

# Utica Maennerchor News

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German-American music and culture*

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**2017 (315) 735-5882 Club Haus SEPTEMBER**  
UTICA MAENNERCHOR 5535 FLANAGAN ROAD P.O. BOX 441 MARCY, NY 13403

## **UPCOMING EVENTS – check our Web Site and Flyers in the Club Fish fries and other food specials every Friday 5 – 7:30 PM**

**Specials:** Sept. 1<sup>ST</sup> Baked Fish Florentine; Sept. 8<sup>TH</sup> Ribeye on roll w/ peppers and onions; Sept. 15<sup>TH</sup> Kielbasa and sauerkraut; Sept. 22<sup>ND</sup> Seafood Florentine over pasta; Sept. 29<sup>TH</sup> Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, gravy & veg.

## **HOPE TO SEE YOU ON A FEW FRIDAYS!**

Note: We are noted for our salad bar which is included with your dinner.

SEPT. 2 – CLUB CLOSED – LABOR DAY WEEKEND  
SEPT. 4 – CLUB CLOSED – LABOR DAY  
SEPT. 11 – Board of Trustee Meeting 7 p.m.  
SEPT. 11 – Monday Shuffleboard League starts 7 p.m.  
SEPT. 12 – Pitch League starts 7 p.m.  
SEPT. 13 – UMC Choruses resume practice  
SEPT. 14 – Thursday Shuffleboard League starts 7 p.m.  
SEPT. 18 – General Club Meeting 7 p.m. (all members welcome)  
OCT. 8 – SAUERBRATEN DINNER – Noon – 4 p.m.

**GRILLIN' & CHILLEN** was a huge success and enjoyed by all who attended our Wednesday night picnics. Thank you to all the many volunteers who made this evening event fun.

**NEW CLUB MEMBERS** – The Club welcomes the following new members to our Maennerchor family: Robert Risley, Cameron Teachout, Ed Steitz, James & Yuki Anderson. We are sure you'll enjoy the friendship and events our Club offers. Thank you for joining!

**BEREAVEMENT** – Our sympathy goes to the family of Lisbeth Steinbichl, a long-time member of our Ladies Chorus and strong supporter of the Club. Lisbeth loved her German culture and the joy of singing. She will be missed.

**BOSCOV'S EVENT** – The community fund-raiser event will take place on October 17<sup>th</sup>. Donation tickets of \$5 can be found at our Club bar and will allow you to attend this special sale at Boscov's where you will receive a 25% off purchase with your coupon and then be eligible for their prize drawings. It's a win/win for you and the Club. More than one ticket can be acquired for your family and friends.

**BOCCE LEAGUE** – Our summer league finished with new champions: Team Fred Schwenzfeier and Shirley Hilts-Adams. Congratulations! Thanks to all the players for their Club support.



**SAUERBRATEN DINNER** – Our annual German dinner is scheduled for Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup> from Noon to 4 p.m. (or sold out). We schedule over 50 volunteers for this dinner and we could use your help! Contact your Club Secretary, Judy 315-736-7014 and let her know where you'd like to help – (kitchen, set up, serving, bussing tables, dish washing & take down.) Naturally we can use YOU as a diner with your family and friends!

**HOUSE COMMITTEE by Don Weimer** - The Utica Maennerchor no longer has a usable small lawnmower-tractor to move picnic tables and perform numerous jobs that require equipment with multiple capabilities useful to the House Committee's needs. The tractor had a 48-inch cut and a 25-horsepower gasoline engine. Send any ideas on obtaining a replacement, at a good price, to Donald Weimer - Chairman of the House Committee; home phone [315-736-1485](tel:315-736-1485). Thank you.



**CHORUS** – The Music Committee met on August 13<sup>th</sup> to discuss our new practice schedule and suggest music for our upcoming Oktoberfest & Christmas events. Also suggestions were made for UMC music for Saengerfest 2018 in Kingston. Singers please note the following rehearsal times which begin on Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>: Ladies 6:30 to 7 p.m. – Mixed 7 – 8 p.m. – Men 8 – 8:30 p.m. ALL SINGERS BE READY TO SING AT THE START OF YOUR REHEARSAL TIME!!! Utmost cooperation and attention will add to better time management and we will be able to arrive home earlier during the shortening days and colder weather. NEW SINGERS are always welcome. Come and join us! The following delegates will represent UMC at the NYS Saengerbund Convention in Binghamton Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>: Gail Miller, Carol Lawless, Carol Aldrich, Leo & Judy Schwenzfeier.



**PITCH LEAGUE** – Our Club league starts on Tuesday, Sept 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. If you have not yet signed up and are interested in joining, contact Linda White at 315 736-7924 as soon as possible for scheduling team play. Play cards, have fun and meet new people!

**SHUFFLEBOARD LEAGUES** – As noted above, the Shuffleboard Leagues begin the week of Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>. These are fun leagues that support our Club and we could use a few more two-person teams each night. That would be 4 or 6 people each night. It is a game you can “learn as you play” and spirits are lifted with each “interesting” game. Teams consist of couples and matched singles, so give Teresa Sloan 315-736-7586 a call for the Monday League, and Linda White 315-736-7924 a call for the Thursday League. Schedules will be completed soon and will be given out the first night of play.



**EDELWEISS SCHUHPLATTLERS by Gracie Schell** – August began with many of our Dancers performing for the Syracuse German Club's 2-Day Bavarian Summer Oktoberfest. What a good time that was!

The Edelweiss Schuhplattlers received a very Special Request from Steve & Merle Williams, former Members of our Dance Group, to perform at their 25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Vow Renewal & Anniversary Party. As Steve said "The Dancers were there for us at our Wedding, we would like them there again for our 25<sup>th</sup>." So, on Sept 16<sup>th</sup>, we will be there for them!! We will be holding the Kronentanz Arches in the Church, as the Williams enter & exit under them for their Vow Renewal Ceremony. We feel very honored to be doing all of this for their special day!!!

#### **2017 Dance Season Schedule:**

Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, NYS Fair, Grange Building, 5 shows: 11:30, 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30  
Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, Steve & Merle's 25th Wedding Vow Renewal & Anniversary Party  
Sept. 23-24<sup>th</sup>, Royalty & Rogues Fest (held outside at Utica Maennerchor)  
Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>, Lake George Village Oktoberfest (all day)  
Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, Zion Lutheran Church, New Hartford, 6 pm Supper, performance 7 - 8pm  
Oct. 21-22<sup>nd</sup>, Atlantic City Oktoberfest, Resorts Casino Hotel, (all day, both days)  
Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>, A Taste of Germany, Albany German Club (daytime)  
Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>, Christmas on Main Street, Union Station/Children's Museum, Utica  
Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>, Little Falls Christmas (daytime)

**Would you like to consider a bequest to our Club in memory of a loved one? If interested, contact a Club Officer or Trustee.**

**REMINDER NOTE:** We are looking for volunteers to chair, cook or work Club events. Long-time Club chairmen are willing to be helpful in handing down our traditions and cooking skills. If you can help, call Club Secretary, Judy – (315) 736-7014.

**NEWSLETTER via EMAIL & Miscellaneous** – Please send us your email address if you wish to receive your newsletter electronically. The Club is now connected to Wi-Fi. Our Club e-mail address is: [uticamaennerchor@gmail.com](mailto:uticamaennerchor@gmail.com).

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