

The City of Hagerstown September & October EVENTS

Historic City Farmers' Market

Each Saturday, 5 a.m. to Noon 25 West Church Street

September 6 — Grandparent's Day at City Farmers' Market

Enter to win a basketful of goodies. Winner announced at 11 a.m. Call 301.739.8577 ext. 183 for more information.

October 25 — Pumpkin Art Appreciation Day

First 150 children to Market, beginning at 8 a.m. will receive a free pumpkin. Other various seasonal activities to occur on site. Pumpkins can be decorated in Market Alley. Trick-or-Treating from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Call 301,739,8577 ext. 183 for more information.

Market Faire on the Square

September 11, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Public Square. Vendors selling produce, foods, gifts and crafts outdoors.

Zumba Fitness Party

September 12, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Benefitting the Community Free Clinic of Washington County. For more information visit www.hagerstownmd.org

Fall Fest at City Park

September 20, City Park

Join in the unveiling of the new City Park sculpture "Fishing Lesson," the 275th Commemoration of the Jonathan Hager House and the 75th Anniversary of the Cumberland Valley Art Association. Entertainment and children's activities throughout the park. Activities begin 11 a.m. Call 301-739-8577 ext. 116.

Thunder In The Square

September 26, Registration at 5 p.m.

Hagerstown's City Center. Antique Car Show and more. Benefits the Alsatia Club. Call 301,739,2044 for more information.

Events and times subject to change. For general event inquiries, please call 301.739.8577 ext. 116 or 183

Community Yard Sale

October 11, 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Search over 70 stalls for your next treasure at the stables in Fairgrounds Park! Call 301.739.8577, ext. 190 for more information.

Harvest Hoedown

October 11, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Fairgrounds Park, Cannon Avenue. Fun for the whole family with music, entertainment, fall activities and vendors! Call 301.739.8577, ext. 116.

City Center Ghost Tours

October 24, beginning at 7 p.m.

Hagerstown's City Center. Take a walking tour or a hayride through historic Hagerstown's City Center and learn about the hauntings along the way! Reservations are required. Call 301.739.8577, ext. 183.

Spooky Sprint

October 25, Registration at 5 p.m.

The 2 mile race begins at Fairgrounds Park. To register, call 240.313.2805 or e-mail jdick@washco-md.net. Sponsored by the Washington County Recreation Department, the City of Hagerstown, the Hagerstown Firefighters "Coats for Kids Project" and the Alsatia Club.

Alsatia Mummers Parade

October 25, 6 p.m.

Hagerstown's City Center. This fall tradition in Hagerstown's City Center features bands, floats and costumed mummers. For more information call 301,739,2044.

Utility Relief Concert

October 29, 7 p.m.

Enjoy the music of local student and youth talent for an evening benefitting the local community in need. For more information, call 301,739,8577 ext, 116

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Greetings... from the Mayor

We are pleased to welcome you to our 19th Annual Augustoberfest. This special event is designed to celebrate Hagerstown's German heritage and the affiliation with our Sister City, Wesel, Germany. We are so excited that you have joined us and will be participating in this jam-packed event with activities found at traditional Oktoberfest celebrations in Bavaria!



To begin the healing process after the effects of World War II, Hagerstown and Wesel extended their hands in friendship and created a bond that has continued to flourish over the last 62 years. Hagerstown is proud of this union and thus it is appropriate that this event, which involves many German customs, is being held to celebrate our German heritage. This year I visited Wesel, Germany to continue the Sister City partnership. We plan to continue this friendship for many years to come.



During the event, you will be able to enjoy traditional Bavarian and American food and entertainment all weekend long! Join in the festivities and explore German culture and folklore through authentic music, dance and songs. Featured performers this year include die Schlauberger, Heidi und Hiemat Echo Band, and Alt Washingtonia Schuhplattler Verein. This event, organized by the non-profit organization the Augustoberfest Charitable Foundation, will result in a memorable and entertaining event for all who attend. By having this fun-filled event, the Augustoberfest Charitable Foundation has been able to make donations to our student exchange program to continue our Sister City relationship in the future. The event will also house a special children's area with a Punch and Judy Show, magic show, storytelling, face

painting, crafts and much more. A vendor area is also featured at this event in which you can purchase German crafts, candles, jewelry and so much more. On Sunday, a German Car Show by members of PCA Potomac's Porsche Club will be held.

We hope that during your visit you will have the opportunity to enjoy many of the additional features of our city including our City Park. City Park is rated one of the most beautiful natural parks on the East Coast. While at City Park, we recommend you visit the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts, Mansion House and the Railroad Museum at City Park as well as the Hager House, which was home of Hagerstown founder Jonathan Hager. Jonathan Hager was a young German immigrant who traveled to the wilderness of Western Maryland in search of adventure and possible fortune. In 1739, he established his home and in 1762 he founded Hagerstown. Please also visit our wonderful City Center shops and restaurants. These businesses boast unique retail and restaurant experiences, as well as top-notch customer service.

We hope that you enjoy your time in Hagerstown and at the Augustoberfest Event!

Sincerely. David Gysberts, Mayor

CITY OF HAGERSTOWN AND WESEL, GERMANY

Friendship & Understanding

In 2014, the Sister City Affiliation between Hagerstown and Wesel, Germany,

Celebrates Its 62nd Anniversary.

Augustoberfest is more than a celebration of Hagerstown's German heritage. The annual event applauds the remarkable relationship between Hagerstown and Wesel, Germany – a friendship that sprang from the ashes of war. Despite suffering 98% destruction from U.S. bombings during World War II in 1945, "hospitable Wesel" extended the olive branch to its former enemy a few years later.

In 1951, Dr. Karl Heinz Reuber contacted Operation Democracy in New York to seek assistance in finding an American town that was suitable and willing to initiate a friendly relationship with Wesel. Dr. von Bonninghausen, county manager of Rees County, also established personal connections in Hagerstown during a tour of the United States. Hagerstown Mayor Herman L. Mills soon accepted the official offer of Dr. Ewald Fournell, Mayor of Wesel, to establish a Sister City Affiliation. The two cities joined hands by official proclamation on September 22, 1952. The Hagerstown-Wesel Sister City relationship predates the official Sister City International Program, which President Dwight D. Eisenhower first proposed in 1956.

This unique friendship has continued to blossom over the years, and has inspired some significant milestones and fascinating facts:

- On July 27, 1962, Hagerstown and Wesel made the world's first intercontinental phone call, using the Telstar telecommunications satellite.
- ► Hagerstown founder Jonathan Hager may have been born near Wesel in Siegen, Westphalia region.
- ► Hagerstown Mayor Winslow Burhans, the first local mayor to visit Wesel, was a descendant of Jan Burhans, whose grandparents were residents of Wesel more than three centuries ago.



Since 1952, five Hagerstown mayors have visited Wesel in a continuing effort to strengthen the bond between the two cities. The towns have sponsored mutual student exchange programs and hosted activities such as "key to the city" exhibitions to encourage an appreciation of each city's culture and people. In an interesting twist, Mayor Winslow Burhans' daughter, Sally, took the friendship to another level, marrying Wesel resident Karl Heinz Buschmann!

As you make merry at the 19th annual Augustoberfest, remember the spirit of friendship and understanding that gives the event its true meaning — a spirit of cooperation that Hagerstown and Wesel officials realized was necessary to build a bridge to peace.



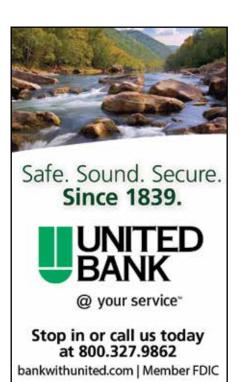


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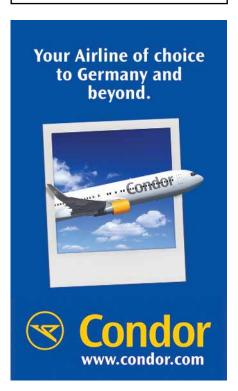
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General Schedule

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, 2014

8 a.m. to Noon

AUGUSTOBERFEST FIT WALK

HEAL of Washington County will sponsor a non-competitive walk open to all. This is a 10Km walk with a shorter 5Km trail for those who desire a shorter distance. Participants will walk on streets and roadsides of Hagerstown and view beautiful downtown and City Park. Start at the HEAL of Washington County table in the Augustoberfest tent on Saturday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 12 noon to

10:30 a.m.

Hospitality Tent Opens

be finished by 3 p.m.

Central Parking Lot

11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Roll Out The Barrels — The Party Begins!

Entertainment this year will be provided by Die Schlauberger (6 p.m. to 10 p.m.), Heidi and Heimat Echo Band with alphorns, and Alt Washingtonia Schuhplattler Verein.

2 p.m.

Official Keg Tapping

Noon to 6 p.m.

Kinderwunderland

Schedule of events for both days on pages 10 and 11.

Artisan vendors are open throughout the weekend.

For more information, see page 28.

Don't forget to visit our dessert and artisan vendors!





SUNDAY, AUGUST 24, 2014

11 a.m.

Hospitality Tent Opens

10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Central Parking Lot **German Car Show**

Back by popular demand, members of PCA Potomac's Porsche Club will be displaying their cool cars in the parking lot area at the festival's entrance for a low-key "People's Choice" car show. The BMW and Mercedes Benz clubs have also been invited. So don't miss this opportunity to see some of Stuttgart's and Munich's best automobiles.

11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Roll Out The Barrels — The Party Begins!

Entertainment this year will be provided by Die Schlauberger (2 p.m. to 5 p.m.), Heidi and Heimat Echo Band with alphorns, and Alt Washingtonia Schuhplattler Verein.

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

FRÜHSCHOPPEN — German Brunch

Enjoy the best Bayarian food and drink at this exclusive German Brunch. Frühschoppen tickets sold separately. Limited availability. For prices and to reserve your tickets, call: 301.739.8577, ext. 116

11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Kinderwunderland

Schedule of events for both days on pages 10 and 11.



Traditional Bavarian music, dance and merrymaking

Kinderwunderland Schedule

Children's Tent at Augustoberfest supported by Washington County Arts Council and sponsored by Citi.

Schedule of Activities Subject to Change.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, 2014

Noon to 6 p.m.

Craft time for children. Color, create crowns and princess hats, try German paper cutting and much more. Giveaways by Sweet Frogs. Face painting by the Barbara Ingram School for the Arts Parent's Guild.

12:30 p.m. to 12:50 p.m.

Stories Spun by Cindy, "European Stories Alive" focusing on folk tales of Germany and Bavaria

1 p.m. to 1:20 p.m.

Horn's Punch and Judy Show*

1:35 p.m. to 1:55 p.m.

Horn's Magic Show

2:30 p.m. to 2:50 p.m.

Horn's Punch and Judy Show*

3 p.m. to 3:20 p.m.

Stories Spun by Cindy, "European Stories Alive" focusing on folk tales of Germany and Bavaria

3:30 p.m. to 3:50 p.m.

Horn's Magic Show

4:30 p.m. to 4:50 p.m.

Horn's Punch and Judy Show*





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Horn's Punch and Judy Show*

Horn's Punch and Judy Show is the oldest Punch show in America. Don't miss it!

*Horn's Punch & Judy Show is the oldest Punch show in America. This show was started in Baltimore in 1897 by a man named Edward Ross. All of the Punch performances begin and end with merry tunes from Professor Horn's hand-cranked, organ-grinder's music box. Including the music, the total length of the show is 20 minutes.

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THE CITY OF HAGERSTOWN — A NARRATIVE

The Setting

Hagerstown is located in Washington County, Maryland, a county that contains 454.97 square miles. Its northern boundary is Pennsylvania and is more commonly known as the Mason-Dixon Line. The Potomac River is on the southern border with the states of West Virginia



and Virginia on the other side of the river. Since it is a valley, mountains to the east and the west separate Washington County from its neighboring Maryland counties.

Although Hagerstown has been the county seat of Washington County since 1776, historically the city is relatively young when compared with the ages of Old World cities. Our Sister City residents surely smile about our "infancy" as we trace our roots.

German Heritage — Our Characters

The beginning of the general German migration into present day Washington County began as early as 1732, when Joist Hite crossed through Maryland into Virginia. Hite made this journey after seeing a map that Franz Ludwig Michel von Schwertswendi, a Swiss explorer, had made after his survey of the Potomac region and the Shenandoah Valley in 1707.

In the wake of increased migration, the Calvert family, anxious to develop their own vast landholdings within Maryland, issued deeds to German settlers. Meanwhile, two ministers representing the Lutheran and Reformed churches arrived to provide leadership for their fledgling parishioners. Churches were built for English, German and Irish settlers.

City Founder — Jonathan Hager

Although land records indicate the existence of wagon roads in the vicinity prior to 1731, no settlements were permanently established in Western Maryland before the arrival of city founder Captain Jonathan Hager in 1739. Hager's "town," then known as Elizabethtowne, was not formally incorporated until 1762.

Today visitors can tour the original Hager House, built in 1739 as a frontier fort. Completely decorated with authentic furnishings of the time period, this home offers visitors an opportunity to take a walk through the past. The Hager House is located in City Park.

The City continues to honor its rich past and embrace positive growth and development for the future.

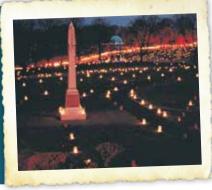


Historical Battles... Our Part

French and Indian War (1756-1763) and Revolutionary War (1776-1783)

During the French and Indian War, the Indians, as allies of the French, attacked valley inhabitants. England's ultimate triumph over the French opened the gates to westward expansion.

The Illumination at Antietam Battlefield



The Revolutionary War won the loosely knit American colonies their independence from England. Although no actual Revolutionary War battles took place on Maryland soil, many Washington County soldiers (veterans of the French and Indian War) fought again under the command of young George Washington. These brave men were part of the famous Maryland Line.

Crossroads of the Civil War

Located in the center of the Great Valley in Western Central Maryland, Hagerstown was literally at the "Crossroads of the War." The valley provided a natural corridor for refugee and troop movements between Virginia and Pennsylvania. Hagerstown, as a regional crossroads town north of the Potomac River, was a favorite staging area for military leaders traversing the region.

The Battle of Antietam (in Sharpsburg, Washington County) — tagged the bloodiest day of the Civil War — heralded the Union's ultimate victory over General Lee and his Confederate forces. More men were killed or wounded at Antietam than on any other single day of the Civil War. Shortly after the South's devastating loss, President Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation freeing all slaves in the rebellious states.

Hagerstown Today

The City of Hagerstown offers its residents the ultimate partnership — a great workstyle and a great lifestyle. Citizens enjoy safe and clean neighborhoods, top-rated schools, a multitude of recreational and cultural amenities, advantageous shopping, as well as excellent work environments and career opportunities. The city continues to honor its rich past and embrace positive growth and development for the future.

Hagerstown's Public Square





Bavarian Restaurant and Biergarten extends its best wishes and success to our City's



celebrating our Sister City Affiliation with Wesel, Germany since 1952

The Schmankerl Stube is proud of our partnership and being part of the efforts to:

- ◆ Strengthen our Cultural Relations with Wesel
 - ◆ Promote the Student Exchange Program
- ◆ Support our Hagerstown-Washington County Arts Council
 - ◆ Support the Maryland Symphony Orchestra

We welcome everyone to the Fest! "Herzlichst Willkommen"

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Visors	\$12.00
Beer Stein Hats	\$18.00
Alpine Hat (Adult)(with lapel pin included)	\$20.00

28 oz. Augustoberfest Stein	\$20.00
Lapel Pins	\$8.00
Flexible Frisbees	\$5.00
Water Bottles	\$3.00
Folding Umbrellas	\$15.00
Reusable Shopping Bag	\$12.00
Cinch Saks	\$10.00
Holiday Ornaments	\$10.00
Teddy Bears	\$15.00
Inflatable Soccer Ball	\$5.00

Tax included in price.

Augustoberfest Menu

TRADITIONAL BAVARIAN FOOD AND BEVERAGE

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Bavarian Pork Roast Dinner w/Spätzle and Red Cabbage	\$9.00
Oktoberfest Bratwurst with or without Sauerkraut	\$5.00
Frankfurter with or without Sauerkraut	\$3.00
French Fries	\$3.00
Pretzel	\$2.00
Bavarian Potato Salad	\$2.00
Homemade Sauerkraut (side dish)	\$2.00
Red Cabbage	
Spätzle Noodles	

LIMITED TIME SPECIALS (while supplies last):

Bavarian "Pork Wings" & Fries Basket (Homemade Spicy Curry Sauce on side)	\$8.00
Currywurst Over Fries Basket	\$7.00

BEVERAGES

Beer/Bier

Souvenirs:

1 Liter Glass Mug (empty)	\$20.00
28 oz. Augustoberfest Stein (empty)	\$20.00

Hofbräu Original, Hofbräu Oktoberfest and Hofbräu Hefe Weizen:

Cup (16 oz.)	\$6.00
Pitcher (\$5 deposit required)	\$17.00
1 Liter Mug fill/refill	\$12.00
Souvenir Stein fill/refill	\$9.00

Coors Light:

Cup (16 oz.)	\$5.00
Pitcher (\$5 deposit required)	
1 Liter Mug fill/refill	
Souvenir Stein fill/refill	\$8.00

Non-Alcoholic Beer:

Cup (12 0Z.)	Cup (12 oz.)	\$3.5	0
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Water and Soft Drinks/

Wasser and Alkoholfreie Getränke

Sodas and Lipton Tea\$	2.50
Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Mt. Dew, Sierra Mist,	
Green Tea, Diet Green Tea	

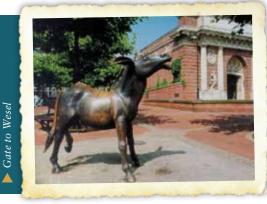
Bottled Water \$2.50

Wine/Wein

Chardonnay (8 oz.)	\$6.00
Cabernet Sauvignon (8 oz.)	\$6.00
Riesling (8 oz.)	\$6.00

Don't forget to join us for next year's Augustoberfest, August 22 & 23, 2015

Wesel, Germany — A Narrative



The Setting

Wesel is located in County Rees, which is situated in the northern part of North Rhine in Westphalia, Germany. The county contains 327.5 square miles and is bounded on the west by about 30 miles of the Rhine, on the south by the Lippe River and on

the east by Westphalia. The Netherlands form the frontier for about 25 miles on the north and northwest.

Early development of Wesel can be traced back to ancient times. Settlements gradually replaced the area's swamps and forests after the arrival of Roman forces.

Early Characters

Roman General Drusus first settled in Wesel from 12 to 9 B.C. He recognized the strategic importance of the area and built bridges across the Rhine and Lippe Rivers. During this time period (11 B.C.), the Franks were at the height of their power and needed royal manors to house the king as he traveled and inspected his kingdom. One was built in this area and thus began the city of Wesel.

Since Wesel possessed a favorable geographic location, lying at the junction of the Rhine and Lippe Rivers and possessing highways leading to the north, south and east, it enjoyed not only economic development but also a cultural importance in the Middle Ages. Thus, in 1241 Metrich VII, Count of Cleve, granted township rights to Wesel.

Historical Chronicle of Events... The Middle Ages

Wesel's economy flourished, and it joined the Hanseatic League in 1407. This was an organization of more than 70 trading cities formed to promote mutual trade and to protect their commercial privileges. The

association even possessed a small, armed force to help enforce its policies. Because Wesel had achieved a high economic status, it soon obtained an influential position within the League. As a result of Wesel's favorable geographic location, the city became the main Hanseatic city between Cologne and Amsterdam.

During the Middle Ages, other areas important to the growth of a city also thrived in Wesel. The sciences and arts were well represented. In fact, scholars of high caliber taught their disciplines at the university located adjacent to the Willibrordi-Dom Cathedral, the largest Protestant church of the Rhineland. In addition to the university, a Society of Friars, also referred to as Brethren of the Common Life, educated the youth of the town. These clergymen and laymen devoted themselves to the fostering and expansion of a new and intensified religiousness in the study of the Holy Scriptures. Important sculptors and painters also resided in Wesel, and their works are evidenced in many Lower Rheinisch and Westphalian churches today.

World War II... The Impact

Although Wesel remained unscathed in the first stages of World War II, in February 1945 the city's fate changed in just three short days. Allied armies under General Dwight D. Eisenhower launched the biggest airborne operation of the war. Forces crossed the Rhine near Wesel, a decisive strategic point, to push eastward into the Westphalian and northern German regions. As a result of this maneuver, 98% of Wesel was destroyed. However, two historic treasures survived the ravages of war: Willibrordi-Dom, a magnificent cathedral and one of the great Gothic structures on the Lower Rhine, and the Berliner Tor, the main gate to the citadel that is representative of the Prussian Baroque and Fortification Period.

The people of Wesel eventually overcame their shock of this horrific destruction and began reconstruction work. In addition to removing mountains of rubble, they rearranged building sites in the town center. Private citizens even yielded their land rights for the good of the town. This

new distribution of lots provided for a better dispersal of buildings, wider streets and more open spaces.

Wesel has achieved great strides since its destruction. The population has risen to the size of pre-war days. The harbor, the city's mainspring, ranks third among all harbors of the Lower Rhine and is only exceeded by Cologne and Düsseldorf. Near and around the harbor lies a large industrial area that continues to attract new businesses. Today, Wesel is an important center of trade for a considerable number of areas on the Lower Rhine.

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the Lower Rhine.



Wesel Walkway

Sailing on The Rhine



Hospitable Wesel... The Arts

The development of cultural activities has kept pace with the reconstruction of the economy and the revival of public life. Schools and churches have been rebuilt. The city's "cultural ring" organizes cultural activities for Wesel. This association of all of the private cultural organizations promotes individuality both for the religious and theatrical interests of the town. Live theater, chamber music, choral groups and opera are available in Wesel. Exhibitions of paintings and sculptures of old and contemporary masters are periodically held.

Commemorations

Wesel hosts a variety of annual celebrations and festivals throughout the year, including Carnival, which awards the Order of the Donkey to a prominent public figure, the traditional Schützenfest, or Rifle Club Celebration, and the historic Hanseatic Festival in October. Spacious pedestrian precincts provide the perfect setting for one of the largest flea markets in the region during the PPP-Town-Festival in August. Wesel is once again a thriving and lively town.

Hall of Fame Roster

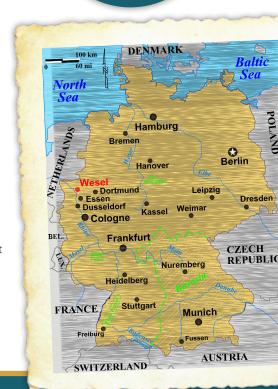
Many famous people, who have made distinguished contributions to the world, were former citizens of Wesel. This prominent list includes: Konrad Duden, the inventor of German orthography; Hans Lipperhey, inventor of the telescope; Ida Noddack, discoverer of the chemical element rhenium: and Andreas Vesalius, founder of modern anatomy. Another town son of particular interest to Americans is Peter Minuit.

who founded New York in 1626 when he purchased the Manhattan peninsula and settled New Amsterdam there.

Wesel... Today

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CITY OF HAGERSTOWN AND WESEL — SYMBOLS AND FACTS

► Both Hagerstown and Sister City Wesel have adopted interesting symbols that characterize each city's personality.

WESEL Coat of Arms

The heraldic animal of Wesel is the weasel. Three of these intriguing animals are found on a field of red.



HAGERSTOWN

Coat of Arms

"Little Heiskell," a Hessian soldier, is said to have been made in 1769 by a tinsmith named Heiskell, from two sheets of Welsh wrought iron, riveted together as shown. It was used as a weathervane on the original Market House, then was removed and taken to the second Market House

upon its completion in 1824. The second Market House became City Hall. During the Civil War, a Confederate sharpshooter used "Little Heiskell" as a target and, as a result, a bullet hole can be seen above the arm and gun. An exact replica now occupies his place over the Clock Tower on the new City Hall in Hagerstown. Little Heiskell is now carefully preserved in the Hager House Museum as one of the oldest mementos of our city.





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Children enjoy a true cultural exchange while they are away. They reside with host families, which affords them the experience of real-life situations. They also attend the host student's school and tour area attractions. For instance, German students take in the sights of our nation's capital and the vast offerings of Washington, D.C., as well as enjoy a wide variety of cultural activities available in New York City. Hagerstown children tour such cities as Munich, Nürnberg, Augsburg, Rothenburg, Würzburg, Rüdesheim, Ulm and Weimar; and experience firsthand the Buchenwald concentration camp.

Both groups truly develop an appreciation for the similarities and differences that exist between the two countries. Friendships that evolve between these young people assure a future relationship between the Sister Cities for generations to come.



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A "PROST" TO LAIRD

— Phil Kelly

Last fall, one of the earliest members of the Augustoberfest Committee passed from our midst to the great beer tent in the sky. Laird Bush was known to many around Hagerstown for his musical talent, his promotions business, and especially for his good-natured friendliness. I had the privilege of knowing Laird pretty well as a friend. A few years ago Laird and his wife Brenda joined my family on a wonderful van tour (it was the "magic bus" according to Laird) through parts of Switzerland, Austria, and Bavaria. Trust me, Laird appreciated good beer. We laughed and "prosted" our way from town to town. One of my fondest memories forever will be of our afternoon spent in the beer garden of the Munich Marktplatz. So, raise a glass here today to remember Laird and others gone before us to the great unknown who somehow knew all about gemutlichkeit, even if they couldn't say it or spell it! Prost!

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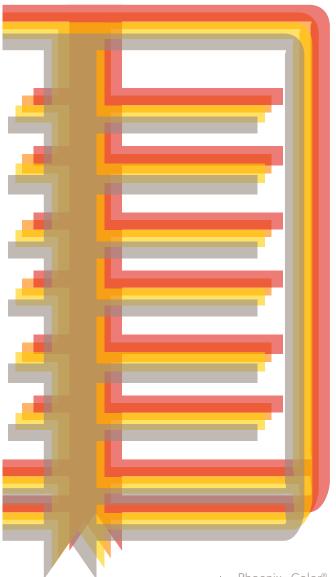
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