

"We Create Community Through People, Parks, and Programs"



Redwood City Parks, Recreation & Community Services Department
1120 Roosevelt Avenue
Redwood City, CA 94061-1499

For Immediate Release
August 21, 2023

Contact: Brandon Council
Redwood City Parks, Recreation and Community Services
650-780-5967

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

Redwood City, CA – Dive into the heart of the season with Redwood City’s most anticipated fall event– Oktoberfest Downtown Redwood City! Immerse yourself in the exciting atmosphere of a classic Oktoberfest, where the spirit of traditional German revelry comes alive. Picture this: an Oktoberfest wonderland, adorned with over 2,000 feet of inviting "family style" bench seating, creating the perfect setting for camaraderie and connection. And that's just the beginning! Get your steins ready for a clinking good time with contests, music, and dancing that will have you cheering for more. It's all happening from Wednesday, September 20 to Sunday, September 24, as Courthouse Square transforms into a dazzling, decked-out tent of celebration. Prost to a sensational September of German fun, not to be forgotten!

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). Also available are special VIP, 6-person table-seatings, offered at \$255.

Oktoberfest
DOWNTOWN REDWOOD CITY

SEPTEMBER				
20 th 5-9 ^{pm} HAPPY HOUR	21 st 5-9 ^{pm} HAPPY HOUR	22 nd 5-10 ^{pm} FESTIVAL	23 rd 12-4 ^{pm} 5-9 ^{pm} FESTIVAL	24 th 11-3 ^{pm} 4-8 ^{pm} FESTIVAL

FOOD
MUSIC
GAMES
DANCERS

PURCHASE TICKETS AT:
REDWOODCITYEVENTS.COM

FOLLOW US
[Twitter] [Instagram] [Facebook]

Logos at the bottom: Redwood City Parks & Arts Foundation, SPATZEN, [Pretzel logo], German Oktoberfest, Chan Zuckerberg Initiative, Redwood City Events.

Fun German-style entertainment starts on Wednesday September 20 with authentic dance music by Deutscher Musikverein and Nature Friends Schuhplattler, followed by Alpine Sound and Nature Friends Schuhplattler on Thursday September 21. Friday September 22 through Sunday

September 24 features The Internationals Band, and Bayerischer Heimat und Trachtenverein (formerly 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. 20)**
- **Live Music with Alpine Sound, and Nature Friends Schuhplattler (Sept. 21)**
- **Live Music and Dancing with The Internationals Band & Golden Gate Bavarian Club (Sept. 22, 23, & 24)**
- **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"!

<https://theinternationals.com>

About Bayerischer Heimat und Trachtenverein

B.H.T.V. Golden Gate (aka Golden Gate Bavarians) was founded in August 2005 to focus on preserving and promoting Bavarian culture in the San Francisco Bay Area. The club focuses on broad aspects of the culture, including dancing Austrian folk dances and the Schuhplattler, and singing traditional folk songs.

The performers from Bayerischer Heimat und Trachtenverein wear Tracht from the Miesbach region of Bavaria, which are made in Germany by skilled specialized tailors. While the clothing

items themselves are correct and authentic for this region, they have selected the colors blue and gold to represent their ties to California. The band preserves and promotes Bavarian culture in the San Francisco Bay Area through handcrafts, cooking, singing, dancing, supporting their favorite München fuball teams, wearing their tracht, and enjoying each other's company in Gemtlichkeit.

<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 9/20 & Thursday 9/21, 5-9pm

Friday 9/22 5-10pm

Saturday 9/23 12-4pm, and 5-9pm

Sunday 9/24 11-3pm, and 4-8pm

Courthouse Square, 2200 Broadway, Redwood City, CA

Ticket prices range from \$10 - \$17 all ages & \$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://aftontickets.com/event/group/e8qj4klxmn/oktoberfest-downtown-redwood-city>

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

Blurb/PSA

Dive into the heart of the season with Redwood City's most anticipated fall event— Oktoberfest Downtown Redwood City! Immerse yourself in the exciting atmosphere of a classic Oktoberfest, where the spirit of traditional German revelry comes alive. Picture this: an Oktoberfest wonderland, adorned with over 2,000 feet of inviting "family style" bench seating, creating the perfect setting for camaraderie and connection. And that's just the beginning! Get your steins ready for a clinking good time with contests, music, and dancing that will have you cheering for more. It's all happening from Wednesday, September 20 to Sunday, September 24, as Courthouse Square transforms into a dazzling, decked-out tent of celebration!

Learn more at: redwoodcity.org/oktoberfest

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 <http://www.redwoodcity.org/oktoberfest>. 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 recnews@redwoodcity.org.

Our Sponsors

Oktoberfest is presented and brought to you by: Redwood City Parks, Recreation and Community Services and is proud to be supported by the following sponsors:

Spaten Beer

Chan Zuckerberg Initiative

(end)