



# Fort Wayne Sport Club

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## President's Corner

Both a sunny and cool day as well as a large crowd greeted our Spring Clean-Up day. The volunteers included youth team members, adult competitive team members and some of our oldest members. The fields were cleared of debris, the nets hung and fields striped. We also removed the ice damaged trees from along the road and mulched around all of the trees and the Clubhouse. The Women's Auxiliary has plans to come in at a later date to finish spring cleaning on the inside of the Club. Everyone worked hard and did a great job. It was further evidence to the love that our members have for the Fort Wayne Sport Club. I think that we should all be proud of what we accomplished.

I'd like to thank everyone that attended Stiftungsfest, especially Geno Herran. He did a wonderful job as the program's MC. Congratulations to Mike Csomor, Rosemarie Krettler and Marlene Schieferstein who were recognized for 50 years of membership and to Micheal Diamente, Sharon Wild, Willard Godfrey, Joyce Godfrey, Patrick Metzler, Barbara Metzler and Anatoli Harkuszewski were recognized for 25 years of membership. It was a wonderful evening. Dan Kruse



Stiftungsfest, also called founder's day celebration, is an anniversary dinner and program that this year honored 82 years of the Fort Wayne Sport Club. Mike Csomor, Rosemarie Krettler and Marlene Schieferstein earned their 50 year plaques while Micheal Diamente, Sharon Wild, Willard Godfrey, Joyce Godfrey, Patrick Metzler, Barbara Metzler and Anatoli Harkuszewski received their 25 year pins.

## Youth Soccer

The spring season is now underway. Travel team tryouts will be held at the Club on June 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>. More details to follow during the month of May.

There will be a Field Development Fund Raiser on Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. The half-chicken lunch will be catered by Nine Mile Restaurant at a cost of \$6. Sides, including Phil's Curly Fries, and drinks will also be available for purchase. Pre-sale tickets are now available at the Club. Pick-up the pre-sale orders between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the Club on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Enjoy both the best marinated chicken around and several Youth Travel games that feature some of the best teams in the Midwest.

## Ladies Auxiliary

The Germanfest work schedule has been posted for over three weeks. There still are a few spots that need to be filled. Please sign up to work a shift, or two. This is an excellent way to support our Club. Ladies in the kitchen for May are Sigi Gelling and Angie Ehrhardt.

The Ladies Auxiliary would like to thank Geno Herran for the great speech at Stiftungsfest. We appreciate the thought and time that must have gone into the preparation of his words. Congratulations to our 50 Year Members: Rosemarie Krettler and Marlene Schieferstein!

The Ladies are still working on getting estimates for a new door for the Dance Hall. We have also agreed to replace the light bulbs in the Dance Hall with lower wattage, but brighter light bulbs.

A huge THANK YOU goes out to all of the members who came out to the Club on Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup> to help with the Spring Clean-Up Day. The grounds were picked up, flower beds were mulched, trees were pruned and sidewalks were edged. Again, thanks to all of the volunteers. You did a GREAT JOB!

Please try to attend the fund raising dinner for Adam Berger, Jr. on May 16<sup>th</sup>. It should be a fun evening. We have put Bunco to bed for the warmer months, but we will start up again at the October meeting. Betsy Mueller

## Fundraiser for Adam Berger

There will be a fundraiser to celebrate Adam's recovery on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at the Club. Doors will open at 5 p.m. with dinner starting at 6 p.m. Tickets for the night of food and fun are only \$20 and available from Don Miller (260-338-1324) or email at [normdon4@verizon.net](mailto:normdon4@verizon.net).

Dinner will be catered by Nine Mile Restaurant and will include a salad, a half-slab of "the best ribs around," a baked potato, mixed vegetables & a roll. The evening will continue with dancing and much more. Please consider attending in order to help alleviate some of the soaring medical bills and therapy costs as Adam is finalizing his rehabilitation.

## Recreational Soccer

The spring season has begun. As in previous years, The Club has a Co-ed league on Monday nights and a Men's Over-30 league on Wednesday nights. Both leagues run from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. On June 9<sup>th</sup>, the Club will celebrate "Bitburger Night" as part of Germanfest. The Club will sponsor a 6 vs. 6 tournament similar to the Soctoberfest tournament. Start forming teams now! Contact Oliver at [oliver@reelsen.us](mailto:oliver@reelsen.us) or 260-693-1921 with any questions.



This year's Germanfest will be held June 7<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> in downtown Fort Wayne at Headwaters Park. The Fort Wayne Germanfest Inc is a joint venture of: the Fort Wayne Sport Club, the Fort Wayne Turners, the Fort Wayne Männerchor & Damenchor, and the German Heritage Society. Each year, the four clubs join together to produce Germanfest, which promotes and fosters the German culture within the Fort Wayne community as well as serves to subsidize the finances of each club.

The Club will be sponsoring "Bitburger Night" on Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at the Clubhouse. The celebration will feature Bitburger beer tasting, German style cold-cuts & cheeses as well as the fine German music George Berger. A 6 vs.6 tournament will also be organized with both over-30 and over-40 divisions. Efforts are also being put into place to present an appearance by the Bitburger Girls.

A volunteer sign-up board is now posted at the Club. The membership response for the volunteer sign-up has been greatly overwhelming. A sincere "Thank You" to everyone who has committed to help at this year's Germanfest. However, there still remains a critical need for volunteers in the food serving, pop and gate areas. For those members who have not yet signed up, please consider serving in those needed food serving, pop and gate positions. Anyone who wishes to volunteer to serve beer or wine must have a current alcohol permit. Applications for permits are available at the Club and will be paid for by the Germanfest Committee. Permit applications forms (temporary employee permit application; state form 43 (R4/4-06) can also be downloaded from the State Alcohol & Beverage Commission website.

<http://www.in.gov/atc/files/TempEmployeeApplication.pdf>

Applications should be submitted to the Club's Germanfest delegates Adam Berger or Don Miller prior to the May general membership meeting on May 1<sup>st</sup>. The gate entry passes for volunteer workers can also be obtained from Adam Berger or Don Miller.

For those members who cannot assist during the weekday activities, your assistance would be greatly appreciated with the set-up and teardown operations. These functions take only a few hours with enough volunteers to help. Set-up for Germanfest is scheduled at Headwaters Park on June 6<sup>th</sup> starting at 7:00 a.m. while tear-down is scheduled for June 14<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:00 a.m. Remember that many hands make light work.



TOPSoccer (The Outreach Program for Soccer) is a community-based training and team placement program for young athletes with disabilities, organized by youth soccer association volunteers. The program is designed to bring the opportunity of learning and playing soccer to any boy or girls, age 8-19, who has a mental or physical disability. Our goal is to enable the thousands of young athletes with disabilities to

become valued and successful members of the Indiana Youth Soccer & US Youth Soccer families.

TOPSoccer was formed to perpetuate the Indiana Youth Soccer & US Youth Soccer mission statement which is, in part, "to foster the physical, mental and emotional growth and development of America's youth through the sport of soccer at all levels of age and competition." There are thousands of children with disabilities who need, and can be provided with, the opportunity to play soccer through the TOPSoccer program. To learn how to volunteer and help out with the Club's program or to get more information on TOPSoccer, contact Oliver at [oliver@reelsen.us](mailto:oliver@reelsen.us) or 260-693-1921.

### Memorial Trees

The Sport Club has several memorial trees with stone markers on the Club grounds available to any Club member or surviving family member to purchase for dedication. The cost for a tree with stone marker is \$250. Please coordinate requests for purchase with Club Head Trustee, Ken Alderman.

### Trustee Schedule

The following trustees are on duty beginning Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup> - Marshall Springer, May 3<sup>rd</sup> - Kevin Lewis, May 10<sup>th</sup> - John Myers, May 17<sup>th</sup> - Kevin Warren, May 24<sup>th</sup> - Mike Zumbraegel, May 31<sup>st</sup> - Mark Perry, June 7<sup>th</sup> - Sean Toth, June 14<sup>th</sup> - Ken Alderman, June 21<sup>st</sup> - Marshall Springer and June 28<sup>th</sup> - Kevin Lewis.

### Co-ed League Rec Soccer at its Finest



### May Events

Monthly Meeting .....	1 <sup>st</sup> ,	8:00 p.m.
Youth Fund Raiser.....	2 <sup>nd</sup> ,	5:30 p.m.
Co-ed rec 6v6 .....	4 <sup>th</sup> ,	6:30 p.m.
Men's Over-30 rec 6v6 .....	6 <sup>th</sup> ,	6:30 p.m.
Co-ed rec 6v6 .....	11 <sup>th</sup> ,	6:30 p.m.
Men's Over-30 rec 6v6 .....	13 <sup>th</sup> ,	6:30 p.m.
Officers' Meeting.....	13 <sup>th</sup> ,	8:00 p.m.
Adam Berger Fund Raiser .....	16 <sup>th</sup> ,	4:30-7 p.m.
Co-ed rec 6v6 .....	18 <sup>th</sup> ,	6:30 p.m.
Men's Over-30 rec 6v6 .....	20 <sup>th</sup> ,	6:30 p.m.
Co-ed rec 6v6 .....	25 <sup>th</sup> ,	6:30 p.m.
Men's Over-30 rec 6v6 .....	27 <sup>th</sup> ,	6:30 p.m.