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Volksmarch

The Volksmarsch, or "people's walk", has been a popular healthy pastime of Germans for many decades. On Oct. 4th, a 5k & 10k Volksmarsch will begin at 8:00a.m. - 1:00p.m. at the festival grounds of the Schützenpark and walk through the Park's woods to Telegraph Road. Telegraph Rd, you will travel west to the newest of Davenport's city parks, Sunderbruch Park. Once there, you can walk the many nice wooded trails before turning back towards Schützenpark. Once back at Schützenpark, walkers can enjoy the live music, great food and other activities going on that day. Toilets will be available at both parks. Walkers may park in the parking lot of the Good Samaritan Home, 700 Waverly Road. For more information about the Volksmarsch, call Michael Hustedde (563) 323-6501. There is a small participation cost. This event is sanctioned by the Greater Des Moines Volsksport Association and is sponsored by the German American Heritage Center.

Vogelschießen Birdshoot



Hayman's Westside Ace Hardware will once again sponsor our traditional birdshoot, however, this year we will organize one for adults and for youth under the age of 18. The Youth shoot will begin at 12:00 and the adult immediately after the conclusion of the youth shoot. The bird shoot is a tradition that dates back the the middle ages. A large wooden, and very exaggerated model of a bird, almost always an eagle, is placed atop a tall pole. The parts of the bird, head, wings, tail, claws, breast, rump etc., are loosely fit together with dowels. Contestants take turns trying to shot the parts of the bird from its body in a sequence until only the breast portion is left. The person who shoots the most parts from the bird is named the King, or Queen. Contestant shooting-off a piece of the bird will be awarded a special pin, as will the King or Queen. "No live birds are involved" A crossbow with safety enhanced arrows/bolts will be used There is a a small participation cost.

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Quick-Shots

All events and programs at Schuetzen Park are made possible by the generous donations, gifts and grants from b u s i n e s s e s , organizations and individuals. We wish to thank all those who made the 2009 Summer Concert Series such a huge success.

Graf Zeppelin Souvenirs



For those who missed the huge 80th Anniversary Celebration in August, it's not too late to get your own piece of history.

80th Anniversary Ribbon 1 @ \$2.50

The Graf Zeppelin over Davenport Postcards 1 @ \$1.50

6 @ \$5.50

13@ \$10.75

Send your request to the return address on this newsletter. Prices include shipping within the U.S.

German American Festival

Sunday October 4

10:00 a.m.

German Language Church Service

Music by Serenata String Trio

ASHHS Choir

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Live Music, Food, Volksmarch, Birdshoot German Folk Dancers

Freddie Steenbock Duo

German / American / Accordion Music

(Music sponsored by St. Mark Lutheran Church)

Just For Fun

Old Time String

Trachtentänzer des Kreises Nordfriesland

Dance group from Hallig, Hooge, Langenhorn & Viöl - Germany

Homemade German Meals

Admission to the Park is always free. Lawn Chairs & picnic blankets welcome.

Info: 563-322-5489

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