

# Deutscher Club of Clark Inc.

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### **VEREINSNACHRICHTEN / CLUB NEWS - NOVEMBER / NOVEMBER 2024**

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ear members, October was a busy month at the Club, especially our two-day Oktoberfest. Thanks to everyone who volunteered throughout the weekend, whether officially or unofficially. Your efforts helped make Saturday, October 5, the biggest day in Club history, and the weekend the biggest weekend in Club history. Thanks again for all the help, it was truly humbling for me as this was my first Oktoberfest as President and it will not be forgotten. We didn't rest on our laurels however and had many other activities throughout the month. We continued our State Dinner Series, with a culinary visit to Thüringen on the 11th and Paula Mattis launched the Mahjong Club on Sunday the 13th. Mike & Roswitha Burkert led another successful Blood Drive on the 19th, thanks to everyone who came out and donated or attempted to donate. We held our annual Halloween Party on the 26th, and our kid's Halloween Party on the 27th. Thanks to everyone on the Entertainment and Decorating Committees. November will be just as filled with Club happenings. November 2nd will be our "Pop the Cork" Sparkling Wine tasting and dinner pairing, the first of our 2 Fall cleanings will occur on November 9th in the morning, followed by our 89th Anniversary Gala that evening. We will visit our first City State in the German State Dinner Series on November 15th, with a curated menu from Bremen. On Sunday the 17th we will hold a Breakfast Buffet, followed by our last public event for the year - Christkindlmarkt -on November 23rd and 24th. On November 30th, we hold our second Fall cleaning in the morning and the final Trivia Night of 2024 in the evening. 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. Happy Thanksgiving everyone and see you at the Club!

A quick note – Signing-in non-members, who are not your actual, invited guests is not allowed. If any member is caught doing this, you will be suspended.

iebe Mitglieder, der Oktober war ein arbeitsreicher Monat für den Club, insbesonders unser zweitägiges Oktoberfest. Vielen Dank ✓an alle die sich das ganze Wochenende über freiwillig zur Arbeit gemeldet haben; ob offiziell oder inoffiziell, Ihre Bemühungen haben dazu beigetragen dass Samstag, der 5. Oktober der erfolgreichste Tag in der Clubgeschichte ist; in der Tat, das ganze Wochenende geht als das Grösste in die Clubgeschichte ein. Nochmals vielen Dank für alle Ihre Hilfe. Dies war mein erstes Oktoberfest als Präsident, es war mir eine Ehre und wird mir in guter Erinnerung bleiben. Wir haben uns nicht auf unseren Lorbeeren ausgeruht und planten für den ganzen Monat viele andere Aktivitäten. Wir haben unsere deutsche Bundesländer Dinner-Serie mit einem kulinarischen Besuch in Thüringen am 11. Oktober fortgesetzt. Paula Mattis hat am Sonntag dem 13. den Mahjong Club eröffnet. Mike & Roswitha Burkert haben am 19. eine weitere erfolgreiche Blutspendeaktion durchgeführt. Vielen Dank an alle die gekommen sind um Blut zu spenden, oder zu spenden versucht haben. Wir haben am 26. unsere alljährliche Halloween-Party und am 27. wird unsere Kinder-Halloween-Party abgehalten. Vielen Dank an das Unterhaltungs- und Dekorationskomitee. Der November bietet wiederum eine Anzahl von Clubereignissen. Am 2. November findet unsere "Pop the Cork"-Sektprobe mit Abendessen statt. Die erste Hälfte unserer beiden Herbstreinigungen findet am Morgen des 9. Novembers statt, gefolgt von unserem 89. Jubilaeums Gala, das am selben Abend gefeiert wird. Wir werden am 15. November unseren ersten Stadtstaat in der deutschen Staatsdinnerserie besuchen, mit einem kuratierten Menü aus Bremen. Am Sonntag, den 17. November bieten wir ein Frühstücksbuffet an. gefolgt von unserer letzten öffentlichen Veranstaltung des Jahres. Am 23. und 24. November findet der Christkindlmarkt statt. Am 30. November, morgens, laden wir zur zweiten Hälfte unserer Herbstreinigung ein. Am selben Abend findet die letzte Trivia-Nacht des Jahres 2024 statt. Wie immer danken wir allen, die den Club unterstützen, sei es durch Freiwilligenarbeit, Spenden, Besuche der Bar und des Restaurants. Ohne Sie wäre der Club nicht so großartig. Allen ein frohes Thanksgiving und wir sehen uns im Club!

**Eine kurze Anmerkung** – Das Anmelden von Nichtmitgliedern, die nicht Ihre tatsächlichen eingeladenen Gäste sind, ist nicht gestattet. Wenn ein Mitglied dabei erwischt wird, wird es suspendiert.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen, Keith Rhyner E-Mail: president@deutscherclub.us

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## PROGRAMM FÜR NOVEMBER / NOVEMBER PROGRAM 2024

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

	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website 5:30 − 8:00	
	Texas Hold'em • In the Ratskeller • Details on Page 6	
	Pop the Cork Champagne Tasting & Pairing • Details on Page 6	
	Ratskeller • Open w/out Food Service • (No Take-out Service Available).	
	Die Wandergruppe / The Hikers • Watchung Reservation • Details on Page 6.	
	Frühschoppen	
	Bar	
Wed 06	DC Beginner German Class	O DM
Thu 07	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website 5:30 – 8:00	O DM
	Ballroom Dance • Beginners	
	Steinstücken – A Video Presentation • Details on Page 6.	O PM
Thu 07	Entertainment Committee	O PM
	DC Advanced German Class	
	Ballroom Dance • Advanced Beginners 7:00	
	Dinnerr • Menu on the DC Website.	
	Deutscher Stammtisch 5.30 – 8.00	
	Fall Clean-up Part I • Clean and Set up for Christkindlmarkt • Details on Page 6 8:00	
Sat 09	89th DC Anniversary Gala • Music by Joe Kroboth • Details on Page 6 5:00 – 10:00	O AM
Sun 10	Frühschoppen	O PM
Sun 10	DC Ladies Division Meeting • Details on Page 5	O DM
Wed 13	Bar	O PM
	Monthly Membership Meeting • Let's Get Down to Business! Light Fare available at the Window prior to the Meeting 7:00	O PM
	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website 5:30 – 8:00	
	Ballroom Dance • Beginners	
	DC Advanced German Class 7:00	
	Ballroom Dance • Advanced Beginners	
	Networking Meeting • Tell us about your Business • Details on Page 7	
	German State Dinner Series • Featuring Bremen • Details on Page 7	
Sat 16	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website 5:30 – 8:00	0 PM
Sun 17	Breakfast Buffet • Music by Mike Montemurro • Details on Page 7	0 PM
Sun 17	Frühschoppen	eled
	Bar	
	DC Beginner German Class	
	<b>Dinner •</b> Menu on the DC Website	
	Railroaders Dinner & Video • All Members are Welcome! 6:30	O PM
	DC Advanced German Class 7:00	
Fri 22	Meeting of the Potato Peeling Society	O AM
Fri 22	<b>Dinner •</b> <i>Menu on the DC Website</i>	0 PM
Fri 22	History Committee Meeting • Details on Page 7.	O PM
Fri 22	Jazz am Freitag • Music by Christian Fabian and Greg Scime 6:00 – 8:30	0 PM
	Christkindlmarkt * Day 1 • Music by Nick Conte & Ed Helmstetter • Details on Page 7	
	Frühschoppen	
Sun 24	<b>Christkindlmarkt * Day 2 •</b> Music by Nick Conte & Ed Helmstetter • <i>Details on Page 7</i>	0 PM
Wed 27	Bar	
		0 PM
	A BLESSED THANKSGIVING TO ALL!	
	<b>Dinner •</b> Menu on the DC Website 5:30 – 8:00	
	<b>Fall Clean-up II •</b> Time to put Everything away! • Details on Page 6.	
	Trivia Night • Assemble your Teams! • Details on Page 7	O PM
	* indicates event is open to the public † indicates the clubhouse will be	closed

## Vorschau Dezember / Preview December 2024 ■ SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE & EMAILS FOR UPDATES

1	Thu 05	Entertainment Committee Meeting	Wed 11	Monthly Membership Meeting • Let's get	Fri 20	Christmas Carols by Candlelight	1
i	Fri 06	DC Tree Lighting		down to Business!	Fri 20	<b>History Committee Meeting</b> • No meeting	i
1	Sat 07	<b>Deutscher Tanzabend</b> • Music by Bernie's	Fri 13	Deutscher Stammtisch		this Month	-1
-		Orchestra	Sat 14	Christmas Gala • Music by The Adlers	Sun 22	Frühschoppen	-
į	Sun 08	<b>Die Wandergruppe / The Hikers •</b> Liberty State Park, Jersey City				MERRY CHRISTMAS!	i
i	Sun 08	Frühschoppen	Sun 15	Children's Christmas Party	Wed 25	Christmas Frühschoppen (Potluck)	i
1		SSB Christmas Concert Presbyterian Church	Thu 19	Railroaders Dinner & Video	Sun 29	Frühschoppen	-1
-		Westfield	Thu 19	Networking Meeting • Tell us about your	Tue 31	New Year's Eve / Silvester Gala • Music by The	÷
i	Tue 10	DC Ladies Division Christmas Party		Business		Adlers	i

## **KLUBNACHRICHTEN • CLUB NEWS**

Our thoughts and prayers for strength and recuperation go out to our members, Leni Elischberger, Dan Kaiser, Barbara Niro, Nancy Reuter, and Chris Wagner.

Our thoughts and prayers for strength and recovery go out to our former employee, **Hanna D'Angelo** and all those hit and affected by the recent hurricanes.

We mourn the passing of our former member, **Werner Heimlich, Conrad Kochevar** and extend our heartfelt sympathy to his family. We extend our deepest condolences to the family of **Alice Chudzik**, Mother and Mother-in-law to members **William and Jean Chudzik**.

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

## IN THE NEWS

### A NEW ROOF FOR THE WINTER!



We would like to express our gratitude to the members who diligently worked to renew the roof of the clubhouse! The roofing crew led by Peter Richter, included: **Paul Vojt, Chris Wagner, and Charles Laskowski.** Thank you, Gentlemen!

### TRIVIA NIGHT IN SEPTEMBER



Congratulations to the Winners - THE MOOPS!



The SAND PILOTS didn't win but brought Spirit to Trivia with team shirts.

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

## OKTOBERFEST HAPPENINGS MEETING OF THE POTATO PEELING SOCIETY



▲ A man with experience

Jeff Grunder's famous Apfelstrudel!▲

### **MASSKRUGSTEMMEN WINNERS**





THE GUEST OF HONOR

Courtesy of Schmalz's European Provisions!

# PLEASE REMEMBER — When in the Club ...





# MAY WE TAKE YOUR ORDER? Deutscher Club has Take-out!

Open to the Public! Call in your order: (732) 574-8600 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

### **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.





# 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* 

### 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. Hu-



berts. Our pets give us so 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



Just a friendly reminder that **2025 Membership Dues** are payable **January 1, 2025.** 

Have a Happy Thanksgiving! Prost!

Sincerely, Buzz Sawyer, Membership Secretary, Deutscher Club of Clark

### 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-commit**tee, 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, 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 **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

### LAND PACKAGE INCLUDES:

\* 6 nights in \*\*\*\* Hotel Bischofsmütze Filzmoos/Austria

5 nights in \*\*\*\* Hotel Olympia-Bruneck/Italy

\* 1 night \*\*\*\* Hotel area Munich/Germany \* 13 breakfast buffets/dinner including welcome/farewell dinner

Transfer from/to Munich airport (Germany), free baggage handling

all rooms have private facilities, TV and phone free Wifi, Spa, swimmingpool & sauna

transportation by modern 4Star air-conditioned motor coach with toilet and barlmini-kitchen (by our "world's best driver" Achim)

 Bilingual English/German guide throughout the tour

\* All excursions/tours /performance as listed in the program travel@t-online.de www.journey-withmusic.com

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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)

**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's November meeting will be held in the Rathskeller on **Novem** 



**ber 10 at 2:00 PM**. Our member, Karla Schwedt will be showing pictures from her National Geographic Explorer trip to Greenland. Any members interested in joining us please come as our guest.

On **November 23 and 24** our Christkindl-markt will be welcoming the holiday season with gift buying, German goodies for sale, Gluhwein and Specialties from the grill. Fun times! If anyone has any Trachten (Dirndls, Lederhosen, etc) they would like to donate, send an e-mail to the Ladies Division at ladies@deutscherclub.us or bring the items to the Club with a note, "for the Ladies Division." They will be sold at the Christkindlmarkt. There are people who look forward to purchasing them. *Thank you*.

### THE SINGERS



### SÄNGERCHOR NEWARK

The Sängerchor 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 bier 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

# A THANK-YOU TO THE DC MEMBERSHIP

Roswitha and I would like to thank everybody that signed up and donated in our lat-



est blood drive on October 19th.

If you would like to donate with New York Blood Center (NYBC) and have the Deutscher Club receive credit for your donation there is a simple procedure. When you sign in on the computer there will be a question asking if you want your donation to go to a different sponsor. Insert # 72438 into that space and the Deutscher Club will receive credit.

There still is a dire need to replenish blood supplies country wide. The one-two punch of Hurricanes Milton and Helene have decimated blood supplies. Please donate if you can.

If you are over 75 years old you will need a doctor's note to donate. If you have a doctor, he/she can usually give you a note stating your ability to donate with just a request over the phone. Please donate if you are able.

Our dates for Deutscher Club Blood Drives should be available with the next newsletter. Thank you to our membership and their friends and family for the support they have given to local hospitals through our blood drives since the 1960's.



Join us on **Friday**, **November 1, 2024** to compete in a "Texas HOLD 'EM" poker tour-

nament at the Deutscher Club.

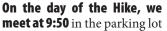
A sign-up sheet is at the bar. Registration closes on **Thursday**, **October 31**, **2024**. **Dress Code**: Casual

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.





# HIKING NEWS Leader: Brian Mecca brian.mecca@gmail.com



(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.

As we are coming to the end of 2024, we are planning the hikes for 2025. Please share any ideas you may have or somewhere you have been or would like to go to. We try to stay within a one-hour drive time from the Deutscher Club.



On Sunday October 13th nine (9) of us went to the Great Swamp at the Environmental Education Center at Lord Stirling Park in Basking Ridge, it was a beautiful day for a walk in the woods. We hiked 3.3 miles in 1h 30 minutes, stopped at the overlook at the Passaic River looking onto the Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge.

On **Sunday November 3rd** we will be hiking the Watchung Reservation meeting at the Trailside Museum Parking Lot. We will be hiking the Watchung White, Purple and Yellow Trail Loop. This 3.8-mile loop trail is near Mountainside, New Jersey. Generally considered an easy route, but there is an elevation gain of 354 ft. www.alltrails.com/

trail/us/new-jersey/white-purple-and-yel-low-trail-loop

On **Sunday December 8th**, we will be hiking along the waterfront at Liberty State Park in Jersey City. This is along the waterfront; you are near the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island. This is about a 3-mile roundtrip walk on paved walkways.

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 Frühschoppen. 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.

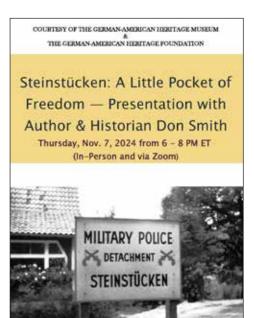
### MAHJONG INSTRUCTIONS

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**, **November 3**, **2024**.



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* 



#### **CATERING SERVICE**

Let us cater you private events. An extensive catering menu is available on our website or from our own Chef Ewald.





### **NETWORKING MEETING**

There will be a Deutscher Club Networking meeting on **Thursday**, **November 14, 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* 



cheese sauce)

SOUP: Kartoffelsuppe mit Speck und Krabben (Bremen Style potato soup w/bacon & shrimp)

ENTREES: Knipp (Uncased pork sausage w/oats pan fried on each side) Add fried egg (Spiegelei) • Labskaus (Bremen-style corned beef & potato hash w/beets) Add fried egg (Spiegelei)

Fischrouladen (White fish rolled with smoked salmon and cream cheese)

DESSERT: Rote Grütze (Fresh red berries w/cream) • Bremer Kaffeebrot (Buttered and sugared white bread cooked golden brown)



### **HISTORY COMMITTEE**



The next meeting of the History Committee will be held Friday, November 22, 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





## COMING SOON.....

### Schwäbischer Sängerbund

Mixed Chorus presents



### Weihnachtskonzert 36th Annual Christmas Concert

German and American Christmas Classics With Soloists and Orchestra

Professor Gregory Scimé • Director



Sunday, December 8, 2024 • 4pm The Presbyterian Church 140 Mountain Ave., Westfield Donation \$20

Tickets available from all members of Schwäbischer Sängerbund or contact: Julie at 908-756-1313 jschlott13@yahoo.com

## Ladies' Division Christmas Party

Tuesday, December 10th, at 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM



The DC Damenabteilung/Ladies' Division will hold their annual Christmas Dinner. • Cocktails begin 5:30 PM and Dinner 6 PM

### Christmas (Bala

Saturday, December 16th • 6 - 10:00 PM

### Music by The Adlers

Stay tuned for the details! • Tickets will be available for purchase at the Bar in November. Payment is required to secure your Reservation. • Dress



Code: Cocktail (Those in Jeans & T-Shirts/ Sweatshirts will not be allowed Entry)

# Children's Christmas Party

Sunday, December 15th • 1 - 3 PM The party is open to children

and grandchildren of our members (up to 8yrs of age).



■ Each parent is requested to bring a wrapped Christmas gift with their child's name on it, not to exceed \$20

in value • Your child will receive the gift you bring.

■There will be games, prizes, and entertainment, refreshments • and possibly even a visit from Santa Claus, too!

Frohe Weihnachten • Merry Christmas!

P.S. Look for the sign-up in the Lobby in No**vember** to register the children.

### CHRISTMAS CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Mark your calendar Friday, December **20th, 8 PM** • The Schwäbischer Sänger-



bund will perform Christmas Carols by Candlelight at the Deutscher Club • Dinner service will be available before the concert.

## **NEW YEAR'S EVE Tuesday, December 31**



Stay tuned for the details!



Tickets will be available for purchase at the Bar in November. Payment is required to secure your Reservation.

Dress Code: Cocktail (Those in Jeans & *T-Shirts/Sweatshirts will not be allowed Entry)* 

# Deutsche Ecke



### **Oktoberfest – Damals und Heute**

Fast ieder hat schon einmal vom Oktoberfest gehört. Im Jahr 2024 findet in München zum 189. Mal das Oktoberfest statt. Abgesehen von Kriegszeiten und Gesundheitskrisen fand ein Oktoberfest in den meisten Jahren seit seinem Beginn statt. Normalerweise dauert das Oktoberfest 16 Tage und endet am ersten Sonntag im Oktober, in diesem Jahr beginnt es am 21. September und endet am 06. Oktober. Das Oktoberfest begann als Hochzeitsfeier. Am 12. Oktober 1810 heiratete der bayerische Kronprinz Ludwig, der spätere König Ludwig I., Prinzessin Therese von Sachsen-Hildburghausen. Fünf Tage lang feierte der königliche Hof diesen freudigen Anlass und verwöhnte die Münchner mit kostenlosem Essen und Unterhaltung. Am 17. Oktober endeten die Feierlichkeiten mit einem Umzug von Kindern in bayerischen Trachten und einem Pferderennen auf einer Wiese am Stadtrand von München. Diese Wiese, später in Theresienwiese umbenannt, ist bis heute Austragungsort des Oktoberfestes. Im Jahr 1811 fügte der Organisator einer Ausstellung für landwirtschaftliche Produkte seiner Veranstaltung einen Trachtenumzug und ein Pferderennen hinzu, in der Hoffnung, mehr Besucher anzulocken. Das Oktoberfest war geboren. Aus diesen bescheidenen Anfängen entwickelte sich das Oktoberfest zum größten Volksfest der Welt. Im Laufe der Jahre haben sich die Festtraditionen verändert. Es gibt kein Pferderennen mehr. Aus dem Kindertrachtenumzug wurde der "Trachten- und Jägerumzug" mit 10.000 Teilnehmern, die durch München ziehen. Am Eröffnungstag haben die Wirte und die Brauereien ihren eigenen Festumzug durch München. Die offizielle Eröffnung des Oktoberfestes findet im Anschluss an den Umzug im Schottenhamel-Zelt statt. Münchens Oberbürgermeister zapft das erste Fass an, nachdem er dies erfolgreich getan hat, verkündet er "O'zapft is". Dann melden 12 Gewehrschüsse in alle anderen Zelte: Bier kann ausgeschenkt werden. Für Netflix-Abonnenten, die sich für die Geschichte des Oktoberfests interessieren. werfen Sie einen Blick auf die fiktive Serie "Oktoberfest: Bier und Blut". Ohne Zweifel ist Bier eine der Hauptattraktionen des Festivals. Nur sechs Brauereien die innerhalb der Münchner Stadtgrenzen ansässig sind: Augustiner, Hacker-Pschorr, Hofbräu, Löwenbräu, Paulaner und Spaten, dürfen das Bier liefern, das auf dem Oktoberfest

ausgeschenkt wird. Nur Bier welches für das Oktoberfest gebraut und dort ausgeschenkt wird, ist echtes Oktoberfestbier. Alle anderen Oktoberfestbiere sind bestenfalls sogenannte "Oktoberfestbiere". Bier wird in 38 Zelten ausgeschenkt, davon 17 große Zelte mit einer Kapazität von bis zu 11.000 Personen und 21 kleine Zelte.

Diese Zelte werden während der 16-tägigen Festzeit von 5 bis 7 Millionen Gästen besucht. Im Jahr 2014 wurden in allen Zelten zusammen 7,5 Millionen Liter Bier (fast 2 Millionen Gallonen) ausgeschenkt, ein Rekord, der seitdem nicht gebrochen wurde. Die einzige Biergröße, die serviert wird, ist ein "Masskrug", ein gläserner Bierkrug, der genau 1 Liter Bier fasst. Sie selbst ausrechnen, wie viele Masskrüge in dem Jahr von den Kellnern getragen werden mussten. Das Oktoberfest leistet einen wichtigen Beitrag zur Münchner Wirtschaft. Im Jahr 2024 wird ein Masskrug zwischen 13,60 € und 15,30 € (15 bis 16,90 US-Dollar) kosten. Es wird geschätzt, dass die Besucher etwa 500 Millionen Euro (550 Millionen US-Dollar) auf dem Messegelände ausgeben werden, und der Gesamtbeitrag des Oktoberfests zur Münchner Wirtschaft sich auf 1,25 Milliarden Euro (1,38 Milliarden US-Dollar) belaufen wird. Es stellt sich heraus, dass die Bayern den optimalen Plan haben, um das Wirtschaftswachstum anzukurbeln -Spaß haben und Bier trinken.

### Oktoberfest – Then and Now

Almost everyone has heard of the Oktoberfest. In 2024, Munich will host the Oktoberfest for the 189th time. Since the beginning, the Oktoberfest ran annually except in

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times of war or crises. Usually, the Oktoberfest lasts for 16 days and ends on the first Sunday in October, this year it starts on September 21 and ends on October 06. The Oktoberfest started as a wedding celebration. On 12 October 1810, the Bavarian crown prince Ludwig, later King Ludwig I married Princess Therese of Saxe-Hildburghausen. The royal court celebrated this happy occasion for five days, treating Munich's citizens to free meals and enter-

> tainment. On October 17, the festivities ended with a parade of children in traditional Bavarian costumes and a horse race on a meadow on the outskirts of Munich. This meadow, later named Theresienwiese is to this day the venue for the Oktoberfest. In 1811, the organizer of an exhibition for farm products added a costume parade and

a horse race to their event, hoping to attract more visitors. The Oktoberfest was born. From these humble beginnings the Oktoberfest evolved into the world's biggest folk festival. Over the years the festival's traditions have changed. There is no more horse race. The children's costume parade is now the 'Costume and Hunters Parade' with 10,000 participants in traditional costumes marching through Munich. On opening day, the innkeepers and breweries march with their own festive parade through Munich. The official Oktoberfest opening happens after the parade in the Schottenhamel tent. Munich's lord major taps the first keg, and after successfully doing so he announces "O'zapft is" (It's tapped). Then 12 rifle shots announce to all tents: beer can be served. For Netflix subscribers interested in the Oktoberfest history, have a look at the fictional series "Oktoberfest: Beer and Blood." Without a doubt, beer is one of the festival's main attractions. Only the six breweries, located within the Munich city limits: Augustiner, Hacker-Pschorr, Hofbräu, Löwenbräu, Paulaner and Spaten are allowed to provide the beer served at the Oktoberfest. Only beer brewed for and served at the Oktoberfest is the real "Oktoberfest Bier", all other so called Oktoberfest beers are at best "Oktoberfest style beer." Beer is served in 38 tents, 17 of them large tents with a capacity of up to 11,000 people and 21 small tents. These tents are visited by 5 to 7 million quests during the 16-day festival period. In 2014 all tents together served 7.5 million liters of beer (almost 2 million gallons) a record unbroken since then. The only size of beer served is a "masskrug", a glass beer mug that holds exactly 1 liter (33.8 oz) beer. You do the math how many masskrüge had to be carried by the wait staff in that year. These numbers make the Oktoberfest an important contributor to Munich's economy. In 2024, one masskrug will cost between €13.60 and €15.30 (US \$15 to US \$16.90). It is estimated visitors will spend approximately €500 million (US \$ 550 million) on the fair ground and the total contribution of the Oktoberfest to Munich's economy will approach €1.25 billion (US \$ 1.38 billion). It turns out the Bavarians have the optimal plan to boost economic growth - Have fun and drink beer. -Martin Kohler

# HILLA REBAY — ARTIST AND ADVISOR

Hilla Rebay was born Baroness Hildegard Anna Augusta Elizabeth Rebay von Ehrenwiesen in 1890 in Strassburg, Germany



(now Strasbourg, France). She showed artistic talent at an early age and was sent to study in Cologne, Paris, and Munich. Rebay developed into a skilled colorist and excelled at figure and portrait painting. In 1917, Rebay moved to Berlin where she met the artist Rudolf Bauer with whom she had a lifelong relationship. In Berlin, Rebay pursued the style of non-objective art which she referred to as a depiction of "cosmic order and creation of beauty." In 1927, Rebay emigrated to the United States where she was introduced by influential friends to New York City. Rebay lived in a studio apartment in Carnegie Hall that she kept until 1953, where she supported herself by painting portraits for high society. Through this work she had a solo show at the Marie Sterner Gallery and met Solomon Guggenheim who commissioned her to paint his portrait. During the sittings for the portrait, Rebay gained Guggenheim's trust so that he enlisted her help in acquiring artworks in Europe using her many connections with fellow artists. In the 1930's, Rebay organized many traveling exhibitions of Guggenheim's collection. She also helped Guggenheim distribute stipends and scholarships to artists that produced non-objec-

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tive art. In 1939, Guggenheim opened his Museum of Non-Objective Painting on East Fifty-Fourth Street in NYC. Hilla Rebay was the curator. Looking for a permanent home for Guggenheim's collection, Rebay contacted Frank Lloyd Wright to design the building on Fifth Avenue. In 1952, she resigned as director of

the museum due to poor health and artistic differences with the family trustees. Hilla Rebay died in Westport, Connecticut and was buried in her family grave in Teningen, Germany. Many works of art in her personal collection were donated, and hang, in the Guggenheim Museum of Art today. —*Barbara Streit* 

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