



	Club Hours	
Monday:	Closed	
Tuesday:	Closed	
Wednesday:	5:00-10pm	(Kitchen opens 5:00)
Thursday:	5:00-11pm	(Kitchen opens 5:00)
Friday:	5:00-11pm	(Kitchen opens 5:00)
Saturday:	5:00-10pm	(Kitchen opens 5:00)
Sunday:	Closed	

# Reading Liederkrantz

German Singing and Sport Society

**OUR 135th ANNIVERSARY YEAR**

March-April 2021

Founded 1885

Phone Number 610-373-3982

## President's Message

### STATE OF THE CLUB ADDRESS

This seems to be the time for the State of the City - County- State and Union Address, so why not a State of OUR Club Address.

The state of the Reading Liederkrantz is strong. Even after the turmoil of 2020 (thank God it's over) we are still in fine shape. No new indebtedness, only regular bills to pay and money in the bank. Among clubs, I think we are truly the fortunate ones. So I will summarize that the STATE OF THE CLUB IS GREAT!

With the BIG snow storm behind us we have had several nice events in January to fuel the checking account. The Snowball was a great success outside. Although cold, over 120 persons attended and paid a \$10.00 cover charge, also with substantial food and drink sales. This should become an annual event. Nary a complaint was heard!

The Oktoberfest committee had their first meeting and are planning to return to the Oktoberfest of the past, with thousands of attendees and loads of fun. We are even talking about bringing back the pig roast which was always popular. We will need to find a volunteer to oversee it as the fantastic Oskar Krautlein did for many years. If anyone wants to consider it, contact Mark Hinkle, the Oktoberfest Chairman, or myself.

As this is a new year, the dues are now payable. Even if you are past due, stop at the club soon to get your card sticker. At \$25.00 it is still a great bargain. Soon the time will come when non-payees name will be dropped from the membership roll. Let's not see your name on that list.

See you at **OUR** club.

**Mike Feeney, President**

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March and April events are listed. We are adhering to all CDC and State guidelines. Masks are required when at the club. Check the Website at [www.readingliederkrantz.com](http://www.readingliederkrantz.com) for updates. Thank you for your support of our dining and recent events. Please note, we are still under construction with renovations inside so your continued cooperation and patience is greatly appreciated!

*Bryn Weckel,*  
Reading Liederkrantz Newsletter Coordinator

**If you would like to receive our weekly e-mail blast, please sign up at [readingliederkrantz.com/weekly-email-blast](http://readingliederkrantz.com/weekly-email-blast)**

### MARCH EVENTS

March 6	Saturday Dining & Dancing <i>Erich Cawalla Trio</i>	5:00pm 7-10:00pm
March 9	Board of Directors Meeting	6:30pm
March 12	Kermit in the Haus	6-9:00pm
March 13	St. Patrick's Party	see flyer
March 20	Saturday Dining & Dancing <i>Maria Damore &amp; Ken Bagenstose</i>	5:00pm 7-10:00pm
March 25	Thirsty Thursday	
March 26	Kermit in the Haus	6-9:00pm
March 27	Bockbierfest	see flyer



**SEE APRIL EVENTS NEXT PAGE**



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**APRIL**

April 3	Saturday Dining & Dancing <i>Lucille the Jazz Vocalist</i>	5:00pm 7-10:00pm
April 4	Easter Dinner	see flyer
April 9	Kermit in the Haus	6-9:00pm
April 10	Saturday Dining & Dancing <i>Bob Kreitz &amp; Friends</i>	5:00pm 7-10:00pm
April 13	Board of Directors Meeting General Membership Meeting	6:30pm 7:30pm
April 17	Saturday Dining & Dancing <i>MUSIC TBD</i>	5:00pm
April 22	Thirsty Thursday	
April 23	Kermit in the Haus	6-9:00pm
April 24	Saturday Dining & Dancing <i>MUSIC TBD</i>	5:00pm
April 30	Maifest with Alex Meixner	see flyer

***Note: Due to the ongoing pandemic, the Stammtisch Group and German Language Classes are on hold until further notice. Watch the website and Email Blasts for any update of these two gatherings.***

The Revised By-Laws of the Reading Liederkrantz have been officially voted on and approved. There will be copies available at the Club as well as posted on line. Please contact 1st VP Jeff Bryan at [JeffreyRBryan@comcast.net](mailto:JeffreyRBryan@comcast.net) with any questions. Thank you!



*Condolences go out to the Family and Friends of member Sam Wandzilak who passed away recently. Sam was a volunteer at many events, especially Oktoberfest, and a familiar face at the Club. He will be dearly missed by his many Liederkrantz friends.*

**Reading Liederkrantz 2021 Membership Renewal**

A reminder to all members that in order for your membership to remain current, your 2021 membership renewal was due **by December 31, 2020**. We thank all of our members for promptly renewing their membership. You may still renew your membership at any time at the club by filling out a **Renewal Slip**. Please see a member of the staff or an officer to receive a renewal slip. Members may also mail in their dues with the **Renewal Slip** below. We thank you for your continued membership and patronage of the club. **If you have already renewed your membership, please disregard this notice.**

We again wish to thank all the members that donate to the annual **Building Fund**. Your generosity pays for needed maintenance and repairs at the club. This past year the club has gotten new doors, a new pavilion for the chicken cooking area, parking lot, and tree work. By utilizing volunteer labor whenever possible, we are able to stretch these dollars and accomplish many things. **We THANK every member who contributes to this fund.**

**Mailing Address: P. O. Box 4338, Reading, PA 19606-4338**

**Please mail your renewal to the attention of the Financial Secretary**

Please clip and return with your renewal payment of \$25.00 per member, made payable to the **Reading Liederkrantz**

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**I also wish to contribute to the Reading Liederkrantz Building Fund.**

Suggested donation levels: \$5 \$10 \$25 \$50 \$100 Other: \$

Donor recognition occurs annually in the newsletter.

You may also direct your donation to in memory of a loved one, or remain anonymous.

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## DIVISION REPORTS



LADIES  
AUXILIARY

The Ladies' Auxiliary members have chosen not to hold meetings through this pandemic, but they have been in contact via emails and texts. Unfortunately, we have not been able to sponsor our usual events, which includes the Children's Easter Egg Hunt. We have pledged to hold our usual seasonal events as soon as possible, hoping to be back to normal this fall. Thank you to our decorating committee who has continued to decorate the inside of our Club for all recent events. We will also hope to add decor and plant outside flowers as the warmer weather permits. Most especially, we wish our longtime member, Joann Marnell, a full recovery after recent emergency surgery. **Happy Springtime** to all members, and we hope to see you again soon. Stay tuned to more immediate information weekly in our Club's Tuesday email blasts. Sign up on our website if you are not receiving these emails.



READING  
LIEDERKRANZ  
SINGERS

The Reading Liederkrantz Singers participated in both days of Christkindlmarkt in December, and their German cookie stand was an outstanding success in both sales and enthusiasm. The Chorus members have been keeping informed of news and events via internet, phone, and snail mail.

Due to the pandemic, our Spring Concert has been cancelled for this year. A plan is being developed to possibly start-up rehearsals on Sunday afternoons, in April, in the outside pavilion, with masks. More information will be shared as arrangements are worked out.



GERMANIA  
SOCCER

**Germania is planning to play a 6 game spring schedule as it has for many years. Germania Captain, Dave Stauffer, is looking for new players as well as help in running the team. If anyone is interested, there is a full article later in this newsletter.**

**As we continue to open up the club towards our summer events, it is our hope that our success as in the past, will continue and that the Reading Liederkrantz will continue to lead the way in good friendship and camaraderie, exhibited throughout the years.**



G.T.V.  
EDELWEISS

**GTV is going to be starting practices again soon. We all are looking forward to that, as well as our spring-summer events. Our traditional Father's Day Clambake will return on June 20, and our popular Frontier Feast will be held in July. Look for more details on these two events in the next newsletter or online.**



EAGLES'  
MT. HOME

**Eagle Mt. Home is proud of the work being done by its volunteers and the improvements that we've accomplished already. We have been inside the Club since the beginning of November and our events have been well-attended.**

**Eagle Mt. Home, a strong supporter of the Reading Liederkrantz, is asking you to consider a donation to the Reading Liederkrantz for building and general expenses, or as a memorial to a loved one.**

**We are looking forward to the reopening of our inside facilities including a new floor. We hope to be able to attain our full indoor capacity in the near future.**



# WILLKOMMEN



## NEW MEMBERS OF THE READING LIEDERKRANZ AS OF JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2021

Kim Adamson  
 Barry Bartsch  
 Tammy Bartsch  
 Kristina Bryan  
 Caitlin Campbell  
 Chad Campbell  
 Crystal Dunkelberger-Horn  
 Anthony Gigliotti  
 Sallie Gigliotti

Christopher Gottshall  
 Stephanie Gottshall  
 Jim Gray  
 Matt Harter  
 Tara Harter  
 Edward Horn  
 Joseph Hurd  
 Barbara Lachowski  
 Nicole LeVan

Adam Madiera  
 Josh Ott  
 Chris Siegle  
 Alicia Wenrich  
 Michael Wenrich  
 David Zentner

Prayers and Get Well wishes go out to Joann Marnell, wife of Past President Joe Marnell and a member of the Ladies Auxiliary and Scholarship Committee. Joann is in the Reading Hospital recovering from heart surgery. She has had a miraculous recovery from a serious condition. Please continue to pray for Joann. Her family appreciates the prayers for her return to good health!



We also keep in mind all of our members who have had health problems throughout the last several months and could not get up to the Club. Better days are coming and we hope to see all of you up at the Club soon!

Every year the Scholarship Committee awards two \$1000 scholarships to two children or grandchildren of Reading Liederkranz members, finishing their high school year. **The application form is on the website along with the rules for submittal. The deadline for entries is March 31.**

We are always appreciative of donations for this project. This is true more than ever this year, when other forms of fundraising were not able to occur due to the pandemic. If you would like to consider a donation to the Scholarship Fund, you can mail a check, care of Scholarship Committee, to:



***The Reading Liederkranz, PO Box 4338, Reading, PA 19606-4338***

### NEWSLETTER PATRONS

*For \$20 a year you can be listed as a Patron in our newsletter and help defray printing costs. Donations can be sent to the club C/O Bryn Weckel. The address is PO Box 4338, Reading, PA 19606-4338. Be sure to write "Newsletter Patron" on the envelope.*

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Eleanor Kurtz	3/21	Bob & Nini Zoppel	11/21
Linda Bordic	3/21	Dieter Czerny	11/21
Fay Yentsch	4/21	Oscar & Angela Smith	1/22
Brenda Dugan	5/21	Chris & Nancee Cinelli	3/22
Fritz & Linda Allmendinger	5/21	Jay & Donna Yohn	3/22
Joel & Melissa Strohecker	6/21		
Jeff & Judi Eshelman	6/21		
Len & Bryn Weckel	6/21		
Susan Shuler	9/21		
Rosemary Barker	9/21		
Joe & Joann Marnell	9/21		

Our stuffing date for the next bimonthly newsletter (May-June) is Wednesday, April 14 at 9AM.

All are welcome! Questions??

Contact Bryn Weckel at

610-926-3731 or e-mail: [brynlen@aol.com](mailto:brynlen@aol.com)

# Wine and Cheese Tasting

## February 20, 2021

Dinner— 6-7pm

Wine Tasting—  
7:00pm



The annual WINE & CHEESE NIGHT at the Reading Liederkrantz is coming up! Come see what wines will be featured and taste the many different cheeses to accompany them. Three dinners are available with the Wine and Cheese Tasting commencing afterwards. The dinners and the wine tasting are priced separately. See the coupon below.

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Bratwurst Platter \$9.54 \_\_\_\_\_ Wine Tasting \$18.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Dinners have 6% sales tax included

send to: Dieter Wolter, 4821 8th Ave. Temple, Pa 19560

## **CONTACT-FREE ORDERING FOR TAKEOUT**

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Just select from the options on our website (samples below) and add them to your order. Once you are done ordering, you will enter your pick-up date and time. Please allow at least 30 minutes for us to prepare your food. Advanced orders may be placed for future pick-up. You will pick up your food at the bar and will need to enter the building via the side entrance hallway. Please check-in at the Bar when you arrive. Specials change weekly.

**CALL AHEAD pick-up is ALSO available by contacting us at 610-373-3982. Please let us know if you need assistance and we will bring the food out to you. You will pay for your order at pick-up.**

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## **DINING ROOM WEDNESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY**

Our Dining Room is open and available starting at 5:00pm. Reservations are suggested by calling the club at 610-373-3982 or online at [www.readingliederkranz.com](http://www.readingliederkranz.com). Our Club is following CDC and State Health Guidelines as mandated to ensure you will have a safe and pleasant dining experience. The menu is updated weekly with German as well as standard favorites. See the website for more details. Make sure you are signed up to receive our E-mail blast which will inform you of updates and changes.

**“Gutes Essen gibt es auf dem Berg!”**

## **FAMILY DINING IN THE CLUBHAUS** **Every Wednesday in March and April**



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# MARCH AND APRIL SATURDAY ENTERTAINMENT

## Hallo Frühlich! Hello Spring!



Doors and the bar will open at 5:00

\$5 cover charge for all

Music 7-10:00pm ~ Full Dinner menu

Call the Club at 610-373-3982 or go online

to [www.readingliederkranz.com](http://www.readingliederkranz.com) for reservations

### *Saturday, March 6 – Erich Cawalla Trio*



### *Saturday, March 20 - Maria Damore and Ken Bagenstose*



### *Saturday, April 3– Lucille the Jazz Vocalist with Roger*



### *Saturday, April 10– Bob Kreitz and Friends*



Saturday April 17 and 24 are open and TBD. Check for updates on the website.

**Know a good performing band or musician? Just saw a local group who rocked? Then send their information via email and I will check them out to see if they are available for the club. Bonus points if the Band plays German music. Email: [info@readingliederkranz.com](mailto:info@readingliederkranz.com)**

# St. Patrick's Day

March 13

Doors and Bar  
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# Bockbier Fest

Sat March 27th  
Doors open @ 5 pm



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Reading Liederkranz

# *Easter Dinner*

Sunday, April 4, 2021  
One Seating: 12:30pm

*Eggs in Grie Frankfurt Soß  
Ham or Turkey Schnitzel  
Kasespaetzle  
Whipped Sweet Potato  
Roasted Brussel Sprouts  
Creamed Spinach  
Carrot Cake*

\$30 Members                      \$35 Non-Members/Guests  
Children 5-12 \$10

**Pre-paid reservations Required**

Call 610-373-3982 or order online at [Readingliederkranz.com](http://Readingliederkranz.com)



## TRAVEL NEWS from our Club's Travel Coordinator, Cherylene Shollenberger

Your Travel Coordinator, Cherylene Shollenberger, has been on conference calls with Boscovs Travel Center assessing all travel information currently in place during the pandemic. As you know, travel has been at a standstill, but we continue to hold our reservation for the Mediterranean Cruise until the last weeks possible without losing any deposits made, in order to be refunded, if needed, or to transfer those deposits to another chosen destination for domestic travel. At this writing, all of this information is still uncertain. I thank those travelers who are remaining patient until we know if Europe opens up for tourists. Those of you reserved (28 people) will receive specific information very soon as to choices. Expect an in-person, socially distanced meeting in the first week of April, to announce our final decision for travel together. We will still be able to add more people to whatever trip we decide, or those reserved may choose to cancel then. If our western Med Cruise does not sail in 2021, we will choose to re-schedule it for late summer/early fall 2022. The link for the travel brochure for the Cruise is still available for new signees on our website under Member Services, Travel, or in my article on travel in the Tuesday weekly email blasts. Any questions, please call, email, or text Cherylene at [sholley3@aol.com](mailto:sholley3@aol.com) or 484-336-7857.



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**Germania Soccer is looking for new players! Players must be 40 years old and be members of or willing to join the Reading Liederkranz. Games are played in the spring from April-May and in the fall from September-November. Game times are Sunday afternoon. We are a Recreational League but competitive.**

**Germania has a long proud history since its inception in 1926, winning many cups and championships. We are one of the 5 Divisions of the Reading Liederkranz. Germania is affiliated with the Eastern PA Amateur Soccer League (local), Eastern Penn Soccer Association (state), USASA (national), and US Soccer. Any interested players can contact Germania President Len Weckel at [brynlenn@aol.com](mailto:brynlenn@aol.com) or phone 610-223-0800. All are welcome!**



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LADIES' AUXILIARY

G.T.V. EDELWEISS SCHUHPLATTLERS  
EAGLES' MOUNTAIN HOME

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### Achtung Members!

Get online and support the Club by liking us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and much more! Share or tweet our posts! Tell your friends about us, or better yet, bring them up to the Clubhaus as Guests! All of the above items are simple and easy to use but helps the Reading Liederkrantz tremendously!

We are also looking for photos, documents, stories, and much more to help share with fellow members. Please start to send these items along with a description to [info@readingliederkrantz.com](mailto:info@readingliederkrantz.com) and we will add them to our website.

By the way! Keep checking out our website. We are bringing more updates, member items, club information and more to the website. Please feel free to send any ideas or suggestions along with any general club questions to

[info@readingliederkrantz.com](mailto:info@readingliederkrantz.com).

Thank you,

Rick Dilling, 3rd Vice President



### NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS AND GUESTS



**ALL GUESTS must be accompanied by a member and MUST SIGN THE GUEST BOOK.**

Guests are allowed three visits as a guest and after that must become members. Also, please note that **ONLY MEMBERS** may purchase alcoholic beverages.

### CLUB ORGANIZATION MEETING DATES & TIMES

**Ladies Auxiliary:** 4th Friday of month at 7:00 pm—2nd floor

**Germania Soccer:** Annual Meeting—January

**Liederkrantz Singers:** Every Sunday 6-8 pm except when there is Brunch (then at 3 pm)

**G.T.V. Edelweiss Schuhplattlers:** Every Friday at 8 pm except no practice 3rd Friday of the month; Meeting 4th Thursday at 8 pm

**Scholarship Committee:** First Thursday of every month at 7:00pm- 2nd floor

Please participate in your particular division. If you do not belong to one and would like to join, contact any officer for further information.



## Make the **READING LIEDERKRANTZ**

### Your Birthday Destination!



Members are welcome to raise a glass and enjoy a birthday drink on us. Celebrate your birthday at the club and receive a complimentary drink, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday evening. If your birthday falls on a Saturday through Tuesday, collect your birthday drink on the Wednesday that immediately follows. A valid photo ID is required to collect your birthday drink.



Kermit is "In the Haus" Every 2nd, 4th, and 5th Fridays of the month from 6-9pm.

*Please remember all events are subject to change due to COVID-19 guidelines from the state. The Officers and Staff of the Reading Liederkrantz would like to remind you that we are trying our best with limited personnel and seating capacity. Your patience is appreciated as we to strive to provide you with quality entertainment and enjoyable experiences as we have always done. Thank you!*

*We ask you to refer to the website and e-mail blasts for current or updated information regarding our events!*