 at 4 P.M. The program features some of Syracuse Opera's resident artists—bass baritone Brandon Coleman, soprano Raquel Suarez, and tenor Kevin Newell. These three fast-rising stars present tantalizing scenes from music's greatest opera and musical theater hits. Appropriate for all ages, this performance breaks traditional opera stereotypes for everyone. A reception follows the show. A suggested donation of \$10 for adults will help defray some of the cost of the program. Children are always free.

For additional information, contact St. Stephen 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.

*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**

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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

If you'd like more information on joining the only German chorus in our area, please contact George at 475-0282. Rehearsals are on Monday evenings at 7 P.M. at Trinity Lutheran Church in Shop City and will resume after Labor Day.

### **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. At the September Chamber meeting, Oktoberfest will be highlighted with a short presentation about our event.

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

### **Events at the Utica Männerchor**

For information on upcoming events at 5535 Flanagan Road in Marcy, 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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