



UPCOMING DINNERS

Jan. 4

Smoked pork chops by Silvia

Jan. 11

Country fried steak by Gene

Jan. 18

Private party

Jan. 25

Sauerbraten and dumplings by
Alwine

About the club

Our purpose is to educate and preserve German traditions, culture and heritage and to regularly meet in friendship, welcoming both German and non-German speaking individuals. Whether you are a native German or of German heritage or just love everything German, come celebrate your German spirit with us at the German-American Social Club of Nevada. We welcome visitors to our private club. Your first three visits without being a member are free. Please inquire about membership to keep attending our events. We are always looking for fresh faces and new ideas and welcome new memberships!



PRESIDENT'S LETTER

I hope each of you had a wonderful holiday season and I want to wish you all a happy new year.

I also want to give my gratitude to everyone who participated to make this such a vibrant and memorable time at the club. A lot of hard work, dedication and I would say love came from the membership to make this past year great. I hope that in this new year we will recommit ourselves to these same values and continue to grow the club and the things we are capable of.

Special thanks to Tracey George for the excellent job she has done as bar manager, and thanks to Bruce Woodbury for stepping up to replace her. This is a key position that the club revolves around, and it wouldn't be possible without volunteers like these two. Also, best wishes to our Vagabonds this month. May they have success at the upcoming Karnival.

Everyone can get involved by relaxing with Gary and Jon every Sunday this month at the club for beer brats and NFL playoff games. Take it easy and enjoy the quiet after a busy holiday season. Before you know it, we will be going again!

Sincerely, your president,

Justin Crabtree

Member Profile: Bruce Woodbury



Name: Bruce Woodbury

Age: 54

Hometown: San Mateo, Calif.

Education: Aragon High School, San Francisco State

Occupation: Bartender

Family: Wife, Suzanne; brother, Mike; sister, Jennifer

In Las Vegas since: 2006

Club member since: 2011

Famous for his Socktoberfest celebrations, Bruce was researching German restaurants and businesses in Las Vegas, including Heidelberg Café and Hofbrauhaus, when he came across this private club on Lake Mead Boulevard. One day he drove by and noticed a rummage sale, which is right down his hobby alley as antiques dealer, so he stopped in and met bar manager Mike O'Brien. "He said, 'This is an awesome club, you should join.' So we did," Bruce recalls. Bruce served as president of the German-American Club, and is currently bar manager. He founded Tuesday night jazz five years ago. Through one of his many musician friends, Bruce contacted Marsha Ross with a proposal to pay the band, and the club keeps food and beverage revenue. He took it to the board, which approved it with unanimous support. "Originally it was a couple months trial, and it did good and we've been doing it ever since," he said.

Bruce says his favorite drink (currently) is a Manhattan, and if he could go anywhere in the world for a 1-month, expenses-paid vacation, it would be Tahiti, where he spent his honeymoon with Suzanne. "It's pretty awesome," he said.

Volunteers always needed

The German-American Club needs volunteers. No experience or special skills are required. We need cooks, kitchen helpers, servers, bartenders, cleaning crews, community service supervisors, launderers, cashiers and more. Can't do physical work? We also need members willing to call other members to check in with them, find out how they're doing and let them know what's going on at the club. Call Christina Gibson at 702-235-7797 if you can help in any way.

Club recommended by Restaurant Guru

The German-American Club has been awarded a recommendation badge by Restaurant Guru in accordance with visitors' reviews.





Above, Eric cooks spaghetti for Tuesday night jazz. Below, German chef Thomas Koppetz and his daughter, Grit, prepare a special meal. The outdated stove is one of the spending priorities for the kitchen remodel.

Members OK kitchen renovation

At the Nov. 23 general membership meeting, club members unanimously voted to approve a kitchen remodel at an estimated cost of \$7,500 to \$8,000.

The renovation project will include new storage areas, new oven and stove, cutting knives, silverware and dishes, member-at-large Mark Cushman discussed in a PowerPoint presentation.

“This long-needed update will make the kitchen and pantry much easier and efficient place to cook,” he said.

Cost of the renovation will be financed by existing club funds and member donations. With more than 200 paid members, a \$15 donation from each member would make up the balance, Mark said. He encourages members to support club fundraisers for the project.

The renovation is divided into three phases: kitchen, preparation room and bar area. The goal is to eliminate safety concerns, reduce health risks, increase storage areas and make it easier for the cooks.

Bar work involves moving the ice machine, replacing the cabinet, building shelves and a locking door in the back area for storing liquor.

The empty closet and wall in the prep room will be removed, and shelving will be extended to the freezer.

We’ll get a newer model stove with no exposed pilot lights and better access to the sink. Top cabinets that are hard to reach will be replaced with pull-down shelves.

Work will start in late January or February and should be finished prior to Maifest. Most of the work will be done by club members, led by Jon Shogren and Mike O’Brien, saving thousands of dollars in labor costs.

Ray Smith

GERMAN AMERICAN SOCIAL CLUB OF NEVADA

JANUARY ENTERTAINMENT

Biaggio & Santiago - January 4

(Smoked Pork Chop dinner)

Power house duo performing dance, classic rock, pop, country and Latin hits of the 50's, 60's 70's and 80's.



J.J. Spangler - January 11

(Country Fried Steak dinner)

Country artist performing hits from Garth Brooks, Alabama, Toby Keith, Brooks and Dunn, Travis Tritt and more.

Lisa Lightner - January 25

(Sauerbraten and Dumplings dinner)

Female singer performing classic rock hits from Pat Benatar, Eagles, Lita Ford, Journey, Patty Smyth, Pink Floyd and more.



Entertainment is from 6 pm – 9 pm. There is no cover charge and the German Club has a full bar.

Dinner is \$15 and you must call the club and make a reservation by the preceding Wednesday.

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Ring in New Year with Good Luck Dinner

The German-American Club will hold its "Good Luck German Dinner" on Jan. 4 and we are looking forward to an evening of fun.

On the menu: smoked pork chops, sauerkraut and mashed potatoes. Sauerkraut is considered to bring good health to the new year and pork brings good luck and prosperity.

This is followed by enjoying a real traditional custom of "Feuerzangenbowle," which is mulled wine that gets flambeed (set on fire with Stroh Rum), and then gets served to whomever would like to try it for \$4 a cup.

Then we will do the other very traditional custom, and that is "Bleigiessen" (lead pouring). Tiny pieces of lead are melted down and then tossed into cold water to create different shapes. Our Blei-reading expert, Richard Schneider, will then interpret the shapes and tell you some fun stuff about your new year.

Live entertainment by Baggio and Santiago. Please make your reservation ASAP and remember to include your phone number. We are looking forward to a fun-filled evening.

Silvia Brunn

Bleigiessen is a German tradition in which a piece of lead is melted and then poured into a bowl of cold water, transforming the metal into a unique shape that determines your fate for the coming year.

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JANUARY 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 	2 Board meeting, 6:30 p.m.	3 Card night, 4 p.m. Skat, 5:30 p.m. other games	4 New Year Good Luck dinner, smoked pork chops by Silvia, music by Biaggio and Santiago, \$15
5 Football playoff, Hot dogs and brats by Gary and Jon, 10 a.m.	6	7 Jazz night with Marsha K, 6-9 p.m. \$2/\$5	8 Dance practice, 7-9 p.m.	9	10 Card night, 4 p.m. Skat, 5:30 p.m. other games	11 Country Night, country fried steak by Gene, music by J.J. Spangler, \$15
12 Football playoff, Hot dogs and brats by Gary and Jon, noon	13	14 Jazz night with Marsha K, 6-9 p.m. \$2/\$5	15 Dance practice, 7-9 p.m.	16 Board meeting, 6:30 p.m.	17 Club closed GAMGA potluck at Rio	18 Club closed GAMGA private party at Rio
19 Football playoff, Hot dogs and brats by Gary and Jon, noon	20	21 Jazz night with Marsha K, 6-9 p.m. \$2/\$5	22 Dance practice, 7-9 p.m.	23	24 Card night, 4 p.m. Skat, 5:30 p.m. other games	25 Sauerbraten and dumplings by Alwine, music by Lisa Lightner, \$15
26 Pro Bowl, Hot dogs and brats by Gary and Jon, noon	27	28 Jazz night with Marsha K, 6-9 p.m. \$2/\$5	29 Club closed	30	31 Card night, 4 p.m. Skat, 5:30 p.m. other games	

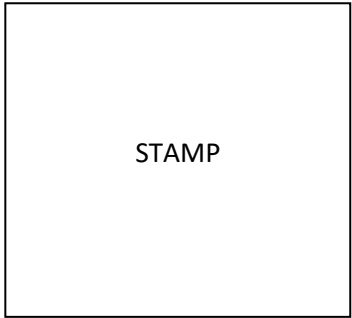
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As a courtesy to the volunteer cooks, it's **required** that you make dinner reservations (702-649-8503) by the WEDNESDAY prior to the dinner. If you made a reservation and cannot keep it, please call the club and let us know as soon as possible. Thank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

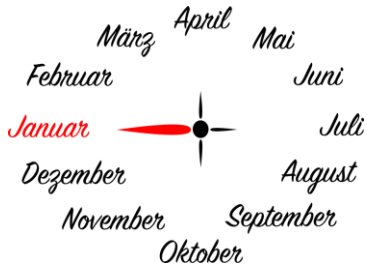
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JANUARY 2020



- New Year Good Luck dinner**
- Country night**
- Football playoffs**
- Tuesday night jazz**
- Wednesday dance practice**
- Friday night cards**

