



SCSC

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Coming Together To Positively Impact Our Community

From the President

Hello everybody,

I sure hope everyone enjoyed MASH Quartermania hosted by the Patch Thrift Shop! Once again, I need to thank Sharla and Cheryl for their combined brilliance in transforming the room to where you truly felt inside a MASH episode. And then there is the wonderful Thrift Shop! The organization and prizes were unbelievable! Heidi Barker and Katie Whitehurst did a fantastic job as our MC's. Chelsea Swain was our amazing Vanna and really looked great in those fur coats! We sincerely can't thank the Patch Thrift Shop enough for doing this event for us!

It is my favorite newsletter to write because I get to talk about the BAZAAR! Hopefully you all know that the bazaar is 18-20 March at the Patch Barracks. Vendors will be selling their wares from all over Europe from furniture to cheese. One stop shopping and less wear and tear on the car. All proceeds from the bazaar go straight back into the Stuttgart community! The Spring Bazaar is a huge community event that is run with so many volunteers. Simply put, it is our volunteers that makes the Bazaar happen. Please consider volunteering for the Bazaar. There are perks as well. Sign up on volunteer spot and you can shop early, be Raffle eligible and be eligible for a Bazaar Bucks raffle depending on what spots you choose. Have small children? Consider donating food for our hospitality committee. It is really easy to help. It really is a wonderful Bazaar and Jennie Baumback and the fabulous Bazaar Committee have thought of everything! Thank you Jennie Baumback, Teresa Amblad, Andrea Barnes, Teresa Booker, Sharon Bolduc, Staci Boschert, Kiley Christian, Linda Nemeth, Nate Nemeth, Melisasa Ransbottom, Heather Stoner, Cate Valentino, Katie Whitehurst and Gina Allvin!

The Scholarship Committee is also working hard on receiving the packets from high school seniors, continuing education students, and military spouses. In addition, they are also receiving packets for the first time from students with special needs. This thoughtful and organized group has a great mission- to be able to award the anticipated \$110,000 to deserving students.

I wanted to let you all know at this months Governing Board meeting, we had 30 motions for the Welfare Committee!! This is a record! The SCSC has never had that many welfare requests in one month. The Welfare Committee members are astute, charitable and mindful when going over each and every welfare request. Over \$75,000 were awarded to the Stuttgart Community just this month!

Lastly, mark you calendar for 19 April for Crystal Bingo! This event is to celebrate the SCSC volunteers and members!! See you then.

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SCSC President



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Spring Bazaar Volunteers

Imagine dozens of rows of international vendors in three different venues, selling everything from furniture to cheese and wine – a fantastic shopping experience! However, it is only possible with the helpful hands of hundreds of volunteers. Volunteering opportunities are available in a number of capacities including checking ID cards, helping in the finance office, assisting with hospitality for the vendors and selling raffle tickets. While most positions are only open to those over 18, there are other opportunities to help. Teens can earn volunteer hours by making home baked goods or helping serve the many volunteers and vendors. All volunteers are provided the added benefits of being entered into a “volunteer only” raffle and Early Bird shopping on Friday, March 18 from 8 am-10 am before the Bazaar opens.

“Over 600 volunteers are needed to make this event happen,” said Cate Valentino, SCSC Volunteer co-chair. “Prior to the Bazaar Grand Opening there are tents to construct, vendor areas to mark off, and tables and benches to be placed. After the Bazaar we need to tear all those items down. This is a great opportunity for Units, High School sports teams and clubs to serve the community and receive volunteer hours.” Volunteers are needed March 13-20.



The image is a promotional flyer for the Spring Bazaar. At the top left is a pink shopping bag with a yellow tag that says 'SALE'. To its right, the word 'Spring' is written in a cursive font, and 'BAZAAR' is in large, bold, green block letters. Below this is a decorative border. The main text reads 'VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!' in large white letters on a green background, followed by 'MARCH 13 - 20' in large pink letters. Below that, it says 'Volunteer your time or donate to the hospitality committee.' and 'Bazaar Volunteers get Great Benefits!' with two checkmarks: 'Early Shopping!' and 'Participation in Free Raffle!'. At the bottom left, it provides contact information: 'To volunteer visit: www.Stuttgartspringbazaar.org and click on the Volunteer Spot link. For questions e-mail: scsc.bazaarvolunteer@gmail.com'. At the bottom right, there is a pink starburst graphic with the text 'The Spring Bazaar is March 18-20!' and 'PATCH BARRACKS' below it. There is also a small Facebook icon and the text 'Find us on Facebook Search "Stuttgart Spring Bazaar"'. The entire flyer is enclosed in a black border.

INCENTIVES FOR VOLUNTEERS INCLUDE:

- ★ Those donating items for hospitality needs get into the (early) Volunteer Shopping event!
- ★ If you work a shift during the bazaar, you will get into (early) Volunteer Shopping AND receive an entry per shift worked into the volunteer-only raffle.
- ★ Best of all, if you work a shift during SET UP, you will get into (early) Volunteer Shopping, receive a raffle tickets per shift worked in the volunteer raffle, AND receive entry into the SET UP raffle for Bazaar Bucks to spend while you shop!

Please go to
www.Stuttgartspringbazaar.org
and click on
the Volunteer tab to pick your slot

SCSC Thrift Shop

Greetings from the SCSC Patch Thrift Shop!

Focus on VOLUNTEERS!

Did you know that we have over 50 youth volunteers registered in our volunteer books? These youth volunteers give what time they have in their busy school schedules and collectively give 50-100 hours each month. Some are able to donate summer hours to the shop. Some donate their time to the Thriftmas Market. Some keep a weekly commitment. Some show up at our events on behalf of the SCSC Patch Thrift Shop and compete with one another to see who can turn their quarters into the control point the quickest!

These young adults bring such enthusiasm, laughter and dedication to their work at the shop. Our shop manager, Michaela Ratcliff, recently heard two of our young men comparing notes about which video games they had scored. They were proud of their purchases, but had even more pride in the fact that they earned an additional 50% discount for volunteering! It is also fun to see our college kids stop by on spring break or summer vacation and donate an hour or two. One of our older kids said that he volunteers for the free drinks in the breakroom fridge, but I think the camaraderie makes him feel like he is “at home”.

So as you fill your child’s schedule for “summer vacation”, don’t forget to have them stop by the thrift shop to meet with our crew to see if they might be a great addition to our volunteer team.

Until then, don’t forget to Shop. Donate. Volunteer. Show us your SCSC membership card to receive 30% off of your purchase.

Hope to see you soon!



<https://www.facebook.com/pages/SCSC-Patch-Thrift-Shop>



Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10am-4pm
 Thursday 3pm-7pm
 Closed Tuesday
 1st and 3rd Saturdays from 10am-2pm

SCSC Upcoming Events

2015-16 Social Events

APRIL 19 | MAY 17

2015-16 Club Events

MARCH 18-20 Stuttgart Spring Bazaar

MARCH 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Tennis Advanced Beginning/Intermediate	2	3 Tennis Advanced	4	5
6	Mah Jongg	7 Tennis Advanced Beginning/Intermediate	8 Book Club	9 Tennis Advanced	10 Tennis Advanced	11 Yarned Forces
12		13 Tennis Advanced Beginning/Intermediate	14	15 Tennis Advanced	16 Stuttgart Spring Bazaar Keep Calm and Shop On	17 Stuttgart Spring Bazaar Keep Calm and Shop On
18		19 Tennis Advanced Beginning/Intermediate	20 Crafting Divas	21 Tennis Advanced Lunch Bunch	22	23
24	20 Stuttgart Spring Bazaar Keep Calm and Shop On	21 Playful Pups	22 Tennis Advanced Beginning/Intermediate	23 Wine Club	24 Tennis Advanced Gourmet Club	25
26	27	28 Tennis Advanced Beginning/Intermediate	29	30	31	

APRIL 2016

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					1	2
3	Mah Jongg	4 Board Meeting 9:30 Tennis Advanced Beginning/Intermediate	5 Book Club	6 Tennis Advanced	7	8
9		10 Tennis Advanced Beginning/Intermediate	11	12 Tennis Advanced	13	14
15		16 Tennis Advanced Beginning/Intermediate	17	18 Tennis Advanced Lunch Bunch	19	20
21		22 Tennis Advanced Beginning/Intermediate	23	24 Tennis Advanced	25	26
27	24	25	26 Tennis Advanced Beginning/Intermediate	27	28	29
30						31

Special Interest Groups

Looking forward to the next SIG! A special thank you to **Sonia Lebel, Joanne Bass, Jordan Franken, Chris Hogan, Jacquie Waskiewicz, Linda Nemeth, Angy Pierson** and our **SIG Coordinators** for hosting and planning enjoyable Feb/March group events. SIG's are thriving because of wonderful members like these. Please extend a heartfelt 'thank you' to them if given the opportunity.

If you have Special Interest Group questions, want to join a group, or interested in coordinating, please email **Kathy Argo, SCSC SIG Chair** scsc.specialinterest@gmail.com.

SCSC Special Interest Groups are only open to current SCSC members. Please make sure your membership is active in order to participate with these groups. You may join SCSC online by visiting the Membership Page.

BOOK CLUB

We meet the 2nd Wednesday of every month *except April. A huge thank you goes to Chris Hogan for hosting February's discussion. Our next meeting on 9 MAR is being planned by Angy Pierson at China Restaurant Jasmin. Upcoming dates: March 9, *April 6, May 11

Coordinator: **Trish Duncan**, scsc.bookclub14@yahoo.com

CRAFTING DIVAS

For those that enjoy socializing with others while creating or learning a craft.

Coordinator: **Tracey Makela**, scsc.CraftingDivas@gmail.com



Photo Credit: Yiy Haw

GOURMET/COOKING CLUB

Thanks to Sonia Lebel for hosting an informative and delicious Moroccan themed lunch on 22 FEB. 7 Euro got participants cooking tips and lunch with drinks, what a steal! Jacquie Waskiewicz is graciously planning our next event on March 31. She is working with Zum Reussenstein to prepare a very special lunch menu for our enjoyment. Look for sign up details in an email to all Gourmet Club members.

For more information contact Kathy Argo, SCSC SIG Chair scsc.specialinterest@gmail.com

KEEP CALM AND SHOP ON

Shopping at the Bazaar!

Coordinator: **Tracey Makela**, scsc.ShopOn@gmail.com

Special Interest Groups



Photo Credit: Shelly K. R. Worden

🍴 LUNCH BUNCH

We regularly meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month, except March because of the Spring Bazaar. Dates to look forward to: Mar. 24, Apr. 21, & May 19

Coordinator: [Trish Duncan, scsc.lunchbunch14@gmail.com](mailto:TrishDuncan@scsc.lunchbunch14@gmail.com)

🀄 PUNG AND CHOW-MAH JONGG

Come play Mah Jongg with us the first Monday of each month. Beginners are always welcome! Thank you Joanne Bass for opening up your home on March 7 at 10:00. We will begin playing at 10:00 followed by a potluck lunch and more playing. Please RSVP so the group can see what everyone is bringing. Looking forward to a lot of good laughs!

Coordinator: [Jacquie Waskiewicz, scsc.mahjongg15@gmail.com](mailto:JacquieWaskiewicz@scsc.mahjongg15@gmail.com)



Photo Credit: Linda Nemeth

🐾 PLAYFUL PUPS

Enjoy socializing with canines and their owners. Walks are usually the last Monday of each month. Our romp on 29 FEB was great fun thanks to hostess Linda Nemeth. We walked along an old railroad, through the woods, and climbed over tree trunks. Yes, we had to dunk our boots and wipe paws before getting in our cars but it was worth it! Thanks Linda for a wonderful outing! Our next gathering is planned for 21 MAR. Please send an email if you're willing to plan the location of a walk.

Coordinator: [Kris Morris, scsc.playfulpups@gmail.com](mailto:KrisMorris@scsc.playfulpups@gmail.com)

Special Interest Groups

TENNIS CLUB

All levels of play welcome! Tennis has become very popular and it was decided to break everyone into two groups. Valerie is coordinating play times for the beginners/Intermediate and Jacquie is scheduling play times for the advanced players.

- **BEGINNERS/INTERMEDIATE:** Instruction and court time will depend on the interest of the group. Planning to meet on Tuesdays so please send an email if interested in the Beginning/Intermediate group.

Coordinator: Valerie Westerholm, scsc.specialinterest@gmail.com

- **ADVANCED:** Every Tuesday and Thursday. Clinics are offered most Tuesday's 12-1 and are taught by a pro followed by an hour of match play. Thursday's are 2 hours of match play. Signing up in advance is required. Prices for court time and clinics vary by the number of players attending. Have a question or need to RSVP, contact

Coordinator: Jacquie Waskiewicz at jjpartyof5@gmail.com.

WINE CLUB

The Wine Tasting SIG is a fun evening or afternoon hanging with SCSC members and drinking wine. It's that simple! No frills no fuss just friends and wine. Our event dates and times will vary depending upon location or host's availability. Thank you to Jordan Franken for hosting our club on 30 March. Sign up to receive your monthly Evite by emailing:

Coordinator: Penny Rower scsc.winetasting@gmail.com Carpe Vinum!

YARNED FORCES

March 12 shopping trip to Vaihingerstrickstube at 10:00. Meet at Kristin's house by 09:45 to begin walking together. Please join the group list to receive details.

Coordinator: Kristin DeLuca, scsc.yarnedforces@gmail.com

SCSC Membership



MARCH SCSC MEMBER BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Anne DeHan	3/3	Elizabeth Bone	3/10	Christine Fisher	3/23
Lisa Dickenson	3/4	Dara Frye	3/16	Jennifer Baumback	3/26
Laura Jenkins	3/6	Sharon Bolduc	3/19	Kris Morris	3/27
Gretchen King	3/6	Alison Vinson	3/20	Linda Nemeth	3/28
Traci Makela	3/10	Shannon Curtis	3/21	Melody Freese	3/28

Welfare Grants and Scholarships

In 2014-2015, the SCSC awarded \$243,000 in Welfare grants to military, athletic, recreational and charitable organizations in the USAG Stuttgart community. Scholarships and Welfare grants are made possible through funding from the SCSC Thrift Store and Spring Bazaar.

Already for the 2015-2016 grant year, SCSC has given over \$192,000 in Welfare grants to the Stuttgart community.

There are only 2 more months left to apply for these grants. Our grant year ends in May 2016 - those grants submitted after April 15th will be considered in August/September.

The 2015-2016 Welfare application (which contains application due dates) is available online. It can be found at www.stuttgartspousesclub.org/welfare.html or by emailing scsc.welfare@gmail.com. The next due date will be **March 15, 2016**.

Open to all military ID card holders, NATO Forces, civilians and reservists with TDY orders.



Spring BAZAAR



March 18 - 20

Friday, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Saturday, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Sunday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Patch Barracks

To volunteer visit: Stuttgartspringbazaar.org
and click on the Volunteer Spot link.

For questions e-mail: scsc.bazaarvolunteer@gmail.com

Find us on Facebook Search "Stuttgart Spring Bazaar"



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MORE INFORMATION

stuttgart.armymwr.com

OVER 60 VENDORS FROM ALL OVER EUROPE!



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SCSC January Event

GAME SHOW SHOWDOWN RECAP

Our January Game Show Showdown Event was a huge hit for members. Three main Game Show competitions took place during the evening: The Price is Right, The Last Survivor and the Friendly Feud, with two smaller team competitions during the breaks: The Red Cup Challenge and the Golf Ball Toss Challenge. All of the games were interactive -- when one person from a table won a game every person from that table received a prize. 19 gift sets (6 each) and 4 sets of consolation prizes were given away during the event. Guests were also entertained by our amazing Game Show Showdown Host, Jim, who also played Monty Hall during the breaks giving away additional small prizes. It was quite a site to see women hurdle tables just to get a tube of Chap Stick. Jim had everyone excited to see what he would offer up next. A big thank you to Jim for making the event such a huge success.



SCSC Events

M*A*S*H BASH Quarter Mania II



Members of the 2015-16 SCSC Board (Not all members are pictured above)

M*A*S*H BASH Quarter Mania II was SCSC's exciting February member event that took place on the 23rd at the Patch Community Club. Over 100 members came together wearing Army green, with a few dressing as their favorite M*A*S*H unit actor.

Quarter Mania (QM) is a cross between an auction and a raffle where people 'bid' to win a prize! In our Quarter Mania, SCSC featured our fabulous Patch Thrift Shop and all the GREAT things that can be found there! How to play? The QM auctioneer begins by holding up an item and describing its highlights. Your friendly auctioneer then told everyone how much the item was going for - between 1 and 4 quarters. If you wanted to bid on that item, you put the corresponding number of quarters in the kitty bucket, then hold up your paddle(s) and wait for your number to be called!

A FABULOUS event can't take place without a FABULOUS team making it happen! The programs committee worked tirelessly in conjunction with the SCSC Patch Thrift Shop crew to bring us an exciting Quartermania. Mickey and her staff looked for and collected over 50 fun bid items from donations made to the shop. Yes, people really donated all of our great prizes to the thrift shop! Months of work went into creating the baskets, displaying them, hauling them to the club and then presenting them in such a creative way. SUPER HUGE THANK YOU'S to all who helped make this event a success! Don't forget to stop by the thrift shop soon to see what else has been donated.

Please note that due to the SCSC putting all their efforts into the upcoming Spring Bazaar, there will not be a monthly social in March. SCSC member events will return in April with our special member volunteer appreciation Crystal Bingo!





SUCCESSING *in the* COLLEGE ADMISSIONS PROCESS

The Stuttgart Community Spouses Club
invites you to a
U.S. College Admissions Workshop
Sunday, April 3, 2016
2:00-5:00 p.m. - Patch Community Club

The afternoon's workshop will cover:

-  Tips for a successful [and less stressful] college search
-  Decrypting the "language" of college admission
-  Applications: the good, the bad, & the [sometimes] ugly truth
-  The 411 on financial aid

Please note that these topics are best suited for current high school juniors and their parents, but the workshop is open to any interested high school student.

This workshop is provided at no cost to Stuttgart community members by the generous support of the Stuttgart Community Spouses Club.

The workshop will be conducted by Jenni Franklin,
owner of Slalom College Confidence.



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