

Lieblinger Verein (Chicago) Newsletter

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President's Message

Ahhhhh...summertime picnics. Don't you love 'em? Warm weather; fun foods; friends & family. Ingredients for a great day! Picnics have long been a tradition amongst the Chicago Lieblingers. I remember, as a kid, every summer, looking forward to those special weekends when my family would make the long drive to Lake Villa, and sometimes Farmer's Hall. What seems like a fairly routine drive for me today, back then seemed like it took forever to get to our destination. The anticipation, I'm sure, made the one hour drive seem much longer! Picnics were special. We got to visit with extended family. We got to play with friends in interesting new places. And, we got to eat outdoors! In Lake Villa there was swimming. At Farmers Hall there was soccer. And at either location, there were usually well over 150 Lieblingers getting together for the day - which started early in the morning and went into the evening. There was usually a band playing and people dancing. Everyone had fun. And we did it several times each summer. Well, we try to keep tradition going in our club. Several years ago my wife, Vicky, having heard me tell some of the picnic stories of my youth, suggested we reinstitute Lieblinger Picnics. It was a great idea and has since become the most attended monthly meeting of the year (although our annual Christmas Party attracts a bigger crowd, it's not actually a "meeting"). You will find numerous references in this newsletter reminding you about our Annual Lieblinger Picnic on Sunday August 13th. We will be grilling brats & hot dogs outside. We will have plenty of traditional picnic side dishes. We'll have plenty of cold drinks. And we'll have plenty of Lieblingers getting together and having great fun! Make it a point to join us!

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A big thank you to our Hospitality Committee, Vicky Stumpf and Nancy Holl, for putting the fun in our "Tropical Fun" July meeting. We agree with Vicky when she said: "It was fun to see young & old wearing the Hawaiian leis and enjoying the pineapple-y treats!"



Some of the delicious treats provided by our members!



Non-Alcoholic Pina-Colada, Non-alcoholic Hibiscus Punch and Tropical Sunset Punch were some of the drinks enjoyed at our Tropical Fun Meeting.



Vicky Stumpf, Angie Helwich and Heidi Atkinson sampling some of the pineapple-y treats!



Members enjoying lunch and dessert before the meeting

Meeting Summary

*The 1,016th meeting of the Lieblingler Vergnügungs Verein was held on July 9 2017. There were 37 members present. Rick Stumpf thanked our luncheon sponsors, John & Bettie Schaefer and Liz & David Steeb, and the Hospitality & Bar Committees. He also thanked all those who helped to make our Tropical Fun July meeting special. Some contributors were: George and Christy Schubkegel, Karen Rill, Elaine Grossich, Vicky Stumpf, Mary Wagner, Bettie Schaefer, Eva & Helga Schmidt, and Eva Leber. Several announcements were made in regard to our Kirchweih: (1) again this year we will not use entrance tickets, and Elaine Grossich asked everyone to please come and pay your entrance fee at the August meeting, if you can. (2) Our Kirchweih will be captured in pictures this year with a Special 4 Page Newsletter Issue, and will highlight our Strauss winners. This Issue will be put on our website, and each member will receive a copy. (3) A large Rosemary Strauss is still needed. (4) Volunteers are needed to assemble the Strauss. (5) Donated Raffle gifts are needed and to be brought in by the September meeting. Reminder our **Annual Picnic Meeting** is August 13th. Please contact Vicky Stumpf to let her know what dish and/ or drink you are providing.*

Birthdays and Anniversaries were celebrated by:



Guenther Schmidt, John and Bettie Schaefer and Fred Hedrich, Jr.



Correction from last month: Georgene & Walter Helwich celebrated their 39th Wedding Anniversary



Konrad Schmidt, George Schubkegel and John Schaefer

Other Upcoming Events:

***Lieblingler Monthly Meeting and Annual Picnic
August 13, 2017***