Lieblinger Verein (Chicago)

KIRCHWEIHFEST, OCTOBER 14, 2023

Our 82nd Kirchweih

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The Lieblinger Vergnügungs Verein 82nd Kirchweih was held on October 14, 2023. We also celebrated the 200-year consecration of the Liebling Church.



A model of the Liebling Church that was made by Martin Hedrich, Sr. and the display of pictures of Liebling and the Church



Our Chefs, George and Joe Schubkegel preparing the Goulash and Sausage on Saturday



The Jugend Marchers' Strauss – crafted by Mike Holl and Rick Stumpf and decorated by Heidi Atkinson, Mary Rink, Karen Rill and Natalie Rill



Mary Wagner, Johanna and Jennifer Swiontek setting up the Raffle Table (Patty Schubkegel in backgroundwho took a break from helping in the kitchen)



Rick Stumpf working on displaying the pictures from the 200-year church consecration celebration in Liebling



The Raffle Baskets were fabulous! With a variety of baskets appealing to children, young adults and older adults



Dorothy Nagelbach taking tickets at the hot food line along with our young servers, Maggie Luncsford and Brendan Laslau, serving Bill Lehnhardt



Vicky Stumpf, Irmi Hummel, Elaine Grossich -Chairperson of the Food Service- serving our delicious homemade Goulash and Sausage. In the background, Julie Schaefer and server, Maggie Luncsford



Roger Falk, Jennifer Swiontek, Johanna Swiontek and Cheryl Falk –at the luscious Dessert Table



Guenther Schmidt selling tickets



Keith Grossich sitting at the Entry Table to greet any late arrivals – while enjoying his dinner

Kleine Kinder Aufmarch:



Kleine Kinder waiting for the music by Paloma

Performing the Stolztanz







and the Chicken Dance









Our Kleine Kinder Marchers

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Grace Naurath and George Helwich, Natalie Rill and Peyton Masters, Taylor Masters and Owen Rill, Catarina Rogers and Cayden Rogers, Camia Rogers, Caya Rogers and Cayson Rogers, Evie Untch and Braden Lehnhardt, Maycee Masters and Liam Atkinson, Lavinia Helwich and Charlie Naurath, Liesl Naurath and Leah Steeb, Audrey Vaccarello and Ollie Atkinson, Hannah Steeb and Logan Rill, and Ava Lynn Bennett and Charlie Helwich

Thank you to Lauren Lehnhardt and Katie Naurath for organizing and directing the Kleine Kinder Marchers.



Winner of the Strauss of the Kleine Kinder Aufmarch: George Helwich (Helwich family) and Grace Naurath (Steeb -Schubkegel family)



Grace Naurath with her grandmother, Liz Steeb



George Helwich with his dad, Adam Helwich, and Hannah Naurath with her mom, Katie Naurath. The tradition goes on...Kaite and Adam were Kirchweih partners for years.

Jugend Marchers: Dressed in traditional Tracht and ready for the Aufmarch:



Officers and Committee Members:















President, Rick Stumpf, welcoming members, and guests to the Lieblinger Vergnügungs Verein 82nd Kirchweihfest

Jugend Aufmarch:











"Schön ist die Jugendzeit"













Let the Auction Begin:













The Winning Bid – Zach Rogers (Rogers-Hedrich family) and Natalie Berger Mandello – Rogers' family joining the Jugend Marchers on the dance floor.

Thank you to Karen and Mark Rill for their help in organizing and directing the Jugend Aufmarch



Our Jugend Marchers: There were eleven couples dressed in Traditional Tracht

Isabella Snyder Tice and Mitchell Tice, Ashley Gosse and Calvin Snyder, Liela Snyder and Nathan Gosse, Calliana Rogers and Caleb Rogers, Maggie Rogers and Sam Rogers, Natalie Berger Mandello and Zach Rogers, Samantha Nigliaccio and Mike Nigliaccio, Mikayla Steeb and Logan Rill, Kailynn Mohrdieck and Rudy Mohrdieck, Grace Schubkegel and Nicholas Schubkegel, Emma Keese and Ryan Nagelbach.



Winning Bid for the Rosmarin-Strauss: Fiancé, Natalie Berger Mandello, and Zach Rogers – son of Jason Rogers, and grandparents, Tom and Betty Rogers (Hedrich)



Proud Grandparents of the winner of the Strauss Bid: Tom Rogers and Betty Rogers (Hedrich)

September 22nd was the 79th anniversary of when the Lieblingers had to flee their beloved Liebling.



Lieblingers who fled Liebling that day:

Bernard Faust, with his brother from Pennsylvania next to him, Katherine Mohrdieck, Mary Wagner,

Martin Hedrich, Jr, and Fred Nagelbach.

Members and Guests checking their raffle tickets:





Members and Guests enjoying the food, the Aufmarches and the music of Paloma "







Vicky Stumpf, with grandson, Gavin. Even the little ones enjoyed the Goulash!



Katie Naurath and Mr. Faust enjoying the Music of Paloma



President, Rick Stumpf, and Vicky Stumpf dancing with Grandson, Gavin, son of Nichole and Eric Stumpf

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The Naurath and Steeb Family
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Bettie and John Schaefer
The Schmidt Family
Vicky and Rick Stumpf
Mary and Jim Wagner

Gold Level - \$50.00

Nancy and Mike Holl
Nichole and Eric Stumpf
Johanna and Tom Swiontek

They say that a picture is worth a thousand words - while I feel that we have captured some wonderful moments of the 82nd Lieblinger Kirchweih ... unfortunately, we cannot capture the wonderful smell of the Homemade Goulash when you entered the hall nor the feeling of excitement and anticipation of the night.

We were privileged to have a lot of young adult guests attend our Kirchweih.

There was the sound of laughter floating in the air besides the wonderful music by Paloma.

The 82nd Lieblinger Kirchweih would not have been possible without the planning, organizing, and work necessary to hold this event by our Officers, Committee Members, and all the Members of the Club who volunteered this year to help set-up before the Kirchweih, serve during the Kirchweih, and clean-up after the Kirchweih. A huge thank you to everyone who participated in the success of the 82nd Kirchweih!

The following people contributed pictures for this Pictorial: Elaine Grossich, Lauren and Bill Lehnhardt, Katie Naurath, Karen Rill, Stephanie Snyder, John Schaefer, and Vicky and Rick Stumpf.

We hope you enjoy these pictures of this joyous celebration. If you attended the Kirchweih, we are hopeful you had a wonderful time, and if you were unable to attend this year...we always look forward to seeing you at our Kirchweih next year.

Bettie Schaefer – Editor (and photographer)