

# NEWSLETTER

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### PROGRAM

## FIFTH ANNUAL IGHS MEETING, 11 MARCH 1989

- 9:00-9:15 A.M. INTRODUCTION AND GREETINGS, Halbert Kunz, President.
- 9:15-10:00 A.M. KEYNOTE ADDRESS, GERMAN FORT WAYNE, Michael Hawfield, President, Ft. Wayne-Allen County Historical Society.
- 10:00-10:15 COFFEE BREAK
- 10:15-11:45 A.M. FORT WAYNE AND VICINITY. . .
- German Background of Fort Wayne Citizens, Dr. Clifford Scott, IUPUFW History Department.
- Class of '45: Oral Histories of 12 German-Americans Who Lived in the Third Reich, James Sack, President Fort Wayne Germanfest.
- They Came to Stay: Land Use and Building Practices among Swiss Settlers in Southern Adams County, Glenn Harper, Ohio Historic Preservation Office.
- 11:45-1:00 P.M. LUNCH
- 1:00-2:30 P.M. . . .RICHMOND. . .
- German Migration to the Richmond Area: 1833-1933, Dr. Donald M. Royer, Richmond German Heritage Project.
- A Community in Crisis: Germans and Temperance in Richmond, 1865-1875, Prof. James Clyde Sellman, Earlham College.
- 2:30-2:45 P.M. COFFEE BREAK

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2:45-4:15 P.M.

. . .AND OTHER PLACES

"Ueberhaupt kommen die Deutschen geflogen wie die Schneeflocken:" Father Kundek and the Settlement of Ferdinand, 1840-1860, Sister Mary Kenneth Scheessele, O.S.B.

Contemporary German Economic Geography of Indiana, Caterina Cregor, Corporation for Indiana's International Future, Inc.

TRACES of Indiana and Midwestern History, J. Kent Calder, Indiana Historical Society.

Publications of IGHS and German-American Center, Prof. Giles Hoyt, IGHS Treasurer.

Jasper Kinderchor, Marilyn Nathan, Director.

4:30-5:30 P.M.

IGHS ANNUAL MEETING

6:00 P.M.

ST. BENNO FEST.

We take exceeding pleasure in announcing that the

# St. Benno Fest

is to be solemnized in the Löwenbräukeller of

## Das Deutsche Haus

this March, the 15th and 16th, and beg leave to attract your attention to the cause and the nature of this Annual Celebration

At a vague and distant date, of which there is no record in the chronicles of the Middle Ages, there came unto the simple soul of a pious Paulaner Monk a Revelation, in the guise of a recipe for an Inspiring Brown Nectar. Its Secret, though carefully guarded by his confreres of the Convent, near München, caused Envious Speculation among those wayfarers who chanced within the seclusion of these somber walls, where it was the Happy Custom of the Convivial Friars to cheer the dragging hours with free libations of this Edifying Brew.

Later, the history and story of the Aktienbrauerrei zum Loewenbraeu in München becomes curiously entangled with the journal of the Little Brothers of the Convent and the point of contact is St. Benno Bier, not known by this name in that legendary time, but christened since then by its present distributors after the patron saint of the city of Munich and in Befitting Reverence to the good brothers.

The Peregrinations of St. Benno Bier are diverse and distant. Its annual itinerary includes the principal market territories of Germany, France, Belgium, Austria, Italy, Switzerland, Turkey, Egypt, England, and last but by no means least, 42 Hecktoliters (almost 43, lacking one-third), of the 49,762 Hecktoliters, the total output, are shipped to Das Deutsche Haus, Indianapolis, Indiana. In consequence, the duty that involves our members is neither arduous nor onerous.

St. Benno is a Bock, which makes its advent as an early harbinger of Spring, to help us speed "the winter of our discontent" and, in this process, to discard its "garments of repentance." And, being thus fraught with significance beyond an appeal that is induced by its mild, rich flavor, this year's St. Benno Bier actuates us to the Unusual, to worthy by-play, to decorative efforts, not only festive, but in warm sympathy with the occasion, to entertaining you with a typical Münchener Tingel Tangel, translated in familiar terms, to speedy service, to a trencher that will bear witness to our best culinary endeavors, to anything and everything that will blend in proper and happy proportion with the jubilee that we are asking you to signalize.

We beg leave to emphasize the Ueberbrett'l performance that has been arranged for Saturday evening (March 16th) to begin at nine o'clock. Our effort to provide light entertainment will exceed anything that we have attempted on St. Benno Occasions of the past and will include music of a popular nature, both voice and instrumental.

From 1913 St. Benno Fest Program at Athenaeum

# CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

## FIFTH ANNUAL IGHS MEETING, 11 MARCH 1989

To register for the Annual Meeting send your check payable  
to the Indiana German Heritage Society. Meal reservation  
must be received by March 7.\*\*\*

|                          | Number  | Amount |
|--------------------------|---------|--------|
| Conference Registration  | \$4.50  | -----  |
| Luncheon                 | \$4.50  | -----  |
| St. Benno Fest Admission | \$2.00  | -----  |
| Dinner (incl. tax & tip) | \$10.00 | -----  |
| Dinner (under 10 years)  | \$5.00  | -----  |

MAIL TO: "ANNUAL MEETING," INDIANA GERMAN HERITAGE SOCIETY,  
401 E. MICHIGAN ST., INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ IGHS MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Late Reservations: (317) 636-0390. Thank You!

\*\*\* Should you determine that your Meeting Reservation form  
cannot arrive by the March 7 deadline, please telephone the  
Athenaeum Staff.

### ANNUAL MEETING

This year's Annual Meeting will be held again at Das Deutsche Haus/Athenaeum, 401 E. Michigan St., Indianapolis on Saturday, March, 11. The meeting will focus on Germans and the German contribution throughout the state with particular interest on the Fort Wayne and Richmond areas. Michael Hawfield, Director of the Allen County Historical Museum, will deliver the keynote address on the Fort Wayne Germans. Hawfield and Fort Wayne hosted last May's program/meeting. A variety of other interests will be represented in this year's program. Reservations for the German lunch at the Athenaeum are mandatory and should be received by March 7. The meeting will also again be held in conjunction with the Athenaeum's annual St. Benno Fest. Admission to St. Benno Fest is free to members of the Athenaeum and is \$2.00 for non-members. [Membership in the IGHS alone does not constitute membership in the Athenaeum.] The price for the German meal is \$10.50 for adults and \$5.00 for children under 10. This year's program promises to varied enough so as to be of interest to almost everyone involved in Indiana's German Heritage.

### APRIL STAMMTISCH

The largest and most important Amish quilt collection in the country will be the subject of the Stammtisch, Wednesday, April 19, in the Kellersaal of das Deutsch Haus-Athenaeum.

Kathaleen McLary, Curator of Textiles, Indiana State Museum, will give a slide/lecture about "Amish Quilts: Social Expression" at 7:30 P.M.

The David Pottinger collection of Indiana Amish quilts has been purchased by the Indiana State Museum Society and donated to the State Museum to be preserved, exhibited, and interpreted. Mr. Pottinger has carefully documented the origin of each quilt, which makes this collection particularly valuable to scholars.

On April 19 the Stammtisch evening will start at 6 P.M. with a social hour and cash bar. Dinner will be served at 6:30. There will be a charge of about \$11.00 plus tax and gratuity for the dinner. Reservations can be made by Telephoning Lee McDougal at (317) 685-8031 by Monday, April 17.

# Calendar of Events

- March 11 IGHS Annual Meeting, Athenaeum
- March 12 German-American Lecture Series, Goethe Inst. of Cincinnati, History of the German Evangelical Churches in Cincinnati, 3 PM, Don Tolzmann, (513) 556-1859.
- March 14 IGHS Board of Directors Meeting, Athenaeum, 12-1:30.
- April 9 German-American Lecture Series, Goethe Inst. of Cincinnati, German Family History Research, 3 PM, Don Tolzmann, (513) 556-1859.
- April 11 IGHS Board of Directors Meeting, Athenaeum, 12-1:30.
- April 15 Concert, Maennerchor Society of Indianapolis, Caleb Mills Auditorium, Shortridge Jr. High, 34th and Meridian Sts., Indianapolis, Kenneth Duncan, 849-3138.
- April 19 IGHS Meeting, Amish Quilts, Social Expressions, 6 PM, Athenaeum, 636-0396.
- Apr. 27-29 Society for German-American Studies 13th Annual Symposium, Bismarck Hotel, Chicago, Ruth Reichmann, (812) 988-2866.
- May 9 IGHS Board of Directors Meeting, Athenaeum, 12-1:30.
- May 14 German-American Lecture Series, Goethe Inst. of Cincinnati, Letters & Pictures From the Life of a German Immigrant Woman, 3 PM, Don Tolzmann, (513) 556-1859.
- June 22-24 Palatines to America, Annual Meeting, Marian College, Indianapolis, Sharon Kennedy (317) 271-6505 or 264-1403.
- Sept. 28-Oct. 1 German-American Conference "Emigration and Settlement Patterns of German Communities in North America," Conference Center of the New Harmony Inn in New Harmony. Deadline for papers, February 15. For further information call Ruth Reichmann (812) 988-2866.

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