

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 Closed unless Club Event Sunday Closed unless Club Event

Reading Liederkranz

German Singing and Sport Society

OUR 137th ANNIVERSARY YEAR

March-April Founded 1885 Phone Number 610-373-3982

Guten Tag. Freunde.

It's hard to believe that it's time for the March/April Newsletter already. Time flies when you are having fun at the Reading Liederkranz. While it still feels like winter outside, it won't be long before it is time to open the biergarten once more! Lucky for you, we have lots of fun in store inside the clubhaus between now and then to help pass the time.

Nothing makes us happier than seeing our treasured members showing up in full force to our events, so make sure to stop in for some of the fun. In March, we will host Bingo, St. Patrick's Day (on the 11th) with the Malarky Brothers and our Frontier Feast. In April, get ready for the annual goat parade at our Bockbier Fest! Make sure to check our website to purchase tickets, as these events are always popular and can fill up quickly.

Speaking of the website, please remember to check back there frequently for important postings. You can find updated information around special and recurring events, weekly menu specials, volunteer opportunities, and much more. As a member, you'll want to stay informed about member-specific topics like dues, membership rules, board meetings, and who your trustees are and how we can serve you. And make sure to check out the RLK Shop for some wunderbar Liederkranz swag! New items are always being added and you can find them here: www.rlkshop.com. If you haven't already, be sure to subscribe to our email blasts and follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

Lastly, I want to take some time to discuss the strong financial position of the club currently, and how proud I am of the combined efforts of our staff, volunteers, trustees and membership, which have gotten us here. We are showing robust growth over this past year. Given our anticipated expenses, we expect to maintain a solid financial state heading into Oktoberfest, which is always our biggest fundraiser of the year. It took a great deal of stewardship and hard work all around to get us to this point, so thank you, everyone! Interested to learn more? You can hear about our financials and other topics at our monthly board meetings. If you can't make those meetings or wish to share comments about anything, you can always reach out to me at the club or by email at info@readingliederkranz.com.

See you at the club. Prost!

Jon Linton, President

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH

March 5	Bingo, Brats, and Bier I	Noon -4:00pm
March 10	Kermit in the Haus	6-9:00pm
March 11	St. Patrick's Day Party	5:00pm
March 15	Culinary Tour - United Kingdor	n 6-8:00pm
March 17	Third Friday Band	
March 18	Frontier Feast	5:00pm
	Berks Jazzfest Kickoff	
March 23	Thirsty Thursday	5:00pm
March 24	Kermit in the Haus	6-9:00pm
March 24	Board/General Membership Mt	g. 7:30pm
March 29	Trivia Night	7-9:00pm
March 31	Kermit in the Haus	6-9:00pm

APRIL

April 1	Ladies Auxiliary Children's E	Easter Egg Hunt
		10:00am
April 1	Bock Bier Fest	5:00pm
April 9	Easter Dinner	12:30pm
April 14	Kermit in the Haus	6-9:00pm
April 19	Culinary Tour– Norway	6-8:00pm
April 21	Third Friday Band	
April 22	Rum and Tequila Pairing	5:00pm
April 23	Singers' Spring Concert	Flyer inside
April 26	Trivia Night	7-9:00pm
April 27	Thirsty Thursday	5:00pm
April 28	Kermit in the Haus	6-9:00pm
April 28	Board/General membership	Mtg 7:30pm
April 30	Special Olympics Bingo	Noon-5:00pm



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DIVISION REPORTS



LADIES AUXILIARY The ladies have been meeting the end of each month and our biggest spring event is the children's Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 1st at 10 am at the Liederkranz. Please see the information in this newsletter for registration of children/grandchildren of members. We are planning our usual spring and summer outdoor planting, and thank our members and spouses or helpers who helped to decorate inside for Valentines month and Fasching celebrations as well as for Spring and Easter events. We are hoping to add back into our events the Fashion Show and Luncheon for November 2023 once again. Stay tuned for that date to mark your calendars. We are anticipating using some of our fundraising monies to enhance the Club with a wish list from the Board of Directors. We hope to have members join us at meetings on the third Fridays coming up- March 17th and April 21st at 6:30 pm at the Club. Happy Springtime to all!



READING LIEDERKRANZ SINGERS TIME TO SING !!! Please join us at the Cannstatter in Philadelphia for the Evening of Song, Sunday March 5th at 4pm. (Food shall be for sale.) Then, mark your calendars for our <u>Spring Concert Dinner and Dance</u>, featuring the renowned Don Bitterlich on the accordion and our famous Maultaschen dinner. We are also singing at the German Maifest Church service on Sunday May 7th, (details to follow). The Singers rehearse most Sundays at 2pm to 4pm up at the club. If you like German choral music (and who doesn't) come on up and listen in. We don't mind an audience.



GERMANIA SOCCER Since Germania won the championship in 2022, they will be hosting a Victory party for team members, past and present, on February 18 at the club. If you are interested in attending, please email brynlen@aol.com to reserve your spot! Congratulations to Captain Jeff Geist and his team on a well-deserved win!

March 8 will be our startup meeting for the Spring season. We are looking forward to having 12 teams in our league with play beginning in early April. If you are 40 or older and would like to play adult soccer, please email Len at the above link. Our teams come from Lancaster county as well as Berks so there is sure to be a team near you.



G.T.V. EDELWEISS Well it has been a rough spring with mother nature nipping at our heels as we try to use our heels while dancing. We look forward to seeing our supporters at our annual Frontier Feast. We are also looking forward to our annual Father's day Clambake. Details to follow. See you at the club.



EAGLES'
MT. HOME

We have been asked again for historical information about the Eagles Mt. Home. There have been a number of studies of the mountain and the significance of 1902, when this building was built. The historic Gravity Railroad, which was on both sides of our property, was a popular method for people from the city to reach our club and other entertainment at hotels and inns in the area. If anyone has any information, pictures, stories etc. of the early days of the Eagles Mt. Home, please email them to brynlen@aol.com or send to the club c/o Len Weckel, PO Box 4338, Reading, PA 19606-4338. Thank you!

See you at the Club!

National Kidney Registry

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I NEED A KIDNEY DONOR

If you are interested in learning more about my story, kidney donation or in being tested to see if you are eligible to donate, please visit the URL below.

WWW.NKR.ORG/RMC644

The Reading Liederkranz is looking for a Bookkeeper. If you think you have the qualifications to help your club in this manner, contact:

Treasurer Steve Glueck at sglueck241@gmail.com



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NEW MEMBERS OF THE READING LIEDERKRANZ



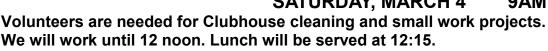
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CLUBHOUSE SPRING CLEANING SATURDAY, MARCH 4 9AM





Service hours available for high school students. Bring a friend! Meet new people and have fun while helping your club.

Join the Wednesday Morning Kitchen Krew!

Looking for something to do for about 4 hours once a week on a Wednesday? Could you give those hours back to a Club that has been giving to all of us since 1885?

Light duties such as peeling, mashing, breading, some cutting and always lots of fun. When the tasks are done, we all sit down, share a meal and relax together.

If this might be something you'd be interested in come and see us Wednesday morning in the kitchen! We'd love to have you join our Food Prep Krew!





We will be opening up registration in March for our upcoming RLK Cornhole Season. Keep an eye out on the website and social media for when it opens. This will be our fifth season of play and we are looking to expand on our 21 teams from last year. Registration is open to Club members and it is free to play! League play is tentatively scheduled to start in May with playoffs wrapping up in September.

Check out our League page on the Club's site for more details or feel free to contact Cornhole Commissioner, Rick Dillinger, at Housedill22@gmail.com with any questions.

2022 CORNHOLE CHAMPS –ONLY WINNERS GET WINGS CHRIS AND JARED SHAFFER

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PLEASE NOTE: This is your last chance to renew for 2023.

After March 31st, 2023, all members who have not renewed will be dropped from the active membership rolls of the club and will need to reapply as new members.

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TRAVEL

Your Travel Coordinator, Cherylene Shollenberger, is very happy to update you on our group travel for our members and friends. We have at least 60 travelers registered at this writing. There may still be a cabin for you! Call Boscov's Travel Center at 610-779-8640 and any agent will be happy to assist you. We will cruise on the

Norwegian Sky from Quebec City on the St Lawrence to the Eastern Provinces of Canada and New England, disembarking in Baltimore. Please click on the brochure link below, or on our website or weekly emails for more information. Cherylene (484-336-7857) will be happy to answer any questions you may have in preparation for this great adventure. Dates for the trip are Sept 9-21, 2023, with a two night pre-stay in Quebec City. Price is all inclusive with hotel fee, taxes, port fees, cruise/meals, and transfers to airport and piers included. Lots of extras, too! PLEASE NOTE: We will have a pre-trip meeting for registrants to hear about excursions available and answer other possible questions on Tuesday evening, March 21st, at 6 pm, in Boscov's East Corporate Training room in the basement of the store. Please RSVP as the letter received indicates. Thank you for traveling with us! This is our 15th year of travel together with the Reading Liederkranz!

GUTE REISE! BON VOYAGE!

LINK TO BROCHURE:

https://boscovstravel.com/group-cruises-tours-flyers/2023-09-09-ReadingLiederkranz-CanadaandNewEngland-cruise.pdf

DINING ROOM WEDNESDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

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. 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!"

VOLUNTEERING

Volunteers are always needed. I don't know if you realize how much the club depends on its volunteers so we can stay afloat. The last 100 plus years of success has been through the help of volunteers. Any questions, reach out to me-

Patrick Nelis: phone 484-955-1547 or email me at volunteers@readingliederkranz.com





Stuffing of the May-June issue is tentatively **Wednesday, April 19 at 9:00am**You will be notified of any changes.

Bryn Weckel, Newsletter Coordinator brynlen@aol.com or 610-926-3731

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 and put <u>RL Newsletter</u> on your check.



The deadline for this year's application for our Reading Liederkranz Scholarship awards is April 1. We award two \$1000 Scholarships to high school sen-

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St. Patrick's Day

March 11

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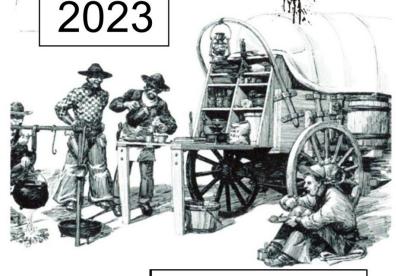
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March 18, 2023

Reading Liederkranz

143 Spook Lane, Reading, PA 19606

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Social Hour with Cash Bar: 5 - 6 pm

Buffet 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Music 6:30 - 9:30

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NEW EVENT FOR SPRING

Reading Liederkranz members who enjoy shooting clay targets are invited again to shoot at the Cacoosing Gun Club on May 21. The gun club is open from 9:00am to 1:00pm. The gun club venue includes sporting clays, 5-stand and skeet. All these shooting disciplines are typically shot in squads of 5 shooters. Afterwards you may stop by the Reading Liederkranz for lunch and a beverage. To find out more about the Cacoosing Gun Club you can go to their website at info@cacoosinggunclub.net. Please review the safety items that are on the website. If you have any further questions, you can contact Mike Stuber at stuberclan@comcast.net.

CHILDREN'S EASTER EGG HUNT SATURDAY, APRIL 1 - 10:00am

This annual event is sponsored by the Ladies' Auxiliary and is open to <u>children or grandchildren</u> of Reading Liederkranz members.

(Children aged 1-10)

Children <u>under 1 year old</u> are invited to attend as well to have their pictures taken with the Easter Bunny

Reserve your child's space by calling: Linda Ohlinger at 610-929-8428

Registration deadline is March 25





Children will be placed in groups according to their ages



Please ~ no more than two adults should accompany a child



Bockbierfest 2023 Saturday, April I



Doors open at 5:00

Traditional goat parade!

Why a goat?

The style now known as *Bock* was first brewed in the 14th century in Germany. The style was later adopted in Bavaria by Munich brewers in the 17th century. Due to their Bavarian accent, citizens of Munich pronounced "Einbeck" as "ein Bock" ("a billy goat"), and thus the beer became known as "Bock". A goat often appears on bottle labels.



Music **7-**10: the Dave Betz Band



Easter Dinner

Sunday, April 9 12:30

MENU

German Wedding Soup
Choice of entrée:
Turkey Schnitzel or Baked Ham
Kasespaetzle
Whipped Sweet Potatoes
Roasted Brussel Sprouts
Creamed Spinach
Carrot Cake

All reservations MUST be prepaid by April 1

No Walk Ins

Pay at the Bar or Online

\$35 Members/ \$40 Non Members Children 5-12 \$10

These events are just the start of Springtime fun at the Liederkranz! Watch the Website and make sure you're getting the email blasts for updates!

Save the Date: June 24th

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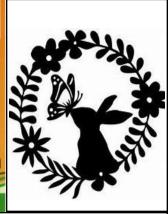
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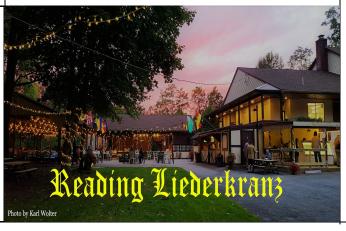


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Greetings Members!

We have a lot in store for 2023! Some major updates to the website, additional online coverage, and much more are currently in the works and will be coming soon. Keep following us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter and subscribe to our email list for more details.

Thank you, Art Gelwicks







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 are asked to become members. Also, please note that <u>ONLY MEMBERS</u> may purchase alcoholic beverages.

CLUB ORGANIZATION MEETING DATES & TIMES

<u>Ladies Auxiliary</u>: 3rd Friday of month at 6:30 pm—2nd floor <u>Germania Soccer</u>: Annual Meeting—January <u>Liederkranz Singers</u>: Every Sunday 2-4pm, subject to change if there are club events

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<u>Scholarship Committee</u>: 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.



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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 Liederkranz 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!