

UTICA MAENNERCHOR NEWS

2023

(315) 735-5882 Club Haus

SEPTEMBER

Club hours – Monday – Thursday 5 – 10 p.m.; Friday 4 – 10 p.m.

Please keep informed thru our Website  
[www.uticamaennerchor.com](http://www.uticamaennerchor.com) and Face Book

TAKE OUT ORDERS from our regular menu are available on Fridays by calling the Club at 315-735-5882 between 4:30 and 5:30 p.m.

FRIDAY SPECIALS – Sept. 1 – Meatloaf/mashed potatoes, gravy, peas; Sept. 8 – Chicken cordon bleu/ Dijon mustard sauce, braised carrots, choice potatoes; Sept. 15 – Pork schnitzel/noodles, red cabbage; Sept 22 -Stuffed peppers/sautéed green beans, choice of potato; Sept 29 – Pasta marinara sauce/country ribs & garden salad.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

AUG. 30 – Picnic for Festival Volunteers 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. (reservations needed)

SEPT. 1 – Fish Fry 5 – 7:30 p.m.

SEPT. 4 – CLUB CLOSED – LABOR DAY

SEPT. 8 – Fish Fry 5 – 7:30 p.m.

SEPT. 12 – Chorus resumes – 5 – 7 p.m.

Pitch League resumes – 7 p.m.

SEPT. 14 – Shuffleboard League resumes – 7 p.m.

SEPT. 15 – Fish Fry 5 – 7:30 p.m.

SEPT. 22 – Fish Fry 5 – 7:30 p.m.

SEPT. 29 – Fish Fry 5 – 7:30 p.m.

OCT. 6 – German Flag Raising at City Hall – 11 a.m.

OCT. 15 – Sunday SAUERBRATEN DINNER – noon – 2:30 p.m.

JULY 19-20-21 BAVARIAN FESTIVAL 2024 (mark your 2024 calendars!)

BEREAVEMENT – Within one month we had three deaths in our Maennerchor family. Our long-time, Friday bartender, lost her husband Ron unexpectedly in July and our sympathy is extended to Patty and her family.

In August, our Club President, Gail Miller died after a month-long hospitalization after an exhausting several months. Gail was a Club member and singer of fifty years; Chorus Chairman for as long as I can remember; Director of several years of the Kinderchorus; President for 9 years; Honorary Club member; Chairman of the Festival for several years; and New York State Saengerbund Bundes Music Committee Chairperson for 25 years. She was dedicated to the continuation of the German music and culture. Sympathy is extended to her family and NYS Saengerbund family friends.

William Netzband a Club Member since 1987 and former Chorus member recently died as well as our Club member Jan Barendse's brother in Holland.

As we remember the above, let us be thankful for the many friends we have thru our Utica Maennerchor family.

NOTE: Calling hours for Gail: Heintz Funeral Service 408 Herkimer Rd., N. Utica – Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> 5 – 8 p.m. – Funeral Mass St. John's Church, John St., Utica NY Saturday, Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11 a.m.

FESTIVAL VOLUNTEER THANK YOU PICNIC – Reservations by Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>. The sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board as you enter the Club. We will need a head count so the food can be organized for our volunteers who helped us with a very successful Bavarian Festival. The picnic in the pavilion is scheduled for Wed., Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Enjoy and thanks!

NEW MEMBERS – Welcome to the following new members: Boyd Bissell, Chris Bygonaise, Melyssa Garguilo, Dieter Gilbert, Lori Griffin, David Leffingwell and Brian Mazurowski. Thank you for joining and enjoy the friendship and activities offered.

GRILLIN' & CHILLIN' - It is hard to believe our summer activities have come to a close, and we are thankful for our volunteers and attendees who supported our events. It takes a small "village" of dedicated workers, especially our Wed. Crew ladies and gents to make our events happen. The weather was perfect, and a good time was had by all! Thanks!

CHORUS – Our Chorus practices will resume on Tuesdays, starting with Mixed Rehearsals, from 5 – 7 p.m. on Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> under the Direction of Mark Radlowski who is also our accompanist. We are pleased Mark has accepted this position and we are eager for his direction. Keep Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> open as we plan on raising the German Flag at City Hall at 11 a.m. with the anthems and a few Oktoberfest selections. Hope to see you all and please be on time!

SAUERBRATEN DINNER – The annual fall dinner is scheduled for Sunday Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> from noon – 2:30 p.m. Dinner will take place in our upstairs dining room with sit-down and take-out dinners. Cindy Yount will be our chef and our team of workers will allow you all a pleasant German cultural dinner and afternoon. Please save the date and tell your friends!

PITCH LEAGUE- Steve Shafer is again Chair of the League and is reminding the presently full league members that play returns on Tuesday Sept 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Please be there early to pick up your schedule so the League can begin promptly at 7 p.m.

IMPORTANT GERMAN – Paul Hoffman authored "Seven Yesterdays", a novel about life in Utica's German-American neighborhoods.

HOUSE COMMITTEE – Have you noticed the surroundings of your Club? Volunteers Steve, Mark & Mike have done an outstanding job of keeping the lawns trimmed and looking great!

Bill helped organized the “Wed. Crew” with setting up the Festival and has been responding to the many jobs necessary to keep “our house” in the best shape possible. The ladies are keeping the kitchen food areas clean and feeding the Wed. workers and also fed the crew setting up daily the Festival. The floors and bathrooms are cleaned by the work ladies & gents weekly. No small tasks!

This is where we need your help! Our crew has declined and we need to help this present crew keep up the needed tasks. There must be abled body members with time on your hands to help 3 hours a week. If you enjoy your membership, the friendship and comfort of your Club, please stop in on Wednesday between 8 and 11:30 and help us out.

VOLUNTEERISM is the backbone of all non-profit organizations!

FESTIVAL SIGNS – We are still missing several signs. Please return them so they can be stored for our next festival. A returned sign saves us the cost of a new sign!!