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March 2024 Newsletter

In Memoriam

Karl-Heinz Schulz

Richard "Dick" O. Trager

Edward Roy Westing

General Meeting

Monday, March 11, 2024, at <u>7:30 p.m.</u> in the Deutsche Halle Ladies' Dinner Special – Ham, Scalloped Potatoes and Asparagus

A Message from our President

Guten Tag Freunde und Kollegen (Good day friends and fellow members).

Happy 171st Anniversary!

A group of approximately 16 friends interested in singing gathered on March 17, 1853, at a Stammtisch, a table reserved for them each week, in Krauch's Tavern on King Street in Wilmington, Delaware, with the idea of formally organizing a German singing society. The idea was good, and they were enthusiastic; this is when it all began.

Come celebrate our Anniversary at the 171st Stiftungsfest on Saturday, March 16th and again at the Founders' Day Frühschoppen on Sunday, March 17th (information on both events as well as many others can be found throughout this newsletter).

In closing I would be remiss in not mentioning two members that we recently lost, Karl-Heinz Schulz and Richard (Dick) Trager. Mr. Schulz and Mr. Trager, as they were known to us kids, were two men who were part of a larger group that, like our Founders, were also enthusiastic and had a good idea. These were two men with young families, who along with a select group of others, volunteered, organized, sacrificed, and worked tirelessly for our club, building what we have today. Our organization would not be what it is without their contributions. Ruhe in Frieden.

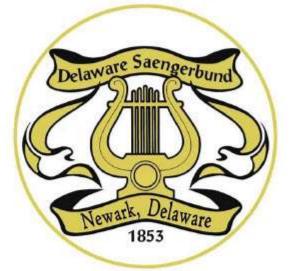
Servus, Rudy Schock, President Mobile phone: (814) 574-8243 please send a text or leave a voicemail message. Email: <u>rschock324@gmail.com</u>

Property Committee

MEETING – Monday, March 4, 2024 – DSB Library – 7:30 p.m. Property Committee Workday – Saturday, March 16, 2024 – 8:30 a.m.

171. Stiftungsfest of the Delaware Saengerbund

Saturday, March 16th, 2024 Doors Open: 6pm DSB Síngers: 6:30pm €nzían Volkstanzgruppe: 7pm



Come out to celebrate our history and heritage as we listen to the Singers, watch the Dancers, and Sance to the lively music of the Enzian Muzikanten, our very own Orchestra of the Delaware Saengerbund!

The Enzian Musikanten will perform for your dancing pleasure from 8pm+11pm.

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

Free admission Bring the Family!

DRESS CODE WILL BE ENFORCED. NO JEANS OR T-SHIRTS. WE ASK ALL TO WEAR AT LEAST BUSINESS CASUAL OR TRACHTEN ATTIRE.

2nd Vice President

Happy Spring and Springing forward for Longer Days with Daylight Savings Time on March 10th!

March 16th is our Annual Delaware Saengerbund Stiftungsfest in the Deutsche Halle with doors opening at 6:00 p.m. with programs starting at 6:30 p.m. This is an evening for all of our members and families to come and enjoy our anniversary of the founding of our Organization. The next day, Sunday, March 17th, on our day of original organization in a small tavern in Wilmington, Delaware we shall hold a Frühschoppen at the Delaware Saengerbund in the Bauernstube and von Steuben Room beginning at 10:00 a.m. till noon. Weisswurst, Brezel, und Weißbier will be offered to all who wish to attend. Flyer is in the newsletter, and we ask for reservations if possible. Please contact Rudy Schock or Teresa Vikari via email or phone. <u>Teresa.Vikari@gmail.com</u> or <u>rshock324@gmail.com</u> for reservations. Price is \$10 per person; if you wear Bayerische Gwand or Casual Tracht you will receive a \$1 off of bier all day!

Future Dates to look for are the DSB Annual Picnic on Saturday June 8th. Further details to follow.

Let's bring on the warm weather and Sunshine!

Teresa Vikari 2nd Vice President.

<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

Schützenverein

The Schützenverein will be hosting an Inaugural "Trap Shooting Event" to be held at the Wilmington Trap Association (WTA) in Newark. Afterwards, we will return to the Saengerbund for a Jägerschnitzel meal Gemütlichkeit. This event is open to members of the DSB and their family and friends. Please see the flyer in this newsletter for additional details.

The Schützenverein is also in the process of organizing and planning the "Air Rifle Shooting Gallery" for the Annual DSB Picnic, Saturday June 8th.

Matt Nussle

<u>Membership</u>

Thank you to everyone who has paid their 2024 dues. Our next new member induction meeting is scheduled for May 21st. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 302-463-9658 or judarig@verizon.net.

Judy Ariganello, Membership Secretary

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hühschoppen



TWO WEISS WURST WITH MUSTARD, A PRETZEL & A DRAFT BEER FOR \$10

ALSO WEAR GERMAN TRACHT AND REGEWE \$1 OFF DRAFT BEER ALL DAY The Bauernstube will be open beginning at 10am for ticket holders ONLY Food will be served from 10am - Noon

for information or tickets, call or text Rudy Schock at (814)574-8243 or email rschock324@gmail.com

Culture Committee

Summer tour to Majestic Cities of Central and Eastern Europe

July 21 to August 3, 2024 – 14 days – 19 meals: 12 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 6 dinners.

Cost is \$5,234 pp, double occupancy, economy air is included (air can be upgraded for an additional fee) Insurance is an additional \$449. If you choose to purchase insurance, it must be paid at time of deposit. <u>Note</u>: Czech Republic requires you have proof of medical insurance. Purchased insurance mentioned above meets the requirement.

Deposit due ASAP.

All club members, their family and/or friends are invited. This is a small group tour. Only 24 total travelers. The tour starts in Berlin and ends in Krakow. Countries visited: Germany, Czech Republic, Austria, Hungary, Slovakia, Poland. Cities: Berlin, Dresden, Prague, Vienna, Bratislava, Budapest, Banska Bystrica, and Krakow. Roundtrip shuttle bus to Philadelphia International Airport is included. Pickup location DSB parking lot.

Please plan to attend a meeting for more information regarding the tour on MARCH 19, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. in the von Steuben room.

A Collette tour representative will tell us more about the exciting 2024 summer tour. Also, information about the proposed Christmas market tour for Dec. 2025. Light refreshments will be served.

Link with detailed information regarding trip for those not able to attend meeting: https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1232428

Please contact Jeanne Dyson if you have any questions. Phone: 610-869-8213 email: jdyson1014@gmail.com

A new **6-week ballroom dance class series** begins on April 1, 2024, in the Deutsche Halle (see enclosed flyer) from 7:30 – 8:15 p.m. Foxtrot and Swing Dance variations will be taught, as well as the Rumba and Hustle. For further information, please contact Don Thureau at <u>thureau@verizon.net</u> or text him at 302-897-4568.

If you are reading this newsletter online, please click on the following link for a great story about our dance coaches teaching at the Delaware Saengerbund: <u>https://whyy.org/episodes/ukrainian-ballroom-champions-find-hope-and-healing-at-delaware-dance-studio/</u>..

The next Culture Committee meeting is on Thursday, March 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,

on Thureau

Don Thureau Culture Committee Chair

The DSB presents 51 ARKBIERFEST 3-23-2024 (Strong beer fest) 3pm to 6pm \$35.00 per person (Doors open at 2:30pm) Must be 21 or older to enter Tickets available in the Bauernstube Your admission includes, A souvenir tasting glass, Starkbier tastings, Dinner, with your choice of Roasted pig OR Roasted Chicken. Both include Red Cabbage, Spaetzle, Vegetable and Dessert. (Dinner served from 3pm to 5pm) Also available for purchase; Soft Pretzels, Traditional German beers on tap, the Stark beers, wine, mixed drinks, sodas and Schnapps. Limited tickets available to members and their guests. Requesting Traditional German Tracht. Otherwise, please dress respectfully for the event. Tickets available from any bartender.



KINDERCAMP German Language Camp this year is August 5 to 9, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. with a new format instead of the 2-week, mornings only program of the past years. This language camp program is only available to DSB members, and it is free of charge. Since this is essentially a full-day program, all children need to bring lunch, snack, and beverages with them. **Please register by July 7, 2024**. The registration form is enclosed with this newsletter.

June 1 Bus Trip to Baltimore and its German History



The annual bus trip this year will be on Saturday, June 1, 2024, and it will transport us through an eclectic German history tour of the Baltimore area in a comfortable air-conditioned Krapf bus. Being that many German immigrants (and others) came through the Port of Baltimore into the U.S., our first stop will be at the Immigration Museum, followed by the G. Krug Ironworks factory which still operates today. Many of the ornamental ironworks that you see on the East Coast have come from here. Then we'll have a light lunch at the Bavarian Brauhaus in Hanover, MD, followed by a tour to the Zion Lutheran Church in center city Baltimore which has been the cultural center for German Americans

for over two centuries and still to this day holds services in German! In addition to these sites, we will have a tour guide on the bus giving us more interesting German American history as we cruise to our various stops. The cost of this full day trip is \$55 per person. This includes lunch and all admissions and tours at each site, including tips. Sign-up forms will be available at the Membership meeting and the Bauernstube starting on Monday, Feb. 26.

Hurry and sign-up! Seats on the bus are limited. If you have any questions, please call or text Don Thureau at (302) 897-4568.

Frühschoppen

DSB will be hosting a "Founders' Day Frühschoppen" on Sunday, March 17th, St. Patrick's Day. Yes, you read that right, on St. Patrick's Day, because March 17th also happens to be the day our club was founded in 1853. Come celebrate OUR heritage and OUR club with an early morning Frühschoppen before the St. Patrick's Day festivities get started.

Come to the Bauernstube early and have a traditional German Frühschoppen, 2 Weiss Wurst, a Pretzel, and a large Draft Beer (preferably a Weissbier). The Bauernstube will open at 10:00 a.m. and food will be served from 10:00 to Noon and YOU MUST HAVE A PRE-PURCHASED TICKET TO ENTER. Also, see the enclosed flyer.

Anyone who attends Frühschoppen and wears traditional German tracht will receive \$1.00 off draft beer all day!

Tickets are \$10, please call or text Rudy Schock at (814) 574-8243 or by email at <u>rschock324@gmail.com</u> to purchase yours today.

Delaware Saengerbund Members & Guests

Join The Dancing Fun

New Dance Class Series on April 1, 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

(et's dance with us!



When: Mondays 7:30 - 8:15 PM

Class Schedule:

April 1, 15, 22, 29 / May 6 & 20 (6 classes total)

with practice party on the final class

Dances You Will Learn & Master in This Series: NEW STEPS IN SWING DANCE & FOXTROT PLUS THE RUMBA & HUSTLE

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

Sign-up and register online by visiting <u>https://blueballroom.net/saengerbund-dancers/</u>. If you wish to pay by check or cash, bring it at the first class, but let us know you're coming by texting Don Thureau at (302) 897-4568 with names and email address(es). Checks should be made out to **BlueBall Room**.



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



From the Ladies

The general meeting special menu item for February is spaghetti and meatballs.

The next Ladies' meeting is March 25th at 7:00 pm in the VSR. New members are always welcome! Please come and join us.

Marti Kane, President, Ladies of the DSB

1st Vice President

Moving into March,

- There will be a Friday night food event on March 8th. Stay tuned for more details. (As always, if you would like to schedule a Friday night food, please let me know).
- March 17th, join us for St. Patrick's day. It's always a great time. We will be opening at noon. Dennis
 will be handling the party details because I believe it's his favorite day of the year!
- And of course, March 23rd will be our 2nd Starkbierfest. Tickets are available in the Bauernstube, or from me. Last year was a sell-out so don't wait too long to purchase yours.

Enjoy the benefits of our wonderful club! Thanks, Kevin McMullin

Wandervögel

Upcoming Hikes:

DSB Nature Trail Workday - Saturday, March 9, 2024. Hike, Cleanup, and Campfire – stay tuned for details.

Bluebells along the Susquehanna - Saturday, April 6, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. Meet at Fisherman's Park below the Conowingo Dam – Stay tuned for details.

Craft Committee

The craft committee welcomes their new co-chairs, Carol Bridges and Barb McMullin. The next meeting will be on Thursday, March 7th at 12:30 p.m.

Please come around to the back door (under the awning) and ring the bell. New members are always welcome.



Tables provided for \$5.00 each (make checks payable to: DSB Singers)

Participants are required to set up and put away their own tables (unless physically unable). Reservations & payment must be made by April 12th. For more details, contact Keith Farmer @ 302-354-9748



Name:	
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Phone #:

Number of Tables:

May be left in the Singers Mailbox

Garden Committee

Thank you to the many members that have come out to remove vines, green briar, and wineberry brush. We have freed several trees and rediscovered several flowering shrubs along the parking lot area. Work will continue on that side of the property until we can reestablish that garden.

The wood barrel planters need to be refurbished and relocated. This involves stabilizing the metal banding with tap screws, treating the wood with Neatsfoot oil, and painting the black metal bands. Now that we are getting into spring, this work can begin when temps are above 50 degrees. Work on this will begin on Sunday afternoon, March 3rd from 1-4pm (and also on March 10th if the weather cooperates). Please email julia.dooley@gmail.com if you would like to come out to help with garden projects.

The next Garden Committee meeting will be on Monday, March 18th at 7:30 p.m. in the Bauernstube.

Thank you, Julia Dooley

<u>Singers</u>

Our next event is the Liederabend (Evening of Song) with the United Singers of Philadelphia at the Cannstatter on Sunday, March 3rd. We take a bus from the DSB, which leaves at 2:00 p.m., and guests are welcome! There is an \$8 admission fee and food will be available for purchase. We will return to the DSB at about 8:00 p.m. See Keith Farmer or call 302-354-9748 if you are interested in going.

We will also participate in the DSB's 171st Stiftungsfest on Saturday, March 16th and our Spring Concert on Saturday, April 27th. All members are welcome to join the Chorus. We meet on Wednesday's at 7:00 p.m. in the Deutsche Halle.

Keith Farmer, Singers' Chairman

<u>Cornhole</u>

We continue playing Cornhole in the Deutsche Halle from 6:00 to 7:15 p.m. on Monday evenings except on General Meeting nights and unless otherwise noted... soon we will be moving outside.. yeah!

Please join us for some friendly competition, gemütlichkeit, and a beer... Prost!

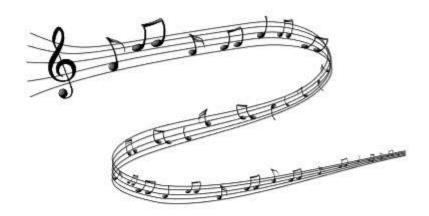
Communications' Secretary

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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.

Delaware Saengerbund Chorus Frühlingskonzert



When: Saturday, Apríl 27, 2024 Time: 3:00 p.m. (doors open at 2:30 p.m.) Music for your Dancing Pleasure after the concert. Food will be available for purchase from the Ladies. Free admission





St. Patrick's Day Party

When: March 17th Doors will open at noon.

Come and have a few pints with your family and friends. The Quiet Man will be playing along with Irish Music.

Enjoy some Irish cuisine.

Potato Soup, Ham and Cabbage and Irish Bread will be provided. Let's keep the tradition of bringing an Irish dish to share with your DSB friends.

Quench your thirst with a special St. Patrick's Day drink.

Irish Toasts to my DSB Friends

May you have warm words on a cold evening, a full moon on a dark night, and a smooth road all the way to your door. There are good ships, and there are wood ships, there are ships that sail the sea. But the best ships, are friendships, and may they always be.



DSB Summer Language Camp for Kids 2024: Deutsch macht Spass!







Please sign up your children (or grandchildren): From August 5 to August 9, 2024 (Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.)

We plan to have two Language classes this year separated by age, maturity, and German language proficiency. The age range that we are looking for is ages 6-12. Please note that this is a new format comprised of **one week only** of summer camp with extended times. All years prior we had a two-week program with just the morning schedule which made it difficult for many working parents. **Children must arrive with a parent-prepared lunch, including beverage and snacks.**

Activities will include storytelling, singing, writing, and drawing to support the interactive learning experience.

Application deadline is July 7, 2024. First come, first served. <u>Classes fill up quickly</u>. Only 15 children per class for a total of 30 children. Questions? E-mail Iris Busch (<u>beuren@udel.edu</u>) or call (302) 453-9872. You will receive an e-mail confirmation if your child or children have been registered or not.

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Tear out slip: please send in to the DSB (<u>attn: Culture Committee</u>) by no later than July 7, 2024. There is <u>no fee for members</u>. Please do not sign up if you anticipate a change in plans as this could keep another child from registering. Members only.

Name and age of child(ren) (age in August 2024)

(Please mention month of birth)

(Please use back of this sheet if not enough room)

DSB Member? (Y/N) ____ Do parents speak German at home? (Y/N) _____

Years in Deutsche Schule? _____ Any trips to German-speaking countries? (Y/N)_____ (Please use the back of this sheet to explain travel experiences more fully.)

Name and E-Mail address of parent or guardian:

Emergency phone number(s):

Food allergies: _____

Kindercamp 2024

DSB BOARD of DIRECTORS' SCHOLARSHIP – 2024 The mission of the DSB is to uphold and promote the German traditions of language, culture, and family. In keeping with these traditions, the Board of Directors offers a scholarship to a <u>currently enrolled senior high school student</u> that plans to pursue post-secondary education. The applicants must be of German descent and must <u>provide proof of German heritage</u>. All applications and required documentation must be submitted no later than April 15th of the scholarship year with no exceptions.

Please visit our club website www.delawaresaengerbund.org and click on the "Info" tab. The application and complete guidelines are listed at the bottom of the page. <u>NOTE: Please review DSB Scholarship Guidelines</u> <u>before completing the DSB Scholarship Application</u>. An incomplete application, missing required information, etc., will result in the application not being considered.

Date	Day	<u>Event</u>	Time	Location
Mar 4	MON	Property Committee	7:30 p.m.	Library
Mar 6	WED	Singers' Rehearsal (Continues Every Wednesday)	7:00 p.m.	Deutsche Halle
Mar 8	FRI	Friday Night Food Fettuccine Alfredo and Caesar Salad with Dessert	6:00 p.m.	Bauernstube
Mar 7	TUE	Culture Committee Meeting	7:00 p.m.	Board Room
Mar 9	SAT	Wandervögel DSB Nature Trail Workday	10:00 a.m.	Grounds
Mar 11	MON	General Meeting Dinner Special – Baked Ham and Scalloped Potatoes	7:30 p.m.	Deutsche Halle
Mar 15	FRI	Music in the Bauernstube By Ann and Steve on the Accordion	7:30 p.m.	von Steuben Room
Mar 16	SAT	DSB 171 st Stiftungsfest	6:00 p.m.	Deutsche Halle
Mar 17	SUN	DSB Founders' Day – Frühschoppen Reservations Required	10:00 a.m.	Bauernstube
Mar 17	SUN	St. Patrick's Day Celebration	12:00 p.m.	Bauernstube
Mar 19	TUE	Summer Tour of Eastern European Cities Informational Meeting	6:30 p.m.	von Steuben Room
Mar 22	FRI	Music in the Bauernstube By Ann and Steve on the Accordion	7:30 p.m.	von Steuben Room
Mar 23	SAT	Starkbierfest 2 - (Tickets Required)	2:30 p.m.	Deutsche Halle
Mar 25	MON	Ladies' Meeting	7:00 p.m.	von Steuben Room
Apr 1	MON	Property Meeting	7:30 p.m.	Library
Apr 1	MON	Ballroom Dancing – New Class! (Continues April 15, 22, 29 & May 6 & 20)	7:30 p.m.	Deutsche Halle
Apr 6	SAT	Wandervögel Bluebells along the Susquehanna	10:00 a.m.	Fisherman's Park
Apr 8	MON	General Meeting	7:30 p.m.	Deutsche Halle
Apr 20	SAT	Singers' Spring Yard Sale	8:00 a.m.	Parking Lot
Apr 27	SAT	DSB Singers' Spring Concert	3:00 p.m.	Deutsche Halle
Jun 1	SAT	Culture Committee - Baltimore Bus Trip	TBD	Bus Trip
Aug 5 – 9		Kinder Camp	9:00 a.m.	DSB

Monthly Calendar of Events

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