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 – DEC. 29 -Meatloaf/mashed potatoes, gravy and mixed vegetables; JAN. 5 – Chicken/biscuits, green beans; JAN. 12 – Beer broiled wurst, sauerkraut, German potato salad; JAN. 19 – Mushroom Stew, garden salad; JAN. 26 – Ham Dinner/ scalloped potatoes, corn.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- DEC. 24 CHRISTMAS EVE Club Closed
- DEC. 25 CHRISTMAS DAY Club Closed Merry Christmas
- DEC. 31 NEW YEAR'S EVE Club Closed
- JAN. 1 NEW YEAR'S DAY Club Closed Happy New Year
- JAN. 5 Fish Fry 5 7:30 p.m.
- JAN. 8 Board of Officers & Trustee's Meeting 4 p.m. followed by: General Club Meeting & Presentation of Officers & Trustees 5 p.m.
- JAN. 9 Pitch League resumes 7 p.m.
- JAN. 11 Shuffleboard League resumes 7 p.m.
- JAN. 12 Fish Fry 5 7:30 p.m.
- JAN. 19 Fish Fry 5 7:30 p.m.
- JAN. 26 Fish Fry 5 7:30 p.m.
- APR. 21 Club SAUERBRATEN DINNER Noon 2:30

JULY 19-20-21 BAVARIAN FESTIVAL 2024

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO OUR MAENNERCHOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

CHRISTMAS COOKIE SALE – Thanks to our 25 bakers (with calls made by Jeanette), we were able to tray 11 large and 33 small trays of cookies for our sale. The selection was wonderful and you all out-did your baking skills. Thanks to our elves Erika, Carol, Elaine, Dianne, Peg & Judy for weighing and traying the tins and Marina for the sales. The cookies looked very festive on the display table on Friday the 15 and our sale was very successful with cookies enjoyed by all. We sold out by 6:45p.m.! Wonderful evening. Thanks

HOLIDAY FUND RAISER - Many of our dedicated members participated in our winter fundraiser with two Club members selling over 75 tickets each! We thank you all for the success of this endeavor. Winners were pulled on Dec. 15th. 1st place \$500 Roberta Cook; 2nd place \$250 Mark Williams; 3rd place \$100 Diane Marfane.

CHORUS – Our Chorus, under the direction and accompanist of Mark Radlowski, presented a wonderful holiday concert in December for the benefit of CABVI. We were especially pleased that New Horizons Barbershop Chorus joined the event with a few of their Christmas selections. The ballroom was full of joy as our audience enjoyed the "sing a long" pieces and coffee and cookies following the concert. Thru donations we were able to present a check for \$1,100 to our selected charity CABVI with their representative, Steve Gannon very thankful.

With the winter months coming our way, it has been decided to take a break and not resume rehearsals till a date in mid March. Have a healthy several weeks off and we will inform you when rehearsals start up again. Keep in mind, new singers are always welcome and thank you to our Chorus members continued support.

2024 CLUB MEMBERSHIP DUES – Thank you to all who responded by sending in their dues by December. New 2024 cards will be mailed in January as soon as 200 are received so they can be bulk-mailed and save us on postage. Remember, your membership support is critical for the financial upkeep of your Club and dues has remained stable over the years. Members are the important force that keep our Club solvent and we keep you informed of Club events while the friendships we make are invaluable. We'd love to increase our membership this year. If you have a family or friend who might be interested, sponsor them and have them fill out an application which are located at our information table as you enter the Club.

SUPPORT YOUR CLUB OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES – You are invited to join your Board Members at a General Meeting on January 8 at 5 p.m. The following slate will be officially accepted:

Officers: President-Steven Schafer, 1st Vice President – Raymond Beck, 2nd Vice President- Cindy Yount, Treasurer-Kathleen Wameling, Secretary-Judith Schwenzfeier.

Trustees: William Gregory, Calvin Anacker, Martha Cullan, John Perrone, Fred Kilmartin, Lynn Allen, William Kritzler, Shirley Hilts-Adams.

Thanks to the above volunteers for keeping our Club in good order. One more House Committee Trustee position is available if you might be willing to volunteer each Wednesday with your skills. Contact Bill Gregory if you are interested.

VOLUNTEERS FOR SNOW DUTY - To date we have lucked out with not having measurable snow, but we all know this will change. The major work is completed by Steveners Snowplowing, but blowing and shoveling is up to Club members, of which Sean Scott has done a great job in the past. He could use help! Shovels and snow melt are kept at the front and back entrance and if you come in with snow on the walkways, please give us a hand. Our Club is "home away from home" so please take pride as help would be appreciated.

GERMAN CONTRIBUTION TO THE MOHAWK VALLEY- Rev. Andrew Wetzel- itinerant cleric in 1830's organized churches in Verona, Rome, Boonville and Utica. Founded what is now Z ion Lutheran Church, French and Burrstone Roads; taught German language and was a school board member for 15 years; brought the German Christmas Tree tradition to Utica in 1845.

BEREAVEMENT – This past month Irmgard Schriever pass away and we extend our sympathy to her family Oskar, Marina and Chris Kistner. You are in our thoughts.