

Der Zeit-Reporter

Verein der Donauschwaben

Cincinnati, Ohio



Fall 2022

Gedanken für den Tag: Wenn der Tag nicht dein Freund war, dann war er dein Lehrer

A word from our President...

PICTURES

I was given an advanced copy of this quarter's newsletter by Eileen Waldeck. She asked if it could be filled with pictures. Of course, I agreed. I must share; viewing these pictures had an immediate impact on me. The phrase "A picture is worth a 1000 words" raced through my mind. They revealed who we are - a loving group with strong family values and a commitment toward Donauschwaben tradition and the Club - and so much more!!! In these pictures there are members who received awards, youth group members who traveled to Europe, groups who volunteer without hesitation toward the betterment of the Club, children learning traditions and the fun at Club. I had a flashback over the past five years as President, with a rush of pride being a member of this group. The end of my Presidency is coming quickly and I can't say enough **Thank You(s)** to our membership for all that has been achieved. We started by remodeling our main hall quickly followed by hosting the National Donauschwaben convention which included the youth group competition year. Our plumbing failed that weekend. We had back-to-back record setting Oktoberfest years. We went through a lock down and major restrictions with Covid. We found unique methods to remain connected, opening up, when permitted and had a strong, quick return to "normal". We made sure our seniors were taken care of by first delivering a meal to their home and continued contacts of their status throughout the lock down. We remodeled the small hall. We faced insurance claims and a law suit. We retired a long time caretaker and hired a new one after a major renovation of the Club's apartment. We updated the stage area of the shelter house. The Youth group went to Europe and came home as excellent ambassadors to this event. This year is not quite over, with more to come and so much more was achieved. The phrase "It takes a village" for us is "It takes the Cincinnati Donauschwaben membership to get it done." Thank you for the last 4 1/2 years of commitment, endurance, passion, guts, motivation and love. It is an honor to serve you. What a wonderful picture we paint.

Eddie Tullius

President

UPCOMING EVENTS

Hofbrauhaus

Keg Tapping

Sep. 28, 2022

Parade starts at 7:00

Oktoberfest

Sep. 30 5:00 – 11:00

Oktoberfest 1 1:00 – 11:00

Oktoberfest 2 1:00 – 8:00 with

Car show – 10:00

Kirchweih Mass

October 9th 11:30 am

St. Mary's Church

13th and Clay St.

Meet in courtyard 11:15

Kirchweih Dance

October 15th 6:00 – 10:00

Shop with Friends

Craft & Vendor Show

October 30th 10am – 2pm

Planning Meeting

November 6, 2022

1:00

Weinlesefest

To Be Determined

Christmas Party

December 4th 2:00 pm

Members Only

New Year's Eve Party

December 31, 2022

8:30 pm – 12:30 am

Club Meeting

Ladies Meeting 7:00

4th Fri. each month 7:30

Congratulations

The following awards were distributed on Donauschwaben Day. Thank you for your dedication to our club.

Associate Members to Full Members

Diane Eckard

Diana and Jeff Weeks

25 Year Member Awards

Dan and Marleen Cassedy

Theresia Czanik

Larry and Mary Eckhoff

Herman and Renee Heine

Erin Sucher

Ewald Warken

Dachverband Gold Pins

John and Petra Kurzhals

Verdienstnadel in Gold

Pam and Ben Clinkenbeard

Eva and Ed McMasters

Eric Schwarz

Tony Waldeck

Marie & Rod Weeks

Mary Weissmann

Christina and Matthew Yockey

Herzlich Willkommen

Oops! I just realized I missed listing the new members who were welcomed into the club in Spring. Please join me in welcoming them and our newest members. We offer all of you a hearty welcome and hope to see all of you around the club often.

Spring New Members

Joey and Kandice Blevins

Janet Cameron

Bobbi Krimmer

Maggie Schoepf

Brandon Spraul

Fall New Members

Michael and Bernadette Gansler

Brien and Patty Griffin

Patrick and Clara Schutte

Dennis & Jennifer Spitznagel, Jr

David & Melissa Themare



IN LOVING MEMORY

We would like to offer our condolences to the families and friends of Wayne Minnich. We are truly sorry for your loss and hope your memories help comfort you during this difficult time. May he rest in peace.



MEMBERSHIP DUES

If you have not paid your dues for 2022 yet, now is the time to get your account up-to-date. Please send a check for \$35, payable to Donauschwaben, to Eileen Waldeck at 7413 Bridge Point Pass, Cincinnati, Ohio 45248. A note has been included with this newsletter if you owe dues. If you have any questions, you can e-mail Eileen at Ladyike76@yahoo.com. You can also pay your dues online at www.cincydonau.com.

WE NEED YOU

We are looking for two members to join our Board as two of our current Board members are finishing up their terms this year. We now have an Event Coordinator to help with the weddings. If you are interested or know someone you think would be a good candidate or would do a good job on the Board, contact Eddie Tullius.

Thank you

Eddie Tullius, our current President and Joe Abt, our current Treasurer will be stepping down after many, many years on the Board. We thank you for all your efforts and leadership, especially during COVID. We will really miss both of you. I'm sure we can count on your guidance as we pass the torch to the new leaders. We appreciate everything you both have done for the club.

PLANNING MEETING

We will have our annual planning meeting on November 6, 2022 starting at 1:00 in the Members Hall. Lunch will be provided at 12:00 before the meeting for your enjoyment. Come share your thoughts or ideas on how to help the club continue to prosper.

Upcoming Events

OKTOBERFEST

We are excited to announce that the 30th annual Donauschwaben Oktoberfest will take place September 30th and October 1st and 2nd this year. Like always we will

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provide great food, drink and entertainment, as only the Donauschwaben Society can. Once again we will open up our fest grounds and show Cincinnati what Gemutlichkeit looks like, Schwaben Style!

We will begin setup on Saturday, September 24th at 9:00 A.M. and continue setup during the week usually starting around 5 or 6 P.M. We will start clean-up on Monday, October 3, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. we can use all the help we can because after the party everyone is moving a bit slower than we were at setup.

Hofbrauhaus Newport has invited the Donauschwaben to kick off our Oktoberfest with them at their monthly keg tapping on Wednesday, September 28, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. Please come and enjoy a fun relaxing evening at the Hofbrauhaus before all the work begins.

We will need the help of the entire club again to make this year a success. So please sign up to volunteer if you haven't done so already. It's a great way to meet new people and have some fun at the same time.

If you have any questions, comments or would like to volunteer please email me at jhansw@fuse.net. We are still in need of help working the front gate early on Saturday and Sunday. We are also looking for a person to help run the opening ceremony parade.

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Thanks for all the support over the years and we look forward to working with everyone again this year! Thank you! Co-chairs-Hansi Weissmann, Mike Waldeck and Brett Hambrick

KIRCHWEIHD MASS

On Sunday, October 9th, we will celebrate Kirchweih mass. The high point of the mass is the blessing of the rosemary bush that is auctioned at the Kirchweih Tanz bringing the lucky couple prosperity in the coming year.

We gather in the courtyard of Old St. Mary's Church (at the corner of 13th and Clay Streets in Over the Rhine) at 11:15 for the 11:30 mass so we can parade into the church in our traditional Tracht/Dirndl and Black Vest costumes.

KIRCHWEIHD DANCE

On Saturday, October 15th, we'll have the Kirchweih Tanz, where we will auction off the Kirchweih Strauss. The Strauss is said to bring the winning couple a long and prosperous relationship, so many men are eager to present it to their intended spouse. Join us for the festivities from 6:00-10:00 pm with the band "Polka Revolution."

Come dressed in Tracht/Dirndl/Black Vest to get into the spirit of the event and join in our grand march, the highlight of the evening leading to the auctioning of the Strauss.

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Our Trachtengruppe and Jugendgruppe will be performing. Donauschwaben sausage sandwiches, sides and deserts will be available for purchase throughout the evening. Please help us celebrate and keep alive our Oldest Donauschwaben heritage and the heritage of all German faithful. Join us for a fun-filled night on Oct. 16th by making reservations through our website now! (www.cincydonau.com).

SHOP WITH FRIENDS CRAFT & VENDOR SHOW

We are celebrating the 8th annual "Shop with Friends" craft/vendor show at the clubhouse on Sunday, October 30, 2022 from 10-2. There will be a large variety of crafters and vendors so there is something for everyone. There is an entrance fee of \$2.00 and food/beverages will be available for purchase. Please come out and support this club event as the proceeds benefit the Kinder and Jugend dance programs.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our Christmas party is Sunday, December 4th and it is free...but it is for members only. Santa will make a visit and a lunch will be available. We will have a box available for St. Leo's pantry if you would like to donate canned goods or personal items for the poor. Please bring 1-2 dozen of cookies to share. The party starts at 2:00.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

Sylvesterabend 2022 will be from 8:30-12:30. It's always a good time. It will be \$30 per person and the Rheingold from Louisville will be the entertainment. Questions? Contact Joe Abt.

NEWSLETTER BY E-MAIL

If you would like to receive your newsletter by e-mail, please send your e-mail address to Eileen Waldeck at Ladyike76@yahoo.com. Write Donau Newsletter in the Subject so I can make sure it doesn't go into my spam mail. Make sure you leave your name if you have a unique email address so I can correctly identify and match the name and e-mail (ie. Ladyike76@yahoo is for Eileen Waldeck).

Congratulations to our latest Fuchsmeister



Karl Themare

If you would like information on attending a Fuchs class, contact kft8879@gmail.com or 513 451-1483.

CLUB PROJECTS

We have completed many jobs identified at the planning meeting last November. To list some of the projects:

- Outside stage under the pavilion has been repaired and repainted
- Festival booth fronts have been replaced
- Additional lights have been installed behind the clubhouse
- Painting completed on the back of the clubhouse
- Lights in the basement have been replaced with LED lighting
- Replaced the carpeting in the members hall and the stairways
- We are replacing the windows in the library, the apartment and in the bar area in the front of the hall,
- Have the tile in the kitchens, bar area and in the restrooms cleaned
- Purchased two freezers as the current ones were old and leaky
- We hired new caretakers
- We hired an Event Coordinator

A lot has been accomplished in one year. Thank you to all involved in getting all these projects completed.

Thank you...

Ed, John and Rick Kurzhals for fixing the chimney in the apartments. We can't thank you enough for all your hard work making sure the apartment is in tip top shape.

Ed Tullius, Helen Hary, Cathy Weissmann and the Ladies and Gentleman who cooked or baked something for our Donauschwaben Day. It was a wonderful to see so many members come and join us. A great time was had by all.

Dave Brabender, Al Huber and their crew for continuing to keep the club house and grounds in good working order. We appreciate everything you do.

Our own Vereinmusikanten. We loved to hear you play. How fortunate are we that we have our own club band?

The ladies who help fold, stuff and mail the newsletter. We couldn't do it without you.



25 Year Members of our Club

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Promoted from Associate to Full Members



Recipients of Verdienstnadel in Gold

Recipients of Dachverband Gold



Our Dance Groups







The Strudel Makers



The Icers



Our European Travelers



