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FIRST CLASS

President's Message – November 2024

Dear Members of VE,

Our Club lost a cornerstone of our Club recently. Sadly, lifelong member and former VE President Jay Bitterlich passed away on October 6th. His impact will be felt here for many years to come. As a member, coach, Director, President, and one of our biggest cheerleaders, Jay had VE in his blood and could always be found in the office helping out or down in the Ratskeller with his family and friends. As a mentor to me, I feel a profound loss. Please think of his wife Edie and their children and grandchildren at this difficult time. We will miss you, Jay!

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

35th ANNIVERSARY OF THE FALL OF THE BERLIN WALL

On November 9th, 1989, the Berlin Wall came down and ended the divide between East and West Germany. Please join us to celebrate the 35th anniversary of the falling of the Berlin Wall at 2:00pm on Saturday, November 9th. We will have a ceremony in front of our piece of the Wall with guest speakers and singers, followed by a reception in the Small Dining Room.

CHRISTKINDLMARKT

A TRADITIONAL GERMAN CHRISTMAS MARKET

Saturday, November 30th, 2024, 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! Accordion music and our wonderful choir.

Please email or call the office to coordinate helping with this event, veclubvendors@gmail.com, 215-675-5380. Volunteers also needed Wednesday, November 27th starting at 2pm or any time after to move tables & chairs for the vendor set up, Friday, November 29th 5-7pm to help vendors bring their items to their location and Volunteers needed for event day November 30th starting at 7:30am. We appreciate you and thank you in advance for helping us make this event a huge success.

BOARD NOMINATIONS FOR 2025

Any Active member in good standing willing to run for a Board position should contact our Nominating Chairman Mark Toroniewski at marktoro10@verizon.net. Willing candidates must be nominated no later than the January 2025 Board of Directors meeting.

Our next scheduled Quarterly Membership Meeting shall be on Sunday, January 26th, 2025, at 2:00pm. This meeting is open to all Active members. Please attend and bring your membership card.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Help support local families with a donation of food for the Thanksgiving Holiday! Take a turkey feather (or two) with the items needed off the board located in the Ratskeller and bring the items to the drop box by Friday, November 22nd. Everyone's small donation can make a difference in helping your neighbor. Thank you!

THIS MONTH:

- November 3
Damenchor Concert
- November 8
Sports Committee Meeting
- November 9
Fall of the Berlin Wall Celebration
- November 10
Sunday Brunch
- November 13
Wednesday Night Dinner
- November 17
VE Majors – USSF Lamar Hunt Open Cup Game
- November 20
Ladies Auxiliary Card and Bingo Party
- November 26
Monthly Board Meeting
- November 27
Thanksgiving Dinner Take Out
- November 28
Thanksgiving Day (Club closed)
- November 30
Christkindlmarkt

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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THANKSGIVING TAKE-OUT FOOD AVAILABLE

If you don't feel like cooking Thanksgiving dinner this year, we are offering a full meal package for take-out. Orders need to be placed in advance by calling the Club office; our deadline is Friday, November 22nd. Chef Ed is offering several options, please check the weekly emails for food offerings and prices. All orders need to be pre-paid, and pickup is on Wednesday, November 27th.

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2024 BRUNCH SCHEDULE

Our fabulous Sunday brunches are back! Enjoy a delicious meal at the Club! An omelet station and all your breakfast and lunch favorites will be available. Reservations required in advance.

Adult Member \$24.95 / Non-Member Adult \$27.95 / Children (3-11) \$12.95 / Children (under 3) free

Sunday November 10, 2024; 10am - 2pm • Sunday, December 8, 2024; 10am - 2pm

Sunday, January 12, 2025; 10am - 2pm • Sunday, February 9, 2025; 10am - 2pm

Sunday, March 9, 2025; 10am - 2pm

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KITCHEN OFFERINGS

• **Tuesday Night Dinners:** The Ratskeller is offering a limited bar menu on Tuesday nights.

• **Monthly Wednesday Night Dinners:** We are offering a monthly Wednesday Night dinner in our large dining room. We will be offering different items monthly. Our next date is **November 13th** followed by **December 18th**. Please come out to the Club with your family and friends.

Our **November 13th** Menu is listed below. Members \$13 / Non-members \$16

- Salmon with lobster sauce with two sides
- Bacon wrapped meatloaf with two sides
- Fried Shrimp with two sides
- Chicken fingers and French fries (\$10 member / \$13 non-members)

• **Friday Night Dinners:** In addition to traditional bar food, we will be offering a dinner special every Friday night in the Ratskeller. Price is \$13.00. (\$18 on 11/22)

- 11/1 Chicken Parmesan with Baked Ziti
- 11/8 Cowboy Burger – (2) 4 oz. patties with bacon, onion ring and BBQ sauce with Fries
- 11/15 Roast Pork Loin with Spätzle and seasonal vegetables
- 11/22 12 oz Grilled Ribeye Steak with Baked Potato and seasonal vegetables
- 11/29 Pulled Pork Platter with Cole slaw, French Fries, and Corn Bread

Parties and events are booked out into 2025 already. Please consider holding your events with us!

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BUNGALOW COMMITTEE

Bungalows are closed for the Season and shall reopen on April 1, 2025. Have a great winter!

Peter Hansen / Bungalow Chairperson

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DID YOU KNOW?

French fries migrated to the German-speaking countries during the 19th century. In Germany, they are usually known by the French words Pommes Frites, or only Pommes or Fritten (derived from the French words but pronounced as German words). Often served with ketchup or mayonnaise, they are popular as a side dish in restaurants, or as a street-food snack purchased at an Imbissstand (snack stand). Since the 1950s, Currywurst has become a widely popular dish that is commonly offered with fries. Currywurst is a sausage (often Bratwurst or Bockwurst) in a spiced ketchup-based sauce, dusted with curry powder and served with fries. Guten Appetit!

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VE LADIES AUXILIARY

Our next Card and Bingo Party will be Wednesday, November 20th. This is a week earlier because of Thanksgiving. Thank you to all that attended our October Bingo event, where we introduced a new bingo format with great prizes and gift cards. The cost is \$7 which includes a bingo card, Danish and coffee or tea. Sandwiches are available at our self-service window. Doors open at 11am with bingo starting at 12:30pm. To all our members and friends, we wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Janet Welsch Lynch, President, Ladies Auxiliary

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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.

December 13 Ugly Sweater Party We want to see that sweater! Prizes for best sweater and ornament exchange. Go for it!

December 20 VE Majors Christmas Party in the Ratskeller! Open to everyone!!

December 26 Boxing Day in the Ratskeller! Catch an EPL game after Christmas from 7:30am!

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DAMENCHOR CONCERT

The Damenchor invites you to their Autumn concert on Sunday, November 3rd 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 choir or by calling Christine Groeber at (215) 697-8087. We look forward to seeing you.

Emma Schobel, Secretary Damenchor Wald-Echo

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Indoor Sports (AISL)

We are putting together our VE Fall/Winter Indoor Sports Leagues with kickoff dates of early November. If interested in entering a team or signing up individually, please contact for more info: Darts: John Rafa - john.vedarts@gmail.com - Cell: 267-374-1502
Shuffleboard: this email - veindoor@yahoo.com

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SKAT ABTEILUNGEN

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 7:00pm - 10:00pm.

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HERZLICH WILKOMMEN ZU UNSEREM KLUB
Welcome to Our Club!

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

Passive: Thomas C. Buckley, Griselda Zuccarino-Cantania, Beata Jelonek, Ryan Jumper, Rebecca Miscenich, Dorina Nazeraj, Kevin O'Donnell, and Joseph John Reinard.

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 families of the following members who left us:

Fred Franke, who passed away on October 3, 2024, joined VE in 1958, a 66-year-old member.

John 'Jay' Bitterlich, who passed away on October 6, 2024, joined VE in 1964, a 60-year member.

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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. The deadline for submitting completed applications is March 1, 2025. 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.



SOCCKER 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 will conclude another successful season on November 15th. 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 next round of the Lamar Hunt Open Cup. 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!

Our next Sports Committee Meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 8th at 8:00pm.

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

Steve Feuchter / VE Soccer Chairman



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 to be added to our email/phone contact list. Thank you in advance.

MEMORIAL BRICKS FOR SALE

4x8 \$100.00 or 8x8 \$200.00

If interested in ordering a brick, please contact the Club office by phone or email.



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.