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FIRST CLASS

Dear Members of VE,

Without a doubt, we are facing extraordinary times. These circumstances which we are experiencing are new to our lives and certainly our Club.

There is no prior point in time where we can research our records for a historic sense for the best option or approach to manage. There is no person to consult as a resource for experience or wisdom. Rest assured, as a VE member, and the strength and experience of our Board of Director's, we are actively meeting and developing scenarios for the coming months and remainder of 2020 for VE.

We have missed or canceled several VE events which provide operating capital to VE finances to pay for the clubs operating costs. Surely, missing Easter dinner is notable. But the business lost through the cancellation of soccer games, our indoor sport leagues, Wednesday dinners, the catering of wedding's, parties and events, the Singer's rehearsals and concerts, and the Bayern V.V. events is the ongoing financial "life blood" of clubhouse operations.

Through the shut-down of our club, staff has been laid off, furloughed or reduced to a minimum. Our constant services of Verna McDermott as VE Office Administrator and Executive Secretary are ongoing, but at a daily minimum.

Members of the Executive Board and former VE Board members, continually monitor the security of the club grounds and facilities daily. As we previously posted on our VE social media resources, Facebook, Twitter, and the website, all club grounds and facilities are closed. Unfortunately, this includes members. The reason is for the safety of the Club organization and its liability and risk during the government virus mandates. We cannot be exposed to membership, or friends of VE, on the grounds, with the potential of infection, or the spreading of Covid-19. Our entry signs read "Private Property - No Trespassing". As un-friendly as this appears, if is essential to protect VE's assets, the grounds and facilities.

Our greatest asset, and always will be **YOU**; our members and their families. You will see listed in this edition of the VE Calendar, membership birthdays as well as the members who

have passed. As a vibrant club, and our German heritage, we celebrate with passion, and we mourn the passing of our club family and friends.

Due to the financial hardship of these times, the VE Calendar will only be electronically posted. The monthly printing and mailing has been discontinued. Likewise, the issuance of VE member birthday gift cards. It would be financially irresponsible to continue spending beyond those costs required to sustain the Club. We must pay our Insurance Premiums, Taxes, Utilities, and outstanding bills incurred. We have been very diligent in the review and scheduling of these costs. We have applied to Government stimulus funding. However, without operations, and club activities, we have no income. It is relevant to remind our membership of those words from a past President of our country, in a modified context, "Ask not what your Club can do for you, but ask what you can do for your Club!"

VE needs its membership support now more than ever. In two ways. First, financially. We understand some have financial hardship during the mandate. However, if you consider the monies you spend at VE during operations, consider an affordable donation in kind. We must sustain our Club financially. Our only resource is our membership, you. Secondly, your time. We will post a number of tasks needed to be completed to maintain the Club grounds and facilities. Your commitment of your time and energy is needed to these tasks. The list will be posted on our social media. With the shutdown, we must have you call or email our VE Board Member, Chairperson of Grounds for scheduling your work date(s).

We will get through this time, as a Country and be stronger as a result of this trial. Likewise, our Club will be stronger, through this trial as well.

Looking to sharing the Gemütlichkeit with one another, at our Club soon!

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June 3rd – Kassler Rippchen Mussels & Shrimp Marinara over linguine

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VE 26th ANNUAL GOLF OUTING "One thing that golf teaches you is humility!"

26th Annual VE Golf Outing has been postponed until Friday, October 9th. Details will be provided in the calendars later in the summer.

The following activities have been cancelled until further notice due to the State Mandated Covid-19 requirements. Please check the website or follow the VE Facebook and other VE Social Media for updates.

MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH ~ SUNDAY, MAY 10th

Bring your Grandmother, Mother and / or Mother-in-law and your family to our beautiful "Waldesrauschen" on MOTHER'S DAY, SUNDAY, MAY 12th. Brunch will be served from 10am to 3pm. The cost is \$22.50 for 11 years and up; 3 to 10 years \$12.00; children 2 and younger are free. Price does **not** include Tax or Gratuity. Reservations are **REQUIRED** so make them early. Please call Verna at 215-675-5380 for reservations by Friday, May 10th.

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.

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HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

Our Agenda for the time being is in limbo as we navigate these uncertain times. We would like to thank you all for your past support and we cannot wait until we can be back together again.

In the meantime, please stay safe and healthy.

Vi Taubenberger, President

"Pool Season and Camp Rad remain undetermined at the time of the issuance of this Calendar. Please follow the VE Facebook and other VE Social Media for updates."

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Hoping to see everyone soon!

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VE Soccer is anxiously awaiting word from our state organizations as to when we can resume our soccer activities. We understand everyone's anxiousness to get back outside and play the game we all love. Please check our website or Facebook page for updates. Please stay safe. We're looking forward to seeing everyone shortly.

Steve Feuchter / VESC Chairman



† IN MEMORIAM



The Board of Directors extends their deepest sympathy to the families of the following members who has left us:

Jeffrey Clauss, who passed away on March 15, 2020, joined VE in 2017, a 3 year member Erwin Brodbeck, who passed away on March 19, 2020, joined VE in 1956, a 64 year member Wilhelmine Kompauer, who passed away on April 2, 2020, joined VE in 1966, a 54 year member Rudolf Drechsel, who passed away on April 5, 2020, joined VE in 1965, a 55 year member Helen Vorwerk Siebert, who passed away on April 7, 2020, joined VE in 1953, a 67 year member

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