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**Redwood City presents
Oktoberfest Downtown Redwood City
Bier! Brezeln! Bratwurst!**

Redwood City, CA – For the sixth year, Redwood City celebrates **Oktoberfest Downtown Redwood City**, with a fabulous traditional German Oktoberfest setting featuring over 1,100 feet of "family style" bench seating; lots of fun and merriment; music; dancing; contests; cold beer and other beverages; food and more! This event takes place a week later than previously and features Happy Hour Seatings on Wednesday, September 25th and on Thursday, September 26th, plus five Festival Seatings through Sunday, Sept. 29th, when a huge decked-out Oktoberfest tent will transform Courthouse Square this fall, for revelers of all ages to enjoy.

Ticket prices range from \$15 Adv/\$24 Door for adults and \$10 Adv/\$18 Door for Kids & Designated Drivers, depending on the seating. This includes a commemorative stein and a drink ticket (beer or soda depending on ticket type), along with great German-style entertainment featuring Alpiners^{USA} and Bayerischer Heimat und Trachtenverein as dance performers and game hosts. For the Happy Hour seatings, Deutscher Musikverein perform on 9/25, and The Internationals on 9/26, bringing all your German dance favorites.

Downtown Redwood City's Oktoberfest extravaganza offers authentically delicious German food, featuring pretzels and brats, along with enticingly cold beer. Dancing, singing and tons of audience participation will include dance contests, stein holding, yodeling contest, skits with

Oktoberfest
DOWNTOWN REDWOOD CITY

SEPTEMBER

25 th 5-9 ^{pm} HAPPY HOUR	26 th 5-9 ^{pm} HAPPY HOUR	27 th 5-10 ^{pm} FESTIVAL	28 th 12-4 ^{pm} 5-9 ^{pm} FESTIVAL	29 th 11-3 ^{pm} 4-8 ^{pm} FESTIVAL
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hand gestures to select songs, etc., not to mention many variations of the "international" chicken dance.

Advanced online ticket purchase begins August 5th, and is recommended, as this event may sell-out prior to door sales. No refunds or exchanges. Food and extra drink tickets are sold separately.

Oktoberfest Downtown Redwood City features:

- **Live Music with Deutscher Musikverein (9/25 only)**
- **Live Music with The Internationals (9/26 only)**
- **Live Music with Alpiners^{USA} - 5 piece Band (9/27-9/29)**
- **Dancing with the Bayerischer Heimat und Trachtenverein (9/27-9/29)**
- **Brimming Steins of Delicious Brews on Tap**
- **Traditional German Oktoberfest Décor**
- **Tasty German Delights featuring pretzels & brats**
- **Fun, Games, and Singing/Dancing Competitions**

More info about Oktoberfest at: <http://www.redwoodcity.org/oktoberfest>

Check out our Oktoberfest Promo Video at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IEZh7YgGOLY>

**While children are welcome to join us at Oktoberfest and enjoy the music, dancing, and food, there will be no dedicated children's area or activities at this event.*

About Alpiners^{USA}

Alpiners^{USA} - the SF Bay Area's Premiere Oktoberfest Band - is a show and dance band that invigorates audiences wherever it performs in public and televised events all around the country, including major festivals in Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah, Oregon, CA and Washington. The band was founded by accordionist Joe Domitrowich and began performing in the Bay Area over 20 years ago. With authentic yodeling by vocalist and native Bavarian, Margot Turrell, Alpiners^{USA} performs on par with the best local groups you



would encounter in and around the home of Oktoberfest, Munich, Germany, or towns and local folk festivals throughout Austria. Playing everything from Oktoberfest standards like Beer Barrel Polka, to Van Morrison's Brown-Eyed Girl or big band In the Mood like you've never heard it played, or one of their originals like Oktoberfest Blues, Alpiners^{USA} offers something for everyone in the audience. <http://www.alpinersusa.com/new/?q=node/9>

About Bayerischer Heimat und Trachtenverein

The Bayerischer Heimat und Trachtenverein "Golden Gate" was founded in August 2005 to focus on preserving and promoting Bavarian culture in the San Francisco Bay Area. The club was to focus on broad aspects of the culture, including dancing Austrian folk dances and the Schuhplattler, and singing traditional folk songs.

B.H.T.V. "Golden Gate" wears Tracht from the Miesbach region of Bavaria, which is made in Germany, by skilled specialized tailors. While the clothing items themselves are correct and authentic for this region, we have selected the colors blue and gold to represent our ties to California. The band continues to preserve and promote Bavarian culture in the San Francisco Bay Area through handcrafts, cooking, singing, dancing, supporting our favorite München fußball teams, wearing our tracht, and enjoying each other's company in Gemütlichkeit.

<http://www.bhtvgoldengate.org>



About Deutscher Musikverein

Since 1938, the Deutscher Musikverein has entertained audiences around the San Francisco Bay Area with traditional German marches, polkas, European folk and concert pieces in addition to favorites of jazz, pop and Broadway. Founded by a group of German-Americans as a hobby community band, the band today includes amateur and professional musicians of many nationalities and vintages and continues to contribute to the cultural activities of the San Francisco Bay Area. <http://sfgermanband.org>

About The Internationals

The Internationals is a dance band with the ability to play virtually any style or genre of music. Naturally, they play all the European dance favorites -- polkas, waltzes, schottisches, etc. -- but also mix in traditional favorites from a variety of European countries. In addition, they play a smattering of American jazz, blues, country and even rock-n-roll classics. It's not uncommon to hear a polka followed by a country western classic!

The Internationals truly play "Dance Music from "Everywhere"! <http://theinternationals.com>

Press/Ticket Information

Oktoberfest Downtown Redwood City

Happy Hour Seatings: Wednesday 9/25 & Thursday 9/26, 5-9pm

Festival Seatings

Friday 9/27 5-10pm

Saturday 9/28 12-4pm, and 5-9pm

Sunday 9/29 11-3pm, and 4-8pm

Courthouse Square, 2200 Broadway, Redwood City, CA

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Includes commemorative stein & 1 drink ticket (beer or soda depending on ticket type)

<https://squareup.com/store/RWCevents>

More info at: <http://www.redwoodcity.org/oktoberfest>

Blurb/PSA

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About Downtown Redwood City

Bringing the best of cultural and local entertainment, downtown Redwood City, with its lively and active music, theater, dining, and shopping scene, is truly the heart of the community and has become the place to bring friends and family to the San Francisco Peninsula. Plus, Redwood City's Caltrain station is just a short walk from Downtown and the festival. Be a part of the community with Redwood City's Oktoberfest and celebrate the culture and heart of the SF Peninsula.

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