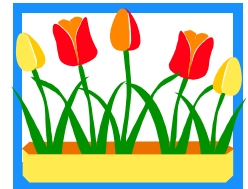


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March 2010

Die Lustigen Steinjäger von Wisconsin 2010 Officers

Joann Ellis, President & Newsletter Editor
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Happy Spring!! By the time our next meeting is held it will not only be Spring on the calendar, but hopefully we will see Spring all around us in our air, yards, and have some flowers blossoming.

With that said and the mention of our next meeting, I want to let you know that your President and Vice President made the choice to move our Spring meeting from March 20, 2010 to April 24, 2010, so we would be able to offer one of the most knowledgeable speakers on Glass Steins, Mr. Ron Fox. Ron Fox is to Glass Steins as is Les Paul to Characters Steins.

Prosit ~ Joann Ellis

Ron and Sue Fox



Ron started collecting contemporary steins in 1971. He discovered antique steins in 1973 and Stein Collectors International, (SCI) the following year. Compulsive by nature, he began his quest to learn as much as he could about this hobby. Ron became President of the New York Thirsty Knights Chapter and was chairman of the New York 1985 SCI Convention. Ron then accepted the position of editor of Prosit in 2003 and held that position for six years. Ron is a two-time recipient of the Jack Lowenstein Editor's Award and received the Master Steinologist Award in 1981 (see criteria and definition of awards on page 4 of this newsletter or on the website www.steincollectors.org in "The New Members Only" section of the website). He conducted his first stein auction in 1976 and actively continues that business today.

Ron will talk on glass and bring some exciting examples to use as props. He tells us, it is his favorite stein category and encourages all members to bring their best glass steins to the meeting as well.

Hello All,

Exciting news regarding our Saturday August 28th meeting at the Potosi Brewery. www.potosibrewery.com. The Brewery, also home to the National Brewery Museum is in Potosi, Wisconsin located along the Mississippi River.

We will arrive about noon and have a German style meal. Our speaker will be from the National Brewery Association. This will be held in their private meeting room. We will be given a guided tour of the Museum. Then it will be on to the Brew Fest with our tasting glasses. We will have the chance to taste what over 30 micro-breweries have to offer while a German band in the beer garden is playing. We will have the private room at our disposal until 4:00 p.m. If you tire or want to take a break you can do so in air-conditioned comfort. Along with the tasting glass we will get a Potosi Brewery apron. The Brew Fest tickets alone are \$35 without all the extras we are getting. The price of \$40 per person is a great savings. We get a private room, lunch, speaker and tour of the museum.

Because there will be drinking involved throughout the afternoon I have reserved a Badger Bus motor coach to take us to and from the event. There will be two pick up points one in Milwaukee and for those of us closer to Potosi and Madison there will be a pickup in Verona, Wisconsin. So just drop off your cars relax and chat to and from the Brewery. By the time we get back we should all be in fine shape to safely drive home. The Bus holds 47 people and with the bus full the cost will be \$ 19.53 or about \$20 per person. Pickup times at each location will be confirmed later.

This should be an exciting full day excursion for us all. This will be much more than just a usual meeting. If you have friends that have been thinking of joining our club ask them along. We will also be inviting the Chicago and Minnesota clubs to join us. We hope for a full bus of happy travelers. Our "challenge" to you is to fill the bus so a fun time can be had by all. I look forward to seeing you all there. ~ LaVorn Dvorak, Vice President

In Memory ~ Frank E. Saylor Wauwatosa ~ Age 79



A member of Die Lustigen Steinjagers von Wisconsin since 1992 was born to Eternal Life, Friday, January 15, 2010. Beloved husband for 48 years of Louise (nee Baumann). Loving Dad of Linda (Andy) Smith. Proud Grandpa of Amanda and Alex. Dear Brother of Marie Thomas and Gloria (Richard) Donovan. Further survived by brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

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MEETING MINUTES JANUARY, 2010

We gathered at Meyers Restaurant in Greenfield, Wisconsin at 1:00 pm on January 30, 2010. President Joann Ellis opened the meeting 2:00 pm. She was pleased to introduce our newest members: Jeff Naser, from Powers, Michigan and Tom Nordmeyer and Christine Smith and James, from Bancroft, Wisconsin. LaVorn Dvorak, Vice President, gave us a report of upcoming meetings. She discussed the upcoming trip to Potosi Brewery in August. The date of August 28th was agreed upon and LaVorn will check on the feasibility of getting a bus that would pick up in Milwaukee and Madison for the trip to Potosi Brewery & Museum. Secretary's report had been printed in the newsletter and Fred Ellis read the treasurer's report. Henry Bahr spoke about Germanfest and sent around a sign up sheet to work the days of July 23, 24, 25, & 26, 2010. The meeting adjourned about 2:30 pm. We had a time for "Show and Tell" with many wonderful and unique items to be seen and handled. We were also enlightened about various types of hand painted items which our very own LaVorn Dvorak is well versed in and had a great many of examples to look at, touch, feel and admire. Thank you, LaVorn!

Submitted by Joann Ellis for Don Birschel, Secretary

2010 Scheduled Events

DATE	CITY	PLACE ADDRESS	SPEAKER & TOPIC	CONTACT
04/24/10	Racine	Deutscher Männer Verein 701 Villa Street Racine, WI 262-632-1010	Ron Fox Glass Steins	Chuck Johnson 262-639-8709
07/23- 25/10	Milwaukee	Germanfest	Display Booth at Germanfest to inform public of our club, SCI, and knowledge of beer steins	Henry Bahr 414-774-8787 Don Birschel 414-476-5971
08/28/10	Potosi	Potosi Brewery	National Brewery Museum & Research Library Tour	Tony & LaVorn Dvorak 608-455-1627
9/9-12/10	Myrtle Beach SC	Hilton Myrtle Beach	See SCI Website www.steincollectors.org	John Kelly
11/19/10	Oak Creek	Waterstone Bank 6560 South 27th Street Oak Creek, WI	Planning Meeting Member Show & Tell	Don Birschel 414-476-5971



Master Steinologist and the Jack Heimann Service Award

SCI has established several awards to recognize exceptional contributions to the organization and to the hobby by its members. Awards are announced and presented at our annual convention.

- The **Master Steinologist Award** is given to a member of SCI who has demonstrated an unusual level of expertise in some aspect of collecting beer steins, and who has willingly shared that knowledge with other collectors through publication of articles in *Prosit*, presentations at national conventions or chapter meetings, or by other means.
- The **Jack Heimann Service Award**, named after the first president and former Executive Secretary of SCI and editor of *Prosit*, is given to recognize exceptional service to SCI.
- Named after the long-time editor of *Prosit* and Executive Director of SCI, the **Jack Lowenstein Editor's Award** is awarded to the author of the "best article" for the preceding year.

It is time that we all give some serious consideration to nominations for SCI's two most prestigious awards; Master Steinologist and the Jack Heimann Service Award.

You may collectively, as a chapter, nominate someone or you may choose to do this individually. Nominations will be considered up through June 1, 2010.

All nominations for Master Steinologist are to be forwarded to Lyn Ayers as indicated on the bottom of the third page of the Master Steinologist form.

Likewise the Jack Heimann Service Award nominations are to be sent to me using the contact information on that form.

Please contact Lyn or me if you have any questions. I am also going to have these posted on the SCI website so please pass this information along as well. Thanks much,

David Bruha
SCI Executive Director

NOTE: For those of you who are unable to attend the meeting either go to the website to download a form or call me, Joann Ellis at (920) 356-1550 to request a form.



Stein Collectors International Webmaster Challenge ~ John Piet

A year ago in January I issued a [challenge](#) to the SCI chapters asking each chapter to submit an article for the SCI web site's monthly Featured Stein. I have since amended the challenge to get articles from different contributors. **The results for the first year were good -- eight different chapters contributing and ten different authors contributing**, but there are still more chapters and many more collectors out there with beautiful and interesting steins that we would like to hear from.

I would hate to have to start showing my small collection stein by stein, when there are hundreds of beautiful, interesting, and unique steins out there in the hands of the SCI membership.

The articles do not have to be literary masterpieces. All that is required is a nice picture or two and a paragraph or two describing the stein, and its history and background. Please email me with questions or articles at sci@steincollectors.org.

Die Lustigen Steinjäger von Wisconsin



Second 2010 Meeting
April 24, 2010

Racine Deutscher Männer Verein

701 Villa Street

Racine, WI 53403-1143

262-632-1010

1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The menu is choice of **Kassler Rippchen** (Smoked pork loin) **or Rouladen** (Beef tenderloin stuffed with smoked bacon, caramelized onions, shaved pickles and German mustard), served family style. Included in the menu is Rolls, Salad, Dumplings, Red cabbage, Desert and Coffee.

Cost of bar drinks they are the best in Racine, tap beer starts at \$1.50 for domestic and \$2.75 for German tap beer. Naturally German wine, shots and bottle beer are available.

1 :00 p.m. Social Time

1:30 p.m. Dinner

2:00 p.m. Business Meeting

3:00 p.m. Show & Tell

Speaker Ron Fox on Glass Steins

4:30 p.m. auf Wiedersehen!

Questions ???? Call Chuck Johnson or Joann Ellis

Directions:

Coming from the north or south on Interstate 94, exit on Highway 20, drive east for about 9 miles to Villa Street and you are there. In Racine Highway 20 is also Washington Ave. then 7th street at Vila Street about 5 blocks from Lake Michigan)

The building is a 100 year old side by side, non descript, brick home located directly on the South East corner of 7th & Villa. Enter thru the door on the south, parking lot side of the building.

Also, there is a map on www.racinegermanclub.com, quick info, contact us, then [Google Maps to the Club](#). Should be helpful.