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VEREINSNACHRICHTEN / CLUB NEWS - NOVEMBER / NOVEMBER 2025

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ear Members, October was a busy month at the Club, especially with our two-day Oktoberfest. All I can say about Oktoberfest is WOW! It was a record weekend for our Club and it could not have happened without our volunteers. It was truly special to see so many members, from those with decades in our Club to those with weeks in our Club pitching in to make Oktoberfest possible. The Vorstand sincerely thanks each and every one of you for the help in making Oktoberfest successful. We also remember and thank our dear, departed members, who I suspect had a hand in getting us perfect weather for both days. We didn't take too much of a break afterwards, and made sure there were plenty of activities for the rest of the month. On Saturday the 11th, Eric Zabel led a "Fahrt ins Blaue" to America's oldest brewery, Yuengling, in Pottsville, Pennsylvania. Of course, Yuengling was founded by a German immigrant, and is still run by his descendants to this day. We had a great Murder Mystery Night on the 18th, featuring a Whodunnit set in the golden age of Hollywood. Thanks to Paula, Ruth, Alexandra and the Entertainment & Decorating Committees for making our Club look like a real crime scene to set the mood. We held our 15th German State Dinner on the 24th featuring the cuisine of Brandenburg, and Chef Ewald did a spectacular job as always. On the 25th we held our bi-annual blood drive, thanks to Mike & Roswitha Burkert for putting it together and thanks to all of those who donated. November 1st will be our popular Halloween Party, and the Children's Halloween Party will be on the 2nd. On the morning of the 8th, we will hold our first of two Fall Clean-Ups, getting the grounds ready for Christkindlmarkt. That evening will be a very special event, our 90th Anniversary Gala! We are so fortunate to be able to celebrate our 90th year as a Club, and we will be doing so at Galloping Hill Caterers in Union. It will be a very special evening, and I encourage everyone to buy tickets while they are still available. A lot of work has gone into this evening to make sure it will be one to be remembered. On the 14th, we will have our 16th State Dinner, featuring the cuisine of Niedersachsen, please make reservations through Chef Ewald. On the 15th, we will hold a beer tasting dinner featuring beers brewed by our friend Greg at Ramstein Brewery in Butler. Greg was trained in Bavaria and still brews in accordance with the German Reinheitsgebot. Our Ladies Division's annual Christkindlmarkt will be held on the 22nd & 23rd, another special event on our calendar. We will of course need help from volunteers making this event as successful as possible, so please volunteer when and where you can. We wish all of our members and their families a happy and healthy Thanksgiving, and if you're looking to burn off some Thanksgiving calories, we will be holding our final clean-up of the season on the 29th. That evening will also be our final Trivia Night of the year, so please make sure to assemble your teams and compete. 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!

iebe Mitglieder, der Oktober war ein arbeitsreicher Monat für den Club, insbesonders das zweitägige Oktoberfest. Ich kann nur sagen: WOW! Es war ein Rekordwochenende für unseren Club. Ohne unsere ehrenamtlichen Helfer wäre dies nicht möglich gewesen. Es war wirklich etwas Besonderes so viele Mitglieder zu sehen, die die schon jahrzehntelang zu unserem Club gehören und die die vor wenigen Wochen Mitglieder geworden sind. Alle haben mit angepackt um das Oktoberfest zu ermöglichen. Der Vorstand dankt jedem von Ihnen herzlichst für Ihre Hilfe die zum Gelingen des Oktoberfests beigetragen hat. Wir erinnerten uns auch an unsere lieben verstorbenen Mitglieder und danken ihnen dafür - wie ich vermute – dass sie ihren Teil dazu beigetragen haben, dass wir an beiden Tagen perfektes Wetter hatten. Wir haben uns nicht allzu viel Ruhe gegönnt und sorgten dafür dass es für den Rest des Monats viele Aktivitäten gab. Am Samstag, den 11., leitete Eric Zabel eine "Fahrt ins Blaue" zu Amerika's älteste Brauerei, Yuengling, in Pottsville, Pennsylvania. Yuengling wurde von einem deutschen Einwanderer gegründet und wird bis heute von seinen Nachkommen geführt. Am 18. hatten wir einen großartigen Krimiabend, um ein kriminelles Rätsel aus dem goldenen Zeitalter Hollywoods zu lösen. Vielen Dank an Paula, Ruth, Alexandra und an das Unterhaltungs- und Dekorationskomitee, die unseren Club zu einen echten Tatort verwandelten, was für die richtige Stimmung sorgte. Am 24. veranstalteten wir unser 15. Deutsches Staatsessen mit brandenburgischer Küche und Küchenchef Ewald lieferte wie immer hervorragende Arbeit. Am 25. fand unsere halbjährliche Blutspendeaktion statt. Vielen Dank an Mike und Roswitha Burkert für das organisieren und an alle Spender. Am 1. November findet unsere beliebte Halloween-Party statt und die Kinder-Halloween-Party am 2. November. Am Morgen des 8. November veranstalten wir die erste von zwei Herbstputzaktionen, dies um das Gelände für den Christkindlmarkt vorzubereiten. Der Abend des 8. November wird ein ganz besonderes Ereignis sein: Der Deutsche Club feiert mit seinen Mitgliedern und Freunden sein 90-jähriges Jubiläum mit einem Gala Essen bei Galloping Hill Caterers in Union. Es wird ein ganz besonderer Abend werden. Ich empfehle Ihnen schon jetzt Tickets zu kaufen solange sie noch erhältlich sind. Wir haben viel Arbeit geleistet um sicher zu machen dass dieser Abend unvegesslich sein wird. Am 14. findet unser 16. Landesdinner mit der niedersächsischen Küche statt. Reservierungen bitte über Küchenchef Ewald vornehmen. Am 15. veranstalten wir ein Bierverkostungsdinner mit Bieren, die unser Freund Greg in der Ramstein Brewery in Butler gebraut hat. Greg wurde in Bayern ausgebildet und braut immer noch nach dem Reinheitsgebot. Unser all- jährlicher Christkindlmarkt, organisiert und geleitet bei die Damenabteilung des Clubs, findet am 22. und 23. Statt, ein weiteres besonderes Ereignis in unserem Kalender. Auch hier benötigen wir Unterstützung von freiwilligen Helfern um diese Veranstaltung so erfolgreich wie möglich zu gestalten. Helfen Sie bitte mit woimmer Sie können. Wir wünschen allen unseren Mitgliedern und ihren Familien ein frohes und gesundes Thanksgiving. Wenn Sie ein paar Thanksgiving-Kalorien verbrennen möchten, veranstalten wir am 29. unsere letzte Aufräumeaktion der Saison. Am selben Abend findet unser letzter Quizabend des Jahres statt. Stellt unbedingt eure Teams zusammen und macht mit. Wie immer vielen Dank an alle die den Club unterstützen – sei es durch ehrenamtliches Engagement, Spenden, Besuche in der Bar und im Restaurant. Ohne Euch wäre der Club nicht so erfolgreich und lebendig. Wir sehen uns im Club!

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

The Deutscher Club provides the following e-mails for your convenience:

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PROGRAMM FÜR NOVEMBER / NOVEMBER PROGRAM 2025

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

Sat 01	Halloween Party • Music by Fast Forward Eighties • <i>Details on Page 6</i>	6:00 – 10:00 PM
Sun 02	Die Wandergruppe / The Hikers • Hartshorne Woods Park • Details on Page 5	10:00 AM
Sun 02	Frühschoppen	
Sun 02	Children's Halloween Party • Sign-up Folder in the Foyer • Details on Page 6	12:00 – 2:00 PM
Wed 05	Bar	3:00 – 11:00 PM
Thu 06	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Thu 06	Entertainment Committee • Bring your Imagination	
Fri 07	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Fri 07	History Committee • Come join us!	6:30 PM
Sat 08	Fall Clean-up Part I • Come Help Prepare for Christkindlmarkt	8:00 AM
Sat 08	DC's 90th Anniversary Gala • Music by Die Heimatklänge	6:00 – 11:00 PM
Sun 09	Frühschoppen	
Wed 12	Bar	3:00 – 11:00 PM
Wed 12	Kitchen Open for Light Fare	5:00 – 6:45 PM
Wed 12	Monthly Membership Meeting • Take Part & Make this Club Great!	
Thu 13	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Fri 14	German State Dinner Series • Niedersachsen • Details on Page 7	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Sat 15	Ramstein Beer Pairing Dinner • Music by Nick Conte.	
Sat 15	Ratskeller Open • No Dinner Service	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Sun 16	Frühschoppen	. 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Sun 16	DC Ladies Division • Music by Karickter Duo	2:00 PM
Wed 19	Bar	3:00 – 11:00 PM
Thu 20	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	
Thu 20	Railroaders Dinner & Video • All Members are Welcome!	6:30 PM
Thu 20	Networking Meeting • Tell us about your Business • <i>Details on Page 6</i>	
Fri 21	Meeting of the Potato Peeling Society	
Fri 21	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 7:30 PM
Fri 21	Deutscher Stammtisch • New Date – 3rd Friday of the Month	
Sat 22	DC Christkindlmarkt * • Day I • Details on Page 7	. 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Sun 23	Frühschoppen	Cancelled
Sun 23	DC Christkindlmarkt * • Day II • Details on Page 7	. 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Wed 26	Bar	
Thu 27	A Blessed Thanksgiving to All!	Club is Closed
Fri 28	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Sat 29	Fall Clean-up II • The Final Winterizing of the Club	8:00 AM
Sat 29	Trivia Night • Assemble your Teams! • Details on Page 7.	5:30 – 9:00 PM
Sun 30	Frühschoppen	. 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Vorschau Dezember / Preview December 2025SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE & EMAILS FOR UPDATES

Entertainment Committee Meeting • Bring your Thu 04 imagination! **DC Christmas Tree Lighting •** With Special Guest Fri 05 **Appearance** Fri 05 **Deutscher Stammtisch** Die Wandergruppe/The Hikers • Watchung **Sun 07** Reservation Frühschoppen Sun 07 SSB 37th Annual Christmas Concert Presbyterian **Church Westfield** Wed 10 Monthly Membership Meeting • Take part & Make this Club Great! **Texas Hold'em •** *In the Ratskeller* **History Committee Meeting • Come Join Us!**

Sun 14 Children's Christmas Party • *Sign-up Folder in the* **DC Ladies Division Christmas Party** • In the Main Tue 16 Dining Room Thu 18 Railroaders Dinner & A Video • All DC Members Welcome! **Networking Meeting •** Tell us about your Business Thu 18 Fri 19 **Christmas Carols by Candlelight** Sat 20 **Christmas Gala** • *Music by The Adlers* Sun 21 Frühschoppen Wed 24 Heiligabend/Christmas Eve • Club is Closed Thu 25 Christmas Frühschoppen • Potluck Sun 28 Frühschoppen Wed 31 Silvester/New Year's Eve Gala • Music by The Adlers

* indicates event is open to the public

Looking for that Special Gift?

Think DC Gift Card -Dinner for Two

Cards are available for purchase at the Bar.



Sun 14 Frühschoppen

KLUBNACHRICHTEN • CLUB NEWS

Our thoughts and prayers for strength and recouperation go out to our member, Gisela Lewis.

We mourn the passing of our members, William "Bill" Adams, Charles "Chick" Bachmann, and Ursula Ueltzhoeffer, and former member, Leonhard Biller, and extend our heartfelt sympathy to their families.

We extend our deepest condolences to the family of Peter Andrew Zotos, father of our member, Andrew Zotos.

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

IN THE NEWS

THANK YOU TO THE POTATO PEELING SOCIETY!



Hats off to the many Volunteers in the "Potato Peeling Society" who spent several hours preparing over 750 pounds of potato salad for the Deutscher Club's 2025 Oktoberfest, 4 and 5 October 2025. Thank you for your commitment to the Club in preparing the potato salad for all the Fests and Biergartens this year! See you on November 21st!

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,



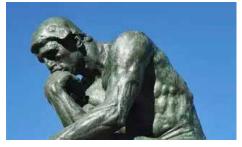
Saturday • Orders are taken as of 4:15 PM • Pick-up orders 4:45 – 7 PM • Check website at www.deutscherclub.us for the Menu

THE BIG RAFFLE IS BACK! DO YOUR PART TO FILL THIS DRUM

Tickets are \$10
each and are
available for
purchase from
any Vorstand
(Executive



Board) member or at the entry of any of our public events. There are **2400** tickets to be sold, with a potential for 2 grand prizes of up to **\$6000 each** - if all are sold. The drawing will take place on the night of our Silvester/New Years Eve Gala, **Wednesday**, **December 31st**, at **9:00 PM** - you do not have to be present to win. *Please support this fundraiser to benefit the Club*. *Ken Vogt*, *Trustee*



"SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT"

(Author - Unknown)

Are you an active member, The kind that would be missed, Or are you just contented, That your name is on the list? Do you attend the meetings, And mingle with the flock, Or do you stay away from them And criticize and knock? Do you take an active part, To help the work along, Or are you satisfied to be the Kind that "just belong?" Do you ever think to lend a hand, And help to make it tick, Or leave the work to just a few, And talk about the "clique?" There's quite a program scheduled, That I'm sure you've heard about, And we'll appreciate it, if you, too, Will come and help out. So come to the meetings, often, And help with hand and heart; Don't be just a member, But take an active part. Think this over, Member, You know right from wrong: ARE YOU AN ACTIVE MEMBER, OR DO YOU JUST BELONG?

This poem hangs in a simple frame behind the bar, to the left of the Ratskeller. It may be easy to overlook – but the message isn't.

Our club is run by volunteers. We need you to help make the Deutscher Club the best place ever. This is a way to meet life-long friends. We are more than a club. We are family! Willkommen!

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* If you are not receiving the weekly Menu/ Events Messages, please ensure we have your correct email address by sending it to events@deutscherclub.us. You can also send questions to correspondence@ deutscherclub.us

NOW HIRING: Waiters & Waitresses

Become a member of the DC Service Team! Interested in applying? *Please call DC Manager, Ewald Hollinger at 732-574-8600*.

A MESSAGE FROM MISS DEUTSCHER CLUB

"I wanted to extend a Thank-You to each of you for your incredible support of our coat drive. Your generosity will help keep many in our community warm this winter!" – Madeline Richter



90TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE PIN

The Deutscher Club of Clark will be celebrating its 90th Anniversary this year with a Gala event at Galloping Hill Caterers on Saturday, November 8, 2025.



(for more information see the flyer below) One of the ways we wish to memorialize this important date is with the sale of this commemorative pin for \$10 apiece. To purchase one, just see any Vorstand/Board member.

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

The Entertainment Committee will meet on **Thursday, November 6th, at 7:00 PM,** in the Ratskeller. 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**, Alexandra Beinstein, Paula Mattis, and Ruth Sutton work 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*

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 7:30 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.



SOCIETY OF POTATO PEELERS - UNITE!!

Dust off your peelers and slicers for one last meeting this year of the So-



ciety of Potato Peelers on **Friday, November 21st!** New members are always welcome. We are in need of peelers, slicers and mixers to prepare the Potato Salad for the Christ-kindlmarkt on **22 and 23 November 2025.** The FUN begins at **7:30 AM.**

LADIES' DIVISION MEETING

Our next meeting will be held on **Sunday**, **November 16th** with a music program by Karick-



ter Duo at **2:00 PM**. Any ladies, who are DC members, are welcome to come as our guests.

Also, if anyone has (or knows somebody) with Trachten (traditional costume) to donate, the Ladies Division would be happy to take them for our sale at the Christkindlmarkt. You can take them to the Club with a note labeled, "Ladies Division" or e-mail me at ladies@deutscherclub.us. Thank you! – Carol Marquardt, President

THE SINGERS



SÄNGERCHOR NEWARK

It's Official! Saenger Chor Newark is 100 years old. We passed the milestone at the end of October. I'd like to say we are going strong into the next century, but we need your help, the help of NEW members to do so. If you enjoy hearing the Saenger Chor sing at the Christkindl Markt and other occasions, we need new strong voices of Deutscher Club men to carry on. We meet to sing every other Friday night at 8 PM and would love to welcome you to listen and join in on singing both English and German songs of various genres including traditional favorites and fun drinking songs. If you enjoy singing in the shower or the privacy of your car, come and see how enjoyable it is to sing with a group of "Kameraden." Please call either Peter Volk at 908-938-9019 or Glenn Fogarty at 732-259-8993 for more information.

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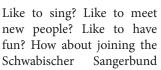
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RHEINISCHER SÄNGERBUND

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 NEWS





(SSB) Mixed Chorus. You do not need to know how to read music and no previous singing experience is necessary.

Our Director is Greg Scime (Jazz am Freitag). We rehearse **every Wednesday at 7:30 PM** in the Deutscher Club, upstairs (above the dining room). Join us in September as we prepare for our Holiday and Candlelight concerts. Thank You!



THE DANCERS Bayern Verein Newark News

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No experience? No problem! Whether you're looking to connect with your



heritage, try something new, or just have fun

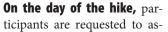
and stay active, our group welcomes dancers of all ages and backgrounds. We rehearse Monday evenings right here at the Deutscher Club and will be kicking off again in August - it's the perfect time to jump in!

Interested? Come give it a try – we'd love to have you!

For more information, contact Paul Ulrich at 734-646-6764 or vorplattler@bvnnj.org or Betty Bunger at 732-463-7855 or president@bvnnj.org

HIKING NEWS

Leader: Brian Mecca brian.mecca@gmail.com



semble at **9:50 AM** in the parking lot. Details regarding the hike will be distributed to the group via email one week prior to the event; please contact Brian to have your email address added to the list. The hike will commence promptly at 10:00 AM. In case of delay, kindly notify me so appropriate arrangements can be made. If you wish to join the Hiking Group's mailing list, please send an email including your name and mobile phone number. We are currently planning activities for the first half of 2026 and welcome any suggestions regarding destinations or previous experiences. Our aim is to select locations within approximately one hour's drive from the Deutscher Club. On Sunday, October 12th, the scheduled hike at Watchung Reservation was cancelled due to forecasts of heavy rain and strong winds. This event has been rescheduled for December 7th. On Sunday, November 2nd, there will be a hike at Hartshorne Woods Park, located at 1402 Portland Road, Highlands, NJ 07732 (Rocky Point Entrance). Participants will follow the Grand Tour Trail, a 5.0-mile loop near Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey. Further information is available here: www.monmouthcoun-



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This trail is generally rated as moderately challenging and requires approximately 2hours to complete. Dogs are permitted, provided they are leashed (maximum length 6 feet). Restroom facilities are accessible. Additional details regarding the trail can be found at: www.alltrails.com/explore/trail/us/new-jersey/hartshorne-woods-grand-tour-trail



On **Sunday, December 7th,** a hike is planned at Watchung Reservation, meeting at the Trailside Nature & Science Center parking lot (452 New Providence Rd, Mountainside, NJ 07092). This event covers a 2.8-mile route over moderate terrain. Please wear hiking shoes, as certain trails experienced damage during the July 14th rainfall. The following link provides further information; although this route is new to the group, I personally surveyed it in August. Leashed dogs (maximum length 6 feet) are welcome. www. alltrails.com/explore/map/trailside-surprise-lake-orange-blue-purple-white-trails-f07e839?u=i&sh=exqgus

Kindly confirm your attendance by RSVPing to brian.mecca@gmail.com and include your phone number so that we may create a texting group for last-minute updates.

After the hike, participants are invited to return to the Club for Frühschoppen. The bar will be open, soup and open-faced sandwiches are typically available, and attendees are encouraged to bring additional refreshments as the kitchen will be closed. We look forward to a pleasant post-hike gathering.

WANTED — GERMAN TEACHER

THE GERMAN LANGUAGE SCHOOL OF UNION COUNTY, WINFIELD, NJ, is seeking candidates to fill a middle to high school level teaching position.

Preferred qualifications include: Native German speaker, bilingual German/English or C1/C2 German language profile

- Experience as a teacher, teaching assistant or substitute teacher Willing to work Saturday mornings 9:00 am 12:30 pm, September through end of May Sustained level of comfort applying technology in the classroom
- ► If interested please send a cover letter & resume directly to our principal Mr. Salvatore Veniero (**principal@thegermanschool.org**). For more information, please visit our **website www.thegermanschool.org**.

MAHJONG

The Mahjongg Club meets on **Sundays from 4-6 pm** during Fall/Winter. If you



are a DC member and already know how to play, please come and join us.

We will **not meet** on **November 23rd** or on **December 28th.**

For further information about the Mahjongg Club, or if you would like to learn to play, please email **correspondence@deutscherclub.us** Thank you, Paula Mattis

HISTORY COMMITTEE

Our next meeting will be on **Friday**, **November 7**, **at 6:30 PM**. We will be in the area of Table #20. Come join us!



This is yet another opportunity to earn your volunteer hours. If you are interested, please email correspondence@deutscherclub.us

NETWORKING MEETING

There will be a Deutscher Club Networking meeting on **Thursday, November 20,**



at 7:30 PM. If you have a business, join us if you would like to make known your business to our Deutscher Club Net-



working 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*

BLOOD DRIVE

Dear Blood Drive Donor and Members,

The Deutscher Club would like to extend our gratitude to every donor



that showed up at our recent blood drive on Saturday October 25th. Your time and effort make a significant impact on the lives of those in need within our community, the New Jersey/New York area.

Thanks to your willingness to donate, we were able to collect an impressive number of blood donations, each one representing hope for patients facing medical emergencies, surgeries, and chronic illnesses. Every donation is a gift that can save lives and bring comfort to families during challenging times.

The Deutscher Club members and friends have shown that by coming together, we make a meaningful difference. We appreciate your dedication to the blood drive sponsored by the Deutscher Club of Clark.

We look forward to your continued support in future blood drives and community events. Together, we can keep making a positive impact.

With sincere appreciation, Roswitha and Michael Burkert, Deutscher Club Blood Drive



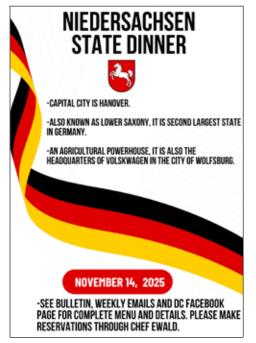


















COMING SOON.....

Join us on **Friday, December 12, 2025,** 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, December 11, 2025. 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

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Bible Study and Sunday School (ages 3 - 8th grade) Sundays at 9:15am

> Worship with Communion

Sundays at 10:30am

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COMING SOON... Continued

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

MORE INFO COMING NEXT MONTH...



LADIES' DIVISION CHRISTMAS PARTY

Tuesday, Dec. 16th, 5:30 to 8:00 PM









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Deutsche Ecke



Kölle Alaaf – Karneval in Köln

Der 11. November ist für viele Städte entlang des Mittel- und Unterrheins ein besonderer Tag. Am 11.11. um 11:11 Uhr beginnt die neue Karneval Saison. Eine Stadt sticht jedoch besonders hervor. In Köln ist Karneval mehr als nur ein Spaß oder ein Geschäft, er ist Teil der Seele der Stadt. In Köln wird Karneval mindestens seit 1220 n. Chr. gefeiert Als diese Karnevalsfeiern zunehmend außer Kontrolle gerieten gründeten Kölner Bürgern einen Verein um die Karnevalsfeiern in geordnete Bahnen zu lenken. Im Februar 1823 veranstaltete dieser Verein den ersten Kölner Rosenmontagszug. Mittlerweile gibt es in Köln über 140 Karnevalsvereine, die alle zum größten Karnevalsspektakel Deutschlands beitragen. Am 11. November versammeln sich Tausende Karnevalsbegeisterte in der Kölner Altstadt. Allein die Hauptveranstaltung lockt schätzungsweise 20.000 Zuschauer auf den Heumarkt, die alle ungeduldig dem Countdown zur Eröffnung der Karnevalssession entgegenfiebern. Um 11:11 Uhr wird der gesamte Platz mit Konfetti überschüttet, danach stellt der Präsident des FestKomitee Kölner Karneval (FKKK) die wichtigsten Vertreter der aktuellen Karnevalsaison vor, das Kölner Dreigestirn. Das Dreigestirn besteht aus Prinz Karneval, dem Herrscher aller Karnevalsnarren, erkennbar an seinem Zepter und seinem goldenen Hut mit vier Pfauenfedern. Dem Bauer, der ein Schwert und einen Dreschflegel hält, um die Wehrhaftigkeit der Stadt zu symbolisieren, außerdem trägt er einen mit 125 Pfauenfedern geschmückten Hut. Die dritte im Bunde ist die Jungfrau. Die Jungfrau, ebenfalls von einem Mann gespielt, trägt eine Mauerkrone, die Kölns Unbezwingbarkeit symbolisiert. Das Dreigestirn wird immer aus einem der 140 Kölner Karnevalsvereine gewählt.In der Adventsund Weihnachtszeit lassen die Karnevalsaktivitäten nach,

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um dann Anfang Januar mit voller Kraft wieder zu starten. Als erstes Ereignis im Januar verkündet der Bürgermeister von Köln das Dreigestirn. Dazu überreicht



er Prinz Karneval eine Pritsche als Zeichen seiner Macht, dem Bauern den Schlüssel zur Stadt als Symbol seiner Rolle als Hüter der Stadt und der Jungfrau überreicht er einen silbernen Spiegel, mit dem sie sich bewundern kann. Der Höhepunkt jeder Karnevalssession, der Straßenkarneval, beginnt am Fetten Donnerstag. Für die folgenden sechs Tage ist Köln ein einziges großes Fest, das zweimal von Umzügen unterbrochen wird. Am Sonntag von dem 'Schull- und Veedelszoech' Umzug, der von Gruppen die nicht Mitglied im FKKK sind organisiert wird. Am nächsten Tag begeistert der Rosenmontagsumzug über eine Million Zuschauer. Fünf Stunden lang ziehen Festwagen, Blaskapellen und Tanzgruppen durch die Straßen, bis der letzte Wagen, der Prinz Karneval trägt, die Parade abschließt. Am Faschingsdienstag, dem letzten Tag der Karnevalsaison, wird der "Nubbel", eine Strohpuppe, die vor vielen Kneipen hängt, zum Sündenbock für alle während der Karnevalsaison begangenen Sünden erklärt. Der "Nubbel" wird am späten Dienstagabend verbrannt, was zur Vergebung aller Sünden führt. Am Aschermittwoch kehrt das Leben wieder zum Alltag zurück.

Kölle Alaaf – Carnival in Cologne

ovember 11 is a special day for many cities along the \mathbf{V} middle and lower section of the Rhine River. A new carnival session opens on 11.11 at 11:11am. However, one city stands out. In Cologne carnival is more than fun or business, carnival is part of the city's soul. Carnival has been celebrated in Cologne since at least 1220 AD. As these carnival celebrations increasingly spiraled out of control, Cologne citizens founded a carnival association to bring order to the carnival festivities. This association organized Colognes first Rose Monday Parade in February of 1823. Today, there are over 140 carnival associations in Cologne, all contributing to Germany's largest carnival spectacle. On November 11, thousands of carnival enthusiasts gather in Cologne's historic district. The main event alone draws an estimated 20 thousand viewers to the Heumarkt square, all eagerly awaiting the countdown to the opening of the carnival session. At 11:11am, a huge confetti blast covers the entire square, then the president of the Festivity Committee Cologne Carnival (FCCC) introduces the most important representatives of the current carnival session, the triumvirate. The triumvirate is formed by Prince Carnival, the ruler of all



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HENRY WINKLER — Actor

Henry Franklin Winkler was born in NYC in 1945 to parents who had escaped Berlin in 1939. Winkler's father Harry had a business buying and selling wood. Henry had a difficult time in school struggling with his low grades



and undiagnosed dyslexia. His parents repeatedly punished him for not doing better, and his poor grades kept him from doing any theatre work. After high school, Winkler went to Emerson College in Boston and Yale School of Drama. At Yale, Winkler appeared in several plays, performed in summer stock theater, and was selected to perform at the New York Shakespeare Festival. After graduating from Yale, Winkler returned to NYC to work in plays and commercials. In 1973, his agent told him that California had more work possibilities and

Winkler decided to give California a one month try. In five days, he had a small part on The Mary Tyler Moore Show. During his second week in Los Angeles, Winkler auditioned and got the part of Arthur Herbert Fonzarelli, or Fonzie in Happy Days. After the first season, he was a breakout star and stayed 10 years until the series ended. Following Happy Days, Winkler started his own production company, produced and directed many shows. In 1991, Winkler returned to acting and started to think about writing a series of books about Hank Zipzer, a dyslexic child, like Winkler himself. The books eventually were developed into a television series. Henry Winkler is married and has three children. Over the years he has been in countless shows and won many awards including Golden Globes and Emmys. —Barbara Streit

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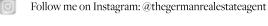
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