Terre Haute German Oberlandler Club



October 2023

FROM THE **President**

VIELEN DANK!

First and foremost, on behalf of the Board of Directors I want to extend a hearty thank you to all those who helped make our 50th Oktoberfest a success! About half of our membership participated by helping in one way or in several ways. Obviously, some of our older and infirm members were not able to help. We realize that. But to those who spent many hours preparing food and getting decorations and other things ready for the Fest site, transporting all the food and other items [the stage which seems to get heavier every year!], we thank you sincerely. The Klub recruited more outside volunteers this year which were truly needed and helpful. Without our many volunteers, which included the Wabash Valley Jeep Misfits, some of Trish Pierce's students from St. Mary-of- the Woods College, Erika Cantin's students from Terre Haute North and a contingent of students from Terre Haute South Vigo, we would not have been successful. For all those members who spent long hours preparing Sauerkraut, German Potato Salad, and baking desserts, Vielen Dank!

We had good crowds on both Friday and Saturday and even began to run short of food on Saturday. A gratifying result of the larger crowds was we had little food leftover. This means we did a better job of estimating what we would need and could sell. Leftover Brats were purchased by Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church for their Reformation Fest at the end of Oktober. What other prepared foods were left were taken to local food pantries for distribution.

Final financial results are still being tabulated and will be reported at our next Membership Meeting on October 25th.

SPECIAL THANKS

We received a very kind note from Sophia Strohl thanking Klub

members for their thoughts and prayers as she recuperates from pancreatic cancer surgery. Please continue to keep Sophia in your prayers.



For more information about the Klub scan the QR Code or visit us at <u>http://terrehautegermanKlub.org</u>.

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Mark Your Calendar

<u>October</u>

Mon, 10/09: Columbus Day Sat, 10/14, 6:00 PM: Halloween Dinner

Thu, 10/17, 6:00 PM: Board

Meeting Wed, 10/25, 6:00 PM: Membership Meeting

- Happy Hour begins at 5:15 PM
- Business Meeting begins at 6:00 PM
- Tue, 10/31: Halloween

<u>November</u>

Sun,11/05: Daylight Savings Time Changes

Tue, 11/07: Election Day

Thu, 11/09, 6:00 PM: Board Meeting

Sat, 11/11:

Veteran's Day

6:00 PM: Founders' Dinner

- Wed, 11/15, 6:00 PM: Membership Meeting
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 - Business Meeting begins
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Thu, 11/22: Thanksgiving

We also received a very kind note from Christa Phifer's family. "*Thanks so much for all that you did to make Christa's celebration of life so wonderful!*" It is signed: "*Heidi, Diane, and Mike Phifer*". They also included a generous donation of \$1,000 to the Klub in memory of their mother, Christa. The Board of Directors is deliberating a suitable memorial for Christa, using some of this generous gift.

So, in closing, we have much to be thankful for as a Klub! Please carry forward this spirit of thankfulness and share it with one another.

Philip Meyer, President

Halloween Dinner

Join us Saturday, October 14th, for a night of Tricks and Treats hosted by Nancy Walbring and Rosie Weber.

> - Menu -Ranch Chicken and Pot Roast Sandwiches Hash Brown Casserole Green Beans Brownie Sunday Candy!!!

Adult: \$15.00 Children 12 and Under: \$7.50

Costumes are encouraged!

Doors open at 5:30 PM. Cash bar.

Contact Spring at 812-201-4568 to make your reservation today! This dinner is open to the public, but reservations are required.

New Members

We're pleased to welcome JD and Ulla Kesler and Scott and Dana Hambrick to the Klub.

JD is semi-retired after a long career in public safety and Ulla is a church secretary in Paris, IL.

Scott, a Gunnery Sergeant in the Marine Corps, and Darla, a dental assistant, are new to Terre Haute. They have two daughters, Evie and Rozzie.

German Exchange Students

We will again be hosting some German Exchange Students and teachers for a light dinner of soup and grilled cheese sandwiches at our membership meeting on October 25th. This is a great opportunity for both the students and our members to enjoy *Gemütlichkeit*. Doors will open at 5:15 PM and the business meeting will begin promptly at 6:00 PM.

Auf Wiedersehen



Stacy and Scot Mullins recently announced they were moving to Pennsylvania to be closer to their son, daughter-in-law and grandchildren. So, right after working double (or maybe triple) shifts at Oktoberfest they packed up and headed East to

begin a new chapter in their lives. The good news is their daughter is staying here in Terre Haute, so they'll be back to visit from time-to-time.

Stacy and Scot joined the Klub about 4-years ago and they immediately became very active members. They've hosted dinners, help prepare for and worked fests, served on committees, organized Spirt Day at Chick-fil A, and pretty much did everything they've been asked to do. Scot also served two terms on the board and Stacy got her ServSafe[®] Certification to help us ensure the Klub complies with health and safety standards for food production and distribution.

Thank you, Stacy and Scot, for everything you've done for the Klub, but most of all for your friendship. We'll miss you both, but please remember you're always welcome here at the Klub.