



Congratulations...

Megan Brunner is our new May Princess for 2013-2014. She is a member of the Jugendgruppe and a former member of the Kindergruppe. Megan is 14 and will be a sophomore at Menomonee Falls High School in the Fall.



Max MacGillis is our new May Prince for 2013-2014. He is a member of the Jugendgruppe and a former member of the Kindergruppe. Max is 14 and will be a freshman at Brookfield East High School in the Fall.

Emily Mayer is our new Miss Donauschwaben for 2013-2014. Emily is currently a member of the Jugendgruppe and Kulturgruppe and a former member of the Kindergruppe. Emily is 18 and will be a freshman at UW-Milwaukee in the Fall.



Taylor Zuber is our Mr Donauschwaben for 2013-2014. He is currently a member of the Jugend and Kulturgruppe and a former member of the Kindergruppe. Taylor is 20 and plays guitar for the Talisman. He formally was May Prince 2009.

Grüße von der Kulturgruppe

The Kulturgruppe hopes that everyone has had a wonderful summer so far. We are excited that our new dirndls have arrived just in time for our summer performances. Along with the youth group, we will be debuting the new dirndls at German Fest. Besides German Fest, we will be busy this summer at Carl Schurz Park German-American Day, Oktoberfest at the Schwabenhof, and at the end of summer we will be traveling to Detroit for Labor Day.

We also very excited to announce that the Kulturgruppe will be bringing back Traubenfest. Please mark your calendars for October 18, 2014. Stay tuned for more details to come.

If you are over the age of 18 and interested in joining, please contact Karen Schmieder at 262.547.1371 for more information. We are always looking for new members!

Jugendgruppe Update

The Jugendgruppe has had a very busy year so far for 2013. We have already learned three new dances and are currently working on a fourth new dance. But it does not stop there — we have two more new dances coming by the end of the year!

Our ladies have new dirndls which we will be debuting in a few weeks at Germanfest for the first time. We hope you can come see us dance over the July 26th weekend at Germanfest and our dancing schedule is listed below.

Friday, July 26th | 7:00pm
Pretzel Park/Sports Area
Jugend & Kulturgruppe Joint Performance

Saturday, July 26th | 1:35pm
Heritage Stage — Jugendgruppe Performance

Saturday, July 26th | 4:00pm
Parade — Germanfest Grounds

Sunday, July 27th | 1:43pm
Heritage Stage — Jugendgruppe Performance

Sunday, July 27th | 4:00pm
Pretzel Park/Sports Area
Jugend & Kulturgruppe Joint Performance

Maiball 2013

The Jugendgruppe would like to thank everyone for supporting our Maiball again this year. It was a wonderful evening and we had an awesome crowd! Thank you to our families, club members and friends for all their help.

Congratulations to our newly crowned 2013 May Princess Megan Brunner and our new May Prince Max MacGillis. We know they will do a great job representing our group over the next year.

A special thank you to Megan Dettmering and Michael Hermann, our 2012 May Princess and May Prince, who gave up their crowns and titles that evening. They both did an awesome job over the last year representing our dance group and club at so many events.



We certainly hope to see you again next year. Please keep your calendars open for next years Maiball on Saturday, May 3, 2014 at the Schwabenhof.

"And so with the sunshine and the great bursts of leaves growing on the trees, just as things grow in fast movies, I had that familiar conviction that life was beginning over again with the summer."

— F. Scott Fitzgerald, *The Great Gatsby*

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German-American HISTORY 101

Wright or Wrong?

Today we remember Gustave Albin Whitehead, born Gustav Albin Weisskopf (January 1, 1874 – October 10, 1927) Gustave was a German-Bavarian aviation pioneer who emigrated from Leutershausen, Germany to the United States where he designed and built early flying machines and engines from 1897 to 1915. At the beginning of his career in 1897, Whitehead married a Donauschwaben girl named, Louisa Tuba, in Buffalo, New York. At the time of his marriage, he listed his occupation as "Aeronaut".



For decades, controversy has surrounded press reports, eyewitness accounts and Whitehead's own claims that he flew his powered airplanes several times in 1901 and 1902, predating the first flights made by the Wright Brothers in 1903. Overwhelming evidence proves this to be true, which means that a German Immigrant was the first man in America to fly a plane.

Sadly on October 10, 1927, Gustave Whitehead, at the young age of 53, died of a heart attack leaving his family with their self-built home and only \$8.00 in cash. He was buried in a pauper's grave, unfitting for such a great man.

A very notable researcher and promoter of Whitehead's place in Aviation History is William J. O'Dwyer, a reserve officer of the U.S. Air force, who discovered unknown photos of the airplanes in 1963 and has dedicated himself to research on this subject ever since.

In the year 1964, Whitehead was posthumously honored by the State of Connecticut, and his grave received a proper headstone. In 1980, the Gustave Weisskopf Museum in Leutershausen (Germany) opened providing the most comprehensive collection of proof of the accomplishments of Gustave Whitehead as a pioneer of motorized flight. Also in the 1980's and 90's, replica-versions of his aircraft Number 21 were flown in both the U.S. and Germany, proving that his planes were capable of flying. To learn more about Gustave, please visit some of these websites:

Fairfield Museum and History Center: <http://www.gustave-whitehead.com/>
The Pioneers: <http://www.ctie.monash.edu.au/hargrave/whitehead.html>

Jägerverein Winter Warriors

On January 5th, 2013, fifteen Jägerverein "Winter Warriors" braved the cold and snow to go pheasant hunting at Rustling Meadows Hunt Club near Berlin, Wisconsin. The hunters bagged 56 birds with a good time had by all. A celebration supper at the Schaumberg Restaurant was shared with their spouses following the hunt. Hunters felt this was fun and could be repeated — perhaps on a warmer day! Special thanks to Jay Multhauf for the conception of the idea and the organization of the event. Also to Anna Marie Barndt for hosting the spouses at her lake cottage.



Kinder Korner

The Kindergruppe is keeping busy this year and we have many great things happening. Since we started the year out in March, we have gained nine new members! We are happy to have all of them with us.

As many of you noticed, we debuted our new dirndls at Father's Day and we are very excited to have them just in time for summer. The Kinder will be partaking in the various activities at German Fest, Carl Schurz Park's German-American Day, Oktoberfest at the Schwabenhof, and Labor Day.

It is a special year for the Kindergruppe, as we are celebrating our 50th anniversary. We have some special things planned for our Kirchweih on September 28th and hope that you will all join us for this wonderful evening. Especially, all of you past Kindergruppe members!

If you have a child over the age of three who would like to join, please contact brukbaka14@gmail.com for more information.

2013 Graduates!

Michael Herrmann and Max MacGillis both graduated from eighth grade. Michael will be attending Kettle Moraine High School and Max will be attending Brookfield East High School in the Fall.

Emily Mayer graduated from Menomonee Falls High School and will be attending UW-Milwaukee in the Fall. She will be a member of the Honors College and has been pre-admitted to the Lubar School of Business.

Brittney Lachmund graduated from Brookfield East High School and will be attending UW-Milwaukee in the Fall. She has yet to decide her major.



Jugendgruppe Fundraising

We are selling stickers for your car window or bumper of our Donauschwaben Wappen for \$5.00 a piece. We also have our club jackets for sale for \$50.00 (sizes XS-XL) and \$55.00 (sizes 2XL-4XL).

These two items are always available at all our UDoM club monthly meetings held on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm at the Schwabenhof, Jugendgruppe Sunday dance practices at the schwabenhof or any club event.

All the proceeds for these fundraisers go towards our Jugendgruppe travel fund.