

## Fathers Day 2014

This past Sunday came time again to celebrate the many fathers and opas at the UDoM Father's Day Picnic. It was well attended and great to see some new and also the familiar faces. The day started out with mass led by Father Gerald Langsch. As always, it was a beautiful mass, and the choir sang wonderfully. As the day continued we had our annual auf marsch led by the Milwaukee Spielmanzug Drum and Bugle Corps and ended with our Jugendgruppe singing the national anthems.



The program started out with the crowning of our new Mr. and Miss Donauschwaben. This year's new Miss Donauschwaben is Julie Patton, and our Mr.



Donauschwaben will be Taylor Zuber who is continuing his reign from last year. Julie was crowned by our 2013 Miss Donauschwaben Emily Mayer. She did a wonderful job representing our club throughout the last year and we are sad to see her go, but we know that Julie will be a wonderful

representative and will continue to give her all to our club in the upcoming year.

Once our new royalty was crowned and the various club presidents, other verein royalties said hello, our dance portion of the program began. The Holzackerer Baum led us with a great performance, followed by all three UDoM groups. Everyone did a wonderful job and got many compliments from the crowd.



The delicious food, the sounds of Johnny Hoffman, and the refreshing tastes of German beer kept the energy going throughout the whole event. A nice time was had by all and we look forward to celebrating with everyone again at next years Father's Day Picnic.

Article Submitted By Katlin Schmieder

## Jugendgruppe Update

The youth group has been very busy practicing for all of our summer performances. We performed with the Kinder and Kultur and the Heim's Anniversary Party, as well as at the Father's Day Picnic. We are starting to focus all of our attention on this year's competition, which is being held right here in Milwaukee. We are learning two dances, and Kristel Metsig is leading us in two songs selections as well as preparing us to sing the anthems during the auf mars. Three of our members, Peter Hutz, Rebecca Borowski, and Brigitta Siladi will be reciting poems, one in Schwovish, the other is hoch Deutsch. We hope that you will join us on Labor Day weekend as we defend our first place title.



We would like to congratulate our new May Prince and Princess who were elected at our Mai Ball, Christian and Angelica Sipl. They will do a wonderful job representing our group this year. We would also like to extend our thanks to Megan Brunner and Max MacGillis who just ended their reign as May Prince and Princess and did an outstanding job.



## Grüße von der Kulturgruppe

The Kulturgruppe is keeping busy gearing up for our summer events. We started our summer by joining the Kinder and Youth in dancing at both the Heim's anniversary party as well as the Father's Day Picnic.

We would like to welcome three new members to our group... Art Zuber, Heidi Knapper, and Katie Knapper. We are very excited to have them with us. We are in the process of learning some new dances, and are starting to plan for our Traubenfest which will be held on October 18th at the Schwabenhof. Please keep your eyes posted for details on our event. We would love to see you all there!

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!

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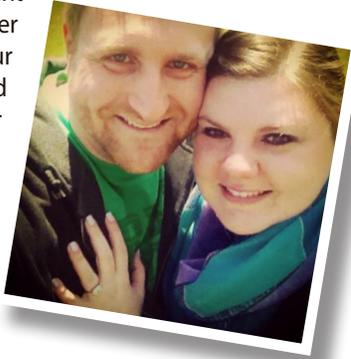
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## Congratulations!

The UDoM would like to extend their congratulations to club members Jennifer Patton and Matthew Erickson on their recent engagement! Jennifer is a member of our Kulturgruppe and the UDoM Director of Marketing and Public Relations. Both are members of Spas Milwaukee. Matt and Jenn are planning a Fall 2015 wedding. The UDoM wishes them the best of luck in their future and a lifetime of success and happiness.



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## 2014 Graduates!

Rebecca Brunner is a former member of our Kindergruppe and a current member of our Jugend and Kulturgruppe. She graduated from Menomonee Falls High School and will be attending UW-Milwaukee in the Spring.

Kevin Jerke is a former member of our Kindergruppe and a current member of the Youth Group. He graduated from Catholic Memorial High School and will be attending WCTC in the Fall.



Erica Walters is a former member of our Kindergruppe and a current member of the Youth Group. She graduated from Divine Savior Holy Angeles High School and will be attending Xavier University in the Fall.

Kirsten Walters is a former member of our Kindergruppe and a current member of our Jugend and Kulturgruppe. She graduated from UW-Madison with a major in Community and Nonprofit Leadership and Minors in Business, Entrepreneurship, Environmental Studies, and German.

Tom Walters is a former member of our Kindergruppe and a current member of our Jugend and Kulturgruppe. He graduated from Pharmacy School at Drake University in Iowa.

Kristel Metsig is a member of our Kulturgruppe, and our Chor Leiterin for the UDoM. She graduated from Concordia University with her Doctorate in Pharmacy. She is currently doing her residency at Community Memorial Hospital in Menomonee Falls.

We wish all our graduates the best of luck with all their endeavors in the future!

## Kinder Korner

The Kindergruppe is getting ready for the busy summer we have ahead of us. To start out our summer, we performed at the Heim's Anniversary party. We are very thankful they invited us to be a part of their special day. We also performed this past weekend at the Father's Day Picnic. This was one of the first performances we had with all of our new members in full costume and we are so proud of our kids for the wonderful job they did. We are looking forward to dancing at German Fest, Carl Schurz Park, Oktoberfest, our big Labor Day celebration being held here in Milwaukee, and finishing in the Fall with our Kirchweih Dance. Flyers for Kirchweih will be out soon, so please keep your eyes open for more details on the event.

## German Fest Presents: Jams on Tap

German Fest, Milwaukee's Original HAUS Party, is proud to introduce Jams on Tap as part of its 2014 festival lineup. The concert series, hosted at the BMO Harris Pavilion Stage during German Fest, offers big stage acts amid traditional festival activities.

The Jams on Tap 2014 schedule features headline performances from Bret Michaels, Plain White T's and Three Dog Night. Opening acts include local favorites 5 Card Studs, I'm Not A Pilot and Vic & Gab, who recently earned a 2014 Song of the Year award from the Wisconsin Area Music Industry Awards. Afternoon performances include music from The Wisconsin Philharmonic and The Ultimate Legends Show, which highlights the hits of Buddy Holly, Johnny Cash, Neil Diamond and The Blues Brothers.

Separate tickets are required for shows at the BMO Harris Pavilion Stage, which is located on the festival grounds. Tickets will be available for purchase online. Each ticket to a Jams on Tap show includes admission to German Fest.

German Fest is the first of Milwaukee's ethnic festivals to utilize the combined appeal of the BMO Harris Pavilion Stage and marquee performers to help draw attendance from a wider demographic that may not have previously attended the festival.

"German Fest is rooted in fun and celebration and by tapping big stage acts supported by local area musicians, the festival will appeal to a broad range of fairgoers – from long-time visitors to newcomers," said Klaus Fromme, director, German Fest. "Our focus is to provide an engaging, entertaining, and culturally rich haus party on the shores of beautiful Lake Michigan."

"Celebrating music, whether polka or rock, is part of German history," added Fromme. "The Star-Club in Hamburg, Germany, was a popular venue that hosted The Beatles, Jimi Hendrix and Jerry Lee Lewis. With Jams on Tap, we hope to expand that concept and draw even more people from the region." German Fest runs July 25-27, 2014.

*Source: www.germanfest.com*

## Schwabenhof Repairs

The week of April 21st, six club members repaired the sagging floor in the hall. The volunteers included Amil Meyer, Victor Kordis, Glenn Schellhaas, Ferdinand Kindler, George Scherer, and President Tony Siladi which saved us many thousands of dollars.

Amil Meyer and Victor Kordis volunteer their time many Wednesdays and every Saturday doing any repair work and maintenance that needs to be done to keep the Schwabenhof open and running, plus, any time George Scherer calls on them for any sort of emergency, they are always there immediately. If we had to pay for these services, we would not be able to afford it — and has saved us thousands of dollars.



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