



# Deutscher Club of Clark Inc.

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## VEREINSNACHRICHTEN / CLUB NEWS – FEBRUAR / FEBRUARY 2025

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear members, January was an active month around our Club, beginning on the 3rd, with our North Rhein Westphalia dinner. We had a full house, and everyone enjoyed Chef Ewald's curated menu. On the 10th, the Club was packed for Paranormal Night, and we were given a presentation on paranormal activity in the area. Was it one of our ghosts that caused the Vorstandswahl board to fall during the presentation? We can only guess! Thanks to Cindy and Cheryl for putting together another great evening. We held our General Meeting and Elections on the 12th and welcomed Elyn Perez (Membership Secretary) and Mike Clark (Trustee) to the Vorstand. Congratulations to Ken Vogt on his re-election, as well as Bob Dries, Birgit Maier and Glenn Miklencic who were re-elected to their positions for another term. We thank Buzz Sawyer and Rick Myers for their service and wish them well in "retirement". We celebrated the new Vorstand on the 18th at the Neuer Vorstandstanz with our friends The Adlers, and on the 19th we enjoyed our annual Grünkohl und Pinkelwurstessen, with music from Ryan Schubert. Thanks to Chef Uwe and his crew for their work on Saturday and Sunday preparing the meal for us. On the 26th, we held our Chili Cook-off, the winner will be announced in the next bulletin. We have a lot in store for you in February, beginning with the first Trivia Night of 2025 on the 8th, and our Big Game potluck party on the 9th. On Friday, the 14th, we will celebrate Valentine's Day with Joey V. On the 21st, our State Dinner series makes a stop in Berlin (please make reservations through Chef Ewald) and on the afternoon of Sunday, the 23rd, we will hold a Tanz Café with the music of Maria & John. As always, thanks to all of you who support our Club, without you, we wouldn't be the Club that we are. See you at the Club!

Liebe Mitglieder, der Januar war ein aktiver Monat für unseren Club; es begann am 3. mit unserem Nordrhein-Westfalen-Staatsessen. Wir hatten ein volles Haus und alle genossen das von Chefkoch Ewald zusammengestellte Menü. Am 10. war der Club zur Paranormal Night voll besetzt. Die Anwesenden bekamen eine Präsentation über paranormale Aktivitäten in unserer Gegend. War es einer unserer Geister der dafür sorgte dass die Vorstandswahltafel während der Präsentation umfiel? Wir können es nur annehmen! Besten Dank an Cindy und Cheryl für die Organisation eines weiteren großartigen Abends. Wir hielten unsere Hauptversammlung und Wahlen am 12. ab und begrüßten Elyn Perez (Mitgliedssekretärin) und Mike Clark (Treuhänder) zum Vorstand. Herzlichen Glückwunsch an Ken Vogt zu seiner Wiederwahl sowie an Bob Dries, Birgit Maier und Glenn Miklencic, die für eine weitere Amtszeit zu ihren Positionen wiedergewählt wurden. Wir danken Buzz Sawyer und Rick Myers für ihre Dienste und wünschen ihnen alles Gute für ihren „Ruhestand“. Wir feierten den neuen Vorstand am 18. beim Vorstandstanz mit unseren Freunden den Adlers. Am 19. hatten wir unser jährliches Grünkohl- und Pinkelwurstessen, mit Musik von Ryan Schubert. Wir danken Chefkoch Uwe und seiner Crew für die Zubereitungen der Essen fuer Samstag und Sonntag. Am 26. haben wir unseren Chili-Kochwettbewerb abgehalten, der Gewinner wird im nächsten Bulletin bekannt gegeben. Wir haben im Februar viel für Sie auf Lager, es beginnt mit der ersten Trivia Night in 2025 am 8. und unserer Big Game Potluck-Party am 9. Am Freitag den 14. feiern wir den Valentinstag mit Joey V. Am 21. macht unsere Staatsessen-Reihe Halt in Berlin (Reservierungen bitte über Chefkoch Ewald vornehmen). Am Sonntagnachmittag, den 23. Februar, veranstalten wir ein Tanzcafé mit der Musik von Maria & John. Wie immer danken wir Ihnen fuer Ihre Unterstuetzung, ohne Sie wäre der Club nicht was er ist. Wir sehen uns im Club!

*Mit freundlichen Grüßen,*

**Keith Rhyner**

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# PROGRAMM FÜR FEBRUAR / FEBRUARY PROGRAM 2025

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

Sat 01	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Sun 02	Frühschoppen	11:00 AM – 8:00 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	6:30 PM
Fri 07	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Fri 07	Jazz am Freitag • Greg Scime and Christian Fabian	6:30 – 8:30 PM
Fri 07	Deutscher Stammtisch	7:30 PM
Sat 08	Trivia Night • Assemble your Teams! • Details on Page 6	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Sun 09	Frühschoppen	11:00 AM – 8:00 PM
Sun 09	Big Game LIX Party • Pot Luck – Share your Favorite Dish • Details on Page 6	4:00 PM
Wed 12	Bar	3:00 – 11:00 PM
Wed 12	Volunteerism Committee Meeting • Building a Volunteer Program	5:00 PM
Wed 12	Monthly Membership Meeting • See your 2025 Vorstand in Action	7:00 PM
Thu 13	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Fri 14	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Fri 14	Valentine's Day Dinner • Music by Joey V. • Details on Page 6	6:00 – 10:00 PM
Sat 15	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Sun 16	Die Wandergruppe / The Hikers • Middlesex Greenway • Details on Page 5	10:00 AM
Sun 16	Frühschoppen	11:00 AM – 8:00 PM
Sun 16	DC Ladies Division Meeting • In the Ratskeller	2:00 PM
Wed 19	Bar	3:00 – 11:00 PM
Thu 20	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Thu 20	Railroaders Dinner & Video • All Members are Welcome!	6:30 PM
Thu 20	Networking Meeting • Tell us about your Business	7:30 PM
Fri 21	German State Dinner Series – Berlin • Menu on the DC Website • Details on Page 6	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Sat 22	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Sun 23	Frühschoppen	11:00 AM – 8:00 PM
Sun 23	Deutsches Tanz Café • Music by Maria & John • Details on Page 6	1:00 – 5:00 PM
Wed 26	Bar	3:00 – 11:00 PM
Thu 27	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Fri 28	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Fri 28	History Committee Meeting	6:00 PM

## Vorschau März / Preview March 2025

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Mar 01	Fasching / Mardi Gras • Music by Bernie's Orchestra	Sun 16	Die Wandergruppe / The Hikers • Hartshorne Woods Park
Thu 06	Entertainment Committee Meeting	Sun 16	Frühschoppen
Fri 07	Deutscher Stammtisch	Sun 16	Ladies Division Meeting • In the Ratskeller
Sun 09	Frühschoppen	Thu 20	Railroaders Dinner & a Video • All DC Members Welcome!
Wed 12	Monthly Membership Meeting • See the New Board in Action!	Sat 22	DC Blood Drive* • Give Blood, Save a Life!
Fri 14	Gisela's German Spring Show • A Variety Show with German Talent	Sat 22	Karaoke • Tre Patterson
Sat 15	St. Patrick's Day Dinner • Dan O'Shea & Eagle Ridge (w/Nick Conte)	Sun 23	Frühschoppen
		Fri 28	History Committee Meeting
		Sat 29	Bayern Abend • Music by Bernie's Orchestra

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

## Looking for that Special Gift?

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- Dinner  
for Two



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are available for  
purchase at the  
Bar.

# KLUBNACHRICHTEN • CLUB NEWS

Our thoughts and prayers for strength and recuperation go out to our members, **Jim Greco** and **Les Putanko**.

We mourn the passing of our members **Frederick** and **Betty Kopf**, and our former members **Henry Makowski**, **Vito Perugino**, and **Carl Swenson** and extend our heartfelt sympathy to their families.

In case of illness or death of a member, please email [correspondence@deutscherclub.us](mailto:correspondence@deutscherclub.us)

## IN THE NEWS

### Welcome Future DC Members

► We welcome Hazel Lynne Anundson, seen here with her older sister Lilah, and extend our congratulations to their parents, Sarah and Brandon Anundson. Hazel was born on December 18, 2024 and is Granddaughter to members **Mike** and **Manuela “Ela” Clark**.



◄ We welcome Antonella Pia Vernacchio and congratulate her parents, Mallory and Steven Vernacchio. Antonella was born on December 22, 2024 and is Granddaughter to members **Barbara** and **Leonard Niro**.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEW 2025 VORSTAND

The camera shy Executive Board members are: Keith Rhyner, President; Eric Zabel, 1st VP; Bob Dries, 2nd VP; Michelle Kasperski, Recording Secretary; Birgit Maier, Corresponding Secretary; Arlene Dascoli, Treasurer; Glenn Miklencic, Financial Secretary; Elyn Perez, Membership Secretary; Ken Vogt, Trustee Co-Chair; Annette Glorius, Trustee Co-Chair; Kirsten Zellner, Trustee; Mariann Brenner, Trustee; Karla Schwedt, Trustee; and Mike Clark, Trustee.

### MEET YOUR NEWEST VORSTAND OFFICERS

On Sunday, January 12th, 2025, the following Deutscher Club Members joined the ranks of the Executive Board. May we introduce to you -

#### Membership Secretary – Elyn Perez

I've been a member of the DC for three years, but prior to that I had been coming to the club for more than ten years to all of the public events. I have truly embraced the German culture, and I am pleased to be serving as your Membership Secretary. I promise to take that responsibility seriously. I am a marketing professional and for the last 16 years I have been at the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) in Piscataway where I serve as the membership marketing director. IEEE has almost 500,000 members in 190 countries, and on a daily basis I'm responsible for all aspects of member recruitment, member engagement, and



member retention, along with delivering \$34 million in dues revenue each year. Prior to joining IEEE, I worked in the telecom, IT and financial services sectors, and always in a marketing role. Though not 100% German, I am a European mutt. I am 33% Germanic European and also 33% Italian along with a mix of countries in both Eastern and Western Europe.

#### Trustee – Mike Clark

Hello, my name is Michael Clark, I was born and raised in Hessen, Germany and graduated from Military high school in Hanau. I went on to join the US Air Force where I was stationed in Berlin during the fall of the wall from 1989- 1992. I have now been working for BMW Group for over 32 years and have lived all over the world with my family including stints in Germany, US and China. We have been in New Jersey since 2020 and immediately sought out the German Club to get more involved in our community. I am a proud and very active 4-year member of the German Club of Clark. I feel I embody the values, vision and goals of the German Club and am very committed to doing just that. My experience has prepared me to help continue to bring a thoughtful, collaborative, and solution-oriented approach to the board. I am dedicated to advancing our mission of maintaining the best German Club and ensuring that our initiatives align with that. I believe in the power of collective action and only with everyone doing their part can this club be as successful as we all hope.



### THE SEARCH FOR MISS DEUTSCHER CLUB

The search has begun for the next Miss Deutscher Club!

The Miss DC Committee is now accepting applications (forms are on the website) for **Miss Deutscher Club 2025**. We are looking for a young woman between the ages of 16 - 25 who is interested in becoming actively involved in our community. Our new Miss Deutscher Club will attend various events at the club, support local charities and represent our organization at the Steuben Parade in New York City, as well as other events. The interviews and crowning ceremony will take place during the Waldfest (Father's Day Picnic) on **Sunday, June 15, 2025**, at the Deutscher Club of Clark. Applications are available on our website, [www.deutscherclub.us](http://www.deutscherclub.us) (under Bulletins and Downloads). You may also contact Chrissy Daly, Chairperson, Miss Deutscher Club Committee via email at [correspondence@deutscherclub.us](mailto:correspondence@deutscherclub.us) for more information.



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## NOW HIRING: Waiters & Waitresses

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## MEMBERSHIP

**It's time to renew for 2025!** You may pay by cash, credit card or check. You can renew online, in person at the club, or by mail. Mailed renewals should be addressed to the Membership Secretary.

**2025 membership dues are as follows:**

**\$100.00** - Regular Member

**\$75.00** - Senior Member (*Must have reached 72 years of age AND been a member for 25 years*)

**\$180.00** - Couples

**\$20.00** - Lifetime Member. Existing Lifetime Members are encouraged to pay a voluntary \$20.00 dues.

**\$100.00** Initiation fee for new members.

*Elyn Perez, Membership Secretary*

## 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**

## 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](http://www.thegermanschool.org)**.

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**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*

## 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.



## LADIES' DIVISION MEETING

The next meeting for the Ladies Division is **February 16, 2025 at 2:00 PM** in the Ratskeller.



Any woman, who is a DC member, is welcome to join us as our guest.

On **May 17, 2025**, the LD will hold their annual Spring Craft Fair. Anyone interested in purchasing a table or tables can request an application by writing: **VENDORS@DEUTSCHERCLUB.US**. Our co-chairmen, Chrissy Daly, Tanya Blouin, and Barbara Herrington have begun sending out applications and have already received several back to date. *Carol Marquardt*

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## THE SINGERS



### SÄNGERCHOR NEWARK

We are closer than ever to reaching our **100th anniversary** which takes place on **October 20, 2025**. Although our numbers have dwindled our spirit, and voices continue to be raised high. We look forward to a celebration sometime in the near future and we are preparing for a festive event. Look for updates in this newsletter in the coming months.

An example of how meaningful the Saenger Chor can be in your life is the story of Frederick (Freddy) Paul who this year celebrates his 69th year with the Chor. Freddy still tells the story of his first meeting after joining the Chor, whose membership stood at 129 strong. Freddy nonchalantly sat down in the first row of tenors and was quickly chastised for it. He was told that maybe, in 15 or 20 years he would be granted the right and privilege to sit in the front row. Well, now, after 69 years, there is only one row, but Freddy has the seat of honor. It would be wonderful to increase our membership during our anniversary year and fill that row of tenors up again.

I encourage all the men in the Deutscher Club to come out on a **Friday night** to sing with us and join in the camaraderie we enjoy on these nights. We start at **8:00 PM**, so you will have had your dinner with your families, put the kids to bed and have the opportunity to get out and have some fun. We sing in both English and German to accompaniment with either a piano or accordion.

Please contact **Peter Volk 908-938-9019** or **Glenn Fogarty 732-259-8993** to let us know you are coming.

### 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

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

### 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](mailto:fran.flourishes@gmail.com)



### NETWORKING MEETING

There will be a Deutscher Club Networking meeting on **Thursday, February 20, 2025, 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](mailto:mfleyzor@gmail.com) or cell phone (732) 319-4886 at least 24 hours before the meeting. Looking forward to hearing about your business. -Michael Fleyzor



### HISTORY COMMITTEE



The next meeting of the History Committee will be on **Friday, January 17, 2025, at 6:00 PM**. Come join us! **This is yet another opportunity to earn your volunteer hours**. If you are interested, please email [correspondence@deutscherclub.us](mailto:correspondence@deutscherclub.us)

### HIKING NEWS

**Leader: Brian Mecca**

[brian.mecca@gmail.com](mailto:brian.mecca@gmail.com)



**On the day of the Hike, we meet at 9:50** in the parking lot (I will send the details of the hike to the email group the week prior – contact Brian to get your email added to the 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.

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 January 19th**

13 of us braved the weather before the snowstorm and hiked 4 miles at **Lenape Park, 130 Kenilworth Blvd, Cranford, NJ** along the Rahway River. It took us about 2 hours, and it was a nice walk along the paved trails all the way out to Michigan Ave in Kenilworth at Galloping Hill and then back.



**On February 16th**, we will be hiking or strolling along the Middlesex Greenway, rails to trails in Metuchen. This is fully paved and has a gentle grade over some of the roads. The trail head with plenty of parking is at 685 Middlesex Ave, Metuchen. This is a 7.3-mile out-and-back trail. Generally considered an easy route, it takes an average of 2 h 10 min to complete. This is a popular trail for road biking, running, and walking, but you can still enjoy some solitude during quieter times of day. The trail is open year-round and is beautiful to visit anytime. Dogs are welcome but must be on a leash. The Middlesex Greenway, once part of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, is a popular 3.5-mile paved path. This is a well-designed trail and a pretty ride. There are eight interpretive signs along the trail. [www.alltrails.com/explore/trail/us/new-jersey/middlesex-greenway](http://www.alltrails.com/explore/trail/us/new-jersey/middlesex-greenway)

**On March 16th** we will be hiking at Harts-horne Woods Park along the Grand Tour Trail which is a 5.0-mile loop near Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey. Generally considered a moderately challenging route, it takes an average of 1 h 59 min to complete. [www.alltrails.com/explore/trail/us/new-jersey/hartshorne-woods-grand-tour-trail](http://www.alltrails.com/explore/trail/us/new-jersey/hartshorne-woods-grand-tour-trail)

**On April 6th**, we will be hiking at Cheese-quake State Park.

**Please let me know** if you plan on attending by RSVP to [brian.mecca@gmail.com](mailto: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 Früh-schoppen. The bar is open, there is usually soup and open-faced 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

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



We will meet on **Sundays from 4 to 6 PM** in the Rathskeller.

If you would like to learn, we will offer another series of beginner classes in January or February. Come learn and play this fun game of skill, wit and fortune! Please see Paula Mattis or respond to [correspondence@deutscherclub.us](mailto:correspondence@deutscherclub.us)

## BALLROOM DANCE – THE HUSTLE

It's time to warm up your dancing shoes and come out on a Thursday evening to enjoy dinner at the Deutscher Club followed by a dance lesson. The next edition of Ballroom Dancing Lessons will begin on **Thursday, February 20th, 2025. Six (6) weekly one-hour classes from 7:00 to 8:00 PM.** Maria and Frank will return to instruct a class on



The Hustle. Limited spots are available as we prefer to keep the class to a maximum of twenty (20) people. The cost of the class will depend upon the number of students registered (a range between \$5 and \$10 per person per night). The class will not be held if a minimum of ten (10) students is not reached. Members who are interested must commit to all six (6) lessons (no refunds will be given). Members interested in joining this next session of Ballroom Dance (The Hustle) class, please send your name and contact information to [correspondence@deutscherclub.us](mailto:correspondence@deutscherclub.us).

## BERLIN STATE DINNER



- CITY/STATE IS THE CAPITAL OF GERMANY.
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- TRADITIONAL DISHES ARE CURRYWURST, EISBEIN (PORK SHANK) MIT SAUERKRAUT, AND DESSERT OF "BERLINER LUFT" WITH RASPBERRY SAUCE.

**FEBRUARY 21, 2025**

- SEE BULLETIN, WEEKLY EMAILS AND DC FACEBOOK PAGE FOR COMPLETE MENU AND DETAILS. PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS THROUGH CHEF EWALD.

**THE MENU FEATURES:** **SOUP** - Berliner Kartoffelsuppe (Berliner Potato soup); **APPETIZERS** -

Strammer Max (Open-faced Ham & Cheese Sandwich w/a fried egg); Curry Wurst (Bratwurst & Curry Sauce - a must have to taste in Berlin); Senfeier (Boiled egg in a creamy Mustard sauce); **ENTRÉES** - Eisbein mit Sauerkraut (Pork shank w/Sauerkraut); Leber Berliner Art mit Apfel und Zwiebel (Liver Berliner style w/Apple & Onion); Falscher Hase ("False Hare" - Meatloaf stuffed w/Boiled Egg); Berliner Hühnerfrikassee (Berliner Chicken Fricassee); **DESSERT** - Berliner Luft mit Himbeersoße (Grandma's favorite wine foam cream w/Raspberry sauce)

**Trivia Night**

**Saturday, February 8th**

Fun! Food! Prizes!

Grill Open 5:00-7:00 PM For Dinner

\*Team Table Signup Folder In Lobby\*

Members W/Card: Free/Member Guests: \$5

\*Limit of 8 Players per Team/Table\*

*Which Team Will Win The Ken Jennings Bobblehead??!!*

**THE BIG GAME**

**LVIII**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH**

**4:00 PM**

\*TAILGATE AT THE DC!

\*BRING APPETIZERS AND SNACKS TO SHARE!

\*PRIZES AND GIVEAWAYS!

**Valentine's Dinner and Dance**

**FRIDAY, FEB. 14TH**

**6:00-10:00PM**

**MUSIC BY:**

**JOEY V**

\*A LA CARTE MENU

\*\$5 MEMBERS/\$8 GUESTS

**Deutsches Tanzcafé**

**Sunday, February 23rd**

**1:00-5:00 PM**

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**Gisela's Spring Show** is making its return to the DC on **Friday, March 14, 2025, 5 PM**. The Spring Show was a yearly staple and is back again featuring a variety of musicians from Germany. Tickets for the show are **\$25** per person and are on sale at the Bar. Last day for Ticket sales is **March 9, 2025**. The Clubhouse will be **CLOSED** to regular visitors/members without a Ticket.

For Information: Gisela Lewis: 732-300-6419

## A NOTE FROM THE DC BLOOD DRIVE COMMITTEE

Our next Deutscher Club Blood Drive is **Saturday MARCH 22, 2025**. There still is a dire need to replenish blood supplies country wide. Many corporate blood drives are lacking due to remote working. Please donate if you are eligible.



If you are over 75 years old you will need a doctor's script to donate. Many doctors will give their patients a script stating their ability to donate telephonically. Please donate if you are able.

We are now partnering with the New York/New Jersey Blood Center. They worked with us in our October 2024 blood drive, and it was a vast improvement over our past post-covid blood collections which took entirely too long to process donors. Now, donors can expect to donate within an hour.

Thank you to our membership and their friends and family for the support they have given our local hospitals through Deutscher Club blood drives since the 1960's.

We have scheduled two blood drives for 2025. Mark your calendars for **Saturday, March 22nd and Saturday, October 25th**.

Thank you all for your support of your Blood Drives.

*Respectfully submitted, Roswitha and Michael Burkert  
 Co-Chair Deutscher Club Blood Drive*



## LANDSCAPE ARTIST

Albert Bierstadt was born in Solingen, Germany in 1830. When Bierstadt was two years old his family moved to New Bedford, Massachusetts where his father found work as a cooper, or barrel maker. From an early age, Albert made crayon sketches and found his life work. In 1853, Bierstadt returned to Germany hoping to study with a distant relative at the Dusseldorf School of Artists. Unexpectedly, his relative, Johann Hasenclever died. Coming to his aid were Emanuel Leutze and Worthington Whittredge, American mentors. After studying three years with the painters, Bierstadt joined Whittredge on an extended sketching tour of Germany, Switzerland, and Italy. When he returned to New Bedford in 1857, he was a technically skilled painter who gave art lessons and had exhibitions of his artwork. He soon joined a survey group traveling westward to sketch mountain formations. After a short return to New Bedford, Bierstadt settled in New York City and began exhibiting some western paintings which were received very favorably. The most important of these paintings, The Rocky Mountains, Lander's Peak, is in the Metropolitan Museum in New York. After another trip to the Pacific Coast, Bierstadt spent seven weeks in Yosemite Valley.



Studies from this trip gave him material for his grand, detailed paintings which insured his reputation as America's Landscape Artist. Later tours of Europe, Nassau, and Canada gave the artist a variety of colorful, majestic settings for his more than 500 paintings. Among Bierstadt's many honors include the naming of a mountain in Colorado, Mount Bierstadt, and a 1998 set of commemorative stamps entitled "Four Centuries of American Art", one of which featured Albert Bierstadt's The Last of the Buffalo. Albert Bierstadt died in 1902 in New York City a prominent member of the Hudson River School of American landscape artists.

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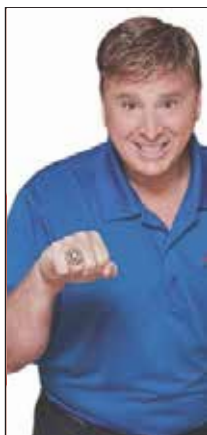
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