



January 2008

Cliff's Notes

I can't believe it – another year is past and a new one begun. Where does the time go? We had a great year in 2007, and some exciting things to look forward to in 2008. As I write this, work has already begun on some extensive remodeling to our building.

In December, we had a very generous offer from one of our non choir members to donate this remodeling. As it happened, the construction people were available to do the work at this time. We only had to postpone a couple of events, so we are moving forward. It's going to be really great! We're talking new restrooms, a new kitchen and a makeover of the ballroom. You might call it "Extreme Makeover – Liederkrantz Edition". I can't wait for you to see it. Our "revised" schedule for 2008 is elsewhere in this newsletter. Right now we are hoping that our Bock Bier Fest on March 1 will be the first event in the newly renovated hall. We have several events scheduled between March 1 and May 3, so I hope you can clear your calendars to spend a lot of time at the Liederkrantz during that period of time. We also have a great lineup of bands this year for your dancing pleasure. Come join us!

Cliff Chandler, President

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...About the Choirs!

Our Christmas Concerts were wonderful! When the evening Weihnachtskonzert sold out in less than a week, we decided to squeeze in an afternoon matinee as well. Between the two shows, the choirs enjoyed a meal together. The Men's Choir welcomed their newest member, Michael Paxton, into the first bass section for the Christmas Concert.

Looking ahead to 2008, we've had to give up our January rehearsals altogether. This, of course, is due to the remodeling of our hall. This January marks my 28th year as the director of the Indianapolis Liederkrantz – but I'll have to celebrate without the choirs! We will resume rehearsals on February 6th. All of the February rehearsals will be held at the Athenaeum at 401 E. Michigan Street in the Damenverein Room. The Damenchor will still rehearse at 7:00 PM, and the men will rehearse at 8:30 PM. The only exception is on February 13, and we will rehearse that evening in the Wilkie Room. We hope to return to our own hall in March. That will be exciting! All of you reading this who are not presently in the choir – come join us!!!

Loesje Chandler, Director

Tom Fentz, a long time Liederkrantz member, passed away on Friday, January 11. His wife Betty sings with the Damenchor, and she is a member of the Ladies Auxiliary. Memorial contributions can be made to the Liederkrantz or St. Thomas Catholic Church in Fortville, IN.



Damenchor

Hello my dear friends, happy New Year to all of you from the Indianapolis Liederkrantz Damenchor Sisters in Song. We just celebrated our ten-year anniversary, and I must say that we have been very successful in the growth of our choir. We love to sing, because through our songs, we can express our love for the life we live. There are lots of activities happening this year: the Saengerfest in Dayton, Ohio; our Maifest on the 3rd of May with the Rhinegold Band from Kentucky; and our Bunter Abend on the 1st of November with the Freudemacher Band. Also, we actively participate in all the Liederkrantz events. With the renovation of the Liederkrantz Clubhouse, the new surroundings will be a wonderful experience. So, my dear friends, I wish you all a Blessed New Year, and I hope you come to see us as often as you can.

Fondly,

Anne W. LaPorte

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Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Indianapolis Liederkrantz will be on Saturday, January 19 in the Damenverein Room of the Athenaeum, 401 E. Michigan St. The meeting will start at 9:30 AM. It is my sincere desire to keep it to two hours or less if at all possible. Election of officers is one major component of the meeting. The nominating committee has been at work and will have a slate to present. Please contact Cliff Chandler at (317) 782-9216 or via e-mail at chandlercliff@sbcglobal.net if you plan to attend the annual meeting. See you there, and bring your dues.

Cliff Chandler

Damenchor's Annual Meeting

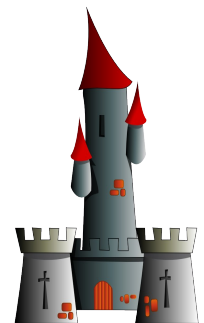
Due to the renovation at the Liederkrantz Clubhouse, we are going to have our annual meeting at the Athenaeum located at 401 E. Michigan Street at 11:00 AM on the 19th of January. (The men are having their annual meeting the same day at 9:30AM.) The meeting will be upstairs in the Damenverein Room. We will discuss old business and then have elections. After the elections, we will discuss new business. There is a lot to be discussed in regards to the renovated Liederkrantz, our Saengerfest in Ohio, our Maifest on the 3rd of May and many subjects that are on your mind and for the benefit of the Damenchor. I am looking forward seeing all of you. Please call me at 317-773-8730 or e-mail me at

imzarah@aol.com regarding whether you will attend the annual meeting. See you there!

Liederkrantz Renovation Project

The following are the improvements for the Liederkrantz Clubhouse.

- New white oak natural finished panels around the large hall
- New stage with 24" wide steps, concave radius design from left to right and new lights
- New textured ceiling in large hall
- New doors in large hall
- New retracting doors leading from rehearsal room into large hall
- New textured ceiling in rehearsal room
- New remodeled and painted walls in rehearsal room
- New ladies restroom with tiled floor
- New men's restroom with tiled floor
- Convert existing men's restroom to a single toilet with a sink
- New more efficient kitchen with new cabinets



The Indianapolis Liederkrantz Special Membership Offer

If you pay your 2008 dues by January 31, 2008,
you can give a free NEW membership!

Please fill out this form (PRINT neatly and clearly)
and include a check for the membership dues payable to the
Indianapolis Liederkrantz
and mail it to (along with your dues):

Indianapolis Liederkrantz
1417 E. Washington St.
Indianapolis, IN 46201

Help our club grow by giving a free membership to your friends!

Current member

- Single Membership (\$25.00)
 Family Membership (\$50.00)

Man's First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Woman's First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

New member

- Single Membership
 Family Membership

Man's First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

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Revised Cabarets 2008

March 14...Cabaret.....Pat Grant's St. Paddy's Party
April 4...Cabaret.....Slick and the Professor
April 25...Cabaret.....Lori Ecker
Oct. 10...Cabaret.....Brenda Williams

For cabaret tickets call 782-9216

Dances and Concerts 2008

March 1.....Bock Beer Fest.....Liederkrantz Haus Band
April 12.....Men's Concert & Dance.....Original Alpine Express
May 3.....Damenchor Maifest.....Rheingold Band
Aug. 2.....Summerfest-German Park.....Jay Fox
Nov. 1.....Damenchor Bunter Abend.....Freudemacher
Nov. 22.....Men's Concert & Dance.....Original Alpine Express
Dec. 7.....Children's Christmas party
Dec. 14.....Weihnachtskonzert

For concert and dance reservations call 889-6913

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