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## September 2020 President's Message

Dear Members of VE,

It is hard to believe we are approaching Fall already. This year has been full of challenges due to the pandemic, and we have endured through the changes in the covid protocols. These changes require constant attention by our Board of Directors, and both the House Committee and Sports Committee.

Although we still have the limitation of 25 persons {including staff} for an indoor event, we have established our Biergarten as the focal point for food, beverages and entertainment. Our Biergarten schedule for entertainment has developed and we should be announcing our September and October performers soon. A highlight was the performance of the Alex Meixner Band. If you were there, you are a new fan of this man's gifts as a musician and his warm personality. Alex manages to touch multiple genres during his shows. Sunday included traditional German, Polish, Rock, Country and even yodeling! This was Alex's first visit to VE, and we intend to have him again, hopefully after the covid restrictions are relaxed. Our upcoming entertainment includes musicians from Philly and locally, as well as Die Heimatklänge Band and Philly German Brass Band.

We have been very fortunate to be located in Bucks County. The differences between Bucks and Montgomery County's through the pandemic are drastic. We have been able to open our pool, this solidified having Camp Rad, the children's summer day camp back. The VE Majors Soccer Camp flourished with over 130 campers. You might be thinking how can we have multiple activities during the pandemic? It only happens with intense preparation, management and communication. The pool, Camp Rad and VE Soccer Camp were separate

operations, largely due to the expanse of our grounds. Secondly, daily temperature checking and masks were mandatory. The supervision and oversight was vigilant. Unfortunately, the Soccer Tournament could not occur. It simply was not feasible.

Also, our incredible "Mighty Mites" soccer program has been tabled for this Fall. Steve Feuchter, our sports chairman, expects to hold the Mighty Mites program in the Spring of 2021. The VE soccer youth and adult programs, as of now, are preparing for a Fall season.

Your support to the Club this Fall is paramount. We certainly need you to consider financial gifts, but the life of our club is our members! We have weekly soccer matches on Saturday scheduled to coincide with the Biergarten. We hope to add Friday evenings on the Patio, including games, and music. These outdoor events are our single source of revenue, and your attendance and participation is greatly needed and appreciated.

One additional note well worth mentioning. The food and menus have been terrific. Chef Ed will continue to develop excellent menus to suit your taste. Also bring your family and friends. I received a text message from Alex Meixner thanking VE for the hospitality shown by VE. The band received authentic VE beer steins, Alex was presented with an Erzgebirge soccer scarf, and Chef Ed's schnitzel was the best Alex has tasted in the U.S.! Alex added that our schnitzel was awesome without sauce. Superb. It is nice to have someone as traveled as Alex make a distinction of our VE.

*Share in the Gemütlichkeit with one another, at our Club soon!*

Gruss Gott!

Don Bitterlich, President, Vereinigung Erzgebirge



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During the past few months (with the Club being closed), we have been emailing out our monthly Calendars and important updates regarding Club activities. If you have not been receiving these emails and have an email address, PLEASE send the Club an email at [veclub@verizon.net](mailto:veclub@verizon.net) so we can add you to our list.

Thank you!

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### POOL NEWS

Our last hoorah for the pool will be Labor Day, Monday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. We would like to **THANK** our staff and all those who made donations or volunteered time working at the pool. We hope everyone has a good winter and we look forward to seeing all of you next year.

With the pool season coming to a close, we hope everyone enjoyed their time spent this summer at the pool. In the next few weeks we will be organizing dates for pool close up and winterization. Dates and further information will be updated on the website and emailed out to members. PLEASE consider coming out to help.

**ANYONE INTERESTED IN JOINING THE POOL COMMITTEE, PLEASE E-MAIL THE CLUB at [veclub@verizon.net](mailto:veclub@verizon.net) or give the Pool Manager your name and phone number.**

Thank you! The Pool Committee

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### ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

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### VE LADIES AUXILIARY

The Ladies Auxiliary would like to honor the memory of Helen Seibert for her many years of service to the VE Club and especially the Ladies Auxiliary. Helen was President of the Ladies Auxiliary from 1999 to 2006. She ran many bus trips and was the drive behind the Casino Trips until 2017. She was a people person and always had a kind word for all. Helen was also involved with the Pool and spent more than 10 years working as the Cashier down there.

She will be missed by many.

Vi Taubenberger, President

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### VE PINOCHLE LEAGUE

The next session of league play should have began this month, but due to the current Covid restrictions we are putting the season on hold. Please check the Website and Facebook for future updates.

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Alfred C. Erpel  
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Ellen Roeder  
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George Blyler  
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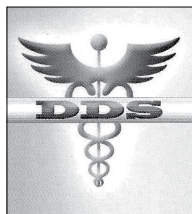
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## SPORTS KORNER – “KICKS IN THE GRASS”

VE Soccer has had a very challenging several months and we are hopeful for a return to action in September. As of now, play has resumed and we have several teams competing in various tournaments in preparation for their fall leagues. Sports has worked very closely with the Club Board in providing top caliber games on Saturday afternoons in conjunction with our Biergarten; this usually includes our Under 23 men's team and a premier youth team. We will continue this cooperation throughout the fall. Please come out and support our teams every weekend.

Despite the Covid-19 pandemic, our annual Youth Soccer Camp was held with an emphasis on safety and fun for the kids. This was another success and we were fortunate that Rob Oldfield and his team were able to pull it off. However, unfortunately, the Sports Board decided to cancel this year's Youth Soccer Tournament and Mighty Mites. The feasibility of managing these programs are extremely difficult for a volunteer based organization, so we elected to hold off on having them this year.

Lastly, because our Majors team has had an outstanding run the past several years, we have been invited to join a new league comprising the top amateur teams in the Northeast. The Northeast Super League will compete from Virginia up to Connecticut and we shall be seeing some of the best amateur talent play at our club. This is a huge jump in terms of exposure and competition for our boys and we welcome the challenge.

For further Sports news, please follow us on our Facebook page.

Steve Feuchter / Chairman

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## HERZLICH WILKOMMEN ZU USNEREM KLUB

### Welcome to Our Club!

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

**Transferred to Active:** Michele Leibert

**Active:** Karin Birgel, Michelle Cobrin, Ernestine Heinrich, Jessica Wilson

**Passive Member:** Lisa Arehardt, Robert Barnhardt, Elizabeth Beckowski, Jennifer Costantini, Vincent Elia, Nicole Fox, Cheri Gottshall, Debra Haigh, Ksensia Haydar, Elizabeth Matthy, Christopher Meile, Jenny Lynn Meister, Jim Mento, David Taylor, Elizabeth Webb

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**IN MEMORIAM**



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

**Charles Gratzinger**, who passed away on June 29, 2020, joined VE in 2008, a 12 year member

**Joseph Sobczak**, who passed away on July 17, 2020, joined VE in 2012, an 8 year member

**Roseann McErlane**, who passed away on August 2, 2020, joined VE in 2013, a 7 year member

## Ruhe in Frieden

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We offer get well wishes to R. James Birney