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MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

SEPTEMBER 26, 1976

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I'VE NEVER BEEN TO AN OKTOBERFEST,

BUT I KNEW MILWAUKEE

WAS THE PLACE TO COME.

THIS CITY REALLY IS

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AND I'VE BEEN HERE MANY, MANY TIMES.

THE LAST TIME I WAS UP HERE

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I HAD SOME WONDERFUL SAUSAGE FROM USINGER'S.

I LOVE GERMAN FOOD

FROM PIGS KNUCKLES TO SOURKRAUT,

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Mrs. Ford,

The Oktoberfest in Milwaukee's Old Heidelburg

Park is sponsored by the United German Society. This

group is composed of five Bavarian associations in the

city. The Park is located in Glendale, a Northern suburb

of Milwaukee. Sunday is the final night of the festival,

which has been on three successive weekends. The party

runs from 1 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Patti describes it as

"a big drunk" with lots of food and beer and singers,

yodelers and dancers.

Oktoberfests began in 1810 to honor the German royal family, and they have continued through the years as harvest festivals. They began in Bavaria, southern Germany.

Your host will be George Enders, president of the United German Society.

The remarks have to be strictly non-political.

Kaye

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This is such a great, great evening, and I know my family is going to be very envious that I got to visit Milwaukee's biggest and best party of the year.