



Deutscher Club of Clark Inc.

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VEREINSNACHRICHTEN / CLUB NEWS - MAI / MAY 2022

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members, It's that time of year! Our Festival and Biergarten season has arrived! We open this year's season a week earlier than usual beginning with Fruehlingsfest on May 22nd. We have a number of exciting additions planned this year that will hopefully make the experience for our guests a more enjoyable one. I would just like to take a minute and thank a number of groups who volunteered to get the Grove and grounds ready for the upcoming season. We had a nice turnout for our second Spring cleanup with roughly fifty (50) members coming out to set up the tables in the Festhalle and Grove, hanging banners, cleaning the Grillhaus, bar and clubhouse. Thank you to the Tuesday Crew for their continued efforts taking care of the everyday needs of the building and grounds. Thank you to the newly formed Garden Club for all the new plantings and the necessary upkeep of the grounds. Shortly, the two vice presidents will be contacting members via SignUpGenius to volunteer for the events. I hope the majority of you will sign up and help out in one way or another. Other events this month include the Bayern Verein Newark's Maifest which is open to our members and the public. I hope you will join me as it will be a fun evening of food, drink and friendship celebrating Bayern Verein's 92nd Anniversary. Our Mother's Day Brunch (Happy Mother's Day to the ladies), trivia night and the Clark Memorial Day Parade will take place also. Let's make this the largest turnout by members for this year's parade. It's a short walk ending with a return to the club for a lite lunch and refreshments. As always, all information for these events can be found in this bulletin. Finally, help me welcome our incoming class of new members. Seventy-three (73) in all! I hope you will take full advantage of all the events and programs our club has to offer. Thank you Buzz and your committee for a job well done! I look forward to seeing everyone at the club this month and wish you all a very safe and happy Memorial Day weekend.

Sehr geehrte Mitglieder, Die Jahreszeit der Feste und der Biergärten ist wieder da! Dieses Jahr beginnen wir die Saison eine Woche früher als sonst, angefangen mit dem Frühlingsfest am 22. Mai. Für die 2022 Saison haben wir eine Reihe von interessanten Ergänzungen geplant, die das Erlebnis für unsere Gäste hoffentlich noch angenehmer machen wird. Ich möchte mir hier die Zeit nehmen, um sämtlichen Gruppen zu danken, die sich freiwillig gemeldet haben den Hain und das Gelände für die kommende Saison vorzubereiten. Wir hatten ebenfalls eine gute Beteiligung am zweiten Frühjahrsputz. Ungefähr fünfzig (50) Mitgliedern standen bereit die Tische in der Festhalle und in der Grove aufzubauen, Fahnen aufzuhängen, das Grillhaus, die Bar und das Clubhaus zu reinigen. Vielen Dank an die Tuesday Crew für ihre Bemühungen, sich um die alltäglichen Bedürfnisse des Gebäudes und des Geländes zu kümmern. Ebenfalls vielen Dank an die Mitglieder des neu gegründeten Gartenausschuss für all die Neuanpflanzungen und für die notwendige Pflege des Geländes. In Kürze werden die beiden Vizepräsidenten alle Mitglieder über SignUpGenius kontaktieren, damit sie sich für die aufgeführten Arbeiten der verschiedenen Veranstaltungen engagieren können. Ich hoffe die Mehrheit von Ihnen wird sich anmelden, um auf die eine oder andere Weise zu helfen. Weitere Veranstaltungen in diesem Monat sind: Das Maifest des Bayern Vereins Newark; das für unsere Mitglieder und die Öffentlichkeit zugänglich ist. Ich hoffe Sie sind dabei, denn es wird ein unterhaltsamer Abend werden, mit Essen, Trinken und Unterhaltung zur Feier des 92. Jubiläums des Bayern Vereins. Muttertagsbrunch - Ich wünsche alle Damen einen wunderschönen Muttertag! Eine Quiznacht steht auf dem Plan, und am Ende des Monats Teilnahme an der Clark Memorial Day Parade. Lassen Sie uns zur größten Teilnehmerzahl der diesjährigen Parade in Clark werden. Es ist ein kurzer Spaziergang, der nach der Rückkehr zum Club zu einem leichten Mittagessen und Erfrischungen einlädt. Alle Informationen zu diesen Veranstaltungen finden Sie wie immer in diesem Monatsblatt. Auch möchte ich Sie darum bitten unsere neuen Mitglieder – dreiundsiebzig an der Zahl - herzlich willkommen zu heißen. Ich hoffe, Sie nehmen an allen Veranstaltungen und Programmen teil, die unser Club anbietet. Vielen Dank an Buzz und sein Komitee für die gute Arbeit! Ich freue mich darauf, alle Mitglieder diesen Monat im Club zu sehen, und wünsche Ihnen ein sicheres und schönes Memorial Day-Wochenende.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen, Eric Zabel

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

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PROGRAMM FÜR MAI / MAY PROGRAM 2022

Subject to Change. Please Check our Website and Emails for Updates

Wed 04	Bar • Bar Food available	3:00 – 11:00 PM
Thu 05	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Thu 05	Entertainment Committee Meeting • Details on Page 5	6:30 PM
Fri 06	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Sat 07	Clubhouse Closed for Maifest	
Sat 07	Bayern Verein Newark's Maifest* • Music by Bernie's Orchestra	5:00 – 10:00 PM
Sun 08	Frühschoppen	11:00 AM – 7:00 PM
Sun 08	Mother's Day Brunch • Sign up at the Bar	11:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Wed 11	Bar • Bar Food available	3:00 – 11:00 PM
Wed 11	Monthly Membership Meeting • See the New Board at Work!	7:00 PM
Thu 12	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Fri 13	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Fri 13	Sunshine Committee Meeting • Help Brighten Lives!	6:30 PM
Fri 13	Deutscher Stammtisch • Come practice your German	7:30 PM
Sat 14	Trivia Night • Round up your Teams for a Re-match • Featuring a Special Pub Menu Tonight	5:30 – 9:00 PM
Sun 15	Die Wander Gruppe / The Hikers • Sandy Hook State Park • Details on Page 6	10:00 AM
Sun 15	Frühschoppen	11:00 AM – 7:00 PM
Sun 15	Ladies' Division Meeting • Karackter's R&B – 40's Sing-along • Meeting in the Ratskeller	2:00 PM
Wed 18	Bar • Bar Food available	3:00 – 11:00 PM
Thu 19	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Thu 19	Railroaders Dinner & Video • All Members are Welcome! • Meeting in the Ratskeller	6:30 PM
Thu 19	Networking Meeting	7:30 PM
Fri 20	Potato Peeling Society	8:00 AM
Fri 20	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Fri 20	Book Club Meeting in Person • "The Boys in the Boat," by Daniel James Brown	7:30 PM
Sat 21	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Sun 22	Frühlingsfest* • Music by Mountain Xpress	12:00 - 6:00 PM
Wed 25	Bar • Bar Food available	3:00 – 11:00 PM
Thu 26	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Thu 26	Book Club Meeting via Zoom • "The Boys in the Boat," by Daniel James Brown	7:30 PM
Fri 27	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Sat 28	Dinner • Menu on the DC Website	5:30 – 8:00 PM
Sun 29	Frühschoppen	11:00 AM – 7:00 PM
Mon 30	Clark Memorial Day Parade • Let's March & Represent!	9:00 – 11:00 AM

* indicates event is open to the public

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Thu 02	Entertainment Committee Meeting	Sun 12	Die Wandergruppe/The Hikers • Hacklebarney State Park
Fri 03	Society of Potato Peelers • The fun begins at 8 AM!	Sun 12	Frühschoppen
Fri 03	Volkswagen Biergarten* • Music by John & Marie	Thu 16	Railroaders Dinner & Video • All Members are Welcome!
Sun 05	Frühschoppen • Canceled Today	Sun 19	Ladies Division Meeting • No Meeting this Month
Sun 05	DC Ladies' Division Arts & Crafts Festival*	Sun 19	Waldfest* • Music by The Adlers
Wed 08	Membership Meeting • See your Vorstand at Work!	Sat 25	Members in the Grove
		Sun 26	Frühschoppen

Looking for that Special Gift?

Think DC
Gift Card
- Dinner
for Two



Cards
are available for
purchase at the
Bar.



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*Our thoughts and prayers for strength and recuperation go out to our members,
Magdalena Peterson, Joan Rhyner, and Lazlo Szeles.*

We mourn the passing of our members George M. Harbt and William J. Leber and extend our heartfelt sympathy to thier families.

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

IN THE NEWS



Die Wandergruppe / The Hikers at Cheesquake State Park on Sunday, April 10, 2022

2022 Spring Member Induction Ceremony



We welcomed 74 new members to the Deutscher Club of Clark on April 14th at the 2022 Spring Induction Ceremony. The dining room was filled with new members, their families and guests as well as current membership, enjoying dinner, drinks and camaraderie prior to the ceremony. The Ladies' Division provided homemade cakes and refreshments after the ceremony.

WINNER OF THE 2022 WALTER LEHMANN SCHOLARSHIP

The 2022 Walter Lehmann Scholarship contributes \$3,000 towards the summer German Language immersion program organized by the American Association of Teachers of German (AATG). The scholarship recipient (a qualifying high school student) will spend three eventful weeks in Germany, staying with a German family, attending classes, and par-



High School in Glen Gardner, NJ.

icipating in a variety of excursions and activities. Congratulations to Ms. Ainsley Schlotterbeck (Granddaughter of Members Gerhard & Julianne Schlotterbeck), the recipient of the 2022 Walter Lehmann Scholarship. Ms. Schlotterbeck distinguished herself with high academic and diverse extramural achievements while attending Vorhees

Bylaws

*A vote by the DC Membership on this Amendment to the Bylaws will be taken at the monthly meeting on **Wednesday, June 8th, 2022.***

The following amendments to Article III., Para L; Article V, Paras C and D; and the establishment of Exhibit B – Election Cycles; to the Bylaws of the Deutscher Club of Clark Inc., have been submitted and read as follows (changes are in bold print):

Article III.

L. Removal. At any meeting of the Executive Board called expressly for the removal of any Trustee or Officer, who may be removed from office with cause, must be by a vote of **sixty-six and two-thirds (66-2/3rds)** percent of the members of the Executive Board. New Trustees or Officers may be filled until the next membership election. Removal from office for cause may include, but not be limited to, failure to observe and obey **House Rules (EXHIBIT A), neglect of position responsibilities as set forth in Sections IV., and V., Para E.,** to acts of theft, embezzlement, fraud, violence or threats of violence, insubordination, or other conduct unbecoming of the position held.

Article V.

C. Concurrent Service. No Officer may also simultaneously serve as a Trustee or any other office. This does not preclude any Officer or Trustee from performing the responsibilities of another officer position if a vacancy exists for an office but in so doing the individual is not to hold a second position. **All officers shall be elected for a term of two (2) years by the membership at the annual meeting.** An officer, upon the expiration of his term of office, may become eligible for reelection to office or for any other office of the Club.

D. Term and Election.

1. The President may be elected up to two terms (4) consecutive years, which term can be extended for two (2) additional years by the Members if no suitable candidate can be found. The President, upon the expiration of the term of office, may become eligible for reelection as President after a break in service of two years unless the successor is unable to serve and, in that case, the retired President is

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eligible to be appointed by the Board to the position of President. All other Officers upon expiration of the term of office may become eligible for reelection.

2. To efficiently transition to a two (2) year election term for all Executive Officers, the schedule shall reflect the following.

(i) Effective as of the January 2023 Annual Membership Elections, all positions of the Executive Board with the exclusion of the President shall be up for election. The 2nd Vice President, Financial Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Membership Secretary shall be elected to serve for a term of two (2) years. Going forward, this shall be referred to as the "Odd Year Election Cycle".

(ii) Effective as of the January 2024 Annual Membership Meeting Elections, the positions of President, 1st Vice President, Treasurer, and Recording Secretary shall be elected to serve for a term of (2) years. Going forward, this shall be referred to as the "Even Year Election Cycle".

(iii) Effective as of the January 2025 Annual Membership Meeting Elections, elections will follow Election Cycles (Exhibit B), going forward.

(iv) The Trustees will remain on their respective three (3) year current cycle.

EXHIBIT B – ELECTION CYCLES

ODD YEAR ELECTION CYCLE	EVEN YEAR ELECTION CYCLE
2 ND Vice President	President
Financial Secretary	1 ST Vice President
Corresponding Secretary	Treasurer
Membership Secretary	Recording Secretary

THE SEARCH FOR MISS DEUTSCHER CLUB

The search has begun for the next Miss Deutscher Club!

The Miss DC Committee is now accepting applications for Miss Deutscher Club 2022. 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 19, 2022**, at the Deutscher Club of Clark. Applications are available on our website, www.deutscherclub.us (under **Bulletins and Downloads**). You may also contact, Chrissy Daly, Chairperson, Miss Deutscher Club Committee via email at correspondence@deutscherclub.us for more information.

BIG RAFFLE TICKETS ARE IN -

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 \$5000 each - if all are sold. The drawing will take place on the night of our Christmas Gala, **Saturday, December 17th, at 9:00 PM** - you do not have to be present to win. If you prefer tickets mailed to you, please submit your payment with a self-addressed stamped envelope to the Club, "Attn: 2022 Big Raffle" and we will be more than happy to send them out. Please support this fundraiser which benefits the Club's efforts in promoting German culture and maintaining the condition of the clubhouse and grounds.

Ken Vogt, Trustee

PLEASE REMEMBER –

When in the Club ...



VOLUNTEER AT YOUR CLUB AND EARN YOUR 10 HOURS EASILY



1. **Team Captains** are needed for our public Fests and Biergartens

2. **Saturday's Band Night** (manning the Admissions table) -sign up on the Bulletin board behind the table and see a trustee for instructions.

3. **Tuesday Crew** (helping with repair projects, cleaning, mowing/leaf blowing, etc. Show up at club at **8AM**) – there is a sign-in book.

4. **Saturday Crew** (outside landscaping, show up at **8AM**) – there is a sign-in book.

5. **Potato Peeling** (making the potato salad for Biergartens & Fests. The Friday before an event, at **8AM**, bring a peeler) – there is a sign-in book.

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

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

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

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

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

* If you are not receiving the Sign-up Genius 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

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!

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.

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 (Satur-

days as of 2:30 PM) Pick-up orders 4:00

- 7:00 PM • Check the Website at www.deutscherclub.us for the Menu



FOR SALE

DC 85TH ANNIVERSARY
PINS • \$5



DC COFFEE MUGS • \$5

See any Vorstand mem-
ber if you are interested
in purchasing.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

For those members who have not yet submitted their dues - Your **2022 Membership Dues** are in arrears.

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 mem-
ber-ship beginning April 1

Include the **\$10.00 late fee** payment now, **2022 Membership Cards** will be mailed upon receipt of payment and late fee.

Beginning April 1st - All members will be required to show their **current 2022 membership card** when at the club. Please have your **2022 Membership Card** with you.

Your membership dues are a vital source of revenue for **YOUR** club.

You may pay by, check, cash or cred-
it card on the Deutscher Club web-
site. <https://deutscherclub.us/membership>

As of January 1, 2022, Membership
Dues are:

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.

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 • Au-
gust 1st - Membership is revoked if dues are not paid.

You may also mail your check to the club. Attn: 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.

If you have any questions, please email me at: Membership@deutscherclub.us.

Welcome to our 73 New Members who became members at the April 14 Induction Ceremony! Welcome to the Deutscher Club of Clark!

Buzz Sawyer, Membership Secretary

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

The Entertainment Committee meets on the **first Thursday of the month**, at **6:30 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 perform your volunteer time for the Club? Join us! 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. *Mike Alexy*

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, May 20th!** 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 **May 20th** (Frühlingsfest), **June 3rd** (Bier-



garten & Ladies' Division Craft Show), and **June 17th** (Waldfest). The FUN begins at **8:00 AM**.

VOLUNTEERS: THE SUNSHINE COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU!

Are you interested in contributing your skills and ideas to earn volunteer hours while making the lives of some of our older or home-bound members a little brighter? If so, please come to the Sunshine Committee meetings. Monthly meetings will be held every second **Friday at 6:30 PM**, September through June. The next meeting is on **Friday, May 13 at 6:30 PM**.



SKAT GAME

SKAT is a three-hand-
ed, 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 8:00 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.



Clothing Drive

Clean out your closets
of spring and summer
children's, women's,
and men's clothes and
shoes for donation to local battered wom-
en's shelters and a men's working poor
shelter. **Contact Suzanna Polhamus at corre-
spondence@deutscherclub.us**. All clothes
and shoes should be seasonally appropriate,
clean, and in very good condition. **PLEASE**,
no used undergarments or socks.



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

SÄNGER CHOR NEWARK WEEEE'RE BAAAACK!

We are back singing on Friday nights at the DC. Come, join us! We have two formal sessions a month (the 1st and 3rd Friday). Formal nights include accompaniment by our Director, Markus Kaitila on piano, singing both German and English standards. The 2nd and 4th Fridays, we will be accompanied by an accordion player and sing beer-drinking songs. You are welcome to join us at **8:00 PM every Friday**. For information see our website at www.saengerchor.net or call Peter Volk at 908-938-9019..



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

HIKING NEWS

We are planning our hikes for the 2nd half of 2022, if you have any suggestions, please share them. We will be taking the summer off; no hikes in July and August.



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On the day of the hike, we meet at 9:50 AM in the parking lot (details to be provided to the group – contact me to get added to the email list), and the **hike begins promptly at 10:00 AM**. If you are running late, please call me so that we can make accommodations for you. On **Sunday May 15, 2022**, we will be going to Sandy Hook State Park, part of the Gateway National Recreation Area. This will be a flat hike on sandy soil, we are hoping to see some of the historic sites there, see this link for more information: <https://www.nps.gov/gate/learn/historyculture/sandy-hook-places.htm>

On **Sunday June 12, 2022**, we will be going to Hackelbarney State Park in Chester NJ. We will be taking the summer off as there are many weekend events at the club, our next hike will be in September. 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 return to the Club for Fröhshoppen. The bar is open, there is usually soup and open face sandwiches, and people bring things to eat as the kitchen is not open. Feel free to bring something. It is a fun time after the hike.

NETWORKING MEETING

There will be a Deutscher Club Networking meeting on **Thursday, May 19, 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. RSVP to Michael Fleyzor at mfleyzor@gmail.com or cell phone (732) 319-4886. Looking forward to hearing about your business. *Michael Fleyzor*

HERZLICH WILLKOMMEN TO THE NEWLY FORMED GARDEN Committee

Do you enjoy gardening? Do you have knowledge of plants and flowers? The Newly organized garden com-



mittee would like your expertise!

We will be accepting donations of any plants (perennials) or bushes that members may have in their own garden that may have grown too large or are no longer wanted. Please drop off at the club May 30 thru June 4. **Please place drop offs on the table near the shed behind the playground or on the ground near the same table.** Thank you for your donations! Contact Buzz Sawyer at membership@deutscherclub.us or see Kurt Leithner or Barbara Maguire at the club!

Maifest
TANZ IN DEN MAI

92nd Anniversary Celebration

Saturday, May 7, 2022 • 5:00pm - 10:00pm

The Pavilion at the Deutscher Club of Clark
featuring Berna's Orchestra

\$45 per person/12 and under \$15/under 5 free

Includes Fresh Veg platter with dip, Cheese and Crackers
Goulash or Jaeger Chicken - Spazzie or Roasted Potatoes - Green Beans
Mixed Greens with roll and butter
Kids menu - Chicken Fingers with Mac and Cheese
Dessert - Black Forest Cake, Coffee and Tea
Cash Bar

Dirndls and Lederhosen encouraged

For Reservations Contact
Ralph Ehrenert 908-255-1802 or Rick Ernst 908-733-6248
Deadline for Reservations is May 1st with 2 week advance notice.
No walk-ins will be sold at the door.

Mother's Day Buffet

Sunday, May 8th • 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM

\$26.00 per person.

Last day of Ticket sales is **May 4, 2022.**

No walk-ins.

Please sign-up at the **BAR**. DRESS CODE: Business Casual



THE BOOK CLUB

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

For May 2022: The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for the Gold at the 1936 Olympics by



Daniel James Brown. A true story, this book deviates a bit from my books with a German theme (the last part is set in the 1936 Olympics though), but this is one of the best, most inspiring reads, and most compelling books that I've read in years.

The book will be discussed: **Friday evening May 20, 2022 at 7:30 PM in person** (venue to be determined), then again on Thursday evening, **May 26, 2022 at 7:30 PM via Zoom** (link will be provided at a later date).

Amazon's description: For readers of Unbroken, out of the depths of the Depression comes an irresistible story about beating the odds and finding hope in the most desperate of times—the improbable, intimate account of how nine working-class boys from the American West showed the world at the 1936 Olympics in Berlin what true grit really meant. It was an unlikely quest from the start. With a team composed of the sons of loggers, shipyard workers, and farmers, the University of Washington's eight-oar crew team was never expected to defeat the elite teams of the East Coast and Great Britain, yet they did, going on to shock the world by defeating the German team rowing for Adolf Hitler. The emotional heart of the tale lies with Joe Rantz, a teenager without family or prospects, who rows not only to regain his shattered self-regard but also to find a real place for himself in the world. Drawing on the boys' own journals and vivid memories of a once-in-a-lifetime shared dream, Brown has created an unforgettable portrait of an era, a celebration of a remarkable achievement, and a chronicle of one extraordinary young man's personal quest.

All members are welcomed to join in the Book Club discussions, whether you've had a chance to read the books or not.

CLARK TOWNSHIP MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

On **Monday, May 30th, at 9:30AM**, the Township of Clark will again host a patriotic Memorial Day parade to coincide



with its annual Memorial Day services that honor "Clark's Fallen Heroes." Once again, the Deutscher Club of Clark will join the Township of Clark in celebrating those who have served and those now serving our nation here and abroad. Parade line-up begins at **9:00 AM**. Your participation would be greatly appreciated. Come march with us! Sign-up w/the bartenders.

COMING SOON.....

FESTIVAL

The Deutscher Club Ladies' Division
Presents Its
Summer Arts & Crafts Festival



Sunday, June 5, 2022, 11 AM – 4 PM

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A four-day convention of Schuhplattler Vereine from all the United States and Canada will be held **July 7-10 at Harrah's Resort & Waterfront Conference Center, Atlantic City, NJ**. This will be an event filled with performances, music, tournaments, vendors and of course, Gemütlichkeit! Questions on reservations and tickets can be sent to 28gaufest2022reg@gmail.com.

You can follow this event on Facebook-28. Gaufest 2022-Atlantic City, on Instagram-Edelweiss-Passaic, and on their website - www.gaufest2022.com

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Deutscher Club of Clark - Karl Kummer Scholarship Fund: The 2022 Karl Kummer Scholarship Fund awards \$1,000 to a qualified New Jersey student who: is a New Jersey high school senior or is currently enrolled in a College/University and has an immediate family member who is a current member of the Deutscher Club of Clark, Inc. (and has been consecutively for at least the last three years). The application form, available to download from our website (under "Bulletins and Downloads"), must be completed and submitted with a copy of the applicant's most current High School/College transcript by the **deadline - May 15, 2022**. Applications can be mailed to or dropped off at the Deutscher Club of Clark, Inc., Attn: Sigrid Pagano, Scholarship Chairperson or emailed to scholarship@deutscherclub.us.

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8:00am Service with Communion



9:15am For All Ages



10:30am Service With Communion

Deutsche Ecke

Stiefmütterchen

Kokett lächeln sie uns an mit farbfrohen Blütengesichtern. Sie wachsen im Garten, im Blumentopf oder auch wild in der Natur und haben eine lange Blütezeit, bei uns von März bis November. Sie können als einjährig oder auch zweijährig Pflanzen kultiviert werden.

Aber woher hat diese Blume ihren interessanten Namen?

Stiefmutter ist uns wohl allen ein Begriff; Vater nimmt sich eine zweite Frau und sie ist zu seinen Kindern die Stiefmutter. In der deutschen Märchenwelt kommt sie häufiger vor. z.B. haben Hänsel und Gretel eine Stiefmutter und werden von ihr nicht gut behandelt. Auch Schneewittchen und Aschenbrödel haben Erfahrungen mit einer Stiefmutter gemacht. Aber unser hübsches Blümchen? Schau es dir mal gut an. Der deutsch Schriftsteller Friederich Schnack (1888-1977) deutet den Namen sinngemäß so: „Das große unterste Blumenblatt, gestützt auf zwei Kelchblätter, ist die Stiefmutter, ihr zur Seite sitzen auf je einem Stühlchen die beiden gutgekleideten eigenen Kinder, zuoberst die zwei schlichten Stiefkinder, die zusammen mit einem Stühlchen vorliebnehmen müssen“. Bis heute spricht man von „stiefmütterlicher Behandlung“, wenn jemand einen anderen Menschen vernachlässigt. Es gibt eine große Auswahl von Stiefmütterchen mit dem botanischen Namen, unter anderem, *Viola tricolor*, das wild in der Natur wächst und *Viola tricolor maxima*, unser Gartenstiefmütterchen. Im 19th Jahrhundert sandten sich Verliebte ein Stiefmütterchen Bouquets, „Pensées“ genannt, als Symbol der Treue. Die Blüten des Stiefmütterchens wurden in Shakespeares „Sommernachtstraum“ als „Liebeszauber“ eingesetzt; denn aus „*Viola tricolor*“ braute Oberon seinen Liebestrunke. Und der Komponist Josef Strauss (1827-1870)

komponierte die Stiefmütterchen Polka Mazurka, Op. 183, für sein Wohltätigkeitskonzert am 7. Juli, 1865. Das kleine Blümchen hatte wohl besondere Bedeutung für ihn. **PS:** YouTube hat dieses Musikstück.

Pansies

Coquettishly they smile at us with colorful flower faces. They grow in the garden, in the flowerpot or even wild in nature and have a long flowering period, in our region from March to November. They can be cultivated as annual or biennial plants. But where did

this flower get its interesting name from? Stepmother is

probably known to all of us; Father

takes a second wife, and she is to his

children the “Stiefmutter”. She

is common in the German

fairytale world, e.g.,

Hansel and Gretel have a

stepmother and are not

treated well by her. Snow

White and Cinderella

also had experiences with

a stepmother. But our

pretty flower? Take a good look at

it. The German author Friederich Schnack (1888-1977) interprets the name as follows: "The largest lowest flower petal, supported by two chalice leaves, is the stepmother. To her side sitting on one chair each her two well-dressed own children. And on the top the two stepchildren, who have to make do with one little chair. To this day, one speaks of "stepmotherly care" when someone neglects another person. There is a wide range of pansies with the botanical name, among others, *Viola tricolor*, which grows wild in nature and *Viola tricolor maxima*, our garden pansy. In the 19th century, people in Love sent each other pansy bouquets, called "Pensées", as Symbol of Faithfulness. The flowers of the pansy were used as a love spell in Shakespeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream"; because Oberon brewed his love drink from "*Viola tricolor*". And the composer Josef Strauss (1827-1870) composed the “Stiefmütterchen Polka Mazurka, Op. 183, for his charity concert on July 7, 1865. This little flower probably had special meaning for him. **PS:** YouTube has this Composition.

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Gail Halvorsen - Candy Bomber

Gail Seymour Halvorsen was born in 1920 to Mormon sugar beet farmers in Utah. He briefly attended Utah State University, earned a private pilot's license in 1941, and became a cadet in the Army Air Force getting his wings in 1944. Halvorsen had hoped to see combat in WWII but was assigned to transport duty to Europe and North Africa. He remained in the Air Force after the war and was selected as a Berlin airlift pilot delivering food to Germany. During some free time, Halvorsen visited Tempelhof airport in the American sector and noticed a group of children watching through the barbed wire. As Halvorsen approached the polite group of children they begged him to continue bringing food, even in bad weather, and to protect their freedom. Touched by the children's plight, Halvorsen gave a couple of sticks of gum from his pocket to the group and promised to return the next day with more candy. The children asked how they would recognize him in his airplane, and he said that he would "wiggle his wings". Halvorsen then made handkerchief parachutes with chocolate bars attached and dropped them for the children. He was nicknamed "Uncle Wiggly Wings" and the "Chocolate Flier". Soon huge crowds of children came for candy. The candy operation spread throughout the airlift. The American Confectioners Association donated the candy, and by 1949, 250,000 parachutes had been dropped with chocolate, and hope. Gail Halvorsen went on to make his career in the service. He also made over 30 trips back to Berlin, initiated student exchanges between Berlin and Utah where he married and raised his family. He wrote a memoir called *The Berlin Candy Bomber*, had a German school named for him, received the Grand Cross of the Order of Merit from Germany, and had a bomber named in his honor. Halvorsen continued to fly into his 90's dropping candy in the United States. Gail Halvorsen died on February 16, 2022, at the age of 101.

Barbara Streit

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