

Monthly Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2025

If the Monthly Meeting is held on a date other than the first Thursday of the month, the reason for the change will be documented here.

The Monthly Meeting was called to order by President Bill Keays at 7:30 pm.

The membership stood together to salute the flag and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bill Keays read the names of deceased members:

- Jay Garber, 92 passed away on August 31st. Jay was the father of member Elaine Ostrum and father-in-law to Ed Ostrum.
- Member, Jim Thorbahn, 91 passed away on September 20th. Jim spent his career as a teacher at Edward Hand for 41 years. He was married to Tish for 67 years. Jim was very active in the Lancaster community.
- Honorary member, Frank Scheingarber, 89 passed away on September 8th. Frank was born and raised on Cabbage Hill. He worked as a meat cutter for 35 years at Kunzler. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, trips to Germany and just having a good time. He was married to Helen for 48 years. He was proud of his German heritage and was an Honorary Member of the Lancaster Liederkrankz and Honorary Member of the Alpenrose Schuhplattlers. Frank was a founding member of in the original Liederkranz Dancers in 1958

Roll call of officers was taken: Bill Keays, President; Rich Wertz, Vice President; Linda Husler, Chorus President; Joan Braun, Financial Secretary; Vicki Zodet, Recording Secretary; Laura Kemmick, Treasurer; and Grace Carson, Cultural Representative.

Trustees: Dave Kemmick, Mike Eyster, Anne Jamison, Matt Trout, Rodney Ebersole, and John Stanavage

The following trustee was excused: Eric High

Attendance was taken and there were approximately 90 members/prospective members present.

Ryan, Susan, Finn and Cora Sheaffer performed a few classical German songs using Almglocken (tuned alpine bells).

The next Order of Business was reading of the minutes from the previous monthly meeting. As per Robert's Rules, the minutes of the previous Monthly Meeting have been posted in the barroom and on our website. No corrections to the minutes were proposed and no one opposed, so the minutes were approved as posted.

Members to be voted on at the next meeting:

Name	Sponsor
Mark Thompson & Susan Thompson	Joan Withum & Dr. Larry Withum
Jonathan Miller & Elli Miller	Patrick Martin & Rebecca Martin
Rane Wilson & Debra Wilson	Thomas Reppert & Betty Reppert
Harold Morrow, III & Sabrina Morrow	Robert Kilp & Mary Ellen Kilp
Edward Freitag & Yanyan Freitag	Daniel Kilp & Anne Jamison
Michael Draeger & Kaitlyn Draeger	Michelle Schlectic & Gary Schlectic
Sean Lawson	Lee Walp & Brian Romano
Cindy Goldworthy-Green & Lee Green	Debra Houck & Dave Houck

We then voted on the following new candidates announced at the **September** meeting:

Carol Frye	Bob Frye	Rebecca Landis	Emma Eckman
Francis McElhinny	Marjorie McElhinny	Michael Mohl	Vicki Mohl
Ralph Munz	Beverly Munz	Chad Nagel	Kristen Nagel
Heidi Deibler	Jeff Kozlowski	Carla Vicidomini	Dennis Vicidomini

All were approved by a vote of the membership. Petra Stanavage greeted the new members.

Treasurer's Report: Reported by Laura Kemmick. The report is available for viewing at the Club.

Entertainment Report: Richard Wertz reported the following:

- Friday, October 3rd, there will be Music by Maria, John & Chip in the ballroom; the Rathseller Bar will be open, and a Children's Erntedankfest (Fall Harvest Fest) will also be held in the Rathskeller at 6:30 p.m.
- Dart Nights are at 7:00 p.m. on the following Tuesdays: October 7th and 21st
- Tuesday, October 14th is Crock Pot Tuesday from 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 15th is Book Club in the Stammtisch at 7:00 p.m
- Team Trivia is held at 7:00 p.m. on the following Thursdays: October 9th, October 23rd, and October 30th
- Thursday, October 16th is the Hobby Chor Sing Along in the Ballroom
- Saturday, October 18th is the Hobby Chor Schnitzel Fest Fundraiser - sign up in advance
- Friday, October 24th Kompass Rose will be performing at our Halloween Bash
- Saturday, October 25th is the Bourbon Dinner; tickets will go on sale on Saturday, October 4th at 9:00 a.m.
- Saturday, November 1st is Club Work Day
- On Sundays, the club will be open for Eagles and/or Steelers games; there will also be Sonntagskonzert - Music on the Deck

As always, check the club calendar to stay on top of upcoming events.

Trustee Report: Rodney shared the following:

- The carbonation system in the bar was installed; a new ice machine and a new freezer in the kitchen have also been installed
- Rodney invited members to participate in Club Work Day on November 1st; this volunteer opportunity is from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; food and cold refreshments will be available
- Our new line chef, Phoebe started; she will be on vacation next week, so we will have a limited menu next week
- 2 Important Reminders for Members:
 1. Park in the white lines in the parking lot
 2. Members are not allowed in the kitchen. If you have concerns, let your server know or communicate with John, Dave, Anne or Bill

Chorus Report: Linda shared that the Choros practices on Wednesdays. They are currently holding a candle fundraiser; samples are available in the ticket booth and you can also place orders this evening.

Alpenrose Schuhplattlers Report: Grace shared that they will be performing at Stoutsburg's Oktoberfest on October 11th, and at Peddler's Village on October 12th. The Schuhplattlers practice on Mondays at 7:30.

Alpenrose Schuhplattlers Kindergruppe Report: Kristina shared that the Kindergruppe practices on the 2nd and 4th Mondays from 6:30-7:30. The Kindergruppe will be marching in the Millersville parade on October 4th.

Hobby Chor Report: Mark noted that the Hobby Chor has rehearsals on Fridays from 7:30-9:00. They will be hosting a Schnitzel Dinner Fundraiser on October 18th, dinners will be \$16 and desserts will be available for purchase; please sign up in advance. They will also be hosting the Armed Forces Appreciation Event (former Military Ball) on Saturday, November 8th.

Alleweil Jung Report: Carla shared that they practice on the 1st and 3rd Mondays. They welcomed guests from Altoona at our recent Oktoberfest. They have a dance instructor coming on Friday and Saturday. Alleweil Jung recently performed at the Stormers game on September 13th and danced with Cylo and a police officer. They have upcoming performances at East Petersburg Traditions of America, German American Day at Franklin and Marshall College, and at Lebanon United Church of Christ.

Committee Reports:

Grant Fund/Scholarship Fund: Judy noted that a donation from Jeff Munster's co-workers at DCSW was received in Mary Munster's honor. She also shared volunteer details for the Grant Fund's Christmas Cookie Fundraiser. Carolyn Santos reported that the Grant Fund is sponsoring tomorrow night's Children's Erntedankfest (Fall Harvest Fest).

Miss LLK Committee: Petra, Miss LLK shared information about her role. She also thanked the Grant Fund, the LLK, and members for their support. Petra reported that she participated in the Steuben Day Parade and Gala in New York City. She will be in the Millersville Parade on the morning of October 4th. The Miss LLK Committee will be hosting the Kinder Christmas party on November 30th from 10:00 a.m. to noon.

Old Business:

1. **Constitution Updates:** Glenn completed the second reading for the following Constitution updates:
 - Proposal 8: Article II Membership -*Remove a sentence from this section that was eliminated from Article IV.*
 - Proposal 9: Article VII Executive Committee - *Change the first sentence so that it clearly indicates that all of the officers have the duty to promote the purpose of the club and supervise the general welfare of the Society." Add a section 2 which specifies the hierarchy of officers.*
 - Proposal 10: Article XV Amendments - *Change the process for amending the Liederkrantz constitution from three months to two months and add a requirement for communicating a proposed amendment to the Liederkrantz membership.*

New Business:

1. **Oktoberfest Update:** Andy Deck, the Fest Committee Chairperson thanked volunteers. He noted that gross income for the fest was \$240,000 and net income was \$160,000. Andy invited new members to volunteer.

Correspondence:

- A thank you card was received from the Kemmick Family: To our fellow Liederkrantz members, We wish to thank so many of you for your outreach and compassion following the unexpected passing of Dave's brother, Dennis Kemmick, Jr. We'd like to thank all the Trustees and members of the Executive Committee for taking care of any tasks and duties that we may have not had time or focus for over the past several weeks. To each club member that has emailed, sent a text, commented on Facebook, mailed a card, signed a group card, attended the funeral, or helped with the luncheon, to those who have offered a hug, a handshap, or a simple, "I'm sorry," to those who have said they enjoyed chatting with Dennis, each expression of sympathy has brought us a small piece of the healing process. Sincerely, Dave, Laura, Madeline and Meredith Kemmick
- We received many comments and emails from guests who enjoyed our Oktoberfest and included notes of

appreciation for our volunteers.

For the Good of the Club:

- Brian Zodet shared information about the Bourbon Dinner. This is a limited ticket event, tickets will be on sale on October 4th and the dinner will be held on Saturday, October, 25th.

The Hobby Chor led the members in song.

Rodney Ebersole motioned to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Michelle Becker. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:50 pm.

*Minutes Recorded and Respectfully Submitted by
Vicki Zodet
Recording Secretary*