

Delaware Saengerbund and Library Assn., Inc.

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January 2020 Newsletter

The Next General Membership Meeting will be held 7:00PM
on Saturday January 18th, 2020

Calendar of Events

Date	Day	Event	Time	Place
31 DEC	TUE	SYLVESTER (NEW YEAR'S EVE)	7:00PM	Deutsche Halle
06 JAN	MON	Singers REHEARSAL	7:30PM	Deutsche Halle
09JAN	THU	Culture Committee Meeting	7:00 PM	Boardroom
18 JAN	SAT	INAUGURAL BALL / 1ST MEETING OF THE YEAR	5:00pm	Deutsche Halle
19 JAN	SUN	Genealogy Meeting	3:15PM	Von Steuben
26 JAN	SUN	Movies in the Library	3:30 PM	Library
27 JAN	MON	Ladies Meeting	7:30PM	Von Steuben
15 FEB	SAT	FASCHING	7:00PM	Deutsche Halle
16 FEB	SUN	SWEETHEARTS DINNER	2:30PM	Deutsche Halle
16 FEB	SUN	Genealogy Meeting	3:15PM	Von Steuben
14 MAR	SAT	CORNAMUSA USA	7:00PM	Deutsche Halle
21 MAR	SAT	DSB STIFTUNGSFEST (Anniversary)	6:30PM	Deutsche Halle

In Memoriam

Rosel Lauterbach
Mathilde Rotter

A Message From Your President

Freunde,

As we start a new year with optimism and anxiety, we need to take a moment to reflect on the passing year. Our losses were heartfelt in the passing of old friends. We joyously Thank Vicki and Daniela for their service to the Delaware Saengerbund and wish them all the best. We can look at our club with pride, knowing that our facility is in good repair and will continue to host our many internal groups and be a welcomed find for all our neighbors looking for a place to celebrate. Thank you to all who participated in Oktoberfest, Picnic, Parties, and any function that promoted our mission statement. Let's make an effort in the coming year to increase our participation in the many social offerings we have available. **HERE IS TO US IN THE NEW YEAR!!!**

Tschuess!

Don Sturmfels

PS: SEE YOU AT FASCHING!

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New Officers for 2020-2022 Office

1st VP - Dennis Kane
Membership - James Pietschmann
Communication - Morgan Schulz
Treasurer - Keith Farmer



INAUGURAL BALL - January 18, 2020 – Bernie's Orchestra

FASCHING - February 15, 2020 – The Adler's Band

CORNAMUSA USA - March 14, 2020

DSB STIFTUNGSFEST (Anniversary) - March 21, 2020

Maria, John & Mike Trio

The Ladies

The Ladies next meeting will be Monday January 27, 2020 at 7:30 pm in the VSR. New members are always welcome. There is a flyer in this newsletter for Inaugural Ball reservations for dinner. There will also be flyers around the club.

For the Ladies... Judy Ariganello, President

SINGERS

As the holiday music wafts through the air and Father Time strikes the midnight hour, the Singers wish everyone **PROSIT NEU JAHR!**

Many community guests enjoyed the beautiful Adventskonzert and delighted in the Culture Committee's reception of the delicious Ambrosch-baked goodies.

The Singers sang and rang out the year with a concert at the little Sisters of the Poor and at our own Tannenbaumabend.

Following a festive Christmas party the Singers will rest their voices until January 8 when rehearsals resume at 7:30p.m. New singers are always welcome and the new year is a good time to join the chorus! Did you know that singing promotes well-being and leads to a good physical and psychic balance in all age groups?

The Spring schedule will be a busy one with participation in the Cannstatter Liederabend, our own Stiftungsfest and the Spring Concert in May

**DSB BLITZ
JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH**

JANUARY: PROSIT NEU JAHR (Happy New Year) Wishes for a prosperous and healthy 2020 to all of you! The new year begins with many hopes and promises as well as plans and commitments. Hopefully your understanding of the German words and programs explained in the previous Blitz articles is now much clearer and you will participate more frequently in these programs celebrating our German heritage.

JANUARY'S general meeting is highlighted by the INAUGURAL BALL. At this time we welcome new officers and say 'DANKE' to outgoing officers. The Ladies prepare a festive dinner for this event followed by a short meeting. The evening continues with a live band for dancing and general GEMUETLICHKEIT. The officers wear formal attire and members may also do so or follow the dress code requested for our evening events. This is a special opportunity to recognize the tremendous amount of volunteer hours that officers give to leading and maintaining our beautiful club and property.

FEBRUARY is the time of carnival - FASCHING or MARDI GRAS, the weeks prior to Ash Wednesday. In Germany there are week-long celebrations along the Rhine, in Munich and in almost every small town where today's events have more political overtones and politicians enjoy poking fun at one another. FASCHING at the DSB offers members a fun-filled evening with the opportunity to create and dress up in costumes. Although wearing a costume is encouraged, it is not mandatory. Prizes are awarded for the funniest, most original, best group, individual, etc. A live band performs for dancing and food is available for purchase.

A more somber period follows the FASCHING season that leads up to Easter. During **MARCH**, however, the DSB celebrates its anniversary known as the STIFTUNGSFEST! On March 17, 1853 several men gathered at their favorite STAMMTISCH (table reserved for a group on a specific day and time) in Krauch's tavern on King Street in Wilmington and decided to form a MAENNERCHOR. In 2020 we will be 167 years old and we celebrate close to the March 17 date with a program presented by our chorus as well as the EVTG. Members are encouraged to attend and to recognize that our club is one of the oldest and very active organizations in Delaware.

This is the last BLITZ as it completes each month's explanation of our programs that are usually designated with a German title. So, come out, join in, volunteer and participate!

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Culture Committee

German Classes at the University of Delaware

The Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultures at the University of Delaware is offering a beginners German course (GRMN105) in the spring session which begins on February 10, 2020: Mondays and Wednesday from 6:00 to 7:40 p.m. The course is designed specifically for non-traditional students such as high-school seniors (They will receive 4 UD credits.) and busy professionals who cannot take German during the day. For questions, please contact Iris Busch @ 302 453 9872 or e-mail beuren@udel.edu.

Sunday Movies at 3:30 p.m. in the Library. Our next film is on January 26:

“One, Two, Three”

What was it like to live in Berlin before the Wall divided the city?

Director Billy Wilder has turned these times into a comedy as only he can do. The film was started in 1961, but because of the rising tensions and the closing of the Russian Sector, the filming had to be finished in Munich.

In English/German with English subtitles, b/w, 115 min., starring Horst Buchholz, Liselotte Pulver, Arlene Francis and James Cagney

Germanic Genealogy Group

Alex Haley said **“In all of us there is a hunger marrow-deep, to know our heritage, to know who we are and where we have come from”**.

That is why the Genealogy Group meets. If this speaks to you, join us. The meetings take place on Sunday afternoons in the von Steuben Room. They will begin at 3:15 pm.

Meetings are open to all members. We invite you to attend our programs this year.

Jan 19th, Sunday 3:15 pm – Meet two of our members who were born in Germany. They have very different stories to tell. They highlight the heart of our membership, ie vast different experiences but all with a love of the German Culture. Come hear their stories

Christiane Waldron – born in Schlesien, a village now in Poland. The home she had to leave in 1945. and **Peter Graetner** – a young man from Berlin. He was there when the wall came down.

Feb 16th, Sunday 3:15 pm – Two UD exchange students from Germany. They are charming and articulate. They will share with us the geography of their homes:

Jacob Niessner from the Darmstadt – attends University in Heidelberg

Theodor Weinert from Berlin where he attends University. He was born in Hamburg

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

MEETING - MONDAY - JANUARY 6, 2020 - DSB LIBRARY - 7:30 PM

WORKDAY - SATURDAY - JANUARY 25, 2020 - 8:30 AM

WHAT IS FASCHING ALTERNATIVELY CALLED KARNEVAL

Fasching alternatively called Karneval depending on the region officially begins on November 11, at 11:11 although the celebrating generally starts on January 7, the day after Dreikoenigstag and continues through midnight on Shrove Tuesday (also known as Fat Tuesday). Why is November 11 so important? After the French Revolution, The French under Napoleon took over part of the Rhineland.

It is a time of festivity and merry making –a time to break the rules, poke fun at those who make them and then to make your own new rules. In Germany, particularly in the Rhineland area, the tradition can be traced to medieval times where many countries existed under harsh rules.

Parties, parades, costumes and craziness ensue throughout the period, though the majority of celebrations occur in the final weeks, culminating with massive parades on Carnival Sunday or Rose Monday (Monday before beginning of Lent).

Celebrated mostly in Roman Catholic or Christian Orthodox areas, these celebrations provide a last chance for food and festivities before the lean days of lent. Each region features its own unique customs and traditions. Roughly speaking, Bavaria and central and east Austria celebrate Fasching with outrageous costumes and silly parades: Germany's Rhineland holds Karneval, with its politically-themed satires and military-esque costumes poking fun at historical French and Prussian invaders.

Fasching in its present form dates back to the middle ages when oppressed peasants would vent their discontent through plays and satires, poking fun at the ruling class from behind the safety of elaborate masks and costumes.

Though cities like Cologne, Munich and Würzburg draw literally millions of people to their parties, virtually every town and village has its own celebration and residents throw themselves into the Fasching fun with the same enthusiasm that Americans show when celebrating Halloween.

In many areas, when the Fasching festivities end on Shrove Tuesday (the day before Ash Wednesday), a straw man is burned in a bonfire late in the night, symbolizing the cleansing of all the sins committed during the festival. The party can only go until midnight, because then it's Ash Wednesday, and time for austerity. Another symbol of the end of the festival is the ceremonial death of the Fasching Prince.

FASCHING



February 15, 2020

Music from 7:30pm-11:30pm

Doors open 7:00pm

Enjoy music by the *THE ADLERS BAND*
Prizes will be awarded in the following
categories:

Best Female, Best Male, Best Couple and
Best Group



Bring the kids – TAG will provide kid friendly games and activities in the VS Room

Tickets \$8.00 per person

Contact Richard Grieb: rgrieb08@aol.com or
(610) 388-1447

**Delaware Saengerbund
Inaugural Ball**



January 18th, 2020

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

Menu: Chicken Cordon Bleu, Scalloped Potatoes, Red Cabbage,
Vegetable, and Dessert

Dinner is available for \$15.00

Please make checks payable to the Ladies of the DSB
and send to the attention of Judy Ariganello.

Final deadline for dinner reservations is January 11, 2020.

TEAR OFF AND RETURN WITH RESERVATION FOR
INAUGURAL BANQUET – JANUARY 18, 2020

Name _____

Telephone Number _____

Number attending _____ X \$15.00 per person = \$ _____ amount attached

Please make checks payable to the Ladies of the DSB
Send to the attention of Judy Ariganello
Deadline for dinner reservations is January 11, 2020



The Enzian Volkstanzgruppe
Cordially invites you to...

A Sweetheart's Supper

in the Delaware Sangerbund
Deutsche Halle

Dinner to Include:

- Frikadellen
- Mashed Potatoes
- Vegetable
- Dessert
- Coffee and Tea

Tickets: \$15 per person

Sunday, February 16, 2020
Doors Open: 2:30pm
Dinner Served: 3:00pm

Contact Teresa Vikari for Reservations
Please send payment to:
EVTG (Attn: Teresa Vikari – Sweetheart Supper)
49 Salem Church Road
Newark, DE 19713



EVTG Sweetheart Supper – Sunday February 16, 2020

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Number Attending: _____

Amount Enclosed (\$15/person): _____

Detach and Return by: February 10, 2020 – Checks Payable to the Enzian Volkstanzgruppe





DELAWARE SAENGERBUND 167 JUBILÄUM

DSB STIFTUNGSFEST MARCH 21, 2020

**DOORS OPEN 6:30PM
PROGRAM BEGINS AT 7PM**

MUSIC BY: MARIA, JOHN & MIKE TRIO - 8PM TO 11PM

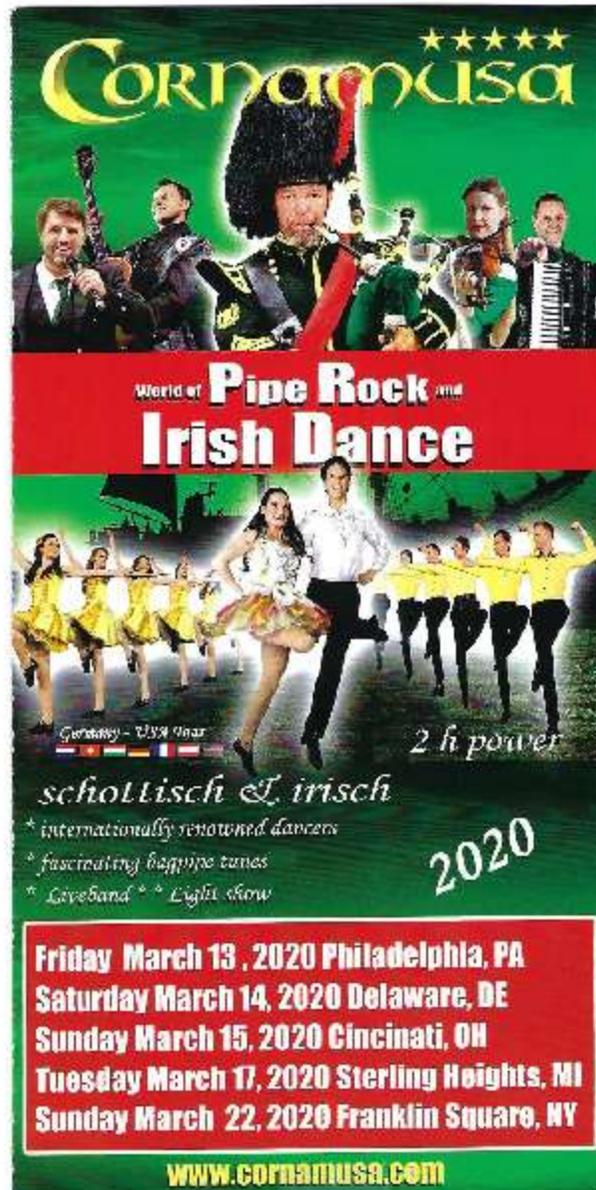
*****FREE ADMISSION FOR MEMBERS***
GUEST ADMISSION - \$8.00**

CORNAMUSA – MARCH 14, 2020

A GERMAN PRODUCTION

TICKETS ON SALE JANUARY 1, 2020

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Saturday March 14, 2020 Delaware, DE
Sunday March 15, 2020 Cincinnati, OH
Tuesday March 17, 2020 Sterling Heights, MI
Sunday March 22, 2020 Franklin Square, NY

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Dues for 2020 are payable by December 31st

Use this form for Dues Renewal
(Detach or copy and send with payment)

Attention: DSB Membership Secretary,
49 Salem Church Road, Newark, DE 19713

Name _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Amt. Enclosed: _____

Email address: _____

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_____ Single (Over 65 Years) \$15
_____ Family (Over 65 Years)\$20

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