

Hagerstown, Maryland

15th

Annual

Augustoberfest



The Augustoberfest Event pays tribute to the area's rich German heritage and supports scholarships for exchange students to Hagerstown's Sister City—Wesel, Germany. This exciting event is run by the nonprofit organization, the Augustoberfest Charitable Foundation.

This 15th annual event will feature two days of festivities found at traditional Oktoberfest celebrations in Bavaria. All activities are held rain or shine under a large Festival Tent in Downtown Hagerstown's Central Parking Lot. The event will be on Saturday, August 21, 2010 from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday, August 22, 2010 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. with gates opening at 10:30 each day. Tickets will be \$5/day, children 12 and under/free.

Augustoberfest will again be working with the Piedmont Pacers to sponsor a Volksmarch on August 22, 2010 beginning at 8 a.m. This event combines fun, fitness, and fellowship. There are 5K and 10K trails.

For both Saturday and Sunday, participants will have a chance to enjoy Bavarian food, entertainment and

fun. This year's entertainment will be by Die Schlauberger, Heimat Echo and Alt Washingtonia Schuhplattler Verein. All of these entertainers offer a glimpse into German culture and folklore through authentic music, dance, and songs and are real crowd pleasers. The popular Alphorn will be back as well.

Also being offered again, Fruhschoppen, or German brunch, features all the best of Bavarian food and drink. Sponsorship packages at the \$1,500 level and above can include tickets for delicious food and drink at the Sunday event between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Please e-mail kgiffin@hagerstownmd.org for a sponsorship package.

In addition, a children's entertainment area from noon to 6 p.m. on Saturday and 11:30 to 4:30 Sunday will feature a variety of activities and entertainment for the youngest German enthusiasts. The craft vendor area promises an abundance of holiday and decorative items.

For more information, call 301.739.8577, ext. 116 or visit the website at www.augustoberfest.org.

