

Gebirgstrachten Erhaltungs Verein "Edelweiß", Detroit

Wegweiser

March 2017

Here's what's happening.....

Hello everyone!

As usual, our Christmas program was absolutely beautiful. I haven't been able to go for the past two years but was able to this year. Rick Michels and the whole crew did not disappoint! It's always a beautiful way to usher in the season.



After sending out a huge thank you to the 2016 Edelweiss committee, last year's group was dissolved and the new committee was sworn in at our February monthly meeting. We do have some new faces in a couple of spots!. A big thank you to those who will serve this year and those who continue to serve in all aspects of our group.

We are in the throes of plans for our fall event, Beer, Brats & Brass. Entertainment will not only be provided by our members, but also by the one and only Musikapelle Rottenbuch, as they are planning to be here to celebrate with us. Mark your calendar because this is an event you won't want to miss!

As always, if you have anything you would like to have me print in the newsletter, you can contact me. You can email me at gtevedelweiss@yahoo.com or call me at (586) 677-0432.



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News For And About The Membership

-If you haven't paid your 2017 membership dues yet, they are now due. You may send them (\$25) to Sharon Walker, 1821 Welling Drive, Troy, MI 48098 or you may give them to her at a meeting.
-Sick members: Dottie Kainz, Johann and Maria Waidelich,
- And the winners are: October—Rita Dziersk, November—Roger Kraft, December—Sharon Walker, January—Michael Campbell, and February—Ray Boudreau.

.....Some notable birthdays: Janice Naus—70th, Liesl Kraemer—80th, Bob Gracin—80th, Manfred Nitsche—80th, and Anna Tatar—90th.



During our anniversary dinner celebration at Jovan's, we honored quite a few Edelweiss members!

Urkunde Sue Hoshield Paul Schwalbe

Goldenes Edelweiss Phil Carpentier Dennis Hoshield Anni Porter Christina Walker Eric Walker Michelle Uebrueck



Ehren Mitglied Erwin Rauschendorfer

2017 Committee Members

Vorstand - Erwin Rauschendorfer 2. Vorstand - Fred Walker 3. Vorstand - Rick Michels Schriftführerin - Rita Dziersk 2. Schriftführer - Michael Campbell Kassier - Colleen Michels 2. Kassier - Sharon Walker Ehren Vorstand - Joe Gassel Musikwart - Rick Michels Historiker - Karin Dean Pressewart – Karin Dean



Ticket Obmann - Sharon Walker Kitchen Obmann - Annette Edelhauser Bar Obmann - Dennis Hoshield Fahnenwart - Alex Lamerand Wegweiser Editor - Michelle Uebrueck Sachenverwalterin – Christina Walker Decorations - Open GACC Delegate – Fred Walker Trustee - Annette Edelhauser Trustee - Roger Kraft Trustee - Alex Lamerand

Tanzgruppe Officers

Vorplattler—Eric Walker 2. Vorplattler - Alex Lamerand Vortänzerin - Christina Walker 2. Vortänzerin - Anni Porter Schriftführerin - Heather Hacker Sachenschlepper- Annette Edelhauser



2017 Edelweiss Committee

Congratulations to Erwin Rauschendorfer!

Erwin is our longest running President and was recently honored as Ehren Mitglied.

Rita Dziersk shared a few words with all of us at the anniversary dinner before Erwin was presented with a beautiful gift in honor of his service.

"Our Flag was made by Nuns in Bavaria back in 1960-61 and given to our Verein by Caroline and Zeno Schaefer. Very proud of our flag, we always took good care of it. Gloves were always used and it was carefully stored in a cabinet made just for that purpose many years ago by Andy Seefried. In 1978, the flag was taken back to the nuns in Germany by Paula Uebrueck and the center was repaired. Twenty five years later, the rest of the flag was falling apart. There are tears and small missing pieces, torn trim, etc. So, in 2015 we sent it back to Fahnen Eibl to restore what they could.



You have all seen our beautiful renovated Flag. The center was cut out of the old flag and placed on a new backing with new edges and trim. We have used it many times in the last summer and fall. It's already been blessed and been to a 75th anniversary in Cleveland.

Although our original Flag from Caroline and Zeno is now 56 years old, done its duty faithfully, and deserves to be put to rest...I disagree. The beautiful stitching done so painstakingly by Nuns in Bavaria, back in 1960-61 cannot be just thrown away and forgotten. Here comes the "erhalten" part! I studied it, cut it up!...and with some help from Karin Dean, created this shadow box. I decided that this was the perfect opportunity to present to our Ehren Mitglied, Erwin Rauschendorfer, with a piece of the Flag that was so lovingly donated by his dear Aunt Caroline and Onkel Zeno back in 1961. Aunt Caroline had placed a note inside the old Flag when it was renovated in 1978 and that note is in this shadow box."

Congratulations Ehren Mitglied, Erwin Rauschendorfer. Enjoy this piece of family history.











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We are certainly looking forward to our special guests, Musikkapelle Rottenbuch, being here to entertain us next fall! They have a large group coming and will no doubt be a huge draw for our event. The group will be here from the evening of Thursday, September 28 to the morning of Monday, October 1. If you are interested in hosting a member of the Musikkapelle in your home, please call Rita Dziersk at 586-263-1826. This is a wonderful opportunity to make some lifelong friendships!

Club Calendar

2017

April

- 4 Committee Meeting
- 9 Dance Practice and Meeting
- 23 Schuplattler Tanz in Toledo

May

- 17 Committee Meeting
- 21 Dance Practice and Meeting

June

- 7 Committee Meeting
- 11 Dance Practice and Meeting
- 25 Dance Practice
- 29—July 2 Gaufest, Buffalo, NY

September

- 6 Committee Meeting
- 10 Dance Practice and Meeting
- 24 Dance Practice
- 30 Beer, Brats and Brass

March

Anneliese Baker Eleanor Gracin Robert Helgert Hermine Jensen Herb Langegger Kenny Szachta Anna Tatar Karin Schwalbe

April

Ken Baker

Henry Conrow

Herbert Gruber

Maria Higgins

Art Kainz

Heather Hacker

Barb Mulligan

May

Alex Lamerand

Colleen Michels

Rainier Naus

Norm Raab

Fr. Steven Recker

Rob Schwalbe Maria Waidelich Christina Winguest



Upcoming Birthdays

June Michael Campbell Chris Gassel Katharina Helgert John Huthwaite Lynn Huthwaite Lauren Kraft Walter Kron Anneliese Porter Hans Menzinger Thomas Priemer Erwin Rauschendorfer Rosemary Ritterhaus Richard Wagner

All dance practices and monthly meetings are held in the **GACC room** at the **Carpathia Club** 3800 Utica Road Sterling Heights, MI 48312 (586) 978-2292 Monthly meetings start at 3:00 PM

