



# Liebling Verein of Chicago Newsletter

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Our 83<sup>rd</sup> Year, 1939-2022

## President's Message:

### From One Season to Another...

Having just come out of our biennial election season I, for one, am glad all those political television commercials are finally done! Yippee! But now it's time to move on to another season – Holiday Season. First Thanksgiving then followed closely by Christmas. (Although you have probably noticed that Christmas Season now seems to begin in stores right after Halloween). With the season's first snowfall having arrived, it's easier to make the transition – winter IS coming after all. Having had to curtail many gatherings for a couple of years, I hope you get to enjoy time with your family this year again. Yes, there are reports of increasing cases of Covid, and flu, so be careful. Personally, I tested positive for Covid several days ago. But being fully vaccinated and boosted and having received a flu shot, I thought it was just a cold, and I've had colds that made me feel worse than I what I'm experiencing now. I'm waiting the 5 days, isolated at home, and look forward to negative tests in the near future so I can go out again. With plenty of time to prepare for Thanksgiving, I hope we all get to enjoy a good meal together with family fellowship. I must also remind everybody that our Annual Christmas Party will once again be held at Manzo's Banquets in Des Plaines. Doors open at 11:30 AM on December 4<sup>th</sup> with family style meal service beginning at 12 Noon. We will have a program full of Holiday spirit to get everyone in the Christmas mood – and of course, Santa will pay a visit to bring gifts to the children. It's always a fun event and one not to be missed.

*Rick Stumpf* - [rick@rickstumpf.us](mailto:rick@rickstumpf.us)

## Birthdays Celebrated in November

Ryan Nagelbach, Vicky Stumpf, Micah Helwich, Erika Sampson, Stacy Burghardt-Brumley, John Susami, Jacob Kunz, John Nebl, and Charlie Helwich



**Micah, Charlie Helwich, and Vicky Stumpf**

## Anniversaries Celebrated in November

Helene & Eric Burghardt, Liz & Kevin Conway, Jennifer & Dan Roth, Heinrich Reichert, Erika & Paul Walker-Bright, and Lindsey & Daniel Schubkegel



## Highlights from the November Meeting

The 1,070<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Liebling Pleasure Society was held on November 6, 2022

A Moment of Silence was held for a long-time member of the Club, Mrs. Katherine Erk. Mrs. Erk served on the Bunco Committee for many years. Our condolences to her family.

Rick thanked the Hospitality Committee, Nancy Holl and Vicky Stumpf. He also thanked the Bar Committee serving members, Joe & George Schubkegel and Jim Wagner. The luncheon was sponsored by Vicky Stumpf in celebration of Vicky's birthday, and the cake was sponsored by Heinrich Reichert in memory of his wedding anniversary. Rick thanked Vicky Stumpf, Nancy Holl, Elaine Grossich, and Christy Schubkegel for preparing and donating snacks. Rick also thanked Joe Schubkegel for preparing spaetzle for our goulash and sausage luncheon.

The Minutes of the October meeting were read by Mary Wagner and were approved.

John Schaefer nominated Barbara (Blocher) Mausser, as a new member. Barbara was voted in and accepted at the meeting. We welcome Barbara Mausser to the Liebling Pleasure Society.

The Financial Report was given by Roger Falk and was approved. Roger also reported on our fund-raiser, our Kirchweihfest, which was a success despite not being able to share in the revenue from the bar.

Katie Amundsen recognized and thanked these children who were at the meeting and were in the Kleine Kinder Aufmarch: Charlie Naurath, Lavinia Helwich and George Helwich.

The Christmas Party on December 4<sup>th</sup> was discussed. The cost of the dinner from Manzo's has increased this year to around \$32 per adult and \$22 for children under 12, these amounts include tax and gratuities. A Motion was made to have members pay \$15 for adults and children over 12 and \$8 for children 3-11 and children 3 and under are free. Non-members will pay \$30 for adults and children over 12 and \$16 for children 3-11, and children 3 and under free. The Motion was voted and accepted.

Rick Stumpf will email and mail the Christmas Party invitation to members. **The cut-off date to provide the name and age of member's children to receive a gift from Santa is November 20<sup>th</sup>.** Bettie Schaefer will be compiling this list, please email her at [Bettiesch@aol.com](mailto:Bettiesch@aol.com). **The cut-off date to RSVP for the party and reserve a table for your family is November 26<sup>th</sup>.** **RSVP to Rick Stumpf (rick@rickstumpf.us)**

Katie Amundsen will be in charge of the Program for the Christmas Party. Katie said she is encouraging the children attending the Christmas Party to share their talent or recite a simple Christmas message at the Program, either individually or as a group.

**We will have our usual raffle at the Christmas Party and members should bring a wrapped gift for the raffle.**

Rick informed members that in 2023 it will be the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of the Liebling Church. Rick suggested that we might want to make this a special Kirchweih and hold it at a banquet hall. Rick also stated

that we should form a committee to look at other venues for our Kirchweih next year.

The luncheon and cake sponsorship donations were discussed since the cost of the luncheon and cake has increased. A Motion was made to suggest a donation of \$150 for the luncheon- and have three sponsors and \$50 for the cake and have two sponsors. The Motion was seconded and passed.

Elections took place – Roger Falk stepped down as Financial Secretary. Liz Steeb was nominated and voted in as the new Financial Secretary. All other Officers accepted their positions.

Committee changes: Johanna & Jennifer Swiontek were nominated and accepted to the Bunco Committee, Joe & George Schubkegel and Jim Wagner accepted their positions on the Bar Committee, but to help serve at meetings, Roger Falk and Adam Helwich were nominated and accepted to serve on the Bar Committee. The Hospitality Committee will now have four members. Vicky Stumpf and Nancy Holl accepted their positions and Elaine Grossich, and Christy Schubkegel were nominated and accepted to the Hospitality Committee. All other Committee members accepted their positions.

Show & Tell: Liz Steeb passed around a small box containing a pair of pierced baby earrings from the Juwelier Holzhammer in Salzburg. Liz stated that it was the custom in Liebling to have a baby girl get their ears pierced and that the cost to do so was about a week's wages. Liz said that her family was unable to do so in Austria, so her ears were not pierced as a baby. Liz said that her Godmother took her to have her ears pierced while they were at the World's Fair in Montreal in 1967 when she was 16 years old.

The meeting was adjourned with a tentative next meeting date of January 8. Once confirmed, printed calendars for the year will be distributed at the Christmas Party and posted on our website.



The Helwich Family at the November meeting: Walter, George, Charlie, Georgene, Angie, Adam, Martin, Micah, Jonathan, and Lavinia.

**Thank you to our 2022 Kirchweih Workers:**

**Kirchweih Marchers Organizer:**

Maria Rink

**Friday Night Crew:**

**Kitchen:**

Elaine Grossich  
Joe Schubkegel  
George Schubkegel  
Patty Schubkegel  
Christy Schubkegel  
Nancy Holl

**Straussers:**

Rick Stumpf  
Mike Holl  
Heidi Atkinson  
Vicky Stumpf

**Centerpieces:**

Bettie Schaefer

**Saturday Afternoon Crew:**

**Kitchen:**

Elaine Grossich  
Joe Schubkegel  
George Schubkegel  
Patty Schubkegel  
Nancy Holl  
Vicky Stumpf

**Hall Set-Up:**

Rick Stumpf  
John Schaefer  
Mike Holl  
Curt Yearwood and Aiden, grandson  
Bettie Schaefer  
Vicky Stumpf  
Mary Wagner  
Chris Stumpf  
Guenther Schmidt

**Strauss Decorative Ribbon:**

Guenther Schmidt

**Saturday Night Crew:**

**Kirchweih Operations:**

Elaine Grossich  
Guenther Schmidt  
Helga Schmidt  
Christy Schubkegel  
Heidi Atkinson  
Roger Falk  
Katie Amundsen  
Keith Grossich  
John Schaefer

Erika Sampson  
Nancy Holl  
Mike Holl

Plus, Food Line and Dessert Table Servers

**Raffle:**

Mary Wagner  
Chris Stumpf  
Cathy Schubkegel

**Saturday Night Clean-Up and Break-Down**

**Crew:**

Rick Stumpf  
Vicky Stumpf  
John Schaefer  
Bettie Schaefer  
Guenther Schmidt  
Helga Schmidt  
Elaine Grossich  
Keith Grossich  
Erika Sampson  
Katie Amundsen  
Rick Amundsen  
Mike Holl  
Nancy Holl

We have printed this list of 22 people so that, you, as members, can see how much work needs to be done to hold our Kirchweih and why we need extra hands and volunteers at the Kirchweihfest- we cannot do this without your help.

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**Reminder: November 20** – Children of members who are attending the Christmas Party under the age of 13 will receive a gift from Santa. Please contact Bettie Schaefer by November 20<sup>th</sup>. Email [Bettiesch@aol.com](mailto:Bettiesch@aol.com) and provide the name and age of the child. To ensure that the email is received, Bettie will email a confirmation.

**November 26-** Cut off date to RSVP your family's table at the Christmas Party. Contact either Rick Stumpf, 630-852-4115 or John Schaefer 708-707-4488.

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**Upcoming Events:**

Christmas Party – December 4, 2022  
Next Meeting – January 8, 2023 (tentative)