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New York State Sängerbund Sängerfest Process

Defined and agreed to by the delegates at a Bundes Music Committee Meeting held in Utica, NY on Sunday 24 April 2016
 Unanimously ratified by all attending delegates at the General Meeting in Buffalo, NY on 16 October 2016.

Sängerfest

Length: Two day Event Saturday and Sunday

- Day 1 Travel – MCC - Dinner
- Day 2 Abschied dining – Singing - Travel

Cycle: Every 2 years

Final weekend program: Theme and details developed and suggested by Host

- Host Location:
- Sängerbund Chorus City
 - Invite NYS cities with German societies to host, we will provide guidance

Mass Chorus Concert Saturday (1st day)

Continue / Modify: Maintain the camaraderie and friendship of singing together

Format, decided by Host: Including but not restricted to the following

- Start and end with combined choruses with individual chorus performances during the middle of concert
- Liederabend each chorus singing two to three songs in addition to soloists, duets, small groups, instrumental solos.
- Audience participation, Sing-Along *God Bless America*, German and American folksongs

Dinner / Banquet Saturday after Music Program

Mass Chorus Music

Concert Length Less than 2 hours

Core Chor Music: *Deutscher Sängergruß, Two National Anthems*

- Host Suggestions:
- 3 Mass Chorus songs and overall concert theme
 - Include a Ladies Song and a Men's Song

- Individual Choruses:
- Each chorus submits up to 3 songs they wish to perform to BMC
 - Chorus songs must be performed within a time limit agreed to by all choruses

Dress: Each chorus should determine what they choose to wear,
 Formal, Tracht, Casual, Theme Costume

"Prize Singing"

Due to the diminishing size of our choruses and to maintain the friendship and fellowship of choral singing; we choose to eliminate any competition and use our talent to sing for the joy and camaraderie of our mutual communities.

Sunday Abschied

Abschied Singing: Continue Farewell Singing with the combined choruses

Music: Traditional Abschied Songs

Damenchore: ● *Kein schöner Land*

Männerchore: ● *Schäfers Sonntagslied - Das ist der Tag des Herrn*

Gemischterchor:

● *Sängerfest Sängergruß*

● *muß i' denn Zum Städtele hinaus*

● *So ein Tag*

● *God Bless America*

Meet with Friends - Free Time - Glückliche Reise!

Brunch or Picnic: Prior to traveling home.

Site seeing: Some folks may want to stay longer and see the area. The host may provide pro and con recommendations. This is strictly an individual activity, not part of sängerfest events.

Travel: Allow sufficient time for safe travel

Funding

Badge Price: Host chorus develops the "Badge" price

Advertise: Host chorus publicizes the Mass Chorus Concert locally.

Festival Admission: The Host Chorus could develop a "German Festival" and charge admission to the general public

Festival Participation: If host society has a German festival on Saturday as a fundraiser, the entertainment could include "singers" - full chorus or in small groups.

Sängerfest Planning Schedule

Month	Participant	Presented and Accepted
20	Host Bids & Proposals:	1 st Annual Convention after Sängerfest.
14	Host Final Proposal:	1 st Spring Meeting after Sängerfest.
8	Host Sängerfest Details:	Annual Convention Before Sängerfest. <i>Hotels - Venues - Program- Theme - Music - Badge Price</i>
	Choruses:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Commit to Participate - Head Count○ Present their Music Selection○ Establish and agree on Performance Time Limits
2	Host Final Details:	Spring Meeting before Sängerfest
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Any Changes / Updates / Corrections○ Directions○ Final Review of Details
	Choruses:	Buy Badges