



## UPCOMING DINNERS

### Dec. 1

Social Night, bring hors d'oeuvre or dessert for admission

### Dec. 8

Ribs by Skip and Art

### Dec. 15

Christmas Party buffet

### Dec. 29

Krampus Night, black beer beef stew with roasted vegetables by Suzanne



## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

'Tis that time of year again to be merry and full of good cheer at the German club. We're planning a whole month of parties and entertainment thanks to the many volunteers we have planning, cooking, serving and decorating to make our visits at the club special.

If you are not involved with the festivities, you can be very nice by just shaking hands and saying, "Thanks for your help." Show the volunteers they're appreciated. (Santa looks favorably on you if you tip a little.) Check the calendar and make your reservations early.

Our cruise date of Feb. 24 is rapidly coming upon us we now have almost 50 cruisers. We now need a head count for the bus. I know some are driving. If you are going on the cruise, text me at 702-806-1294 and tell me if you would like to take the bus. We hope to finalize this in December.

Congratulations to Jean Kinney for winning the cruise for two in the November raffle. She will be joining the cruise. I hope all who went to Laughlin had a memorable time. It was great seeing so many people. If you have any suggestions to make the event even better, let me know.

Note: We will be open Christmas Eve 5-7 p.m. with free eggnog. Have a safe and happy holiday.

See you at the club!

*Steve Oldham*

# Member Profile: Rita Taschner



**Name: Rita Taschner**

**Age: 76**

**Hometown: Cleveland, Ohio**

**Education: High school**

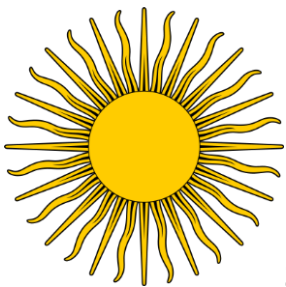
**Occupation: Retired title and escrow**

**Family: Husband, Ron; sons, Bob, Jeffrey and Randy; five grandchildren**

**In Las Vegas since: 2008**

**Club member since: 2010**

Call her the taskmaster. Rita's in charge of lining up Saturday dinners, logging community service hours, booking entertainment and putting together the monthly calendar and Sunshine report. She and her husband, Ron, retired here from Cleveland for one good reason. "The weather. We were tired of the ice and cold," she said. They had visited Las Vegas on vacation for 20 years and knew they would downsize their house and move here someday. Rita went to a veterinarian and was given a flyer for the German-American Club's Oktoberfest and joined in 2010. Her hobbies are sewing, crocheting, knitting and crafts.



## Sunshine report

Ron Taschner is out of rehab and recuperating at home. All of us wish him a speedy recovery and hope to see him back at the club soon.

Your sunshine girl,

*Rita Taschner*





## Membership climbs to 271

The German-American Social Club of Nevada added two members on the night before the membership meeting, bringing our total to 271, Vice President and Membership Chairwoman Leanne Crabtree reported at the Nov. 18 meeting.

“If everyone would attend one event a month, it would drastically change the club,” Secretary Linda Snyder said.

Treasurer Alwine Cushman reported that the club lost about \$1,700 in October, largely due to quarterly property taxes of \$630 and the club being closed twice.

President Steve Oldham asked for volunteers to solicit retailers for donations to the club’s Jan. 26 charity event to benefit Safe Nest. Tickets for the cocktail party and raffle are \$20.

The owner of the property behind the club wants to build an ice cream shop, so there was discussion of approaching the City of North Las Vegas to lease the east parking lot for 50 years.

There was also discussion of installing an ATM in the club at a cost of \$2,500 and transaction fee of \$1.50.

The Mexico cruise in February has 46 people signed up. Steve asked about interest in chartering a bus from Las Vegas to Los Angeles for \$5,600 and needs a head count for each rider’s cost.

In new business, we’re looking for a by-laws committee. They haven’t been changed in 40 years and need to be revised and updated.

We’re also considering hiring security to patrol the parking lot during events that draw 60 or more people.

*Ray Smith*

## Three teams 3-under at Laughlin golf memorial

Wow, what a wonderful memorial outing we had in Laughlin! We hope everyone enjoyed the two-day event. We had golf and beverages and lunch and beverages and raffles and beverages and music and beverages. It was fun. We are already planning the next event.

Three out of 11 teams came in 3-under par. We determined the places with a scorecard playoff.

Golf results:

**First:** Jenny Ruckle, Nick Sneller, Bill Klemens and Pat Linehan.

**Second:** Anthony Sebastian, Art Ruckle, Joe Gordon and Shawn O’Brien.

**Third:** Kaye Hicks, Brian Vessey, Suzanne Woodbury and Steve Oldham.

**Putting champion:** Clyde Ruckle.

**Closest to pin #4:** Alex Klaus.

**Closest to pin #7:** Steve Oldham.

**Longest drive:** Mark Johnson.

**Best non-golfer putters:** Tim Phillips (men); Eva Johnson (women).

## Donation box set up for Paralyzed Veterans

GASCON is reaching out to reputable local charities that fit well with the interests of club members. Nevada Paralyzed Veterans of America is a nonprofit agency that helps veterans with spinal cord injury or dysfunction. The organization is constantly in need of necessities such as clothing, personal hygiene, canned and boxed food and miscellaneous items. Unopened items as well as clean and non-stained socks and clothing is appreciated. Christina and Jon will place a donation box at the club and pick up items and take them to the Paralyzed Vets. For more information on the organization, go to [www.nevadapva.org](http://www.nevadapva.org).



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# Christmas Cheer!

**Saturday - December 15th**



*"Join us for a World of Music  
& Christmas Cheer!"*  
7pm to 10pm



1110 E. Lake Mead Blvd  
Reservations (702) 649-8503

**Pat Kaanoi**

*World Recording Artist*






# Children's Christmas Party





*Sunday, December 16th, 3 pm*

If you are a member of GASCON you are invited to bring your children or grandchildren (limit 10 years old) to the Children's Christmas Party at the Club.

There will be refreshments, entertainment by Charlie the Clown and Santa Claus who will bring a gift for each child 10 or younger.

If you would like to bring a gift for a child that would like to attend but is older, you are welcome to do so !



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Children that sing a song, recite a dance or a poem will get a ticket for a Special Raffle!

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Please return the form below to the Club by December 10<sup>th</sup>  
Also, if you would like to bring something, let me know. Thank you,

Silvia Brunn, Chairperson 876-8221

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Is your child interested in singing a song? Yes No  
Is your child interested in performing a dance? Yes No

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Membership Number \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Children Attending \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Boy Girl (Circle One) Age of Child \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Boy Girl (Circle One) Age of Child \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Boy Girl (Circle One) Age of Child \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail to: German- American Social Club of Nevada (GASCON)**  
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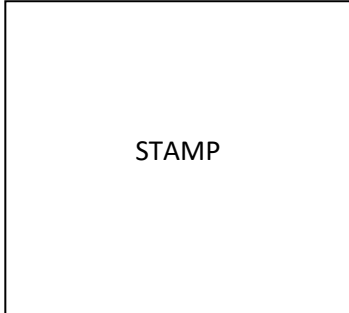
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Social Night Bring hors d'oeuvre or dessert and get free admission
2	3	4 Jazz night with Marsha K, 6-9 p.m. \$2/\$5	5	6	7 Private party	8 Ribs by Skip and Art, \$13/\$15
9 Group Christmas party	10 Board meeting 6:30 p.m.	11 Jazz night with Marsha K, 6-9 p.m. \$2/\$5	12	13	14 Private party	15 Christmas party, 7-10 p.m. Music by Pat Kaanoi
16 Children's Christmas party, 3 p.m. Board, 11 a.m. Membership, 1 p.m.	17	18 Jazz night with Marsha K, 6-9 p.m. \$2/\$5	19 Meet-n-greet, 6-8 p.m.	20	21 Card night, 4 p.m. Skat, 5:30 p.m. for other games	22 Club closed
23	24 Free eggnog, 4-8 p.m.	25	26	27	28 Card night, 4 p.m. Skat, 5:30 p.m. for other games	29 Krampus Night Black beer beef stew with roasted vegetables by Suzanne, \$13/\$15
30	31					

## UPCOMING DINNERS

As a courtesy to the volunteer cooks, it's **required** that you make dinner reservations by the WEDNESDAY prior to the dinner. If you made a reservation and cannot keep it, please call the club and let us know as soon as possible. Thank you for being courteous. Serving starts at 6 p.m. \$13 members/\$15 nonmembers unless specified. 702-649-8503

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# ***DECEMBER 2018***



- Social Night**
- Christmas Party**
- Children's Christmas Party**
- Krampus Night**
- New member meet-and-greet**
- Tuesday night jazz**
- Friday night cards**

