

#### **UPCOMING DINNERS**

Jan. 5

Good Luck dinner with bratwurst, mashed potatoes and sauerkraut by Silvia

Jan. 12

Chicken by Skip and Art

Jan. 26

Country night backyard BBQ



#### PRESIDENT'S LETTER

We had a wonderful Christmas at our club. Lots of great food, gluwein and wonderful entertainment. Thank you to all who put so many hours of work and planning into this wonderful time of year. Special thanks to all who festively decorated our club. Our volunteers are the greatest. I want to put out a special call for new volunteers, especially for cooks. We ask you to try cooking a dinner at the club. We have lots of people to help, so you won't have a disaster. We need new recipes and more cooks. Maybe we can have new cooks' night once a month. Give me a call or text 702-806-1294. It's a great experience and a way to become more involved in our club.

We were able to book a bus to Long Beach for our February cruise. The cost is \$100 a passenger roundtrip, based on 40 people. If more sign up, the cost will go down. This is a luxury bus that seats 54 people, so we have lots of room. We'll be leaving the club at 6:30 a.m. on Feb 24. You can mail your check to the club or pay the bartender at the club. On Feb. 2, we're having a charity golf tournament and dinner at the club with all proceeds going to the Paralyzed Veterans of America. We're expecting a big crowd for this event. Thanks to Jon Shogren and Christina Gibson for introducing us to the organization.

See you at the club!

## Steve Oldham

# **Member Profile: Mike O'Brien**



Name: Mike O'Brien

Age: 79

Hometown: Pawnee, Illinois

**Education: University of Maryland** 

Occupation: Retired U.S. Air Force, air traffic control

Family: Wife, Carol; sons, Steven and Shawn;

daughters, Sarah and Kristine

In Las Vegas since: 1981

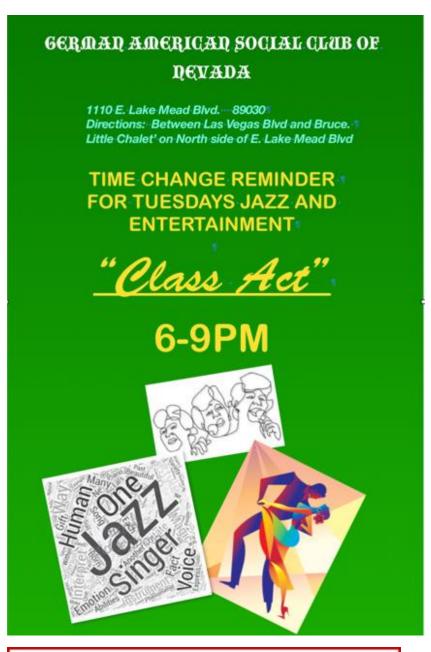
Club member since: 2005

Mike was having dinner at the Eagles Lodge with a dozen Irish and English friends when GASCON members Jim and Betty Bishop invited them to the club for drinks. He went to the bar where a man was eating his pork chop dinner and asked, "How is the meal?" Erika was standing within earshot and said, "I am the cook and you WILL like it!" Mike and his friends joined the club that night. "Erika and I have been like brother and sister since that night," he says. Voted a lifetime member in 2017, Mike has been bartender and bar manager, maintenance, member at large, trustee and vice president. He's also done several rehab projects.



Erika celebrated her 70th birthday at the German-American Club, and thanked her man, Mike, for making it happen.

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#### Charity golf for paralyzed vets

On Feb. 2, the German-American Club will sponsor a charity golf tournament to benefit Paralyzed Veterans of Nevada. All proceeds will go to this nonprofit organization. Cost of the tournament is \$60 a player. It's your chance to donate to charity and have a great time.

Format will be a two-person scramble. Teams will be selected by the golf group and flighted according to skill level. Tee off is 8:30 a.m. at Durango Hills Golf Course. A sign-up sheet is at the club. We will be reaching out to the Irish Club and other veterans' groups, so sign up early. We only have a few weeks to make this a wonderful event. Dinner (\$10) will be at the club that evening.



Jon Shogren, Christina Gibson and Brian Vesey helped pack and load donations for delivery to the Paralyzed Veterans of Nevada. The organization is constantly in need of men's socks and basic hygiene items. Donations can be left in the box at the club. Christina will pick them up and deliver them to Paralyzed Veterans of Nevada.

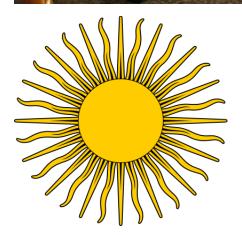




#### Santa pays visit to annual children's party

The German-American Club hosted another wonderful children's Christmas party on Dec. 16. It's such a heartwarming experience to see all those happy faces. Charlie the Clown had their full attention for an hour of great entertainment, and Santa brought presents and talked with each child. He's known some of them since they were born. Thanks to the board for its contribution, Beverly for pizzas, Erika for hiring Charlie with me and all those who brought goodies for the table. Santa's elves (Erika, Beverly and Rita) were at their best. Elf Karin had to sit this one out after having back surgery from carrying all those presents over the years. Looking forward to next year!



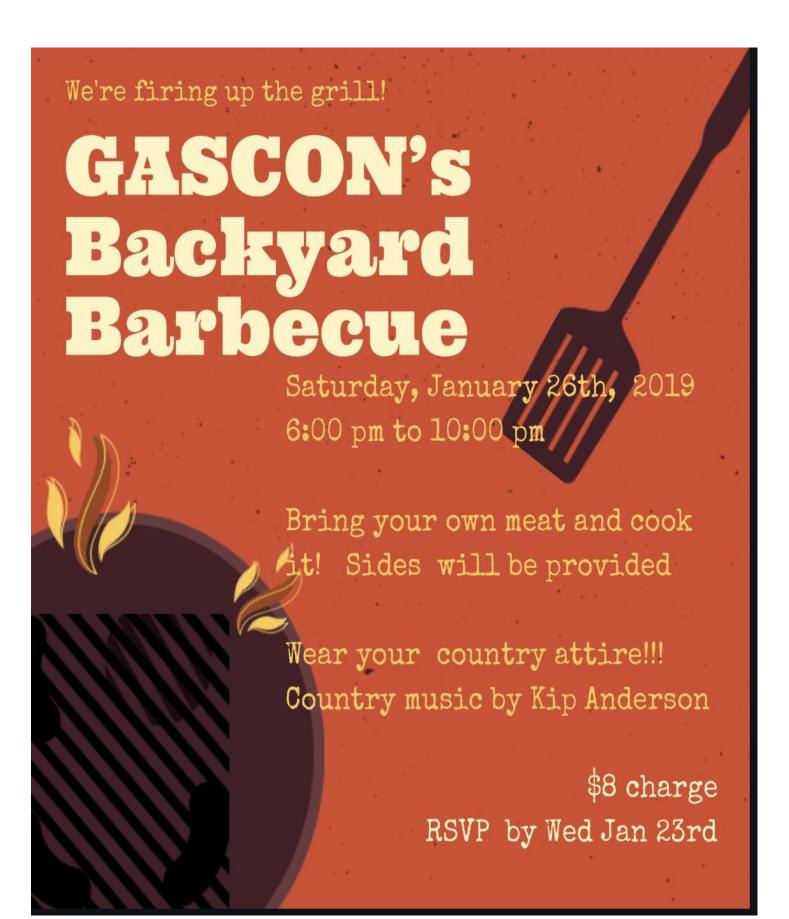


### **Sunshine Report**

Hans Schwob had back surgery. He is in the hospital but doing well. Karin Oldham had hip replacement and is doing well. Kathy Mead had back surgery and is doing fine. Ron Taschner is in the hospital with heart issues, but is doing fine. Your Sunshine Girl

Rita 7aschner

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# JANUARY 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4 Card night, 4 p.m. Skat, 5:30 p.m. for other games	Good Luck dinner with bratwurst, mashed potatoes and sauerkraut by Silvia, music by Scotty Rocker, \$15/\$18
6 New Life Orchestra, 1-3 p.m., \$15	7 Board meeting, 6:30 p.m.	8 Jazz night with Marsha K, 6-9 p.m. \$2/\$5	9	10	Card night, 4 p.m. Skat, 5:30 p.m. for other games	Chicken by Skip and Art, \$13/\$15
13	14	Jazz night with Marsha K, 6-9 p.m. \$2/\$5	16	17	18 Closed for GAMGA	19 Closed for GAMGA
20	21	Jazz night with Marsha K, 6-9 p.m. \$2/\$5	23	24	25 Card night, 4 p.m. Skat, 5:30 p.m. for other games	26 Country night backyard BBQ, music by Kip Anderson, \$8
Board meeting, 11 a.m. Membership meeting, 1 p.m. BMW cycle meeting, 5 p.m.	28	29	30	31		

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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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Good Luck dinner
Country night BBQ
New Life Orchestra
Tuesday night jazz
Friday night cards

