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President's Report

I have been in Germany the past few weeks. I am sorry that I missed the **Maitanz**. I hope everyone had a great time. I return home on June 1 and then I'm off to California in a few days. So, I will miss the June Board and Monthly Membership Meetings, but I will be there in July. I wish everyone a good day.

WILLI KREUZER, *President*

Vice President's Report

As noted in the May *Zeitung*, the 2017 **Oktoberfest** entertainment is lined up and the schedule is below:

2017 Entertainment Schedule

Saturday, August 5

- 11-noon The Harmony Katz Barbershop Chorus
- Noon The Opening Ceremony and Alphorn playing contest with our local dignitaries
- Noon-3 The Bavarian Brothers from Massachusetts and The Enzian Bavarian Folk dancers
- 2-5 The Twin Magicians, David and Paul Jackman and face painting by Outback Steak House in the children's tent
- 3-4 The Edelweiss Schuhplattler from the Utica Männerchor
- 4-7 The Enzian Bavarian Band and Dancers

Sunday, August 6

- 11-noon The Harmony Katz
- Noon-3 The Bavarian Brothers from Massachusetts and The Enzian Bavarian Folk dancers
- 2-5 The Twin Magicians, David and Paul Jackman and face painting by Outback Steak House in the children's tent
- 3-4 The Edelweiss Schuhplattler from the Utica Männerchor
- 4-7 The Enzian Bavarian Band and Dancers
- 7 Closing Ceremony

If you have any questions about the entertainment schedule, 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 June 15 at 7 P.M. at the Syracuse Turners.

KLAUS RAITH, *Oktoberfest Entertainment Chairman, 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 Monthly Membership Meeting on June 15 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 315-412-1761. Thank you.

JUNE PARDUE, *Treasurer*

Financial Secretary's Report

It's June already and I notice that our **Annual Picnic at Camp Brockway** is right around the corner on July 9. This is a fun event with good food,

good music, and much *Gemütlichkeit*. At this event any new-member applicants can join the German American Society of CNY for their picnic entry fee of \$15 by just filling out a membership application. That is a \$10 savings over the usual first-year membership of \$25. I'm hoping many new people will take advantage of this opportunity to join our great organization. I will have application forms available at the picnic.

For anyone who will not be able to join at the picnic, membership applications are available at our Monthly Membership Meetings, at our events or on 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. The cost for a new member is \$25. The check should be made out to the German American Society of CNY and sent along with a completed membership application to: The German American Society of CNY, PO Box 5548, Syracuse, NY 13220-5548.

Note: If you have paid your yearly membership dues and you did not receive your "17" sticker in the May *Zeitung*, please contact me.

Just a reminder: If you are going to be away and would like the *Zeitung* held until you return, please contact the Editor. Or if you will be away for an extended period of time this winter 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.

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. Thank you.

HELEN KLINE, *Financial Secretary*

From the House Committee

The **Maitanz** was a lot of fun this year. Many people were dancing and singing and really enjoying themselves. I appreciate the compliments that were received on the food. The turnout was good and we had some people who attended because they saw the notice in the *Post Standard* on syracuse.com, in the *Turner Spirit*, or our website. It was wonderful to see them enjoying the music, singing, food, and *Gemütlichkeit*.

The next event is our **Picnic** on Sunday, July 9, at Camp Brockway

CLUB MEETINGS

- Jun 13 Oktoberfest Committee Meeting, Syracuse Turners, 7
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- Jul 18 Oktoberfest Committee Meeting, Syracuse Turners, 7
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UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

- Jul 9 Picnic at Camp Brockway, 1-5
- Aug 5 & 6 Syracuse Bavarian Oktoberfest, Long Branch Park, Liverpool

from 1 to 5 P.M. See the map below for directions. Members and kids up to 12 years old 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 or dessert to pass, 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.

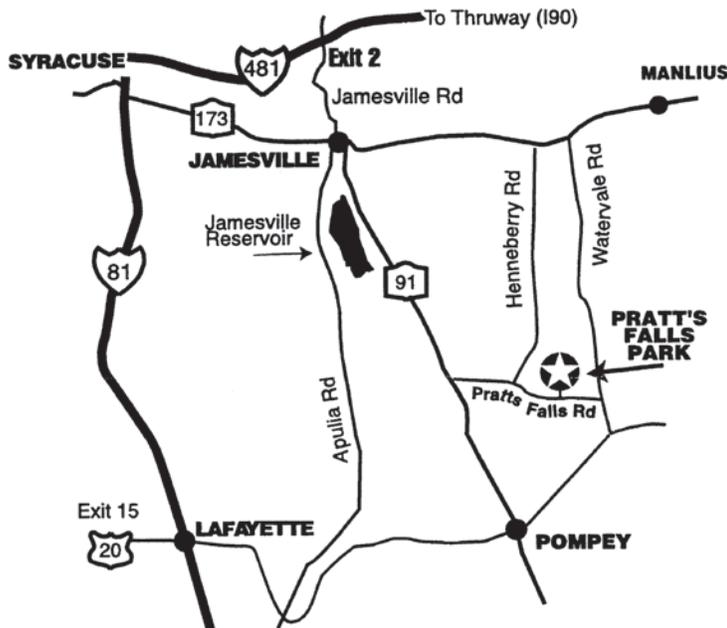
The House Committee should be at Camp Brockway between 11:30 A.M. and noon for set-up and to get things going.

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 picnic!

Any questions about the House Committee or our activities, please give me a call or text at 315-491-2573.

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. Willi provided copies of the draft at the May Monthly Membership Meeting. The draft is to be reviewed by the membership and any comments about possible changes to the revisions should be sent to Willi at warohrb@aol.com. Or call Willi at 610-972-4169. The deadline for any revision is July 10.

If you have not received a copy of the draft, just contact Willi and he will send one to anyone who was not able to attend the May meeting.

Sunshine Lady

An anniversary card was sent to **Ken and Helen Blechl** on their 55th wedding anniversary. Congratulations!

A birthday card was sent to **Phil Kegel** for his 95th birthday. Many congratulations on this momentous occasion.

A birthday card is being sent to **Günter Niebuhr** for his 80th birthday in June.

Also, **Brigitte and Günter Niebuhr** will be celebrating their 60-year wedding anniversary on June 29. Congratulations on this wonderful milestone!

A sympathy card was sent to the Kokernak family on the passing of our Lifetime Member **Edward Kokernak**. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends at this most difficult time.

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 MICH0, *Sunshine Lady*

The 2017 Syracuse Bavarian Oktoberfest

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

The area captains have begun work to secure volunteers for their areas and to put together what is needed for their individual areas. We are all set with Dock's Grill at Pirates Cove who will be running our Hot Kitchen this year. Their menu is set and there will be something for everyone's taste.

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

We continue to solicit for vendors, so if you know of a business or organization that may be interested, please have them call me at 315-412-1761. The cost is only \$50 for the weekend. Each vendor needs to supply their own tent and insurance.

Please feel free to call me at 315-412-1761 with any suggestions or concerns about Oktoberfest. If you would like to volunteer just give me a call and tell me where you would like to work, and I will provide you with the contact information for the area captain..

Please note that our next Oktoberfest Committee Meeting is on June 13 at 7 P.M. at the Syracuse Turners.

JUNE PARDUE, *Oktoberfest Chairperson*

Scholarship Program—Our 15th Year!

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.

A big thank-you goes both to the Board of Directors who approved the funding for five of the awards, and to our member **Dick Schoeck**, who donated a scholarship in honor of his parents.

At Scholarship Night it was so nice to see people enjoying the *Gemütlichkeit*, which is only possible when people work in harmony with each other and share a common goal. And in this case, it was to provide a memorable evening to these wonderful students of all ages and grade levels in school, their teachers, and family and friends, as well as members of the German American Society who came out to celebrate with them.

Thank you to **Shadia Khalifa**, the retired German teacher from Onondaga Central High School for the picture of this year's scholarship recipients below.



From left to right: Connor Maltby from Onondaga Central High School, who will be attending Onondaga Community College in the General Studies program with a concentration in Psychology; Ryan Bishop from Fayetteville Manlius High School, who will be attending the University of Rochester in the Chemical Engineering program; Nathan Tinklepaugh from Paul V. Moore High School in Central Square, who will be attending SUNY Albany in the Material Scientist program; Scholarship Chair, Sally Frenza; Becca Saya from Mexico High School, who will be attending Stony Brook University in the Endocrinologist program; and, Austin Whitaker from Mexico High School, who will be attending Rochester Institute of Technology in the Microelectronic Engineering program.

(Not pictured is Olga Shydlonok from Fayetteville Manlius High School, who will be attending Syracuse University in the Pre-Med program.)

Congratulations to you all!

As I mentioned in the May *Zeitung*, I have been blessed to be involved with the Scholarship Program for all 15 years. I am so proud of the many students who received scholarships over the years, as well as all students of German. I cannot think back over the years or look at our Scholarship Night album without becoming tearful. I am so proud. These young people are our future!

I have received thank-you notes from teachers, students, and parents noting how much they enjoyed Scholarship Night and thanking the German American Society for the wonderful opportunity afforded to the students of German. One of the teachers said he is so looking forward to next year.

If you have not had the opportunity to attend German Student Scholarship Night in the past, why not try for next year? It is truly a wonderful experience!

If you have any questions about the program, please feel free to call or text me at 315-345-6253 or by email at sallyzf@aol.com.

Thank you to all!

SALLY FRENZA, *Scholarship Chair*

Goethe and Schiller Monument

Summer is almost 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 Father's Day 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.

Onondaga Central High School German Club has started the ball rolling by being the first to purchase a brick for installation this summer. Why not join them in this great project?

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

Just a reminder that the German American Society is selling flag pins to help with the Scholarship Program. The flag pins, which have a German and American flag, are \$3 each and can be purchased at any of our events or meetings. 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!

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

From the Editor

This month's topic is Father's Day, Sunday, June 18. Father's Day is a celebration honoring fathers and celebrating fatherhood, paternal bonds, and the influence of fathers in society.

Father's Day in America was founded at the YMCA in Spokane, Washington, in 1910 by Sonora Smart Dodd. The first celebration was in the

Spokane YMCA on June 19, 1920. Her father, who was a Civil War veteran, was a single parent who raised six children. After hearing a sermon about Mother's Day in 1909, she told her pastor that fathers should also have a holiday to celebrate them.

A bill to accord national recognition of the holiday was introduced in Congress in 1913. In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson went to Spokane to speak in a Father's Day celebration and wanted to make it official. But Congress resisted, fearing it would become commercialized. (Imagine that!) President Calvin Coolidge recommended in 1924 that the day be observed by the nation, but a formal proclamation was not issued. After two earlier attempts to formally recognize the holiday were defeated in Congress, Maine Senator Margaret Chase Smith wrote a proposal in 1957 accusing Congress of ignoring fathers for forty years while honoring mothers. In 1966, President Lyndon Johnson issued the first presidential proclamation honoring fathers, and designating the third Sunday in June as Father's Day. Then six years later President Richard Nixon signed it into law. And you know the rest of the story: neck ties, cookouts, etc.

In Germany, Father's Day (*Vatertag*) is celebrated on Ascension Day (the Thursday 40 days after Easter) and is a federal holiday. It is also called Men's Day, *Männertag*, or Gentlemen's Day, *Herrentag*. This is the day when the men get to do whatever they want. Many of the men pull their small wagons, *Bollerwagen*, filled with wine or beer, and have a great time sharing the day and having some great male bonding. Other men like to take a bike ride together. On these excursions *Bier* is allowed, but no sisters, wives, or girlfriends! (I bet the ladies have plans of their own!)

If your father is now in his heavenly home, remember him in thought, by talking about him with others, or visiting his gravesite. Whatever your plans are for Father's Day, make it a day of celebration.

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? Or even a recipe? Just let me know. My contact information is in this *Zeitung*.

SALLY FRENZA, *Editor*

Members and Friends

Syracuse Turners

If you are looking for somewhere to have a nice friendly Friday night dinner, why not try the Syracuse Turners, 619 North Salina Street, Syracuse? 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. There is also always a dinner special. Please give the Syracuse Turners a call at 315-471-9851 and they will let you know what the special will be. During the summer, dinners will be served on the first and third Friday of the month, so call before you head out to be sure dinner will be available.

Crystal Brook Resort—Mountain Brauhaus

This sponsor of the *Zeitung* will be having a German Festival July 22 and 23 and July 29 and 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 Veterans and Juvenile Diabetes. Their contact information is on the back page of the *Zeitung*.

Events at the Utica Männerchor

On June 9 at 7:30 P.M. the Utica Männerchor will be holding its annual **Spring Concert**. It will be an evening of German classical and folk songs as well as American contemporary selections. Donation is \$5 and children under 12 are free. There is a fish fry prior to the concert.

For more information about the fish fry and concert or other upcoming events at the Utica Männerchor, located at 5535 Flanagan Road in Marcy, just contact the clubhouse at 315-735-5882. Please try and support our friends in Utica by attending their events.

Contact the *Zeitung*!

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