
Liebinger Verein of Chicago Newsletter

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SPECIAL CORONAVIRUS EDITION – XI

We're Baaaaack!

It's Springtime! A time for renewal and our Club will be doing just that. As you will read about later in this newsletter, we will be conducting our May Meeting (May 2nd) in person, at the Donauschwaben Hall in Des Plaines. It will have been 14 months since we have been together, but based on the progress our country and state have made in combatting Covid and getting vaccines into people's arms, the Officers and Committee Members decided to take that first step. We want to welcome anyone who feels comfortable to do so and join us. We recognize that not everyone is ready to go out to a Meeting – and that's alright. We just want to make it available for those who wish to get together, to be able to do so. Our desire is to have a safe place where friends can gather, so we have put in place some guidelines that need to be followed. These appear as a separate page at the end of the newsletter. We expect that this careful step is just the first step that will lead to further in-person meetings in the future. I look forward to seeing you all again.

I am also looking forward to Spring! Grass is turning green. Lawns are being mowed. Trees are beginning to bud. Even the insects are starting to return. The snow blowers are back in storage – though we've been told to expect several inches of snow on Wednesday!!! Oh well, I have often said

that "Winter in Chicago is not over until a Cubs or Sox game gets postponed due to snow at least once." And, finally, make sure you wait until the Icemen have come and gone (May 11, 12 & 13) before you plant anything outside that would be killed by a frost! It is time for all of us to get on with life!

Rick Stumpf - rick@rickstumpf.us

Belated Birthday Wishes to : Liam Atkinson, Lisa Menninger, and Bert Mohrdieck

Birthdays Celebrated in April

Magdalena Schaefer, Dolores Eberle, Kailynn Mohrdieck, Benjamin Mohrdieck, Kathy Nigliaccio, Barbara Habenschuss, Eva Schmidt, Brittney Reichert, Dorothy Nagelbach and Eric Melerski.

Anniversaries Celebrated in April

Congratulations to: Nichole & Eric Stumpf celebrating their first anniversary, Lauren & Bill Lehnhardt celebrating their 14th anniversary, Kathy & Bill Mohrdieck celebrating their 57th anniversary and Eva & Konrad Schmidt celebrating their 69th anniversary.

If we missed your birthday or anniversary in April, please email Katie Amundsen at rkamundsen@att.net.

Reminder: To pay your annual Lieblinger dues of \$5.00 ... checks should be made payable to "Liebling Pleasure Society". Mail your check and the form provided with the January Newsletter or include your current address, phone number and email address to Johanna Swiontek at 1112 Thomas More Terrace, Mount Prospect, IL. 60056.

On Sunday , April 11, 2021 the Officers and Committee Members met on Google Meet to conduct Club business.

Highlights from the Meeting

The Minutes of the March 7, 2021 Google Meet meeting were read by Mary Wagner and approved.

The Financial Report was given by Heidi Atkinson and was approved. It was reported that 25 members still need to pay their yearly dues of \$5.00.

Rick announced that the names of the people who have been nominated to become members of the Liebling Pleasure Society will be presented at the next meeting. Katie Amundsen suggested that once the new members have been voted into the Club, we extend a personal invitation to them to attend the next meeting and welcome them into the Club.

Rick stated that since the Club now has a Federal ID Number, we can purchase the necessary software to begin the process of creating an e-book of the Lieblinger Cookbook. The software that the Club will use for our e-book has been researched by several Officers and Committee Members of the Club.

Vicky Stumpf reminded everyone that she is still collecting amber pill bottles that are donated to CSA Fraternal Life in Lombard ; they are donated under the Club's name. The bottles need to be clean- no label- and they only accept the amber bottles.

An exceptionally lengthy discussion was held by the Officers and Committee Members regarding holding an in-person meeting in May. The CDC's guidelines and the Donauschwaben Hall requirements were discussed as well as the requirements our Club should have for people to attend an in-person

meeting. All aspects of holding an in-person meeting safely were discussed. The Officers and Committee Members voted on holding an in-person meeting in May.

Keeping the Story Alive - by Katie Amundsen

Throughout the Donauschwaben settlements the words spoken when greeting or leaving others differed from village to village. In Liebling the appropriate greeting or farewell depended upon the time of day. People respectfully greeted others on the streets of Liebling whether they knew one another or not. In the morning the greeting was, "gut Morjed". If it was near noon (or between 11 am or 3 pm) people said, "helf Gott", which was also said anytime someone sneezed. In the evening one said, "gun Owvet". However, the Pastor or a teacher was always greeted with "griess Gott", regardless of the time of day. The words for farewell were much simpler. Everyone parted saying "Adje" during the day and "gut Nacht" at night

Events:

Lieblinger Meeting- May 2, 2021 -- in-person meeting -Yeah!!!

Lieblinger Meeting – June 6, 2021

See our website for our 2021 Meetings and Events Calendar

May 2, 2021 - American Aid Society - Spring Banquet – 12 Noon – Lake Villa, reservations required. For more information you can go to their website: <http://www.americanaidsoctyofgd.org>.

May 16, 2021 – German American Club of Antioch – Spring Banquet – 12 Noon, American Aid Society Hall, Lake Villa. Reservations required. Call Delores Eberle for details: 847-302-4493

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