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FIRST CLASS

President's Message – June 2024

Dear Members of VE,

Although the Club is a year-round operation, I really cherish the next few months the most. Nothing makes me happier than being outdoors and enjoying the grounds and what the Club offers. You'll see me almost every Saturday night dancing and singing at the Biergarten and I encourage everyone to take advantage of everything we provide.

A lot of people work very hard to keep the grounds as nice as they are and there are a few who have made very generous donations toward improving our entranceway; special thanks to the Taubenbergers for their generosity. Within a few weeks the front entranceway will be undergoing an upgrade that will make the front of our building "pop". This is a very exciting project that everyone will enjoy.

Lastly, I want to wish all dads a Happy Father's Day! Enjoy your day!

Glück Auf! Philip Gabel / President

VE MEMBERSHIP NEWS

The 2023/24 membership cards expired on May 31, 2024. If you have not paid your 2024/25 membership renewal, your dues are now late, and a \$10.00 late fee will be applied. You can pay by cash or check, Venmo @VEClub, or online at VEClub.org. Additional fees apply paying Venmo and online. Current membership is required to purchase alcohol in the Ratskeller. Please be prepared to show your new membership card to the bartender.

As a reminder, the VE coupons sent with membership payments have restrictions and should be signed when redeemed. The \$5.00 coupon can only be used for Ratskeller or Biergarten food purchases. The \$10.00 Brunch coupon can only be redeemed at our monthly Brunches and are not valid for Easter and Mother's Day.

If you are sending in membership and pool payments, please send separate checks. We appreciate all our members and thank you for your continued membership of our beloved Club.

HERZLICH WILKOMMEN ZU UNSEREM KLUB Welcome to Our Club!

Welcome to our new members who joined our Club in May 2024. We hope you will enjoy our facilities and have many happy and memorable hours at VE.

Active: Peter Kadel, Stefan Kesseler, and Heinrich Wagner Passive: Allison Benkert, William Bullock, Brendan Donahue, Casey Finley, Said Handal, Linda Hires, Stephen Hrabyk, Courtney Kozlecki, Nathan Malatin, and Tim McGonigle We are always looking to increase our VE Club membership. Please refer friends and family to join our Club.

IN MEMORIAM

The Board of Directors extends our deepest sympathy to the family of the following member who left us: Alfred Drechsel who passed away on May 16, 2024, joined VE in 1958, a 66-year member

Ruhe in Frieden

THIS MONTH:

June 1

Biergarten Opening with Philly German Brass Band June 8 Live Music with Fitz Magee June 14 EM 2024 – Germany vs Scotland June 15 Live Music with **Country Revival** June 19 EM 2024 – Germany vs Hungary June 22 Live Music with Blue Flame 6 June 23 EM 2024 – Germany vs Switzerland June 29 Live Music with Scattertrain

NEXT MONTH:

July 1 thru 7 Clubhouse closed (pool is open)

MEMORIAL BRICKS FOR SALE

4x8 \$100.00 • 8x8 \$200.00

NET PROCEEDS BENEFIT NEW LANDSCAPING OUT FRONT

Thanks to generous donations from our Club members, we are moving forward with this project. Currently getting project design ideas and bids. Stay tuned.



A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is



WHAT'S COOKING IN THE VE KITCHEN?

- <u>Thursday Night Dinners</u>: We are offering Thursday Night dinners outside at our Smokehaus throughout the summer. It's always nice sitting outside enjoying a meal on our patio. We will be offering BBQ Ribs, burgers, brats, etc. every Thursday night from 5:30pm to 8:30pm. Please come out and enjoy!
- <u>Friday Night Dinners</u>: In addition to traditional bar food, we will be offering a dinner special every Friday night in the Ratskeller. Below are the June dinner specials.

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06/07/24	Smoked Chicken Quesadilla with rice	\$13.00
06/14/24	Pork Schnitzel with Spätzle and Sauerkraut	\$13.00
06/21/24	French Dip Sandwich with Fries	\$13.00
06/28/24	Cowboy Burger with Fries	\$13.00

- <u>Pizza & Wings Wednesday Nights Only</u>: 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.
 - 7-piece Jumbo Wings \$10.00. 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 2025 already. Please consider holding your events with us!

If you are not getting the weekly update email, please let the office know. This is the best way to keep you up to date about any last-minute updates to VE.

<u>Live Music / Biergarten</u>

Our Biergarten season with live music will be opening on Saturday, June 1st running through the summer. The Philly German Brass Band will be opening our concert season, the event runs from 5:00 to 10:00pm; music starting at 6:00pm. The round bar is open, and food is always available. Please look for our band schedule on the VE website or our Facebook page.

Biergarten list of bands for June:

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June 1 st	Philly German Brass Band
June 8 th	Fitz Magee
June 15 th	Country Revival (with Father's Day food Specials)
June 22 nd	Blue Flame 6
June 29 th	Scattertrain

Ratskeller

Join us Friday Nights in the Ratskeller. Every Friday from 5:00 to 8:30 pm food and drinks are available for purchase, see our website or weekly newsletter for the most up to date menu options. The bar opens at 5:00pm until closing. With the opening of the Biergarten, the Ratskeller will close on Saturday nights at 6:00pm so that we can staff outdoors.

Congratulations to the following high school seniors of our VE family who received scholarships: Denys Tsinyk at Council Rock South High School attending the University of Pittsburgh Clara Walker at Hatboro-Horsham High School attending Drexel University Enzo Petruzzelli at Archbishop Wood High School attending Moravian University Addyson Criss at William Tennent High School attending Penn State University

Best wishes to all our graduates of high school or universities.

May your future be productive and fulfilling.

The scholarship fund is dependent on contributions from our membership. It is a thoughtful way of honoring a special person, occasion or of remembering a loved one. The Scholarship Committee appreciates all donations.



blowing, the birds are singing, and the lawn mower is broken.

INDOOR SPORTS

It's that time of year again! We are forming our Cornhole and Horseshoe Leagues at the Club. Both leagues will start up in early June and run through the end of August with a BYE week built in during July 4th week. If interested, contact:

Cornhole: veindoor@yahoo.com Horseshoes: pjoycecpa@verizon.net

I want to thank everyone, members, and friends for making our 2024 Card and Bingo Parties very successful so far. At each passing month since January, our attendance increased. All thanks to all of you for coming and bringing friends. We will be taking a break from June to August and resume in September.

Please save any books you have read and would like to share with our group and bring them to our September meeting. We are always in need of help running this event each month and would appreciate anyone's help. Contact Janet at 267-408-4439

Have a safe and happy summer and remember to visit our pool and our Saturday evening Biergarten from 5-10pm with our fabulous bands and delicious food by Chef Ed.

"See You All In September"

Janet Welsch Lynch, President, Ladies Auxiliary

Spring soccer is wrapping up with just a few spring league games left; however, we still have a busy summer in store with our adult summer Bundesliga, our U23s, the summer camp, and our Summer Splash tournament.

Our Majors had a tremendous year with unprecedented cup success. They finished their league season ending up in second place behind West Chester in the USL; the Reserves also finished as runners up in their league. These are very competitive leagues and we played solid soccer all year long. Good work guys!

Our U17 boys coached by Billy Hartmann were crowned EPYSA Presidents Cup state champs by defeating Lower Merion by a score of 2-1 in overtime. The team advances to the regional finals in West Virginia over Father's Day weekend. Best of luck in regionals!!

Meanwhile John Lavelle's U18 boys claimed the title in their age group in the EPYSA Presidents Cup. The boys ran through qualifying and beat Lower Mac 4-1 in the final. The team will be packing their bags for a 12-day trip to Germany in early July. Along with six competitive games, the group will be sightseeing and enjoying the whole experience. Good luck gang!

Lastly, our Youth Soccer Camp is scheduled for the week of July 29th. To register, please go to VESoccer.org and follow the prompts; spots are filling up quick. Mighty Mite registration will open in early June. Please check our website or Facebook page for information.

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Steve Feuchter / VE Soccer Chairman

ANNUAL VE GOLF OUTING – BENEFITS U18 BOYS TRIP TO GERMANY

The VE Kanoniere U18 Boys would like to send a huge thank you to all the Club members who generously supported our Germany trip fundraisers, especially our hugely successful Golf Outing. Our scheduled trip will send 21 young men along with family members and coaches on a 12-day trip to the areas surrounding Chemnitz, Munich, and Pforzheim in early July.



Everyone is talking about Camp RAD at the VE CLUB.

Daily and Weekly Options Summer Day Camp runs from June to August. Call: 215-572-0469 Email: info@CampRAD.net

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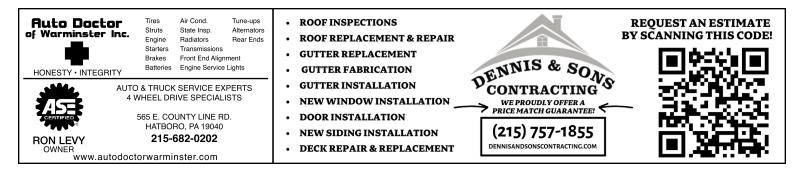
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For Booking of Parties or Affairs call the Club – Phone: 215-675-5380



Our daughter is 3, traveled to Germany already and would love a warm and friendly OMA to share in friendship and life!

Call or text Jeff: 215-801-5227



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POOL NEWS

Pool season passes are still available! Discount books can be purchased at the pool booth ONLY, please do not send money to the Club office for these.

Please bring your current VE Membership card (June 1, 2024 - May 31, 2025) with you to show at the booth when you come to the pool. If you are not in possession of a current card, you will not be able to use the pool this season until your dues are paid.

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We will be open the first two weekends in June from 12:00pm until 8:00pm. Beginning June 17th, we will open with our full summer schedule: Monday through Friday from 12:00pm until 8:00pm and Saturdays and Sundays from 12:00pm until 8:00 pm.

A couple reminders:

No glass or alcohol permitted in the pool area.

Pool hours for beginning weekends are noon to 6:00.

Parking at the pool is for handicap only.

The pool committee hopes to see you enjoying the pool this summer!

The VE Pool Committee

DID YOU KNOW?

The 2024 UEFA European Football Championship, commonly referred to as UEFA Euro 2024 or simply Euro 2024, will be the 17th edition of the UEFA European Championship, the quadrennial international soccer championship organized by UEFA for the European men's national teams of its member associations. Germany will host the tournament, which is scheduled to take place from 14 June to 14 July 2024, and the winner will later compete in the 2025 CONMEBOL–UEFA Cup of Champions against the 2024 Copa América winner. The tournament will comprise 24 teams, with Georgia the only team making its European Championship finals debut.

It will be the third time that European Championship matches are played on German territory and the second time in reunified Germany, as West Germany hosted the tournament's 1988 edition, and four matches of the multi-national Euro 2020 were played in Munich. It will be the first time the competition is held in what was formerly East Germany with Leipzig as a host city, as well as the first time that a reunified Germany serves as a solo host nation. The tournament will return to its usual four-year cycle, after the 2020 edition was postponed to 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Italy are the defending champions, having won the 2020 tournament against England on penalties in the final.

As a reminder, we are a Membership Club, and it is your responsibility to validate your membership when ordering/purchasing alcoholic beverages—even if you have been a long-time member. This practice is not to be an annoyance to you but is a requirement of the PA Liquor Control Board who governs our private Club status. If you are bringing guests in, you may purchase the alcohol for them (anyone 21 and over) after you show your membership card. Non-members are not permitted to purchase any alcohol from our bartenders unless they are attending a contracted event. Food purchase is open to members and non-members. All our bartenders will be asking to see your Membership cards. Our membership year runs from June 1st to May 31st. Renewal information has been sent out. If you haven't submitted your renewal yet, please take the time to review it and make any changes necessary to your forms when returning them to the office with your renewal payment.