



Edelweiss ~ Passaic News

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Fifth Ave., 68th St. to 86th St, NYC
Sat Sep 16 at Noon



60th Anniversary Oktoberfest

October 21, 2017

Pompton Lakes Elks,
Pompton Lakes, NJ

Folk Dance Open House

Fri. October 27, 2017

Hawthorne American Legion
Hawthorne, NJ

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February 24, 2018

The Fiesta

Wood-Ridge, NJ

Irish ~ Bayerisch Rite

(Irish ~ Bavarian Nite)

April 7, 2018

Pompton Lakes Elks,
Pompton Lakes, NJ

Celebrating Our 60th Anniversary

Edelweiss Passaic is proud to be celebrating our 60th Anniversary this year. We invite you to celebrate with us at our annual Oktoberfest.



October 21, 2017



The Edelweiss Oktoberfest is an annual event featuring authentic live German music, dancing, entertainment, food, and of course beer. The Oktoberfest will be held at the **Pompton Lakes Elks** in Pompton Lakes, NJ. Live music for listening and dancing will be by **Die Spitzbuam**. Highlights include the presentation of the *Münchener Kindl* and *Schuhplattler* performances by Edelweiss Passaic and visiting dance groups.



Doors open at 6:30. Traditional Bavarian Oktoberfest Dinner is served from 6:30 to 7:30. Music starts at 7:30. There is plenty of social and folk dancing for all. Join us and share the *Gemütlichkeit* with family and friends.

Oktoberfest Tickets Now On Sale!

Tickets are \$40 per person. Ages 13 to 20 is \$22, 6 to 12 is \$12, 5 and under is free. Advance tickets are required as we have been sold out in previous years.

Bavarian Buffet, cake and coffee, unlimited German beer, wine and soda included

For tickets call 973-876-5345 or email: edelweissoktoberfest@gmail.com

Tickets can be purchased online through PayPal, debit or credit card.



Strauss Ball

February 24, 2018 at The Fiesta

We invite you join us in our authentic re-creation

of a nineteenth century Viennese Grand Ball. Quietly slip out of the twenty-first century for a few fleeting hours to relive the grandeur and magnificence of a bygone era where Strauss was King. The beauty of the waltz is evident as the couples gracefully glide across the dance floor to music played by our live Viennese orchestra. The evening starts with a cocktail hour, followed by a four-course dinner, 5 hour open bar, strolling musicians and dancing to the Kauriga Orchestra. The music, surroundings and ambiance of the Grand Ball are all here.



Save the Date and Join us!

For information about the Strauss Ball

call 973-962-4682 or email edelweissstraussball@gmail.com



Join Us - Folk Dance Party Open House

Friday, October 27, 2017 8:00 to 10:30 p.m.

Hawthorne American Legion Post 199, Hawthorne, NJ

Do you enjoy Dancing? Would you like to learn Folk Dances?

Join Us for an evening of fun and dancing. Singles, couples, families, children, adults, and seniors. Partners are not needed. Light snacks will be provided. German, Austrian and international folk dances will be taught and danced.

Free Event – No admission- All Ages Welcome!

RSVP to Ellen 201-652-7345 or edelweisspassaic@gmail.com.

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Gaufest Report

Congratulations to Ed & Ellen Mayer They won the Silver Medal, placing second in the Einzelpreisplatteln (individual couple) competition at 26th Gaufest in June. They will represent the Gauverband NordAmerika and compete at the Bayerischer Löwe Einzelpreisplatteln in Germany next



year. There were great dance performances by all participants in the competitions, Gruppenpreisplatteln, Einzelpreisplatteln, and Jugendeinzelpreisplatteln. If you would like to see the competition performance videos, or Kinderfest videos, check out the Edelweiss Passaic channel on YouTube! Subscribe to receive notifications when new videos are uploaded. The channel is located at: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCP2wAGMaN4TyNapCUW31DnA>.

Congratulations to Rob Blume, Schafkopf König

Rob won the Schafkopf tournament at the Gaufest. Schafkopf is a traditional German card game. This is the second time that Rob has won this tournament and is the only person to win it twice.



Children and Youth Activities Mid-Atlantic Kinderfest



Edelweiss Passaic was proud to host the 2017 Mid-Atlantic Kinderfest in June. The purpose of Kinderfest is to foster and promote the heritage and culture of Bavaria and other regions of Germany and Austria to our children.

Almost 400 children and adults from 17 German Dance clubs in the Mid-Atlantic region; New Jersey, New York, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, and Washington, DC, attended this fun filled and culture sharing event. The children from each group performed an exhibition dance. Two folk dances were taught to the participants. Thank you to the sponsors for their contribution to make this a huge cultural and social success.

For information about our Kindergruppe contact Fred at 973-956-1518.

About Edelweiss Passaic

Edelweiss Passaic is a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to the preservation and promotion of the heritage and culture of Bavaria, and other regions of Germany, Austria and other European countries.

We are multi-generational and family oriented with members ranging from 4 to 90. You do not need to dance to become a member. We welcome members of all ages. We have an active Kindergruppe (children's group) and Schuhplattler and Volkstanz group who perform traditional Schuhplattler and folk dances from Bavaria, Germany and Austria. To learn more about us, our events, becoming a member, learning to dance, or information about hiring us for your next event, email us at edelweisspassaic@gmail.com.



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