



# Liebling Verein of Chicago Newsletter

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

## President's Message:

### Lieblings – The Next Generation

Last month, I wrote about how we are sharing our heritage and traditions from generation to generation. This month, I invite you to spend some time looking through the pictures in this newsletter and seeing how the youngest members of our Liebling Family are enjoying themselves as they spent some time with each other and with all of us at our June Meeting. It was heartwarming to have these kids join us and it brought a smile to everyone in attendance! There are not only monthly opportunities for these joyful gatherings, but as you know we have our annual Family Picnic coming up soon – Sunday August 14<sup>th</sup>. This has always been a great time for families young and old to enjoy traditional picnic food, outdoor games and building and renewing friendships. Members generously donate a terrific variety of side dishes to go along with the grilled meats the club provides. (Check your emails for a request from Vicky to sign up for any side dishes you would like to bring. And, if you plan to attend, please let Vicky or me know so we can plan our purchases accordingly). Of course, we are also planning our Kirchweih to be held Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. After a two-year absence, we are excited to once again get together for our annual fundraiser and enjoy the marching in Tracht of the children and the young adults – and, of course, the high point being the auction of the rosemary Struss! Don't miss it. We look forward to seeing you all at these Liebling Family events.

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

## Birthdays Celebrated in June

**Kate Naurath, Karen Grossich, June Melerski, Robert Melerski, Helmut Habenschuss, Rob Naurath, Tracianne Murphy, Jack Conway, Billy Lehnhardt, Carl Masters, Ryan Susami, Carl Stumpf, Logan Rill, Adam Helwich, and Katie Amundsen**



**Adam Helwich, Katie Amundsen & Logan Rill**

## Anniversaries Celebrated in June

**Kimberly & Carl Masters, Robert & Nancy Melerski celebrating 4 yrs., Kate & Robert Naurath celebrating 11 yrs., Georgene & Walter Helwich celebrating 44 yrs, and Heidi & Mark Atkinson celebrating 45 yrs.**



**Heidi Atkinson, Georgene & Walter Helwich**

## Highlights from the Meeting

The 1,065<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Liebling Pleasure Society was held on June 5, 2022.

A Moment of Silence was held for Eva Leber, a long-standing active member of the Club. Eva served as Finance Secretary from 1997 until 2007. Our condolences to the Leber family.

The luncheon was sponsored by Heidi & Mark Atkinson in celebration of their anniversary and Katie & Rick Amundsen sponsored the cake in celebration of Katie's birthday. We had a wonderful assortment of snacks made and donated by members. Members today also enjoyed the luncheon of fried chicken. There are still a few luncheon dates available for sponsorship.

Rick thanked the Hospitality Committee, Nancy Holl and Vicky Stumpf. Vicky and Nancy made and donated delicious snacks as well. Rick also thanked our Bar Committee; Jim Wagner, Joe Schubkegel and John Geringer for their service.

The Minutes of the May meeting were read by Mary Wagner and were approved. The Financial Report was given by Heidi Atkinson and was approved.

Heidi reported that there are 32 members who have not paid their yearly dues of \$5.00. Roger Falk has contacted these members by email to notify them that the 90-day grace period has ended. A Motion was made and passed; that a letter will be mailed to members in default with a deadline to pay their dues by June 30<sup>th</sup>. The letter will list the benefits of membership and notify members that if their dues are not paid, then they will be taken off the membership list to receive newsletters and correspondence from the Club. An envelope addressed to Roger Falk will also be included with the letter to mail in their payment.

Heidi Atkinson also reported on the expenses for the Maifest. Members commented on how engaging and entertaining Uli was from the Zicki-Zacki Band. Everyone agreed Uli did a fabulous job. The members who attended the Maifest all said they had a wonderful time.

Rick Stumpf announced that an Officers and Committee Members pre-meeting will be held in July to discuss the up-coming August Picnic. Vicky Stumpf will be emailing members a Picnic List. The list will contain those items the Club is providing and suggested items for members to make or purchase for the August Picnic. Vicky asked if members could please indicate what they are bringing so that we do not have too many duplicates. Also important is for members to bring serving utensils for their dishes since the Club does not have access to any kitchen serving pieces at the hall.

Cultural Moment: Rick Stumpf said our Liebling E-book Cookbook was purchased by a woman in Portland, Oregon and he said that she also sent him an email saying that she was interested in traveling to Liebling. Rick was able to determine that this woman is related five

generations back to Martin Erk. Rick stated that because we have the Cookbook and website, we have made connections to Lieblingers around the world.

Mary Wagner held up a book that was printed for the 100<sup>th</sup> year celebration of Liebling. This book told how Liebling was formed 150 years ago and how the land was distributed. Mary also read a poem in German that was printed in the book – one that is familiar to our Seniors.

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**Reminder:** To pay your annual Liebling dues of \$5.00. Checks are to be made payable to “**Liebling Pleasure Society.**” **Mail your check to Roger Falk, 4849 N. Natchez Avenue, Chicago, IL. 60656.**

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### Some of our Younger Members



Lavinia, Natalie, and Grace



Lavinia, George, and Martin



Enjoying drinks and snacks at the bar

### Upcoming Events for our Club:

**Liebling Meeting – July 10, 2022**

**Liebling Picnic/Meeting August 14, 2022**

**Other Clubs: American Aid- July 4th – Lake Villa**

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