"… a vision becomes true …"

The chronicle of the LAZARUS UNION 2007 – 2017 in words and pictures

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Tuesday, the 24th January 2017

The Lazarus Union is nominated for the 2017 Nobel Peace Prize!

The Lazarus Union is nominated for the 2017 Nobel Peace Prize by a reputable full professor from one of the best European universities (among the top 60 universities in Europe and top 200 universities worldwide (out of 12,000 universities).

The nomination was forwarded to the Nobel Prize Committee on January 24th, 2017 (precisely 18:29).

Incredible but TRUE and an enormous confirmation for our way of using all our powers to encourage world peace and understanding among all men and all peoples, according to our mission statement.

NOMINATION MEDAL 2017

With great pleasure but also in humbleness this nomination alone is surely the climax of approval for our international course so far, regardless if this price will finally be granted to us or not.

Big thanks to all Lazarus Union members who made this internationally respectable success possible.

To worthily celebrate this event, we have donated the "NOMINATION MEDAL 2017" for all members and friends of the Lazarus Union (limited edition). The net profits will go the United Nations refugee agency (UNHCR). The donation price is EUR 20.- (plus EUR 6.- postage & packing Austria, EUR 16.- Europe) including the medal ribbon. You can order this medal up from now in our Web Shop. The number of medals is strictly limited. The embossing tools were destroyed and therefore there are no imprints possible!

Tuesday, the 31st January 2017

VIOLENT EXTREMISM ONLINE - a challenge to peace and security, Palais des Nations, Room XXIII, Geneva

About 150 diplomats and delegates attended this very interesting seminar „Violent extremism Online – a challenge to peace and security".

This seminar was the 13th within a series of annual events of the United Nations in Geneva (UNOG) and of the Geneva Centre for Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF).

Summary of the given recommendations to fight against cyber-war and cyber-crime:

- To build on existing initiatives/promote coordination
- Supporting the dialog concerning a normative frame by multi-stakeholders
- Establishing an exchange of global know how/developing capacities
- Forming platforms, focusing on politics and practice

- Developing capacities for smaller technology companies
- Promotion of data based research and its effectiveness
- Promotion of the digital general knowledge

Speakers and participants of the panel:

- Michael Moeller, Director General UNO-Geneva
- Anne-Marie Buzatu, Deputy Head of Division DCAF for Public-Private-Partnerships
- Jwee Kok Foo, Ambassador of Singapore with the UNOG
- Megan Hallahan, Consultant, YaLa Young Leaders
- Daniel Stauffacher, President, Foundation ICT4Peace, Representative Microsoft
- Thomas Guerber, Director, Centre Geneva DCAF
- Frank La Rue, Assistant to the Director General Communication/Information UNESCO
- Adam Deen, Sen. Researcher/Head of Outreach, QuilliamFoundation

Participants from CSLI Switzerland: Captain CSLI, Chevalier Frédéric Ch. Währen (Head of delegation), Ensign CSLI, Dame Christine M. Währen (Assistance).

Saturday, the 18th February 2017

General Assembly 2017

On February 18th, 2017, the statutory LAZARUS UNION general assembly took place. 94,5% of all persons, sub-organisations, and group members entitled to vote were present either in person or by granting authority to the president. Of the delegates not present, three were excused and five not excused. Quite impressive figures.

Everything was perfectly prepared and thanks go to comrade Alexander Schütz (restaurant of the Kuchelau marina) who provided the location for free. Only the president's computer with all the documents and presentations turned out to be uncooperative and had to be replaced at short notice.

The general assembly was opened with only five minutes delay with an unusual request to speak by Rudi Murt who asked the president to be allowed to give a statement before the official part. A little "bemused" president granted him to speak.

What came then was one-of-a-kind: The general assembly gave the president "standing ovations" for his work and for reaching goals nobody with the LAZARUS UNIONS would even have dared to dream about a few years ago.

The president was noticeably moved!

Then it got going. A LAZARUS UNION general assembly never is a sedate affair. Important decisions with international consequences have to be made and a lot of work has to be divided up.

After a welcome address by the president, commemoration of all passed members took place with a short prayer spoken by Father Stefan.

Approval of the agenda was just a technicality and unanimously, just as the waiver of the reading out of last year's GA minutes.

Fortunately, there were no expulsions in 2016, in contrast 1,348 new members could be welcomed, now formally appreciated by the general assembly. The total number of members world-wide is way more than 21,000.

As the statute changes had been published several weeks in advance on the LAZARUS UNION web site and many change requests and improvements were already considered, the discussion was quick and the statute changes were approved unanimously.

Earlier, the president explained that with the new statutes EVERY member has a chance to be voted into EVERY position of the LAZARUS UNION. The privilege was until now only reserved for a small group of about 50 members. The full leader's competence is now with the country organisations and group members who will send between one and four members to future general assemblies, depending on their number of members, or grant their vote to the president. So

quick decisions and shaping of the future of the LAZARUS UNIUON will be provided, regardless of which country will provide the president.

By pointing to the web pages which are always up-to-date the president abstained from a detailed 2016 retrospective, only focusing on the absolute highlight, the nomination of the LAZARUS UNION for the Nobel Prize for Peace and expressed his pride and his thanks to all LAZARUS UNION members who made this incredible international success possible.

Following was the report of the treasurer, Monika Gries. Without going into detail readers are referred to the written report in the attachment. The report of the auditors was presented by Josef Maria Gebel (auditor Adolf Helmut Neidhart was absent due to illness) and by formally requesting to discharge the treasurer and the board the item was closed.

The general assembly approved this request unanimously and so the treasurer and the board were formally discharged with regard to the year 2016. Unanimously elected as auditors for the current office period were Monika Gries (the office of treasurer was passed on to Rosemarie Murth-Brich) and Josef Maria Gebel. Both accepted their election. The change from Adolf Helmut Neidhart to Monika Gries was necessary as according to the statutes the director of the board of management cannot be an auditor at the same time.

The next topic covered the confirmation of co-opted members of the board of management of the LAZARUS UNION as new "regular" board elections are only due as of 2018, according to the statutes.

Unanimously co-opted into the board of management were:

Roberto Ortiz (1st Vice President),
Ludwig Brunner (2nd Vice President),
Friedrich Lentner (Vice President Music Corps),
Rosemarie Murth-Brich (Treasurer),
Peter Scherer (Vice Treasurer).

The rest of the board was not changed as well as the directorate, which was also approved by the General assembly unanimously.

The work of the LAZARUS UNION in the various United Nations bodies, meetings, and conferences was discussed and thanks were expressed to the delegates of the LAZARUS UNION at the United Nations in New York, Geneva, and Vienna. It was discussed that the LAZARUS UNION should apply for the "General Consultative Status" as NGO with the UN (the highest status possible for an NGO at the United Nations). For information: Currently 300,000 unions are registered as NGO. "Special Consultative Status" is provided for approx. 3000 NGOs, one of which is the Lazarus Union (CSLI). The CSLI aims to reach the status "General Consultative", subordinate directly to the UN Secretary General. This status is held currently by only 142 NGOs.

We will see if we succeed. Nobody would have believed in a Nobel Price for Peace 2017 nomination after all!

A most impressive item was the report of the LAZARUS UNION music chief, bandmaster Friedrich Lentner. While being documented on our web pages

anyhow, the concentrated presentation of the national and international activities 2016 was most impressive.

2017 will be some “consolidation“ as trips to Germany and probably China are already planned for 2018 as well as many appearances in Austria. For their work, bandmaster Friedrich Lentner (LAZARUS UNION Music Corps Golden Star of Honour) vice band master Barbara Zisser (LAZARUS UNION Music Corps Silver Star of Honour) received awards as thanks.

An important topic was the planning of our 2018 investiture at Göttweig monastery. Tasks were discussed and responsible team leaders were assigned. If everyone completes their assigned tasks the work is not much for everyone and we can all enjoy our most important event. Thank you to all comrades who took over these tasks.

No proposals had been submitted and there were no requests to speak, so with “any other business“ some awards could be presented.

The following comrades present received awards:

Kapitän a.D. Hans Rudolf Gries:
Grand Star of Mercy

Mr. Herbert Alexander Bauer:
Foundation Grand Cross

Mr. Wolfgang Leitner:
Navy Cross of the CSLI Navy Corps

Ms. Monika Gries:
CSLI Merit Cross with Star

Mr. Friedrich Lentner: Music Corps
Golden Star of Honour

Ms. Barbara Zisser:
Music Corps Silver Star of Honour

Mr. Erwin Matzka:
Medal of Humanity

Ms. Erika Theissl:
Member Cross

Congratulations!

The president closed the general assembly at 18:40 and thanked comrade Friedrich Jares for bring once again this year his wonderful cream horns. Thank you, they were delicious as always.

In the restaurant of the Kuchelau Marina this con-cordant, constructive, and work-filled LAZARUS UNION general assembly 2017 found a companionable ending.

Saturday, the 18th February 2017

Ing. Peter Domweber elected HBI (Commanding Officer) Voluntary Fire Brigade Grafendorf

The Uniform Commissioner of the Lazarus Union Brigadier General CSLI Ing. Peter Domweber was elected „HBI“ (Commanding Officer) of the voluntary fire brigade Grafendorf.

On Saturday February 18th, 2017, the annual obligated meeting of the voluntary fire brigade Grafendorf took place. Its commander „Abschnittsbrandinspektor (ABI)“ Alois Gleichweit could not only welcome his comrades but also „Oberbrandrat (OBR)“ Johann Hönigschnabl and Mayor Johann Handler at the restaurant Koller „Kirchenwirt“. After reports given by the commander and all officials of the fire brigade committees promotions and honours were awarded.

The promotion for the comrades „Löschmeister (LM d.F.)“ David Hofer and „Hauptlöschmeister (HLM d.F.)“ Josef Handler was especially pleasant. Both comrades got the bronze merit medal of the country fire service association.

The highlight among the promotions was the conferment of the merit cross of the Styrian Government for „Hauptbrandmeister (HBM d.V.)“ Fritz Meierhofer. He was honoured for being treasurer of the fire service since 30 years.

The meeting was finished after the speeches of the honourable guests.

The cycle for the fire service elections were changed due to the amendment of the changing of the law for country fire brigades in 2007.

Because of this cycle the elections of the fire brigade commander and the deputy fire brigade commander also took place on Saturday February 18th, 2017 in Grafendorf.

The current commander Alois Geochemist did no longer stand for election. From now on he will concentrate on the tasks of a section fire brigade commander. „The leadership of the fire service Grafendorf has now to be managed by younger people “, said the outgoing commander.

The previous spokesman „Oberlöschmeister (OLM)“ Peter Domweber stood for election of the fire service commander and the current deputy „Oberbrandinspektor (OBI)“ Ewald Rammel stood for election of the deputy fire service commander. Both comrades were elected with a high majority.

Now the comrades of the voluntary fire brigade Grafendorf can face a successful future with its leaders HBI Peter Domweber and OBI Ewald Rammel.

The Lazarus Union corporates with many voluntary fire service associations in entire Austria and congratulates very warmly and with much pride Ing. Peter Domweber for his personal success.

The ranks were not translated on purpose because there are no synonyms of ranks in the firefighting systems of English speaking countries.

Thursday, the 23rd February 2017

UNOG Director-General’s Meeting with NGOs

About 180 diplomats and UN delegates accepted the invitation from UNOG Director General Mr. Michael Moller to the 5th bi-annual meeting. He began his very comprehensive opening speech by saying that these meetings are very important to him and help him feel the “temperature” of the concerns of the NGO / NGO community.

Participants CSLI Switzerland:

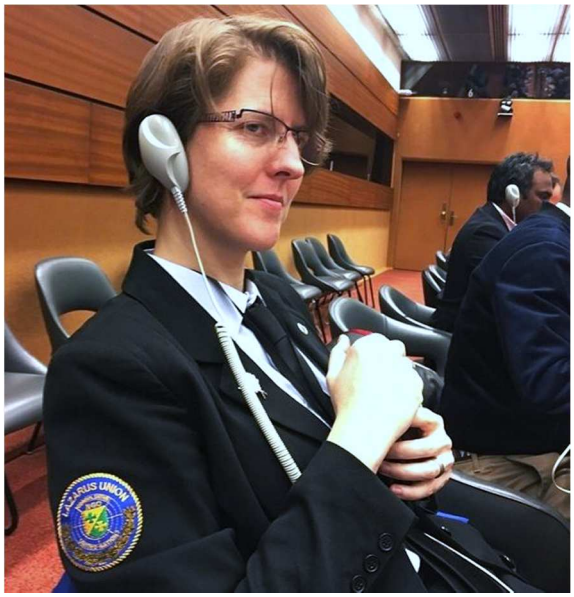
Captain CSLI, Chevalier Frédéric Ch. Währen (Head of Delegation) and Ensign CSLI, Dame Christine M. Währen (Assistant).

The exact text of his speech can be found on: http://www.unog.ch/unog/. The summary of the most important points of his speech were:

- In 2017, we will continue to follow the three objectives of the UN – Peace, Human Rights and Welfare. Under the leadership of the new Secretary-General, Antonio Guterres, who began in office in 2017, one of the immediate priorities is “diplomacy for peace”. Prevention is becoming increasingly important on the agenda of the international community.
- Because of the global challenges, a reform of the UN is urgently needed and three priorities

have been set. The first is the reform of the functioning and architecture of peace, as well as focusing on the security strategy, around the efforts of peacekeeping, regarding the prevention of crises and the maintenance of peace in post-conflict countries. Secondly, the Secretary-General wants to implement a reform of the UN system, based on coordination and responsibility, for the implementation of the objectives of sustainable development of climate change, according to the Paris Action Plan. Third, reforms to the UN's internal management are being made to make this decentralized organization more transparent and efficient in its bureaucratic structures.

- In terms of peace and security, UNO-Geneva plays an important role in the context of an increasingly polarized and fragmented world. The Palais des Nations will host further talks on Syria while at the beginning of this year UNOG hosted the conference in Cyprus. Additionally, UNO-Geneva will deal with the consequences of the armed conflict in Georgia.
- The "International Gender Champions Initiative", launched in Geneva in 2015, continues to grow. In New York, the Secretary-General will start a new chapter next month. Vienna and Nairobi will accede. The directive contains clear responsibilities for the implementation and data on women in the UNOG. In 2015, 34.4% were in UNOG leadership positions. By the end of 2016, it was 41%. In the offices, it was 48%.
- Our library is on the way to becoming a modern knowledge platform. Almost 100 years of knowledge about support for solving global problems needs to be processed. The project for the digitization of the archives of the League of Nations has also begun.
- UNOG is a driving force in the cultural diplomatic scene in Geneva. In 2016, we hosted more than 100 cultural activities and events organized by Member States. More than 30 events (discussions, seminars, book presentations, etc.) took place in the library, some of them with NGOs.
- The revised UNOG Museum attracts many visitors with its permanent exhibition "From the League of Nations to the United Nations".
- Many NGO members are active in the UN Human Rights Council. Over 150 sessions were held in 10 weeks. That is 50% more than the 100% of the budgetary sessions. UNOG does not have enough resources and we are looking for additional funds. The Palais has reached its physical Limits.
- Construction of the new office building is imminent. The start of construction is scheduled for September 2017. Completion is scheduled for 28 months after signing the contract. The refurbishment of the existing building takes place in two phases. Conference Centre A is almost finished. The execution planning for phase 2, for the rest of the Palais, has just begun.
- Safety requirements have increased massively. Vehicle checks are carried out as well as automatic access control for ground pass holders. Only 4 doors (Porten) are still open for magnetic stripe ground pass Access.
- Finally, some statistics on NGO engagement in the Palais des Nations. In 2016 NGOs organized 75 events (conferences, seminars, workshops, etc.). Half of them were concerned with the implementation of sustainable development. In 2016, 4,277 representatives of 864 NGOs with consultative status were accredited at ECOSOC, UNOG. This is 9.5% more than last year. The number of accredited NGOs has increased by 50% since 2013. This positive development will continue in the coming years



After the presentation, the numerous questions and votes from the plenary meeting were responded to. Mr Moeller was commended for his great commitment and his "open ear" to the NGOs and their representatives.

Tuesday, the 14th March 2017

High Award for President Senator Prof.h.c. Wolfgang Steinhardt

On March 14th, 2017 the Governor of Lower Austria, Dr. Erwin Pröll, handed out awards of the Province of Lower Austria to deserved persons in the great conference hall of the provincial parliament of Lower Austria.

In the presence of almost the whole provincial government (which had to decide about the awards), of the president of the parliament, the leaders of the parliamentary clubs, members of the parliament and many personalities of public life, the „Decoration of Honour in Silver for Services to the Province of Lower Austria“ was handed out to our president.

In the laudation, the professional and social career of our president was mentioned as well as the achievement of the international recognition of the LAZARUS UNION as an „organization of Lower Austria“.

An ensemble of the Military Corps of Lower Austria arranged the musical background for this very worthy and unforgettable celebration.

Hereafter the guests were invited to the (almost legendary) lavish buffet. As guests of our president his wife Vera Steinhardt, Grandmaster Harry Tomek and his wife, MDC[1] Reinhard Graf and his wife, the Vice President of the LAZARUS UNION Chev. Ludwig Brunner and Mrs. Gertrude Liska took part in this ceremony.

Congratulations to our president for his merited award!

Saturday, the 18th March 2017

Well-arranged general assembly of the Corps Saint Lazarus Austria, CSLA

To the general assembly on the 18th of March, 2017 at 14 o'clock in the fire station in Grossweikersdorf. Dr. Oswin Hochstöger, president of the CSLA could welcome numerous companions and female companions in uniform, or the occasion of suitable civil clothes.

Items on the agenda were: Greeting by the president proof of the quorum, approval of the agenda, reading and approval of the last GV record, report of the treasurer, report of the auditors, application for discharge of the presidium by the auditor, review in 2016, activities in 2017, possible

Thursday, the 23rd March 2017

“Stress, emotions and illness” - CSLI Italia and the International Brain Awareness Week

Also in the 2017 edition of the International Brain Awareness Week the CSLI Italia together with Centro Studi Internazionali has organized a meeting to improve the knowledge of the researches on brain and its related systems. The compelling theme of the meeting has been “Stress, emotions and illness”, in our days stressing situations in work places, families, society are growing very much and some stress effects, so as anxiety, depression or psychosomatic disorders, have a wide Diffusion.

Three appreciated speakers, all expert in PNEI and holistic approach, discussed the issue: Dr. Dario Di Criscio welcomed those present and talked about acupuncture and traditional medicine knowledges on body and mind connections; Dr. Tommaso Longobardi talked on how to analyse stress events in their complex and multiple connections and some mobbing example. Dr. Antonio Virgili, starting from the complex body-mind system connections, talked about autonomic training and reflexology as psychosomatic therapeutic approaches to improve wellness and to prevent illness.

Stress, emotions and illness have connected each other through various different paths, chronic or frequent stress can alter some bodily reactions and manifest through psychosomatic disorders, facilitating the occurrence of disease or directly by causing illness. Well known the post-traumatic stress reactions (PTSD) and the psychological consequences of disasters. Numerous were the questions from the audience about prevention and the therapeutic possibilities.

Tuesday, the 11th April 2017

Governor Dr. Erwin Pröll-Knight of Honour of the Lazarus Union

On March 16th 2017 the Governor of Lower Austria Dr. Erwin Pröll accepts officially the dignity of an Honourable Knight of the Lazarus Union in the rank of an „Honourable Grand Commander".

To the „prehistory":

Already in 2011, the Chapter of the Knighthood of Honour of the Lazarus Union decided by a secret unanimous vote to take the Governor Dr. Erwin Pröll in the Knighthood of Honour.

Next to retired Federal Minister Dr. Werner Fasslabend and his wife Martina Fasslabend (decrees 1 and 2) Dr. Pröll became the Honourable Knight with decree number 3 and therefore he is regarded to be a „Founding Member" of the Knighthood of Honour.

But at that time Dr. Pröll asked us „…not to hang this on the big bell as long as he would be the Governor…". We respected his request and we never made any „publicity" with it. Solely the fact that we could regard him as our brother and Honourable Knight made us happy.

But now Dr. Pröll retires after being the Governor for 25 years and so we were able to get officially the Knights'promise from him in his office in the frame of a visit of the retired Federal Minister Dr. Werner Fasslabend, President Senator Prof. h.c. Wolfgang Steinhardt and Vice President Grand Prefect Ludwig Brunner. Afterwards we took him up publicly in our rows by handling out the decree (dated from 2011) and the insignias.

To the Governor the quote „a man – a word“ applies in the noblest sense. You can count on him!

Friday, the 14th April 2017

Lazarus Orphanage Programme 2017 - … for the poorest of the poor

This a St. Lazarus of Indonesia, Malaysia orphanage programme in collaboration with St. Vincent de Paul Orphanage in Jakarta Indonesia.

These funds come from the family of LtCol Dr Anee Megawati and major Jayanti who are Lazarus chapter members of Indonesia and Lazarus Malaysia do also contribute to their good work.

The St. Vincent de Paul Orphanage provide shelter to orphans of all faith, where these children are left on the street by their parents as the children are poor and are victim of the system. If there are any contributors from Lazarus international are welcome as the sisters are managing this orphanage by faith, every penny goes to the poorest of the poor. There are total 100 orphans who need food shelter and daily needs. We provide whatever we are able to provide to help this St. Vincent de Paul Orphanage and its St. Lazarus programme for the poorest of the poor its on-going Project.

Major Jayanti Lazarus Indonesia giving a way the needs in the present of mother superior of St. Vincent de Paul Orphanage.

Library in the orphanage.

Saturday, the 29th April 2017

Investiture 2017 of the Knighthood of Honour of the Lazarus Union

On April 29th, the yearly investiture ceremony of the Knighthood of Honour of the Lazarus Union took place at the Benedictine Monastery Göttweig which was founded in 1083. Besides many members and friends from Austria lots of international guests (Canada, England, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Poland…) showed up. 43 Dames and Knights of Honour, 19 Expectants and Postulants, 38 flags and banners, 26 musicians, 34 further CSLI members, Boy Scouts from Furt and Gföhl, friendly orders, comrades of the Veteran's Association, voluntary fire service, the Federal Army, different emergency organisations, relatives and numerous guests formed the beautiful frame for this investiture.

Protocol Officer Colonel CSLI Rudolf Murth, Grandmarshall of the Knighthood of Honour

Major CSLI Helene Kneidinger, Assistant

Sehr geehrter Herr Präsident, Herr Großmeister !
Sehr geehrte Mitglieder und Ehrenritter !

Auf den ersten Blick assoziiert man mit dem Wort „Rittertum" Mittelalter, einen adeligen Reiter oder auch höfische Kultur. Kurz gesagt: Ritterlichkeit und Rittertum klingen alt, verstaubt und nicht zeitgemäß. Wenn man die Begriffe jedoch etwas genauer betrachtet, so bemerkt man, dass dahinter so viel mehr steckt. Beim Rittertum geht es um eine gesellschaftliche Funktion, um Ideale und um Werte. Und all das zusammen macht das Rittertum wieder zeitgemäß bzw. wert, sich damit zu beschäftigen.

Die Lazarus Union hat das Konzept der Ritterlichkeit aufgenommen und vergibt die Ehrenritterschaft an Personen, die Vorbildwirkung für andere im täglichen Leben, im persönlichen Werdegang, durch soziales Engagement und Friedensbereitschaft zeigen. Es ist mir eine große Ehre, dass auch ich in den Kreis der Ehrenritter aufgenommen werde.

In meiner Funktion als Landeshauptmann, in der ich beinahe 25 Jahre im und für das Bundesland Niederösterreich tätig sein durfte, in denen ich in den verschiedensten Bereichen gestalten durfte, habe ich mich stets bemüht, Vorbild zu sein.

Für mich ist immer das Miteinander an oberster Stelle gestanden und das tut es nach wie vor. Miteinander haben wir gemeinsam gestaltet, haben dem Bundesland Niederösterreich Ansehen verliehen, haben mutige Entscheidungen getroffen und sind für diese auch eingestanden.

Die Ehrenritterschaft der Lazarus Union bedeutet für mich weiterhin Vorbild zu sein und mir dessen auch bewusst zu sein. Ich werde nach wie vor die Werte unserer Gesellschaft, die seit Jahrhunderten und Jahrtausenden Bestand haben und unser Land groß gemacht haben, bewahren und leben.

Ich danke für die Ernennung zum Ehrenritter, es ist ein Privileg und ich werde dieses Privileg schätzen und hochhalten.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen

Dr. Erwin Pröll
Landeshauptmann von Niederösterreich a.D.

Solemnly entering

Accompanied by a drum roll the entering started. At first – after the bearers of the crucifix – the corps banner of the Lazarus Union, the banners of friendly organizations as well as a delegation of the Radetzky Order, of the Order of the Knights of St. Michael and more delegations of confederated orders and associations entered the nave.

As the „Pappenheimer March“ was played the uniformed members of the CSLI and the Dames and Knights of Honour, the Commanders, Grand Commanders, Grand Cross Knights as well as the members of the Chapter and the Chief Prefect followed. The banners of the Knights of Honour and the sword-bearers formed the end of this section.

Next the „main actors“ of the investiture, the Expectants and Postulants, moved in.

To the sounds of the CSLI-Fanfare the Grand Master – accompanied by his banner –, the ministrants and also the high clergy formed the end of this impressive parade.

The Austrian national anthem was then played and so the ceremonial move-in was finished.

Holy Mass

Then followed the personal welcome by the Grand Master. He especially thanked the Monastery Göttweig that made the investiture possible and he especially welcomed the celebrant of the Holy Mass, the Federal Chaplain of the Lazarus Union P. Mag. Stephan Schnitzer OSB. The celebrant entered solemnly the church to the sounds of the song „Wohin soll ich mich wenden“. Thereafter the celebrant started with the Holy Mass of the feast of Saint Catherine of Siena, nun, church teacher patron saint of Europe.

The Holy Mass came to end with the song „Großer Gott wir loben Dich“.

Investiture Ceremony

The Postulants and Expectants as well as the Grand Master with his banner left the church to get their mantles that were carried folded on the left forearm.

Accompanied by the sounds of the „Erzherzog Albrecht March“ the Postulants and Expectants as well as the Grand Master with his banner moved in solemnly and went to their places.

Now the Grand Master welcomed the present members and guests:

…. To the sounds of the „Erzherzog Albrecht March" one of the most beautiful traditional marches in Austria we preluded our investiture.

Today we celebrate our 13th investiture ceremony of the Knights of Honour and we are proud that it can take place at the wonderful Monastery Göttweig. We thank the most appreciated abbot of the Monastery Göttweig and our Federal Chaplain, Father Stephan Schnitzer OSB, who made this come true. …

Then followed the traditional remembrance of the deceased comrades. Three Dames of Honour left the ceremonial area and went to the entrance of the church – accompanied by a drum roll.

To the sounds of the choral „Nearer my God to thee“ they returned with the mourning sash and the roll of honour. They handed out the mourning sash to the Grand Master. The Grand Master fixed the mourning sash at the Corps Banner.

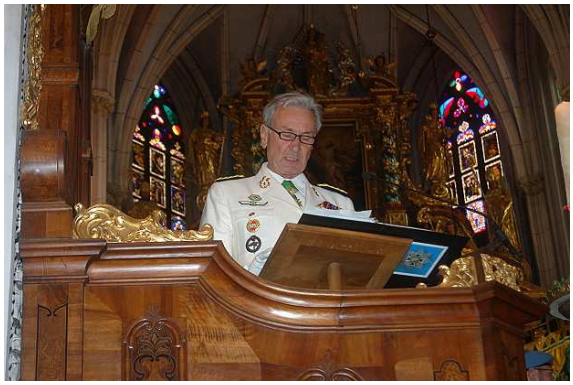
In remembrance of:

- **Reinhard Wassertheurer**
- **Erich Kadlec**
- **Brian Olive**

- **Horst Schöffmann**
- **Werner Hartmann**
- **Gerhard Steinmetz**

The Music Corps played the music piece „I had a Comrade“ and the banners were lowered for great salutation.

An important part of every investiture is the renewal of the officer‘s promise. After the „announcement signal“ the Corps Banner came forward and the officers in charge took their position to the right and left of the banner. The officer‘s promise was read out and all the present officers answered the question „Do you promise that?“…… „I promise!“



After the address of the Grand Master the investiture ceremony of the Knight Expectants began.

Each Expectant was called on his name and the Grand Master asked him in front of the assembled Knights and Dames of Honour: ……“is it your free will to aspire the Knighthood of Honour of the Lazarus Union?“ After having accepted the Grand Chancellor dressed them with the basic mantle which was closed by the Grand Master. The Grand Master now handed out the insignias to the Expectant. After the brotherly kiss by the Grand Master the „Knight/Dame Expectant“ was presented to the audience accompanied by the sounds of the CSLI-Fanfare.

The following comrades were appointed to be a „Dame Expectant“ and „Knight Expectant“:

Brigitte Gellert

Christina Gellert

Babak Philip Saviz

Friedrich Ehn

Günter Haschka

Hans Jürgen Eul

Manfred Renner

Markus Hackl

Thomas Brecht

Uwe Pott

Leopold Volnhals (As deputies of Leopold Volnhals, his best friends, Friedrich Ehn and Günter Haschka took the insignias due to his absence)

After the appointment of the Knight and Dame Expectants we now come to the real highlight of the investiture ceremony:

The admission of the Knights and Dames of Honour to the Knighthood of Honour of the Lazarus Union from which no Knight or Dame can resign on his own initiative. Therefore, the postulants have to answer two questions, that have to be answered officially.

Only afterwards the Grand Master accepts the postulants in the community and hands out the symbols of the Knighthood. The sword, the mantle and the Knight's insignia. The appointment is finished with the accolade.

To honour the new Knight resp. Dame the Knight Fanfare of the Lazarus Union will be played and all banners will be lowered for great salutation.

The music piece is the „KREUZRITTER-FANFARE".

After all Postulants got the accolade the Expectants and new Knights of Honour will stand in semicircle around the Grand Master in order to internalize this ceremony with a ceremonial hymn.

Now the Knights and Dames of Honour to be invested were called on their names.

The Postulants handed out their mantles to the Grand Chancellor. Then the Grand Master asked them whether they „…..want to belong to our community on their own free will and to accept our mission?“ and whether they are aware what it means „to be a member of this community“. After having answered „I want it with all my heart!“ and „Yes, I am!“ the Grand Master welcomed them in the Knighthood of Honour of the Lazarus Union with the following words: „By virtue of my office and with this symbolic accolade you are a member of our Knighthood of Honour from now on and I welcome you brotherly in our circle“.

While the CSLI-Fanfare was sounded the new member was presented to the audience.

Afterwards the new Knight of Honour entered the semicircle of the Knights after having received the decree.

Ordained as Knights of Honour were:

Christopher Vlasic

Franz Graf

Franz Lentner

Herbert Alexander Bauer

Lothar Gellert

Thomas Laserer

Alan Wooley

The names of Guido Mancusi, Piotr Jakub Pniewski and

Wladzimierz Henry Zabka were read. In accordance of our rules, these comrades have been entering in our Knighthood of Honour, because they are not able to attend the investiture personal.

In conclusion of the solemn investiture the Grand Master spoke the „Saint Francis Prayer“ together with the audience.

After the Music Corps played „Sword of Austria“ the promotion and award ceremony started.

The following persons were honoured:

Univ.Prof.i.R. Dr.Josef Michael Schramm with the Grand Cross of the Knighthood of Honour

and

Gen.Mjr.CSLI Bernd Höhle-Kleinertz with the special rank of the Great Honorary Star of the Lazarus Union

To the sounds of the „Lazarus Union March“ the investiture ceremony was finished.

The music was carried out perfectly by the Music Corps of the Lazarus Union under the direction of the conductor Fritz Lentner (incl. the plaza concert before the Holy Mass on the place in front of the collegiate church). A big compliment.

Finale

The solemn investiture ceremony was terminated with a champagne reception at the assembly hall of the Monastery.

Afterwards all guests met for the gala dinner at the Monastery restaurant.

Saturday, the 24th June 2017

13th Air Day for handicapped People 2017

On June 24th, 2017, our 13th Air Day for people with special needs took place at Stockerau airfield (LAOU), with the essential support of our honour member FSV 2000 (Flugsportverein Stockerau) once again assisting us with their complete infrastructure, lunch, and four aircraft. Said beforehand: We could again provide a beautiful and accident free air day to our 300 guests. All preparations had been done the day before to guarantee a smooth event (tables and benches had been set up, the drinks had been put into the fridges, barriers had been set up etc. etc.).

First a few statistics:

Aircraft in action: 2x Cessna 182, 5x Cessna 172, 1x Piper PA-28, 1x helicopter AB-206 Jet Ranger and 1x helicopter Schweitzer HU-30. There have never been so many aircraft.

Catering: 600 litres soft drinks, 500 pairs of sausages, 650 pieces of cake, 50 litres coffee.

More than 350 guests attended, 200 of which actually got to fly. 29 helicopter flights and 67 plane flights were successfully completed. Special thanks to the director of operations and the tower crew of the airfield for providing really smooth flight operations. The number of take-offs and landings handled (there were other flights as well) would well fit for a mid-sized airport busy day. Terrific job done.

In total 92 LAZARUS UNION members were on duty for this air day, providing smooth operations at the "check in", "boarding", medical service, security, care, and entertainment. ("Radio Lazarus" also this year provided entertainment, interviews, and information to our guests) To personally address all members in front of and behind the curtain would blow up this report far and away, so a big thank you and appreciation go here to all those involved

The preparation of the event started four months in advance and "consumed" in total more than 350 hours of work.

Acknowledgements:

Thanks also go to our sponsors who provided donations in kind (drinks, cakes, small gifts for our guests etc.) and such contributed to the success of the event. They will be listed at the end of this report.

Thanks go also to the pilots who took the main responsibility for our passengers and who did all the flying at absolutely no charge. It was the hottest day of the year so far and only the guests who participated at a flight and were able to leave the plane "well warmed" can somehow imagine what it meant to sit in the "quite warm" plane for almost 6 hours, considering that these small aircraft have no air condition! But then the passengers had an overwhelming flying experience, almost like in the first days of aviation.

The performance:

As already stated it was the hottest day of the year so far. This meant that the airplanes could not be operated at their full (normal) take-off weight and the weight limits had to be monitored very carefully.

So many times, only two instead of three passengers could be loaded which provided for some shifting in the flight plans, meaning that several guests had to wait longer. But for us as well as our pilots "safety first" is immoveable. This was communicated by "Radio Lazarus" and accepted by all guests. The reward was an air day without any events and despite these difficulties all registered (and a few unregistered) guests were able to get their "air lift".

Security first checked the names of the guests before they were sent to the "check in". There they had to sign their transport contract (this is a requirement even for free flights because of security and insurance), after which they received their flight ticket and food vouchers.

Then there was a "security check" after which the guests entered the boarding area where they were awaited by our ground crews, receiving all necessary flight information. A special guidance system (passenger lists, tickets, briefing areas, and planes had the same colour code) ensured that everybody could reach their designed plane safely and without any stress, assisted by the ground crews. Also, wheel chairs were guided to their plane safely and proficiently.

All starts were in formation and it looked really impressive when six to eight planes started in rapid succession. After a 20-minute scenery flight, all planes landed again one after another, so the next (already briefed) passengers waiting could get their flight.

It took a lot of work and trouble to have all this running smoothly but the sparkling eyes of our small and big guests after the flight were the biggest reward, making up for all the troubles. It was fantastic to be able to provide these little joys to others, all according to the motto and the mission statement of the LAZARUS UNION.

Our guests:

Once again this year the variation and the mixture of our guests was manifold and colourful in the best sense of the words.

Besides old guests of the HILFSGEMEINSCHAFT DER BLINDEN UND SEHBEHINDERTEN ÖSTERREICHS (Austrian association of blind and partially sighted people, many already attended our very first air day) we could welcome many private guests (who registered via our web site).

New guests this time were

Children and adults form the “RAINBOWS“ Organisation and 18 boys from the Vienna Boys’ Choir with their educators. The Vienna Boys’ Choir together with the Austrian Army Guards Band (partner band of our music corps with which we have a friendship treaty) donated the net profit from their last spring concert to the “RAINBOWS“ Organisation and so the idea was to bring these two organisations together.

As our president was a member of the Vienna Boys’ Choir himself between1957 and 1960 and still has

good contacts to the organisation (in 2016 the LAZARUS UNION investiture took place at the Palais Augarten, the residence of the Vienna Boys' Choir) this was an easy task.

But on this day the Vienna Boys' Choir could just be boys without uniforms and so were able to participate at the flights, fire engine rides by the voluntary fire brigade Spillern, old-timer rides, or lifts with the fire engine platform from the voluntary fire brigade Großweikersdorf to have a look at the event from 30m altitude "anonymously". Both fire brigades are our friends for a long time already and thanks go to their commanders as well as the old-timer group for their participation at our air day.

Further guests to welcome were medal winners from the last "Paralympic Games" from the group "Lebenshilfe Judenburg" which enabled us to present their achievements to an applauding audience. All medal winners were awarded with the LAZARUS UNION "Lazarus Cross for Special Achievements" as a visual appreciation and the LAZARUS UNION president, Senator Prof. h.c. Wolfgang Steinhardt, had the honour to provide the awards in the name of the LAZARUS UNION.

Also comrades from the Austrian Comradeship Union took the chance to visit us on this day.

We could also welcome dear guests of the Caritas Horn, of the county residential care home Eggenburg, of the social therapy society and many other visitors. Thanks to all for this wonderful day together, according to our motto:

„CREATING NEW PERSPECTIVES TOGETHER"

Wednesday, the 31st May 2017

International Day of the UN Peacekeepers Memorial Ceremony and Penal Discussion

Wednesday, May 31st, 2017 at the United Nations Memorial (Ariana Park) and in the Chamber XX, Palais des Nations

At this international day of the UN peacekeepers (blue berets) that takes place every year the UNO Geneva honours more than one million men and women who did their services under the UN flag since the first mission in 1948 and who are still doing that.

In this period from 1948 until 2017 more than 3.500 persons of these peace keeping troops lost their lives during their peace missions, either by terrorism, by rebel attacks or by serious accidents in the respective operational areas.

At the United Nations Memorial Stone in the Ariana Park the participants remembered the fallen soldiers by laying down a wreath and honoured their worthily work in several speeches. Speakers were Mr. Michael Moeller, Director General of the UNO Geneva and Mr. Laurent Attar-Bayrou, President of A.S.I.P. (Association International des Soldates de la Paix).

A school class from Lyon handed out to the UNO Geneva several messages of peace, handicrafts and a painting.

After this ceremony, the participants went to the big Chamber which is provided for 750 people for an informative panel discussion with the following speakers:

- Ziad Al Hussein, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights
- Jean-Pierre Lacroix, UN Undersecretary of State for peace keeping operations.
- Kirstin Lund, Major General (first female UN Force Commander, operational area Cyprus 2014 – 2016)
- Marie-Christine Lüssi Umuhoza, (rescued person by the forces of the UN and UN-Capt +Mbaye Diagne+)in the genocide of Ruanda 1994
- Ahmad Fawzi, moderator (Chief Speaker of the UN-High Commissioner for refugees)

In this panel discussion, the participants mainly described their reports on experience and their personal observations and they talked about the topic „To investigate in peace around the world – development of a culture of peace“. A video massage from the Secretary General of the UN Antonio Guterre and an exciting presentation of photos about several operational areas underlined the spoken words. The panel discussion was finished with a wide-ranging opportunity for questions. Especially the pupils from Lyon fortunately were involved with partly critical questions.

This event was organised by the information service of the United Nations together with the International Association of the Soldiers of Peace A.S.I.P. and the organisation of Capt. Mbaye Diagne+, the Peace Keeper of Senegal, who saved 1.000 lives during the genocide of Ruanda. On May 8th 2017 the United Nations Security Council created with the resolution No 2154 the „Capt Mbaye Diagne Medal“ for extraordinary courage

May, 2017

„De-escalation workshop for emergency personnel during the „Emergency Days of Köthen“

It could happen to any of us. A fire in the house, an accident with the car or a foreign person needs medical help. It's good to know that there is emergency personnel like the fire brigade and the emergency physician. But unfortunately, the past has shown that even emergency personnel again and again needs help during their missions. Escalation and violent attacks during rescue operations become more and more frequently. Ignorance and an incorrect assessment of the situation lead to the fact that the persons concerned reach their limits and act incorrectly. Therefore, first aiders are more and more prevented to do their job on site although human lives are at stake. Due to legal bases, it is not easy for helpers to react correctly and afterwards things become more and more difficult.

For this reason, we want to support many emergency personnel in a forward-looking manner by offering them the opportunity for self-help in special workshops without influencing the right of the other side or injuring their physical integrity.

One of the first special workshops was realised by long-standing experts in this area who are specialised in martial arts. Under the direction of SOF-Corps Commander and CSLI GenMjr Bernd Höhle this project was carried out during the „Emergency Days of Köthen“ in the German „Bundesland“ Saxony-Anhalt. In the school for paramedics run by SOF Staff Commander and CSLI Major Raymond Schulz the daily lessons were therefore changed with thanks. „A continuous training concerning „ways out of violence“ was therefore part of the curriculum for first aiders and paramedical staff.

- The following focal points were part of the curriculum:
- De-escalation and intervention training
- Bases of self-defence
- Early risk detection
- To create distances and my right to say no
- To help non-violently without endangering oneself
- Illegal weapons and materials
- Tools on duty

The Deputy SOF Staff Commander and CSLI Major Hans Jürgen Eul and SOF Leading Staff Commander and CSLI Colonel Danny Koch were responsible for the direct instruction and performance. The whole confidence of the participants which had to be consolidated and on which everything had to build up was in their hands. Within a very short time the participants got an idea what is needed in the next missions and which future behaviour can be helpful in a difficult situation. Wrong ways of thinking that were practised for many years by the participants could now be implemented in an understandable language of humanity for everyday use. Furthermore, it was also necessary for the trainers to avoid any illusion on the side of the training persons. At the end, the training goal was to encounter correctly violence and conflicts with caution and without over-estimation but nevertheless to give a feeling of self-confidence. At the end of this special training all participants were grateful for the glimpse in a new unknown world that has to be researched furthermore. Also in the future „The Sword of Freedom-Corps“ will help those who need help and support. Even if the aiders need help themselves.

May 2017

"SOF-Corps supports the autumn youth camp of the district fire association Brandenburg"

Also, this time several members of the SOF did not hesitate to support a great event for the public in spite of the long journey. As every year one of the greatest fire service events takes place in Brandenburg/district Dahme Spreewald: The traditional autumn youth camp of the district fire service association at the recreation centre for children and younger people at a lake called Frauensee.

This event bases on the long-standing cooperation and collaboration between the fire services of the district and the recreation centre for children and younger people itself. This close cooperation made it possible to found a so called Floriansdorf in 2014 (we have already reported about this), in which not only children and younger people but also adults are brought up to the education concerning fire protection in a playful and educationally valuable way. Due to the interests of the organiser and the commitment of SOF Corps Commander and CSLI GenMjr Bernd Höhle it is understandable that also the Special Forces of the Lazarus Union CSLI "The Sword of Freedom-Corps" became a valuable associate.

Meanwhile the organisers of the autumn youth camp need any help. Due to the increasing number of visitors finally the challenge to master and to organise the event increases – from the planning up to logistic issues. "The Sword of Freedom-Corps" itself takes a small but not negligible part. The SOF-Corps presented itself not only with an information desk and with the action "Climbing on crates" for charitable purposes. With cooperation of the sections of SOF from Herne, Köthen and Chemnitz it was possible to expand the presentation area for some exciting attractions – for the visitors.

The school for paramedics of SOF-Staff Commander and CSLI Major Raymond Schulz and his team showed a "field hospital" with a detailed presentation and so the visitors could reverently look back to the history of First Aid in war's chaos.

So many visitors were able to get to know more about that what lays behind us in our history has its origin there and is applicable nowadays The SOF Head of Section Jürgen Drechsel from Chemnitz showed history from the past and back to presence and modern age. He and his team participated with their rescue dog unit. The visitors could take part in "Mantrailing" up close or could just be an observer. One member of the team hid himself within thousands of visitors on the area and played the missing person. It was hard work for the dogs but finally no difficulty because the day before the dogs had shown their great skills. One member of the youth fire service and his supervisor hided themselves in the forest outside the area for exercises purposes. In this way, the other members of the youth fire service were able to see first-hand how

their comrade was found safely by the dogs. It was an unusual experience for everyone to understand and to estimate in a better way the important work of the rescue dog unit.

The SOF Assistant Staff Commander and CSLI Major Hans Jürgen Eul and his team supported the information desk and the "climbing on crates". The climbing obtained a small but impressive sum of more than 300,00 € which was handed out to the KiEZ Frauensee for the benefit of the small guests of this institution.

The SOF Chief Commander and CSLI Col. Danny Koch is a direct employee of the institution on-site. He organises special projects for children and younger people by teaching values and he coordinated in the background the cooperation between the organisers of the Fire Brigade Festival and the SOF-Corps. It was not only the Festival as such in which the Corps participated. They also did their part in an important way for the "Fire Brigade "Veterans Meeting" where many fire brigade comrades were honoured because of their long and faithful service.

It was clear for the SOF-Corps that we will also be there in 2017 and that we will support this event actively. More than 4000 visitors each day speak for themselves. All the visitors could admire many things on the area which was twenty-four hectares in size. From fire service vehicles with all their technique to try out, fire tests and rescue exercises, up to police and vehicles of the Red Cross. Many public organisations use such a day to show how important their work is. To rescue people or to help them in emergencies is not an obvious issue for many people. Everybody should be aware of this and this is the reason why meanwhile the "Lazarus Union CSLI, The Sword of Freedom-Corps" and its members participate in this event each year to do good and to promote sustainables in the sense of humanity.

Sunday, 4th of June 2017

Music Corps – "Stefflkirtag 2017"

On the Pentecost Sunday June 4th 2017 the Music Corps of the Lazarus Union arranged the music for the „Stefflkirtag" for the first time.

Due to renovation at the "Stephansplatz" this traditional "Kirtag" could not take place in front of the Dome, but at the place called "Am Hof" nearby. Despite the changed location many tourists and music fans from Vienna found this beautiful event in the heart of Vienna. Therefore, the applause for the music arrangements was guaranteed. The musical director, Friedrich Lentner, carried out a very various and suitable programme for this event.

Traditional Austrian marches up to famous and less famous Bohemian Polkas and pop songs known from our youth were played – so there was music for everyone and for each age.

Even wishes from the audience f.e. melodies of the "Egerländer" could be realized. Of course, the own march, the "Lazarus-Union-March" was also part of the programme. Herewith many present high functionaries of the Lazarus Union, especially the President Senator Prof. Dr. h.c. Wolfgang Steinhardt and his Vice President Ludwig Brunner were welcomed. Unfortunately, at the end of the appearance of the Music Corps the weather became bad. Because of the rain becoming more and more stronger the musicians had to leave the stage despite many demands for an encore after the second encore.

Despite this it was a wonderful musical afternoon that came to an end when everybody could stand at the culinary booths under umbrellas protecting from the rain.

June 2017

CSLI Brazil - General Assembly of the organization "Encouragement Public"

On March 25th, 2017 CSLI Brazil participated as a special guest of the General Assembly of the association "Encouragement Public" in France.

The Encouragement Public, is a French organization that celebrates this year its 85th birthday, and has as mission to honour and distinguish those who act with unselfishness, individually or through associations, and to recognize the women and men who take care of that ones in need, in the most different forms.

The General Assembly happened at the prestigious Military School (École Militaire) in Paris and was followed by a ceremony of granting of awards. In this ceremony, some of the members of CSLI Brazil members were officially awarded with the magnificent medals of this institution, including a promotion to the rank of Grand Cross.

In a big surprise, and a strong signal and patent of our seriousness and international recognition of our actions and our partnerships, we also have been awarded with the Bronze Medal of the city of Paris. One of the highest honours awarded by the city of

lights, and that light forever the way of work and dedication to the CSLI-Brazil for more than 12 years already.

Activities of the CSLI Group "Nova Friburgo" in Brazil

The Group Nova Friburgo of CSLI Brazil was one of the most active in the first half of 2017, acting in several missions and helping in different fronts.

In March, the Group Commander held a lecture at the University Estácio de Sá of Nova Friburgo in which he presented the Lazarus Union, its history and our devotion to humanitarian and charitable causes in Brazil and also in the whole world.

Several other actions were performed, by collecting and donating health and hygiene material and clothes to the Elderly Home Shelter Love to Jesus (LAJE), in the town of Nova Friburgo, Rio de Janeiro.

LAJE, a philanthropic organization, was founded more than 80 years ago, on 14 July 1929, by a group of people concerned about the constant death of beggars on the streets of the city, because of cold and hunger. Institution of Long Permanence for Elders, it follows the rules laid down by ANVISA. Has today 80 elderlies, needy, all requiring special care. Its main objective is the physical and psychological recovery of the sheltered, taking them out of sub-human conditions that often are. Due to the number of elderly, it counts today with a physician specialized in geriatrics, audiologists, dentists, physical education professionals, psychologists, physiotherapists and nursing technicians.

In these several actions, the Group Nova Friburgo of CSLI Brazil donated disposable latex gloves, women clothes, bed and bath linen and hygiene material.

It has been two years now that the CSLI Brazil Group of Nova Friburgo is working along with LAJE and has provided help to this institution in moments of need.

Solidarity Movies – Victory Day

The most important action of the CSLI Brazil in the first half of 2017 was held by the delegation of Santa Catarina, which organized a large campaign among students of the second year of high school Manoel Henrique Daniel in the city of Penha/SC.

This action, called "Solidarity Movies – Victory Day", was imagined and led by CSLI Brazil, and joined, in a sole campaign, important elements of citizenship, solidarity and charity.

In order to organize 4 film projections on v-e day, May 8th for three weeks students collected clothing, personal hygiene items and food.

During this period of great social mobilization in the entire school, they collected 2,133 pieces of clothing, 347 items of personal hygiene and approximately 670kg of food. This whole collection was donated to

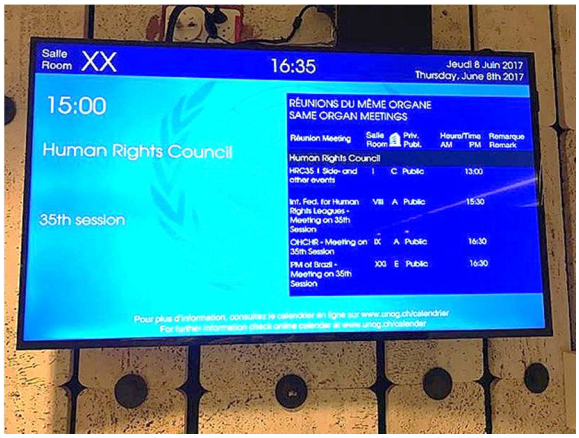
the INAPC-National Institute of support to people with cancer and to the Elderly Nursing Home of Penha-SC.

This project earned us the nomination for the prestigious "Bank of Brazil Foundation Award for Social Technology" and is another great step that further increases our notoriety and that proves the seriousness, the values and the commitment of the CSLI-Brazil.

Thursday, the 8th June 2017

United Nations Human Rights - 35. Session (06.06. – 23.06.2017), Hall XX, Palais des Nations

The Hall of Human Rights and alliance of civilizations (Room XX) is one of the biggest conference room of the office of the United Nations in Geneva (UNOG). The main characteristic point of the renovated Hall is the sculpture at the ceiling manufactured by the prominent contemporary Spanish artist Miquel Barceló. In this impressive room which is provided for 754 people the 35th session of the United Nations Human Rights Council takes place.



When we participated in this session the Hall was occupied to the last space. The following organisations reported to word:

- Ngo International Lesbian and Gay Association
- Ngo Association Des Etudiants Tamouls De France
- Ngo Colombian Commission of Jurists
- Ngo International Federation for Human Rights Leagues
- Ngo Minority Rights Group
- Ngo Commission Mexicana De Defensa y Promocion de los Derechos Humanos Asociacion Civil
- Ngo Human Rights Watch
- Ngo Association Paix Pour la Lutte Contre la Contrainte et L'injustice
- Ngo United Nation Watch
- Ngo Conseil International Pour Le Soutien A Des Proces Equitables Et Aux Droits De L'homme
- Ngo United Nation Watch
- Ngo Association Mauritanienne Pour La Promotion Des Droits De L'homme

Because of the enormous high number of speakers their time to speak was strictly limited. This led to the fact that the voters spoke too fast so that even the professional simultaneous interpreters lost the thread (for amusement in the plenary).

For this reason, it is impossible for us delegates to go more into detail of the many given and reeled off speeches.

Those who are yet interested in the individual votes (original version) have the possibility to hear them using the following link:

https://reg.unog.ch/event/6186/digitalrecordings

Of course, for each session a report is available. You can read them using the following link:

http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/RegularSessions/Session35/Pages/ListReports.aspx

10th June 2017

"Run to meet wishes" – 700 people fascinated by motor bikes with 500 hot engines satisfied the wish of a mortally ill man

It was a last great dream of Bruno K. suffering incurably from cancer: To make once more a motor bike trip to the Marbach's reservoir laying in a picturesque valley of the "Odenwald Forest" between Erbach and Heppenheim.

On 10th June 2017, it became more than clear what developed by this wish and how it is possible to use the power of social networks in a positive way. When the consciousness reaches the limited time on earth and the great desire for healing will not be fulfilled small and modest gestures count more and are able to lead to a smile in human face and an almost childish brightness in the eyes. Like Bruno.

The former enthusiastic biker just wanted to see once more the reservoir of Marbach laying in the "Odenwald Forest" and to make a trip to this reservoir with some other motor bikers. His dying-guide of the Hospice Society Groß-Umstadt did not hesitate and contacted the SOF-comrade Dr. Thomas Draxler. He is an admitted Harley biker and the founder of the "Jesus-Biker" and the person who knows everything about motor bike actions.

Due to the power of social networks quickly an organisation team was formed with Martina Neuber-Beck and Tobias Becker from the Hospice Society and Dr. Draxler in order to make come true this desire.

A Facebook call was started and nobody could ever guess the sympathy for the plan and the dimension of the development. After two weeks, the "Action to meet wishes" has been shared 13.000 times and was spread like wildfire in whole Germany and some neighbour countries. "Thumbs up" from everywhere from the biker scene – a spectacular response. Even Focus Online made a report about this action. Suddenly it seemed as if the little trip became a real big thing for which a detailed planning and lots of volunteers are necessary. For many weeks, the project "Run to meet wishes – strong together" was the main theme within the organisation team.

For the legal support and official requirements many telephone calls and talks at county level were necessary to provide the basic conditions for the great trip. The participants had to be insured and requirements had to be fulfilled. The police could not accompany the bikers and so it was necessary that the groups with no more than 20 people had to start in a time shift of 3 minutes – a logistic challenge even if the confirmed attendances would be fulfilled even half-way. Furthermore, the support of an ambulance car with an emergency physician was necessary. At 10 o'clock on the day of the "Run to meet wishes" everything was prepared. Coffee was made and there were cake donations, tables and benches were positioned and while the weather was fine the first bikes arrived – just 4 hours up to the start. Bruno was certainly upset on this day too. A trike had been organised for him on which he could sit in the back together with his dying-guide. At a fixed point on the tour through hilly landscape of the Odenwald Forest he should meet the other bikers.

In Schaafheim in front of the property of Dr. Draxler the streets got full of people and from 13 o'clock onwards no one could pass through. While the priest of Nuremberg Johannes M. Roth played music for the increasing number of people the group-guides were instructed and the organisers called the attention on legal conditions by a Detective Sergeant of the police who took part himself. Shortly after 14 o'clock the great moment came up: When 500 motor bikes started their engines a deafening sound was to hear in the little development area Rittersloch. At the starting point the SOF-comrade Markus Sell stood with stop watches in his hand and a flag to guarantee a smooth start of the groups taking care for the 3 minutes time shift and then he sent the bikers onto the street where they bravely waited in the heat.

Everything was prepared at the lake too. A pavilion with a music system was there on a public parking place. A little band was already waiting and four guides led the oncoming bikers to the parking places. Then Bruno K. – visibly overwhelmed – arrived. He was sitting happily on the trike and accompanied by 500 hot engines – a fascinating view. Some addresses were made, Bruno's history and the development of the "Run to meet wishes" were explained and the main person of the day – no longer able to speak – had a speech of thanks read. After this speech, some bikers became moved to tears – by the following words: "I decided to stay alive for this one day….."

After some convenient hours with music and many talks the event came to an end in the early evening and the bikers returned to their homes – at least as happy as Bruno. The organisation team thanks all helping people both in front of and behind the curtain and all supporters of the plan. First of all, to roundabout 700 guests with their partly impressive 500 motor bikes who realised the project. We also thank the motorcycle team of the Johanniter from Mainz and the drivers of the ambulance car of the Red Cross.

Thanks to all those who baked cakes, to the priest Johannes M. Roth and to the guides who took care for a safe journey to the reservoir.

Special thanks to the habitants of the residential area who opened the way for the bikers because of their sympathy for the project. You all showed that a little idea can become a great thing and above all: Facebook can not only be used for superficial amusement or propagandistic campaign but also for really good things!

June 2017

"Summer Festival of Peace" in the SOF-Section Köthen/Saxony-Anhalt

It is a special sign of appreciation when people get together to teach values and do good. Nowadays it becomes very difficult to teach values.

Just when we talk about this and discussion comes up we get a clear disaster of different arguments and opinions. F.E. the following ones: "People find the values of their culture or society not a leading or orienting issue" or "People are not aware which values are determining factors in their society or culture. But this lies in our hands.

Our personal impression is that we think maybe too global in many things – to put it diplomatically. Very quickly we forget that many things occur on our own doorstep and that our children and younger people are exposed to too many values with such things. In order to teach values, they have to be lived. One of this point living things in the sense of humanity in a specific way can be found in Germany. Clearly spoken in the SOF-Section Köthen in the "Bundesland" Saxony-Anhalt. In the school for paramedics of SOF-Staff Commander and CSLI Major Raymond Schulz humanity and values get together and show charity to the neighbours. In this sense, a special "Summer Festival of Peace" was celebrated for all those who do good to help other people.

The Festival was attended by many personalities, f.e. the Mayor of Köthen, Prince Eduard Duke of Anhalt Duke of Saxony, The Imperial and Royal Highnesses of Habsburg Lothringen, a delegation of the Order of Heinrich III, a police delegation of Köthen, the county commissioner Uwe Schulz and many more. This event was of course supported actively by the Special Forces of the Lazarus Union CSLI "The Sword of Freedom-Corps" to the largest extent. With such a special occasion, the network of people who do not only talk about the peace we all need, but who live it, should come together. So during the "Summer Festival of Peace" everybody could promote the values and could share them with others.

At the beginning of the event it was possible to visit the church of Köthen. The local priest already expected the invited guests and thanked all the helpers and supporters. At this respectful location, further persons had also the occasion to spoke to the audience and to thank for all the things done. Afterwards the priest made it possible to visit the tomb of the church. Finally, this moment was impressive and historically interesting for all invited guests.

The entertaining programme was an active support and was created by artists both large and small. Among other participants were the "Schützengilde" of Köthen, a folk group and the Russian-German-Choir,

a Biker Club who collected money and gave it for charity. Furthermore, a children's' circus and the Duo Köthen as well as the local Dancing- and Singing-Group carried out the music programme. The SOF-Corps Commander and CSLI GenMjr Bernd Höhle as well as the SOF Chief Commander and CSLI Col. Danny Koch had the honourable task to give a radio interview. It was their concern to inform the audience about the importance of being respectful for the smallest treats of everyday life.

Finally, this is one of the most important requirements of life. Values are a like a compass in our lives and a good guide for everybody. And that we are on the right track and that we let us guide by our compass, which we create ourselves is proven by the fact, that at the SOF-Section Köthen a monument for peace "Flame of Peace" was revealed and inaugurated and the SOF Commander and CSLI GenMjr Bernd Höhle was distinguished with the "Flame of Peace".

A great "Summer Festival of Peace" came to an end after many hours we spend together with the people of Köthen.

Thanks to all persons who are not mentioned here but who will not be forgotten and who realised this great event!

13th May 2017

Austrian Naval Remembrance Day 2017

The President of the Austrian Naval Force (ÖMV) Prof. Dipl.Ing. Colonel dhmD a.D. Karl Skrivanek (Knight of Honour of the Lazarus Union from the very start) invited again to the Austrian Marine Day 2017 to strengthen friendships and the comradely being together.

The CSLI Navy Corps maintains friendly relations with many naval comradeships and some of them are also group members of the Lazarus Union. The Lazarus Union was represented by the Chief Representative Senator Prof. h.c. Wolfgang Steinhardt.

This grateful day started with a devotion in memory of the 300th birthday of the Empress Maria Theresia on 13th May 1717 in the "Elisabethkapelle" of the "Kaiserjubiläumskirche" 1010 Vienna, "Mexikoplatz". (The place is named "Mexikoplatz" because Mexico was the only country that protested before the League of Nations against the invasion of the German Troops in Austria 1938.) The devotion was placed under the auspices of H.E. Military Bishop Dr. Christian Werner.

The music was arranged by an ensemble of the Marine-Traditional-Music under the direction of the conductor Reinhold Novotny (who gladly supports our Lazarus Union Big Band) and an absolute high-quality performance by the violinist Elena Denisova who interpreted "Recitativo und scherzo-caprice Op. 4" composed by Fritz Keisler in an extraordinary virtuosity.

An interesting lecture about the Empress Maria Theresia by Comrade Ehg. Mag. Markus Salvator Habsburg-Lothringen showed us in an extremely vivid way the history and the person of the Empress itself. The lecture was sustained with many anecdotes.

The spiritual words were spoken by Spiritual Councillor Deacon Colonel Wilhelm Hold r.k. and Father DDDr. Alexander Lapin of the orthodox military spiritual welfare

The devotion came to an end with playing “Die Himmel rühmen des Ewigen Ehre” composed by Ludwig van Beethoven and afterwards the bus took the guests to the festival area lying near the “Donau Marina” at the Handelskai of Vienna.

After the traditional associations and banners stepped up the Great Flag Parade has been starting just in time at 11.30 o’clock by the “Gardemusik”.

Colonel Gebhard Bauer, who was also the moderator of the ceremony welcomed honourable and other guests.

Afterwards the welcoming addresses spoken by the delegate of the Republic of Croatia, Ambassador Branimir Loncor, and an interesting lecture by Prof. Dieter Winkler about “The seamanship at the time of Maria Theresia” followed and a lecture by the Ministerial Councillor Dr. Matthias Hoy.

Afterwards the welcoming addresses spoken by the delegate of the Republic of Croatia, Ambassador Branimir Loncor, and an interesting lecture by Prof. Dieter Winkler about “The seamanship at the time of Maria Theresia” followed and a lecture by the Ministerial Councillor Dr. Matthias Hoy.

The event was accompanied by many traditional marches by the “Gardemusik” under the direction of the conductor Lieutenant Colonel Johann Kausz so that the people were not aware of the incredible high temperatures (35 degrees without any shadow!). A big compliment and many thanks to the “Gardemusik” that has been connected with the Lazarus Union by a friendship agreement since 2013.

As always, the remembrance of the dead was dignified. Traditionally accompanied by the composition “I had a comrade” after a short devotion by the Military Chaplain of the patrol boat “Wien” of the water guard under the command of Chief Inspector Erich Kraus (also an Honourable Knight of the Honourable Knighthood of the Lazarus Union) a wreath was handed out over to the floods of the Danube to the remembrance of the late comrades of all nations.

The ceremony was finished with the European anthem.

The following comfortable being-together was accompanied by a concert of the Marine-Traditional-Music while the guests could enjoy good food and cold drinks.

It was a great, dignified, comradely day which unified nations and we are looking forward to the Naval Remembrance Day 2018.

June 2017

Firefighter Day for Handicapped Humans of the MK-EFM Styria in Fohnsdorf

„Water on" – that was the slogan for the experience day last Friday of the Voluntary Fire Service Brigade Fohnsdorf in which 50 customers and supervisors of the Social Aid-Workshop of Fohnsdorf and Wasendorf took part – organised by the internationally working Lazarus Union. It was not for the first time that Walter Martetschläger from Fohnsdorf, member of the charitable Lazarus Union engaged himself for the customers of the Social Aid in the region of Judenburg. On behalf of his initiative an experience day with an activity programme and catering was organised together with the Fire Service Brigade of Fohnsdorf. Also, honourable guests were invited, i.e. District Governor Ulrike Buchacher and the President of the Lazarus Union, Senator Wolfgang Steinhardt.

The Styrian order of the CSLI-Navy Corps was able to organise an experience day for the Social Aid of the region Murtal for the third time. Spontaneously the voluntary Fire Service Brigade Fohnsdorf agreed to create this day.

More than 50 friends of the Social Aid – equipped with a cap of the Fire Service Brigade Fohnsdorf – could inform about the tasks and work of the Fire Service Brigade. The programme also included practical exercises like knot techniques and fire tests that were completed with great zeal.

Each participant got a certificate for his successful assistance and then the comfortable part of the day began. An eventful and interesting day came to an end in great harmony with food and drinks our organisation naturally cared for generously.

Not only our District Governor Mag. Ulrike Buchacher and the Garrison Commander from Zeltweg Col. Edwin Pekovsek who has been supporting our actions with his comrade Lieutenant Colonel Gerhard Eichholzer from the beginning honoured the event with their presence but also the chairman of the works' council of the company Voestalpine Zeltweg Alois Madenberger and our Mayor Gernot Lobnig did not miss the day.

Our President Senator Prof. Dr. h.c. Wolfgang Steinhardt and his Vice President Ludwig Brunner added a special note to the event.

15 PROJEKTE

15.1 SWORD OF FREEDOM

15.1.1 Paraguay

An RTW / Ambulance and a dental practice facility, including transport from Germany to Paraguay, is being co-financed by us and will be delivered to Paraguay at the end of the year. I will travel in person for the handover (at their own expense).

15.1.2 Philippines

45 families have become homeless due to a major fire in the slums of Manila.

People who were already poor have now lost family members and all their belongings including their house. We are financing material for the rebuilding and coordination with local helpers. We are also receiving manpower and logistical support from the CMO Battalion of The Philippine Army, who we have supported on several occasions. The on-site coordination is handled by our Swiss comrade, Andy, who is living in Manila.

I have already reported on this project to you, now funding is largely in place and it needs to be implemented, so this week we will proceed with the operation.

15.1.3 Nepal

We will donate to the earthquake victims.

After the severe earthquake our representative locally, Dr. Shiva, who has opened up a hospital with us in the past, established Medical camps and will distribute food, hygiene products etc. to the needy. Some of his own circle of friends have also been killed. I have known Dr. Shiva for more than 10 years, first in Thailand and then on my visit to Nepal, he is a good-hearted and selfless man.

15.1.4 Germany

“Inclusion Requires Action” & Mobi

We will actively participate in this initiative. We were asked whether we could undertake the entire programme around self-defence and martial arts for wheelchair users and the elderly. I now have some qualified colleagues we can apply to these projects.

15.1.5 Ghana

We will use School building no. 2 in the service of another school building in the Volta Region of Ghana and

co-finance this. The King of the region is known to me personally, he has already completed 3 of the 6 school rooms and has proven to be very reliable. I personally inspected two of the finished rooms in 2014. Financing is on a pro rata basis according to completion and documentation of each individual room / construction phase.

15.2 AIR DAYS

The flight days are organised together and with the aviation association Stockerau (FSV 2000) which also makes available its whole infrastructure for it, one after the other our flight day for handicapped people.

The whole organisation team is glad already very much to be allowed to organise for you, dear guests and partly quite long-standing friends, these flight days. We hope that we will still raise the last (necessary) financial means up to every flight day to be able to carry out the flight day in the known extent and without " cutbacks ". In contrast to similar events of other organisations where is tried to run „donations“, we spend during this flight day that money which we have received as donations, or as proceeds from the insignia fees and sales proceeds of our webshop.

We organise this flight day for handicapped people without any public support completely from own resources! We have as guests over and over again a lot of blind people and visually impaired, our loyal young (trunk) guests of the “Kinderambulatorium Neunkirchen”, many individually announced handicapped guests (who hold the loyalty to us already for years), RACES again, besides, homeless from the VINZI - Corti House, inhabitant of "Special Homes" from Stockerau and children from the Saint Anna children hospital. These children are fetched at the journey service of our sister's association "Lazarus Hilfe Österreich" and are brought back again and examined by voluntary assistants of the KLHÖ (disaster auxiliary service Lazarus Hilfe Österreich in the LAZARUS UNION). The KLHÖ will also offer a small achievement show where can be practiced in a resuscitation doll, reminiscent badges are produced and the blood pressure is measured. In a small competition, a free flight can be won.

One flight day must be planned professionally and be carried out. Is already with normal round flights, by the joy and the Enthusiasms of the passengers, raised watchfulness inevitably, the demands increase even more if we may welcome handicapped people to round flights as guests and passengers. It has appeared that it makes sense for all partners to receive the necessary information already beforehand and not only on the flight day independently already in the approach of such an event.

The participation in all activities of the flight day is, for the guests, responsible persons, escorts and visitors as well as for the assistants, on own risk and in own danger. We plan and operate with the biggest care and responsibility, but a liability on the part of the CSLA is excluded. By the participation all participants agree with these conditions. Hence, for all participants we have put together the following information and are glad already very much to experience a nice flight day with you together.

15.3 CSLI PROJECT HOMELESS

15.3.1 The Saint Vinzenz of Paul

Vinzenz of Paul (1581-1660) was a renovator of the church life in France of the 17th century. Already at the age of 19 years he was consecrated the priest. Then followed adventurous years. From 1608 he worked as a priest in Paris. Big worries prepared for him above all the desolation and the big religious ignorance of the rural population, but also the lacking education of many priests. In 1617, he filed the vow to dedicate his life to the arms and sick people. He collected equally minded men and women around himself who supported him at his work. In 1625, he founded the congregation of the Lazaristen called after their mother's house Saint Laza (or Vinzentiner) whose major task is still today the care for the arms, which missionary work and the education of the clergy. Vinzenz helped Louise de Marillac in the foundation of a women's order, the “Vinzentinerinnen” which also look after arms and pressed. Vinzenz wrote no books. He was a modest person who put his whole life in the service Next. By his practical works he became a founder and organizer of the church charity of the modern times.

The CSLI looks increasingly after the interests of the homeless and has strengthened his activities and efforts in this regard. Therefore, has started for homeless in 2010 the project "Work for homeless", together with famous companies. The sympathy of the CSLI is valid especially the unselfish different Vinzenzgemeinschaften and her activities. It is for the CSLI only about the thing and not around the „laurel of the best donation collector“.

15.3.2 Homeless once differently

Homeless becomes an officer in the CSLI - How is this possible? Quite simply: The CSLI excludes nobody, but tries to create merely new perspectives. In this

sense doesn't "help" the CSLI, but shows only the "way" him is possible to change a situation. However, "gone" "only" the way must become. Mico Potpara is the living example of what in this way possibly and is to be reached. One year ago still „completely, completely down“, he is the "way" to him was shown "gone". First still completely mistrust, then with zeal (So Mr. Potpara has finished a complete flight assistant's education and was the best of his course!), then with more and more zeal and with rising reliability. Thus, he was taken up as a foundation member CSLI in the CSLI and was appointed the "stick patrolman CSLI".

Zwei Kraftquellen

»Ich schöpfe die Kraft durch meine Tochter und meinen Enkel«, Mitch hat wieder Boden unter den Füßen. In den drei Jahren auf der Straße kümmerte er sich um gar nichts. Gegen die Verzweiflung half nur Betäubung mit Alkohol. Ein Absturz.
Er wollte nicht, dass Sandra und vor allem Kevin ihn so sehen. Es gab kaum Kontakt. Das tat weh, hat aber dazu beigetragen, den Kampf gegen die Alkoholkrankheit aufzunehmen. Nach mehreren Monaten Therapie lebt er wieder im VinziRast-CortiHaus und ist glücklich mit seiner Rolle als Vater und Großvater. Sandra und Kevin wohnen drei Häuser weiter, sie sehen sich jetzt oft, helfen einander: *»Meine Tochter, das kleine Genie, hat es doch wirklich binnen einer Woche geschafft meinen PC neu aufzusetzen.«*

Doris Kerbler

VinziRast
CortiHaus
Mittendrin
WG

Report June 2011

In this function, he has helped coorganize some events (e.g., 3. Flight day CSLI in the 7/18/2009 in Stockerau and the excursion with homeless in the 8/29/2009) and, besides, very good own ideas introduced. As an intermediary CSLI to the „Vinzi Rast - Corti House“ he had and holds not only a key position, but leads the way also as a good example of other guests of the Vinzi rest. All these developments and these achievements have enabled Mr. Potpara to become an officer in the CSLI. The appointment the "second lieutenant CSLI" and the Handing of the „Mission Cross CSLI in bronze“ occurred publicly before the army-historical museum on the occasion of a traditional presentation of the riding artillery division No. 2 22nd of August, 2009 in ceremonious form under big condolence of the visitors of the museum and all persons present. The whole CSLI and the WHEEL 2 congratulated Mr. Potpara to these achievements and the transportation linked with it very warmly and sincerely and is available to him, as his companions in the CSLI, also furthermore friendly. Mr. Potpara has found the way back again in the society, self-esteem and trust has found again to itself and will make in the future also again his way. Besides, the CSLI will try to support Mr. Lt CSLI Mico Potpara absolutely with the best possible forces. The "way" (and there we are sure) he will go alone!

15.4 HANDYCAPPED CARE

In close collaboration with other organisations we look after handicapped and old people by organising excursions and organising looked events. In addition, different social and beneficent projects are unwound about the CSLI. All our members work in their spare time and in a volunteer capacity.

15.5 SPECIAL PROJECTS

Especially in our times many projects are “overstuffed” and “overmanaged.” Many HGO (for various reasons) jump on this band wagon. The reason for this often is trivial: The higher the medial interest for and the prestige of a social project the easier it is to access the “donation fountain.” There are (unfortunately) lots of examples for this!

The Lazarus Union tries the exact opposite:

- AWAY with “spectacular” events
- AWAY with “expensive” events
- AWAY with “mass events”

We return, or at least try hard, to the roots of mutual aid on the “small” scale.

15.6 LAZARUS-CROSS OF THE UNION

15.6.1 A new milestone in saying “thank You”

Helping respective organizations without question!

In its tradition as a non-partisan and interdenominational organization, the LAZARUS UNION has founded the “Lazarus Cross of the Union” as a visible thank you for ALL benefactors that have given support, through donations large or small, to an organization of their choice.

We are of the firm conviction that supporting any charitable organization ultimately serves the same purpose as our aims. Therefore, for the LAZARUS UNION, it does not matter what the political, religious or spiritual orientation of a charity is, as long as the guarantee is given that the donations have the ‘seal of approval’ of meeting our underlying guidelines.

The LAZARUS UNION, which sees itself as an international umbrella organization and is registered as an NGO at the United Nations and the European Union, deliberately does not award itself this Cross for organizational reasons. However, the Union would like to give all members, and especially non-members, the opportunity to receive this recognition of their charitable work.

This LAZARUS UNION award is to thank people who are engaged in charitable activities, working for peace and reconciliation and standing up for others, and also OTHER organizations that meet our donations ‘seal of approval’ (e.g. the Red Cross, UN agencies, Doctors Without Borders, Fire Services, the Samaritans, Caritas, Diakonia, the Weiße Möwe flying club, Vinzi Rast-Corti Haus, etc., etc.).

This has never been done before!

The LAZARUS UNION is taking a new (and unconventional) path here!.

15.6.2 Awarding guidelines:

Based on donations to other organisations

Anyone donating a minimum amount of EUR 50.- (or the equivalent in other currencies) to a charitable humanitarian NGO organisation (in Austria an approved charity organisation with “Spendengütesiegel“) is entitled to file an application for themselves requesting to be awarded the Union‘s Lazarus Cross (click HERE for the Application form of the Lazarus Cross). The application form together with proof of the donation shall be mailed to the LAZARUS UNION via email: office@lazarus-union.org Subject “Union Cross“ or by conventional mail.

Once every month a board will examine all contributions and select the highest ten donations for an award. Yet a specific amount is no requirement for an award.

Obviously, the rule is: the higher the amount the greater the probability for an award. This rule shall ensure that the donation is in the centre of the focus and not the award. So when making the donation the donators themselves do not know “how big the reward“ will be.

The selected donators will be informed and as soon as the cost contribution is received certificates will be

drawn and mailed respectively handing over will be agreed. No legal entitlement to the above-mentioned awards shall be constituted from an application. All decisions are final and not subject to legal appeal.

Based on an application to the board of the LAZARUS UNION

Anyone who has notice of persons acting in charitable humanitarian ways worth an award is entitled to file an application directed to the board of management of the Lazarus Union that these persons shall be awarded. The application form shall be mailed to the LAZARUS UNION via email: office@lazarus-union.org Subject "Union Cross" or by conventional mail.

Such application will be examined by a board and in case of a positive decision the respective level of the award will be decided on. "Lazarus Crosses" awarded this way will, AS A BASIC PRINCIPLE and if possible be awarded at no charges. This implies that also all insignia cost contributions will be waived. The decision about is made by the board.

By this the donators of this award ensure that the award is not for sale and as such is a valuable and REAL honour not everybody can have as there are no commercial interests in this award.

The receiver will be informed and a ceremonial handover agreed. Again, no legal entitlement to the above-mentioned awards shall be constituted from an application. All decisions are final and not subject to legal appeal. Also, other awards (according to the respective regulations) can be selected.

By filing any application for this award these terms and conditions are accepted and agreed on.

For the LAZARUS UNION the fact is important that this award can NOT just be purchased. One has to DO something to get it. Donations are naturally welcome.!

But it is GENERAL the rule for all given decorations, awards and insignias in honour of the awardees, that award winners may be neither sold nor given away them to third parties in their lifetime!

Kommandeurskreuz

Großkreuz

15.6.3 Description of the Insignia

This elaborate and affectionately designed insignia consists of a star with four different layers.

The first layer is a star 80mm in diameter with eight rounded and angled rays emerging from its centre. Depending on the level the star is silver or gold plated and carries the actual cross.

The second layer is a double edged slightly flattened Maltese cross with eight points, separated in the middle, with a 60mm diameter and a 14mm smooth circle in the centre.

At the eight tips, symbolising the knightly virtues, are eight golden hemispheres, symbolising the eight beatitudes. The white framing of the green cross (green as the colour of hope) between the wider outer and narrower inner edge stands for the colour of chasteness.

The third layer consists of a circle made of eight three-dimensional flaming circles 50mm in diameter, with white middies and tips pointing outwards. These flame bundles symbolise the eightfold misery. In the middle of the flaming bundles is a finely structured edged decoration circle with a cavity holding the middle medallion.

This middle medallion 15mm in diameter makes up the fourth layer of the insignia. It has a subtle doubly structured edge in between which the LAZARUS UNION principles in Latin are arranged with a green background: "TOLERANTIA + HUMILITAS + CARITAS + MISERICORDIA." In a region of about 1cm² the Christ raising of Lazarus is depicted. This wonderful artistically engraved three-dimensional colourfully enriched illustration is the "eye-catcher" of this insignia.

All four layers are carried out convex and such are suggestive of special elegance and three-dimensionality. For all levels, corresponding miniatures are available (dimensions: cross 15mm diameter, star 22mm diameter).

Medallion

Cross

The distinction is awarded in five levels:

Multiple awards are possible!

1. Officer Cross as pectoral cross
2. Commander Cross as collar cross
3. Grand Commander Cross as pectoral cross with silver-plated star
4. Grand Cross as pectoral cross with gold-plated star
5. Grand Cross Special Level as neck cross with trophy

15.6.3.1 **Miniatures of the Lazarus-Cross**

Original picture of the miniature of the Lazarus Cross

Contribution to the Insignia Costs

We cannot (as much as we would like to) give away these insignia as gifts and so we feel impelled to levy a small contribution (which is by far not covering the full costs). As we want to prize the outstanding quality of the donations with appropriate quality of the insignia and we also have some administrative expenses we ask you to consider the amounts given below as a guide to being awarded the Lazarus Cross. The Lazarus Union does not aim to make money donating the Lazarus Cross but aims to keep the awards (almost) cost-covering, being careful not to put a strain on its own humanitarian activities.

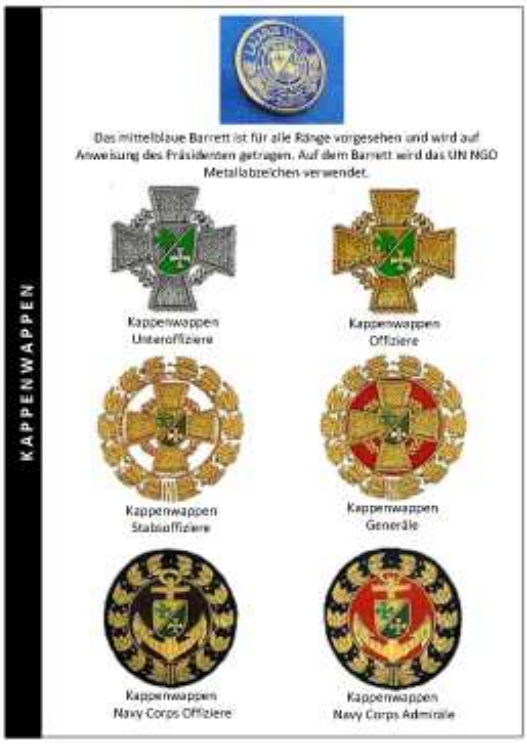
The LAZARUS UNION expects this promotion to increase in people the willingness to make donations to all goodwill organisations.

If the insignia contribution to the die LAZARUS UNION is “brought up to a round figure“ such a donation will be accepted with gratitude and used for our own projects.

16 RANKS

16.1 UP TO 31ST 12.2016

TAFEL INTERNATIONAL



New from 1st January 2017

16.1.1 CSLI Executives and General Officers

General Plenipotentiary of the Lazarus Union

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

President of the Lazarus Union

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Vice President of the Lazarus Union

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Secretary General and Treasurer of the Lazarus Union and Union Commander in Chief

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Deputy Secretary General, Deputy Treasurer of the Lazarus Union and Deputy Union Commander in Chief

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Nominated Generals and Chairman of the Advisory Board

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Lieutenant General CSLI and Vice Chairmen of the Advisory Board

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Major General CSLI, Auditors and Member of the Advisory Board

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Brigadier General CSLI and Executive Officers

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Federal Chaplain CSLI

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

No gala dress provided

16.1.2 CSLI Spiritual Officers

Chaplain of the Lazarus Union

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

No gala dress provided

Country Chaplain CSLI

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

No gala dress provided

Reverend CSLI

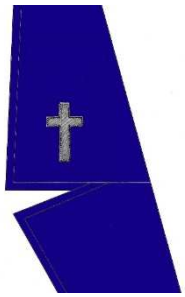
Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

No gala dress provided

Chaplain CSLI



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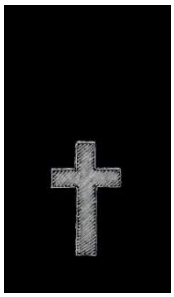

Shoulder

Mantle

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16.1.3 CSLI Delegates and Ambassadors

Special Ambassador

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Ambassador

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Emissary, Deputy Ambassador

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Delegate

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Special Representative

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Representative

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

16.1.4 CSLI Officers

Colonel CSLI and Executive Officers

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Lieutenant Colonel CSLI and Executive Officers

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Major CSLI

Collar

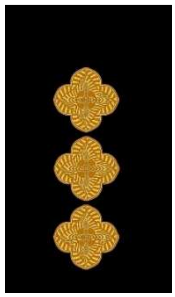
Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Captain CSLI

Collar

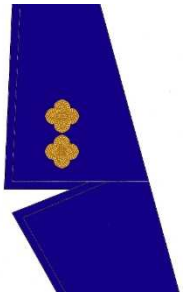


Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

1st Lieutenant CSLI



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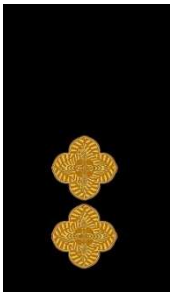


Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

2nd Lieutenant CSLI

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Ensign CSLI

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

16.1.5 CSLI Non-Commissioned Officers

1st Sergeant Major of the CSLI

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Command Sergeant Major CSLI

Collar

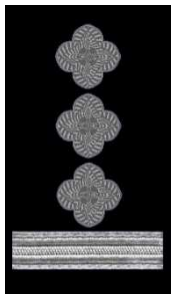
Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

1st Sergeant CSLI

Collar



Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Sergeant Major CSLI

Collar

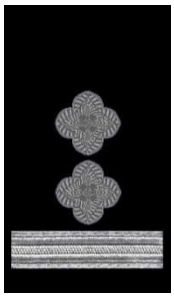
Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Master Sergeant CSLI

Collar



Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Staff Sergeant CSLI

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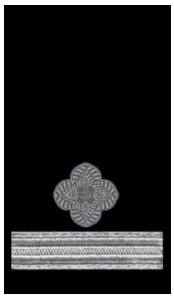
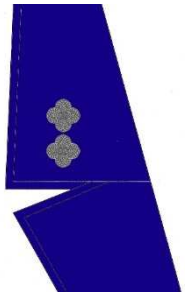


Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Corporal CSLI



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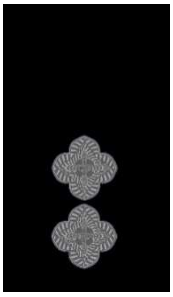
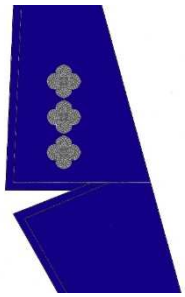


Shoulder

Mantle

No gala dress provided

Sergeant CSLI



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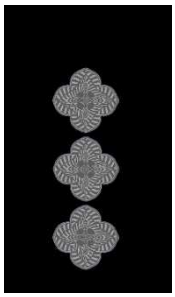
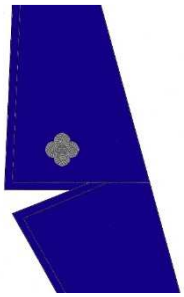


Shoulder

Mantle

No gala dress provided

Private 1st Class CSLI



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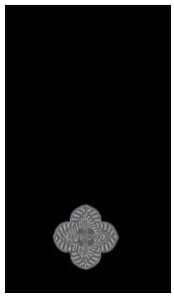

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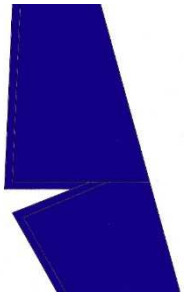
Mantle

No gala dress provided

Private CSLI



Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

No gala dress provided

16.1.6 CSLI Navy Corps

Admiral CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Vice Admiral CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Rear Admiral CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Commodore CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Senior Commander CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Captain CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Commander CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Lieutenant Commander CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

2nd Lieutenant CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

1st Lieutenant CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Ensign CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Chief Master Chief Petty Officer of the CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Force Master Chief Petty Officer CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Command Master Chief Petty Officer CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Master Chief Petty Officer CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Senior Chief Petty Officer CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Petty Officer CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

No gala dress provided

Chief Petty Officer CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Corporal CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

No gala dress provided

Seaman 1st class CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

No gala dress provided

Seaman CSLI Navy Corps

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

No gala dress provided

16.1.7 CSLI Music Corps

Brigadier General CSLI Music Corps

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala Uniform

Colonel CSLI Music Corps

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala Uniform

Lieutenant Colonel CSLI Music Corps

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala Uniform

Captain CSLI Music Corps

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala Uniform

Major CSLI Music Corps

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala Uniform

1st Lieutenant CSLI Music Corps

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala Uniform

2nd Lieutenant CSLI Music Corps

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala Uniform

Ensign CSLI Music Corps

Collar

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala Uniform

16.1.8 CSLI Air Wing

Commander in Chief CSLI Air Wing

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Air Commodore CSLI Air Wing

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Group Captain CSLI Air Wing

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Squadron Leader CSLI Air Wing

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Wing Commander CSLI Air Wing

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Flying Lieutenant CSLI Air Wing

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Flying Officer CSLI Air Wing

Sleeve

Shoulder

Mantle

Gala dress

Student Pilot CSLI Air Wing

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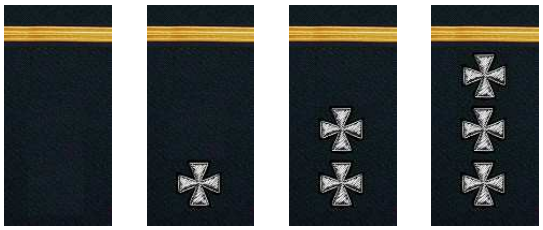
16.2 CSLI YOUTH MEMBERS

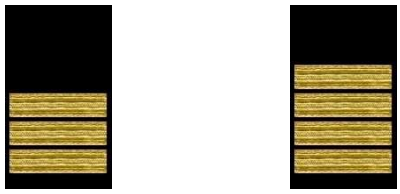
CSLI Youth Members - (only Shoulder)



10-12 Years *12-14 Years* *14-16 Years* *16-18 Years*

Up from 1.1.2017

under 10 Years | 10-12 Years | 12-14 Years



14-16 Years *16-18 Years*

16.3 THE RANK

The different ranks of the Lazarus Union do not mean that a member is superior to other "superior", but represent a visible expression of responsibility within the Union, and they are a recognition of services rendered.

We all are comrades!

17 AWARDS

17.1 MEDALS, CROSSES AND HONOUR STARS

Over and over again we honestly emphasise: The Lazarus Union asks neither for application fees nor for membership fees. The Lazarus Union neither receives any public aid or grant nor has it ever asked for such.

So, the Lazarus Union finances its various projects only based on voluntary donations and so depends on the money of the various distinctions which can be acquired by purchase and the fees for distinctions applied for.

Distinctions which cannot be applied for are in general awarded without fees but the persons awarded are free to place a donation to the Lazarus Union AFTER having been awarded.

We consider this open, honest, and transparent towards all persons receiving a distinction from the Lazarus Union because also a “donation“ for a distinction which can be acquired by purchase is in our eyes worthy of an award!

17.2 PEACE MEDAL AND PEACE CROSS

On the occasion of the first annual recurrence of the Lazarus Union receiving “Special Consultative Status“ from the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) 1. May 2014, the Lazarus Union president, Senator h.c. Wolfgang Steinhardt, donates a visual recognition for all persons and institutions actively campaigning for piece in the world, but also in daily life and have acquired merits to the LAZARUS UNION.

The awarding of this distinction is solely under the responsibility of the president of the Lazarus Union, who also defrays all costs. Therefore, this distinction will in principle be awarded WITHOUT any insignia fees or other costs for the honoured. Of course, it would be considered nice and noble if the honoured donates a sum to the Lazarus Union for its peace projects. But this is purely VOLUNTARILY!

Presentation of the award will be in the course of a solemn setting, either during Lazarus union celebrations or those of friendly organisations. From personal handover will be refrained only in severe exceptional cases. There is no legal claim on the awarding of this distinction. Also, this distinction cannot be applied for. It is awarded purely upon personal assessment and cannot be bought!!

There are seven levels of this distinction

1. Medal of Peace
2. Golden Medal of Peace
3. Cross of Peace
4. Cross of Peace with Silver Star
5. Cross of Peace with Golden Star
6. Cross of Peace with Diamond Star
7. Cross of Peace Special Level

Pictures of the original insignias:

Medal of Peace

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Golden Medal of Peace

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Cross of Peace

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Cross of Peace with Silver Star

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Cross of Peace with Gold Star

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Cross of Peace with Diamond Star

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Cross of Peace Special Level

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

17.3 NOMINATION MEDAL 2017

The Lazarus Union is nominated for the 2017 Nobel Peace Prize by a reputable full professor from one of the best European universities (among the top 60 universities in Europe and top 200 universities worldwide (out of 12,000 universities).

The nomination was forwarded to the Nobel Prize Committee on January 24th, 2017 (precisely 18:29).

Incredible but TRUE and an enormous confirmation for our way of using all our powers to encourage world peace and understanding among all men and all peoples, according to our mission statement.

With great pleasure but also in humbleness this nomination alone is surely the climax of approval for our international course so far, regardless if this price will finally be granted to us or not..

To worthily celebrate this event, we have donated the "NOMINATION MEDAL 2017" for all members and friends of the Lazarus Union (limited edition). The net profits will go the United Nations refugee agency (UNHCR). The number of medals is strictly limited. The embossing tools were destroyed and therefore there are no imprints possible! The delivery starts at April 2017.!

Avers *Revers*

17.4 SPECIAL AWARDS

NO INSIGIA FEE!

Cross of Honour of the Union Commander

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Cross of Honour of the President

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Cross of Honour of the Chapter

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Medallion

Thank Cross with Star of the board of the LAZARUS UNION

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

UN-NGO Medal of Honour of the LAZARUS UNION

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Grand Star of the LAZARUS UNION

Grand Silver Star of the LAZARUS UNION

Star of Honour

Grand Silver Star of Honour

Grand Gold Star of Honour

Grand Gold Star of Honour with sash

17.5 NEW SPECIAL AWARDS

NOTE: These Special Awards are given in any case without any insignia fees!

Honour Clips

Golden Honour Clip of the Knighthood of Honour

Silver Honour Clip of the Knighthood of Honour

Golden Honour Clip of the Executive Board

Silver Honour Clip of the Executive Board

Golden Honour Clip of the Lazarus Union

Silver Honour Clip of the Lazarus Union

Golden Honour Clip of the CSLI Air Wing

Silver Honour Clip of the CSLI Air Wing

Golden Honour Clip of the CSLI Music Corps

Silver Honour Clip of the CSLI Music Corps

Golden Honour Clip of the CSLI Navy Corps

Silver Honour Clip of the CSLI Navy Corps

Golden Honour Clip of the MK-EFM

Silver Honour Clip of the MK-EFM

Cross of Honour for Special Merits

in gold

in silver

Cross of Honour of the CSLI Air Wing

in gold

in silver

Cross of Honour of the CSLI Navy Corps

in gold

in silver

Cross of Honour for Comradeship and Humanity

in gold

in silver

17.6 DONATION CROSS OF THE LAZARUS UNION

Thanks to a special trust created by the founders of CSLI, CSLI is able to honour donations by awarding the new "CSLI Donation Cross" in three levels.

The crosses are awarded to individuals as an expression of appreciation and gratitude and as a decoration in exchange for a donation

These donations are used to finance our projects. The net profit proceeds from this initiative go 100% to humanitarian and charitable projects of the CSLI.

Pictures of the Insignia:

Donation Cross		
Insignia	*Ribbon*	*Miniature*

Donation Cross with Silver Star

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Donation Cross with Gold Star

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

17.7 NAVY CORPS OF THE LAZARUS UNION

Pictures of the Insignia:

Navy Cross on Ribbon

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Navy Cross

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Navy Cross with Silver Star

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Navy Cross with Gold Star

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

17.8 LAZARUS-CROSS OF THE UNION

More in Projects

Commanders Cross

17.9 CROSS FOR SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND ARTS

Science, research, and arts constitute are very important achievements of mankind. Without those three fields, we all would be doomed respectively lose important perspectives. By donating the "Union's Lazarus Cross for science, research and arts" the LAZARUS UNION wants to set a mark.

Awarding guidelines

Anyone who has notice of a person's scientific or artistic outstanding achievements is entitled to file an application directed to the board of management of the Lazarus Union that these persons shall be awarded.

Such application will be examined by a board and in case of a positive decision the respective level of the award will be decided on.

"Lazarus Crosses for science, research and arts" awarded this way will normally and mostly be awarded at no charges. This implies that also all insignia cost contributions will be mostly waived.

By this the donators of this award ensure that the award is not for sale and as such is a valuable and REAL honour not everybody can have as there are no commercial interests in this award.

The receiver will be informed and a ceremonial handover agreed. Again, no legal entitlement to the above-mentioned awards shall be constituted from an application. All decisions are final and not subject to legal appeal. Also, other awards (according to the respective regulations) can be selected.

By filing any application for this award these terms and conditions are accepted and agreed on.

For the LAZARUS UNION, the fact is important that this award can NOT just be purchased. One has to DO something to get it.

Description of the Insignia

This elaborate and affectionately designed insignia consists of a cross with a layered middle medallion.

The cross is a double edged slightly flattened Maltese cross with eight points, separated in the middle, with a 60mm diameter and a 15mm golden circle in the centre.

At the eight tips are eight golden hemispheres. The white framing of the green cross (green as the colour of hope) between the wider outer and narrower inner edge is kept in green.

The middle medallion 15mm in diameter fits in with the middle circle of the cross. It has a subtle doubly structured edge in between which the LAZARUS UNION principles in Latin are arranged with a green background: "TOLERANTIA + HUMILITAS + CARITAS + MISERICORDIA." In a region of about 1cm² the Christ raising of Lazarus is depicted. This wonderful artistically engraved three-dimensional colourfully enriched illustration is the "eye-catcher" of this insignia.

The cross and the middle medallion are carried out convex and such are suggestive of special elegance and three-dimensionality.

The distinction is awarded in four levels:

1. Officer Cross as pectoral cross
2. Commander Cross as collar cross
3. Grand Cross as pectoral cross with star
4. Grand Golden Cross of Honour

The pectoral crosses are worn on the left side

Pictures of the Insignia:

Officer Cross

Grand Cross

Grand Golden Cross of Honour

Commanders Cross

Grand Golden Cross of Honour (version for woman)

17.10 CSLI MEDAL OF HUMANITY

The founders of the CSLI endowed the CSLI Medal of Humanity on the occasion of the founding of the CSLI in three classes. This award has been renewed 2015 in two classes with a new design.

The 40mm broad, red and blue split ribbon holds four golden stripes of 2mm breadth each as a symbol of the principles of the CSLI: tolerance, humbleness, mercy and grace of charity. The red part of the ribbon symbolizes the “battle” to live and act according to the principles of the CSLI, the blue part stands for the sky, awaiting you as a reward for your humanitarian deeds.

This medal shall be awarded to persons who have acquired particular merits in humanitarian work and duty. In case of the Special Class of the CSLI Medal of Humanity the merits should not only be outstanding but also be acquired over a longer period of time, possibly in a leading position.

Pictures from the original awards:

Medal of Humanity

Insignia avers

Insignia revers

Ribbon

Miniature

Medal of Humanity in Gold

Insignia avers

Insignia revers

Ribbon

Miniature

17.11 LAZARUS MEDAL

These are LAZARUS UNION awards especially for persons who cannot use Christian symbols (cross) or do not want to do so, something which the LAZARUS UNION wants to respect. They can of course also be awarded to all other persons as well.

Awarding guidelines

As already stated this distinction will support the financing of our "3rd Hospitaller Symposium 2015" held in Vienna Sept 3rd to 6th, 2015. As we NEVER use donated funds for such events this perfectly wrought three-dimensional medal serves to provide the basic funding of the symposium.

EVERYONE can purchase the die Lazarus Medal in silver (nickel plated) or in gold (gold plated). For EVERY medal, a numbered named decree will be issued. The edition of these medals is LIMITED (300 pieces in gold and 200 in silver)! On the verso the reason for the issue is stated ("Third Hospitaller Symposium Vienna, 3rd to 6th September 2015").

The Lazarus Medal with Honour Clip can NOT be purchased. This distinction will only be awarded to persons who have earned merits for realisation, arrangement, organisation, participation, and realisation of this symposium. This distinction will be awarded AT NO CHARGE and is also limited to 50 medals. t!

The Three Levels of the Award

1. Lazarus Medal in Silver
2. Lazarus Medal in Gold
3. Lazarus Medal with Honour Clip

Pictures of the insignia:

Lazarus Medal in Silver

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Lazarus Medal in in Gold

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Lazarus Medal with Honour Clip

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

17.12 UN-NGO MEDAL FOR DELEGATES

This medal will be given to official UN-delegates of the Lazarus Union, in official mission and with official "UN-Ground Pass" of the United Nations.

Pictures of the insignia:

UN-NGO Medal for delegates with Honour Clip

Insignia *Ribbon*

17.13 FOUNDATION CROSS OF THE LAZARUS UNION

The crosses are awarded to individuals as an expression of appreciation and gratitude and as a decoration in exchange for a donation.

These donations are used to finance our projects. The net profit proceeds from this initiative go 100% to humanitarian and charitable projects of the CSLI.

Picture of the Insignia:

Foundation Cross in Silver

insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Foundation Cross in Gold

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Officers Cross of the Foundation Cross

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Commanders Cross of the Foundation Cross

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Grand Commanders Cross of the Foundation Cross

insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Grand Cross of the Foundation Cross

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

17.14 FLAME OF MERCY

These are LAZARUS UNION awards especially for persons who cannot use Christian symbols (cross) or do not want to do so, something which the LAZARUS UNION wants to respect. They can of course also be awarded to all other persons as well

Awarding Requirements "Flame of Mercy"

To honour and decorate persons having earned merits on humanitarian, charitable, or community fields and due to the fact that the LAZARUS UNION awards merit distinctions only very selectively, the LAZARUS UNION has donated the award "FLAME OF MERCY" in four levels.

Persons awarded need not necessarily be members of the LAZARUS UNION. The awarded level considers duration, intensity, and effects as well as the social standing of the decorated person. But not only "spectacular" merits shall be recognised, also "simple" merits shall be honoured. Multiple awards are possible.

Every person and therefore also non-members of the LAZARUS UNION do have the right to nominate another person for awarding a level of the "FLAME OF MERCY" with the LAZARUS UNION Board of Management. Nominations for oneself are not permissible. The corresponding form can be accessed via the download section or via this LINK. The form of merit has to be described as exactly as possible and (whenever appropriate) confirmed by a witness and signed personally. The board of management reserves the right to decline a nomination without further explanation and also to lower or raise the suggested level of the insignia. All decisions are final and not subject to legal appeal. The LAZARUS UNION president then awards the distinction via a decree.

The four levels of the award

1. Officer's Star
2. Commander's Star
3. Grand Commander's Star
4. Grand Star

Pictures of the insignias:

Officer's Star

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Commander's Star

See below

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Grand Commander‘s Star

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Grand Star

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

17.15 CSLI CROSS OF MERIT

Excerpt from the public procurement directives

The CSLI has founded these decorations of merit and honour for exceptional service highly above the level of expectations, which may be granted to each member for outstanding humanitarian, charitable and human services. The current chairman represents the foundation of these decorations of merit outwards.

The awards are mostly granted to CSLI members, however also to non-members by decision of the executive committee, if the respective person has worked for the goals of the CSLI in humanitarian, charitable and human matters.

Each CSLI member has the right to request the award(s) for another person; the request has to be made in writing to the Secretary General or a member of the executive committee. The request must include a justification (of merit, etc.) and will be decided upon receipt by the executive committee. The setting of each stage is decided by the executive committee. The request may be rejected without justification. There is no legal entitlement. The costs for production and p&p of the insignia have to be taken over by the applicant. The insignia will become the possession of the person granted the award. (Application forms can be found in the download area.)

The CSLI has the right to cancel the granting of the award in case of dishonourable behaviour; in this case, the award has to be returned to the CSLI. You automatically accept this rule upon adoption of the award.

Pictures of the insignia:

Cross of Merit 1st Class

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Knight's Cross of the Cross of Merit

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Officers Cross of the Cross of Merit

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Commander of the Cross of Merit

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Grand Commander of the Cross of Merit

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Grand Cross of the Cross of Merit

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Special Level Grand Cross of the Cross of Merit

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Neck cross

17.16 CSLI CROSS OF HONOUR

To honour and reward persons who are actively working for humanitarian, charitable and non-profit values territory, and since the CSLI Cross of Merit is awarded very restrictively, the Union Command of the has founded the CSLI Cross of Honour in seven stages.

The honoured persons do not have to be CSLI members necessarily. As merit awards and appreciation taken into account. Multiple awards are possible. Or deciding the level awarded, the length, intensity and impact of the activities and the social position of the honoured person have to be considered and assessed. However, there should not only “spectacular” achievements become honoured, but also “simple”.

Each person and therefore also non-members of the CSLI has the right to bring forward a request in writing to the Secretary General of the CSLI for a third person to award a CSLI Cross of Honour. Submissions for oneself are not permitted. The application form can be found in the download area. On this form, the kind of merit must be described as accurately as possible by

the submitter and if possible by a witness and must be signed personally. However, the Bureau of the CSLI has the right to reject requests without further justification or to correct the level of the decoration in both directions. There is no possibility for appeals. The ceremony takes place by the Chairman of the CSLI and via written decree.

Pictures of the insignia:

Cross of Honour

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Knight's Cross of the Cross of Honour

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Officers Cross of the Cross of Honour

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Commander of the Cross of Honour

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Grand Commander of the Cross of Honour

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Grand Cross of the Cross of Honour

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Special Level Grand Cross

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Neck Cross *Sash*

17.17 CSLI MISSION CROSS

Directives:

These awards are for all done CSLI missions around the world, starting at 1. January 2013 and are for CSLI members and CSLI helpers (=non CSLI members) from outside too!

To make work within the framework more attractive to CSLI active members and also helpers from outside for CSLI (but also for other missions outside the CSLI in certain cases) activities, the executive committee has founded the CSLI Mission Cross in six levels (bronze, silver, gold). As the potential of the CSLI is not limited on or restricted to disaster operations, one mission period is set to ten hours of work. (For example, the Mission Cross 1st class requires a total of 150 hours of work to be done. One Mission = 10 hours work for the CSLI)

To acquire one of the Mission Crosses, the following number of missions has to be completed:

Mission Cross	5 Missions
Mission Cross 1st class	15 Missions
Officer Mission Cross in Gold	30 Missions
Commander Mission Cross in Bronze	50 Missions
Grand Commander Mission Cross	75 Missions
Grand Cross of the Mission Cross	100 Missions

Every active member of the CSLI and also non CSLI members from outside have the right to submit an application for himself to obtain the Mission Cross. Application forms can be found in the download area. On this form, the duration and type of services has to be listed according to the submitter's records and has to be signed by the respective leader. The ceremony takes place by the Chairman of the CSLI and via written decree.

Pictures of the insignia:

Mission Cross

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Mission Cross 1st class

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Officer Mission Cross in Gold

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Commander Mission Cross in Bronze

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Grand Commander Mission Cross

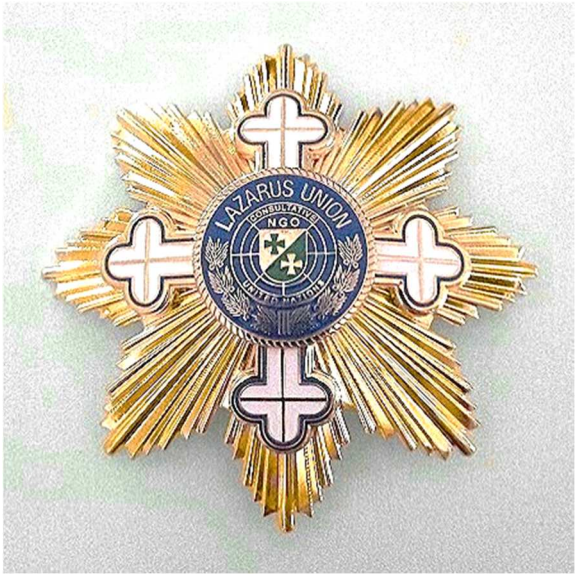
Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Grand Cross of the Mission Cross

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

17.18 UN-NGO REMEMBRANCE CROSS

The LAZARUS UNION as a registered and accredited NGO, profile code 632158, is proud to now announce officially that the LAZARUS UNION has been awarded "SPECIAL CONSULTATIVE STATUS" with the United Nations ECOSOC (Economic and Social Council). A big honour and distinction for the LAZARUS UNION but also for all the members who have made this success possible.



Having been awarded with special consultative status is not only a new challenge for the LAZARUS UNION to internationally prove itself but also is a RESPONSIBILITY to support and back up the goals and the spirit of the UNITED NATIONS to the best of our abilities.

The LAZARUS UNION statutes read:

"…the LAZARUS UNION stands for international understanding and peace on earth. It advocates human and children's rights as well as justice and equal rights and feels obligated to the values of the United Nations…"

The LAZARUS UNION wants to prove this in word and deed. Therefore, on this occasion of being awarded with special consultative status in May 2014 the LAZARUS UNION has donated the "UN-NGO Cross of Remembrance". The net profit goes to the UNHCR of the UNITED NATIONS.

This award is available in four Levels

- Remembrance Cross
- Officer´s Cross
- Grand Commanders´s Cross
- Grand Cross

Who will be awarded:

Remembrance Cross

This insignia will be awarded to ALL persons and members of the LAZARUS UNION, who support this project with a donation of EUR 32.-

Officer´s Cross

This insignia will be awarded to ALL persons and members of the LAZARUS UNION till to the rank of Captain CSLI, who support this project with a donation of EUR 40.-

Grand Commanders´s Cross

This insignia will be awarded only to members of the LAZARUS UNION up from the rank of Major CSLI onwards and functionaries, who support this project with a donation of EUR 50.-.

Grand Cross

This insignia will be only awarded to members of the LAZARUS UNION up from the rank of Brigadier General CSLI, board and executive members, who support this project with a donation of EUR 60.

Pictures of the Insignias:

Remembrance Cross

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Officer´s Cross

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Grand Commander's Cross

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Grand Cross

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

17.19 MEMBER´S MEDAL

The founders of the CSLI endowed the CSLI Members' medal on the occasion of the founding of the CSLI as a visible and portable sign of membership. The medal may also be worn as an expression of sympathy for the CSLI (in case of non-members we have this medal as "MEDAL OF FIRENDSHIP"). This NEW very detailed and lovingly designed medal (diameter 40mm) shows the new UN-NGO logo of the LAZARUS UNION. The back of the medal is blank. The medal is also available as a miniature.

Pictures of the insignia:

CSLI Members' Medal in Bronze

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

CSLI Members' Medal in Silver

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

CSLI Members' Medal in Gold

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

17.20 FRIENDSHIPMEDAL

The "MEDAL of FRIENDSHIP" (for non CSLI members) will be wear with a purple ribbon.

Picture of the Insignia:

Medal of Friendship in Bronze

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Medal of Friendship in Silver

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Medal of Friendship in Gold

Insignia *Ribbon* *Miniature*

Cross of Honour

17.21 DUTY AWARDS FOR THE HONOUR GUARD ONLY

Pictures of the insignia:

Duty awards for the Honour Guard

Silver *Gold* *Spezial*

17.22 HOW TO WEAR AWARDS

Miniatures

Miniatures will be worn on a chain or miniature medal bar. An individual miniature can be worn in the lapel buttonhole.

Breast Order
Full size medals

Füll size medals are always worn on the left chest. The order of wear depends on national traditions.

Neck Decorations

Neck decorations will only be worn with a tie. The neck decoration should be directly under the knot when wearing uniform or evening dress. In some traditions, several neck crosses can be worn

Order stars

Four Stars, at most, can be worn. They are worn on the left chest, under the miniatures or full-size medals.
(Breast stars are only worn when in uniform or evening dress))

Grand Cross

Only one Grand Cross can be worn at a time. The ribbon of the Grand Cross is worn from the right shoulder across the left chest to the left hip. The Grand Cross is always ranked first.
(A Grand Cross is only worn when in uniform or evening dress.)

17.23 AWARDING POLICY

Repeatedly we honestly emphasise: The Lazarus Union asks neither for application fees nor for membership fees. The Lazarus Union neither receives any public aid or grant nor has it ever asked for such.

So, the Lazarus Union finances its various projects only based on voluntary donations and so depends on the money of the various distinctions which can be acquired by purchase and the fees for distinctions applied for.

Distinctions which cannot be applied for are in general awarded without fees but the persons awarded are free to place a donation to the Lazarus Union AFTER having been awarded.

We consider this open, honest, and transparent towards all persons receiving a distinction from the Lazarus Union because also a “donation“ for a distinction which can be acquired by purchase is in our eyes worthy of an award!!

Our “awarding policy“ provides THREE kinds of distinctions awarded by the Lazarus Union.

A. **Distinctions as a “Thank You“ and as a “donation receipt“** (These are, if one wants to say so, distinctions which can be “acquired by purchase“. Their purpose is to help financing our projects.):

- Foundation cross
- Donation cross
- Lazarus Medals in “Silver“ and “Gold“ (The Lazarus Special Medal can only be awarded!)
- Member Medal in “Bronze“ (Medals in “Silver“ and “Gold“ can only be awarded upon application and for a fee, depending on how long one is already a member)
- Friendship Medal in „Bronze“ (Medals in “Silver“ and “Gold“ will be awarded without fee)
- UN-NGO Remembrance cross (For the benefit of the UNHCR)

B. Distinctions that can be applied for and which original insignias usually are awarded for an insignia fee:

- Merit awards
- Honour crosses
- Service medals
- Naval crosses
- The Union‘s Lazarus Cross for science, research and arts
- Lazarus Cross of the Union
- CSLI Medal of Humanity
- Flame of Mercy

C. Distinctions which will only be awarded but cannot be applied for:

- UN NGO Medal for UN Delegates
- Various Special Awards
- Peace Cross of the President
- Honour Stars of the Lazarus Union
- Grand Stars of the Lazarus Union

18 PUBLICATIONS OF THE LAZARUS UNION

18.1 THE SAINT LAZARUS MAGAZINES

„Saint Lazarus Magazine“ is the free association newspaper of the LAZARUS UNION (Union Corps Saint Lazarus International) CSLI which members, friends and sponsors of the association inform every six months about news from the association.

„Saint Lazarus Magazine“ of the LAZARUS UNION is a good possibility achieve several advantages in one fell swoop: on the one hand, it serves the communication within the association (what is important particularly at a worldwide organisation like the union), on the other hand it can draw the attention of new interested persons and with it maybe future members to the goals of the LAZARUS UNION.

In January 2017, the 15th issue of „Saint Lazarus Magazine has already appeared“ to the LAZARUS UNION. The association newspaper can be also read online:

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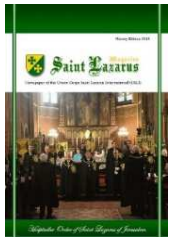

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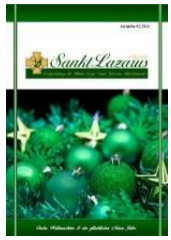

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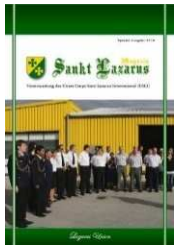

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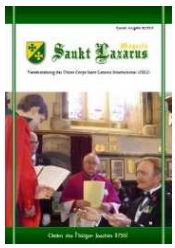

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18.2 CSLI LAZARUS UNION FOLDER

18.2.1 Folder of the LAZARUS UNION, CSLI

CSLI Gründungskreuz

Aufgrund einer Stiftung der seinerzeitigen Gründer der Lazarus Union, verleiht die Lazarus Union gegen festgelegte Spenden das „CSLI Gründungskreuz" (CSLI Foundation Cross) in sechs verschiedenen Verleihungsstufen.

Diese Auszeichnungen werden an alle Personen und Institutionen als sichtbarer Dank für die Unterstützung der Lazarus Union verliehen und sind die Basis der Finanzierung unserer verschiedenen Projekte und Vorhaben. Der Reingewinn dieser „CSLI Gründungskreuze" kommt zu 100% den humanitären und karitativen Projekten der Lazarus Union zugute. Bei der Lazarus Union gibt es weder Einschreibegebühren noch Mitgliedsbeiträge und sie ist daher auf die Erlöse dieses Projektes angewiesen.

Weitere Informationen finden Sie auf unserer Homepage unter:

www.lazarus-union.org
„CSLI Foundation Cross"

Für alle Förderer und Gönner, welche die Lazarus Union mit einer Spende unterstützen wollen, hier unser Spendenkonto:

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Vielleicht helfen wir eines Tages Ihnen? Danke!

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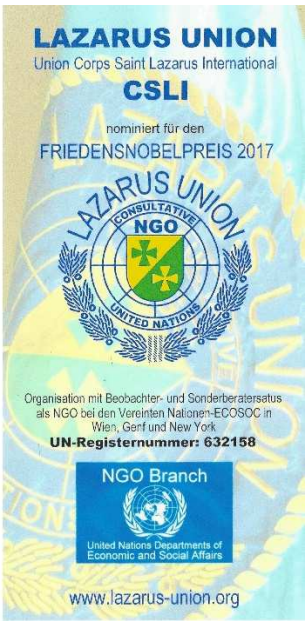

18.2.2 Folder of the Music Corps LAZARUS UNION

Alle Formationen können ab sofort DIREKT bei Kapellmeister Friedrich Lentner gebucht werden. 50% des Reingewinns solcher gebuchten Auftritte fließen in die karitativen Projekte der Lazarus Union. Natürlich können diese Auftritte auch in unserer weißen Galauniform erfolgen.

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MUSIKKORPS der LAZARUS UNION

Das MUSIKKORPS der LAZARUS UNION wurde im Jahre 2012 von Friedrich Lentner ins Leben gerufen. Die Musikformation kann sehr individuell an die jeweiligen Auftritte angepasst werden. So ist eine Formation von einem Bläserquartett bzw. Bläserquintett bis hin zum 50 Mann starken Blasorchester möglich. Gespielt wird fast jede Stilrichtung, wobei aber vor allem die Wiener Musik und Traditionsmärsche im Vordergrund stehen. Bei Aufmärschen wird dieser Klangkörper durch eigene Marketenderinnen und einem Fahnenträger ergänzt. Seit März 2013 Vollmitglied im Wiener Blasmusikverband.

ENSEMBLES der LAZARUS UNION

Für Investituren , diverse Feiern oder Repräsentationsauftritte im kleineren Rahmen, stehen unsere verschiedenen Ensembles zur Verfügung.

BIG BAND der LAZARUS UNION

Die BIG BAND der LAZARUS UNION geht in der Grundformation aus der schon bestehenden Vienna-Skyline-Bigband unseres Musikbeauftragten Friedrich Lentner hervor. Mit dieser Band haben wir die Möglichkeit den großartigen Musikern der Big Band Ära unseren Tribut zu zollen.

Die Musik von Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Harry James, Tommy Dorsey, Benny Goodman, Woody Herman, Glenn Miller, die Stimmen von Frank Sinatra, Ella Fitzgerald, Billy Holiday um nur einige wenige zu nennen wie auch die vielen weltberühmten Instrumentalsolisten verzaubern uns heute in gleicher Weise wie die Menschen damals.

Die Bigband wurde schon im Jahr 2002 von Friedrich Lentner gegründet. Viele der Musiker, die er um sich gruppierte, sind Berufsmusiker und spielten zuvor bereits mehrere Jahre in diversen anderen Bigbands, vorwiegend im Raum Wien und Umgebung.

Die Auftrittsmöglichkeiten der Band sind sehr breit gefächert. Vom Geburtstagsständchen über Bigbandfrühschoppen und Konzerte bis zu großen Ballveranstaltungen und Firmenfeiern. Auch die Besetzung ist sehr variabel. Von 9 Musikern bis zur großen Bigband mit 20 Musikern ist möglich.

Wir haben natürlich auch Sänger im Orchester! Zum Beispiel unser Sänger W. "Frankie" Warner, der sich mit Herz und Seele der Interpretation von Frank Sinatras Musik verschrieben. Deshalb haben wir eine über zweistündige Frank - Sinatra - Show in unser Programm aufgenommen, in der wir unserem Publikum die größten Hits dieses unvergesslichen Sängers und Entertainers in Originalarrangements präsentieren können. Mit dieser Show feierte die Band schon zahlreiche Erfolge bei Auftritten in ganz Österreich und Deutschland.

19 HOW IS THE LAZARUS UNION FINANCED?

19.1 INSIGNIA FEES

The Lazarus Union would be happy, if we must not collect insignia fees and we are sorry, that it is not possible to give away the insignias free of charge. In any case, we try to have the insignia fees as cheap as possible.

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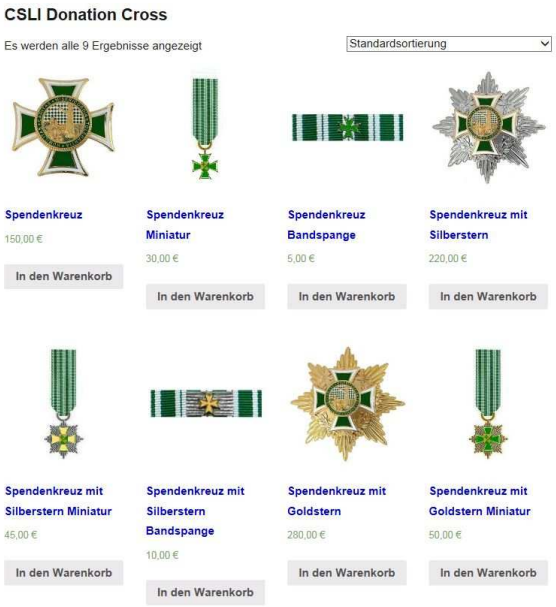
19.2 WEBSHOP

Who would like to make a donation, today mustn't wait for students with clamp board and in the Wind-breaker of a relief organisation waylay for him as a donation recovered in the pedestrian zone. Today donations functions almost like shopping - and this changes the work of relief organisations. With mod-ern web shops, increased transparency and marketing the application has modernised itself for the good things.

Efficiency and transparency please!

Charity organisations are facing the problem that just they, who collect money, to hand over it destitute must justify particularly for their activities and their finance behaviour. Today the claims to the transparency of relief organisations are mostly bigger than the claims to the transparency or the responsible action of enterprise. The good thing must be good damn to be perceived also so. And organisations who aren't profit-oriented seem to quite a lot of equally suspicious.



The most important motives if it is a matter of deciding whether is donated to something or not are, according to Fundraising association of Austria, the security that donations are well received, the likeable appearance of a donation-collecting organisation and the solidarity with people in need.

Relief organisations seek different ways to provide the demanded transparency and to attach the donations to quite specifically measurable success. The NGOs have to do this constantly anew, because what is perceived as trustworthy, likeable and united, changes.

Is the product form of donations necessary today to correspond to the consumption habits? As a rule, it makes it easier for people to understand what an organisation with their donation caused if a donation is connected to a concrete project.“ However, there are with the purpose dedication transparency of donations also borders: „We would like to sensitise the donators also the fact, that we also need general donations - without specified purpose - for our work.

Financial means without concrete connection are also important, therefore to be able to react also to not predictable need.

Easier for members

For a sensible and unproblematic shopping, the LAZARUS UNION pursues a web shop. In it are to be found objects which not only give pleasure to members and friends of the LAZARUS UNION, but also support projects of the union.

Beside products like badge and honouring’s the web shop offers as well as uniform adornments, for ex-ample caps, emblems or rank badges.

19.3 SPENDENKONTO

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20 GLOSSARY

20.1 Explanation of Terms

Advisory board	*is a body that provides non-binding strategic advice to the management of a corporation, organization, or foundation. The informal nature of an advisory board gives greater flexibility in structure and management compared to the Executive Board.*
Air Wing	*Within the CSLI this idea was born as an addition to the many other dedicated helpers when more and more pilots joined the CSLI. Because of the experience gained from past natural disasters, when helicopters were used in case of emergency, the idea was born to build a "CSLI Air Wing" and to integrate it into the CSLI. This idea was obviously kind of a "niche" within the usual relief organizations.*
Basic Declaration	*The CSLI is open to all people, no matter the ethnic affiliation, religion, social status, sex, age and whatever membership to associations, societies and Orders, as long as these accept and follow the principles of ecumenical, humanitarian, brotherly love according to St. Lazarus. The CSLI regards itself as an international welfare organization for all groups of the Order of Lazarus and will cooperate in friendship with all these groups on an international basis if desired. The CSLI commits itself to reconciliation, tolerance and brotherly love.*
Chain of Command	*is the line of authority and responsibility along which orders are passed within a unit and between different units. The concept of chain of command also implies that higher rank alone does not entitle a higher-ranking service member to give commands to anyone of lower rank.*
Chapter	*The Chapter of Knighthood of Honour ---commonly called the Chapter --was set up to assist the Grand Master with the administration of the orders. The use of the ecclesiastical-sounding word ¨Chapter¨ in this context is a reminder of the "historical*

	roots" in medieval orders of knighthood.
Chivalry	*or the chivalric code, is an informal, varying code of conduct developed between 1170 and 1220, never decided on or summarized in a single document, associated with the medieval institution of knighthood. The ideals of chivalry were popularized in medieval literature, especially the Matter of Britain and Matter of France, the former based on Geoffrey of Monmouth's Historia Regum Britanniae which introduced the legend of King Arthur, written in the 1130s.*
Code of honour	*is a set of rules or ethical principles governing a community based on ideals that define what constitutes honourable behaviour within that community. The use of an honour code depends on the notion that people (at least within the community) can be trusted to act honourably. Those who are in violation of the honour code can be subject to various sanctions, including expulsion from the institution*
Decoration	*is an award, usually a medal of some sort that consists of a ribbon and medallion given to an individual as a distinctively designed mark of honor denoting heroism, or meritorious or outstanding service or achievement.*
ECOSOC	*is one of the six principal organs of the United Nations, responsible for coordinating the economic, social, and related work of 15 UN specialised agencies, their functional commissions and five regional commissions.*
Grand cross	*Grand Cross is the highest grade in many orders of knighthood. Sometimes the holders of the highest grade are referred to "commander's grand cross", "knights grand cross" or just "grand crosses"; in other cases the actual insignia itself is called "the grand cross".*
Grand Master	*the head of a military order of knighthood, a lodge, fraternal order, or the like.*
Grand Protector	*is the senior-most of the positions of the Knighthood of Honour. The respective secretary general of the United Nations is recognised automatically and in general as a general protector of the Lazarus Union and is accepted.*
Group member	*Being a member of the Lazarus Union gives organizations access to the latest information and developments, and enables them to participate in the Lazarus Unions highly influential Forums and Work Groups. Group members can Influence outcomes, grow professionally, and enhance their credibility, receive training.*
Guard of Honour	*The main task of the Honour Guard is the proper representation of the insignia of the association. These include specially adopted flags, banners and decorations such as the bugle. In order to fulfil this task properly the members undergo training, especially in the area of formal drill.*
Insignia Fees	*The Lazarus Union asks neither for application fees nor for membership fees. The Lazarus Union neither receives any public aid or grant nor has it ever asked for such. Distinctions which cannot be applied for are in general awarded without fees but the persons awarded are free to place a donation to the Lazarus Union AFTER having been awarded.*
Insignie	*These are signs and symbols, shown by badge, clothes and honourings as an expression of rank and dignity within an order. It should make the position or the office of her bearer to the outside visible. According to rank different insignia are carried, after the order class pattern usual with most order of the French* Legion of Honour.
Investiture	*Investitur (*lat. Vestire "dress"*) act of presenting with a title or with the robes and insignia of an office or rank or the ceremony of the formal admission of member in an order with concurrent*

	lending of insignia and use of symbols within the scope of a ceremonious service and in the presence of the chapter and all order members.
Knight/Dame Expectant	*All persons wanting to apply for the Lazarus Union Knighthood of Honour will have to find themselves a mentor ("godparent") among the existing dames/knights of honour. The candidate, if then accepted, will have to prove himself/herself by actively partaking in our community during an observation period as a "Knight Expectant"resp. "Dame Expectant".*
Leadership Academy	*To standardise the internal instruction for staff officers the "LAZARUS UNION Leadership Academy" was founded. Our biggest group member, the CSLI Brazil, with its "Academia São Lázaro de Estudos Cavalheirescos e Humanitários (ASLECH)" is an accredited full member of UNAI (United Nation Academic Impact) and we have therefore agreed that our leadership academy within the LAZARUS UNION acts here in Austria as a branch. While the Leadership Academy is an independent unit, but under the umbrella of the CSLI Brazil respective of its ASLECH.*
Main Command	*are the four specific instances of the Lazarus Union, divided to maximize efficiency:* *Operating Staff Division, Special Force Division, International Operations and International Groups*
Marshal	*A person responsible for the preparation, organisation and expiry of festivities, in particular festival services and Investitures.*
Mission Statement	*We are an independent and private charitable organization in accordance to the ideals and the spirit of St. Lazarus. We are connected by the task to bring back joy into other peoples' lives, to provide disaster relief, furthermore to care for and provide help to disabled people and the homeless.*
	We work voluntarily and our members include volunteers from all age groups, professions and social backgrounds
Navy Corps	*is the naval part of the LAZARUS Union, connecting all members with connection to the sea.*
NGO	*is a non-profit organization that is independent of governments and international governmental organizations. They are usually funded by donations but some avoid formal funding altogether and are run primarily by volunteers.*
Officers Pledge	*It is not possible for every officer to publicly make this pledge. By accepting his commission, the CSLI officer is bound to this pledge. It is considered to be accepted when not objected to at latest four weeks after the date shown on the officer's decree.*
Patrozinium	*The feast of the patron saint or title of a church, school, religious order, or other organization. Patron saints may be chosen for a variety of reasons.* *The feast of a church's patron or title may be observed on or transferred to a Sunday, taking precedence over the usual Sunday observance in the calendar of the church year.*
Postulant	*A person who is suggested for the admission in an order as a candidate.*
Prior	*A prior (in Latin prior = of the Erstere, the superior) is the director and the uppermost holder of an office in an order. He is the head of the order. The prior represents the order according to the statute of the order or the state and church laws. The prior is chosen by the general convention, consisting of well-arranged members eligible to vote of the order, for a period of five years in each case.*
Priory	*The Priory is the central totality of all counties and districts of an order.*

Projects	*Specific task like: Air Days of the Lazarus Union, The Lazarus Cross of the Union, projects of he the "Sword of Freedom" Special Corps of the Lazarus Union, UN-NGO Remembrance Cross, CSLI Foundation Cross, help for homeless*
Ribbon	*A service ribbon, medal ribbon, or ribbon bar is a small ribbon, mounted on a small metal bar equipped with an attaching device, which is generally issued for wear in place of a medal when it is not appropriate to wear the actual medal.*
Self-portrayal	*The LAZARUS UNION has roots dating back to 1973 and developed (with a few detours) into today 's form in 2010. With currently more than 20.000 members in more than 90 countries (Status June 2016) on all continents the LAZARUS UNION is at the moment the largest of all "Lazarus-Formations" worldwide.* *According to its possibilities the LAZARUS UNION is a world-wide operating charity organisation supporting all who are in need of help, friendship, comfort, or care.*
Special consultative status	*Organisations that have a special competence in, and are concerned specifically with, only a few of the fields of activity covered by ECOSOC and its subsidiary bodies, and that are known within the fields for which they have or seek consultative status shall be known as organizations in special consultative status.*
Special forces	*are units trained to conduct special operations: Depending on the country, special forces may perform some of the following functions: community health promotion and education, emerging health crises, community social problems, women's Issues, …*
Sword of Freedom Corps	*is a registered, humanitarian, international peace and relief organization inside and a full part of the LAZARUS UNION (NGO). In more than 120 countries it supervises, maintains and supports various national and international aid projects. Its purpose is to promote and support needy, sick, disabled and elderly people. Individual sections are active worldwide through financial, material and personal assistance where necessary in cases of poverty, misery and disaster*
Uniform guidelines	*The CSLI is a uniformed assistance organisation. The Dress Code applies during internal or public events for all members wearing a uniform.* *It shall help the members to understand the various uniform parts and to improve the public image of the Lazarus Union*
WebShop	*Because of Austrian financial laws (obligation to use electronic cash register for cash business) we are forced resp. bound to giving out our items only after the money has been transferred to our bank account. These items can be purchased by everybody. Purchasing the item does not automatically entitle the owner to wear the item in public without permission and a decree.*

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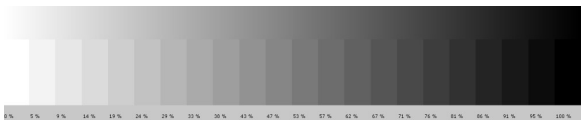
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