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VEREINSNACHRICHTEN / CLUB NEWS – FEBRUAR / FEBRUARY 2023

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members, Congratulations to our returning Executive Board members as they were reelected for another term at January's General Meeting. As we welcome Bob Dries as our new second vice president and Kirsten Zellner as our new Trustee, we also bid farewell to Mike Alexy and Mike Saake as they retire from the Board. Thank you, gentlemen, for serving our club. Your time and dedication were very much appreciated. I think I speak on behalf of the Board when I say thank you members for your continued support during the past year and we look forward to serving you in 2023. I can't continue without thanking Martha Kein and the members of her nominating committee for a job well done! 2022 was reviewed by the Executive Board at the meeting and despite the weather conditions that put a damper on many of our Biergartens and Festivals, our club remains strong financially and continues to be a leader of German culture and heritage in the area. February brings a full slate of events here in the DC. I invite you to come out and celebrate Fasching on Saturday February 18th, featuring Bernie's Orchestra. the more the merrier, so invite your family and friends and don't forget to wear a costume. The children's Fasching party will be held the following day with entertainment, games, and music. Make sure the children dress up in costume as we celebrate this fun time of the year. Check our website and Facebook page for the dates and times of other February events that include Trivia Night, Valentine's Day dinner and the Big Game among other happenings for the month. I hope everyone will take advantage of the many programs and events we will be offering this year and I hope you will enjoy your membership to the fullest.

Liebe Mitglieder, Herzlichen Glückwunsch zu unseren, während der Januar Generalversammlung, wiedergewählten Vorstandsmitgliedern. Wir heißen zwei neue Vorstandsmitglieder herzlich willkommen, Bob Dries zweiter Vize Präsident und Kirsten Zellner Treuhänderin. Zur selben Zeit verabschiedeten wir uns von Mike Alexy und Mike Saake, beide sind von ihren Positionen am Board zurückgetreten. Wir danken den Herren für ihre Zeit und für die dem Club gewidmeten und von uns geschätzten Diensten. Ich denke ich spreche für alle Vorstandsmitglieder wenn ich Ihnen, unserer Mitgliedschaft, für Ihre treue Unterstützung im vergangenen Jahr herzlich danke. Wir freuen uns Ihnen auch in 2023 dienen zu dürfen. An dieser Stelle möchte ich Martha Kein und den Mitgliedern des Wahl Komitees meinen Dank für gut geleistete Arbeit aussprechen! Während der Generalversammlung gaben die Vorstandsmitglieder einen Rückblick auf das Jahr 2022. Trotz den oft nekativen Wetterverhältnissen – die vielen der Biergarten- und Feste einen Dämpfer austeilten – ist unser Club finanziell stark und ist weiterhin in der ganzen Umgegend führend in der Deutschen Kultur. Der Februar Kalender ist voll mit verschiedenen Veranstaltungen im Club. Ich lade Sie ein am Samstag den 18. Februar mit uns Fasching zu feiern, Bernie's Orchestra wird zum Tanz aufspielen. Laden Sie Ihre Familie und Freunde dazu ein und vergessen Sie nicht kostumierte zu kommen. Die Kinder Faschingsparty findet am nächsten Tag, den 19. Februar, statt; zur Unterhaltung gibt es Spiele und Musik. Bitte machen Sie sicher dass die Kinder ebenfalls kostumierte zu dieser lustigen Veranstaltung kommen. Bitte sehen Sie auf unserer website und Facebook-Seite nach betreffs den Daten und Uhrzeiten der Februar Veranstaltungen wie, Trivia Abend, Valentines Tag Dinner und The Big Game. Ich hoffe Sie nützen die Gelegenheit an den vielen Programmen und Veranstaltungen, die dieses Jahr geboten werden, eilzunehmen und somit Ihre Mitgliedschaft voll geniessen zukönnen.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen, Eric Zabel

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PROGRAMM FÜR FEBRUAR / FEBRUARY PROGRAM 2023

Subject to Change. Please Check our Website and Emails for Updates

Wed 01	Bar • Bar Food available	3:00 – 11:00 PM
Thu 02	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Thu 02	Entertainment Committee Meeting • Details on Page 4	6:30 PM
Fri 03	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Sat 04	Main Dining Room Closed for Private Party	
Sat 04	Ratskeller Open • Offering a Ratskeller Menu	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Sun 05	Frühschoppen	11:00 AM – 8:00 PM
Wed 08	Bar • Bar Food available	3:00 – 11:00 PM
Wed 08	Membership Meeting • See What's on the 2023 Agenda!	7:00 PM
Thu 09	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Thu 09	Ballroom Dancing I • First Steps	No Class this Week
Thu 09	Ballroom Dancing II • Next Steps	No Class this Week
Fri 10	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Fri 10	Deutscher Stammtisch • Kommt und schwätzt a bissle!	7:30 PM
Sat 11	Valentine's Day Dinner • Music by Joey V. • Details on Page 5	6:00 – 10:00 PM
Sun 12	Frühschoppen	11:00 AM – 8:00 PM
Sun 12	Die Wandergruppe/The Hikers • Oak Ridge Park, Clark • Details on Page 5	10:00 AM
Sun 12	Big Game Day LVII • Potluck & Donations for Food Pantry • Details on Page 6	4:00 PM
Wed 15	Bar • Bar Food available	3:00 – 11:00 PM
Thu 16	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Thu 16	Railroaders Dinner & Video • All Members are Welcome!	6:30 PM
Thu 16	Ballroom Dancing I • First Steps	6:30 PM
Thu 16	Ballroom Dancing II • Next Steps	7:30 PM
Thu 16	Networking Meeting • Tell us about your Business • Details on Page 6	7:30 PM
Fri 17	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Sat 18	Fasching / Mardi Gras • Music by Bernie's Orchestra • Details on Page 6	6:00 – 10:00 PM
Sun 19	Frühschoppen	11:00 AM – 8:00 PM
Sun 19	Children's Fasching Party	12:00 – 3:00 PM
Sun 19	Ladies' Division Meeting • In the Ratskeller for a Game of Trivia	2:00 PM
Wed 22	Bar • Bar Food available	3:00 – 11:00 PM
Thu 23	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Thu 23	Ballroom Dancing I • First Steps	6:00 PM
Thu 23	Ballroom Dancing II • Next Steps	7:00 PM
Fri 24	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Fri 24	Texas Hold'em	6:30 PM
Sat 25	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Sat 25	Trivia Night • Get Your Teams Ready to Rumble!	5:30 – 9:00 PM
Sun 26	Frühschoppen	11:00 AM – 8:00 PM

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SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE & EMAILS FOR UPDATES

Thu 02 Entertainment Committee Meeting • w/
Decorating Sub-Committee

Thu 02 Ballroom Dance Classes I & II

Sat 04 Polish Night • Music by Robbie Lawrence &
The Steelworkers

Sun 05 Frühschoppen

Wed 08 Monthly Membership Meeting • Witness
the 2023 Vorstand in Action!

Thu 09 Ballroom Dances Classes I & II

Fri 10 Deutscher Stammtisch • Gommt här un
babbelt een büsche!

Sun 12 Die Wandergruppe / The Hikers

Sun 12 Frühschoppen

Sun 12 Chili Cook-off • Cooks, Start your Pots!

Thu 16 Railroaders Dinner & Video • All Members
are Welcome!

Thu 16 Ballroom Dance Classes I & II

Sat 18 St. Patrick's Day Dinner • Music by Nick
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Sun 19 Frühschoppen

Sun 19 Ladies Division Meeting

Thu 23 Ballroom Dance Classes I & II

Sat 25 DC Blood Drive • Give Blood and Save a Life!

Sun 26 Breakfast Buffet

Sun 26 Frühschoppen

KLUBNACHRICHTEN • CLUB NEWS

Our thoughts and prayers for strength and recuperation go out to our members Mia Borello, Ruth Hoefler, Madeline and Laszlo Szeles and to Jose Cifuentes, Jr., son of member Jose and Betty Cifuentes

We mourn the passing of our former member Linda Muller and extend our heartfelt sympathy to her family.

We extend our deepest condolences to Kirsten Zellner, who recently lost her uncle, and to the family of Beatriz Martinez, mother and mother-in-law of members Betty and Walter Makarucha.

In case of illness or death of a member, please email correspondence@deutscherclub.us

IN THE NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2023 VORSTAND!

President, Eric Zabel

1st Vice President, Brian Daly

2nd Vice President, Robert Dries

Recording Secretary, Michelle Kasperski

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Trustee, Suzanna Polhamus

Trustee, Annette Glorius

Trustee, Keith Rhyner

Trustee, Kirsten Zellner



last five years. We truly did take advantage of what the club offers its members: fellowship, entertainment, German culture and cuisine, and fun. I'm originally from Woodside, Queens. (Let's Go Mets!) My mom was Irish, emigrating to the U.S. after WWII. My dad was of German descent, that side of the family settling in Queens in the 1840s. Nancy and I are "empty nesters." Our daughter, her husband, and my granddaughter live in Brick. My two sons are both employed by CBS News and live in Washington, DC. I retired after 39 years at CBS News, working in Washington and New York, with the title of Senior Producer and Director of Special Events. During those years I coordinated for my department the field logistics and broadcast operations for the biggest news stories during the last 40-years, such as the papal funerals and papal elections in Rome, the elections of six United States presidents, William and Kate's royal wedding in London, winter Olympics in France, Norway and Japan, The Masters, more than 25 Super Bowls, The Oscars, Grammys and Tony Awards, Hurricanes Katrina and Sandy, Iraq,

MEET YOUR NEWEST VORSTAND OFFICERS

On Sunday, January 8th, 2023, the following Deutscher Club Members joined the ranks of the Executive Board. May we introduce to you -

2nd Vice President – Robert Dries

Thank you all for coming out last month for the annual members meeting and elections. I am honored that you have elected me 2nd Vice President. If you had told me five years ago when I joined the Deutscher Club that one day, I would be a member of the Vorstand I would have said you were crazy. But here we are. Crazy things do indeed happen sometimes. Nancy and I have made some wonderful friends during these

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available for purchase at the Bar.



Afghanistan, and September 11th with its subsequent anniversaries. It was a great career, and I'm confident that the skills I took from it will benefit me greatly as your 2nd VP. I will never say no to help. If you have an idea, let me hear about it. If you can lend a hand to help the Entertainment Committee, you will be welcomed with open arms. Fellowship, entertainment, German culture and cuisine, fun. I'm ready for the challenge. Let's get to work!

AND

Trustee – Kirsten Zellner



A member of the Deutscher Club since 2012, I also participate in the Ladies Division. I am a past president of Whispering Pines Condominium on Long Island, NY, a past president of the Westfield Lions Club, and currently work for TD Bank in Construction to Perm lending.

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DCC ■ CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2023

Feb 11	Valentine's Day Dinner
Feb 12	Big Game LVII Party
Feb 18	Fasching / Mardi Gras
Feb 19	Children's Fasching Party
Feb 25	Trivia Night
Mar 4	Polish Night
Mar 12	Chili Cook-off
Mar 18	St. Patrick's Day Dinner
Mar 25	DC Blood Drive
Mar 26	Breakfast Buffet
Apr 2	Children's Easter Party
Apr 15	Spring Clean-up
Apr 15	Wine Tasting
Apr 22	Bayernabend
Apr 29	Ladies' Division Craft Fair *
May 5	Werner Foerster Memorial Event
May 13	Trivia Night
May 14	Mother's Day Brunch
May 21	Frühlingsfest *
May 29	Memorial Day Parade, Clark
Jun 9	Biergarten *
Jun 18	Waldfest *
Jun 24	Members in the Grove
Jul 7	Biergarten *
Jul 15	Members in the Grove
Jul 21	Biergarten *
Aug 4	Country Night *
Aug 12	Members in the Grove
Aug 25	Biergarten *
Sep 9	Bayern Verein Newark Oktoberfest*
Sep 16	Steuben Parade NYC
Sep 17	Deutscher Tag in Clark *
Sep 23	Members in the Grove
Sep 30	Oktoberfest *
Oct 1	Oktoberfest *
Oct 7	Trivia Night
Oct 14	88th Anniversary Gala
Oct 21	DC Blood Drive
Oct 22	Schlachtfest
Oct 28	Halloween Party
Oct 29	Children's Halloween Party
Nov 4	Fall Clean-up I
Nov 9-11	Wild Game Weekend
Nov 12	Breakfast Buffet
Nov 18	Christkindlmarkt *
Nov 19	Christkindlmarkt *
Nov 25	Fall Clean-up II
Dec 1	Tree Lighting
Dec 2	Trivia Night
Dec 8	Carols by Candlelight
Dec 16	Christmas Gala
Dec 17	Children's Christmas Party
Dec 25	Christmas Frühschoppen
Dec 31	Silvester / New Year's Eve

* Indicates event is open to the public

ASSISTANCE NEEDED FOR ADMISSION DUTY

Our Trustees are looking for members to volunteer for 2-hour shifts on Saturday evenings (when there is a band) and at our Special Events to collect admission. Sign-up sheets are located on the large bulletin board in the lobby (behind the admissions table). This is an opportunity to earn your volunteer time. Thank you, we appreciate your support!

PLEASE REMEMBER –

When in the Club ...



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Saturday • Call in orders as of 3:00 PM

(Saturdays as of 2:30 PM) • Pick-up orders

4:00 – 7:00 PM • Check the Website at www.deutscherclub.us

for the Menu



FOR SALE

DC 85TH ANNIVERSARY PINS • \$5



DC COFFEE MUGS • \$5

See any Vorstand member if you are interested in purchasing.



NOW HIRING: Waiters & Waitresses •

Become a member of the DC Service Team!

Interested in applying? Please call Deutscher Club

Manager, Ewald Hollinger at (732) 574-8600.

MEMBERSHIP

Do you have a relative, friend or neighbor who would like to become a member? The membership committee is planning its 2023 Spring Interview schedule and induction Ceremony for prospective



members. Please sponsor a friend or relative today! Membership Applications are available on our website, or a paper version is available at the club. Interviews for membership will begin in early March 2023.

MEMBERSHIP

2023 Membership Dues are now due. Upon receipt of payment of dues, I will mail your 2023 membership card to the address on file. You may pay by, check, cash or credit card on the Deutscher Club website, <https://deutscherclub.us/membership>

1. \$100 for Regular members.
2. \$75 for Senior Member - must have attained the age of 72 and been a member for 25 consecutive years.
3. \$180 for couples.
4. Existing Lifetime members are encouraged to pay \$20 voluntary dues.
5. The initiation fee for new members will be \$100 per person.

The following late fees will be assessed monthly to your membership as of April 1st: \$10-April; \$20-May; \$30-June; \$40-July August 1st - Membership is revoked if dues are not paid.

If you have any questions, please e-mail me at Membership@deutscherclub.us.

Prost! Buzz Sawyer, Membership Secretary

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

The Entertainment Committee meets on the first Thursday of the month, at 6:30 PM, in the back corner of the dining room (by the piano). Do you have an idea for an event you would like to have at your Club? Do you have suggestions for making events better? Would you like a fun, easy way to perform your volunteer time for the Club? Join us! The **Decorating Sub-committee**, led by Carol Marquardt and Colleen Sawyer, works hand-in-hand with us to “dress up” the Club for every special event. They meet, same day and time, with the Entertainment Committee to coordinate requirements for seasonal, holiday, and special events decorating. *Robert Dries*

SKAT GAME

SKAT is a three-handed, trick-taking card game of the Ace-Ten family, devised in 1810 in Altenburg, and it is the national card game of Germany! What – don't know how to play the game? You are invited to join Peter Richter with the rest of the SKAT players who meet **every Wednesday at 8:00 PM** and learn the game.



KNITTING CLUB at the Deutscher Club!

Join a circle of fellow crafters **every Thursday at 3:00PM** and teach, share your tips and tricks, and socialize. No experience is necessary.



Clothing Drive

We are continuing our collection of clothing for the Battered Women's Shelter and the Working Poor Men's Shelter. • Fall and winter men's and women's clothing, as well as coats, gloves, hats, shoes, and boots, clean and in good repair, are being accepted by Suzanna Polhamus, Trustee. Contact Suzanna Polhamus at correspondence@deutscherclub.us.



PLEASE, no used undergarments or socks.

HISTORIANS SOUGHT



Our Club Historian Martha Kepis, is seeking help in building, documenting, and archiving the DC's history. The DC history books (by the Manager's office) are in need of care and could be digitized by anyone with the know-how. You can study and interpret the DC's past by reviewing the collection of photos, news articles, letters and more and share your findings with the rest of the membership in historical articles published in the monthly bulletin and by building new catalogs. **Earn your volunteer hours.** • If you are interested, please email correspondence@deutscherclub.us

DIE FOTOGRAFEN / THE SHUTTERBUGS

The Deutscher Club is in search of members who love the art of photography, to start up a Deutscher Club Photography Club. In addition to meeting and discussing their favorite hobby, this pool of photographers



would assist in documenting our Club and public events, contributing to the website, Facebook page and monthly newsletter as well as collaborating with our Club historians. Earn your volunteer hours. • If you are interested, please email correspondence@deutscherclub.us

SÄNGER CHOR NEWARK

Attention All New DC Members

The Sängerkor Newark is seeking new members. If you are a man, and you like to sing and have fun, come join us on **Friday nights at 8:00 PM** right here in the DC. We sing in English and German and don't worry we will help those who need help with both. Call Peter Volk at 908-938-9019 and check out our website at www.saengerchor.net If you like to sing in the shower, you'll love singing under the DC pavilion.



RHEINISCHER SÄNGERBUND

The **Rheinischer Saengerbund** is a Men's Chorus that has been in existence since 1847. They have a very rich history (to include singing at Abraham Lincoln's Funeral) and continue to enjoy their traditions today with their Musical Director, Johanna Teubner-Prussak, a talented and established musician and conductor. The chorus meets at the Deutscher Club **every Thursday at 8:00 PM**. Think you might be interested in becoming a member? Come on by

DER SCHWÄBISCHER SÄNGERBUND

All good things come in three, so the saying goes. We are a mixed chorus and are part of the Deutscher Club of Clark (DCC) house choruses. Our chorus has been in existence for over 135 years. We have done a great deal of travelling, both nationally and internationally, including singing Saturday evening mass at the Vatican on two separate occasions.

We perform two concerts a year. Our Christmas Concert has been a highlight for the German-American community for the past 35 years. We rehearse every **Wednesday evening at 7:30 PM** at the DCC.



If you enjoy singing, we welcome you to come and join us on **Wednesdays** for rehearsal and enjoy the friendship and camaraderie afterwards. For further information, please contact fran.flourishes@gmail.com

VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER

**Saturday, February 11th,
6:00 – 10:00 PM**

Music by James Barba

MENU

APPETIZERS:

Spinach and Asa-go stuffed Portobello Mushroom \$9 ♦ Shrimp Cocktail \$9 ♦ Bacon wrapped Jalapeno Peppers \$8 ♦ Tuna Cocktail \$8 ♦ Arugula Salad w/ Strawberry, Orange mandarin, Feta Cheese & Raspberry Dressing \$9

SOUP: Italian Wedding Soup \$3

ENTREES: Wiener Schnitzel w/ Spaetzle and Red Cabbage \$16 ♦ Chicken Marsala w/Rice & Vegetable \$16 ♦ Duck Breast on Cognac-Orange Sauce w/ Potato Gratin & Red Cabbage \$21 ♦ 10oz New York Strip topped w/Shrimp w/Baked Potato & Vegetable \$23 ♦ Crab Cake w/Rice & Vegetable \$21 ♦ Broccoli-Cheese Crepes w/Gorgonzola Sauce & Rice \$14 ♦ Horseradish crusted Salmon w/Rice & Vegetable \$19

DESSERT: Tiramisu with Raspberry Mousse \$7 ♦ Lava Cake with Chocolate covered Strawberry \$8 ♦ Assorted German Cake \$4

For reservations, please sign-up and pay admission at the bar - **\$5.00** Members / **\$8.00** Non-Members. Last day for ticket sales is Sunday, February 5, 2023.

Dress Code: Business Casual

HIKING NEWS

Leader: Brian Mecca

Contact: Die Wandergruppe

We are planning our hikes for the 1st half of 2023, if you have any suggestions, please share them with me.

On the day of the Hike, we meet at 9:50 AM in the parking lot (details to be provided to the email group the week prior – contact me to get added to the email list), and the **hike begins promptly at 10:00 AM**. If you are running late, please call me so that we can make accommodations for you.

On **Sunday February 12, 2023**, we will be in

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Clark at Oak Ridge Park, this is fully paved, and mostly flat, the perimeter loop is 2.5 miles. We will be meeting in the 2nd parking lot if you are coming from Lake Ave, this is by the big house and archery field. 106 Oak Ridge Rd, Clark, NJ 07066. Last year it was a beautiful walk on a snowy morning.

Planning the hike for **March 12th**, location to be determined. Any suggestions are welcome and appreciated.

Please let me know if you plan on attending by email at brian.mecca@gmail.com, include your phone # so that we can create a texting group for last minute notifications. • Following the hike, we return to the Club for Fröhshoppen. The bar is open, there is usually soup and open face sandwiches, and people bring things to eat as the kitchen is not open. Feel free to bring something. It is a fun time after the hike..

BIG GAME LVII

Sunday, February 12th, 2023 @ 4 pm

Tailgate Early



Prizes and Give-A-Ways

Bring snacks or appetizers to share.

Bring donations of non-perishables for the Community Food Bank.

Kick-off at 6:30 pm

NETWORKING MEETING

There will be a Deutscher Club Networking meeting on **Thursday, February 16 th, at 7:30 PM.** If you have a business, join us if you would like to make known your business to our Deutscher Club Networking Group. Members and guests will have time to talk about their business. There will be a business card and/or a brochure exchange. **RSVP required** to Michael Fleyzor at mfleyzor@gmail.com or cell phone (732) 319-4886. Looking forward to hearing about your business. *Michael Fleyzor*

MARDI GRAS EVENING / FASCHING ABEND

Saturday, February 18th, 5:30 – 10:00 PM

Music: Bernie's Orchestra



Costumes are encouraged! There will be prizes and give-a-ways!

Cost per person is \$5.00 Members / \$8.00 Non-members. • **Dress Code: Costumes**

KINDER FASCHING

Sunday, February 19th, 12:00 - 3:00 PM

Children and Grandchildren of Members are invited to attend - and Costumes are encouraged! The Entertainment begins at **1:30 PM**, with games, balloon sculpting, face painting, and more!



This event is free, but please Sign-up at the bar or with an email to events@deutscher-club.us

club.us – the last day for registration is Sunday, February 12, 2023.

The kitchen will be open for food service w/ favorite kid entrees, 12:00 – 3:00 PM.

COMING SOON.....

CHILI COOKING COMPETITION

Football Season is over. It's time to bring out your best Homemade Chili recipes for a Chili Cook-off. Fun for All, Prizes, Tasting, and Good Cheer! **Sunday, February 5th, 2023, 3:00- 6:00 PM.** Open to all members. Stay tuned for details.



FROM THE BLOOD DRIVE COMMITTEE

The Deutscher Club Spring Blood Drive

Saturday March 25, 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM



Our local blood supply continues to be at perilously low levels. Since the pandemic multiple blood drives have been cancelled. Local hospitals are in need of blood to maintain daily needs. If you can donate, please consider donating now. If you know a family member, friend, associate; pass the word your club is sponsoring their Spring blood drive; **Saturday March 25.**

Deutscher Club members have been community minded and supporting a healthy blood supply for well over sixty years. Help us continue to help you.

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Deutscher Club Member, Noel Crawford,
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 Featuring:
 Bernie's Orchestra • Folkdancers • Traditional Bavarian Schuhplattlers
 Kenilworth Veteran's Center • 33 South 21st Street • Kenilworth, New Jersey
 For more information call Ralph Ehmann • 908-265-1602 or ehmannool@aol.com

FESTIVAL

The Deutscher Club Ladies' Division
 presents its
Spring Arts & Crafts Festival
Saturday, April 29, 2023 • 11 AM – 4 PM

If you are a crafter and would like to participate, please e-mail vendors@deutscherclub.us



Party Time! Have your bridal or baby showers, birthday and anniversary parties, graduations, even weddings at our Club. Contact our manager, Ewald, at manager@deutscherclub.us or call the clubhouse at (732) 574-8600

URSULA ANDRESS – BOND GIRL



Ursula Andress was born in Ostermündigen, Switzerland in 1936 to a Swiss-Italian mother and a German father. Her father was a diplomatic official who disappeared during WWII. Andress' grandfather helped to raise the family of six children in Bern, Switzerland where she attended school. Andress left school at sixteen and went to Paris to study art. She then went to Rome where she worked as a babysitter, a model, and an actor for several Italian walk-on roles. In the late 1950's, Andress was offered a seven-year contract with Paramount Pictures but received no acting roles since she did not speak English. She married the actor John Derek in 1957. Derek took pictures of Andress that were submitted to a magazine where the co-producer of Dr. No saw his "Bond girl." He offered Andress the part of Honey Ryder. She became famous as the shell diver in a white bikini who rises out of the Caribbean Sea with a hunting knife on her hip. That scene in 1962 made Andress a famous icon and financially independent. The bikini sold at auction in 2001 for \$50,000. Ursula Andress won the Golden Globe Award for New Star of the Year in 1964 for her role in Dr. No. Andress performed in many film roles throughout the 1960's – 1980's. After her divorce from John Derek, Andress had many affairs and one son with actor Harry Hamlin. Today, Ursula Andress splits her time between Rome and Gstaad, Switzerland where she is close to her siblings.

~Barbara Streit

Interested in Cultural Exchange?
Host Family, Volunteer, and Job Opportunities available!
 Contact Maressa McFarlane to learn more: mmcfarlane@icesusa.org

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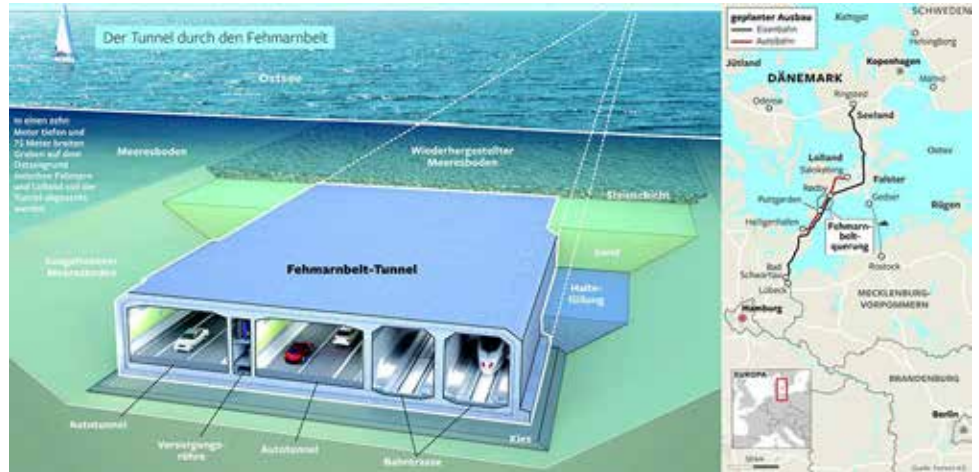
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Deutsche Ecke

Die Fehmarn Verbindung

Sind Sie sich der aufregenden Neuigkeiten bewusst, die aus einem gemeinsamen Bestreben von Dänemark und Deutschland kommen? Europas größtes technisches Infrastrukturprojekt befindet sich derzeit in Vollbauweise und ist das ehrgeizigste Vorhaben, das jemals in Europa geplant wurde. Es ist der längste Absenktunnel der Welt, der die dänische Insel Lolland mit der deutschen Insel Fehmarn über das 18 km lange Gebiet unter der Ostsee verbindet. Der Skandinavien-Mittelmeer-Korridor (Scan-Med-Korridor) war die Nummer 5 der 10 Prioritätsachsen des transeuropäischen Verkehrsnetzes, und mit diesem Tunnel würde die Verbindung Wirklichkeit werden. Dieses Projekt wird hinsichtlich der technischen Leistungen, der Kosten und der Vorteile ein Wendepunkt sein. Die technische Vollendung, das größte Infrastrukturprojekt, steht vor immensen Herausforderungen für Engineering, und die Vorteile dieses Planes sind weitreichend. Es wird die Verbindungen zwischen Skandinavien und Mitteleuropa stärken und die Reisezeit zwischen Ostdänemark und dem Rest Europas verkürzen: Die Überfahrt der Fähre dauert jetzt 45 Minuten, wird aber mit dem Auto zehn Minuten und mit der Bahn sieben Minuten dauern, während eine 4 ½ Stunden Autofahrt von Hamburg nach Kopenhagen auf 2 ½ Stunden verkürzt wird. Die Kosten werden auf 7,5 Milliarden US-Dollar geschätzt, wobei im Laufe der Zeit mit weiteren Steigerungen zu rechnen ist. Die Planung dieses Projekts dauerte 8½ Jahre und der Bau begann 2020/2021. Einer der beiden Landarbeitshäfen baut die flächenmäßig größte Fabrik, die einen Rekord brechen wird. Das Werkgelände ist so groß wie 200 Fußballfelder. Ein Gebäude, das Baumaterialien enthält, wird



aufs Meer hinausgesegelt, dort untergetaucht werden, um den Tunnel zu bauen. Geplant ist, dass der Tunnel 40m unter dem Meeresspiegel (zuvor gebaute Absenktunnel erreichten nur 20m), eine vierspurige Autobahn, zwei elektrische Bahnspuren: Personenzug und zwei Güterzüge in jeder Richtung anbieten wird. Die Portale, die sich an jedem Eingang des Tunnels befinden, werden 89 Beton(bau)elemente bauen, die in der Fabrik Schritt für Schritt in Segmenten gegossen werden. Jedes Element besteht aus 9 Segmenten und ein Element wird etwa 3 ½ Jahre lang jede 2. Woche produziert. Jedes massive Element ist 217m lang, 40m breit und wiegt 70.000 Tonnen. Diese Elemente werden auf See geschleppt, da an Land nicht genügend Platz vorhanden ist, um sie zu lagern, und sie werden unter Wasser zusammengekoppelt. 79 Konstruktionselemente sind Standard, während 10 Elemente speziell sind; Diese dienen als Kellerbereiche für Baumaterial und Unterkünfte – ein Tunneldorf – für die über 1.300 Arbeiter. Der fertiggestellte Tunnel wird 11,1 Meilen lang sein und sein offizieller Name lautet: „Kombinierte Land und Bahn Fehmarnbelt-

Querung“. Es gab keine Gebrauchsanleitung für dieses gigantische Unternehmen und der Prozess verlief nicht ohne Schluckauf. Umweltschützer und die Deutschen haben tapfer gekämpft, den Bau zu verhindern, die Naturgebiete, Urlaubsorte und das Meeresleben zu erhalten, alles um die Artenvielfalt der Region zu schützen. Sie haben vor einen Grüngürtel zwischen Dänemark und Deutschland zu errichten und neue Lebensräume und Naturschutzgebiete zu bauen. 300 Hektaren Küstenfeuchtgebiete so wie 42 ha neue Riffe sind geplant. Die voraussichtliche Eröffnung ist für 2029 geplant. Für diejenigen unter Ihnen, die zu Ende gelesen haben und an diesem monumentalen Projekt interessiert sind, die Fern Link Contractors (FLC) veröffentlichen ein prima Video in englischer Sprache, das die Produktion zeigt. VIEL SPASS!

THE FEHMARN LINK

Are you aware of the exciting news about a combined Denmark and Germany effort? Europe's largest technical infrastructure project is currently in full-construction-mode and is the most ambitious undertaking ever planned in Europe. It is the world's longest immersed tunnel that connects Denmark's island of Lolland with the German island of Fehmarn across an 11.1-mile long area under the Baltic Sea. The Scandinavian-Mediterranean Corridor (Scan-Med Corridor) was #5 on the list of 10 pivotal priorities for the Trans-European Transport Network, and this tunnel would allow the link to become reality. This project will be a game changer in technical achievement, cost and advantages. The technical achievement, the largest infrastructure project, faces immense challenges for engineering plus the benefits from this plan are far-reaching. It will strengthen the links between Scandinavia



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and Central Europe and will reduce traveling time between eastern Denmark and the rest of Europe: the crossing of the ferry now takes 45 minutes but will take ten minutes by car and seven minutes by rail, and a 4.5 hour car trip from Hamburg to Copenhagen will be cut down to 2.5 hours. The cost is estimated at 7.5 billion US dollars with anticipated increases as the time progresses.

The planning of this project took 8½ years and the construction started in 2020/ 2021. One of the two inland harbors is building the largest factory, in terms of its size, which will be a record-breaker. The factory area is the size of 200 soccer fields. A building that holds construction materials will be sailed out to sea and immersed for the construction of the tunnel. The plan is for the tunnel, 131 feet under sea level (in the past, similar tunnels only reached a depth of 65.7 ft.), to provide a four-lane highway, a double-track railroad with one passenger train rail and two freight trains in each direction. The portals, located at each entrance of the tunnel, will build 89 concrete (building) elements, that will be cast, step by step in segments in the factory. Each element is made up of 9 segments and one element will be produced every 2 weeks for about 3 ½ years. Each massive element is 711 ft. long, 131 ft. wide and weighs 70,000 tons. These elements will be towed out to sea, since there is not enough room to store them on land, and they will be coupled together underwater. Seventy-nine (79) construction elements are standard, while 10 elements are special; these will contain “basement areas” for maintenance and accommodations - a tunnel village - for the over 1,300 workers. The completed tunnel will be 11.1 miles long and its official name is: “Fehmarnbelt Fixed Link - combined road and rail tunnel”. No instruction manual existed for this giant undertaking and the process was not without some hiccups. Environmentalists and the Germans have fought valiantly to prevent the construction in order to preserve the natural areas, vacation spots and marine life, all to protect the biodiversity of the area. They want to construct a green belt between Denmark and Germany and build new habitats and nature preserves. 741 acres of coastal wetlands as well as 103.7 acres of new reefs are planned. The anticipated opening is scheduled for 2029. For those of you who have read to this end and are interested in this monumental project, the Femern Link Contractors (FLC) are publishing a video in English, featuring the construction. ENJOY!

~Barbara Oberding

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