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Spring 2018



Message from the President

The weather may not agree but spring is officially here — new growth, transitional, rebirth, rejuvenating — all the wonders of the season are happening within our Club as well. With the management team in place for the business and the business moving along at a steady pace, we can focus more on the cultural side of things and hopefully, enjoy the rewards of our years and years of hard work!

We have our Father's Day Picnic and German Fest slowly approaching. We will still be working on those as a Club, especially German Fest. I'm hoping that with less events to volunteer at, we will have an overflow of volunteers at Father's Day, German Fest and eventually Holiday Folk Fair.

Can you believe the Biergarten will be in its Fourth Season? It will open in May, with the Schwabenhof running it and expanding the hours of operation. I'll keep you informed of those changes. MaiBall, with the Jugend in their finery, is just around the corner. Please be sure to contact our Ticket Coordinator, Karen Schmieder, at 262-547-1371 to make reservations! Happy Easter everyone!

MaryAnn MacGillis, UDoM President

Jugendgruppe Update

We hope you will join us for our Maiball on Saturday, May 5th at the Schwabenhof. Our dance is our biggest fundraiser each year — helping to support and aid our Jugend dancers with costuming and travel. The evening is also a celebration of our dance group each year and the crowning of our May Prince and Princess. The doors open for our dance at 5:00pm and dinner is at 6:00pm with schnitzel, broasted chicken, desserts and more! Following dinner, our Jugend dancers will perform and then at 7:45pm Austrian Express will be playing for your listening pleasure all evening. Please don't forget about our raffle later in the evening with plenty of wonderful gift baskets!

The Jugend and I are looking forward to spring and performing at all the remaining events to come this year. We hope you have a Happy Easter!

Carol Gdula, Jugendgruppe Director

Grüße von der Kulturgruppe

Spring is right around the corner! We danced at Schlachtfest and JaegerBall. Looking forward to join both the Kinder and Jugendgruppe in a joint dance at our Annual Father's Day Picnic. We welcome four new members to our group... Alex Mayer, Michael Hermann, Kayla Schwager and Nick Oelerich. Mark your Calendar for our traditional Traubenfest Dance on October 13th, 2018 at the Schwabenhof. More details to follow. Hope to see you there! Happy Easter to all!

Karen Schmieder, Kulturgruppe Director



New @ The Schwab!

So many great things are happening at The Schwabenhof! For the first time in decades, our kitchen hours are expanded — now serving Wednesday through Friday! During the Lenten Season, we're also offering lunch Wednesday through Friday and later this spring, we'll be announcing even longer hours as we open our doors five days a week, with plans to serve dinner Tuesday through Saturday.

Join us on Thursday evenings for our Build-Your-Own-Schnitzel Dinner or Sandwich starting at just \$4! Top it any way you like with additions such as red cabbage, cheese, pickles and more! Want to take your Friday Fish Fry or Broasted Chicken home? No Problem! To-Go Dinners are just \$11.95.

Easter is right around the corner! Join us for our Easter Sunday Brunch Buffet! Served 10am-2pm, our buffet will feature all of the classic holiday favorites and MORE! Cost for Adults \$19.95 and Children (12 and Under) \$12.95. Please call 262-252-4100 to make your reservation.

Before you know it, the Biergarten will be open too! This season the Biergarten will be open May through September at 4pm every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

For more information on our upcoming events, menus and more, visit www.theschwabenhof.com and for daily updates, follow us on Facebook and Instagram at The Schwabenhof. Prost!



Annual Membership Dues


Just a reminder that annual membership dues were due the first of the year. Make sure your dues are current for 2018 so you can vote and participate in all our fun auxiliary groups.

Contact Membership Secretary Liz Borowski for more information at lborrowski.udom@hotmail.com if you have any questions. For new members, forms are available online at www.theschwabenhof.com

Please Mail checks made out to GACF for \$50.00 per member (\$25 for members age 65+) to:

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What would you like to hear more about? E-mail me at: info@theschwabenhof.com



Spaß Milwaukee Camping Trip

Plans are already in the works for our 6th Annual Spaß Milwaukee Camping Trip! We will be camping at the Wisconsin Riverside Resort in Spring Green, Wisconsin from August 3-5, 2018; tubing down the Wisconsin River on August 4th beginning around noon. Camping and tubing will be around \$45 total for the weekend. Please contact Erika Hutz at erikahutz@gmail.com for more details!

Article Submitted By Erika Hutz

New Club Polo Shirts

To help support travel and costuming costs, the Jugendgruppe is selling embroidered club polo shirts. The shirts come in three colors — forest green, dark gray or black. Each polo has the UDoM Club Logo embroidered in full color on the chest. Polos Size Small through XL are \$30, and sizes 2XL and up will be sold for \$35. These shirts are a great way to represent the club, and will help the Jugend fund their trip to Kitchener, Ontario this Labor Day. Please contact Carol Gdula to order yours today, and help support our Jugend dancers! Email gcgdula@hotmail.com or call 414-807-1014.



Sehnsucht im Frühling Nostalgia in Spring

von Aertha Nathorff

Jetzt ist die Zeit, da in dem Garten meiner Kindheit
Now is the time, there in the garden of my childhood

Die Veilchen und die Primeln wieder blühen.
The violets and the primroses again bloom.

Jetzt ist die Zeit, da über meinem Elternhause
Now is the time, over the home of my parents

Die ersten Schwalben durch die Lüfte ziehn.
The first swallows fly through the air.

Jetzt ist die Zeit, da die Gedanken wander
Now is the time, where thoughts wander

Und Sehnsucht ihre Flügel spannt.
And nostalgia spreads her wings.

Sie hüllt mich sanft in ihren Mantel
She wraps me in her soft coat

Und trägt mich in mein Kinderland.
And brings me to my childhood.

Submitted By: MaryAnn MacGillis | Translated By: Erika Hutz

Kinder Korner

The Kindergruppe just started up this Tuesday with our first practice after "Winter Break" and we are back in full swing. We are excited for the upcoming events we have during Spring and Summer and are looking forward to debuting some new dances for you throughout the year.

Our Trivia Night fundraiser is coming up on April 21st at 6pm at The Schwabenhof. It is a fun-filled night which helps us raise money toward travel expenses, costumes and group needs. So grab a team, think of a creative theme and come with your thinking caps on! Sign-Up Information for the event is on our UDoM Facebook Page (facebook.com/donauschwabem) or on our website (theschwabenhof.com). If you have have questions please call Katlin Schmieder at 262-510-8556.

If you know anyone between the ages of 3-12 who would like to take part in our Kindergruppe, please let us know! Our practices are held on Tuesdays at 6:15pm at the Schwabenhof.

Katlin Schmieder, Kindergruppe Director

Jägerball 2018 a Success!

Jägerball 2018 was held on Saturday, March 10th with the good Lord contributing a perfect day. No snow and not too cold... Wow! How cout we have anything better? It was very well attended and all had a great time. The delicious food was made by our own Jägers and Frauen and cooked by the Schwabenhof's Chef Alex. And of course, we cannot forget the very full tables of super bakery and raffle prizes. The Jugend and Kulturgruppe gave a fantastic performance and helped to serve food and sell raffle tickets. It was hard to sit still when The Edelweiss Band was playing. It was a special evening and could never have happened without the many helpers who gave soooo much of their time and effort to make it a success. We also don't want to forget to mention how grateful we are for all the people who came and helped us show appreciation for our Jäger's. Thank you to all!

John Kleiss, Jägermeister

Did You Know?!

Both the hare and the egg have been symbols of fertility and renewal of life since the time of the ancient Greeks. Both symbols can be found depicted with Aphrodite, and also with the Germanic goddess Holda. In Christianity, eggs were symbol of resurrection and made great gifts at Easter. The first recorded connection between rabbits and eggs appeared in a book by Georg Franck von Franckenau in 1682, titled "De ovis paschalibus — von Oster-Eyern." He described how bunnies would hide eggs for children around Easter, and also warned that over-consumption of eggs may lead to stomach aches.



But the Easter Bunny wasn't always the main animal at Easter. Up until the early 1800s, bunnies competed with cuckoo birds, foxes, roosters and storks for the honor of hiding the eggs. Then, the hare prevailed. In the early 20th century, bakers all over Germany began to offer bunny pastries and, eventually, hollow Easter bunny chocolates (made by using a centrifugal technique copied from beekeepers) in their stores. Today, some German children still believe that, if they are good, the Osterhase will lay a nest of colored eggs. Then, these will be hidden throughout the house for the children and family members to find!

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