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#### **December 2023 Newsletter**

#### In Memoriam

Elzbieta Lisa Fisher

Ralph Alfred Gilgenast Sr.

#### **General Meeting and Elections**

Monday, December 11, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. in the Deutsche Halle

#### A Message from our President

IM NAMEN VON MIR UND DEN ANDEREN MITGLIEDERN IHRES VORSTANDS DES DELAWARE SAENGERBUNDES WÜNSCHEN WIR ALLEN UNSEREN MITGLIEDERN UND IHREN FAMILIEN FROHE WEIHNACHTEN UND EIN FREUDIGES, GLÜCKLICHES UND ERFOLGREICHES NEUES JAHR.



RUDOLF SCHOCK, PRÄSIDENT KEVIN MCMULLIN, 1. VIZEPRÄSIDENT TERESA VIKARI, 2. VIZEPRÄSIDENTIN ANN MARIE BLAASCH, SCHATZMEISTERIN DONALD STURMFELS, AUFNAHMESEKRETÄR KEITH FARMER, KOMMUNIKATIONSSEKRETÄR

ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND THE OTHER MEMBERS OF YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE DELAWARE SAENGERBUND WE'D LIKE TO WISH ALL OUR MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A JOYOUS, HAPPY, AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

Servus,

Rudy Schock, President Mobile phone: (814) 574-8243 please send a text or leave a voicemail message. Email: <u>rschock324@gmail.com</u>



# New Year's Party

December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023 Doors Open at 700pm

> Delaware Saengerbund 49 Salem Church Road Newark, DE 1973

HORS D'OEUVRES

730-830pm

# DINNER BUFFET & DESSERT STATION

830pm

#### BROTZEIT

Light Fare at 1130pm

\$70 per person/ \$130 per couple

Bier Wine and Soda included

High End Sprits-Cash Bar

Tickets Sold in the Bauernstube 7-9pm.

every Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday until December 21<sup>st</sup>.

Contact Teresa Vikari at 302-766-0522 or <u>Teresa.Vikari@gmail.com</u>

Cash or Check only made out to DSB



#### **Election of Officers**

Elections for the Board of Directors will be held at the December general membership meeting with the following candidates to date:

1st VP Treasurer Communications Secretary Membership Secretary Kevin McMullin Ann Marie Blaasch Keith Farmer Judy Ariganello

Any active member with at least 24 months of active membership is eligible to run for office. Nominations accepted at the meeting. Please see Brian Schulz, Vicki Farmer, or Werner Freymann to express your interest.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

Fröhliche Weihnachten und Alles Gute zum Neujahr!!

I want to thank everyone who came out for the Appreciation party last month! It was a success, and everyone had a great time! Looking forward to hosting everyone again next year!

Saturday, December 9th is Tannenbaum - bring the family for an evening of singing and dancing. Doors will open at 6 p.m.; Singers will sing at 6:30 p.m.; Enzian Volkstanzgruppe will follow at 7 p.m. and then we can all enjoy the Enzian Muzikanten for the rest of the evening for dancing.

The Children's Christmas Party is scheduled for Sunday, December 10th and will be in the Deutsche Halle at 3 p.m. - Flyer has been distributed through the newsletter and on our Social Media pages. All children and grandchildren of members are welcome up to the age of 10. Come and enjoy the afternoon for some fun activities and Santa Claus! If you are interested in helping out with this event all are welcome! The last day to sign up is December 2nd!

And for the grand finale of 2023 will be our New Year's Eve Celebration in the Deutsche Halle. Tickets are selling fast so make your reservations!! Get your group together for a fun night with friends and family to Ring in the New Year! Flyer is posted in the newsletter, all around the club and on the website. Price is \$70 per person; \$130 per couple. Cocktail Reception; Open Bar; Cash Bar for High End Liquors; Dinner Buffet with a Carving Station; Dessert/Coffee Station and Brotzeit at 11:30 p.m. Surprises are in store! Music and Dancing by the Dave Betz Band. Business Attire or Casual Tracht are required. NO JEANS PLEASE.

Inaugural Ball—Saturday January 13th; Music by Bernie's Orchestra; this is a Semi Formal affair so please dress accordingly! NO JEANS Doors Open at 5 p.m.

Fasching-February 10th, 2024; Music by the Alpenländers; More Details to come!

Delaware Saengerbund 171st Stiftungsfest is March 16th. More details to come!

One final note: Please make sure that you get with the appropriate people on dates for the calendar as next year is a busy one with a lot of functions and events at the Delaware Saengerbund!

I would like to wish the entire family of the Delaware Saengerbund from Klaus, Hunter, and myself, we hope that everyone has a festive season and enjoys their time with family and friends.

mit Schönen Grüssen, Teresa M Vikari - 2nd Vice President

## Tannenbaum Nacht Sing-Along at the Delaware Saengerbund



REHEARSALS ON NOVEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup> AND DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE DEUTSCHE HALLE PERFORM WITH THE DSB SINGERS ON TANNENBAUM NACHT - SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9TH AT 6:30 P.M.

#### Property Committee

MEETING – Monday, December 4, 2023 – DSB Library – 7:30 p.m. **NO** Property Committee Workday in December

#### <u>Sunshine</u>

If you know of a member who has been ill or in the hospital, has lost a loved one, or who could just be brightened up with a 'thinking of you card,' please contact our Sunshine Lady, Robin Moxley.

Email address: <u>Rockinrobin01@verizon.net</u> Phone number: (410) 648-5069

#### From the Ladies

The general meeting special menu item for December is Goulash Soup with noodles.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Christmas Festival! It was a wonderful event, and The Ladies are very grateful for your support! We could not have such a successful event without you!

The Ladies will be preparing the meal for the Inaugural Ball on January 13, 2024. The flyer containing information about the event including the meal and the dinner reservation is in this newsletter.

The next Ladies meeting is on January 29th at 7:00pm in the VSR. New members are always welcome. There is no meeting in December.

Fröhliche Weihnachten und ein Frohes Neues Jahr.

Marti Kane, President, Ladies of the DSB

#### <u>Membership</u>

Just a reminder that 2024 dues are due no later than January 31, 2024. Dues can be paid by cash, check, or credit card. Please use the form in the newsletter and include all requested information including your phone number. Thank you to everyone who has paid their dues already. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Judy Ariganello Membership Secretary



#### Garden Committee

**Eat Pringles, save the cans!** We will be planting a stand of Buckeye trees along the fence line bordering Salem Church Rd. To get the saplings started, we need tall Pringles potato chip cans. Put donated cans in the box next to the ATM machine.

New members are welcome! We can use any help whether for a small project or taking on one of the clubs' gardens. You can work within your schedule, and you do not need to have a green thumb! Planning meetings will be on the third Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the Bauernstube Stammtisch- **next meeting December 18th 7:30 p.m.** 

Thank you, Julia Dooley- email julia.dooley@gmail.com



#### Library Committee

For the past several months, the Library Committee has been reorganizing DSB's library. Books that are being removed from the library have been offered to those coming to the General Membership meetings with the hope that people will take the books home to read and not return. Beginning this month, books are on display next to the ATM for anyone interested in taking them home and not returning them.

After finishing the culling of the library, the committee will reorganize the library shelves so that it will be easier to find books in both German and English.

As always, the committee is looking for members to help, especially anyone fluent in German. If you are willing to help, contact Dr. Sandra Mather at <u>sandie@sandra-mather.com</u>.



Date	Day	Event	Time	Location	
Dec 3	SUN	Advent Concert – Open to the Public	2:00 p.m.	Deutsche Halle	
Dec 4	MON	Cornhole	6:00 p.m.	Deutsche Halle	
Dec 4	MON	Property Meeting	7:30 p.m.	Library	
Dec 6	WED	Tannenbaum Sing Along Rehearsal with Singers	7:00 p.m.	Deutsche Halle	
Dec 7	THU	Culture Committee Meeting	7:00 p.m.	Board Room	
Dec 7	THU	EVTG Meeting	8:00 p.m.	von Steuben Room	
Dec 9	SAT	Tannenbaum Nacht	6:00 p.m.	Deutsche Halle	
Dec 10	SUN	Children's Christmas Party	3:00 p.m.	Deutsche Halle	
Dec 11	MON	General Meeting - ELECTIONS	7:30 p.m.	Deutsche Halle	
Dec 18	MON	Cornhole	6:00 p.m.	Deutsche Halle	
Dec 18	MON	Garden Committee	7:30 p.m.	Library	
Dec 31	SUN	New Year's Eve Celebration	7:00 p.m.	Deutsche Halle	
		Reservations Required	-		
Jan 3	WED	Singers' Rehearsal	7:30 p.m.	Deutsche Halle	
		Continues every Wednesday			
Jan 13	SAT	Inaugural Ball – General Meeting	7:00 p.m.	Deutsche Halle	
		Dinner at 5:30 p.m.			
Jan 15	MON	Cornhole	6:00 p.m.	Deutsche Halle	
Jan 15	MON	Ballroom Dance Class	7:30 p.m.	Deutsche Halle	
		Continues Jan 22 & 29, Feb 5, 19, & 26			
Jan 29	MON	Ladies' Meeting	7:00 p.m.	von Steuben Room	
Feb 10	SAT	Fasching	TBD	Deutsche Halle	
Mar 16	SAT	DSB 171 <sup>st</sup> Stiftungsfest	TBD	Deutsche Halle	

#### **Monthly Calendar of Events**

#### Sheds for Sale

The DSB Storage Sheds are for Sale! Interested? Please contact 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Kevin McMullen at <u>bjnkm@aol.com</u>

#### **Culture Committee**

The next 6-week ballroom dance class series begins again on January 15 at 7:30 p.m. in the Deutsche Halle every Monday except the Monday with the General Members' Meeting. Foxtrot and Swing Dance will be covered as well as the Waltzes and Polka. Please see enclosed flyer.

The next Culture Committee meeting is on Thursday, December 7, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room. We will be reviewing our upcoming events and programs. Interested members are always welcome.

Thank you,

Thuran

Don Thureau Culture Committee Chair

### Delaware Saengerbund Members & Guests

Join The Dancing Fun

### New Dance Class Series on January 15, 2024

And You'll Be Ready for your Next Dancing Opportunity. New Year's Dance, Cruise, Gala, Class Reunion, Fundraiser, Wedding, Night on the Town... and more!

### Ballroom Dance Classes in the Delaware Saengerbund's Deutsche Halle

with Champion Instructors Denis & Tania

When: Mondays 7:30 - 8:15 PM

Class Schedule:

Jan. 15, 22, 29 / Feb. 5, 19, 26 (6 classes total) with practice party on the final class

Dances You Will Learn & Master in This Series: POLKA AND WALTZ PRACTICE WITH NEW STEPS SWING DANCE & FOXTROT PRACTICE WITH NEW STEPS

#### Tuition: \$60/person or \$100/couple

Sign-up and register online by visiting https://blueballroom.net/saengerbund-dancers/ or sign up by filling out this form with payment to Culture Committee at Delaware Saengerbund, 49 Salem Church Rd., Newark, DE 19713. Please include a **check payable to the <u>BlueBallRoom</u>** on or before Jan. 5, 2024. If you wish to pay by cash, bring it before the class, but let us know you're coming by texting Don Thureau at (302) 897-4568.

NAME(S ):\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL:

PHONE:



Dance Classes provided by our friends from the BlueBallRoom Dance Studio in Wilmington, DE



#### **Communications' Secretary**

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

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (In case I need to talk to you): \_\_\_\_\_

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

#### <u>Singers</u>

After presenting our Advent Concert and participating in the Tannenbaum Nacht festivities, the Chorus will take a short holiday break. Our next rehearsal will be on January 3, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the Deutsche Halle. All members are welcome to join us!

Frohe Weihnachten und ein glückliches Neues Jahr!

Keith Farmer, Singers' Chairman

#### **Cornhole and Shuffleboard**

Due to Holidays and the General Mtg. in December our Cornhole playing schedule is as follows:

Monday, December 4th Monday, December 18th ... "Ugly Christmas Sweater Cornhole", bring a snack to share. Monday, January 8th

Playing takes place in the Deutsche Halle from 6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. please enter through the Bauernstube.



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## Dues for 2024 are DUE!

Use this form for Dues Renewal

Attention: DSB Membership Secretary

49 Salem Church Road, Newark, DE 19713-2933

Name			
Street Address			
City		State	Zip Code
Phone Number _			
Check Status:	Active (	) or Supporting (	)
	Sin	gle - \$35.00	Single over 65 - \$15.00
	Far	mily - \$50.00	Family over 65 - \$20.00
Email address _		~	
C	O NOT WRITE I	N THIS AREA – ME	MBERSHIP SECRETARY ONLY
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## Delaware Saengerbund Inaugural Ball



Doors Open 5:00 pm - Dinner at 5:30 pm - General Meeting 7:00 pm Music and dancing from 8-11:00 pm

Menu: Soup, Rouladen, Spätzle, Blaukraut, Vegetable, and Dessert Dinner is available for \$18.00 Please make checks payable to the Ladies of the DSB and send to the attention of Marti Kane. Final deadline for dinner reservations is January 6, 2024.

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#### TEAR OFF AND RETURN WITH RESERVATION FOR INAUGURAL BANQUET- JANUARY 13, 2024

Name \_\_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_\_ Number attending \_\_\_\_\_\_ X \$18.00 per person = \$\_\_\_\_\_ amount attached Please make checks payable to the Ladies of the DSB Send to the attention of Marti Kane

Deadline for dinner reservations is January 6, 2024