

Delaware Saengerbund and Library Assn., Inc.

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MARCH 2011 NEWSLETTER

The next Membership General Meeting will be held on **Monday, March 14, 2011**

IN MEMORIAM

Jeanne Stanfield
2/11/1934 – 2/9/2011

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Liebe Mitglieder - Dear Members,

There are only a few words in the dictionary that describe the difference between an organization and a great organization. They are: pride, dedication, purpose and volunteering. Volunteers are individuals or groups who give their time, talent and abilities to a cause they believe in.

We at the Delaware Saengerbund have been fortunate in the past 40 years to have had our fair share of people with the above virtues and have put them to use for the good of the Club. Two of these people, Alfred Escheu and Richard Leaning, have decided after many years of service to step back from leading roles on the Property Committee into a less active role. These two gentlemen have set an example for all of us. We are not asking you to sign up for 40 years of volunteerism as they have done, just one specific area of interest is what we ask, please reflect on your particular talents and offer your help.

Although we have a large number of members in this great Club with many talents, I want to encourage all of you to re-dedicate yourself to take ownership in your organization, decide where you can be of service, and volunteer.

Our clubhouse, property and our members are the foundation and pride of the Delaware Saengerbund. "Volunteer - you hold the power to create positive change".

Mit freundlichen Grüßen,
Norma Grieb

GERMAN SPRING SHOW

SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 2011 - DINNER 5:00 PM, SHOW 6:30 PM

Mit Musik in den Frühling

Featuring Axel Becker, Duo Mosaïque, Marcel, Romy & Pfälzer Buam!

Menu:

Flädlessuppe - (Grandfather's Soup)
Hühnchen Schenkel Jäger Art in Weinsosse – (Chicken in Winesauce with Mushrooms)
Kartoffel Auflauf – (Potatoes Au Gratin)
Gemischtes Frühlings Gemüse – (Mixed Spring Vegetables)
Frühlings Früchte in Vanilla Kreme – (Spring Berries in Vanilla Cream)

See Inge Keith for Tickets – 302-731-9368



BEEF 'N BEER

Saturday, March 12, 2011

Hosted by:

the

ENZIAN VOLKSTANZGRUPPE

Delaware Saengerbund
49 Salem Church Road

Donation: \$25.00

doors open at 6:30pm
dinner served 7:00pm-8:30pm

"Sound Master"
spinning your favorites
8pm-12am



TICKETS ON SALE:
from 7:00-9:00 pm

January 28, February, March 10
THURSDAY + FRIDAY NIGHTS

IN THE **BAUERNSTUBE**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Inge Keith@731-9368

RESERVED SEATING FOR PARTIES 8 OR MORE

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ENZIAN VOLKSTANZGRUPPE

On February 13 we held a successful Valentine's Dinner, which featured a special performance by our Enzian Musikanten. March 12 we will hold our annual Beef and Beer. Please see the flyer for more information.

On March 19 several of our Kindergruppe members will be participating in a Jungen Einzelplattler event at the Lancaster Liederkrantz in Manheim, PA. This event will give the young dancers an opportunity to perform as individual couples and be adjudicated. Our Kindergruppe will also participate in the 18th Annual Mid-Atlantic Kinderfest on June 4 in Rockaway, NJ. All are invited to these events. Please come out and support our young members.

Our calendar is filling rapidly. We will be at our patenverien's Stiftungsfest on April 9 in Reading, PA. We already have 2 dance engagements booked for the Oktoberfest season. Most importantly, this June over 30 members of the EVTG will be attending the 23rd Gaufest in Orlando, FL. This biannual event is always exciting because schuhplattler dancers and folk dancers from all over North America gather together for three days of competition, demonstrating new dances, camaraderie, and gemütlichkeit.

We ask you to please consider becoming involved with the Enzian Volkstanzgruppe. Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings with children and jungen practicing from 7:30 to 8:30, and adults starting at 8:30.

FROM THE SINGERS

Spring Concert Date – Saturday, May 14, 2010

The Singers will participate in the Liederabend program on Sunday, March 13 at the Cannstatter in Philadelphia. Last year 7 other clubs in the greater Philadelphia and New Jersey area participated. Each of the choruses will present about a 15-minute program. There will also be a selection sung by all of the choruses. This is a very nice event. A bus will leave the DSB about 2:30 pm on March 13 and return about 9:00 pm. There are about 5 extra seats on the bus and if any of our DSB members wish to go along, contact Sonia Ciresa. The cost is \$8 for the event. On March 19, we will be performing at Stiftungsfest. You can still join the Singers. We rehearse here in the in the Deutsche Halle Rehearsals are every Wednesday night at 7:30.

FROM THE LADIES OF THE DSB

Please join us on April 17th for the Ladies Annual Sunday Dinner. We will have one seating at 3:00pm, and we please ask that all reservations be submitted to the Ladies by April 10th. Our flyer with the dinner menu and a tear off reservation sheet is included in this Newsletter and are also available in the Bauernstube.

Tickets will be issued for this event and will be available for sale on Tuesday and Friday evenings at the DSB as well as via the reservation form. Also, on your reservation sheet, if you could please also indicate if you have a preference in seating or need to reserve an entire table. It will help us better accommodate your dining and would be greatly appreciated.

We hope to have you and your guests join us!

The next meetings of the Ladies will be held Monday, March 28th and April 25th at 7:30 pm in the Von Steuben room. The Ladies always welcome any new members!

Ladies of the Delaware Saengerbund

49 Salem Church Road
Newark, Delaware 19713

ANNUAL SUNDAY DINNER

SUNDAY, APRIL 17, 2011

One seating at 3:00 p.m.

Roast Pork, Mashed Potatoes, Sauerkraut, Applesauce
Rolls, Coffee or Tea, Cake

\$ 12.00 per adult

\$ 6.00 per child (10 years and under)

Cut-off date for reservation: April 10, 2011

Make checks payable to: Ladies of the Delaware Saengerbund.
Attention of: Bettie Hopkins

Name _____ Phone _____

Number attending: Adults _____ Children _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____

Please indicate if you have a preference in seating or need to reserve an entire table.

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2ND VICE PRESIDENT - ENTERTAINMENT & CULTURE

This year we will have the traditional "Easter Egg Hunt" on April 16 at the DSB. If the weather permits it will be in the open, otherwise we will organize an egg hunt within the hall. Light food and sodas will be served. The "Egg Hunt" will be from 1 pm – 3 pm. The "Easter Bunny" will be present to greet and entertain the kids.

If you have any ideas regarding entertainment and culture please contact me either via email at claus_berneck@hotmail.com or phone at 302-256-0403 or 302-543-3923. I am usually in the 'Bauernstube' on Tuesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday between 5 pm and ??? If you do not know me, ask the bartenders. They do (really) know me.

I would like to reach out to you to actively participate and support the entertainment & cultural activities in the club with your input. I especially reach out to young people with roots from Germany to come to me and make suggestions. One idea I have already received is about the German tradition of a "St. Martins" parade in November. I have great memories about these parades and it would be a great addition to the DSB events, especially for the kids.

I would like to ask members to sign up as volunteers for the events. Without your participation and support we will not be able to promote German culture, heritage, tradition and events that span across all German speaking countries and regions. This is not only about Germany, but it also includes Austria, Switzerland, South Tyrol, and other regions with Germanic roots.

Thank you all for your support of German traditions and German entertainment. German culture includes language, traditions and values. German entertainment includes festivities (linked to traditions), music, food and fun (such as Fastnacht or Karneval)

With best regards/mit besten Gruessen

Claus Berneck

Delaware Sangerbund 158th Stiftungsfest Saturday, March 19, 2011

Doors will open at 6:30 and the DSB Chorus will perform at 7:00

The Continentals will play from 8:00 to 12:00

The dancers of the EVTG will perform during the band break

Food will be available for purchase from the Ladies of the DSB

Tickets will go on sale Wednesdays and Fridays from 7-9 pm

beginning February 23rd - Tickets are \$7.00 each

For info: claus_berneck@hotmail.com or 302-543-3923

GERMANIC GENEALOGY GROUP (GGG)

Due to continued and expanding interest in searching out German ancestry within the DSB, the Genealogy Group has purchased a few reference books for our Genealogy Library. They are listed below. If you are interested in studying one of the books, come to a GGGroup meeting and sign it out.

- Ancestors in German Archives: 2 volume Guide to Family History Sources
by Raymond S. Wright II
- Where to look for Hard-To-Find German Speaking Ancestors in Eastern Europe
by Bruce Brandt and Edward Reimer Brandt
- Emigrants from Saxony to America, 1854, 1859 (Grandduchy of Sachsen-Weimar-Eisenach)
by Clifford Neal Smith
- Emigrants from the principality of Hessen-Hanau, Germany, 1741-1767
by Clifford Neal Smith

All members of the DSB are always invited and welcome to attend our monthly meetings.

We will meet in the Deutsche Halle on Feb. 28, 2011, Monday at 7:30 pm. And will continue our series of Members giving first hand accounts of their early years in a German speaking country. Our new 2nd Vice President **Claus Berneck** will be our guest. He has lived in a number of German places, but calls the Schwarzwald home.

Stefanie Busch Van Stan was born in Zwenkau, near the city of Leipzig, in the former German Democratic Republic. At the age of 5 she moved to Newark, Delaware. Stefanie will tell her story of how a German child adapts and blossoms in America while staying connected to the people and the culture of the country of her birth.

If you would be willing to share your story, contact Lloyd Maier (239-6552). We cherish the rich traditions of our members.

Our March 28 meeting will be held in the Board Room, 7:30 pm. Our own **Tom Lauppe** will present "Using Military Records for Genealogical Research".

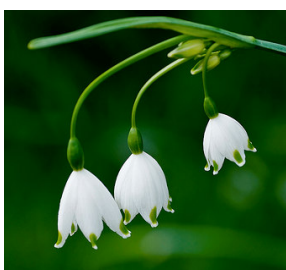
GARDEN COMMITTEE

The Philadelphia Flower Show takes place in the Pennsylvania Convention Center from March 6th to 13th. For information:

<http://www.theflowershow.com/ShowInfo/index.html>



Spring Snowflake (*Leucojum vernum*) are bulbous plants belonging to the Amaryllidaceae family.



The snowflakes are native to central and southern Europe, from the Pyrenées to Romania and western Russia, but they have been introduced and have naturalized in many other areas, including the east coast of North America. They have narrow, strap-like, dark green leaves. The flowers are small and bell-shaped, white with a green or occasionally yellow spot at the end of each tepal. They have a slight fragrance. Snowflakes normally grow 15-20 cm tall (6-8 in), though it may reach up to 35 cm (14 in). It flowers from mid-February to March, as soon as the snow melts in its wild habitat.

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PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The Property Committee will meet on Monday, March 7 at 7:30pm in the library. Any DSB members interested in helping please come to that meeting.

FROM THE BAUERNSTUBE

As the harsh winter starts to fade from memory, and the green grass and leaves return, so too do the seasonal lighter beers to the Bauernstube. While the darker, heavier beers are perfect for cold weather enjoyment, golden pilsners and light lagers tend to refresh the thirst when the temperature begins to rise. Some of our new lighter selections include Czechvar, a golden straw colored pilsner with a crisp dry finish. Löwenbräu or "Lion's Brew" has reportedly been brewed since 1383, Interestingly, it has been served at every Munich Oktoberfest since 1810 and is one of only six breweries permitted to serve beer there. When the golden and clean lagers of Plzen (Bohemia) became all the rage in the mid-1800's, München brewers feared that Germans would start drinking the Czech beer vs. their own. Munich Helles Lager was their answer. Maybe you prefer a draft instead? For the month of March our draft beer will be a local brew from Fordhams brewery, Queen Anne's Kölsch. A well made beer with very light sweet pilsner type malts upfront and then a clean and refreshing effervescence over your tongue in mid-sip. If you'd prefer something in wine, Ménage à Trois red is back in stock. A combination of three reds, it's smooth, just the right amount of sweet and not overly dry. Of course none of these taste as good unless you are sitting with good friends in the comfort of the Bauernstube.

March 17th the Bauernstube goes green for a day! Opening at 11 am, We'll have Guinness and Harp specials, Black and Tans and Belfast car bombs. Beginning around 2pm, we'll have an Irish buffet from Bette to include Sailor's beef, Ham and cabbage, Colcanon, Guinness cake with whipped Irish Creme. I hear that Dennis will be making Potato Soup and we may be seeing some of Paula Ledwith's Brown Bread. Flyers will be posted with more information.

DSB HAUSBRÄUER

The Homebrewers continue to meet every third Monday of the month in the Von Stueben Zimmer at 7:30 pm. Last month, we brewed our second batch of beer already, and, we even went all grain. All DSB members are welcome to attend any meeting or brew session. Stop out and catch the homebrewing bug.

PAUL KUNZ FUNDRAISER

Hosted by friends of Paul

Saturday, April 9, 2011 – 6:30 p.m. – midnight

Delaware Saengerbund, 49 Salem Church Road

Donation: \$25.00

For more info, contact Claus Berneck at 302-543-3923 (claus_berneck@hotmail.com)

Tickets on sale at Bauernstube Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

Doors Open: 6:30 p.m. Dinner: 7 – 8:30 p.m.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Day	Event	Time	Place	Doors Open
Feb 28	Mon	Germanic Genealogy Group	7:30 pm	Deutsche Halle	
Feb 28	Mon	Ladies Meeting	7:30 pm	Von Steuben Zimmer	
Mar 5	Sat	Fasching	7:30 pm	Deutsche Halle	
Mar 7	Mon	Property Committee Meeting	7:30 pm	Library	
Mar 7	Mon	Membership Committee Mtg	7:30 pm	Von Steuben Zimmer	
Mar 12	Sat	EVTG Beef 'n Beer	7:00 pm	Deutsche Halle	6:30 pm
Mar 14	Mon	General Members Meeting	8:00 pm	Deutsche Halle	7:00 pm
Mar 17	Thu	St. Patrick's Party	11:00 am	Bauernstube	
Mar 19	Sat	158th Stiftungsfest	7:00 pm	Deutsche Halle	6:30 pm
Mar 21	Mon	Hausbräuer	7:30 pm	Von Steuben Zimmer	
Mar 26	Sat	Spring German Show	5:00 pm	Deutsche Halle	
Apr 16	Sat	Children's Easter Party	12:00 pm	Deutsche Halle	
Apr 17	Sun	Ladies Annual Sunday Dinner	3:00 pm	Deutsche Halle	
May 14	Sat	Singers' Spring Concert	6:30 pm	Deutsche Halle	
Jun 11	Sat	Annual Picnic	12:00 pm	DSB Pavilion	