



Der Zeit-Reporter

Verein der Donauschwaben
Cincinnati, Ohio



Summer 2024

A Message from the President

Liebe Landsleute, fellow Schwowe,

As we enter this Summer Fest season, it is time for me to recognize all of those who make our Verein the special place that it is. To all of the Fest Committee chairmen and members, as well as all of those event committee members, my heartfelt thanks for all of your efforts. I am in awe of all the people who volunteer to work these events, from set-up to kitchen and dessert helpers as well as those who work the bar, and stick and then cook, the chickens and pigs. Without you none of this could be pulled off. You are the lifeblood of the Verein, and as long as we continue in this manner, we will continue to thrive as a club.

One quick announcement for upcoming planning. This year's Landestreffen will be held on Labor Day weekend in St. Louis. I will be sending out more information on this event shortly, so keep an eye out for the information.

As always, it is my honor to work with so great a group of people as you are.

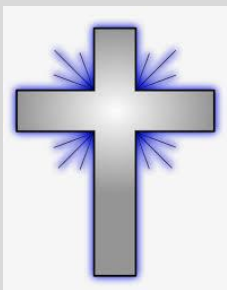
Joe Seidl
Der Lange Sepp

IN LOVING MEMORY

In the last newsletter, I stated it was Judy Blevins who passed away when, in fact it was Judy Benvie. My apologies to the Blevins and Benvie families.

We would also like to offer our condolences to the families and friends of:

Theresia Czanik
Elvera Delp
Nick Schwarz



We are sorry for your loss and hope all of your wonderful memories help comfort you during this difficult time.

EVENTS

Bogenschießen
Or Archery
1st and 3rd Thursday at the
Clubhouse

Ehrenplatz Bricks
Deadline: June 10, 2024

Planning Meeting
July 7, 2024
Lunch 12:00
Meeting 1:00

Schuhplattler
Anniversary Party
July 7, 2024
2:00 pm
RSVP Due June 30

Club Appreciation Party
July 14, 2024
RSVP Due: July 7th
Doors Open 1:30
Food Served 2:00

Donauschwaben Day
August 11 2024
Food served 1 – 3
Music 2:00
Program 3:00

First Friday Froth Fest
Sept. 6, 2024
Doors Open 5:30
Dinner Service 6:00

4th Friday every month
Ladies Meeting 7:00
General Meeting 7:30

MEMBERSHIP DUES

If you have not paid your membership fees for 2024, they are past due. A note is enclosed indicating what you owe. You can pay online by going to www.cincydonau.com (for a small service fee) or you can send in your check to Eileen Waldeck, 7413 Bridge Point Pass, Cincinnati, Ohio 45248, make your check payable to Verein der Donauschwaben, OR you can pay at our monthly meeting. If you would like to have a membership card, please send a self-addressed stamped envelope with your check.

Upcoming Events

PLANNING MEETING

We are going to have our Planning Meeting a little early this year. It will be on Sunday, July 7th with a lunch being served before the meeting at 12:00 noon. The meeting will begin at 1:00 pm.

SCHUHPLATTLERS 50TH ANNIVERSARY PARTY

It's hard to believe the Schuhplattlers are celebrating 50 years of performing. They performed their dances for the first time in 1974. There will be celebration in the club pavilion on Saturday, July 6th, beginning at 2:00 pm. Anyone that has performed is invited with their families or guests. RSVP's are needed by June 30th so we know how much food to order. Please RSVP to lpd.fuse.net and make sure you include 50th Schuhplattler Anniversary in the subject line. Hope to see you there!

APPRECIATION DINNER

We will be having our Appreciation Dinner on Sunday, July 14th. Reservations are needed for this event and are due by July 7th. Please see the enclosed flyer to make your reservations. We hope you can join us to enjoy the fun!

Upcoming Events

DONAUSCHWABEN DAY

We are celebrating our 70th Anniversary this year on Donauschwaben Day. It will be on Sunday, August 11, 2024, starting at 1:00. First and foremost, we will be distributing the long awaited photo directory (for those who had their picture taken last year to be included in the directory). As you look through the directory, take a minute to remember and reflect on how lucky we are that our parents and grandparents founded this Verein and to remember how we, the Donauschwaben, came to be.

Come enjoy delicious food, great music, and renew old acquaintances. We will be serving food from 1-3.

This is the time we also grant full membership to several of our associate members, recognize those who have been members for 25 years, and award the club gold pins to those who have given of their time and talents for the betterment of the Verein. We also award the National gold pin (Dachverband gold) to someone who continues to promote our culture and values. Our program will start at 3.

FIRST FRIDAY FROTH FEST

We are moving the Fifth Friday Froth Fest to the following week because of the Labor Day trip, so we will be celebrating the First Friday Froth Fest on Friday, September 6th. We will have tasty food, ice cold beer, great music and friendly faces. What more could you hope for? Doors open at 5:30 and dinner service starts at 6:00. This is open to all. We hope you will join us.

Herzlich Willkommen

Please join me in welcoming our newest members. We offer you a hearty welcome and hope to see you around the club often.

Lee Ann Curtis
Mark and Emily Bill

EHRENPLATZ PROJECT

Richard Elder has graciously stepped up to take over the ordering of the bricks for the Ehrenplatz.,,Thank you Richard! If anyone would like information about ordering, please contact Richard at 513-761-4090.

HAVE YOU CLEANED OUT YOUR CLOSET LATELY?

If you have found that you have German Trachts in your closet that you no longer wear or that no longer fit (Too much good cooking?) we would love if you donated it to our club for Oktoberfest! This could include Dirndls, Lederhosen, vests, blouses, men's shirts, hats, aprons, pins, club apparel, soccer uniforms, children's clothing, or anything else that is German! We have an area inside the main hall where we sell German clothing every year during our Oktoberfest weekend and we would love your help by donating anything German that you no longer need.

Do you have a pile of clothing ready? We accept items all year long! You can simply label your box or bag "Eva McMasters" and contact Eva at (513) 378-6066 to make arrangements for delivery.

Don't forget to stop by and see us at Oktoberfest; maybe there will be something for you! Thanks to our many contributors, the inventory is constantly changing! This is a terrific opportunity to share our culture and continue to honor our heritage by moving these items out of our attics and giving others the opportunity to dress German!

Again, many thanks for your donations! All proceeds from the sale of the Tracht you donate goes directly back to our Donauschwaben Club!

FUCHS CLUB

We meet every 2nd Thursday of the month. If you know how to play Fuchs and want to enjoy playing a couple rounds of cards, come join us. If you want to learn how to play Fuchs or have questions, contact Karl Themare at kft8879@gmail.com or 513 451-1483.

DANCE GROUPS

Interested in joining our dance groups?

Kleine Kindergruppe Meets on Monday nights at 7:00 (4 – 7 years old) – Erin Sucher 513-324-4825 and Patty Butterfield 513-863-1243 are the leaders.

Mittlgruppe Meets Monday night at 7:00 (8 to 12 years old) – Heidi Kurzhals 513-680-5303, and Rose Abt 513-444-0451 are the leaders.

Jugendgruppe Meets Tues night at 7:15 – 8:30 (ages 13 – 25) – Katy Abt 513-255-4359, Megan Spraul 513-365-7339 and Evan Tullius 513-476-5314 are the leaders.

Schuhplattler Gruppe Meets Monday 7:15 to 8:30 (ages 18–50). Lori Decher 513-245-9450 is the leader.

Trachtengruppe The Trachtengruppe will be performing on Donauschwaben Day. We have 5 new members and are excited about them dancing with us. We practice every Weds. at 7:30 P.M. If interested in joining, please call Cathy Weissmann at 467-6120.

SENIORS GROUP

The Seniors Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday at 9:00 am at the Clubhouse. We have a lot of fun playing cards, Bingo and games and we even have a split the pot raffle. We would love to have you join us. We usually have a lunch party on the 1st Thursday (pizza or sandwiches) but on the 3rd Thursday you will have to pack your lunch. If you have any questions, please contact Karl Themare at 513-451-1483 or kft8879@gmail.com.

BOGENSCHIESSEN

Have you ever wondered if you could hit a bullseye on a target with an arrow? Join us and find out. All are welcome to try your hand at archery with Joe Abt in the field at Donauschwaben. All ages are invited to participate. The children are closely monitored with the arrows for safety. We have all the needed equipment. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm (weather permitting).

Thank you to...

Thank to Dan Schaiper, Al Huber and their crew for all the hard work they put in every month to make our facility look great. Many hands make light work. We appreciate all those who come out to help keep our facility neat and tidy! You all do a great job!

To the Ladies Auxiliary for hosting the Easter party! We had a full house and the kids all seemed to love having the Easter Egg hunt and the prize raffle. The food was delicious, and the kids all went home happy.

Cathy Weissmann and her Committee for hosting the Dirndl/Trachten Ball. We loved having the Mansfield group join us. Everyone had a great time and it was good to see all the groups dancing together.

Nick Krummen and Pete Lahni for chairing another great Schwabenfest. Your dedication and hard work to put on a great fest is very much appreciated!

Thank you to everyone who worked at our Schwabenfest this year, from the bakers, the cooks, the servers, the set up crew, the clean up crew and everyone who tended a booth, counted money or served our customers. Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! We couldn't do it without you.

Our own Vereinmusikanten. We love to hear you play at our events. You do a fantastic job keeping us all entertained.

All the ladies that come out to help get the newsletter assembled and sent out on a timely manner. Your help is greatly appreciated!

NEWSLETTER VIA E-MAIL

You can get your newsletter e-mailed to you. Send an e-mail to Eileen Waldeck at Ladyike76@yahoo.com. Make sure you put Donauschwaben Newsletter in the subject line, so it doesn't get lost in my Spam folder.

WANT TO BECOME A MEMBER

If you know someone who is interested in becoming a member, they can get an application at www.cincydonau.com. Click on the membership tab and download the membership application.

Strauss Ball





Dirndl/Trachten Ball

Mansfield dance group joined us for this event

