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VEREINSNACHRICHTEN / CLUB NEWS – MÄRZ / MARCH 2021

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members, I would just like to begin this message by saying thank you to those of you who reached out to me via cards, phone calls and emails during my bout with COVID. Your concern for my health was touching and very much appreciated. It has taken a while, but I am in the home stretch and feel better each day. Please keep your thoughts and prayers with our members who are still battling the virus. I know better days are ahead for them. In February we saw some type of return to “normalcy” with events such as the Super Bowl party, the celebration of Fasching, the Valentine’s Day Dinner and the Chili Cook-off. As we move into March, we look forward to the Blood Drive, the St. Patrick’s Day Dinner featuring music by our own Nick Conte, a beer tasting dinner and the Children’s Easter Party. The Governor gave us some hope by recently extending the indoor operating hours and by increasing the indoor occupancy to 35% which brings us to a maximum of 105 people. It is hard to believe but we are only eleven weeks away from our first public event. That might seem like a lot of time, but preparations are already underway to make this season a successful one. Our Vice Presidents have been busy getting their teams ready but are still in need of a few captains. If you can help out, please contact Keith or Brian at events@deutscherclub.us. I hope you will take advantage of the many events that will be held at the club in the coming months. Just a reminder to join us every Sunday morning for Frühschoppen. Not only a tradition here at the club but all over Germany. It is a great time to come out, relax and enjoy a few Biers with your fellow members. See you at the DC!

Sehr geehrte Mitglieder, Ich möchte meine Botschaft mit einem Dankeschön an diejenigen von Ihnen beginnen, die sich während meines Kampfes mit COVID mit Karten, Telefonanrufen und Emails gemeldet haben. Ihre Sorgen um meine Gesundheit waren berührend und wurden sehr geschätzt. Es hat eine Weile gedauert, aber ich fühle mich schon viel besser. Bitte behalten Sie unsere Mitglieder, die immer noch gegen dieses Virus kämpfen, in Ihren Gedanken und Gebeten. Ich weiß, dass Ihnen bessere Tage bevorstehen. Im Februar erlebten wir eine Art „Rückkehr“ zur Normalität mit Veranstaltungen wie der Super-Bowl Party, der Faschingsfeier, dem Valentinstagessen, und dem Chili Cook-off. Im März freuen wir uns auf die Blutspendenaktion, das St. Patrick’s Day Essen mit Musik von unserem eigenen Nick Conte, ein Abendessen mit Bierprobe, und die Osterfeier für die Kinder. Der Gouverneur gab uns Hoffnung, indem er kürzlich die Betriebszeiten für Restaurants und Bars verlängerte und die Innenkapazität auf 35% erhöhte, was uns auf maximal 105 Personen bringt. Es ist kaum zu glauben, aber wir sind nur noch elf Wochen von unserer ersten öffentlichen Veranstaltung entfernt. Das scheint eine lange Zeit zu sein, aber die Vorbereitungen für eine erfolgreiche Saison laufen bereits. Unsere Vize Präsidenten waren damit beschäftigt, ihre Teams vorzubereiten, benötigen aber noch einige „Kapitäne.“ Wenn Sie aushelfen können, wenden Sie sich bitte an Keith Rhyner oder Brian Daly unter events@deutscherclub.us. Ich hoffe, Sie werden die vielen Veranstaltungen nutzen, die in den kommenden Monaten im Club stattfinden. Wir erinnern an unseren Sonntagmorgen Frühschoppen. Nicht nur eine Tradition hier im Verein, sondern in ganz Deutschland. Es ist eine gute Zeit, zu kommen, sich zu entspannen und ein oder zwei Biere mit Kollegen zu genießen. Wir sehen uns im DC!

Mit freundlichen Grüßen, Eric Zabel

E-Mail: president@deutscherclub.us

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

president@deutscherclub.us • Messages to President, Eric Zabel

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PROGRAMM FÜR MÄRZ / MARCH PROGRAM 2021

Clubhouse is Open with occupancy at 35% Capacity. Table Service Only (No Spaces at the Bar).

Wed 03	Bar • Table Service Only • <i>Bar Food available</i>	3:00 – 10:00 PM
Thu 04	Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i>	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Thu 04	Entertainment Committee Meeting • <i>Details on Page 5</i>	6:30 PM
Fri 05	Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i>	5:30 – 9:00 PM
Sat 06	Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i>	5:30 – 9:00 PM
Sun 07	Frühschoppen • Table Service Only	11:00 AM – 7:00 PM
Wed 10	Bar • Table Service Only • <i>Bar Food available</i>	3:00 – 10:00 PM
Wed 10	Monthly Membership Meeting • <i>See what's in store!</i>	7:00 PM
Thu 11	Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i>	5:30 – 9:00 PM
Fri 12	Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i>	5:30 – 9:00 PM
Fri 12	Deutscher Stammtisch • <i>No Meeting until Further Notice</i>	
Sat 13	Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i>	5:30 – 9:00 PM
Sun 14	Frühschoppen • Table Service Only	11:00 AM – 7:00 PM
Wed 17	Bar • Table Service Only • <i>Bar Food available</i>	3:00 – 10:00 PM
Wed 17	Ladies' Division Meeting • <i>Meeting Changed to March 21st</i>	
Thu 18	Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i>	5:30 PM
Thu 18	Railroaders Dinner & Video • <i>All Members are Welcome!</i>	5:30 PM
Thu 18	Networking Meeting • <i>Details on Page 5</i>	7:00 PM
Fri 19	Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i>	5:30 – 9:00 PM
Sat 20	DC Blood Drive • <i>Details on Page 5</i>	8:00 AM
Sat 20	St. Patrick's Day Dinner • <i>Music by Nick Conte • Details on Page 5</i>	5:30 – 9:00 PM
Sun 21	Frühschoppen • Table Service Only	11:00 AM – 7:00 PM
Sun 21	Ladies' Division Meeting • <i>Program: Irish Dancers • Kaffee u. Kuchen Stunde in the Pavilion (weather dependent)</i>	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Wed 24	Bar • Table Service Only • <i>Bar Food available</i>	3:00 – 10:00 PM
Thu 25	Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i>	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Fri 26	Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i>	5:30 – 9:00 PM
Sat 27	Dinner • <i>Menu on the DC Website</i>	5:30 – 9:00 PM
Sun 28	Frühschoppen • Table Service Only	11:00 AM – 7:00 PM
Sun 28	Children's Easter Party • <i>Details on Page 6</i>	1:00 – 3:00 PM

Vorschau April / Preview April 2021

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

Thu 01	Entertainment Committee Meeting	Fri 16	Book Club • Via Zoom • <i>"The Bürgermeister's Daughter"</i>
Sat 03	Dinner	Sat 17	Spring Clean-up • <i>Come out & Help Bring the Grove Back to Life!</i>
Sun 04	HAPPY EASTER! <i>Club will be closed</i>	Sat 17	Dinner
Thu 08	Spring New Member Induction	Wed 21	Ladies Division Meeting
Fri 09	Stammtisch • <i>No Meeting until Further Notice</i>	Thu 22	Railroaders Dinner & Video • <i>All Members Welcome!</i>
Sat 10	Dinner • <i>Music by Joey V</i>	Sat 24	Bayern Abend • <i>Music by Bernie's Orchestra</i>
Wed 14	Monthly Membership Meeting • <i>See your Vorstand at work!</i>	Fri 30	Book Club • In Person • <i>"The Bürgermeister's Daughter"</i>

Please Remember – When in the Club ...



Looking for a Gift for that Special Occasion?

Think DC Gift Card - Dinner for Two Cards are available for purchase at the Bar.



KLUBNACHRICHTEN • CLUB NEWS

Our thoughts and prayers for strength and recuperation go out to our members, Barbara Herrington; Steve Hicks; Suzanna Polhamus; Rosemarie Riesinger; Bruce Schafer; Cathi, Paul and Paulie Tajkowski; Pete, Krystyna and Olivia Vaccarelli; and Irene Zehetleitner

We mourn the passing of our members, Evelyn Hermann, Rolf Kiesel, Ludwig Roell and Joan Villane and extend our heartfelt sympathy to their families.

In case of illness or death of a member, please email correspondence@deutscherclub.us or Call Christa Wimmer at Tel: 908-391-3178

IN THE NEWS

Happy 90th Birthday Tante Mia



On **Thursday, February 4th, 2021**, the DC Knitting Group celebrated Tante Mia Borello's 90th with her. Tante Mia and the rest of the members present were treated to homemade Strawberry Torte and Cream Puffs.

MEET YOUR VORSTAND OFFICERS

Over the next few months, the Newsletter will feature a photo with a short piece on each of the members of the Executive Board.

In the month of March we feature –

► 1st Vice President – KEITH RHYNER

In 2013, after attending public events for a couple of years, I decided that I wanted to be a part of the Deutscher Club and was sponsored by a co-worker. I was assigned a shift to work on the grill and quickly found my niche working with the grill crew, eventually making my way up to grill captain. In 2016, I ran for the vacant 2nd Vice President spot, which began my years on the Vorstand, and moved up to 1st Vice President in 2020. Since joining, I have sponsored my wife, Nancy who volunteers as a server captain, my mother, Joan who volunteers in numerous capacities, and my uncle, Gary who has worked his way up to grill captain as well.



While I have other responsibilities during our Sunday festivals, I still spend as much time at I can during public events in the Grillhaus. The Deutscher Club is my second home and my second family. I'm proud to be a member of this club. I enjoy serving on the Vorstand and working to keep the DC a beacon of German culture in our area, while preserving our heritage and traditions.

► Membership Secretary – PATRICK "BUZZ" SAWYER

My name is Buzz Sawyer and I have been a member for a few years, and I am the current Membership Secretary. I am a retired Police Sergeant and live in Cranford New Jersey with my wife Colleen and son Ryan who are both members of the club. My daughter Megan Bulthaupt is also a member of the club. I took 4 years of German in high school and was a member of the High School German Club many years ago. I enjoy the German culture, language, and customs. I am currently enrolled in a beginner German language class here at the club. I enjoy dining, travel, model trains, all sports, great beer and camaraderie! You will find that I am trustworthy, ambitious, courteous, organized, friendly, a team player and always accessible. I look forward to working together with everyone for the betterment of the club and its members in all endeavors. Feel free to contact me at membership@deutscherclub.us with any membership or club questions or ideas. *Prost! Buzz*



A NOTE FROM THE EXECUTIVE BOARD on MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR 2022

The Deutscher Club Executive Board kindly announced at the February membership meeting an increase to the price of Membership Dues for 2022.



As of January 1, 2022, Membership Dues will be:

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

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5. The initiation fee for new Members will be \$100 per person

The following late fees will be assessed monthly to your membership as of April 1st:

- \$10 – April
- \$20 – May
- \$30 – June
- \$40 – July

August 1st - Membership is revoked if dues are not paid.

If you have any questions, please contact Membership@deutscherclub.us.

With appreciation, your Vorstand.

CLUBHOUSE HOURS

Wednesday & Thursday • 3:00 – 10:00 PM

Friday & Saturday • 3:00 – 11:00 PM

Sunday • 11:00 – 7:00 PM

FOR YOUR SAFETY

With the reopening come some restrictions and procedures. They are as follows:



Food and beverage establishments must:

- Limit the number of patrons in indoor areas to 25 percent of the food or beverage establishment's indoor capacity, excluding the food or beverage establishment's employees;
- Limit seating to a maximum of eight (8) customers per table (unless they are from a family from the same household) and arrange seating to achieve a minimum distance of six feet (6 ft) between parties;
- Require customers to only consume food or beverages while seated;
- Require patrons to wear face coverings while inside the indoor premises of the food or beverage establishment, except when eating or drinking at their table;
- For food or beverage establishments with table service, require that customers be seated in order to place orders;
- For food or beverage establishments with table service, require that wait staff bring food or beverages to seated customers
- Keep doors and windows open where possible and utilize fans to improve ventilation.
- Members sign in when entering the dining/bar area in order for tracking if necessary.

At this time there will be no seating at the bar. When there is no waitress on duty you may order a drink from the bartenders.



Handmade-Reusable Face Masks



Two (2) Homemade Face Masks = \$5
Five (5) Homemade Face Masks = \$10

NEW DEUTSCHER CLUB APPAREL

STORE CLOSING
MARCH 12, 2021.

ORDERS WILL SHIP
3-4 WEEKS AFTER
CLOSING.

SEE: www.deutscher-club-clark.allcolorslc.com

FOR SALE



DC 85TH ANNIVERSARY PINS • \$5

See any Vorstand member if you are interested in purchasing.



DC COFFEE MUGS • \$5

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

MAY WE TAKE YOUR ORDER?

Deutscher Club now has Take-out!

Open to the Public!

Call in your order:

(732) 574-8600

Thursday, Friday,

Saturday

Call in orders as of 3:00 PM (Saturdays as of 2:30 PM) Pick-up orders 4:00 – 7:00 PM

Check the Website at www.deutscherclub.us for the Menu



MEMBERSHIP DUES

We do not issue bills for membership dues. This is your reminder that your 2021 Deutscher Club Dues are due.

Your Membership dues are a vital revenue source for your club.

All dues are payable now.

According to Deutscher Club By-laws, Article II, paragraph H

Dues must be paid by March 31 of the current year. After March 31, any member who has not paid his dues will forfeit any rights of the club and be considered in arrears.

Late fees will be assessed to your membership beginning April 1

Please issue payment now, and I will send out your 2021 Membership Cards.

Membership Dues are:

- 1 . \$80 .00 for Regular members
- 2 . \$70 .00 for Senior Member – must have attained the age of 72 and been a member for 25 consecutive years
3. \$145 for couples
- 4 . Existing Lifetime members are encouraged to pay \$20.00 voluntary dues.

**** Pay your annual dues on-line • Visit the DC website ** or, see <https://deutscher-club.us/membership>**

You may also mail your check to the club attention:

Membership Secretary
787 Featherbed Lane, Clark NJ, 07066

If you have moved, please indicate the new address when sending in payment.

If you have already made payment thank you and please disregard this reminder.

We will begin interviewing prospect members in March for our Spring induction ceremony in April. If you have sponsored someone please be sure to arrange to be at their interview. (You will be copied on their email invite)

Sincerely, Buzz Sawyer
Membership Secretary • 732-574-8600

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.

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

The **Entertainment Committee** will begin meeting again this month and welcomes any member to join and help us plan events for the club. We meet on the **first Thursday of the month, at 6:30 PM**, right outside the manager's office. Our responsibilities include planning special event dances, hosting Saturday night dances, organizing entertainment, naming the Man and Woman of the Year and many other activities. **The Decorating Sub-committee**, led by Carol Marquardt, works hand-in-hand with us to "dress up" the Club for every special event. They meet, same day and time, with the Entertainment Committee to coordinate requirements for seasonal, holiday, and special events decorating. Any member of the club is welcome to stop by and sit in on a meeting to see what we do before agreeing to become a full-time member of the committee or sub-committee. I hope to see you there! *Brian Daly*



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 and Thursday at 8:00 PM** and learn the game.

KNITTING CLUB at the Deutscher Club!

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



GERMAN-AMERICAN HERITAGE FOUNDATION

The German-American Heritage Foundation has published a beautiful volume entitled **How German Ingenuity Inspired America: More Fun, More Beauty, More Freedom** by Lynne Breen. This coffee-table sized edition shines a light on some of the myriad ways that German immigrants shaped life in the United States. It covers science, art, food and government. John Carroll's personal copy will be at the bar for you to examine. *Please visit the gahfmusa.org website to order.*



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS SUNDAY, MARCH 14TH, 2021



Meeting – Thur. March 18

There will be a Deutscher Club Networking meeting on **Thursday, Mar. 18 at 7:00 PM**. Do you want to set up company? An LLC? Bring your questions. If you have a business, join us if you would like to make known your business to our Deutscher Club Networking Group. Members and guests will have time to talk about their business. There will be a business card and/or a brochure exchange. RSVP to Michael Fleyzor at mfleyzor@gmail.com or cell phone (732) 319-4886. Looking forward to hearing about your business. *Michael Fleyzor*

DEUTSCHER CLUB BLOOD DRIVE

SATURDAY, MARCH 20

A healthy blood supply is important to all of us. A healthy blood



supply is possible if we all participate. With COVID-19 continuing this year a healthy blood supply is important to all. Donating blood is safe and easy. If you're in generally good health, then you are probably able to give blood.

Deutscher Club members have always come out in support of a healthy blood supply. This year more than ever with the pandemic reducing donation locations and with the winter we experienced blood supplies continue critically low.

Please, get the word out. Let your family, neighbors and friends know that the Deutscher Club is hosting another **BLOOD DRIVE MARCH 20, 8:00AM – 2:00PM**

*Roswitha and Michael Burkert, Co-Chair
Blood Drive Committee*

TRADITIONAL IRISH TREAT

prepared by Chef Ewald

**Saturday,
March 20 • 5:30
– 9:00 PM**

Music by Nick Conte

Admissions are \$5 per member / \$8 per guest.

Cost of the dinner is \$23 PP (TT included)



BEER TASTING WITH DINNER

**Saturday, March 27
• 5:30 – 10:00 PM**

*Tickets available from
Bartenders*

Cost is \$55 per person (TT included)

Enjoy Five Beers from Bolero Snort Brewery, Carlstadt, NJ • A Five-course pairing

menu from our own Chef Ewald
The sounds of Reggae/Rock from the band of Anthony Lee Loops



COMING SOON.....

Children's Easter Party



Sunday, March 28th • 1:00 – 3:00 PM

Children and Grandchildren of Members, 8 years old and younger are invited to attend.

Please sign-up with the Bartender.

THE BOOK CLUB

Our esteemed Member and Author, James Hockenberry, leads our Book Club.



The next book, **"The Bürgermeister's Daughter,"** by **Steven E. Ozment**, will

be discussed on two occasions: Friday evening **April 16th at 7:30 PM** via ZOOM, then again on Friday evening **April 30th at 7:30 PM** at the Club, upstairs (where the singers normally meet).

"Drawn from her surviving love letters and court records, The Bürgermeister's Daughter is a fascinating examination of the politics of sexuality, gender and family in the 16th century, and a powerful testament to the courage and tenacity of a woman who defied the inequalities of this distant age." (www.goodreads.com)



spring cleanup

Saturday, April 17 at 8:00 AM

We need your help to wake up the Grove for Fest Season!

BAYERN ABEND



Saturday, April 24 • 5:30 – 10:00 PM

Music by Bernie's Orchestra

Purchase your tickets from the Bartenders

The great meals you enjoy at the Club are now available for catering your home party. Please stop by and see Ewald, our Manager, for a full list of options. Catering is available for pick-up on Thursdays through Sundays.



Die Neue Orgel - Herzstück Europas

Obwohl österreichische Soldaten die weiße Flagge in Wien hissten und der 2. Weltkrieg vorbei schien, zündeten Plünderer einige Läden im Zentrum der Stadt an: Feuerfunken landeten auf dem Dach mit den glasierten, weltbekannten Ziegeln des während des Krieges unversehrt gebliebenen Wiener Stephansdoms. Wasser zum Löschen war nicht vorhanden und das Feuer konnte sich auf dem Dach ausbreiten. Dieses brach ein und das Feuer zerstörte den Dachstuhl, den Glockenturm und das Mittelschiff mit der Orgel des Doms, dem Wahrzeichen Wiens. Noch im selben Jahr, 1945, begann der Wiederaufbau der 1960 abgeschlossen wurde, später mit Restaurierungsarbeiten fortgesetzt wurde. In diesem Jahr wurde auch die neue, von der Firma Kauffmann erbaute Orgel eingeweiht, die zwar schöne Klänge hatte, aber von Anfang an die Kathedrale nicht voll ausfüllte und daher in den 1990er Jahren, auch aufgrund verschiedener technischer Probleme, stillgelegt wurde. In den letzten beiden Jahrzehnten wurde daher der Dom mit einer kleineren Orgel vom Mittelschiff aus bespielt. 2017 wurde dann mit dem Bau einer neuen Riesenorgel begonnen, mit dem die bekannte österreichische Orgelbaufirma Rieger aus Vorarlberg beauftragt wurde. Die Kosten für Umbau und Instandsetzungen beliefen sich auf ca. 3 Millionen Euro. Bei den Renovierungsarbeiten wurde darauf geachtet, dass möglichst viele der historischen Pfeifen wiederverwendet werden. Einige tausend Pfeifen wurden dafür abgebaut und von Wien nach Vorarlberg transportiert. Die unbrauchbaren Pfeifen wurden entweder eingeschmolzen oder konnten

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	<p>Sunday School</p>	
	<p>MODERN LITURGY</p>	

Deutsche Ecke

von Orgel Liebhabern erstanden werden; ca. 5000 Pfeifen mussten neu gebaut werden. Die längste Pfeife der Orgel ist etwas über 12 m hoch, die schwerste Pfeife wiegt 650 kg. Vom Spieltisch der neuen Orgel aus können nun beide Orgeln des Doms gespielt werden, die zusammen über 5 Manuale und 185 Register verfügen. Nach dreijähriger Bauarbeit war die Einweihung der Orgel für Ostersonntag, den 12. April 2020 - auf den Tag genau 75 Jahre nach dem Brand des Stephansdoms und der Zerstörung der alten Orgel - geplant. Diese konnte dann jedoch wegen COVID-19 erst am 4. Oktober 2020 stattfinden, gefolgt von einer Reihe von Konzerten mit einigen der weltbesten Organisten, die die enorme Klangvielfalt der neuen Orgel mit ihrem Können großartig unter Beweis stellten. Für Musikliebhaber ist die Vielfalt der fantastischen Klangmöglichkeiten mit den leisesten, zartesten und auch den stärksten und mächtigsten Klängen ein wahrer Ohrenschauspiel in dem bedeutendsten, gotischen Wahrzeichen Österreichs. Wer nicht bis zur nächsten Wien-Reise warten möchte, kann sich die neue Orgel schon mal auf einer CD anhören, doch ist ein Besuch eines Konzerts im Stephansdom in jedem Fall zu empfehlen.

BMH-Austria



The New Organ - Jewel of Europe

Although Austrian soldiers hoisted the white flag in Vienna and the Second World War seemed to be over, looters set fire to some shops in the city center: sparks of fire landed on the roof with the glazed, world-famous tiles of St. Stephen's Cathedral in Vienna, which remained intact during the war. Water to extinguish the flames did not exist and the fire was able to spread on the roof. The roof collapsed and the fire destroyed the roof structure, the bell tower, and the central nave with the organ of the cathedral, Vienna's landmark. The reconstruction began that same year, 1945, and was completed in 1960. Afterwards the restoration process started. In the same year the new organ, built by the Kauffmann company was inaugurated. Although it had a nice sound, it was not strong enough to completely fill the acoustics of the cathedral and was plagued with various technical problems from the beginning, so the organ was shut down. Over the last two decades a smaller organ was played from the central nave. In 2017 the construction of a new giant organ began, for which the well-known Austrian organ building company Rieger from Vorarlberg was commissioned. The costs for reconstruction and renovation amounted to approximately \$ 3,623,850. During the renovation work, care was taken to

ensure that as many of the historic pipes as possible were reused. Several thousand pipes were dismantled for this purpose and transported from Vienna to Vorarlberg. The unusable pipes were either melted down or could be bought by organ lovers; approximately 5000 pipes had to be rebuilt. The longest pipe of the organ is a little over 39 feet high, the heaviest pipe weighs 1,430 pounds. Both organs of the cathedral can now be played from the console of the new organ; altogether they have 5 manuals and 185 stops. After three years of construction, the inauguration of the organ was originally planned for Easter Sunday, April 12, 2020 - exactly 75 years to the day after the fire of St. Stephen's Cathedral and the destruction of the old organ. However, due to COVID-19, this could only take place on October 4, 2020, followed by a series of concerts with some of the world's best organists, who demonstrated the enormous variety of sounds of the new organ with their skills. For music lovers, the variety of fantastic sound possibilities with the softest, gentlest, and also the strongest and most powerful sounds is a real feast for the ears in Austria's most important Gothic landmark. If you don't want to wait until your next trip to Vienna, you can listen to the new organ on a CD, but a visit for a concert in St. Stephen's Cathedral is definitely recommended.

Barbara Oberding

Emanuel Leutze - "Washington Crossing the Delaware"

Emanuel Leutze was born in Schwäbisch-Gmünd, Württemberg in 1816. His parents emigrated and settled in Fredericksburg, Virginia when Emanuel was a young boy. Life as a silversmith for his father was a struggle in the new country, and failing health led to his early death in 1831. Leutze was a poor student, but showed early talent in art. He was hired as a portrait artist for \$5.00 a painting. Using this money, Leutze returned to Germany, entered Dueseldorf's Art Academy, and perfected his painting craft. The Academy was

known for excellence in draftsmanship, dramatic composition, and the occasional bolt of lightning. Leutze used his time in Dueseldorf to create several patriotic paintings of what he considered to his homeland, America. Among his many paintings were, "The Settlement of Maryland", "Columbus", "Nathaniel Hawthorne", and the first "Washington Crossing the Delaware". News of Leutze's achievements traveled back to America. He returned to the United States in 1859 with gold medals of accomplishment, a title given by the King of Prussia, and a commission to decorate the House of Representatives in Washington, DC. For the commission, Leutze traveled West into



unexplored areas and Indian territory, which resulted in realistic landscapes with portraits of settlements on the borders of civilized land. Leutze died at age 52 of heat stroke while working in Washington in the summer of 1868. By far, Leutze's most famous accomplishment was his painting of "Washington Crossing the Delaware". The first painting of Washington burned in a studio fire in Germany. It was restored only to suffer damage during World War II in a bombing raid. Fortunately, Leutze made a second copy of "Washington Crossing the Delaware" which today hangs in the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City. The iconic Emanuel Leutze painting of George Washington embodies patriotic pride in the hero of the Revolutionary War, and the first President of the United States of America.

Barbara Streit

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