

Lieblinger Verein (Chicago) Newsletter

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President's Message

Our official club meetings are done for the year. In November we held elections for the officers for 2018. Those responsibilities will take effect at our first meeting of the year which will be held January 7th. But the club will still get together one more time this year, on December 3rd, to celebrate our annual Christmas Party. This is a family event like no other event our club puts on. Of course we will all be able to relax and spend quality time with family and friends. We'll sing traditional German Christmas songs. We'll share some stories about Christmas in Liebling. And of course, Santa will make a special visit to give presents to the children who are there. Don't forget there is also a grand raffle with dozens of gifts. (Please remember to bring a small, wrapped gift to donate to the raffle). The Christmas Party also marks the conclusion of my first year as your President. I'm proud to be able to step into the role held by so many honorable Lieblingers in the past 77 years. I am committed, along with my fellow officers, to keep the club strong for many years to come. We understand how important it is to keep our traditions alive for new and younger generations. We don't have extensive history books published about Liebling to offer to our children and grandchildren – although there are a few books that have been written that help to document some of Liebling's past. What we do have, though, is living history, from our families; the storytelling and handing down from generation to generation of the experiences that our parents and grandparents are able to share. This comradeship and fellowship continues anew on January 7th when we start a new year with our club. Please do join us!

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As we enter into the Holiday Season, and a time for family gatherings and traditions... we hope that your family makes the Liebling Christmas Party part of your family traditions. We look forward to seeing you and your families at this festive, fun, family event on December 3rd!

Below are pictures of our members at our November meeting:



Bettie Schaefer, Vicky Stumpf and Nancy Holl setting up the luncheon for members



John & Bettie Schaefer, Konrad Schmidt, Rick Amundsen and Vicky Stumpf at the Committee Meeting

Meeting Summary

The 1,020th meeting of the Lieblinger Vergnügungs Verein was held on November 5, 2017. The luncheon for this meeting did not have a sponsor and was paid by the Club. Rick thanked the Hospitality Committee as well as the Bar Committee and everyone who brought snacks to the meeting. Rick informed the members that there was an earlier meeting with the Officers and Committee Members to discuss details of the Kirchweih, which was held in October, along with other issues to be brought up at the meeting. The members were told that about 255 or more people attended our Kirchweihfest and that our annual fund raising efforts were successful. Rick said that while other Clubs solicit Ads to raise money for their Club, this year we decided to have sponsorships. Elaine Grossich asked everyone who has not paid their \$12.00 for the Kirchweih to please pay her. Johanna Swiontek reminded everyone about paying their Club dues for next year. The Statuten was translated into English by Katie Amundsen and Kaethe Blechschmidt and these updates were presented to the members. Details were given concerning the Christmas Party on December 3rd and members were told that reservations are required. The deadline to inform Rick is November 25, and the deadline to place any member's children, ages 13 and younger on Santa's List is November 20th. Rick reminded members to bring a donated wrapped gift for the raffle. Rick said he has the dates for the Club's meetings for next year and will be printing up copies of the calendar for members. Nominations for the Officers and Committee Members were held and the installation will be held at the January Meeting, which is January 7, 2018.

Birthdays were celebrated by:



Eva Leber, Heinrich Reichert and Vicky Stumpf



President Rick Stumpf and Treasurer Heidi Atkinson



Elaine Grossich, Mary Wagner, Johanna Swiontek, Heidi Atkinson and Katie Amundsen



Eva Leber and Eva Schmidt

Upcoming Events:

Lieblinger Christmas Party – December 3, 2017
Lieblinger January Meeting- January 7, 2018

Other Club Events:

Donauschwaben Rosenball- November 25, 2017

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