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# Redwood City presents Oktoberfest Downtown Redwood City

Bier! Brezeln! Bratwurst!

Redwood City, CA – Redwood City's premier fall event, **Oktoberfest Downtown Redwood City** features a fabulous traditional German Oktoberfest setting - complete with 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. The event runs from Wednesday, September 21 through Sunday, September 25, when the huge decked-out Oktoberfest tent transforms Courthouse Square, for revelers of all ages to enjoy!

Ticket prices range from \$10 - \$17 for all ages, and \$16 - \$27 for people 21+. This includes a commemorative stein and a drink ticket (beer or soda depending on ticket type). This year brings special VIP, 6-person table seatings, offered at \$255.

Exciting German-style entertainment starts on Wednesday September 21 with authentic dance music by Deutscher Musikverein and Nature Friends Schuhplattler, followed by Alpine Sound Band and Nature Friends



Schuhplattler on Thursday September 22. Featured on September 23 through September 26 will be The Internationals Band, and Golden Gate Bavarian Club as dance performers and game hosts.

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 hand gestures to select songs, etc., not to mention many variations of the "international" chicken dance.

Advanced online ticket purchase 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 and Nature Friends Schuhplattler (Sept. 21)
- Live Music with Alpine Sound Band and Nature Friends Schuhplattler (Sept. 22)
- Live Music and Dancing with The Internationals Band & Golden Gate Bavarian Club (Sept. 23, 24, & 25)
- 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

\*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 The Internationals Band**

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, schottiches, 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"! <a href="https://theinternationals.com">https://theinternationals.com</a>

## **About Golden Gate Bavarian Club**

The Bayerischer Heimat und Trachtenverein "Golden Gate" was founded in August 2005 to focus on preserving and promoting Bayarian 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.

The performers from Golden Gate Bavarian Club 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.

https://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. https://www.sfgermanband.org

## **About Alpine Sound Band**

Alpine Sound Band is a group from Silicon Valley who performs Austrian and German music from Tyrol and Bavaria, ideal for Oktoberfest and German-themed events. https://alpinesound.net

# **About Nature Friends Schuhplattler**

The Nature Friends Schuhplattler dance group started in 1952. The original members of the dance group emigrated from Europe and brought over native dances from Austria and Germany. Members of the Nature Friends organization, who come from both branches in San Francisco and Oakland, have always made up the group's main source of dancers over the years. The San Francisco branch manages a clubhouse in Muir Woods on Mount Tamalpais. The Oakland branch manages a clubhouse in the Oakland hills, near the site that would become the Mormon Temple and Joaquin Miller Park.

https://www.facebook.com/nfschuh

#### **Press/Ticket Information**

Oktoberfest Downtown Redwood City Wednesday 9/21 & Thursday 9/22, 5-9pm Friday 9/23 5-10pm Saturday 9/24 12-4pm, and 5-9pm Sunday 9/25 11-3pm, and 4-8pm Courthouse Square, 2200 Broadway, Redwood City, CA

Ticket prices range from \$10 - \$17 for all ages, and \$16 - \$27 for people 21+, depending on the date and time.

Includes commemorative stein & 1 drink ticket (beer or soda depending on ticket type) https://squareup.com/store/RWCevents

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## 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.

For more information, please email bcouncil@redwoodcity.org or go to <a href="http://www.redwoodcity.org/oktoberfest">http://www.redwoodcity.org/oktoberfest</a>. Visit Redwood City's award-winning website at www.redwoodcity.org for information about the City and its services, the community, recreation programs, education, City government, and local business. Subscribe to Redwood City's event newsletter by emailing <a href="mailto:recnews@redwoodcity.org">recnews@redwoodcity.org</a>.

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