

Delaware Sangerbund and Library Assn., Inc.

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April 2025 Newsletter

In Memoriam

Linda Kelly
Hilde F. Schwoegler

David Lee Parker

Charles H. Pensel, Jr.
Francis X. Tannian

General Meeting

Monday, April 14, 2025, at **7:30 p.m.** in the Deutsche Halle
Ladies' Dinner Special – Sandwiches (choice of tuna, chicken, or egg salad) with Macaroni Salad

A Message from our President

Guten Tag Freunde und Kollegen, (Good day friends and fellow members),

Flowers around the club are beginning to bloom and Spring is in the air.

The 172nd Stiftungsfest was a nice event and will always be memorable for me. I was able to recognize two dear friends, Don and Lorraine Sturmfels, with our organization's highest award, "Honorary Membership." Over the past 40 plus years, the Sturmfels' have done so much for this organization. In short, they are two people who truly live and promote our Organizational Objectives and set standards that we should all strive to achieve. Thank you again for all you do and I'm proud to consider you both friends.

On Monday March 17th we celebrated the actual founding of our club by hosting the 2nd Annual "Founders Day Fruhschoppen," another sellout, another great success. Weisswurst, Pretzel and a Beer... all before noon... a German tradition and another nice way to pay homage to our forefathers. Thanks to everyone who participated and helped make it a success. Looking forward to Tuesday March 17th, 2026.

Lots of things are happening around the DSB, see where you can get involved. Hope to see you soon.

Rudy Schock, President

Mobile phone: (814) 574-8243 please send a text or leave a voicemail message.

Email: rschock324@gmail.com

Property Committee

MEETING – Monday, April 7, 2025 – DSB Library – 7:30 p.m.
Property Committee Workday on April 12, 2025, at 8:30 a.m.

Pickleball Sunday



Join us on Sunday, April 27, 2025
2 to 4 pm

in the DSB Parking lot

for Members and their families, 14 and older

Beginners Welcomed - we will teach!

If you have paddles and/or a portable net, please bring them.
If we get enough interest, we plan to play once a month.

Please let us know you are interested by completing this form:

<https://forms.gle/YouJjskAN38vr7kN9>

Delaware Saengerbund Chorus Frühlingskonzert



When: Sunday, April 27, 2025

Time: 3:00pm (doors open at 2:00)

*Entertainment by the
Enzian Musikanten
after the Concert*

*Food Available for Purchase
Raffle Prizes!*

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1st Vice President

I hope everyone enjoyed the March events. And as we look forward to warmer weather, we can also look forward to upcoming events. April is a little less busy. Wayne Mulford will be teaching an NRA approved gun safety class on April 19th from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. This class teaches you how to safely handle weapons and is a requirement if you want to apply for a CCDW permit. The price for the class is \$165 for members and \$175 for non-members. The following weekend, April 26th, the Schutzenverein will hold another shooting event. Info for this event will be on flyers and posted around the club.

Desiree continues to provide a nice menu on most Fridays and Sundays. However, a few other people are considering providing a Friday Night Food event. Their details are not finalized yet, so stay tuned. As a reminder, The Bauernstube will be closed on Easter Sunday, April 20th.

Thank You and I'll see you in the Bauernstube!
Kevin McMullin, 1st Vice President

Sunshine

If you know of a member who has been ill or in the hospital, has lost a loved one, or who could just be brightened up with a 'thinking of you' card, please contact our Sunshine Lady, Robin Moxley.

Email address: Rockinrobin01@verizon.net Phone number: (302) 598-6873.

Please note the new phone number!

Singers

The Singers participated in three events in March, the Annual Liederabend (Evening of Song) hosted by the United Singers of Philadelphia at the Cannstatter, the DSB's 172nd Stiftungsfest, or Anniversary and the 3rd annual Starkbierfest.

Our final event of the spring singing season will be our Fruhlingskonzert or Spring Concert on Sunday, April 27th with the program starting at 3:00 p.m. The Singers will also hold a Spring Yard Sale on May 10th starting at 9:00 a.m. Further information and/or flyers for all of these events can be found in this newsletter.

As always, all members are welcome and encouraged to join us on Wednesday evenings starting at 7:00 p.m.

Keith Farmer, Singers' Chairman

Cornhole

We continue playing Cornhole in the Deutsche Halle from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. on Monday evenings except on General Meeting nights or unless otherwise noted. Come be a part of our "Freundliche Versammlung und Gemutlichkeit" (Friendly Gathering and Fun).

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DSB Summer of 2025 Language Camp for Kids: Deutsch macht Spass!



Please sign up your children (or grandchildren):

From August 4 to August 15, 2025 (Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.)

We plan to have one Language class this year for children in the age group of 8 through 13. Iris Busch will be the teacher, and she will be assisted by Giselle Offschanka. This year's theme will be: Die deutschsprachigen Lander (The German- Speaking Countries), Geography, History and Culture. Activities will include storytelling, singing, writing, and drawing to support the interactive learning experience.

The application deadline is June 30, 2025. First come, first served. Classes fill up quickly. The maximum number of children admitted in the class are 15. Questions? E-mail Iris Busch (beuren@udel.edu) or call (302) 453-9872. You will receive an e-mail confirmation if your child or children have been registered or not.



Tear out slip: please send in to the DSB (attn: Culture Committee) by no later than **June 30, 2025. There is no fee for members.** Please **do not** sign up if you anticipate a change in plans as this could keep another child from registering. Non-members may also sign up for \$100 per child.

Name and age of child(ren) (age in August 2025). Please mention **month of birth.**
(Use back of this sheet if not enough room)

DSB Member? (Y/N)____ **Do parents speak German at home?** (Y/N)____

Years in Deutsche Schule?____ **Any trips to German-speaking countries?** (Y/N)____
(Please use back of this sheet to explain travel experiences more fully.)

Name and E-Mail address of parent or guardian:

Emergency phone number(s): _____

Food allergies: _____

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DSB BOARD of DIRECTORS' SCHOLARSHIP – 2025 The mission of the DSB is to uphold and promote the German traditions of language, culture, and family. In keeping with these traditions, the Board of Directors offers a scholarship to a **currently enrolled senior in high school student** that plans to pursue post-secondary education. The applicants must be of German descent and must **provide proof of German heritage**. All applications and required documentation must be submitted no later than April 15th of the scholarship year with no exceptions.

Please visit our club website www.delawaresaengerbund.org and click on Membership on the right side of the banner. Then click Scholarship on the left side of the screen. Or copy and paste or click the link below to go directly to the Scholarship page. <https://delawaresaengerbund.org/membership/scholarship/>

Note: Please review the DSB Scholarship Guidelines before completing the DSB Scholarship Application. An incomplete application, missing required information, etc., will result in the application not being considered.

Craft Committee

The Crafters meet every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month in the Library from 12:30 – 2:30 p.m. Come in through the back door by the back parking lot. Anyone is welcome to attend our meeting. We make crafts to sell at the Christmas Festival in November. We welcome new ideas.

Barb McMullin and Carol Bridges

2nd Vice President

Happy Spring!

Thank you to all that attended the 172nd Delaware Saengerbund Stiftungsfest on March 15th! Everyone was nicely entertained by the Choir and the Enzian Volkstanzgruppe with their performances. The Alpenlanders were a great band to dance to also!

Our next club event will be the DSB Annual Picnic on the club grounds on Saturday, June 7th from noon to 4:00 p.m. There will be activities for all ages! Bring your tablecloths and lawn chairs and be ready to listen to the wonderful music of our Enzian Musikanten! The Ladies of the DSB will be providing food for everyone and the TAG group will be providing sodas and juices.

GAUFEST VOLUNTEERS: PLEASE HELP US OUT FOR A FUN FILLED WEEKEND JULY 3RD TO 6TH; WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR BEVERAGES; FOOD SERVICE; KITCHEN HELP; SET UP/TAKE DOWN, OVER ALL COVERAGE DOING DIFFERENT THINGS THRU OUT THE WEEKEND. EMAIL ME AT TERESA.VIKARI@GMAIL.COM WITH YOUR AVAILABILITY AND WHERE YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP.

When signing up for the Gaufest week/weekend please let me know what your availability is for working with days and times if possible. No one is expected to work the entire weekend, and you can work as long as you can, with no obligatory hours.

mit Schoenem Gruss!
Teresa M Vikari - 2nd Vice President

**Delaware Saengerbund
Schutzenverein**

**2025
TRAP & SKEET SHOOTING
SPRING EVENT**

**MORE TARGETS
Take Your Best Shot!
75 TARGETS**



SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2025

at Wilmington Trap Association (WTA), Newark DE
Individuals must supply their own shotguns and ammunition
NO 10 guage shotguns and only shot size of 7.5, 8 or 9 may be fired

A picnic at the WTA will follow the event
Sandwiches and non alcoholic beverages provided to all participants.

**\$40 PER INDIVIDUAL
SHOOTING PARTICIPANTS LIMITED TO 50 SHOOTERS**

**TICKETS REQUIRED AND ON SALE NOW!
SIGN-UP DEADLINE Monday April 21st**

Shooter registration at WTA begins at 10:00AM - Safety Program at 10:30AM - Shooting Starts at 11:00AM

More Information, questions or to purchase tickets,
Call or Text Rudy Schock at (814) 574-8243 or email rschock324@gmail.com

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KAFFEEKLATSCH

May 18, 2025

Time: 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. / presentation at 4:00 p.m.

Location: Delaware Saengerbund's von Steuben Room

Cost: \$15 per person for adults

Children 12 & under, \$7.00 (milk served instead of coffee)

In the rich tradition of the *Kaffeeklatsch* (coffee chatter), we invite you to take a break, enjoy an afternoon get-together chatting with friends, catching up over a good cup of coffee or tea, and sweet treats. Enjoy your *Kaffee und Kuchen* while supporting a great cause – the Riverview Historic Cemetery. This delightful afternoon will feature a short video of our talented longtime baker, Heinz Ambrosch, plus a presentation by a Riverview Cemetery board member.

Tickets are available in the Bauernstube. Hurry! Room is limited. You may also call or text Don Thureau at (302) 897-4568 to guarantee a seat!

Come and enjoy great company, delicious treats, and learn more about this important historic site. Your support makes a difference! We look forward to seeing you there.

The Culture Committee Meeting

Our next Culture Committee meeting is on Thursday, April 3, at 7:00 pm in the Board Room. Interested DSB members, including new members, are always welcome to attend our meetings.

Thank you,
Don Thureau
Culture Committee Chair

30. Gaufest Fest Book

Hello DSB Friends,

As part of the celebration of 30. Gaufest, the Enzian Volkstanzgruppe, would like to invite you to take an ad in the Festbook. The book will contain information and history, making it a great commemorative piece documenting the event. We hope you will participate by placing an advertisement in the 30. Gaufest Festbook.

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|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| FULL PAGE (8.5 in. x 11 in.) | \$300.00 |
| HALF PAGE (8.5 in. x 5.5 in.) | \$200.00 |
| QUARTER PAGE (8.5" x 2.75" or 4.25" x 5.5") | \$150.00 |
| BOOSTERS | \$3.00 (PER LINE) |

Checks should be made out to "Gaufest 2025 EVTG/UGH."

Checks, Ad Art, Copy, & the attached form on the next page should be given to Michael Fricker, Allyssa Schulz, or Morgan Schulz or placed in an envelope and sent to:

Delaware Saengerbund, Attn: EVTG – 30 Gaufest, 49 Salem Church Rd, Newark, DE 19713

Form & Art can also be Emailed to: ugharchiving1@gmail.com

Deadline for Ad Submission is April 30

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30. Gaufest Festbook MEMBER FORM

ADVERTISER OR
SPONSOR:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

PHONE:

| SIZE | UNIT PRICE | QUANTITY | SUBTOTAL |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------|----------|----------|
| FULL PAGE (8.5 in. x 11 in.) | \$300.00 | | |
| HALF PAGE (8.5 in. x 5.5 in.) | \$200.00 | | |
| QUARTER PAGE (8.5" = 3.75" or 4.25" x 5.5") | \$150.00 | | |
| BOOSTERS | \$3 (PER LINE) | | |
| TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: | | | |

Please mail a check made out to "Gaufest 2025 EVTG/UGH" to

Gaufest
c / o Karen David
105 Chatsworth Court
Blue Bell, PA 19422

Ad Art, Copy, & this form should be Emailed to: ugharchiving1@gmail.com

**SEND HIGH QUALITY .JPG, .PNG, .PDF OR .DOC TO: Michael Fricker
ELECTRONIC FILES PREFERRED**

Deadline for Ad Submission is April 30

BOOSTERS

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Delaware Wandervogel

Earlier in March 13 members of the Wandervogel hiked along the White Clay Creek from London Meeting House to The Arc Corner marker which is about 5 1/2 miles. The hikes start at 10 am and will be followed by visiting a local establishment for a bite to eat and drink.

Glenroy Preserve – March 29, 2025 – Meet at 10:00 a.m. for a hike in this 577-acre nature Preserve off of PA Route 272 N in West Nottingham Township, Chester County, PA. There are miles of trails accessible to the public for hiking.

Bluebells along the Susquehanna – April 12, 2025 – Meet at Fisherman’s Park below the Conowingo Dam for an easy hike along the Susquehanna to view the Virginia Bluebells.

For information contact Hans Nafzinger at hpzinger@gmail.com or by phone 443-907-0143.

Reisegruppe (Travel Group)

Reminder that our next Reisegruppe meeting will be April 7th starting at 6:30 p.m. in the VSR. We will be discussing some exciting future trips including Rhine River cruise for June 2026. Please join us. We welcome all club members. If you are not on our email list, contact jdyson1014@gmail.com to be included.

All DSB members are invited to attend.

August 17- 21 or 18-22, 2025- Riedlbauer’s Resort located in Roundtop, NY

5 days , 4 nights located in the Catskills of New York.

\$418 pp double occupancy or \$428 for singles (this doesn't include tax or gratuities).

Meals are included.

Plan to carpool or travel independently. The estimated travel time is approximately 4 hours.

They offer swimming, hiking, golf and much more nearby.

We plan to have some group activities, or you can relax and enjoy the area on your own.

The resort is holding 20 rooms for the DSB until the end of March. \$50 deposit per person required.

Final payment is due upon arrival.

Printed flyers are available in the Bauernstube or within the on-line newsletter.

Schutzenverein

The DSB Schutzenverein will be hosting the 2nd Annual “Spring Trap and Skeet Shooting Event” on Saturday April 26th at the Wilmington Trap Association (WTA) in Newark. The event will be followed by a meal and gemutlichkeit (fun) at the Saengerbund. This will be a ticketed event and is open to members of the DSB and their family and friends.

Flyers will be in the Bauernstube, and tickets will go on sale in mid-March.

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Tables provided for \$10.00
each for 2 Tables
additional tables free
(make checks payable to:
DSB Singers)

Participants must set up and put away their own
tables (assistance available)

Proceeds support the DSB Singers

Reservations & payment must
be made by May 1st.
For more details,
contact Keith Farmer
@ 302-354-9748



Will be Advertised!

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Number of Tables: _____

May be left in Singers' Mailbox

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From the Ladies

Donations of coffee and sugar for the kitchen are always welcomed and appreciated!

The next Ladies meetings are April 28th and May 19th at 7:00 pm in the VSR. Please consider joining us.

Have a wonderful Easter!

Marti Kane, President, Ladies of the DSB

Garden Committee

Our next event hosted by the Garden Committee will be the **DSB Tree Tour Walk and Talk** for National Arbor Day. This will be a guided walk around our property with stops to talk about the significance of certain trees. The date is Friday, April 25th, we will meet in the Biergarten at 6:00 p.m. A possible rain date will be announced later.

We have started our Weeding Wednesdays, beginning at 5:00 p.m. – join us if you can (days adjusted depending on weather). Work on the improved patio area in front of the Bauernstube will begin with removal and/or transplanting of shrubs and plants and clearing the patio bed – join us on April 12th and 19th (Saturdays) beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Next Garden Committee organizational meeting will be on Monday, April 21st at 7:30 p.m. in the Bauernstube.

For questions or add your name to the email list contact julia.dooley@gmail.com

Music in the Bauernstube

In April we will have live music in the Bauernstube on the following dates:

April 4: Steve and Ann

April 11: Steve and Ann

April 25: Ann

The music starts at approx. **5:30 p.m.** Come on out and enjoy an evening with friends.

Friday Night Food by the Spitzbuben

On Friday night, March 28th, the Spitzbuben (Skat Group) will be hosting a Friday Night Food in the Bauernstube. We will be doing a “Brotzeit” or “Vesper” which is a German evening meal or snack between meals, similar to a “Charcuterie,” a meal served on a board which consists of but is not limited to meats, cheeses, breads, fruits, and vegetables.

More information and a flyer will be available in early March.

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Wilmington, DE

Monthly Calendar of Events

| Date | Day | Event | Time | Location |
|--------|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| Mar 28 | Fri | Friday Night Food by Spitzbuben | 5:00 p.m. | Bauernstube |
| Mar 29 | SAT | Wandervogel – Glenroy Preserve Hike | 10:00 a.m. | Glenroy Preserve |
| Mar 31 | MON | Ladies' Meeting | 7:00 p.m. | von Steuben Room |
| Mar 31 | MON | ** Riedlbauer's Trip – Reservation Deadline ** | 5:00 p.m. | --- |
| Apr 2 | WED | Garden Committee Weeding Wednesday's Continues Weekly (Weather Permitting) | 5:00 p.m. | Grounds |
| Apr 3 | THU | Culture Committee Meeting | 7:00 p.m. | Board Room |
| Apr 7 | MON | Property Meeting | 7:30 p.m. | Library |
| Apr 12 | SAT | Property & Garden Workday Bauernstube Garden Update | 8:30 a.m. | Grounds |
| Apr 12 | SAT | Wandervogel – Bluebells along the Susquehanna | 10:00 a.m. | Fisherman's Park |
| Apr 14 | MON | General Meeting | 7:30 p.m. | Deutsche Halle |
| Apr 15 | TUE | ** DSB Scholarship Applications Deadline ** | 6:00 p.m. | DSB |
| Apr 17 | THU | Garden Committee – Bauernstube Garden Update | 8:30 a.m. | Grounds |
| Apr 19 | SAT | Gun Safety Class – Registration Required | 8:00 a.m. | von Steuben Room |
| Apr 20 | SUN | CLUB CLOSED – Happy Easter! | --- | --- |
| Apr 25 | FRI | DSB Tree Tour Walk & Talk | 6:00 p.m. | Grounds |
| Apr 26 | SAT | Schützenverein – Spring Trap & Skeet Shooting Event Reservations Required | 10:00 a.m. | Wilm. Trap Assoc. |
| Apr 26 | SAT | Schützenverein – Picnic, Reservations Required | 3:00 p.m. | Wilm. Trap Assoc. |
| Apr 27 | SUN | Pickleball in the Pavilion | 2:00 p.m. | Pavilion |
| Apr 27 | SUN | Singers' Fruhlingskonzert (Spring Concert) | 3:00 p.m. | Deutsche Halle |
| Apr 28 | MON | Ladies' Meeting | 7:00 p.m. | von Steuben Room |
| Apr 30 | WED | ** 30. Gaufest Festbook Ads – Deadline ** | 6:00 p.m. | DSB |
| May 1 | THU | Culture Committee Meeting | 7:00 p.m. | Board Room |
| May 10 | SAT | Singers' Spring Yard Sale | 9:00 a.m. | Parking Lot |
| May 12 | MON | General Meeting | 7:30 p.m. | Deutsche Halle |
| May 18 | SUN | Kaffeeklatsch – Reservations Required | 3:00 p.m. | von Steuben Room |
| May 25 | SUN | Pickleball in the Parking Lot | 2:00 p.m. | Parking Lot |
| Jun 7 | SAT | DSB Picnic | Noon | Pavilion |

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Sunday, May 18, 2025

Come unwind with us at our cozy Coffee & Tea Fundraising Social! Indulge in coffee, tea, or milk (2%) accompanied by sweet cakes and friendly faces. All proceeds will go to the Riverview Historic Cemetery for their maintenance work.

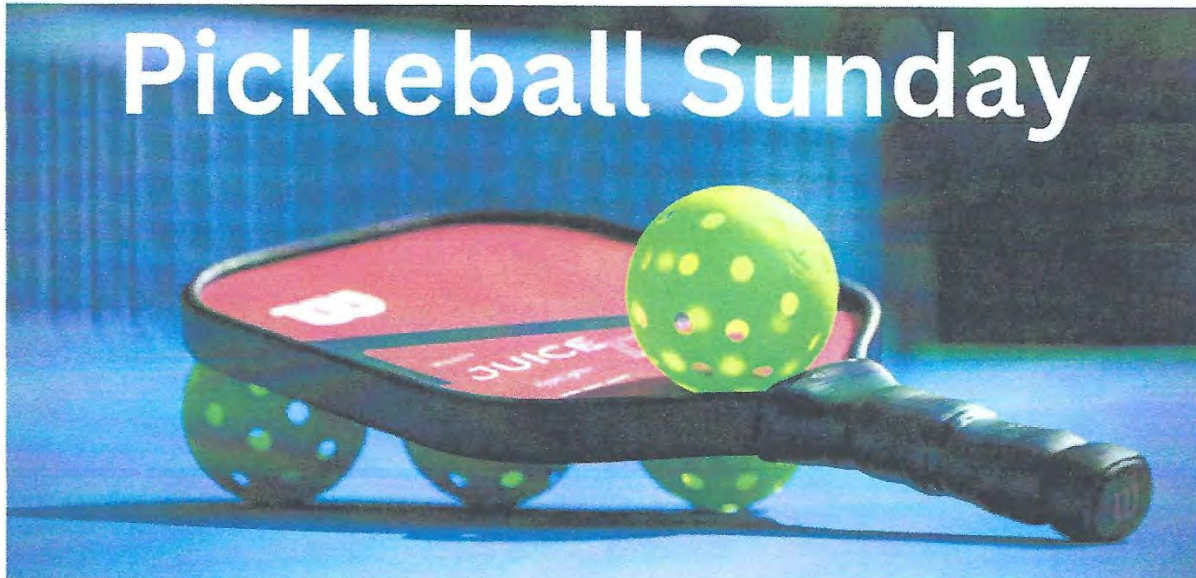
A short video and presentation are planned during event. Presented by the Culture Committee. Tickets available at the Bauernstube or through Culture Committee members.

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Donation: \$15 p.p.; 12 & under \$7.00 p.p.

**von Steuben Room of the Delaware Saengerbund
49 Salem Church Rd., Newark, DE 19713 | Free Parking**





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2 to 4 pm**

in the DSB Parking Lot

for Members and their families, 14 and older

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Delaware Saengerbund trip to Riedlbauer's Resort

August 2025

It's official and reservations are now open!

A German/American Family Resort Located in the Scenic Catskill Mountains

The minute you drive up the road, you will notice the gorgeous grounds with lush lawns, flower beds wherever you look. After a day enjoying our beautiful grounds and many recreational activities, enjoy a delicious family style dinner in a 2-story air-conditioned dining room with adjoining bar where we have entertainment 7 nights a week. Riedlbauer's Resort is located only 238 miles, just over 4 hours, from the Delaware Saengerbund. There are many wonderful activities to be enjoyed in Round Top, NY.

www.riedlbauersresort.com

The DSB Reisegruppe is planning a 4 day / 4 night trip to Riedlbauer's Resort in Round Top, New York similar to the trips the DSB did here in years past. The trip is scheduled for the middle of August.

We have "block booked" numerous rooms (20 rooms in 2 buildings) which Riedlbauer's is willing to honor until the end of March 2025. If it looks as though we need more rooms we may be able to add them. This being said, if you'd like to take part in this trip, please continue reading this announcement and make your reservations as quickly as possible to guarantee your stay.

We have chosen to coordinate (2), 4 day/4 night trips which overlap by 3 days. You can either arrange for arrival on Sunday August 17th for dinner and depart Thursday August 21st after lunch ... Or ... you can arrange for arrival on Monday August 18th for dinner and depart Friday August 22nd after breakfast. Extra nights can be added, at a prorated cost, but this needs to be handled when making your reservation.

The 4 day/4 night trip cost is \$418 per person, Double Occupancy or \$428 per person, Single Occupancy and includes ALL meals. It does not however include taxes (8%) or tips (approx. 15%). This being said, the cost of your stay will be between \$520 and \$540 per person. This does not include cost for travel (plan on traveling yourself or carpooling) or any activities outside the resort. There is also an additional charge for children, depending on ages.

If you would like to take part in this trip please contact Riedlbauer's directly at (518) 622-9584 to make your reservation. Deposit information as well as other information can be found on their website, noted above. **Please make sure you let them know that you are with the "DSB Reisegruppe"**. For any other questions regarding this trip, please contact Jeanne Dyson via email at jdyson1014@gmail.com