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## President's Message – November 2023

Dear Members of VE,

With Thanksgiving coming up this month, I want to reflect on all the hard work and dedication that our members give to our Club. We are a year-round business and like any business deals with challenges on a day-by-day basis. Allowing the Club to maintain its large property, building, and operations is a huge task and economic conditions force difficult decisions to be made to assure the best interests of the Club. A special thank you to our Board Members and Committee Members who dedicate countless hours of their free time managing the Club's affairs, often putting the Club before family commitments. I admire these people for their unselfish love of our beloved Club and offer them a heartfelt "Danke Schon".

We ask that all members continue to frequent our Club whether it's during an event, enjoying a meal, or sitting in the Ratskeller. Our members are the heartbeat of the Club, and your patronage is important to us.

Wishing everyone a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Glück Auf!

Philip Gabel / President

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## CHRISTKINDLMARKT

### A TRADITIONAL GERMAN CHRISTMAS MARKET

Saturday, November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023, from 10am to 4pm

Our Club welcomes everyone to attend this one-day event. Large selection of vendors offering interesting items. The Club will be serving food as well as the traditional German Glühwein!

There is a planning meeting Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm for volunteers to come out for final preparations for the event.

Volunteers needed to help with Christkindlmarkt. Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, starting at 2pm or after whenever available to help move tables and chairs for the Christkindlmarkt vendor event. Please email or call Jess to coordinate helping with this event. [veclubevents@gmail.com](mailto:veclubevents@gmail.com), (215) 675-5380. Volunteers also needed Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, 5-7pm to help vendors bring their items to their location and Volunteers needed for event day—November 25<sup>th</sup>, starting at 7:30am. We appreciate you and thank you in advance for helping us make this event a huge success.

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## BOARD NOMINATIONS FOR 2024

Any Active member in good standing willing to run for a Board position should contact our Nominating Chairman Mark Toroniewski at [marktoro10@verizon.net](mailto:marktoro10@verizon.net). Willing candidates must be nominated no later than the January 2024 Board of Directors meeting.

Our next scheduled Quarterly Membership Meeting shall be on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 2:00pm. This meeting is open to all Active members. Please attend.

### THIS MONTH:

**November 1**  
**Blood Drive**

**November 4**  
**Trivia Night in**  
**the Ratskeller**

**November 5**  
**Damenchor Concert**

**November 10**  
**Cigar and Bourbon**  
**Night in the Canteen**

**November 11**  
**Live Music –**  
**Rhett Tierney**

**November 12**  
**Brunch 10am to 2pm**

**November 19**  
**VE Majors –**  
**USSF Lamar Hunt**  
**Open Cup Game**

**November 25**  
**Christkindlmarkt**

**November 29**  
**Ladies Auxiliary**  
**Card and Bingo Party**

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**December 9**  
**Ugly Sweater Party**

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## WEEKLY UPDATES

If you are not getting the weekly update email, please let the Club office know. This is the best way to keep you up to date about any last-minute updates to VE including Club news, events, soccer games, dinner specials, and job opportunities.

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## 2023 BRUNCH SCHEDULE

Our fabulous Sunday brunches are back! Reservations required in advance.

The following are the correct dates... **Sundays – 10am - 2pm**

**November 12 • December 17**

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## BUNGALOW COMMITTEE

Bungalows are closed for the Season and shall reopen on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Have a great winter!

Peter Hansen / Bungalow Chairperson

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## KITCHEN OFFERINGS

• **Thursday Night Dinners:** Due to limited staffing, we are offering Thursday Night dinners on the third Thursday of the month for the Fall season. Please gather your friends and meet at the Club on Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. 5:00 - 7:00pm. Self-service in the Large Dining Room.

### Menu:

|                                | Member Price | Non-Member Price |
|--------------------------------|--------------|------------------|
| Pork Schnitzel and 2 sides     | \$13.00      | \$16.00          |
| Prime Rib with 2 sides         | \$21.00      | \$25.00          |
| Vegetarian Lasagna with 1 side | \$12.00      | \$15.00          |
| Chicken Fingers and Fries      | \$ 9.00      | \$12.00          |

• **Friday Night Dinners:** In addition to traditional bar food, we will be offering a dinner special every Friday. Below are the November dinner specials. Food served in the Ratskeller.

|       |   |         |
|-------|---|---------|
| 11/3  | Crab Cake w/French Fries and Cole Slaw                | \$15.00 |
| 11/10 | Chicken Pot Pie                                       | \$10.00 |
| 11/17 | Bacon Wrapped Meatloaf w/mashed potatoes and broccoli | \$13.00 |
| 11/24 | Pork Goulash over egg noodles                         | \$13.00 |

• **Wing Night Wednesday's:** Starting Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>. Come out and enjoy a Pizza, Wings, and a cold beer or two. Pizza and Wings served in the Ratskeller from 5:30pm - 8:00pm. Choices are:

12" pizza – Plain, Sausage, Pepperoni, Mushroom, Margarita, or White with Crispy Chicken and Broccoli. Prices range from \$10.00-\$15.00.  
8-piece Jumbo Wings \$9.00. Choose from: Buffalo, Honey BBQ, Garlic Parmesan, Teriyaki or BBQ Dry Rub. Served with celery and blue cheese.

Parties and events are booked out into 2024 already. Please consider holding your events with us!

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## DID YOU KNOW?

The **Steigerlied** (also **Steigmarsch** or **Glück auf, der Steiger kommt**) is a German miner's folk song, which originated in the Erzgebirge and is now also widespread in other regions of Germany. The first evidence of the **Steigerlied** as such can be found in the description of a festive event held in Schneeberg in 1678 in honor of the Saxon Elector Johann Georg II. The theme of the **Steigerlied** is the miners' hope to return to the light of day and their families after the hard and dangerous work in the mine. Other sources say that the refrain "**Glückauf!**" conjures up good luck that the mountain will open up and allow the extraction of mineral resources. Several versions of this song can be found on YouTube. In fact, FC Erzgebirge Aue play it at their home games! Take a listen and you can get a feel of the heart of the Erzgebirge!

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for we cannot feel *thankful* and unhappy at the same time.

### VE LADIES AUXILIARY

We are resuming our monthly CARD AND BINGO parties; mark your calendars! The next party is going to be on Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$7 per person, which includes coffee or tea and a pastry. Doors open at 11:00am. The fun begins at 12:30pm. All members and friends are invited to attend. Sandwiches are available for purchase at our self-service window. Please come out and support the VE Ladies Auxiliary. See you then!

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### VE BLOOD DRIVE

Give Blood! Every two seconds someone in the United States needs blood!

The Club is sponsoring this event and is asking our members to Donate a Pint! Our Blood Drive shall be on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, from 2:00pm to 7:00pm in the large dining room.

To schedule an appointment, please visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter the sponsor keyword: Germanclub or call 1-(800)-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2787) or contact Beth at (215) 850-6709

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### BOURBON AND CIGAR NIGHT

•• Join us at the VE Canteen for an Evening of Bourbon Tasting and Cigars ••

Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023, from 7:00pm to 11:00pm / Limited space available \$55 per person (VE member) / \$60 per person (non-member). Paid Admission includes a Tasting of Four Exquisite Bourbons, Two Complimentary Premium Cigars, and Light Fare.

Additional drinks, premium beer, and cigars can be purchased separately. Call the Club at 215-675-5380 or email Jessica at [veclubevents@gmail.com](mailto:veclubevents@gmail.com) to reserve your ticket today!

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### SKAT ABTEILUNG

**Skat Club:** Do you play Skat? Ever play, want to learn, or want to play again? Come on Fridays to the VE Club Ratskeller to learn or join the Skat Club. The Skat Club is looking for new players. No experience necessary. Come and see the two guys both named Klaus. Friday nights from 7:00 – 10:00pm.

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### VE SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

The VE Memorial Scholarship Committee is pleased to offer scholarships this year to high school seniors who will continue their education at a college, university, or technical school. Parents or legal guardians of the applicant must be current members. Requests for the scholarship application should be emailed to [veclub@verizon.net](mailto:veclub@verizon.net). The deadline for submitting completed applications is March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Scholarships will be awarded at the April Quarterly Membership meeting.

Anyone wishing to donate to the scholarship fund honoring someone special, a special occasion or in memory of a loved one is asked to note that the donation is for the "VE Scholarship Fund" and the name of the person honored when sent to the Club office. Donations will ensure the future of the program for many years.

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### SOCCER NEWS

Our younger youth teams are wrapping up Fall play this month with several teams gunning for league championships, while our older high school aged players start their late fall play this month and hope to squeeze in as many games as possible before things start to freeze up.

Might Mites conclude another successful season on November 17<sup>th</sup>. This season has been exceptional, and we hope all the players and their parents enjoyed their first experience playing soccer. We will be following up with the older kids interested in forming next season's travel teams. Thank you to all the volunteers who made this program a huge success; and special thanks to Chris Kehan for making this program the success that it is. Well done gang!

The Majors are playing in three cups at present and have advanced to the fourth round of the Lamar Hunt Open Cup. They will face an unnamed opponent at VE at 2:00pm on November 19<sup>th</sup>. The Lamar Hunt Open Cup is the most prestigious competition in American soccer and includes amateur as well as professional teams vying for a national title. Good luck guys!

Please follow all soccer action on our Facebook page and come out and support our teams.

Steve Feuchter / VE Soccer Chairman



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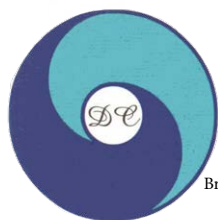


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## HERZLICH WILIKOMMEN ZU UNSEREM KLUB Welcome to Our Club!

Welcome to our new members who joined our Club in October 2023. We hope you will enjoy our facilities and have many happy and memorable hours at VE.

**Passive:** Jason Carter, Jessica DiSalvio, Randall Heckman, Darryl Jones, Violet Kaznica, Patrick Murray, Amanda Vishio McAviney, Christine Ryan (Cullen), Lori Ryan, Nathan Sciortino, George Shammo, and Robert Smith Jr.

We are always looking to increase our VE Club membership. Please refer friends and family to join our Club.

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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:

**Ronald White**, who passed away on June 3, 2023, joined VE in 1983, a 40-year member.

**Ruhe in Frieden**

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### ENTERTAINMENT NEWS

In addition to a lot of Club-wide events, the Entertainment Committee is actively organizing events on a frequent basis. Please stop by the Club and enjoy the company of friends and family and have some fun. These events are set for November and food is available at each event.

**November 4 Trivia Night in the Ratskeller (7:00pm)** Test your trivia skills!

**November 11 Live Music – Rhett Tierney (7:00pm)** Come out to hear some cool tunes!

The event will benefit the Horsham VA. Please bring a donation for the Horsham VA: toothpaste, toothbrushes, socks, t-shirts, lap blankets, cloth bags for rollators, and monetary donations also accepted that will be donated to the Horsham VA. Veterans discount will apply for veterans with proper ID.

**December 9 Ugly Sweater Party (7:00pm)** We want to see that sweater! Prizes for best sweater and ornament exchange. Go for it!

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### DAMENCHOR CONCERT

The Damenchor invites you to their Autumn concert on Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00pm. The Mannerchor joins us in performing women's, men's and mixed voice repertoire of folk, popular and classical music. Also, the kitchen and the bar will be open for food and beverage purchases. The tickets are \$12.00 and can be purchased from members of the choirs or by calling Christine Groeber at (215) 697-8087. We look forward to seeing you

Janice Murset, President

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### OPPORTUNITIES

**Volunteer Hours Needed:** The Club is run mostly by member volunteers and every hour counts. If you are interested in being added to our contact list for volunteer opportunities the Volunteer Committee is looking to know what you can help with and when. Please email [veclubevents@gmail.com](mailto:veclubevents@gmail.com) to be added to our email/phone contact list. Thank you in advance.

**Hiring Staff:** The VE Club is looking for a full-time office worker who has Quickbooks experience as well as an event shift leader. We also need a daytime dishwasher and daytime availability server with experience.

The House Committee asks that parents monitor their children while visiting the kid's playroom in the Ratskeller and would appreciate it if the room was cleaned up and free of trash after being used. *Thank you.*

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