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February 2013 NEWSLETTER

The next General Membership Meeting will be held at 8:00 PM on

Monday, February 11th, 2013

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Day	Event	Time	Place	Doors Open
Jan 14	Mon	Genealogy Meeting	7:30 pm	von Steuben Zimmer	
Jan 25	Fri	Property Committee Meeting	7:30 pm	DSB Library	
Jan 28	Mon	Ladies Meeting	7:30 pm	von Steuben Zimmer	
Feb 4	Mon	Genealogy Meeting	7:30 pm	Deutsche Halle	
Feb 9	Sat	Fasching	7:30 pm	Deutsche Halle	7:00 pm
Feb 10	Sun	TAG Group Coffee and Cake	12:00 pm	von Steuben Zimmer	
Feb 11	Mon	General Membership Meeting	8:00 pm	Deutsche Halle	
Feb 25	Mon	Ladies Meeting	7:30 pm	von Steuben Zimmer	
Mar 2	Sat	Enzian Volkstanzgruppe Beef n Beer	7:00 pm	Deutsche Halle	6:30 pm
Mar 16	Sat	Stiftungsfest	7:00 pm	Deutsche Halle	6:30 pm
Apr 28	Sun	Ladies Annual Dinner		Deutsche Halle	
May 4	Sat	Singers Spring Concert		Deutsche Halle	
May 18	Sat	Enzian Volkstanzgruppe Pig Roast	3:00 pm	Pavilion	

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Liebe Mitglieder - Dear Members,

It is my job each year to advise the State of the Delaware Saengerbund.

Once again, we are financially sound, in part to another successful Oktoberfest and the hard work of all our volunteer committees.

PROJECTS COMPLETED IN 2012 INCLUDE:

- A. Parking lot – entrance arch refurbished
- B. Commercial garbage disposal replaced in the kitchen
- C. Von Steuben Room – completely renovated
- D. Entrance hall into Deutsche Halle renovated – all doors are in the process of being painted to match the light oak woodwork

IMPROVEMENTS ON THE DOCKET FOR 2013 INCLUDE:

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- A. Investigating feasibility of installing free standing commercial cooler/freezer to increase cooling capacity and provide better efficiency
- B. Checking into the installation of solar panels to produce electricity and reduce our ever increasing utility bills
- C. Installation of roof between 2 storage sheds to store Oktoberfest stage supports
- D. Obtain quotes for permanent fencing near back sheds to secure Oktoberfest perimeter
- E. Quotes to renovate Deutsche Halle restrooms and make them handicapped accessible

CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE - Last year I formed the temporary Constitution Committee. The DSB_Constitution was updated, revised and voted/passed with a majority vote in December 2012. We are in the process of having the updated document printed for distribution

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Standing Committee:

They have worked diligently this year, with the development of SOP's for the Bauernstube, which are a matter of record. These procedures are being used for the bar areas and have helped us create better accountability and finance records. The installation of a computerized register which allows us to analyze costs and usage as well as keep inventory records was installed in the Bauernstube and we will purchase two more registers for the Deutsche Halle bar which will provide us with a complete loop of record keeping for both the Bauernstube and Deutsche Halle.

UPDATED RULES AND PROCEDURES-these were updated and approved by the Board of Directors in 2012.

DSB HISTORIAN – I appointed Hilde Cox to this position and the Culture Committee will be in charge of the club archives. I have asked Hilde to provide some articles of historical interest in the forthcoming issues of our newsletter and she has agreed to do so. Keep an eye out for these articles to appear in new issues of our newsletter as they will provide new insight as to what this club is all about.

CULTURE COMMITTEE-We will celebrate our 160th Stiftungsfest on March 16th and a display will be provided of some articles of interest that evening including a collection of DSB Constitutions.

LASTLY - I would like to thank all of you who have volunteered to help when we have asked, and for those of you that have not done so – make a New Year's resolution to help in 2013! This is your club and we depend heavily on volunteerism. We have 1,000 members and everyone has a talent we can utilize.

Please remember:

IF WE ALL DO A LITTLE-----TOGETHER WE CAN ACCOMPLISH A LOT.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen,

Norma Grieb



2013 Board of Directors

The Entertainment Committee

Fasching

Helau ! The Adlers will play for your entertainment on Fasching, **Saturday , February 9th, 2013** at 7.30pm.



Doors will open at 7.00pm.

Dress in your best costume! We will have prizes for best male, female, couple and group.

Tickets are \$7.00 per person and on sale on Friday evenings the Bauernstube 8.00pm-9.00pm or call Janette at 302 738 0477. No tickets sold at the door.

Tickets for Stiftungsfest on March, 16th, 2013 will also be for sale in January for \$7.00. The Breidenbach Band will play for your entertainment after a performance by the DSB chorus and the EVTG dance group.

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The Singers

On December 12th, the Singers, former Singers, family members, Officers of the Club and other invited guests celebrated another successful singing season and Christmas during the annual Singers Christmas Party. Everyone enjoyed a wonderful evening and Santa even paid us a visit.

Hilmar Fricke announced his retirement as Vorsitzender of the Chorus on December 5th. Hil explained that he and Carol had sold their home in Newark and they would be moving to Lancaster, PA in January.

After dinner on December 12th, Hilmar Fricke asked Trudy Gilgenast if anyone had volunteered to run for President of the Chorus. Trudy announced that only one candidate, Keith Farmer, had come forward. Hil asked those assembled if there was anyone else wishing to run for office. Having no further nominations, Hil asked that Keith be elected by proclamation. A motion was made and seconded and the members present unanimously called for Keith's election. After his election Keith asked everyone to show their appreciation for Hil's fourteen years of dedicated service to the Chorus. Those assembled responded with a standing ovation lasting several minutes.

The 2013 spring season started with our first rehearsal on January 2nd. The choir meets every Wednesday night from 7:30 to 9:30 and all are welcome to join. Upcoming events include the Evening of Song on March 3rd at the Cannstatter Volksfest-Verein in Philadelphia, the DSB Stiftungsfest on March 16th and our Spring Concert on May 4th.

For the Singers, Keith Farmer

The Ladies

Happy New Year to everyone. Hope everyone enjoyed the dinner at the Inaugural Ball. The Ladies had a great year in 2012 and have donated \$20,000.00 to the Delaware Saengerbund. We hope to have a great year again in 2013.

The Ladies Annual Dinner will be Sunday, April 28, 2013. More information to follow. The next Ladies meeting is January 28th at 7:30 pm in the Von Steubon Room. New members are always welcome.

Judy Ariganello, President, Ladies of the DSB

2013 Concordia Language Camp

The Culture Committee is pleased to announce that the winners of the 2013 scholarships to attend the Concordia Language Village in Minnesota are:

Emilie Ginn and Katy Grieb

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GERMANIC GENEALOGY GROUP (GGG)

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

Meeting date changed! We will meet in the von Steuben Room on Monday, January 14, 2013, 7:30 pm. This will allow us to meet at a time when the Ladies can join us.

We continue our series of Members giving first hand accounts of their early years in a German community in Europe. **Erwin Mezger** is from East Germany. He lived a number of years in East Berlin, Prussia. Come and hear his compelling story.

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

MEETING DATE CHANGED

The February meeting will be held in the Deutsche Halle on Monday 7:30, **February 4**. We will continue the series that will introduce members to the various Bundesländer, states of Germany. This year we visit Baden-Württemberg in southwestern Germany. Our guest speaker will be **Meike Lehrmayer**, a German exchange student at UD. She is from Mannheim in the northeast corner of Baden- Württemberg. We also have

Jodi Pillig a student from the **Schwäbisch** area near Stuttgart to add to the Baden-Württemberg information. B-W is a very large and diverse area.

Come, enjoy and support our young guests.

160th Stiftungsfest:

“To the Members of the Delaware Saengerbund:-

“On the 17th of March, the Delaware Saengerbund will have completed Fifty years of its existence as a singing society, which was due to the hard work and general sociability of its members...””

President H. Zimmermann signed and sent this letter to all members of the Delaware Saengerbund on February 9, 1903 to invite them to the 50th Stiftungsfest celebration. 110 years later, the reason for success and longevity of the Delaware Saengerbund is still ..due to the hard work and general sociability of its members! ...

Celebrate with us on March 16 and read the original letter! It is part of an exhibit of old Saengerbund records which the Culture Committee will present in the von Steuben Room. To highlight the new DSB Constitution, a display of all the DSB constitutions will be featured as well. (By the way, if anyone knows of constitutions written in the years between 1908 and 1975, please contact the Culture Committee!)

Heimatkunde

Did you know ?

In the city of Augsburg (Schwaben / Bayern) the world's first and original social housing complex was founded in 1521 by Jakob Fugger, who gained fame and fortune as a tradesman. Named "Die Fuggerei", the development is still in use today. At a minimal cost about 150 people still live in the 60 some houses. One of the more famous citizens living there at one time was Franz Mozart the great-grand father of Wolfgang A. Mozart. Other famous names/personalities connected with the city of Augsburg include: ST Ulrich, Martin Luther, Rudolf Diesel, Wilhelm Messerschmitt, Wolf Blitzer. The city of Augsburg was founded 15 B.C. by the Romans at the confluence (Muendung der beiden Fluesse) of the rivers Lech and Wertach. Besides Trier and Kempten it is one of Germany's three oldest cities The local inhabitants refer to Augsburg with a nickname {Spitznamen}..... the answer in next edition.

Sprueche : " Probieren geht ueber Studieren ". " Ohne Fleiss kein Preis". { in dialect} " Ehne , dehne Tintenfass, geh' in die Schul' und lerne was , wenn du was gelernet hast, komm' nach Haus ' und sag' mir was" (translation: the proof in the pudding is in the eating; no pain no gain)

Soccer

DSB Kickers United is seeking sponsors to help fund our trip to Dallas, TX to participate in the prestigious DALLAS CUP! Our players are excited about the opportunity to play in front of college coaches as well as meet teams and players from around the world!

How can you help?

1. Sponsor a player! Several of our players may not be able to participate due to lack of funds. Please consider sponsoring one (or more) by providing funds for the cost of their plane ticket (\$450) or their hotel room (\$550) or both for a total of \$1000. The player will provide you with an autographed action shot of himself and a letter of appreciation! Our flights and hotel rooms must be reserved by December 28, so please advise ASAP if you are able to help in this way.
2. Sponsor our ground transportation! We will be renting a 15 passenger van while in Dallas to help with getting the players to the fields and to use while we are in Dallas. The cost for one van is \$900, plus fuel charges.
3. Make a donation in any amount and we'll decide how to use it to best help the players!

Our players have worked hard to maintain their #1 Ranking in the State of Delaware and are now ranked #12 in the Nation! Please consider helping them continue their success by sponsoring a player for the Dallas Cup!

All donors will be recognized on our team website – www.eteamz.com/dsbkickersunited and will be acknowledged in all Press Releases and Interviews related to the Dallas Cup Tournament.

Please call Mary Rimmer (team manager) at 302-584-8277 should you have any questions! Please make all checks payable to DSB Kickers United '96 and mail to: DSB Kickers United '96 c/o Mary Rimmer, 4604 Beechwood Ave, Wilmington DE 19803.

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NORTHERN GERMANY AND PRAGUE

With Hamburg, Berlin, Lübeck, Meissen, Dresden, the ‘Toy Capital’ Seiffen, Prague, and more--

August 26 – September 8, 2013

Price: **\$3850/sharing room with group airfare**; Single: \$4350. First deposit due on or before Feb. 8, 2013: \$500; 2nd deposit due on or before June 7, 2013: 1,000; final payment due on or before July 10, 2013.

Join the Culture Committee and My World Travel on another exciting tour for family and friends of the DSB. We decided to explore this itinerary again and know you will enjoy these exciting sites and sights! Submit deposit now, so that we know you are interested. Fly via LH from PHL to Hamburg and explore the Hafencity project, model railway museum or Ballin Stadt emigration city and enjoy a dinner cruise on the Alster. Travel on to Lübeck for a day tour of the city known for famous author, Thomas Mann, and the sweet candy enjoyed at Christmas, Marzipan. Berlin, capital of Germany, offers numerous exciting options such as the Reichstag, Brandenburg Gate and Museum Island with the bust of Queen Nefertiti in the Egyptian Museum. Continue on to Meissen, world famous for its porcelain, and Dresden with its Frauenkirche, Zwinger and Semper Opera. Seiffen, the toy capital in the Ore Mountains, features nutcrackers, smokers, pyramids and other wooden treasures produced by local craftsmen. This is where we ‘shop until we drop’ for very special Christmas gifts! Prague, capital of the Czech Republic and UNESCO World Cultural and Natural Heritage city, lies on the Vltava river. Here you can visit the Prague Castle, Charles Bridge, astronomical clock and Wenceslas Square.

Contact Trudy Gilgenast at 302-995-1726, Trudyg@udel.edu or **Giovanni(John) Maiorano**, 302-545-2684, mail_myworld@yahoo.com for further information.

D.S.B. T E E N - A G E G R O U P

December and January were busy times for the teenagers! During our December meeting, we held our annual TAG Christmas party...with a few fun twists! We increased the time of our meeting and celebrated with the theme of "Feats of Talent and Feats of Skill." Aren't games more fun when everyone starts on the same playing field? Well, everyone has a chance when you have use your brain to match clue to names of candy bars! Who would have thought that the clue to the Zero Bar would be Aaron's IQ? He thought it was the 100 Grand Bar...



The winter doldrums were setting in during January so our TAG group moved to the Deutsche Halle to participate in a ping pong tournament. The teens had a blast and are ready to take on any challengers!

In February, we will have a Coffee & Cake on Sunday the 10th from 12 PM to 3 PM. We will again have a selection of cakes made by the DSB's own Heinz! Come out and have a great afternoon of conversation and cake and support the young people of our club at the same time. See you there! Reservations can be made by calling 443-553-9169 (Katy & Aaron) and leaving a message. While reservations are suggested, they are not required.

If you have any teens, or "near-teens," we meet the 1st Thursday of every month at 7PM in the Bauernstube. All teens welcome!



TAG having FUN at the Christmas Party and during our January Ping Pong Tournament.





Valentine's Day

Coffee and Cake Afternoon

Thank you for supporting the TAG Group

February 10th, 2013 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Everybody will get choice of two pieces of cake, and unlimited coffee or tea

Price: \$6.50 per person

Please Contact Katy Derby (443-553-9169) or Gina Henry (302 367-5536) for reservations.

Reservations are not necessary but are encouraged. Guests are welcome!!



Doors Open

6:30pm

Dinner Served

7pm-8pm

DJ

8pm-12am



BEEF 'N BEER

Hosted by the

Enzian Volkstanzgruppe

Delaware Saengerbund

49 Salem Church Road

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2013

Contact for Tickets: Klaus Vikari 302-722-1675

Teresa Escheu 302-766-0522

\$25.00 per person

Tickets

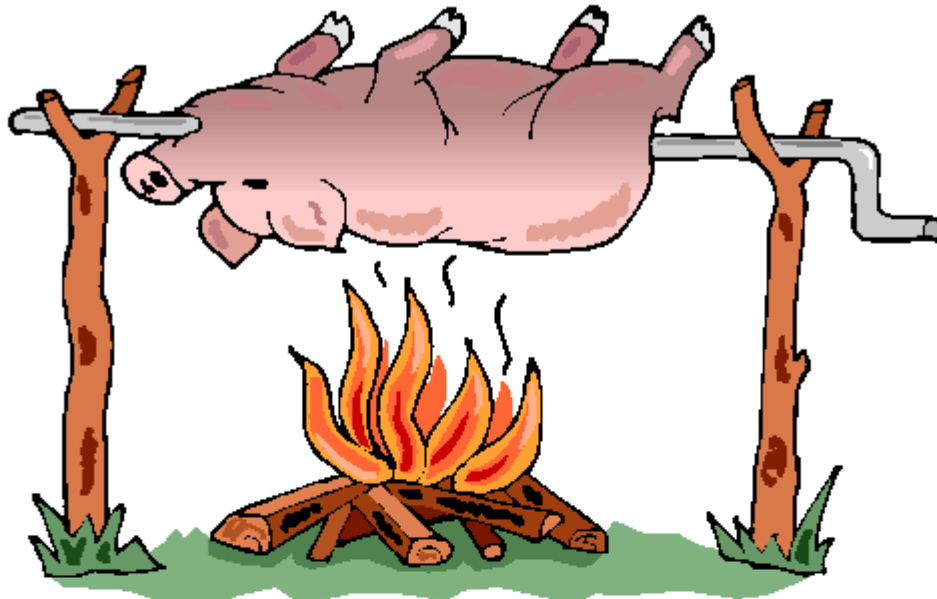
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Starting

February 7th



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FOR THE

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IN THE PAVILION

SATURDAY MAY 18, 2013

3PM

ROASTED PIG, BLAUKRAUT, GERMAN POTATO SALAD

\$15.00 PER PERSON

\$10.00 CHILDREN 10 AND UNDER

JOIN US FOR A NICE FAMILY DAY IN THE PAVILION!

BONFIRE IN THE EVENING TO END A WONDERFUL DAY!

MORE DETAILS TO COME!!!!!!

For more information contact Teresa Escheu at tme1202@msn.com or 302-766-0522

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