Important Message to All Members and Friends

Dear Members of VE:

Due to the recent development of the Corona-virus, we ask that you and your families remain vigilant on their personal hygiene conduct and be reasonable and responsible in the decisions in your protection from others, in your daily routines. Certainly, if you or a family member are sick or have symptoms of a flu, stay home, and treat yourself accordingly.

All Club activities have been canceled until further notice due to the recent mandate by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

In the meantime, please continue to heed all instructions regarding how to minimize the spread of the Coronavirus, and the health and welfare of you and your family. There are helpful links on the local, state and federal websites found below.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Pennsylvania Department of Health
Montgomery County Covid-19

Sincerely,
VE Board of Directors

President’s Message

Dear Members of VE,

I would like to thank the VE Board of Directors and Trustees for their support and encouragement to step into the position following the dedicated service leadership of Herb Schulze. For those members that know me personally, my professional work, music and family schedule is “rather full”. The added responsibility of serving as President of VE is daunting. However, the oversight of the VE as President is a shared responsibility. The VE Executive Board is comprised of talented and committed active members. This includes our Executive Administrator, Verna McDermott. The continuing service and support from Herb Schulze, my brother, Jay Bitterlich, and Karl Halter, are also vital to our club’s success.

I plan to share our goals for the year ahead next month with our committees and chairpersons. We need involvement from the membership to maintain facilities, support in staffing club events, to achieve our goals.

Thank you for your vote and confidence in electing me as President. It is truly an honor for me, following my grandfather as a founder of VE, Richard Bitterlich and my brother “Jay” in his service as President.

Gruss Gott!
Don Bitterlich, President, Vereinigung Erzgebirge

EASTER SUNDAY

Dinners will be served on Easter Sunday, April 12th from 1 to 7pm. Reservations ARE required. Last reservations taken will be for 5:30pm. Call our office at 215-675-5380 to make a reservation. Easter egg hunt for MEMBERS begins at 3pm.

Accordion Extraordinaire Alex Meixner and Band
Alex Meixner and his Band will be performing at the Club on Friday, May 1st
Doors open at 6:30pm
Admission $15.00  ~  Food available for purchase 6:30-9:00pm
Don Bitterlich opening from 7:00-8:00pm ~ The Alex Meixner Band playing from 8:00pm-11:00pm
For ticket information call VE at (215) 675-5380
Ticket sales in the Main Lobby Wednesday, April 1st & 8th – 5:30-7:00pm

Limited number of Tickets – Don’t wait to buy your tickets!
April showers

CHIEF’S MENU FOR APRIL 2020
~ Wednesday Self-Service Hours 5:00 to 7:00pm ~

April 1st – Stuffed Shells Chicken Pot Pie
8th – Chicken Parmesan Fried Shrimp
15th – Shepherd’s Pie Chicken Flaminco (blush sauce)
22nd – Pork Schnitzel Cavetelli with shrimp
29th – Turkey Lasagna Salad Trio

chicken, tuna & egg over greens

May 6th – Kassler Rippchen Mussels & Shrimp Marinara

Children’s Menu ~ New Prices
2 Chicken Fingers & Fries - $6.50

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Membership meeting for ACTIVE AND PASSIVE MEMBERS WITH GOLD AND SILVER PIN PRESENTATION will take place on SUNDAY, APRIL 26th at 2:00pm. VE Scholarships will also be awarded at this meeting. Please come out on this day to find out what is going on in your Club and give your input. We would like to have a good turnout at this meeting.

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2020 PIN RECIPIENT CEREMONY

The Pin ceremony is scheduled for Sunday, April 26th during the Quarterly Membership Meeting. This meeting is open to all Active and Passive members. Below is the list of Members who will be receiving pins. Please call the Club Office at 215-675-5380 to let us know if you will attend.

50 Year Members
Active: Mrs. Hilda Feuchter, Mrs. Linda Messatzzia, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald McNeil, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Walter
Passive: Ms. Carol Claire

25 Year Members
Active: Mr. and Mrs. Russell Heath, Mr. and Mrs. Edward D. Myers, Mrs. Margarete Piechotta, Mr. George Roller
Passive: Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Braeunig, Jr., Mr. Charles Donnelly, Mr. and Mrs. John Harris, Mrs. and Mr. Lavinia Murray, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wittemann

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VE LADIES AUXILIARY

HAPPY EASTER! OUR APRIL AGENDA IS AS FOLLOWS:

Tuesday, April 21st ~ our monthly A.C. TRIP TO CAESAR Casino. The cost is $35 per person. The coin package will be announced upon arrival at the Casino. The bus leaves the V.E. Parking Lot at 9am and returns at approximately 7pm. For reservations call the Taubenbergers at 215-343-2580. Remember to bring your TOTAL REWARDS CARD to be eligible for the Coin Package.

Wednesday, April 22nd ~ CARD AND BINGO PARTY. Donation is $5 per person. Come early for coffee and Danish. Doors open at 11am. Card Party begins at 12:30 pm. ALL members and friends are invited for an afternoon of warm and friendly atmosphere. Sandwiches are available for purchase at our self-service window. Our Annual Meeting will be held at a future date and will be announced in an upcoming Calendar.

Vi Taubenberger, President
SPORTS KORNER – “KICKS IN THE GRASS”
The VE Soccer Board is following the lead of our state organization and has elected to suspend all of our soccer activity through the end of March. This is effective immediately. We will re-assess the situation on April 1st.

This directive impacts ALL of our youth and adult teams. We are shutting down all training sessions and games; our fields are closed to everyone and this includes our turf field.

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ANNUAL VE GOLF OUTING
The annual VE Golf Outing will be held on Friday, May 8th.

Golfers and sponsors are needed. Forms for golfers and sponsors can be found on the VE Soccer website or contact Steve Melick (spmelick@yahoo.com) or Rob Weber (rweberii@hotmail.com).

The U-18 Girl’s & Boy’s teams thank you for your support!!!!

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SPRING KONZERT
Franklinville-Schwarzwald Männerchor & Damenchor Wald-Echo
Sunday, May 3, 2020 at 4:00pm

The Franklinville-Schwarzwald Männerchor is delighted to invite you to its Spring Concert on Sunday, May 3rd at 4pm. The Damenchor Wald-Echo will join the Männerchor in a program with a wide variety of songs. Jacqueline Smith leads this concert of folk, popular, and classical music, featuring choral pieces from Beethoven, Schubert, Grieg, Reinecke and others. After the concert, there will be music for ballroom dancing. Food and drink are available for purchase. Not to miss! Donation is $15.00 per person. For any questions, see www.fsmaennerchor.com or call Mark Fairchild at 610-659-8721.

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PLEASE READ THE ENCLOSED INSERT FOR IMPORTANT POOL NEWS!!!

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KENTUCKY DERBY DAY/NIGHT AT THE RACES
Gallop down to the Ratskeller on Saturday, May 2nd to join us and watch the most exciting two minutes in sports – THE RUN FOR THE ROSES – THE KENTUCKY DERBY. The action begins at 4:00pm. After the Derby, stay for the VE Races!

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“MISS ERZGEBIRGE”
We are looking for single ladies between the age of 20 and 26 to compete for this title. If you speak the German language to some degree and are interested, please call the Club office at 215-675-5380.

Our Park opening is Sunday, May 17th, at which time we will present our 2020 “Miss Erzgebirge”. Miss Erzgebirge will also compete for “Miss German America”. Competition for this crown will be held at Cannstatter during Sommerfest (German Day), Saturday, June 27th. Miss German America receives many honors, including scholarship money.
To everyone celebrating their special day in April “HAPPY BIRTHDAY” AND BEST WISHES FOR CONTINUED GOOD HEALTH & HAPPINESS!

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**IN MEMORIAM**

The Board of Directors extends our deepest sympathy to the family of the following member who has left us:

Hugo Groeber, who passed away on March 6, 2020, joined VE in 2004, a 16-year member

*Ruhe in Frieden*

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**SVK SICK LIST – FEBRUARY 2020**

We offer get well wishes to Ronald Durr

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**PARK AND CANTEEN OPENING**

Continuing with our old tradition, we invite all our members to join us for “Frühschoppen” on SUNDAY, MAY 17th for free beer and a sandwich from 11am until 1pm. Musical entertainment will also be provided. The highlight of the day will be the crowning of “MISS ERZGEBIRGE”.

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**HERZLICH WILKOMMEN ZU UNSERER KLUB**

Welcome to Our Club!

Welcome to our new members who recently joined our Club in February 2020. We hope you will enjoy our facilities and have many happy and memorable hours at the Club.

**Transferred to Active:** Pat Hindman, Mark McClain

**Active:** Guenter Wedhorn

**Passive Member:** Erik Burns, Anthony Dresher, Bill Green, David Haub, Melissa Holton, Timothy Huber and Thomas Walsh

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**Join us for a New Camper Open House at the VE CLUB:**

Sunday, April 7th at 10am

Think FUN. Think SUMMER. Think CAMP RAD.

Summer is fast approaching.

What plans do have for your children this summer?

**VE MEMBER PRICING:** $215 Weekly or $52 Daily

Everyone is talking about Camp RAD at the VE CLUB. Groups are filling up fast!

Contact Kelly Degorski today at 215-572-0469 or email her at info@CampRAD.net. Visit www.CampRAD.net for more camp information and to register for Camp RAD today.