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## At Germanfest, we'll keep doing our best to improve the festival

Thank you, O. M. Ramsey. Your recent letter to the editor thanking the Germanfest committee for its improvements at our recent festival, regarding our handicapped and disabled guests, is much appreciated.

Each year, as a committee, we review the fest and see how it can be improved. As secretary, I will read your letter into the next meeting's minutes. Your comments are valid and, as you say, "fine tuning" can only improve our festival. We want all our guests to enjoy. Germanfest ist Wunderbar.

*Richard E. Bokern, secretary  
Germanfest committee*

## Many seniors are compelled to scrimp on prescriptions

William Larsen, whose letter to the editor appeared in the July 30 News-Sentinel, was adamant about the government not changing Social Security benefits to include prescription medication for senior citizens.

I am a senior citizen and fortunate to have

worked for an insurance company which co-pays all my prescriptions. However, there are many senior citizens who don't have any prescription insurance. Some pay hundreds of dollars each month. Some even skip some medications because they can't afford to pay for them.

Like other programs that have limitations on medical coverage, this provision should also have limitations to qualify. I wouldn't qualify, and this leaves money for those who do.

How terrible it must be for those who have to skimp on other necessities in order to pay for prescriptions. Put yourself in their place and think about it. Some help is definitely needed for some recipients. Does the government "owe the people something"? I think so. We seniors have worked all our working years, contributing to this program for the older citizens of our era. Now it's pay-back time for those who qualify.

*Betty Webster*

## Calling Arby's and its hat: Won't you please come downtown?

I recently went downtown with my mother looking for a quick bite to eat. I knew several restaurants had moved due to the expansion of the Grand Wayne Center. But I was sorely disappointed to realize there was no relocation of my favorite place to grab some chow.

Arby's is as much an American institution as any of the other fast-food establishments. It happens to be the only place one can dip into a soothing jamocha milk shake, made as only Arby's can. Think of the hungry tummies craving roast beef and spicy curly fries. We must also consider members of the adolescent generation, who are certainly crying out, asking, "Mommy, where's the cowboy hat?"

*Kari Fanger*