



Message From the President

Summer event season is off to a great start! The Biergarten opened it's 5th year in May, and as always, we held the Grand Opening Celebration the first Thursday in June. It was a huge success! The weather was great and the attendance was plentiful. Thank you to all the volunteers and dance groups as well as the Edelweiss Band for the entertainment. If anyone is interested in volunteering at the Biergarten, please contact me at macmablum@yahoo.com.

Thank you to all the volunteers that helped make Father's Day a success. I'm not going to lie... I woke up that morning thinking I was in a time warp and that it was Oktoberfest instead of Father's Day. The weather was a bit chilly, but warmed up nicely. The initial forecast did not, however, keep anyone away from our pavilion and wonderful food. It seemed we had a line all day long — both food and drink sales were great! Thank you to all the dance groups for the beautiful performances. Congrats to Kate Mayer for being our new Miss Donauschwaben. May you have a wonderful year! Thank you to Olivia MacGillis, our outgoing Miss Donauschwaben.

With German Fest and the Landestreffen around the corner, we've been putting in the volunteer hours already. Food prep has been going steady — thank you to Tony and Theresia Siladi for all you do. I don't know how we would manage the food without you both. Our Wednesday/Saturday crew of guys — Emil, Victor, Glenn and John — have been going strong, but they can't do it alone. All help is appreciated on Saturdays for clean up... please see below for the link to our volunteer sign-up website. We've got a lot to do before the end of August. Remember, many hands make light work! Let's keep this momentum going for a great summer!

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MaryAnn MacGillis

Miss Donauschwaben 2019

The United Donauschwaben of Milwaukee would like to introduce to you our new Miss Donauschwaben 2019 — Kate Mayer.

Kate is 17 years old, a current member of our Jugendgruppe, and a former member of our Kindergruppe. She graduated from Sussex Hamilton High School this year and will be attending University of Wisconsin Oshkosh in the Fall. Kate plans on persuing a degree in Elementary Education. She is very excited to represent the UDoM and we know she will do a wonderful job. Congratulations Kate!



2019 Annual Father's Day Picnic

Thank you to everyone who came out to our Father's Day Picnic, and especially thank you to all who volunteered. It was a huge success! We began our Annual Father's Day Picnic with a beautiful Mass in the hall. Following Mass, hundreds of people came out to celebrate their fathers and opas. The program was enjoyed by everyone, with our friends, Spielmannszug Milwaukee Drum and Bugle Corps, leading the parade and our Miss Donauschwaben 2018, Olivia MacGillis, singing the anthems. Our new Miss Donauschwaben 2019, Kate Mayer, was crowned during the program. The Kinder, Jugend, and Kulturgruppe performances were wonderful and all three groups concluded the program with a joint performance of a polka. The rest of the day was spent eating delicious German food, enjoying cold German bier, and dancing to the music of Alpine Blast!

Submitted By: Julie Patton

May Prince & Princess 2019

Congratulations to our newly crowned UDoM May Prince and Princess of 2019!

Kayla Schwager is our new May Princess for 2019-2020. Kayla is 21 years old and she is an Administrative Assistant at Russ Darrow Kia. She is a former member of the Kindergruppe, and currently a member of both the Jugend and Kulturgruppe. In her free time she likes racing cars (both watching and participating!)



Alex Gunther is our new May Prince for 2019-2020. He is 17 years old and a Junior at Muskego High School. He has been dancing with our Jugendgruppe since 2015, and was previously a member of the Danube Cultural Society. In his free time Alex enjoys tractor pulling.

Calling All Volunteers!

Your help is needed. Please visit our UDoM Volunteer Calendar at:

<http://signup.com/go/cwneBfa>

to see when and where you can sign up to volunteer at events such as German Fest, Oktoberfest and more!

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2019 Graduates!

Eric Effinger graduated from Greenfield High School and will be attending Western Michigan University to double major in Aviation Flight Science and Aviation Management and Operations with a double minor in Physics and German.



Kiersten Prom graduated from Menomonee Falls High School and will be attending UW-Platteville in the Fall. She will major in Mechanical Engineering and minor in German.

Kate Mayer graduated with honors from Sussex Hamilton High School and will be attending UW-Oshkosh in the Fall. She will be majoring in Elementary Education. She was just crowned our Miss Donauschwaben 2019 this past Sunday!

Noah Kurozawa graduated from Wauwatosa Virtual Academy and will be attending both UW-Waukesha and Liberty University majoring in Worship Ministry.

Olivia MacGillis graduated from Brookfield East High School with Honors and will be attending St. Norbert College in the Fall. She will be majoring in Elementary Art Education and minoring in Special Education. She has also committed to their track and field team.

Megan Laughlin graduated from St. Norbert College in Educational Studies with an emphasis in Early Childhood Education. She has accepted a position with QuadGraphics as a Daytime Educator in their Childcare center and has further plans of working towards her Masters of Science in Education.

The UDoM would like to wish all our graduates the best of luck with all of their future endeavors!

Kinder Korner

The Kindergruppe is gearing up towards a busy summer. We performed this past weekend at the Father's Day Picnic and had a wonderful time celebrating all of the father figures in our lives!

The kids performed a new hoop dance and did a wonderful job. We also performed alongside the Jugend and Kulturgruppe in a joint performance.

It is great to showcase the great talent we have with our kinder. We are now getting ready for our summer events like German Fest, the Donauschwaben

Landestreffen over Labor Day Weekend, Oktoberfest @ The Schwabenhof, as well as various Oktoberfests throughout the community! We will also be joining the Chicago Donauschwaben and the American Aid Society of Chicago Kindergruppen in our 2nd Annual Kinderlager — where we will be celebrating "Weihnacht im Sommer!" And with the weather we have been having so far, we might actually have some real snow to set the mood for our event! ;-)

If you have a child or know of anyone interested in dancing between the ages of 3-12, please contact us at udomkinder@gmail.com!

Article Submitted By: Katlin Schmieder, Kindergruppe Director

Grüße von der Kulturgruppe

The Kulturgruppe is keeping busy gearing up for our summer events... We joined our friends at St. Sava for an International Evening and Co-Hosted Trivia Night with the Kindergruppe, which was a very fun evening! Thank you to the Kinder and all who attended. We were excited to perform our new dance at Father's Day, and as always, we love dancing together with our Kinder and Youth Group. We would like to welcome two new members to the group, Jason and Amy Ousey. Kulturgruppe would like to Congratulate Kate Mayer on being crowned the new Miss Donauschwaben and Kayla Schwager the newly-crowned May Princess and Alex Gunther the new May Prince. Recently we danced at Estabrook Park with the Kindergruppe and we are looking forward to our up and coming performances!

Article Submitted By: Karen Schmieder, Kulturgruppe Director

Jugendgruppe Update

The Jugend dancers have been very busy so far this year with practices and performances leading up to our Spring Maiball.

Our Maiball dinner dance held on Saturday, May 11th was a great success! Thank you to all who joined us and supported our dance group. I would like to congratulate our newly crowned 2019 May Princess Kayla Schwager and May Prince Alex Gunther. I know they will do a great job representing our dance group and club. To our 2018 May Princess, Kiersten Prom, and May Prince, Eric Effinger, thank you for doing such a wonderful job for the last year with representing our dance group and club.

We have been working on a new dance which we plan on performing this Labor Day weekend at the the Landestreffen taking place right here at our clubhouse. We hope you can come join us to see not just our Jugend dancers, but all the Jugend dance groups from around the United States and Canada. You will see a lot of amazing dancing over the weekend!

It has been a wonderful first half of the year. We are excited that summer is here and we look forward to seeing everyone at German Fest in July!

Article Submitted By: Carol Gdula, Jugendgruppe Director

Biergarten @ The Schwab

Can you believe we are now in the 5th Season of our weekly Biergarten? Though the Biergarten is open May through September, we had our Official Grand Opening Celebration on Thursday, June 6th. The event kicked off with a grand processional through the Biergarten led by Spielmannszug Milwaukee Drum and Bugle Corps, a beautiful rendition of both the German and American National Anthems sung by Olivia MacGillis, and then the Blessing of the Beer. Our Ceremonial Keg Tapping was made extra special by our very own Mary Bittner. Mary is our oldest living club member, and had the honor of tapping the keg this year!

An enthusiastic dance performance by the UDoM Jugendgruppe and Kulturgruppe followed and the Edelweiss Band provided live music throughout the rest of the evening. There was music, dancing and a whole lot of fun! If you have not had a chance to share the Gemütlichkeit with your friends and family you should schedule an evening at the Biergarten. We have live music most weeks by strolling accordionist Keith Gennerman from 5-7pm and America's Pub Quiz Team Trivia on the third Thursday of every month at 7pm! As always, we have Tony's famous Hungarian Brats, Leberkase Sandwiches, and Bavarian Pretzels with Cheese or Düsseldorf Mustard for sale... and of course ice-cold GERMAN BIER on tap!

Article Submitted By: Julie Patton

