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Carpathia Jugendkönigsball

On Saturday the 12th of February the Jugendgruppe held their formal dance of the year – the Jugendkönigsball. Our gentlemen dressed in black tuxedos with tails and the ladies in satin ball gowns which have become a tradition of the Carpathia Königsball.

The evening began with a delicious dinner followed by Jugendleiter Rob Schwalbe welcoming all guests from near and far – not only did we have a good turn out of Carpathia members, but there were also many guests from youth groups from Milwaukee, Cleveland, Chicago and St. Louis. Kevin from St. Louis presented each lady with a rose – a tradition he started for Valentines Day at his home club.

The program began with the regal entrance of the royalty – Königin Victoria Schwager and König Robert Thomas. Carrying the queen's train were Brett Roek and Kurt Fleischer; guards Sebastian Cole and Ian Jabour and flower girl Sophia Morelli. Next was the presentation of the Royal Menu, complete with roast pig, turkey, wurst, assorted wines, and decadent desserts. The menu items were later raffled off to many lucky winners.

The program continued with the Kindergruppe as they marched in and filled the dance floor. All dressed in their finest, they danced the Annen Polka by Strauss. It was wonderful! The Kindergruppe always does a great job, much to the delight of the audience.

As we moved to the finale of the evening's program, fifteen couples of the Jugendgruppe were introduced to the audience. They marched into position and then music director 'Leopold' was once again called into service. As the music of the 'Kaiser Walzer' (Emperors Waltz, by Strauss) began, the royalties stepped down from the stage and joined the group in the performance...and what a performance it was! Absolutely beautiful! There were many proud parents, grandparents, family and friends... and we heard there were a few teary eyes too!

The Sorgenbrecher provided the music entertainment for the evening. I was very happy to see so many of our Jugend on the dance floor all night. It was obvious that most of them really do enjoy dancing!

The Jugendgruppe later did an encore performance of their Christmas program – the Lichtertanz with candles in the darkened hall. As dance groups leaders, it's rewarding to get compliments on the group, but more important is that the dancers themselves hear the compliments, and on this night both the Kinder and Jugend heard many. We are very proud of them all.

- Karin Schwalbe

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2011 Carpathia Events Calendar

<u>Month</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Band</u>
April	11	Spring German Show	
May	14	Chor & Frauengruppe Banquet	Enzian
June	17-18	Germanfest	Enzian / Hank Haller / Sorgenbrecher
	19	Father's Day Picnic	Hank Haller / Martin Brothers
July			
August			
September	16-17	Oktoberfest	Enzian / Tradewinds / Martin Brothers
	18	Oktoberfest	Rheinlanders / Sorgenbrecher
	25	Semi-Annual Membership Meeting	
October	8	Hunter's Kingsball	Tradewinds
	12	Fashion Show - Frauengruppe	
	22	Wine Fest (WeinleseFest)	Sorgenbrecher
November	6	Senior's Card Party	
	12	Kirchweih	Enzian
December	7	German Christmas Show	
	10	Kicker's Banquet	
	18	Members Christmas Party	
	31	New Years Eve Party	Hank Haller

Other Important Dates to Remember:

Easter Sunday - April 24th
 Mother's Day - May 8th
 Memorial Day - May 30th
 Father's Day - June 19th
 1st Day of Summer - June 21st
 Independence Day - July 4th



A Few Words from Our President



It has been a year since I wrote my last news article. How time flies in this crazy world of ours. Many things have transpired in the last year; some good and some very challenging. The economic times continue to

be difficult and we have seen that with attendance at our events and our external bookings. The two festivals we held in 2010 were very nice. Unfortunately, we got hit with rain on both weekends and the outcome, although positive, was not nearly as good as we would have hoped.

I anticipate that 2011 will continue to be challenging from an external booking standpoint. The Executive Board is holding special meetings to attempt to address the situation and you can expect to see some change to take cost out of our weekly run rate. The bottom line is that we cannot continue to operate on a weekly basis with as high of a fixed cost rate that we have. The Executive Board will take the necessary actions to lower the weekly run rate of the Club.

With the approval of the Membership, we will again be having the Summerfest/Father's Day Picnic and Oktoberfest in 2011. I will be establishing committees for those events shortly. Please contact the Club if you are interested in participating on either of these committees. The Club could use your help.

I also announced at the Annual General Membership Meeting that I will be establishing two new committees. The first, chaired by Mike Talan is the 100 Year Anniversary Committee for the Club. That's right the Club will be turning 100 Years old in 2013 and the planning needs to start now. The Board has discussed a year-long celebration so that each Untergruppen can tailor their event to their members. The Club will hold a special weekend celebration. Lastly, we are hosting the Landestreffen Der Donauschwaben again in 2013. If you recall this is a wonderful weekend where we invite all the

Donauschwaben Clubs throughout the US and Canada to celebrate our Donauschwaben culture together. Please see Mike if you are interested in participating on this committee.

The second committee I will be establishing is a committee that will provide some long term direction for the Club. I'm looking for this committee to evaluate the current situation of the Club from top to bottom, brain storm ideas, and provide a series of recommendations to the Executive Board and Membership of the long term direction of the Club. Please see me if you are interested in participating in this committee.

On a special note, I want to thank everyone that supported my mom and dad through their difficult time and eventual passing of my father. The Club was dad's 2nd home and he always enjoyed being there and the extended family of the Club really came through with your support for the many years he battled his cancer. On behalf of my mom and our entire family, thank you so much for your support. It definitely made a difference to all of us and especially dad.

In closing, I want to thank all the people who help volunteer your time to help the Club. I want to thank the front office staff, the cooks, the kitchen staff, the serving staff, the bar tenders for all your hard work the last year. I want to thank all the Untergruppen leaders and Executive Board Members for all your hard work and taking on the difficult problem head on. Last, but not least, I want to thank my family and friends for helping me through a difficult 2010.

God Bless Carpathia.

John Huth, Jr.
President of Carpathia



2011 Annual Membership Meeting – Election Results

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 Helga Kniep
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 Michael and Melissa Morelli

Henry Rehn
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German fest & Father's Day Picnic

June 17th, 18th, & 19th 2011

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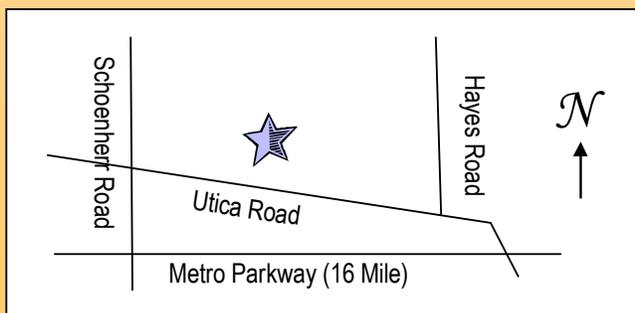
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2011 Untergruppen Fish Fry Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	<u>UNTERGRUPPEN</u>	<u>MENU</u>
4/1/2011	Jaeger	Beef Stroganoff
4/8/2011	Kickers	Kassler Rippchen / Sauerkraut
4/15/2011	Jugendgruppe	Stuffed Cabbage
4/22/2011	Senioren	Chicken Schnitzel
4/29/2011	Chor	Ham Hocks
5/6/2011	Frauengruppe	Goulash
5/13/2011	Kulturgruppe	Rotisserie Chicken
5/20/2011	Kickers	BBQ Ribs (1/2 Slab) / Bake Potato
5/27/2011	Jaeger	Assorted Wurst (3) / Sauerkraut
6/3/2011	Jugendgruppe	Ham Hocks
6/10/2011	Senioren	Roasted Chicken
6/17/2011	Germanfest	
6/24/2011	Chor	Breaded Pork Chops
7/1/2011	No Fish Fry	
7/8/2011	Frauengruppe	
7/15/2011	Kulturegruppe	
7/22/2011	Jaeger	
7/29/2011	Kickers	

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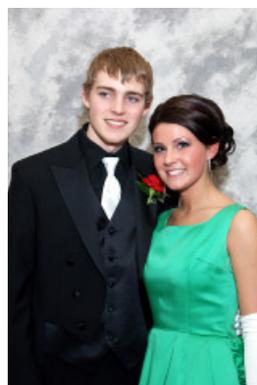
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Choir

Greetings from the Carpathia Choir

On behalf of all of our singers, I want to thank everyone that came to our first Card Party. We are happy to say that the Card Party was a huge success. We had a very good turn-out and spent a few enjoyable hours with new and old friends. Volunteers donated their time to help with preparing the meal, setting up, and cleaning the hall. Even the table prizes were donated. This gave the Club a very profitable afternoon. Our Kipfel Sale also went very well and we thank the people that supported the choir by ordering 77 dozen of them. The singers had a nice day for baking, but with such a large order, it turned out to be a long day as well.

The spring concert season is coming up and we are busy learning our songs. The choir will participate at the Kommers of the Michigan Sangerbezirk on Sunday, April 17, 2011 at 2:00 PM at the Carpathia Club. Tickets may be purchased from Christine Psocka (586-751-0424) for this event. The other choirs of the Bezirk will be performing as well and in the second half we always have the Mass Choir singing, which is really something to hear.

Our Banquet, together with the Carpathia Frauengruppe, will be on Saturday, May 14, 2011. Dinner will be at 7:00 PM with the program following at 8:30 PM. The Frauengruppe will do a presentation and then the Choir will sing a few songs. It is always an enjoyable evening and we hope that your will be able to attend. Tickets for the Banquet should be ordered in advance from Maria Dosenberger (586-822-2366).

Are you interested in singing and have a good voice? We always welcome new singers and would love to have you come and join us Tuesday evenings at 7:30 PM from September to June. Think about it and come and meet the rest of us singers.

Our Gruppenleiter, Theresia Olsavsky, is such a hard worker and our members want to say "Thank You" for all the things she does for us. Also, our music director, Erwin Aufdemberge, is such a wonderful man, and we all appreciate all his efforts on our behalf. We don't always make it easy for him to work with us, but we all say "Thank you Erwin".

Mit frohem Sangergru, Blondine Klimach

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Chor & Frauengruppe
Bankett*

May 14th, 2011



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Frauengruppe

Seit einigen Tagen taut es, aber grosse Brocken von Eis und Schnee liegen noch an den kalten Nordhaengen. Heute ist es fruehlingsmild gewesen und bald werden tausende von Blumenaugen wie Schneegloeckchen, Tulpen, Primeln, Anemonen, Schluesselblumen, Veilchen und noch mehr aus der schwarzen Erde heraus schauen. Dann faengt auch wieder die Gartenarbeit an. Aber man macht es gerne nach diesem langen, kalten Winter.

Zuerst moechte ich den neuen Vorstand der Frauengruppe vorstellen:

Leiterin	Irene Dietz
Vice Leiterin	Mary Ann Virchow
Sekretaeerin	Elisabeth Toepfner
Schatzmeister	Margret Pelavay

Im Februar war die Frauengrupe zu einer VIP Party in Dress Barn eingeladen. 12 Damen inspezierten die neue Fruehlingsmode. Fuer jedes Alter, jede Figur und jede Groesse war etwas da. Zeitlos und wunderschoeene Kleidung. Man ist nie zu alt um „dress up“ zu spielen. Wie heisst es; Beauty is an experience, nothing else! Wir hatten alle viel Spass und es war ein recht schoener Nachmittag. Alle sagten so etwas sollten wir mal oefters machen und den grauen Alltag vergessen.

Am 20. Maerz ist unsere Card Party da gibt es wieder viel zu tun. Ein guter Lunch wird serviert, diesmal gibt es Gulasch mit einigen Zutaten. Anschliessend gibt es leckeren selbst gebackenen Kuchen und natuerlich darf ich nicht die guten Kipfeln vergessen.

Am 14. Mai ist unser Bankett was wir immer mit dem Chor gemeinsam haben .

Hiermit wunese ich allen ein frohes Osterfest und einen wunderschoenen Fruehling.

Irene Dietz



Der Osterhas

Der Has, der Has, der Osterhas
Ist eben fortgesprungen.
Wir haetten ihn gern erwischt,
doch ist es uns nicht gelungen.

Gewiss hat Eier er gelegt
In alle dunklen Ecken,
das Osterhaeschen liebt es sehr,
die Eier zu verstecken.

Wir suchen ueberall mit Fleiss.
Juchhe ! Juchhe ! gefunden!
Seht her ! ein rotes Osterei!
Das soll mir trefflich munden!

**Ich heer e Veeglche**

Heerscht du des Veeglche, tut so scheen trille,
dass emm die Sorche schnell alli vergehn.
Wie demm sei Gsaetzlicher glitzre un schillre,
finngle un sprieer wie Fungge vum Steen.

Heerscht du des Veeglche, tut so scheen rolle,
wie des norr spruddlt un kullert un hoppst!
Wie do de Ton so wie Troppe aus volle
Hewer en blitzendi Weinglaeser tropst.

Herrscht du des Veeglche, tut so scheen schuckle,
fliet mit sei Fliggle ens Himmelreich nin.
Dort sitze tausend so Veegl un kurckle.
Des is die Selichkeit - kaem ich norr hin!

Reise in die Vergangenheit

Ich sitz im Zug der Gegenwart,
fahr in Gedanken weit zurueck,
zu der Erinn' rung Strassen
richt ich so gern mein Blick

Es leuchtet hell und glaenzend,
dir die Vergangenheit,
was einstens war gewesen,
huellet sich im milden Schein.

War'n schwer auch manche Stunden,
und war auch hart die Zeit,
heut leuchtet dir darueber,
das Wort Vergangenheit.

Christel Wanninger

Der Zug , er bringt dich weiter,
durch Taeler, ueber Hoeh'n,
durch Gegenwart und Zukunft,
jedoch er bleibt nicht steh'n.

Wenn auch Gedanken eilen,
den Weg , vor und zurueck,
Gegenwart und Zukunft,
die nehmen gern dich mit.

Nur die Vergangenheit
geht ihnen hinterher,
und ruft mit sanfter Stimme,
geh auch ein Stueck mit mir!

Schule

Der Fruehling ist da!

Hinaus, hinaus, der Fruehling ist da!
 Wer hat ihn gesehen? Wer hat es gesagt?
 Das haben die gelben Primeln gesagt,
 Schneegloeckchen und Weidenkaetzchen am Bach
 und die Schluesselblumen, die wissen es laengst.
 Die Amsel singt es von Busch und Baum
 und die Lerche, die hoch in die Luefte schwingt.
 Wie blau der Himmel, wie lind die Luft!
 Und Sonne, Sonne auf Feldern und Saat!
 Nun waechst das Korn, nun gruent der Strauch,
 nun jauchzen wir alle: Der Fruehling ist da!



Nun ist schon wieder Maerz ach, wie doch die Zeit so schnell verfliegt. Man meint es war erst letzte Woche wo die Kinder Gedichte und Lieder fuer das Weihnachtsprogramm einstudierten. Ich hoffe Sie hatten etwas Freude an ihrem Auftritt. Well done!

Ja, ich bin sehr stolz auf unsere Schueler. Die Kinder lernen sehr fleissig und kommen mit viel Begeisterung zur Schule. Doch wer denkt, es wird nur gepaukt ist auf dem Holzweg. Das Lernen soll ja Spass machen. Besonders die Kleinen lernen auf spielerische Weise, mit Musik und Bastelaktivitaeten.

Zum Schluss moechte ich mich ganz besonders bei zwei Damen bedanken Ingrid Wasserbaech und Maria Pledl unseren beiden Lehrerinnen. Sie nehmen sich viel Zeit mit den Kinder und geben den Kindern ein gutes Fundament die deutsche Sprache zuerlernen.

Letzter Schultag 20. Mai

Irene Dietz



SAVE THE DATE:

Carpathia Jaeger Königsball

October 8, 2011



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From the Jäger....

Several of the Jaeger had a successful hunting season this year, and we shared this success at our annual Jaeger Bankett which was held on March 12. Mrs. Grusling and all of the kitchen staff did their usual outstanding job of preparing entrees of Wildschwein (wild boar), Reh (venison), and Schnitzel, and home made Knödel, courtesy of several of the Jaeger wives, made the menu special. The hall was decorated with the trophies of many of the Jaeger, including some very interesting ones that you don't see every day - an award-winning kudu that Howard Neils got in Africa, a very nice duck display brought in by John Klimach, and a beautiful standing red fox from Rob Seiberling. Above both of the bars were very nice hand-carved European-style mounts by Oskar Pscheidl and Tony Brandelik Sr. The trophies and the excellent decorations did a great job of conveying the hunting theme of the event.

The evening was lively, with Sorgenbrecher playing until late in the evening and the Jaeger serenading the audience with an a capella version of the German hunting classic "Auf Auf, Zum Fröhlichen Jagen". The raffle was also exciting with a large table of prizes donated by the Jaeger and the Jaegermeister corporation. There was also one award given out for the evening; Alex Rausch won the Luftgewehr medal for being the top airgun shooter over the last year. All in all, it was an excellent evening. Thanks to Darin, Karen, and all of the Carpathia staff for helping us put on a successful event.

Now that the hunting seasons are finished, the Jaeger can focus on our other major events, our trap shooting competitions. We have two competition shoots scheduled with our friends from the Rhine Danube Sportsmen from Leamington, Canada. Hopefully we will do better this year than we have in the past few years, but win or lose we always have a good time. We also will have a King shoot in September, leading up to the annual Jaeger Königsball. Mark your calendars, as we hope to see you there on October 8th.

Tom Forest, Jaeger President



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Jugendgruppe

As a member of the Jugendgruppe and as an individual who has performed at Königsball eight times, one of which I was Prince, this years Königsball was absolutely amazing. The food was great, the band was excellent, and we even had several visitors from Cleveland, Chicago, St. Louis, and Milwaukee.

With the exception of watching Leopold make a grand (rolling) entrance, the best part of the night was after the formalities were over and the music started playing. It was at this point when the ladies changed back into their beautiful evening gowns and the guys began to loosen their ties, roll up their sleeves, and get more comfortable. The dance floor filled up with polkas and waltzes and the fun really started. It was great to catch up with friends I hadn't seen in awhile and also to steal a dance or two from some of the girls. By the end of the night, I was tired, my feet hurt from dancing so much, and I was thoroughly upset that the fun was over. On the upside, I have a pretty good feeling that next years Königsball will be just as much fun, if not more.

-Paul Schwalbe



Kindergruppe

The Kindergruppe ended the 2010 year with a unique problem – not enough girls to dance with all the boys! At the Christmas Program, we pleaded for help and boy did our Carpathia families come to the dance group’s rescue. We welcome to the Kindergruppe: Steven and Sophia Morelli, Max Rehn, Remie Rivel, Sabrina and Shauna Stahlberger, Gretchen and Magdalena Waltenspiel, Avery and Emily Wild, and Reese Mueller.

At the Jugendgruppe’s Königsball, 32 dancers filled the dance floor. Dancing to Annen Polka by Strauss, everyone performed spectacularly! Some performed after just a few practices. A special thank you to the Royalty Court: guards Sebastian Cole and Ian Ja-bour; cape holders Kurt Fleischer and Brett Roek; flower girl Sophia Morelli. A special thank you also goes out to Lily Janisch for helping out at Königsball.

The Kindergruppe is now busy learning new dances to prepare for the summer events, including Carpathia’s Father’s Day picnic and the Bavarian Festival in Frankenmuth.

Christine Pesta



Kicker's Korner

2010 marked the introduction of the Kicker's Hall of Fame. On December 10th, we inducted and honored members of the 1952 Kicker's First team along with four other distinguished gentlemen. Kurt Seiberling joined me in front of a room full of people as we called upon people who have long inspired the success of the Kickers. It was humbling being in a room with these people. I am honored to be the General Manager of one of the best soccer clubs, but realize that much work and dedication went into the development and success of the Kickers – long before I came into the picture. And so, it was with this mindset that we felt the need to begin honoring people who not only were important then, but continue to be important now.

The plaque reads as follows:

The Carpathia Kickers Hall of Fame annually honors individuals, past and present, who by their deeds as players, coaches, officials, and/or contributors have made significant contributions, have influenced the direction, and have prepared pathways towards the success of the Carpathia Kicker's organization.

This award also provides our young Kickers examples of what it means to be a Carpathia Kicker and inspire them to continue to build towards the future while honoring the past.

Although the room was filled with many guests that fit the above statement, the 2010 honorees included the following people.

Joe Wist	Joe Fellingner	Joe Mayer
Mike Blasius	Anton Raeb	Eugen Baan
John Krebs	Barstl Blasius	Hans Huth
Heinz Brandt	Adam Harfman	Peter Kolleth
Danny Vasich	Oskar Krohn	Arthur Beneker
Peter Wild	Phillip Hammer	Gerhard Mengel

Congratulations again and thank you to these very special people and their families. You have always and continue to inspire our success.

In closing, on behalf of myself and my family I would like to wish you all a Happy Easter!

Keith McVettie
General Manager

	
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