

#### **UPCOMING DINNERS**

**Nov 4 – "Fussball Watch Party -** Breakfast/Brunch (Available from 10:00-1:00 pm)", -**\$TBD** 

Nov 11 – "Bavarian Night- Schweinshaxen \$25 or Rouladen \$20, Pre-paid Full Dinner Service"

Nov 18 – "Karneval Kick-Off - Rotisserie Chicken Dinner with Vegetable Sides, Salad and Dessert Service", -\$18

**Nov 19 0 "Thanksgiving Dinner -** Full Traditional Roast Turkey Dinner with Sides, Salads, and Pies, Served Buffet Style", - **\$20** 

Nov 25 - "No Dinner Service"

#### **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 the culture, come celebrate with us!! The German-American Social Club of Nevada welcomes visitors, as guests, to our clubhouse. Your first three visits without being a member are free. We are looking for fresh faces, and new ideas, so bring them and become a member!

For more info, go to our website,

https://www.germanamericanclubnv.com/



#### **President's Letter**

#### **Guten Tag,**

As the year began, and due to multiple vacancies, I accepted the additional tasks of Newsletter Editor, Website Administrator, and Community Services Chairman. I have been so pleased that many members have appreciated the expanded newsletters, and the restored and updated website. However, as is appropriate in a volunteer club, it is always best that members take service roles whenever possible, and I am pleased that the Board has appointed Nick Fry as Web Administrator. Nick will continue as the Instagram curator. Separately, I want to recognize Nick for organizing our first Bundesliga Watch Party.

Oktoberfest was as big a crowd as we have seen at the Club but everyone was accommodated. Our members in the Golf club did a great job of setting up the outdoor seating. It was wonderful. Thanks Guys!! I have no doubt that our record crowds on Friday and Saturday were comfortable due to the great seating outdoors. The weather was absolutely perfect both nights.

Handcrafts added sales and character to our event. The food production, with so many new members helping, was quick. Thanks again to Linda Snyder for her coordination of the pantry staff.

My special thanks goes out to Director Art Ruckle, and the members that practiced their dances for weeks. The matched outfits and the smooth presentation was a delight to our guests. I enjoyed the presentation of the colors, and the national anthems as well.

The October 28th Halloween Costume Contest had 24 participants and four winners were recognized. The Couple Prize of \$20 went to Cliff and Cheryl (Fred and Wilma). \$10 was awarded to Suzanne Sandoval (BeetleJuice) and to Ed Dogans (Imperial Court) for individual effort. Christina Bieber was presented with the President's Award for entertaining everyone as a Lovable Unicorn.

Ingrid Voss (#4668) was the Hidden Member Number in the October Newsletter. While she didn't claim her prize, I enjoyed seeing Ingrid and Jerry at the Halloween Party.

The Board will meet on November 2<sup>nd</sup> and briefly on November 18<sup>th</sup> to review current Club operations.

Your President,

### Eric Outfleet



Tuesday Bluesday, Oct 21st



#### **POKER TABLES RETURN**

Dan Lee had a full table for his first Competitive Poker Table on October 27th. Dan hosted the table and our player/guests were Dennis, Barbara, Joe, Ramona, John, Christian Suedbeck and Christina Bieber. Dan will be offering games on two Fridays each month, although the Holidays will disrupt his schedule dates in November and December. More information on next games will be in emails, Facebook, and website postings. Member #4154. Next Game is November 10th.

#### **FALL COLORS COME TO GASCON**

The Club was wonderfully decorated with color and merchandise for Oktoberfest by Art and our handcrafters. Mike and Sandy set our beautiful Fall Flowerbox colors at the same time. Lovely Halloween table and wall decorations were set by Ray, George, Eric and Christina B. on the Wednesday preceding the Costume Party. Our Fall Colors and Decorations were installed on Sunday, October 29th by Nick H., Kyle Ruckle, Patra, and Eric.

#### **SCHUTZEN NEWS-** Art Ruckle

The Shooting Group meets the first and third Saturday of each month at 11am. However, there will be no range practice on Nov  $4^{th}$ . If you are interested in participating, come visit us, or call Art at 702 335-0690.

#### **GOLFER NEWS - Art Ruckle**

Our Golfers are ready and looking forward to the Memorial Golf Tournament. The annual event is Nov 3-5. The event includes Golf, BBQ after golf, Drinks and Pizza in the party room, and a chance to win 1 of 30 money envelopes. Non-Golfers are welcome and encouraged to attend. Registration is still open –book your room at the Edgewater Hotel \$84 per night (Call 1 800 677-4837 w/reservation code GRGAS23). Please call Art at 702 335-0690 if you are attending. Golfers are encouraged to join Art and GASCON players at their weekly tee-time, every Friday, at Durango Hills. Anyone interested in playing, call Art.

#### **DANCE GROUP - Art Ruckle**

The Dance Group is on break for a few weeks. If you are interested, speak with Art, or one of the Dancers. Art can be reach at 702 335-0690.

#### **GAME NIGHT**

The weekly Game Nights continue to be popular with our membership. It was a pleasure to see the increased game play in September and October. I hope that new games and old games will continue to be fun for everyone through cooler months and into Spring. Yes, the bar is always open.

#### MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The Membership Meeting on Oct 18th was lightly attended. The President gave summary highlights of Octoberfest, and called for comments from the members. There were many successes in our activities, however, there were some weak elements and the members discussed each honestly. The event was financially and socially successful. President Outfleet thanked the many volunteers. Our next meeting is November 21st. which is Prom Night and "Karneval Kick-Off".



#### **MATCH VIEWING**

Nick Fry, Henrietta Zoellner, Al and Erika Mejia have finalized 5 weeks of discussion, planning and equipment testing to allow *Fussball* Match Viewing at the Club. The contest between Dortmund and Munich on November 4<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 to 2:00 pm, is the first event. Members and community guests are welcome. The Bar will be open and light food will be available. Brunch is offered because fans may be hungry.

More information is on our Instagram and our Website. For quick questions, send Nick a note <a href="mailto:nickfry\_2000@yahoo.com">nickfry\_2000@yahoo.com</a> or the phone number on the GASCON staff page.

#### **DANCE GROUP**

Director Art Ruckle leads a well-practiced German Dance Group. The dancers are on a Break from practice, but now is a good time to ask about joining.

#### MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Thanks to Membership Chair Leanne Krinker for her excellent work greeting our guests at Oktoberfest. We received 14 membership requests that weekend. The Board has approved 41 new members since July 1st. Our Total membership is over 220 as of Nov 1st.

#### THANKSGIVING FEAST

Our Club is normally "dark" during the Thanksgiving weekend. This year, we will be offering a full Thanksgiving Feast served buffet style, on Sunday, Nov 19th. It will be a 2:00 pm service with doors opening at 1:00. Dinner reservations are required. Side Dishes are encouraged, but should be coordinated with Dinner Host, Rose Martin.



Ray enjoys a Dance with a Magical Creature.

The Costumed Members almost fit on the Dance Floor.



Thanks to everyone that joined that Party.

Not Pictured is Maureen Cronan and John Sandoval – Both were on KP when the photo was taken. Christina Gibson was behind the Bar.

#### **MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS**

Service hours with others is a great benefit. The opportunity to work with fellow members, towards a group goal, is the primary benefit of our social club.

#### ST. BALDRIC'S - HAIRCUT BASH

Tim is working on a special February fundraiser. Head Shaving Haircuts will be offered, and performed, as a fundraiser for medical research on treatments for children's cancer. The event, in coordination with Diana and Jack Toogood, will continue years of club member fundraising efforts. Money raised at this planned event will become GASCON's 2024 donation to the Sons and Daughters of Erin, St Patrick Day Festival on behalf of St. Baldric's Children's Cancer Research. Thanks Tim!

#### **WEBSITE GROWTH**

The GASCON Website has been the primary way non-members learn about our history, and cultural preservation efforts. Recently, webpage updates have become normal, and this, along with regular postings to Instagram and Facebook, have increased the number of Club visitors. Everyone is encouraged to share our Facebook postings. Also, always leave a comment on the posts.

#### **HALLOWEEN PARTY**

35 people and 1 Unicorn attended our "Country Halloween" party. Western music played and folks danced in costume. Dance moves were led by Ray/ Avis, and Bob/Julie. Friar Jesse and Sister Linda blessed us with their presence. Rosie helped Patra refine her Jewelry wear. Maureen was pretty enough to eat. John S. was fresh from a "corrections escape" and Frank was reaping a few souls. Peter hid behind a Mask! There was an Elf on the bar-chair (Chris) and a Witchdoctor (TJ). Hans/Margie, and Jerry/Ingrid watched the show. Thanks to Ray, Rose, Chris, Christina B., George, Tina, Maureen, John S. and to our Judges - Nick H and Linda.



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#### **IMPROVEMENTS & REPAIRS**

Mike installed a new "Smoke Flue" on the Chicken Rotisserie last summer. It was working nicely during our last membership dinner. In late October, Mike set his mind to a looseness in the BBQ Rotisserie. He restored a nice, tight connection to prevent rotation vibration while Haxen are turning over our grills.

The Club did a good job of reducing Air Conditioner use to save money on utilities. The effort worked, and we now are moving into the cooler Fall months.

On October 11<sup>th</sup>, we had the Gas Company come out and conduct a safety inspection. Using a leak detecting "sniffer" the technician went around and checked all gas equipment and fittings. He found a slightly loose connection at one of the roof heater connections and tightened it. There were no other problems found during the inspection.

Nick Fry installed the strands of "Edison light-bulbs" over the *Biergarten*. Eric donated the strings and Nick, along with John Outfleet, got them installed a few days before Oktoberfest - a nice addition.

Starting October 30th. Two of our Club windows will be on a timer and lighted each night by LED bulbs.

## PRESIDENT'S COMMUNITY SERVICE CAMPAIGNS

The President's Campaign for Toys-4-Tots has closed. The Marine Corps Reserve Foundation, Toys-4 Tots, received a check for \$625 on Saturday, October 14th during our Oktoberfest evening. The GASCON gift was the first of the 2023 fundraising season and allows early purchase of Christmas toys.

# **NOVEMBER 2023**

			1 OPEN HOUSE Tours Hot Dog Service \$5 4:30 – 6:30 pm	BOARD MEETING 5:30 pm	3 GAME NIGHT, 5 – 9:00 pm Memorial Golf Tournament - Laughlin	"Munich v. Dortmund"; 10:00 – 2:00 pm, Brunch Service; Golf Tournament - Laughlin
GERMAN MUSIC SUNDAY, "The Las Vegas German Show" 10 - 12 pm Golf Tournament - Laughlin	6	7 LATIN GROOVE Sal Santiago's Party, 6 - 9:00 pm	OPEN HOUSE Tours Oven Baked Pizza \$5 4:30 – 6:30 pm	9	GAME NIGHT 5 – 9:00 pm Poker Table	"Bavarian Night" Haxen/Rouladen with Salad and Dessert Service by Skip-Silvia; Music by Ginger Bruner;
GERMAN MUSIC SUNDAY, "The Las Vegas German Show" 10 - 12 pm	13	14	OPEN HOUSE Tours Hot Soup with Rolls \$5 4:30 – 6:30 pm	16	<b>GAME NIGHT</b> , 5 – 9:00 pm	"Karneval Kick-Off" Prom Night Dinner with Salad and Dessert Service by Skip; Music by Tim / Barbie Board Meeting 5:00 pm Membership Meeting (door prizes) 5:30 pm; Schützen, 11 am
GERMAN MUSIC SUNDAY, "10 - 12 pm Turkey, Potato Cass, Glazed Carrots, Green Been Cass, Cole Slaw, Biscuit, Pies, Buffet Service, \$20 Limit 45 seats 1 - 5:00 pm	20	TUESDAY BLUESDAY Monk and the Po' Boys, "Tri-Tip Sandwich Plate" by Jesse, \$10 - 6 - 9:00 pm	OPEN HOUSE Tours Hot Soup with Rolls \$5 4:30 – 6:30 pm	23	<b>24 GAME NIGHT</b> , 5-9:00 pm	"No Dinner is Scheduled on Nov 25 <sup>th</sup> "
26 GERMAN MUSIC SUNDAY, "The Las Vegas German Show" 10 - 12 pm Christmas Decorating Day	27	28	OPEN HOUSE Tours Turkey Sandwiches \$5 4:30 - 6:30 pm	30		

As a courtesy to our cooks, and their preparation planning, please call 702-201-1448 and leave a voice message "Reservation" stating your name, number of guests, and your phone number. Also, please leave a second message later, if you must cancel.

#### **NOVEMBER HOLIDAY DINNERS**

On November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023, we will be holding our annual "Bavarian Night" in Honor of Elsie Lappoehn (1919-2013). Elsie was the Founder of the German-American Social Club of Nevada. Silvia, her Haxenmeister, Skip, and his Crew, will be the chefs. You have a choice of Schweinshaxen (pork shank) for \$25.00, or Beef Rouladen for \$20. Rouladen is Top Sirloin stuffed with onion, bacon, and pickle in a brown gravy. This is a popular event and prepayment is required. Call in your RSVP and menu choices of each guest

ALSO – Just before Thanksgiving, our "Karneval Kick-off" will be a uniquely fun party with a bit of Slap-Stick and a bit of history. I am sure our Evening Captain will take us on a fine adventure, perhaps time-travel back to your HS Prom??? Our Club has been so well served, for many years, by a dedicated group that brings hi-jinx and humor each year. I hope you will reserve Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> as a dinner night you want to share with fellow club members, and friends.





Let the Las Vegas Vagabonds bring you back in time to your Prom Night. Whether it be from the 1920's to 1980's, wear your prom best! We'll have corsages and boutonnieres, a photo back drop for elegant pictures, dance music and Prom King and Queen Elections.

FINALLY – Please see the article above about our "Thanksgiving Feast" dinner scheduled for Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>.

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### November 2023

#### **Latin Groove**

**Tuesday Bluesday** 

Wednesday Open House
German Music Sunday
Schutzen
Dance Group
Friday Game-Night
Poker Table
Membership Meeting

### **2023-2024 Corporate Officers**

As Of November 1, 2023

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS								