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VEREINSNACHRICHTEN / CLUB NEWS – OKTOBER / OCTOBER 2024

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members, it's hard to believe but October is already upon us, and so is Oktoberfest. As you know, it's our biggest event and needs the most volunteers, so please volunteer wherever you can. We had a busy September, with the Bayern Verein Newark's Oktoberfest on the 7th, a successful night for both Clubs. I would like to thank everyone who supported the event either through attendance, volunteering, or both. And while we are on the subject of the Bayern Verein Newark (BVN), I would like to officially welcome them as a new Hausverein of the Deutscher Club. We had a great Swing music night under the Pavilion on the 14th, thanks to everyone involved in putting that together. The Club was decorated for the fall, thanks to Carol Marquardt and the decorating committee for keeping the DC looking festive as always. On the 21st we had a full bus of members who marched in the Steuben Day Parade. It was great to see so many members participating in the parade. We met with our new friends from Musikverein (MV) Ahausen who marched with us and then performed on the 22nd during Deutscher Tag keeping the large crowd entertained. A big thank you goes out to Birgit Maier, Tom Frähmke, the Steuben Parade Committee, and all of our members who hosted band members, for making this happen. Having German bands on Deutscher Tag is a tradition that we are glad to finally have back. Looking forward to October, we have the aforementioned Oktoberfest on the 5th & 6th. Our bi-annual blood drive on October 19th, and our Halloween Party on the 26th, along with kid's Halloween on the 27th. Please volunteer whenever you can. If you are able, please consider donating during the blood drive, it is vitally needed. As always, thanks to everyone who supports the Club, whether through volunteering, donating, patronizing the bar and restaurant or in many members' cases, all of these! Without you, we wouldn't be the great Club that we are. See you at the Club!

Liebe Mitglieder, es ist kaum zu glauben aber der Oktober steht schon vor der Tür und damit auch das Oktoberfest. Wie Sie wissen ist es unsere größte Veranstaltung und der Club benoetigt die meisten freiwillige Helfer. Bitte melden Sie sich und helfen Sie uns aus! Wir hatten einen arbeitsreichen September begonnen mit dem Oktoberfest des Bayern-Vereins am 7ten, ein erfolgreicher Abend für beide Clubs. Ich danke allen die diese Veranstaltung unterstützt haben, sei es durch ihre Anwesenheit oder ihre Freiwilligenarbeit. Wenn wir schon beim Thema Bayern Verein Newark (BVN) sind, möchte ich sie offiziell als neuen Hausverein des Deutschen Clubs willkommen heißen. Wir hatten am 14. einen tollen Swing-Musikabend unter dem Pavillon. Vielen Dank an alle die daran teilgenommen haben. Der Club war herbstlich dekoriert. Ein herzliches Dankeschön an Carol Marquardt und dem Dekorationskomitee die dafür gesorgt haben dass der DC wie immer festlich aussah. Am 21. nahm ein Bus voller Mitglieder an der Steuben Day Parade teil. Es war schön zu sehen dass so viele unserer Mitglieder an der Parade teilgenommen haben. Wir trafen uns mit unseren neuen Freunden vom Musikverein (MV) Ahausen, die mit uns marschierten. Sie sind am 22. beim Deutschen Tag aufgetreten und unterhielten die grosse Menge mit ihrer Musik. Ein herzliches Dankeschön geht an Birgit Maier, Tom Frähmke, das Steuben Parade Committee und an alle unsere Mitglieder die unsere Gäste von Ahausen beherbergten. Deutsche Bands beim Deutschen Tag zu haben ist eine Tradition, die wir endlich wieder zurueck haben. Wir freuen uns auf den Oktober, denn am 5. und 6. haben wir das bereits erwähnte Oktoberfest. Unsere halbjährliche Blutspendeaktion findet am 19. Oktober statt und unsere Halloween-Party am 26., sowie Halloween für Kinder am 27. Wenn es Ihnen moeglich ist, bitte helfen Sie uns aus bei diesen Veranstaltungen. Bitte denken Sie daran während der Blutspendeaktion zu spenden, es wird dringend benötigt. Wie immer, vielen Dank an alle die den Club unterstützen, sei es durch Freiwilligenarbeit, Spenden, Besuche der Bar und des Restaurants! Ohne Sie wäre der Club nicht so grossartig wie er ist. Wir sehen uns im Club!

Mit freundlichen Grüßen,

Keith Rhyner

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PROGRAMM FÜR OKTOBER / OCTOBER PROGRAM 2024

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

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| Wed 02 | Bar | 3:00 – 11:00 PM |
| Thu 03 | Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i> | 5:30 – 8:00 PM |
| Thu 03 | Entertainment Committee Meeting | 6:30 PM |
| Thu 03 | DC Advanced German Class | 7:00 PM |
| Thu 03 | Ballroom Dance Class | 7:00 PM |
| Fri 04 | Meeting of the Potato Peeling Society • <i>Details on Page 4</i> | 7:30 AM |
| Fri 04 | Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i> | 5:30 – 8:00 PM |
| Sat 05 | Deutscher Club Oktoberfest * • Music by Don Bitterlich and Die Heimatklänge • <i>Details on Page 6</i> | 1:00 – 10:00 PM |
| Sun 06 | Frühschoppen | Cancelled |
| Sun 06 | Deutscher Club Oktoberfest * • Music by Bernie's Orchestra • <i>Details on Page 6</i> | 1:00 – 10:00 PM |
| Wed 09 | Monthly Membership Meeting • <i>Welcome back from Summer! Light Fare available at the Window prior to the Meeting</i> | 7:00 PM |
| Thu 10 | Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i> | 5:30 – 8:00 PM |
| Thu 10 | DC Advanced German Class | 7:00 PM |
| Thu 10 | Ballroom Dance Class | 7:00 PM |
| Fri 11 | German State Dinner Series • Featuring Thüringen • <i>Details on Page 5</i> | 5:30 – 8:00 PM |
| Fri 11 | Deutscher Stammtisch | 7:30 PM |
| Sat 12 | Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i> | 5:30 – 8:00 PM |
| Sun 13 | Die Wandergruppe / The Hikers • Great Swamp, Lord Stirling Park • <i>Details on Page 6</i> | 10:00 AM |
| Sun 13 | Frühschoppen | 1:00 AM – 8:00 PM |
| Sun 13 | DC Ladies Division Meeting • <i>Details on Page 5</i> | 2:00 PM |
| Wed 16 | Bar | 3:00 – 11:00 PM |
| Thu 17 | Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i> | 5:30 – 8:00 PM |
| Thu 17 | Railroaders Dinner & Video • <i>All Members are Welcome!</i> | 6:30 PM |
| Thu 17 | DC Advanced German Class | 7:00 PM |
| Thu 17 | Ballroom Dance Class | 7:00 PM |
| Thu 17 | Networking Meeting • Tell us about your Business • <i>Details on Page 6</i> | 7:30 PM |
| Fri 18 | Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i> | 5:30 – 8:00 PM |
| Fri 18 | DC Book Club • <i>A Higher Call by Adam Makos • Details on Page 6</i> | 7:30 PM |
| Sat 19 | DC Blood Drive * • Give Blood be a Hero! • <i>Details on Page 6</i> | 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM |
| Sat 19 | Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i> | 5:30 – 8:00 PM |
| Sun 20 | Frühschoppen | Canceled |
| Sun 20 | Mahjong Class • in the Ratskeller • <i>Details on Page 7</i> | 4:00 PM |
| Wed 23 | Bar | 3:00 – 11:00 PM |
| Thu 24 | Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i> | 5:00 – 7:30 PM |
| Thu 24 | DC Advanced German Class | 7:00 PM |
| Thu 24 | Ballroom Dance Class | 7:00 PM |
| Fri 25 | History Committee Meeting • <i>Details on Page 7</i> | 6:30 PM |
| Fri 25 | Jazz am Freitag • Music by Christian Fabian and Greg Scime • <i>Details on Page 3</i> | 6:30 PM |
| Sat 26 | DC's Halloween Dance • Music by Fast Forward 80's • <i>Details on Page 7</i> | 6:00 – 10:00 PM |
| Sun 27 | Frühschoppen | 11:00 AM – 8:00 PM |
| Sun 27 | Children's Halloween Party • <i>Sign-up in the Foyer</i> | 12:00 – 3:00 PM |
| Sun 27 | Mahjong Class • in the Ratskeller • <i>Details on Page 7</i> | 4:00 PM |
| Wed 30 | Bar | 3:00 – 11:00 PM |
| Thu 31 | Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i> | 5:30 – 8:00 PM |
| Thu 31 | DC Advanced German Class | 7:00 PM |
| Thu 31 | Ballroom Dance Class | 7:00 PM |

* indicates event is open to the public † indicates the clubhouse will be closed

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| Fri 01 | Texas Hold'em • in the Ratskeller | Sat 09 | DC 89th Anniversary Gala • Music by Joe Kroboth | Fri 22 | Meeting of the Potato Peeling Society |
| Sat 02 | Pop the Cork Champagne Tasting & Pairing • Tickets \$65pp at the Bar | Sun 10 | Frühschoppen | Fri 22 | History Committee Meeting |
| Sun 03 | Die Wandergruppe / The Hikers • Location TBD | Sun 10 | DC Ladies Division Meeting | Sat 23 | DC Christkindlmarkt * • Day I |
| Sun 03 | Frühschoppen | Wed 13 | Monthly Membership Meeting | Sun 24 | Frühschoppen • Canceled |
| Thu 07 | Entertainment Meeting | Sun 17 | Breakfast Buffet • Music by Mike Montemurro | Sun 24 | DC Christkindlmarkt * • Day II |
| Fri 08 | Deutscher Stammtisch | Sun 17 | Frühschoppen | Thu 28 | A BLESSED THANKSGIVING TO ALL! • Club is Closed |
| Sat 09 | Fall Clean-up I • Preparing the DC for the Christkindlmarkt | Sun 17 | Mahjong Classes | Sat 30 | Fall Clean-up II • The Final Winterizing of the Club |
| | | Thu 21 | Railroaders Dinner & Video | Sat 30 | Trivia Night • Assemble your Teams! |
| | | Thu 21 | Networking Meeting | | |

KLUBNACHRICHTEN • CLUB NEWS

Our thoughts and prayers for strength and recuperation go out to our members,
Brian Daly, Inge Helling, Daniel Kaiser, Barbara Niro, Marga Senger, and Ellie Wilkins.

We mourn the passing of our member, **Herbert Weinrich** and our former members **Ruth Hoefer** and **Erika Moedt**,
and extend our heartfelt sympathy to their families.

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

IN THE NEWS

THE STARS OF JAZZ AM FREITAG RETURN



We thank our Members, the Jazz Duo of Christian Fabian on Bass, and Greg Scime on Piano for filling the air with such delightful melodies and setting the mood for a relaxing evening of dinner and conversation!

THE 67TH GERMAN-AMERICAN STEUBEN PARADE IN NYC



On **Saturday, September 21, 2024**, a contingent of 53 DC Members filled the ranks of the New Jersey Division of the Steuben Parade, led by our guest band from Germany, the Musikverein (MV)-Ahausen.

DEUTSCHER TAG IN CLARK



Following our participation in the Steuben Parade in NYC, the Deutscher Club together with the members of the MV-AHAUSEN (a 36-member band) brought life to the Grove as we celebrated Deutscher Tag in Clark (German Day in Clark) on **Sunday, September 22, 2024**. We would like to thank the DC Members who graciously welcomed members of the MV-Ahausen into their homes to host them over the weekend.

Looking for a Gift for that Special Occasion? Think DC Gift Card - Dinner for Two | Cards are available for purchase at the Bar.

VOLUNTEER AT YOUR CLUB & EARN YOUR 10 HOURS ANNUALLY

- 1. Special Event Admissions** (manning the Admissions table) -*sign up on the Bulletin board behind the table and see a trustee for instructions.*
- 2. Tuesday Crew** (helping with repair projects, cleaning, mowing/leaf blowing, etc. Show up at club at 8AM) – *there is a sign-in book.*
- 3. Saturday Crew** (outside landscaping, show up at 8AM) – *there is a sign-in book.*
- 4. Potato Peeling** (making the potato salad

for Biergartens & Fests. The Friday before an event, at 8AM, bring a peeler) – *there is a sign-in book.*

5. Work at a Biergarten or Fest (work 2 ½ hours manning Admissions, 50/50 Raffle Sales, sell pretzels, serve food, grilling, manage parking, work as cashier, sell at the cake table, etc) - *Sign-up Genius**

6. Spring Clean-Up (clean our clubhouse and get the grove ready for events, show up at 8 AM) – *there is a sign-in book.*

7. Fall Clean-Up (put away tables, clean outdoor bar and kitchen, leaf and sticky ball removal, show up at 8AM) -*sign-in book.*

8. Entertainment and Decorating Committees (meet first Thursday of every month at 6:30 PM in the main dining room) – *there is a sign-in book.*



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9. Additionally, if you have a talent or skill, you are willing to donate your time performing, this too can count towards your volunteer hours.

Note - Some employers may reward your volunteer hours via a "Giving Fund" donation to your chosen charity. The Deutscher Club of Clark has a 501(c)(3), the NJ Deutscher Club Foundation, Inc. for the Walter Lehmann Scholarship Fund. If 501(c)(3) status is not required, you can donate to any of the categories listed on the Memorial Tribute Program page at the end of this newsletter. Refer to your HR department for details.

* If you are not receiving the Sign-up Genius or DC backup messages, please ensure we have your correct email address by sending it to events@deutscherclub.us. You can also send questions to signup@deutscherclub.us

PLEASE REMEMBER – When in the Club ...



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Thursday, Friday,

Saturday • Orders are taken as of 4:15 PM

• Pick-up orders 4:45 – 7:00 PM • Check the Website at www.deutscherclub.us for the Menu



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We welcomed 44 new members at the Fall Induction Ceremony, **September 26, 2024**. Thank you to those members who sponsored the new inductees. Also, thanks to the membership committee for volunteering to conduct the applicant interviews from mid-August through September. To all the new members we hope to see you around the club in the near future and once again welcome to the Deutscher Club of Clark. *Prost! Buzz Sawyer, Membership*

THE BIG RAFFLE RABBIT HAS RETURNED WITH TICKETS

Tickets are \$10 each and are available for purchase from any Vorstand (Executive Board) member. There are 3000 tickets to be sold, with a potential for 3 grand prizes of up to \$5000 each - if all are sold. The drawing will take place on the night of our Silvester/New Years Eve Gala, **Tuesday, December 31st, at 9:00 PM** - you do not have to be present to win. Please support this fundraiser which benefits the Club's effort to pave the parking lot and driveway.



Ken Vogt, Trustee

much joy we want to help St. Huberts save more animals.

St. Huberts is dedicated to the humane treatment of animals. They believe in and provide services that support the human-animal bond and seek to foster an environment in which people respect all living creatures.

St. Hubert's Animal Welfare Center, is my chosen charity for which I am running a fundraiser as well as supply drive from **9 October to 22 November**.

A large collection box will be placed in the DC Foyer on **9 October 2024**. A list of items needed will be posted or you can go to www.sthuberts.org/wishlist. For monetary donations, please go to my fundraising page at sthuberts.salsalabs.org/fundraise/p/deutscherclubofclarkfundraiser/index.html

MISS DEUTSCHER CLUB

**SUPPLY & FUNDRAISER FOR ST. HUBERTS
ANIMAL WELFARE CENTER
OCTOBER 9 – NOVEMBER 22, 2024**

My name is Elizabeth Compton and I am Miss Deutscher Club 2024.

My family and I have 2 rescue dogs and 1 rescue cat - Kelly, Little Jerry, and Jellybean. Our cat, Jellybean, is from St. Huberts. Our pets give us so



ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

The Entertainment Committee will meet again on the **first Thursday of the month, at 7:00 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 earn 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, on the same day and time, with the Entertainment Committee to coordinate requirements for seasonal, holiday, and special events decorating. *Robert Dries*

SOCIETY OF POTATO PEELERS - UNITE!!

Welcome back to the Season of Potato Peeling! Dust off your peelers and slicers because a



meeting of the Society of Potato Peelers will take place on **Friday, Oct 4th & Nov 22nd!** New members are always welcome. We are in need of peelers, slicers and mixers to prepare the Potato Salad for our **Biergartens and Fests**. We normally meet on the **Friday of/preceding an event**. Please mark your calendar for **Oct 4th** (DC Oktoberfest) and **Nov 22nd** (Christkindlmarkt).. The FUN begins at **7:30 AM**.

THE GARDEN COMMITTEE

Do you enjoy gardening?
Do you have knowledge of plants and flowers?
The garden committee would like your expertise! We need your help.



We will normally meet on **Saturday mornings** at the Club. Just look for Kurt Leithner, Barbara Maguire, or Buzz Sawyer. We will be maintaining the grounds, planting, pruning and planning for fall and spring cleanups. We welcome any new ideas for beautifying the DC grounds with plants and flowers, etc. *(Another way to earn your ten (10) hours)*

THÜRINGEN STATE DINNER



-THE CENTER OF GERMANY. IT IS KNOWN AS "THE GREEN HEART OF GERMANY" DUE TO ITS ABUNDANCE OF FORESTS.

-CAPITAL IS ERFURT.

-FAVORITE FOODS ARE WILD GAME, POTATO DUMPLINGS, THÜRINGER ROSTBRATWURST, AND LEBERWURST.

OCTOBER 11, 2024

DC CLUBS: All are welcome!

SKAT GAME: every Wednesday at 8:00 PM

KNITTING CLUB: every Thursday at 3:00PM

LADIES' DIVISION MEETING

The Ladies Division of the DC will be having their next meeting on **October 13, 2024 at 2:00 PM** in the Ratskeller. A representative from the Merchants and Drovers Museum will be giving a presentation. If anyone is interested in seeing what the LD is about, feel free to join us as our guest. Carol Marquardt, President LD



P.S. If anyone has or knows anyone who would like to donate Trachten (traditional German costumes) please contact the LD on the website or bring the items to the club. They will be sold at the Christkindlmarkt. There are people who look forward to purchasing them. Thank you.

Carol Marquardt, Ladies Division President

Vielen Dank!

The Executive Board and Members of Bayern Verein Newark would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone who contributed to making our Oktoberfest event such a tremendous success!

From those who helped us make the potato salad on Friday morning to the dedicated cleanup crew at the end of the event, your hard work and enthusiasm were truly appreciated.

Whether you volunteered, attended or helped behind the scenes, each of you played a key role in making this event memorable.

We couldn't have done it without you, and we look forward to doing it all again next year!

THE SINGERS



SÄNGERCHOR NEWARK

The Sängerschör Newark is the Deutscher Club's longstanding "in house" Men's Chorus (Männerchor) founded in 1925, and we will be celebrating our 100th Anniversary in 2025. We sing in both German and English, with both piano and accordion accompaniment. Singing with us is also a great way to learn and improve one's German language skills, and after our practices in the Club's Music Room upstairs, we have good fellowship over beer and Chef Ewald's sandwiches downstairs. Greg Scime, whom you may know from the Jazz am Freitag series, is our pianist and conductor while Tage Haun is our accordionist. We sing a full repertoire of classic German songs as well as more casual "Bier-Lieder" and Schlager Musik evergreen favorites. Our chorus meets **several Fridays a month starting at 8pm**. Please contact our President Peter Volk at 908-938-9019

or 1st VP Glenn Fogarty at 732-259-8993 for more details and check out our website at www.saengerchor.net.

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 SÄNGER BUND



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

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

The fall of the Berlin Wall on the 9th of November in 1989, which marked the end of the Cold War, had paved the way for German reunification barely a year later. The Unification Treaty that was signed on the 20th of September in 1990 and declares the **3rd of October** the national holiday, sealed the end of the division of Germany. (www.berlin.de)



Looking for a gift? How about a Gift Card for dinner at the Club?



GERMAN-AMERICAN DAY

is a United States holiday which celebrated German American heritage. It is



observed every year on **October 6th**.

The date of October 6th was chosen because on this day in 1683 thirteen German Mennonite and Quaker families from the town of Krefeld landed in Philadelphia and founded the borough of Germantown that was absorbed into Philadelphia in 1854. Germantown was the first German settlement in North America.

German-American Day was first celebrated in the 19th century. Its celebrations were discontinued during the First World War due to the anti-German sentiment that prevailed at the time. In 1983, the holiday was reestablished by President Ronald Reagan. Since 1987, it has been observed annually.

HIKING NEWS

Leader: Brian Mecca
brian.mecca@gmail.com



On the day of the Hike, we meet at 9:50 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 10:00am**. If you are running late, please call me so that we can make accommodation for you. .

On **Sunday September 15th** 14 of us (and 2 dogs) hiked the historic Jockey Hollow National Park in Morristown. It was a great day,

and we all successfully completed the approximately 3.15 miles from the parking area to the trail and back.

On **Sunday October 13th** we will be going to the Great Swamp at the Environmental Education Center at Lord Stirling Park, 190 Lord Stirling Rd, Basking Ridge NJ. This is a flat terrain, wet at some times, little elevation gain. A moderately easy hike. This will be approximately 3.4 miles through the Great Swamp area. There are restroom facilities available indoors. The EEC is open daily 9am-5pm. No pets allowed on trails. We are located at 190 Lord Stirling Road Basking Ridge, NJ 07920. Tel: 908 722-1200 Ext. 5002. www.somersetcountyparks.org/environmental-education-center

Fall hikes are being planned for **November 3rd, and December 8th**, mark your calendars for these future hikes.

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 will return to the Club for Fröh-schoppen. 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.

NETWORKING MEETING

There will be a Deutscher Club Networking meeting on **Thursday, October 17, 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. If there is a topic you want to focus on in a future meeting, let me know. **RSVP required** to Michael Fleyzor at mfleyzor@gmail.com or cell phone (732) 319-4886. Looking forward to hearing about your business. *Michael Fleyzor*



THE BOOK CLUB

Our Member and esteemed Author, James Hockenberry, leads the DC Book Club. The next Book Group meeting is set for Friday, October 18, 2024 at 7:30 PM, in the Ratskeller.

The book to be discussed is *A Higher Call: An Incredible True Story of Combat and Chivalry in the War-Torn Skies of WWII* by



Adam Makos. The book was recommended to me by one of our members, and it is one of the most remarkable war time stories I've ever read. Some may think this book is too military-oriented but the human-interest drama is gripping and worth the read. Just to note, everyone is welcome to attend our discussions, even if (s)he has not read the book. The discussions are designed to be fun and learning experiences.

Amazon Description of *A Higher Call*:

A "beautiful story of a brotherhood between enemies" emerges from the horrors of World War II in this New York Times bestseller by the author of *Devotion*, now a Major Motion Picture.

December 1943: A badly damaged American bomber struggles to fly over wartime Germany. At the controls is twenty-one-year-old Second Lieutenant Charlie Brown. Half his crew lay wounded or dead on this, their first mission. Suddenly, a Messerschmitt fighter pulls up on the bomber's tail. The pilot is German ace Franz Stigler—and he can destroy the young American crew with the squeeze of a trigger...

What happened next would defy imagination and later be called "the most incredible encounter between enemies in World War II."

"An unforgettable novel that explores important questions highly relevant to the world today." —Christine Wells, author of *Sisters of the Resistance*

Next Books in the Cue:

Kairos, by *Jenny Erpenbeck*. This book is written in German, and the original version and the English translation are available on Amazon. It is hard to find a good German-authored book for our group but this is one. The book is a dramatic love story that unfolds as the GDR implodes—"an intimate account of obsessive, transgressive passion." An epic storyteller with the most powerful voice in contemporary German literature, Jenny Erpenbeck has created an unforgettably compelling masterpiece with *Kairos*.

The Hard Parts by *Oksana Masters*. This book is out our German-themed scope but it is an unforgettable story about a remarkable woman, the most decorated U.S. para-Olympic athlete ever.

Thanks for your continued interest and support of our Book Group.

BLOOD DRIVE

The Deutscher Club of Clark continues their long-standing tradition of supporting the blood supply for local hospitals in our area.

The Vorstand supports your Blood Drive with coffee and Bavarian jelly donuts for early donors and a light German lunch consisting of bratwurst, sauerkraut, German



potato salad complete with a fresh roll. Of course, our collection service the **New York Blood Center (NYBC)** will always have water, juices and a full complement for pre and post donation snacks.

Mark your calendars and please notify your friends and relatives that the Deutscher Club of Clark is hosting another **Blood Drive**.

**Saturday October 19, 2024,
8:00am – 2:00pm**

MAHJONG INSTRUCTIONS

Are you a Mahjong player or would you like to learn?

We will meet on **Sundays from 4 to 6 PM** in the Rathskeller, starting on **Sunday, October 20, 2024**.



We have a professional Mahjong player who can teach a 2-hour class once a week for 4 weeks. The cost is **\$10 per hour** for a total of **\$80** per person.

We will meet on **Sundays** from 4 to 6 pm in the Rathskeller, starting in October. (exact date will be announced)

After the initial 4 weeks of instruction, we hope to start a continuous weekly Mahjong Club. Come and learn this fun game of skill, wit and fortune.

Please respond to **correspondence@deutscherclub.us** to reserve a spot or see me. —Respectfully, Paula Mattis

HISTORY COMMITTEE



We have a formal History Committee to build, document, and archive 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. The next meeting of the History Committee will be held **Friday, October 25, 2024, 6:30 PM**. Come join us! *This is yet another opportunity to earn your volunteer hours.* • If you are interested, please email **correspondence@deutscherclub.us**

The History Committee needs your help to find descendants of our Deutscher Club Founding Fathers who may be among our membership. Anyone who may be related to any of the following founders please write to **history@deutscherclub.us**: Ludwig Gassmann, William Degenhardt, Hermann Klenner, Karl Kummer, Hugo Mueller, William Troebliker, Josef Rack, Anton Horling, Oscar Rodig, Bernhard Hitzler, or Louis Grubel.



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Join us on **Friday, November 1, 2024** to compete in a "Texas HOLD 'EM" poker tournament at the Deutscher Club.

A sign-up sheet is at the bar. Registration closes on **Thursday, October 31, 2024**. Dress Code: Casual

Instructions and table assignments start at **6:30 PM** and the first hand of the tournament will be dealt at **7:00 PM** sharp. The cost is a **\$50 buy-in** with **no re-buys** allowed. Blinds increase throughout the evening. Table count and payout structure will be determined based on registration numbers. No new hands will be dealt after **11:30 PM**. Tables with remaining players at that time will declare winners based on chip count after the last hand. Any questions please write to **events@deutscherclub.us**.

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Dress Code: Business casual attire



Deutsche Ecke

Federweisser und Zwiebelkuchen

Wir alle wissen, dass Deutschland eine der führenden Brauerei Nationen ist. Weniger bekannt ist jedoch, dass Deutschland auch unter den 10 größten Weinproduzenten der Welt ist. Der Weinbau hat in Deutschland eine lange Geschichte die bis zu den Römern zurückreicht. Diese begannen etwa im 1. Jahrhundert n. Chr. mit dem Anbau von Trauben für die Weinproduktion in den Tälern der Mosel und des Mittelrheins; diese Regionen waren damals ein Teil des Römischen Reiches. Nach dem Untergang des Römischen Reiches wurde durch eine wachsende Anzahl von Klöstern der Weinbau in weitere Regionen verbreitet und Mönche verbesserten den Weinherstellungsprozess. Heute gibt es in Deutschland 13 anerkannte Weinanbaugebiete, in denen Tausende von Voll- und Teilzeitwinzer Wein produzieren. Die meisten dieser Weinbaugebiete liegen im Südwesten Deutschlands entlang des Rheins und seiner Nebenflüsse Neckar, Main, Mosel, Nahe und Ahr. Viele der Weinberge liegen an den nach Süden ausgerichteten Steilhängen dieser Flusstäler. Ohne Zweifel ist Riesling der bekannteste deutsche Wein. Dieser Weißwein wird in allen 13 Weinanbaugebieten produziert, was zu den vielen verschiedenen Geschmacksrichtungen des Rieslings beiträgt. Andere Weißwein Sorten sind Müller-Thurgau und Grauer Burgunder, die deutsche Version des Pinot Grigio. Nur 30 % der deutschen Weine sind Rot- oder Roséweine. Ein erwähnenswerter Rotwein ist der Spätburgunder, der aus Pinot Noir Trauben hergestellt wird. Mein persönlicher Favorit, ebenfalls ein Rotwein, ist Haberschlagter Heuchelberg, ein Verschnitt aus Trollinger und Lemberger Wein. Wir alle wissen, dass man in Deutschland keine Gelegenheit auslässt, ein Fest zu feiern. Derzeit gibt es in Deutschland mehr als tausend Weinfeste, diese hohe Anzahl unterstreicht die Bedeutung der Weinkultur für Deutschland. Die beiden weltweit größten Weinfeste finden in Neustadt an der

Weinstraße und in Bad Dürkheim statt. Letzteres, der Dürkheimer Wurstmarkt, ist auch das älteste Weinfest in Deutschland. Am Ende der Weinlese bieten Winzer eine besondere Köstlichkeit an: ihren neuen Wein. Von Anfang September bis Ende Oktober dürfen Winzer ihren neuen Wein oder Federweisser und hausgemachte Speisen direkt an Verbraucher verkaufen. Der Name Federweisser ist auf seine weisse Farbe zurückzuführen. Federweisser wird normalerweise von 2 bis 9 Tage nach dem Keltern der Trauben getrunken. Es ist schwierig, den Geschmack von Federweissen zu beschreiben, da die Dauer der Gärung den Zucker- und Alkoholgehalt verändert und damit das Aroma stark beeinflusst. Sie müssen einfach selbst mal einen Federweissen trinken. Die Speise, die traditionell mit Federweissem serviert wird, ist Zwiebelkuchen, eine köstliche Mischung aus sautierten Zwiebeln, Speck und Sauerrahm die in einer Kruste aus Hefeteig gebacken wird. Der beste Ort, um Federweissen und Zwiebelkuchen zu probieren, sind Besenwirtschaften die es in fast allen Weinbaudörfern gibt. Winzer stellen einfach Stühle und Tische in ihren Hof oder ihre Scheune, befestigen dann einen bunt verzierten Reisigbesen* an der Aussenseite ihres Hauses und schon kann es losgehen. Es macht viel Spass, ein paar dieser Gasthöfe zu besuchen und einige der vielen Variationen von Federweissem zu probieren. Kleiner Tipp: Nutzen Sie für den Heimweg ein Taxi. (Die Art des Erkennungszeichens kann je nach Weinregion variieren).

Federweisser and Onion Tart

We all know Germany is a leading nation for brewing beer. It is less known that Germany is also one of the world's top 10 wine producing countries. Wine making in Germany has a long history going all the way back to the Romans. They started around the 1st century AD cultivating grapes for wine production along the valleys of the Moselle River and along the middle part of the Rhine River, these regions were at that time part of the Roman empire. After



the fall of the Roman Empire a growing number of monasteries spread winemaking to additional regions and monks improved the process. Today Germany has 13 recognized wine regions where thousands full and part time vintners produce wine. The majority of these wine regions is found in the southwestern part of Germany along the Rhine River and its tributaries Neckar, Main, Mosel, Nahe and Ahr. Many of the vineyards are located on south facing steep slopes of these river valleys. Without doubt, the most famous German wine is Riesling. This white wine is produced in all 13 wine growing regions, contributing to the many different Riesling flavors. Other types of white wine are Müller Thurgau and Grauer Burgunder, the German version of Pinot Grigio. Only 30% of German wines are red or rose. A red wine worth mentioning is Spätburgunder, made from Pinot Noir grapes. My personal favorite, also a red, is Haberschlagter Heuchelberg, a blend of Trollinger and Lemberger wine. We all know, in Germany every opportunity is taken to hold a festival. Currently there are more than one thousand wine festivals in Germany. This large number emphasizes the importance of the wine culture for Germany. The two worldwide largest wine festivals are held in Neustadt an der Weinstrasse and in Bad Dürkheim. The latter, the 'Dürkheimer Wurstmarkt' is also the oldest wine festival in Germany. At the end of the wine harvest, vintners offer a special treat: their new wine. From the beginning of September to the end of October, Vintners are allowed sell their new wine, or Federweisser and home-made food directly to consumers. Federweisser, which literally means 'feather white' because of its whitish color, is usually consumed from 2 to 9 days after the grape juice has been collected. It is difficult to describe the taste of Federweisser since the duration of fermentation affects sugar and alcohol levels, greatly impacting flavor. You just have to try Federweisser for yourself. The food traditionally served with Federweisser is onion tart, a delicious mix of sauteed onions, bacon and sour cream baked in a crust of yeast dough. The best place to sample Federweisser and onion tart are "broomstick inns" (temporary taverns/bars open for four months in Fall) found in almost all wine growing villages. Vintners just place chairs and tables in their courtyard or barn, then attach a colorful decorated brushwood broom* on the outside of their house and they are in business. It is a lot of fun to visit a couple of these inns and sample some of the many variations of Federweisser. A small piece of advice, use a taxi for the way home. *(The nature of the sign could vary depending on the wine region). — Martin Kohler

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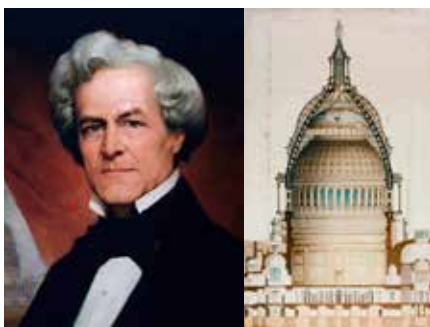


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THOMAS USTICK WALTER – US CAPITOL ARCHITECT



Thomas Ustick Walter was born in Philadelphia in 1804 to a bricklayer, Joseph, and his wife Deborah Walter. His grandfather, Frederick Jacob Walter emigrated from Germany in 1749. He arrived in the U.S. an orphan after his parents both died at sea during the crossing. Walter apprenticed as a bricklayer to his father and studied architecture and technical drawing at the Franklin Institute in Philadelphia. In 1830, Walter established his own architecture practice. He soon gained recognition with his Gothic style design for the Moyamensing Prison and for his winning design for Girard College of Orphans created in the American Greek Revivalism design. Commissions followed from all over the world. In 1850, Walter entered a competition for the design to extend the United States Capitol building. He designed a massive cast iron dome to replace an earlier low wooden one. Walter's design was selected with its wings and dome, The Capitol building shaped the image of American governmental buildings for a century to come. He went on to create the east and west wings of the Old Patent Office, the preliminary design for expansion of the Treasury Building, the expansion of the Post Office and the center building of the Library of Congress. Walter designed many iconic churches in the mid-Atlantic region of the US and became part of the architectural team that designed the Philadelphia City Hall. Thomas Ustick Walter died in 1887 while serving as President of the American Institution of Architects, an organization that he helped found. —Barbara Streit

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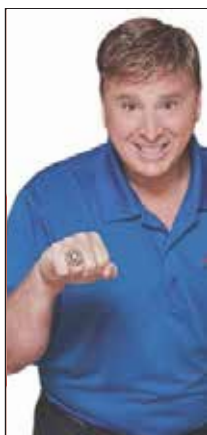


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