

Meeting Minutes, September 6, 2018

President Siegfried Brunnacker called the meeting to order at 8:15 PM. It was the first meeting of the season September 2018 to May 2019. He welcomed 42 people attending the meeting. Richard Volpe donated the Obstler tonight. Siegfried asked us to stand for a moment of silence for Paul Elischer who died this summer. Klaus, I and Martha went to the memorial service in De. representing the club and Eugene and Elisabeth went to the burial the next day. Eugene and Elisabeth Hefele were presented with their 50 year membership award and Eugene thanked the club. He said, he and Elisabeth will treasure it. Anneliese Gartner received her 15 year membership pin, she thanked the club and said she always has a good time with us.

I read the minutes from the May meeting and they were accepted as read.

Inge said there was little activity in the account. She made deposits with membership dues and wrote out checks to the Manor and the bus company. The account is in order.

Susi Beckmann reported a few have resigned from the club but we still have 154 members. She was collecting tonight and so far 60 have paid their dues.

A bus was ordered to take us to the Magnanini Winery. The bus holds 49 people. The Octoberfest at the Winery is October 14th. The price per person is \$65.00 for dinner only and \$85.00 per person for dinner and bus. The bus will leave Union at 9AM and pick up at Kohl's in Paramus and leave at 10AM. We always have a wonderful time at the Winery and it will be the same as last year. The owner always has wonderful appetizers for us and we will have the wine that should be for dinner at the cocktail hour. Any wine consumed at dinner must be paid for by the individual.

Umberto DeCesco was up from Florida visiting friends and on the way home he had a stroke in NC. He spent two days in the hospital there and had speech therapy when he got back to Florida and he is doing well. Manfred was not at the meeting, but he will try to get a trip together for next year.

Klaus spoke with a travel agent about a trip to Las Vegas and it worked out well. Eighteen people have signed up and Klaus had applications if anyone else wanted to go. September 7th is the last day to sign up. It should be a very nice trip. The trip is from October 22, 2018 till October 26, 2018. Everyone is going to the Hofbrauhaus on Wednesday October 24th. Klaus read the menu and Eugene said, he's been there before and it's very good. We can book our own trips and shows, whatever you care to do if you don't gamble. Please use your passport, not driver license when you are at the airport. Make sure your passport is up to date.

The ski trip to Val D'Isere is February 2019, but we not enough people signed up to get the group rate. Everything is included, airfare, lift tickets, food, drinks and transportation to and from airport. Klaus said it's worth it to spend the little extra for all we get, and we will be together as a group.

The Christmas Party is Saturday, December 8th in DC 12PM till 5PM. We all had a good time and good food with the Berliner Club at Lukans Farm in June. A motion was made to close the meeting, and all were in favor. Siegfried ended the meeting at 9:30PM and wished all a safe trip home.

Respectfully submitted by

Mary Lou, Recording Secretary