Der Zeit-Reporter

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Cincinnati. Ohio

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Winter 2025

Ich wünsche Ihnen frohe Weihnachten und einen guten Rutsch ins neue Jahr! FROM OUR PRESIDENT ...

Liebe Landsleute, vor allem wuensche ich Euch ein Gesegnetes und Frohes Weihnachtsfest und einen guten Rutsch ins Neue Jahr! Fellow Members, first of all, let me wish each and every one of you a very Merry and Blessed Christmas Season and all the best in the New Year.

I am glad to have had the privilege of being your President this past year and look forward to serving you again this coming year. I will work closely with the rest of the Board to try to make this another good year for the Donauschwaben Verein and focus on furthering our cultural heritage. The other members of your board this year are as follows: Vice President (and Group Liaison) - Marty Kunkle; Secretary - Cathy Weissmann; Treasurer - Elizabeth Tullius; Hall Rentals - Mike Kurzhals; Reservations - Dan Schapier; House and Grounds -Dave Brabender; Bar and Alcohol Purchaser - Al Huber; Marketing and Social Media - Pete Lahni; Band hiring - Lori Decher; Telecom - Ali Hoevel.

Again, please enjoy this Holiday season and have a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Hope to see you all at the New Year's Dance.

Frohe Weihnachten! *Der Lange Sepp* President

LEARN HOW TO DANCE

Would you like to learn to dance? Whether you're a brand new or a seasoned dancer, join us. Learn the basics and a variety of styles such as Polka, Waltz, Zeppel, Tango, and Rheinländer. Contact Nathan Nagel at (513)-227-4929 or nathannagel1999@gmail.com for more details.

AUDITORS NEEDED

We are currently looking for several people who are willing to do an audit of Donauschwaben's books. Contact Elizabeth Tullius at <u>cincydonautreasurer@ gmail.</u> <u>com</u> if you are interested or want more information.

** ATTENTION ALL ** EVENT CHAIRS

If you need to purchase items for an event or booth, call Lori Decher (purchaser) or Kathy Weissmann (freezer) before purchasing anything.

UPCOMING EVENTS



<u>Silvestertanz</u> December 31st 8:30 pm – 12:30 am

<u>Membership Fees Due</u> January 1st

<u>Fifth Friday Froth Fest</u> January 31st 5:30 door open 6:00 food service

> <u>**Dinner Dance**</u> February 8th

5:30 pm Dinner

Johann Strauss Ball March 8th

6:00 – 10:00 pm

Club Meeting

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



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OUR LEADERS

Congratulations to the members elected onto the Board at our October meeting. Elizabeth Tullius, Marty Kunkle and Cathy Weissmann were re-elected for 3 year terms and Lori Prugel-Decher and Pete Lahni were newly elected to a 3 year term. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Eileen Waldeck for your many years of service on the Board. Even though she is no longer on the Board, she will remain our Membership Chair.

President:	Joe Seid
VP/Group Liaison:	Marty Kunkl
Secretary:	Cathy Weissmann
Treasurer:	Elizabeth Tulliu
Communications/Alcohol Bu	yer/
House:	Al Hube
House and Grounds:	Dave Brabender
Social Media and Marketing	Pete Lahni
Reservations	Dan Schaiper
Rental Coordinator:	Mike Kurzhals
Hiring Bands	Lori Decher
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2025 Ladies Auxiliary Board Members:

President: Vice President: Secretary: Treasurer: Historian: Helen Hary Marty Kunkle Barb Waldeck Rose Abt Eileen Waldeck



Congratulations to Alex Klosterman and Megan Zeinner, the winning couple of our beautiful Strauss at Kirchweih. May you have a blessed, prosperous and healthy year ahead!

Herzlich Willkommen

Listed below are our new members. We offer you a hearty welcome and hope to see you around the club often.

> Don and Jamie Hutchinson Will and Rebecca Keyes Marianna Miller Adam and Erin Schmidt Scott & Jamie Toon

PHOTO DIRECTORIES

We still have a limited number of photo directories available for sale. They are \$20 each and will be sold on a first come first serve basis. Please contact Eileen Waldeck at 513-967-1256 or <u>Ladyike76@yahoo.com</u> if you are interested in purchasing a directory.

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MEMBERSHIP DUES

It's hard to believe it's time to renew your membership fees for 2025 which are due by January1st (\$35 per family which includes children up to 21 years of age). **GOOD NEWS**...you can now pay your dues online. Go to <u>www.cincydonau.com</u> and under the Membership Dues, you will see a tab that says pay online. **There will be a small service fee on all dues.** <u>You</u> <u>must note each family that you are paying dues for</u>.

Enclosed with this newsletter is a sheet indicating what you owe for dues. Please make your checks payable to Verein der Donauschwaben and send it to Eileen Waldeck, 7413 Bridge Point Pass, Cincinnati, Ohio 4548, 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. Don't forget to fill out the bottom of the form to show how you would like to volunteer.

If we have not received dues for the last two years, you will be taken off our membership list and will not receive newsletters.

Upcoming Events

FIFTH FRIDAY FROTH FEST

We would love to have you join us for our first Fifth Friday Froth Fest of the year on Friday, January 31st. We will have dinner, cold beer and lot of friendly faces to chase away the winter blues. Doors will open at 5:30 and dinner service starts at 6:00. We hope to see you there.

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DINNER DANCE

Save the date! Saturday, February 8, 2025, is the Annual Dinner Dance. Celebrate Valentine's Day a little early with your sweetheart or enjoy a great dinner in the company of friends. Dinner is served from 5 - 6 and includes a traditional schnitzel dinner with all the fixings. During the dinner hour, enjoy a wine bar that is included with dinner. The dance will follow dinner. Entertainment this year will be provided by Die Spitzbuam Band from St. Louis. Please join us for dinner and dance at \$25/person, or just join us for the dance 6-10 at \$10/person. For reservations go to reservations@ cincydonau.com and put Dinner Dance in the subject line.

JOHANN STRAUSS BALL

Join us at our annual Johann Strauss Ball on March 8th, 2024, from 6:00 - 10:00. Music will be provided by Rick Ipach and Friends. The Ball will highlight the Johann Strauss Ball dancers performing several traditional dances in formal attire. Entrance is \$25.00 per person (under 13-\$10.00) and includes a light buffet following the performance. Reservations are necessary and can be made by going to cincydonau.com or calling our reservation line at 513-385-2098. For information call Kathi Weissmann at 513-467-6120. Looking forward to seeing you.



DANCE GROUPS

Are you interested in joining our dance groups? This is a great time to join so you learn the new dances.

<u>Kleine Kindergruppe</u> 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.

<u>Mittlegruppe</u> 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.

<u>Schuhplattler Gruppe</u> Meets Monday 7:15 to 8:30 (ages 18 and older) – Lori Decher (513-245-9450) is the leader.

Trachtengruppe The Trachtengruppe has practice on the 2nd & 4th Wed. of the month at 7:30 P.M. If interested in joining, please call Cathy Weissmann at 513-467-6120.

Thank you

Hansi & Jill Weissmann, Mike & Amy Waldeck and Brett and Lindsey Hambrick for being the Committee Chairs for the Oktoberfest this year. It was, again, a record-breaking Oktoberfest and everyone had a great time!!! We appreciate all your hard work to make this such a successful event. Thank you to everyone who helped plan, work, cook, clean up, etc. for this event. You did a great job!

Megan Spraul and her Committee who worked so hard on Shop with Friends. Thank you to all who came to shop...we couldn't do it without you! I'm sure all who attended will agree it was another great event and the vendors had awesome merchandise.

John and Petra Kurzhals and their Committee for all your hard work on the Kirchweih Mass and dance. You do a wonderful job planning the Mass and the dance. This is such an important part of our culture, and we really appreciate you are carrying on our traditions. The raffle prizes were appreciated by all.

Pam and Ben Clinkenbeard, Annette and Greg Suer, Eileen and Joe Waldeck and their Committee for hosting Weinlesefest. We had a fun crowd that enjoyed stealing the fruit. The kindergruppen were on alert and ready to put thieves in jail. The food was tasty, and everyone loved the audience participation dances.

To our Ladies Group for organizing the Christmas party! Thank you to the kindergruppen for the entertainment. Our Ladies host a great party, and all the kids loved having Santa visit.

Dave Brabender, Al Huber, Dan Schaiper and the entire crew that keep our club house and the grounds looking great. Your efforts with the driveway, paving of the parking lot, replacing lights bulbs and coolers, cutting grass, etc. are appreciated. Fantastic job!

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Many thanks to Mikchael Nagel for also taking some of the photos included in this section









