



## UPCOMING DINNERS

**May 5**

Al's Memorial Fish Fry by Jon and Natalia

**May 12**

Maifest with schnitzel, brat platter, potato pancakes, sauerkraut, strudel

**May 19**

Maifest with haxen (reservation only), brat platter, potato pancakes, sauerkraut, strudel



## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

The bar refresh is taking shape and is almost finished.

The walk-in cooler has been completely redone, beer taps have been added and the back-bar area reorganized. A huge thank you to Jon Shogren, Mike O'Brien, Art, Dan Lee, Alex Klaus, Mike Sipes, Big Jim, George Brunn, Guy Vito, Hans Schwob, Christina Gibson, Karin Oldham and Tracy George for all their help with the project.

We need help cleaning and painting the bar area on Wednesday, May 9, and Thursday, May 10. Please join us at the club at 10 a.m. if you can assist.

Our elections are coming up on June 1. If you are interested in becoming a board member, a signup sheet and small description for each available position has been posted at the club.

This month is chock full of exciting events. Our annual spring golf tournament is Saturday, May 5; two Maifest celebrations the second and third Saturday of the month; and a Memorial Day tribute on Sunday, May 27, to honor our member veterans.

See you at the club!

*Leanne Crabtree*



## 700 years of brewing history

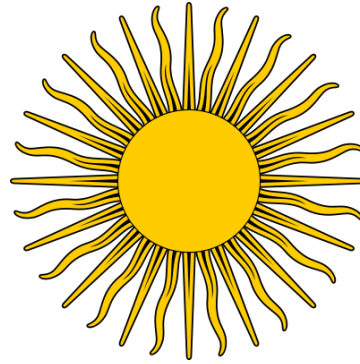
Good Spirits Distributing joined with the German-American Club for the ABK Beer tap takeover on April 20. We learned that the ABK Brewery (Aktien Brewery of Kaufbueren) was established in 1308 and is the second-oldest brewery in the world (Weihestephan Brewery is the oldest).

We also learned that King Ludwig visited the ABK Brewery in 1901 to taste the legendary beers for himself. Christiana pointed out that we have a flag with King Ludwig on the ceiling of our club (above).

Good Spirits representatives Chris and Courtney had a great time, maybe too much of a good time, meeting our members and sharing their beverages.

Thanks to all who showed up and supported our club and this event. Look out for another tap takeover this summer.

**Christina Gibson**



## Sunshine report

On a sad note, Paul Kochikis passed away recently. All of us at the German-American Club extend our condolences to his wife and family and friends.

Also, Tom Wiechmann passed away. He was a past member and was active at the club. He will be missed.

Mary Kay Graebik was in the hospital and is now at home recuperating. Florence Oldham had surgery on her hip and is in rehab and doing very well. All of us at the German club wish them a speedy recovery.

We had a memorial balloon sendoff for Stan Ruben in April (below), and we'll have another one for Jerry Epps at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 20.

**Rita Taschner**



## Laughlin signups close to cutoff

We have about 60 golfers signed up for our annual GASCON memorial tournament in Laughlin Nov. 3, close to the cutoff of 80 players.

We will be staying at the Edgewater Hotel and Casino, which is giving us a discounted room rate of \$62 a night (plus tax), a hospitality suite and free keg of beer. We need to book 35 rooms, so make sure you mention you're with the German-American Club golf tournament when you make your reservation.

It was a wonderful party and fun time last year. We had an amazing turnout and expect the same this year. We will have activities and prizes for golfers and anyone who wants to join the party. Sign up at the club, and we'll see you on the course.

**Steve Oldham**

## Shooters capture first in San Jose

The Schutzen Group had a wonderful time in San Jose. I'm happy to announce that we brought home the bacon with the first-place trophy.

They were very good hosts and treated us like royalty. Friday night was the Kings dinner, Saturday was the ball and Sunday was the shoot and brunch.

Schutzen Group meets the first Saturday of every month at our clubhouse 11 a.m. We are looking for new members. If you're interested in seeing what we're about, contact Art at 702-335-0690.

## Dancers step it up for Maifest

Bockbierfest in Anaheim was great, and the performance at the Gibson Library went well. The Dance Group is currently getting ready for our Maifest performance on May 12 and May 19. Anyone interested in the group, please contact Art at 702-335-0690.

**Art Ruckle**

## Roof repair approved for \$15,000

Before we get flooded with deferred maintenance costs, the German-American Club unanimously approved up to \$15,000 to repair a leaky roof at the April 22 board meeting.

The club was built in the 1970s, and the roof has been leaking for about eight years, maintenance supervisor Jon Shogren said. He led a group of members that compared estimates before settling on a proposal by The Roof Doctor, a roofing contractor that's been doing business in Las Vegas since 1985.

The estimate for the "torch-down" roof method was for \$10,000, but Jon asked for an additional \$5,000 to rip out plywood, lift the air conditioning unit and use any extra money for insulation.

"This has been a battle," Jon said at the meeting. "We've done a lot of work for the last three years, but we're almost coming to the end on the major stuff. The only thing left is the roof."

Club member Mike O'Brien, former operations manager for shopping centers, hotels and other commercial properties, said he's supervised many roof repairs and this cost is cheaper than it was 20 years ago.

"I'm 79. It's going to outlast me," Mike said of the 10-year warranty.

The project is expected to be completed in May and will take about a week.

In other business, membership director Beverly Long said 61 members haven't paid their dues. "It's frustrating for me," she said. One member suggested posting a "Shame List" on the wall, and another had a more drastic approach: No drinks without a membership card.

Jon asked for volunteers to help paint the bar area, and after short discussion, members decided on May 9-10 so as not to disrupt club activities. The painting project starts at 10 a.m. each day, and pizza will be served courtesy of Gary and Mary.

**Ray Smith**





## SAVE THE DATE!



*The German American Social Club of Nevada invites you to our Annual Maifest!*

*Saturday, May 12 & 19, 2018*

*4:00pm – 10:00pm*

*German Food and Beer*

*Music, Dancing, Gemütlichkeit!!*



### Andy croons at annual Picnic

We had our annual "Picnic with Andy" at the club April 15 and it was a fun event. Andy sang to a room full of enthusiastic fans who enjoyed his music and great entertainment. Thanks to the GW Schleidt Company for all the nice things they gave us for the raffle and auction; KSHP for show tickets; Silvia Brunn (Princess House); Gary Blanton (show tickets); and Martina Merkel (Face to Toe Salon). Sigrid did a great job selling raffle tickets. Thanks to all who attended and helped with the picnic. Looking forward to doing it again next April.

**Silvia Brunn**



**Gary Blanton (left) cooks sliders at the ABK Beer tap takeover, and Jon Shogren shows off the walk-in cooler that was remodeled with a quarter-inch diamond steel plate floor and new shelving.**



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# MAY 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Jazz night with Marsha K, 6-9 p.m. \$2/\$5	2 Dance practice 7-9 p.m.	3	4 Card night 5:30 p.m. Pot luck	5 Al's Memorial Fish Fry by Jon and Natalia \$13/\$15
6 Jimmy Wilkins Big Band 97 <sup>th</sup> birthday 1-4 p.m. \$12/\$15	7 Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.	8 Jazz night with Marsha K, 6-9 p.m. \$2/\$5	9 Dance practice 7-9 p.m.	10	11 Card night 5:30 p.m. Pot luck	12 Maifest with schnitzel, brat platter, potato pancakes, sauerkraut, strudel; Music by Ginger Snaps 4 p.m.
13 Mother's Day men cooking for women, 11 a.m.	14	15 Jazz night with Marsha K, 6-9 p.m. \$2/\$5	16 Dance practice 7-9 p.m.	17	18 Card night 5:30 p.m. Pot luck	19 Maifest with haxen (by reservation), brat platter, potato pancakes, sauerkraut, strudel; Music by Ginger Snaps 4 p.m.
20 Board meeting, 11 a.m. Membership meeting, 1 p.m. Cake, coffee by Alwine, 2-4 p.m.	21	22 Jazz night with Marsha K, 6-9 p.m. \$2/\$5	23 Dance practice 7-9 p.m.	24	25 Card night 5:30 p.m. Pot luck	26 Closed
27 Memorial Day barbecue by TJ, 1 p.m. Ceremony, 2 p.m.	28	29 Jazz night with Marsha K, 6-9 p.m. \$2/\$5	30	31		

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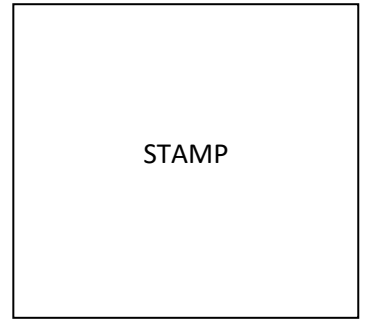
As a courtesy to the volunteer cooks, it's **required** that you make dinner reservations by the WEDNESDAY prior to the dinner. If you made a reservation and cannot keep it, please call the club and let us know as soon as possible. Thank you for being courteous. Serving starts at 6 p.m. \$13 members/\$15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

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# MAY 2018



- Maifest celebrations
- Jimmy Wilkins Big Band
- Memorial Day barbecue
- Tuesday night jazz
- Wednesday night dance practice
- Friday night cards

