

UTICA MAENNERCHOR NEWS

2023

OCTOBER

(315) 735-5882 CLUB HAUS

CLUB HOURS – MONDAY – THURSDAY 5 – 10 P.M.; FRIDAY 4 – 10 P.M.

Please keep informed thru our Website

www.uticamaennerchor.com and Face Book

TAKE OUT ORDERS from our regular menu are available on Fridays by calling the Club at 315-735-5882 between 4:30 and 5:30 p.m.

FRIDAY SPECIALS – OCT 6 – Chicken Schnitzel/noodles, red cabbage; OCT. 13 – BBQ chicken, choice of potato, Mac salad or coleslaw; OCT. 20 – Applejack pork loin/gravy, yams, braised cabbage; OCT. 27 – Covered turkey/ mashed potatoes, vegetable.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

OCT. 2 – Officers & Trustee’s Board Meeting – 6 p.m.

OCT. 6 – GERMAN/AMERICAN DAY Flag Raising @ City Hall – 11 a.m.

OCT. 6 – Fish Fry 5 – 7:30 p.m.

OCT. 13 – Fish Fry 5 – 7:30 p.m.

OCT. 15 – Sunday SAUERBRATEN DINNER – Noon – 2:30 p.m.

OCT. 20 – Fish Fry 5 – 7:30 p.m.

OCT. 27 – Fish Fry 5 – 7:30 p.m.

NOV. 4 – Celebration of Life in memory of President Gail Miller 1 – 3 p.m.

JULY 19-20-21 Bavarian Festival 2024

GERMAN/AMERICAN DAY – October 6th we celebrate the anniversary in 1683 when thirteen Mennonite families from Krefeld Germany arrived at Philadelphia Harbor on board the Vessel Concord and founded the settlement of Germantown. To celebrate this event Utica Maennerchor has been given permission to raise the German Flag at Utica City Hall at 11 a.m. on Friday, October 6th. Our Chorus will sing the German & National Anthems under the Direction of Mark Radlowski along with 2 or 3 German Folk songs. It would be wonderful if a few of our members attended this flag raising in honor of our culture and the establishment of our 158 years as Utica Maennerchor.

SAUERBRATEN DINNER – Our annual fall Sauerbraten Dinner will be held on Sunday October 15th from noon – 2:30 p.m. in the upstairs dining room. Sit-down and take out dinners will be available for your tax included donation of \$18. Many “hands” make this three-course dinner possible with the beef marinated for two weeks before being roasted. Potato salad will be made on Wed., Oct. 11th. Set-up, preparing, serving and finalizing the dinner need many hands to complete. If you can be of help, call Secretary Judy. Invite your family and friends for this relaxing, enjoyable afternoon in the tradition of Oktoberfest.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE – On Nov. 4th from 1 – 3 p.m. we will celebrate the memory of Gail Miller as a Club member of 50 years, Club President & Chairman of Bavarian Festival 9 years, Chorus Chairperson, Director of past Kinderchor, Honorary Club Member, Chairman of the NYS Saengerbund Bundes Music Committee for 25 years, and dedication to the continuation of German music and culture.

This Saturday luncheon will be a COVERED DISH PARTY with the joy of sharing your specialty dishes. Donated dishes should include the following: meats, casseroles, vegetables, pasta/potatoes, fruits, desserts etc. In order to organize this luncheon, please sign the attendance sheet on the Club bulletin board or call Secretary Judy 315-736-7014 with your food specialty and number attending. Gail quietly, gave so much of herself to Utica Maennerchor and this event will recognize and celebrate her dedication. Her family recommended Utica Maennerchor a donor in her memory. Funds will be placed in the building fund.

Please sign up by Oct. 31st and join us for this celebration of life.

CHORUS – Chorus resumed practice on Sept. 12 as we prepare for the Oct. 6th Flag Raising at Utica City Hall. We are happy most our members have returned. The exception is a few long-term members who must refrain due to health issues. A couple of gentlemen are giving us a try and we hope they continue permanently. New singers are always needed and welcome. We are pleased our accompanist Mark Radlowski has agreed to Direct us for at least this next year. Mark has been with us for 22 years and is aware of the music we are capable of singing. After the Flag Raising, we will concentrate on Christmas music for our Dec. 10th concert.

NEW CLUB MEMBERS – Welcome to the following new Club members: Kevin Franz, Lori Griffin, Dieter Gilbert, Gaetano Morreale, Larry Pendolf, Robert Sanderson, Christopher Sean. Thank you for joining and enjoy the events and friendship.

VOLUNTEERING BENEFITS – It gives you a sense of community; volunteers are less likely to develop hypertension as compared to non-volunteers; two hours a week creates benefits; being around other people makes us healthier; make new friends as you volunteer; volunteers have stronger immune systems and recover faster from health problems and can appear happier; volunteers help with the work-load. (The Many Benefits of Volunteering by Barbara Pierce)

Keeping this in mind, we could use your volunteer help at events and especially Wednesday Mornings each week. Also, we are a void of three positions on our Board which meets one Monday each month. If interested, give one of the present Board Members your name and thoughts.

Chairman – Shirley Hilts-Adams, 1st Vice President-Ray Beck, Secretary – Judy Schwenzfeier, Treasurer-Kathy Wameling, Trustees: John Perrone, Steve Shafer, Cal Anacker, Bill Kritzler, Bill Gregory, Fred Killmartin.

ONEIDA COUNTY OPIOD TASK FORCE provides Narcan kits to community organizations. Narcan is a standard first aid emergency tool to avert overdose death. The free "Save A Life" kit contains two Narcan brand nasal spray doses. The Utica Maennerchor has received this kit which is located in a plastic container above our First Aid kit in the kitchen.

We support the Task Force in protecting the health of our members and the public.