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FRIDAY SPECIALS: July 5 – Schnitzel Sandwich w/Ceasar Salad; July 12 – Pulled Pork w/Tator Tots; July 26 - Sausage/Peppers on Hoagie Roll w/Fresh Garden Salad. The above may be subject to change. Check the bulletin board when entering the Club. 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

1 - Board of Officers & Trustee's Meeting - 6 p.m. JULY

JULY 1 – Bavarian Festival Meeting – 7 p.m.

JULY 4 - CLUB CLOSED - Independence Day

JULY 5 - Fish Fry 5 - 7:30 p.m.

JULY 12 - Fish Fry 5 - 7:30 p.m.

JULY 17 - Bavarian Festival Volunteer T Shirt pickup - 6 p.m.

JULY 19 – BAVARIAN FESTIVAL w/Bavarian Brothers Band 5 – 10 p.m.

JULY 20 - BAVARIAN FESTIVAL w/Bavarian Brothers Band 5 - 10 p.m.

JULY 21 – BAVARIAN FESTIVAL w/Bavarian Brothers Band– Noon – 4 p.m.

JULY 26 – Fish Fry 5 – 7:30 p.m.

AUG. - WEDNESĎAY NIGHT CHILLIN' & GRILLIN' 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m

NEW MEMBERS - We welcome the following new members to our Maennerchor family: Hal Arsic, Lisa Beacrat, Bob Busch, Maureen Hoffman, Ralph Hoffman, David Lafgren, Dave Schroder, Dominick Velardi, and Sharry Whitney. We hope you enjoy and participate in our many Club activities. Thank you. With only six months left in 2024, new membership is only \$20 for the balance of the year. Ask your family and friends if they would like to join and support our cultural, charity Club. Applications are at the Club entrance and online.

BEREAVEMENT - Our sympathy goes to the family of Leo Schwenzfeier. Leo joined the Club in 1957. There are only two Club members with more years' membership than Leo. He was part of the Men's Chorus and loved Thursday night Shuffleboard. Whenever you saw Judy, his wife and our Club's secretary, Leo was right there beside her. He will be missed.



CHORUS – Our Chorus performed their Spring concert on June 9th. The concert was well attended. The Chorus is under the direction of Mark Radlowski. The concert began with the German and American Anthems, followed by the Ladies Chorus, then the Men's Chorus, and final performances by the Mixed Chorus. Coffee, tea, and treats were enjoyed by all at the completion of the concert.

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SCHUHPLATTLERS by Karl Wuerslin – First of all, our Dance Group would like to congratulate Gracie Schell, our Co-Manager & Dance Instructor, on her recent Honor of becoming a "Lifetime Member" of the Utica Maennerchor! What a special Achievement!

Our only June Performance was at the Utica "World Refuge Day" on June 8th, as one of many Ethnic performing Dance Groups there. We have been busy rehearsing & learning Dances every Wednesday, 6:30-8:30 p.m., for our many Bavarian Festival Shows.

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ANNIVERSARY DINNER EVENT – Thank you to those who attended and participated in our 159th dinner event. We honored our Honorary Members, Officers & Trustees. During the Memorial, the Chorus sang Sanctus as we remembered our 9 dedicated members who passed away within the past year.

NEW HONORARY MEMBERS – An honorary life member is a member who serves the Society faithfully for years and by whose efforts the Society prospers. Elected this year were the following: Grace Schell, a 23 year Club member who is part of the Chorus and co-leads the Schuhplattlers Dance Group; Mark Radlowski, a 16 year Club member who directs the Chorus, has been the piano accompanist and singer for the Chorus; Donna Hinman, a 15 year member who participates in our Shuffleboard League and is a 'huge' part of the Wednesday crew; and Cindy Yount, a 20 year Club member who is currently our 2nd Vice President. We thank and congratulate all of them.

VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR – Elected and honored this year are Steven Schafer (Club's President) and Carol Lawless. Both individuals work tirelessly at our Club. We thank them!

DONATIONS TO THE BUILDING IMPROVEMENT FUND – During our Anniversary event the following donations were received from the Honorary Members, the Shuffleboard League, the Pitch League and the Corn Hole League. Many, many THANKS!

BASKET RAFFLE BOOTH – Baskets! Baskets! Please let me know if you are making a basket, whether you let me know or not, we will not refuse! We have used books donated so I am looking for items to go with "Nora Roberts books". The items we're looking for include hockey items, picnic items, Easter items AND we are looking for items to make a young child basket (ages 1-4)! Any items that you would like to donate is ok, we can create baskets! We do not recommend putting Chocolate in any basket, it melts in the July heat. Please text me with any questions. Thank you everyone! See you at the Festival! Mary Lou Manchester (315)725-2675



Friday, July 19 (5 – 10 p.m.) Saturday, July 20 (5 – 10 p.m.)

Sunday, July 21 (Noon – 4 p.m.)

Entrance Donation is still \$5 (Children under 12 free) Bring your family and friends!

FESTIVAL FUND RAISER TICKETS – Prizes: \$500 \$250 \$100

Tickets are \$5 each or 6 tickets for \$25.

<u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</u> – For our Festival to happen we **NEED VOLUNTEERS!** Calls are being made to see if you can volunteer. If you have family or friends that might be able to help, let us know. Volunteerism is the act of contributing free labor while supporting our non-profit organization. Help us raise funds which keep us solvent. This cultural event is enjoyed by our community. Volunteers are needed for:

Festival set-up daily from July 8-18 - 9 a.m. Festival tear-down daily from July 22-24 - 9 a.m. Booth workers - cooking, baking, serving. Clean up during & after closing. Runners to keep booths supplied with items. Dishwashers for inside kitchen.

Questions? – call Secretary Judy 315-736-7014 – Sign-up sheets will be posted on the bulletin board as you enter the downstairs bar area. 2^{nd} shift (7:30-10:30) is always a void so let's try and fill them. 1^{st} shift (4:30-7:30) workers should be at their booth no later than 4:30 so we are ready to serve at 5:00.

*All committed volunteers will receive a festival volunteer t-shirt. Please be sure to pick yours up prior to the festival on Wednesday, July 17th at 6:00 p.m. and wear it during your shift(s). You will also have an opportunity to meet with the person running your station and ask questions when you pick up your t-shirt.

<u>GERMAN POTATO SALAD WORKERS</u> – Peeling, slicing, and mixing takes place **Wed. July 17th at 9 a.m.** We usually finish around 1 p.m. We need help with the 450 pounds of potatoes. If you can help, call Judy 315-736-7014.

<u>CAKE BOOTH</u> – Club bakers are asked to supply our booth with delicious baked goods. Items can be delivered to the Club during the Festival days, if possible before 5:00 p.m. on Fri. and Sat. Please label dishes that need to be returned.

<u>FESTIVAL FUNDRAISER</u> – If you have not turned in your tickets and cash yet, please do. The \$5 donation for each ticket helps minimize our Festival rental expenses which includes the tent, tables, and chairs, etc. 1st prize is \$500, 2nd prize \$250, and 3rd prize \$100. You could be a winner if you take a chance. Your support is a way of supporting YOUR CLUB.

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