



## Kirchweih!

Mädel was hemm meir heit? Kirchweih! Büwe was hemm meir heit? Kirchweih! It's not too late to reserve your table and tickets and come celebrate Kirchweih with the Kindergruppe! This Saturday, October 23rd, join us for a wonderful program put on by our Kultur, Jugend, and Kindergruppe. Dance the night away to Talisman, enjoy our delicious sandwiches and homemade küchen, or even be the lucky winner of the Kirchweih Strauss! The Kindergruppe is excited to show all of you what we have been working on and we look forward to seeing you all there!

Written and Submitted By: Katlin Schmieder

## Deutsches Athens

*"[They] found their way to Milwaukee, where they established music societies, theater groups, schools and other organizations that made their new home the 'German Athens' of America."*

— John Gurda, author of *The Making of Milwaukee*

Join Milwaukee historian John Gurda at the Menomonee Falls Public Library (W156 N8436 Pilgrim Rd., Menomonee Falls) on Thursday, November 4th at 7:00 pm for a fast-paced look at the Teutonic roots of America's most German metropolitan area, Milwaukee. His talk will cover typical neighborhoods, religious patterns, Socialist politics, the cataclysm of World War I and the continuing Germanic influence on the community's character in the 21st century. Program is free and open to the public. Questions? Please contact Karen at 262/532-8912.

## Upcoming Events:

- **UDoM Kindergruppe Kirchweih Dance**  
The Schwabenhof  
Sat., October 23, 7pm  
For Tickets Contact:  
Hildy Siladi, 262/794-0455
- **Holiday Bazaar**  
UDoM Frauengruppe  
Sunday, November 7  
11am mass, 12:30pm lunch
- **World's Greatest Cookie Sale**  
Country Springs Hotel  
2810 Golf Road, Pewaukee  
Friday, November 26, 12pm-4pm  
Free Admission and Parking  
[www.thecountrychristmas.com](http://www.thecountrychristmas.com)
- **Holiday Folk Fair International**  
"Celebrate the Culture of Peace"  
Wisconsin Exposition Center  
at Wisconsin State Fair Park  
November 19-21  
For more information: [www.folkfair.org](http://www.folkfair.org)

## Our Condolences...

Emmerich Keidl passed away on September 23, 2010. Emmerich was a member of the UDoM since 1950. He was a member of the Kulturgruppe and the Trachtengruppe, as well as actively involved with the Jugendgruppe. He was Director of the Jugend and Kulturgruppe. He was president of the United (Musci Family Club, Milwaukee Donauschwaben, Milwaukee Sport Club and the Apetiner), as well as the the Musci Family Club. Emmerich was the father of Karen Schmieder (current Kulturgruppe Director) and grandfather to Katlin Schmieder and Kelly Lachmund (current members of the Jugendgruppe and Kulturgruppe). The UDoM will always hold a special place in their hearts for Emmerich and he will be missed by all.

Klara Fuchsberger passed away on September 24, 2010 at the age 91. She was the beloved wife of the late John, loving mother of Veronika Klaus, Anna Fuchsberger (UDoM member), Mary (Scott) Lesnik and John (Elvira) Fuchsberger, dear sister of Helen (John) Pelzer and Cecilia (Joe) Schmidt and the proud grandmother of 9 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. Klara was a member of Mucsi Family Club and a supporter of the UDoM.

Joseph Gottweiss entered into eternal life on September 16, 2010, at the age of 78. Beloved husband of 49 years to Marianne (nee Aschoff) Gottweiss. Loving father of Debbie (Michael) Martin. Proud grandfather of Caitlin, Hailey and Nick. Further survived by five brothers and one sister from Austria, other relatives and many good friends. Joe was a proud and active member of Klub der Pommern, Rheinische Verein Grun-Weiss, the UDoM and Klub Osterreich. He was a hard working, loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather, and will be deeply missed by his family and all whose lives he touched. We have some big funnel-cake-making shoes to fill and when we think of Mr. Gottweiss we will always remember his awesome funnel cakes!

Maria Edelmann (Nee Jaeger) left us on October 8, 2010 at the age of 84. Beloved wife of the late John. Loving mother of Monica (Kerry) Stehlik and the late John H. Edelmann (who was a member of the band Sterne Die Heimat). Proud Omi of Kara (Mark) Yearling, Megan and Jenna Stehlik. Sister-in-law of Rose (Robert) Kieser. Aunt of Rudi (Margaret) Pfaff. Also survived by other relatives and friends. Maria was a proud Donauschwaben who survived five years in a Russian labor camp.

WEISHEIT  
*des Monats*

**"Wenn die Not am Groessten ist**

*"When the need is the greatest*

**ist Gottes Hilfe am Naechsten."**

*God's help is near."*

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## German-American HISTORY 101

Today we remember Edward Kleinschmidt (September 9, 1876 to August 22, 1977), one of America's many outstanding German-American inventors. Born in Bremen, Germany, he and his six brothers immigrated to the U.S. with their widowed mother to begin a new life in the land of promise. He was just eight years old when they arrived.



Edward's first taste of success was at the young age of 19 with the invention of a scientific toy called the Little Giant. It consisted of a wet acid battery and, according to Edward "Kids used it to run all kinds of things." Edward never attended high school, but he firmly believed that technology and electricity would change the world as he knew it. Spending countless hours reading books on electricity at the New York Public Library, Edward was truly a self-educated man.

In 1898 in New York City, he opened up a shop of his own with a sign over the door that read "Inventions Developed" where he developed gyroscopes and gyrocompasses. In 1902, he saw the need for a device that would perforate a code on a tape. After much effort, he perfected the standard keyboard perforator. Edward's career continued to flourish and 10 years later he began manufacturing his own inventions on a larger scale.

It should also be mentioned that Edward also worked very closely with Thomas Edison in the field of electricity. Edward would develop many other useful inventions as well, such as the Teletype, high-speed stock ticker tape, the stock quotation system, the facsimile telegraph and a similar machine for radio circuits, a railroad block signal, which gave birth to the automatic train control system, and also a telephone signal system, which paved the way for the dial telephone. Edward's work had a major impact on American technology. He's also credited with 118 patents including the first coin-operated vending machines. He also invented a macaroni bending or twisting machine and the automatic fishing reel. In 1930 his company, The Teletype Corporation, was purchased for thirty million dollars by AT&T.

Edward, never at a lack of creative activity, moved on and developed Kleinschmidt Laboratories in Deerfield, Illinois. This laboratory worked in the field of electric communications. In 1956 Edward sold the corporation that still bears his name to this day. He retired from business a multi-millionaire. He moved to Connecticut where he spent the last years of his life. Edward Kleinschmidt lived to the age of 101. His impact on American technology changed our lives forever and is for certain, one German-American whose work should never be forgotten.

### Forgot

"My Check off list does help a lot  
To help me know what I've forgot.  
The only thing, I've somehow missed  
is where I put that check off list.  
If I could find my missing specs,  
I'd find that list and break this hex,  
but where's my list, that I can't see,  
I wrote to aid my memory.  
I placed it in a special spot,  
but where that's at, I just forgot."

— Gerald Bosacker



"Good morning, Mrs. Keith — you weren't home last night, so..."

## Kulturgruppe News

Greetings from the Kulturgruppe! The year has flew by so quickly, but the Kulturgruppe is still keeping busy. We will be dancing this coming Thursday at Oak Crest Villa Nursing Home for their Oktoberfest. We also are excited to show off some of our new dances at Kirchweih, which we will be performing at Holiday Folk Fair as well. We are looking forward to our short holiday break, but just as excited to start the year early with some more new dances. We are ready to celebrate Kirchweih with the Kindergruppe this weekend and can't wait to show you what we've been working on!

Written and Submitted By: Katlin Schmieder



## Holiday Bazaar 2010

Come one and all — and bring your friends — to the 37th Annual Holiday Bazaar! Frauen President Maria Abt and the members of the UDoM Frauengruppe have been very busy getting ready for the 2010 Annual Holiday Bazaar taking place at the Schwabenhof on Sunday, November 7th. The hall will soon be filled with attendees browsing the rummage and craft sale that includes children's toys, games and used books. The bazaar will also include a bake sale, homemade boxed Christmas cookies (for only \$10/box), Avon and imported European Dirndls. This is your chance to start your Christmas shopping (or buy something for yourself, too!). As always, mass starts at 11am and a delicious lunch of schnitzel or Goulash with all the trimmings will be available starting a 12:30pm so make sure to save your appetites!

## Save the Date!

The next Europe Trip Meeting will take place on January 4th, 2011. It starts at 7pm at the Schwabenhof. Come join us to find out all the information you will need to know in order to plan your trip with us to Europe in 2012! Committees have been formed, so if you are interested in taking part in the planning of the trip please be sure to attend this meeting.

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them."

— John Fitzgerald Kennedy



## Who Are Die Liebling?

A little more than a year ago, a group of boys from the UDoM Jugendgruppe, myself included, started a band. We all love German music, and as it happened, all played instruments. We called ourselves Die Liebling, but since then we've had many people, both German and not, ask us what the name meant. I wanted to take the opportunity to tell you why we are Die Liebling, as well as telling you a little bit about our band.

In spring of 1944, the Russian army entered Romania as World War Two was drawing to an end. Tucked in the west of Romania, just south of TimiSoara (Temeschwar in German), laid the town of Liebling. Settled in 1786 by Germans during the great immigration under Emperor Josef II, Liebling became one of many peaceful German farming towns in what was known as the Romanian Banat. It was on September 22, 1944, that over two thousand Donauschwaben fled the advancing Soviet army to escape what would be certain death, imprisonment, or deportation to Russia. Of those who did not flee, one hundred innocent people were deported to Russian work camps, where about half of them died.

When I was a little boy, my Opa told me a story about a group of kids, not much younger than I am now, from Liebling. This groups of kids, like us, were also musicians. Once the German people of Eastern Europe began fleeing from their homes for the west, the families in Liebling put their children on trains headed for Austria to save their lives. It was in Austria where my Opa met them. They had arrived as Flüchtling, as so many of our families did, and were immediately welcomed by the town that they would now call home. As almost every town in Austria had a blaskapelle of its own, this town was no exception. It was a small farming village though, which meant that they didn't have many musicians. The band had only five members; needless to say, the surrounding villages didn't think much of them. When the children from Liebling arrived, the town band asked if they would play with them. That year at the Blasmusik Festival, thanks to the children from Liebling, the town won first place!

To this day, no one knows if they were ever reunited with their families who had to stay behind in Romania. And although there may be happy memories, it is a sad story, but one that is all too common amongst us Donauschwaben. It is in remembrance and honor of that group of Donauschwaben children, who had suffered and survived, that we have named our band, Die Liebling.

There are four of us in the band, and I would like to take a moment to introduce everyone. Joseph Fischer is our bassist, backup vocalist and one of the founding members of the band. He is 19 years old and attending the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh to become a history teacher. Nicole Fischer is our band's manager, as well as Joseph's older sister. She is 21 years old and currently attending Mt. Mary College in Milwaukee. Lyle Hendrickson is our drummer and the youngest member in our band at 13 years old. Don't let his age fool you though; he is a very talented young man and a great musician. Ryan Hendrickson is not only our lead guitar player, but also our accordion player and second backup vocalist. He is 17 years old and Lyle's older brother. And finally, my name is Michael Potnek and I am our lead vocalist, rhythm guitar player, and trumpet player. I'm 21 years old and the other founding member of the band. I'm currently in the Nursing Program at Waukesha County Technical College.

As I had mentioned earlier, we are also all members of the UDoM Jugendgruppe. It has been very exciting for us to be able to bring our music to not only our Donauschwaben club, but the entire German community, as we started the band out of a love for music, and a tribute to our heritage which we are all so proud of. We have only been around for just over a year, but our name is already beginning to spread. We have played quite a bit in the Madison area, as well as for our Milwaukee Donauschwaben club at the Senior's 35th Anniversary Party, and the Oktoberfest earlier this year.

So, that's the story of who Die Liebling are, as well as where our name came from. If you have any questions, or would like to contact us, please don't hesitate to call or email. You can contact us through Nicole Fischer at (262) 719-6752 or by email at [dieliebling@yahoo.com](mailto:dieliebling@yahoo.com). You can also find us on Facebook where you can see pictures, and get more information on the band.

Written and Submitted By: Michael Potnek

## Pflaumen Kuchen (Plum Torte) Recipe

1 cup sugar	2 eggs
1/2 cup butter	pinch of salt
1 cup sifted flour	sugar for topping
1 tsp. baking powder	lemon juice
cinnamon for taste	
2 prune plums (washed/halved/pitted)	

Preheat oven to 350° F. Cream butter and sugar. Add flour, baking powder, salt and eggs. Beat well. Spoon batter into 9" spring-form pan. Place plum halves (skin-side up) on top. Sprinkle with lemon juice and cinnamon.

Bake for 1 hr., cool on rack until luke-warm. Remove spring-form and serve warm with whipped cream or ice-cream. These also freeze well. Makes 8 servings.

Recipe Submitted By: Katie Heim



## Thanksgiving History

*Travel back in time and find out what the Pilgrims were really up to at their first Thanksgiving! Answers on bottom of Pg. 4*

1. What year was the first Thanksgiving celebrated?  
A. 1621                      B. 1777                      C. 1849
2. The first Thanksgiving lasted for three days! What didn't the Pilgrims eat?  
A. Clams                      B. Venison                      C. Pumpkin pie.
3. Were Indians invited to the Pilgrim's first feast?  
A. Yes                              B. No
4. The potato is America's most loved veggie. Why didn't the Pilgrims whip up some mashed potatoes for their big dinner?  
A. Many Pilgrims were allergic to spuds.  
B. Potatoes were thought to be poisonous.  
C. Potatoes weren't eaten in the U.S. until the early 1800s.
5. Which U.S. president scoffed at the idea of a national holiday in honor of the first Thanksgiving?  
A. George Washington  
B. Thomas Jefferson  
C. Abraham Lincoln

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## 37th Annual Holiday Bazaar

@ The Schwabenhof (N56 W14750 Silver Spring Rd.)  
Sun., November 7, 11am Mass, 12:30pm Lunch & Sale  
Join the UDoM Frauengruppe as they host their annual bazaar!  
Lunch includes goulash or schnitzel, potatoes/noodles, green beans and carrots, German coleslaw, bread, coffee and your choice of a delicious array of desserts for only \$11/adult and \$5/under 12. Excellent homemade boxed cookies, hand-decorated gingerbread boys and girls, Potica-walnut and poppy seed, unique peach cookies and pfernisse. Raffle, rummage and more!

## Holiday Folk Fair International

@ Wisconsin Expo. Center (8200 W. Greenfield Ave.)  
Fri., November 20 to Sun., November 22  
A world of cultures and customs are united in peaceful solidarity to be felt, listened to and tasted through a variety of honored family recipes, artifacts, ethnic music and spirited folk dances at the 67th anniversary year of Holiday Folk Fair International. This year's theme is *Celebrate the Weavings of Culture*. Tickets can be bought for \$8 in advance from the UDoM or \$10 at the door. Visit [www.folkfair.org](http://www.folkfair.org) for more details.

## World's Greatest Cookie Sale

@ Country Springs Hotel (2810 Golf Rd., Pewaukee)  
Fri., November 27, 12pm-4pm  
Choose from homemade holiday cookies and baked goods in every variety imaginable from more than 30 participating non-profit organizations — including your very own UDoM Jugendgruppe! All proceeds benefit the specific non-profit groups you purchase from. The event also features holiday music performances, a visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus, magic shows, cupcake decorating and face painting.

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