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August 2023 Newsletter

In Memoriam:

Max Don Dooley

William "Bill" Sigmund

General Meeting – Please note the new time!!

Monday, August 14, 2023, at <u>7:30 p.m.</u> in the Deutsche Halle

Oktoberfest Sign-ups before the meeting.

A Message from our President

As you read this message, the end of summer is quickly approaching. We're unofficially 2/3 of the way through it yet there is still so much more to come and do. Until recently it's been very hot and dry but as I write this message the weather here is beautiful, warm, and sunny with absolutely no humidity. As many club members have commented, this would be ideal Oktoberfest weather. Keep your fingers crossed. Before you know it, September will be here, and we all know what that means: the DSB Oktoberfest is just around the corner and regardless of the weather the Oktoberfest will go on and it will be successful.

The Oktoberfest is by far our largest source of income; it sustains our property and programming throughout the year. The income produced by the Oktoberfest allows us to keep membership dues low, drink and food prices extremely reasonable, complete maintenance repairs and projects, offer scholarships and awards as well as subsidize groups, clubs and committees which are the lifeblood of this organization.

The Oktoberfest also presents each of us with a special opportunity to contribute to this celebration of our German heritage. This goes beyond everyday volunteering. Volunteers built this club and volunteers continue to help it flourish. But the Oktoberfest is a time for every member to step up and help with setup, teardown or working the event during the weekend either under the big tent or behind the scenes.

With a membership of around 900 members no single member's duty will be too much as long as everyone pitches in. So please, if you've not yet done so, see Teresa Vikari or one of the other numerous Oktoberfest committee chairpersons to sign up. There is always something you can do. Don't be shy about signing up for more than one shift or trying something new, maybe something outside your "comfort zone," working at something you may have never considered. You won't know how much fun it can be unless you try.

Let's make this Oktoberfest one of our greatest ever. Remember this is our biggest fundraiser and our biggest opportunity to let the public know what we're all about. "NO, it's not just about drinking beer; it's about our heritage, culture, friendship and community outreach...and some beer drinking."

Our club has a lot going on and much to offer. Please note these other upcoming events on your calendar and consider supporting them by attending and/or participating.

- Saturday, September 9th, EVTG 55th Stiftungsfest
- Sunday, October 1st, Erntedankfest
- Tuesday, October 3rd, German Unity Day Celebration

If anyone needs to talk to me or discuss something, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Servus,

Rudy Schock, President

Mobile phone: (814)574-8243 please send a text or leave a voicemail message.

Email: rschock324@gmail.com

Oktoberfest Volunteer Coordinator

It is that time of the year again to start signing up for the Oktoberfest! Please reach out to your chairperson if you will be returning to your usual place. When contacting the chairperson that you have worked for in the past, please be mindful of the work you can do.

Sign-ups before the August Meeting!

We ask that any and all Volunteers dedicate ANY kind of time. We will find work for you. There are many places that need fill-in help, no shows happen or just people to jump in to help when needed. We understand that there are those who cannot do certain jobs, we will make arrangements and find something for you to do.

The worry that you cannot work the 6 hours asked is not to be worried about, we need as many people to work period, we shall make it work as it has over the past 45 years.

If you know students of any age that need service hours, please direct them my way so that I can help them with that.

We need workers the week before, Oktoberfest weekend, and the week after. Reach out to everyone you know and gather help for us.

Please contact Teresa Vikari, 2023 Oktoberfest Core Committee and Volunteer Coordinator with any questions. tme1202@msn.com or 302-766-0522.

Oktoberfest Chairperson's Meeting

Sunday, August 13th at 1:00 p.m. in the von Steuben Room

Please contact Teresa Vikari, 2023 Oktoberfest Core Committee and Volunteer Coordinator with any questions. tme1202@msn.com or 302-766-0522.

Property Committee

WORKDAY – Saturday, August 19, 2023 – 8:30 a.m. ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME – COME OUT AND SUPPORT YOUR CLUB



CULTURE COMMITTEE

DEUTSCH IST TOLL

All parents, grandparents, members at large, and guests are invited to attend the last day of KINDERCAMP for "show & tell" presentations or skits about what the children did and learned during the past two weeks. Please come and support our DSB families on Friday, August 11th, at 11:00 a.m. in the Deutsche Halle.

What a great opportunity to begin to learn German or brush up on your rusty skills! As a special privilege of your DSB membership you have the opportunity to learn German at no additional cost. Language, after all, holds a cultural group together! So, come and enroll in one of two classes that are offered from October to May. The beginner's class is held on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. and is taught by Dr. Iris Busch and will begin October 3rd. You will learn the basic skills along with culture, dialogs, readings, and songs. The intermediate class is held on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. and is taught by Alison Matsen and will begin October 5th. You will review basic language skills, read short stories, articles, and converse 'auf Deutsch.' Both classes are held in the Library. No registration needed. Just show up! Reminder notices will be sent to previous students.

ERNTEDANKFEST will be celebrated again with the DSB Singers on Sunday, October 1st, at 3:00 p.m. This year the program will take place first at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Newark with a Thanksgiving service conducted by the Pastor Barbara, and participation of the DSB Singers, the Johannes Brass, our pianist, and St. Paul's organist.

As in past years a harvest supper prepared by the Ladies of the DSB will follow about ½ hour after the service back at our club. As there is no charge for this meal, a donation to the church's charity would be greatly appreciated (checks payable to St. Paul's Lutheran Church). The charity is Lutheran Community Services' FISH program (Fellowship In Serving the Hungry) which provides supplemental groceries for 70 low-income families in the Newark community. On food-distribution days, University of Delaware students pack boxes, and help clients with both registration and courtesy-loading of their food into a public bus or car.

PLEASE BE SURE TO FILL OUT THE ENCLOSED RESERVATION SHEET AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THAT WE MAY KNOW APPROXIMATELY HOW MANY MEALS TO PREPARE.

The next Culture Committee meetings are on Thursday, August 3, at 7:00 pm, and on Thursday, September 7th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room. We will be reviewing our upcoming events and programs and continuing our History Wall project. Interested members are always welcome.

Schützenverein

Our next meeting will be on August 21st at 7:00 p.m. in the VSR. We will be discussing the creation of an air rifle range and regular air rifle competitions at the club. Anyone who wants to be involved in the construction of the range and design of the competition is encouraged to attend.

Matt Nussle

SMORGASBORD

The Ladies of the DSB are having the 4th annual Smorgasbord Friday night food on

AUGUST 11, 2023

5:00 - 8:00 PM or until food is gone.



All you care to eat!! \$15.00 per person \$7.00 for children under 10



DEUTSCHE SCHULE IM DELAWARE SAENGERBUND 2023 - 2024 APPLICATION DEADLINE - SEPTEMBER 20, 2023

The Deutsche Schule at the Delaware Saengerbund is preparing for the new school year with an outstanding team. Richard Grieb serves as Director of the school. All questions are to be directed to him at 610-388-1447 or rgrieb08@aol.com.

Members are invited to sign up their children/grandchildren as soon as possible, as the first 15 will be accepted into each level. The school is open to non-members who are interested in the German language, culture, and heritage. THERE IS NO SCHOOL FEE FOR MEMBERS. THE NON-MEMBER FEE IS \$150.00 PER STUDENT.

Classes will be held on Sundays, beginning September 24, 2023, and continuing until May 5, 2024. Class time: 1 – 3 p.m. for all classes. Please complete and submit the application form, include a check made payable to the DSB in the amount of \$150 if you are a non-member. Mail completed form and check (if applicable) to: Delaware Saengerbund, Attn: Richard Grieb, 49 Salem Church Road, Newark, DE 19713.

Deutsche Schule Application

NAME:		7-2
ADDRESS:		
PHONE #:	EMERGENCY #:	EMAIL:
NAME AND AGE OF C	HILD:	11
DSB MEMBER:		

Communications' Secretary

If you would like to receive your Newsletter electronically **only**, please complete the form below and return it to Keith Farmer at DSBCommSec@gmail.com or by leaving the form below in the Communications' Mail Slot in the DSB office.

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I DO NOT want a paper copy of the newsletter mailed to my home.				

From the Ladies

The Ladies are hosting Friday night food on August 11th from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. or until the food is gone. It's an All You Can Ear Smorgasbord for \$15.00 per person. Remember to mark your calendars for the Ladies Christmas Festival on November 18, 2023. The next Ladies' meetings are August 28th and September 25th at 7:00 p.m. in the VSR. New members are always welcome! Please consider helping with this event. More details to follow.

Marti Kane, President, Ladies of the DSB

Cornhole @ DSB

Every Monday evening, except holidays from 6:00 till dark by the Bier Garten (in the Pavilion if the weather is bad)

ALL members and their guests are Welcome.

Men, Women and Children ... ANY age, ANY skill level ... It's all for:

"Freundliche Versammlung und Gemütlichkeit"

(friendly gathering and fun)

Teams will be randomly selected on a weekly basis depending on who shows up. If you have Boards and Bags, please bring them, we may need them.

The Bauernstube will be open, and food and drinks will be available for purchase.

DSB Cornhole is coordinated by Rudy Schock and Doug Trinkaus

Any questions, please contact Rudy by phone or text at (814) 574-8243 or by email at rschock324@gmail.com.

Erntedankfest

******* Sunday, October 1, 2023 *******
3:00 P.M.

"Nun danket alle Gott" – Erntedankfest, the annual and 34th Delaware Saengerbund Thanksgiving Service, will be held on Sunday, October 1st at 3:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church at 701 S. College Avenue in Newark, DE, at the corner of Highways 896 and 4 (S. College Ave. and E. Chestnut Hill Road).

The church service will be officiated by St. Paul's Interim Pastor Barbara Melosh. Festive music will be provided by the Johannes Brass Ensemble and the chorus of the Delaware Saengerbund under the direction of Dr. C. Nelson Fritts. Pianist, Mrs. Pat Rardon, will accompany the singers, and St. Paul's Music Director, Mr. Mike Bareham, will play the organ.

Everyone is invited and welcome to bring friends. After the service, join us at the harvest supper served at the club in the Deutsche Halle. This sumptuous dinner is free of charge, but to help us with food planning, we request that you make a reservation by September 24th, 2023. Please note that a prerequisite or obligation for the dinner is attendance at the church service at St. Paul's. Parking in front of the church entrance is free and plentiful. Distance between church and DSB is only 3½ miles or about 10 minutes away.

Reservation for Erntedankfest 2023 - Harvest Supper:

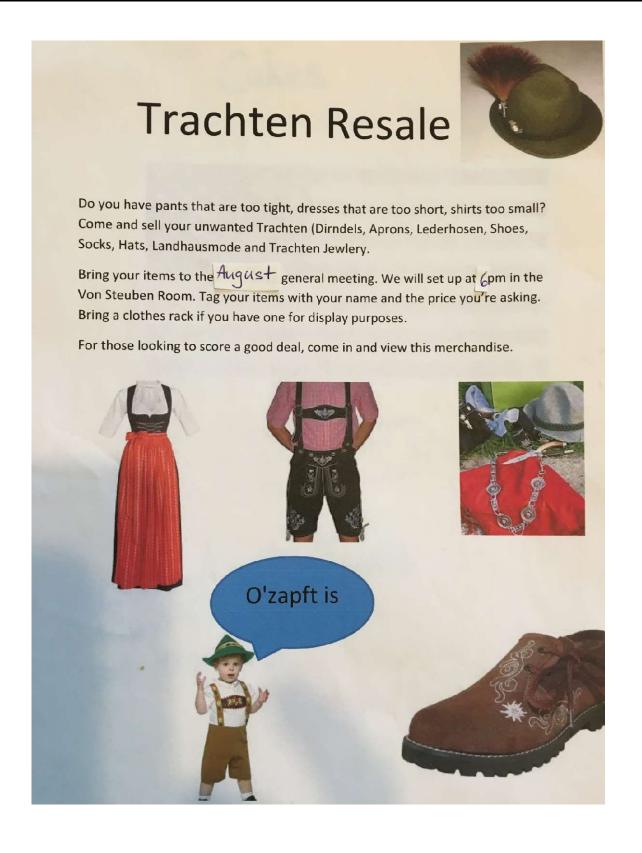
Name _____

Phone _____

E-Mail ____

Number of people attending _____

Please complete and return this form to the DSB, Attn: Ladies of the Saengerbund, DSB, 49 Salem Church Road, Newark, DE 19713, by September 24th, 2023.



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Monthly Calendar of Events

<u>Date</u>	Day	<u>Event</u>	Time	Location
Jul 31 –	MON -	Kindercamp – DSB Summer Language Camp	9:00 a.m.	Library & Game
Aug 11	FRI	for Children		Room
Aug 3	THU	Culture Committee Meeting	7:00 p.m.	Board Room
Aug 11	FRI	Kindercamp - "Show and Tell"	11:00 a.m.	Deutsche Halle
Aug 11	FRI	Ladies Friday Night Food – Smorgasbord	5:00 -	Bauernstube
		All you can eat! \$15.00 per person	8:00 p.m.	
Aug 13	SUN	Oktoberfest Committee Chairperson's Meeting	1:00 p.m.	von Steuben Room
Aug 19	SAT	Property Workday	8:30 a.m.	Grounds
Aug 21	MON	Schützenverein Meeting	7:00 p.m.	von Steuben Room
Aug 28	MON	Ladies' Meeting	7:00 p.m.	von Steuben Room
Sep 6	WED	Singer's Rehearsal	7:00 p.m.	Deutsche Halle
Sep 7	THU	Culture Committee Meeting	7:00 p.m.	Board Room
Sep 9	SAT	EVTG 55 th Stiftungsfest	6:00 p.m.	Deutsche Halle
Sep 15	FRI	OKTOBERFEST	5:00 p.m.	Grounds
Sep 16	SAT	OKTOBERFEST	12:00 p.m.	Grounds
Sep 17	SUN	OKTOBERFEST	12:00 p.m.	Grounds
Sep 24	SUN	Deutsche Schule – Begins	1:00 p.m.	DSB
Sep 25	MON	Ladies' Meeting	7:00 p.m.	von Steuben Room
Oct 1	SUN	Erntedankfest	3:00 p.m.	St. Paul's Lutheran
				Church
Oct 3	TUE	German Unity Day Celebration	TBD	DSB
Oct 3	TUE	Beginners Adult Language Class	7:00 p.m.	Library
Oct 5	THU	Intermediate Adult Language Class	7:30 p.m.	Library