



UPCOMING DINNERS

Apr 5 – “Sheet Pan Lasagna, Special Salad, Sides and Homemade Tiramisu Dessert”, \$20

Apr 12 – “Backyard BBQ (Bring Your Own Meats), Green Salad & Bread Service (by the Board), and ‘Potluck’ Dishes & Desserts”, - \$15

Apr 19 – “Rib Night, Salad & Bread Service, Vegetable Sides and Dessert”, By Art/Skip - \$20

Apr 26 – “Rouladen, Salad, Spaetzle, Red Cabbage, and Dessert Service”, By Silvia - \$20

MAIFEST

MAY 9 -10

Club Guests, and Membership

The German American Social Club is organized as a private social organization. For all guests, our Board of Directors requests that you acknowledge your visit by signing the “Guest Register” inside our Hall, near the front door. While you are here, please be courteous to those around you and follow-all house rules. Thank you for your interest in our 55 year old Association.

If you are interested in joining, Membership Dues are \$35 per year, and there is an application fee of \$10 to join. For more info, go to our website,

<https://www.germanamericanclubnv.com/>

President’s Letter

Dear fellow Members,

Spring is here and it's time to enjoy the great outdoors. In April, we are going to do an outdoor BBQ where you bring your own meat to put on the grill and the club will provide the sides. Check the newsletter for more Information. Also coming soon is *MaiFest* on May 9th & 10th. Please let your family and friends know to join us for German Food and Music. We will also need volunteers for the event. A couple of hours would be great but any time you can give is helpful and appreciated. Also in May, we'll be having our annual Spring Golf Tournament.

March was a fun month. We had a St Patrick's buffet that was awesome, thank you Kyle. Also we had a Chili cook off which turned out wonderful. We had seven entries and we gave out prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd. All the chili entries were fabulous and thank you to all the Members who showed up and participated, by voting on their favorite chili.

As always we need more volunteers for Saturday night dinners. The entertainment has been wonderful on Saturday nights. Let's get out and enjoy the good weather and come on down to the club when you can.

All the Best,

Kerri Clark, President

DANCE MENIA is April 1st

Listen in to a show just for German-Americans
The German Show
with Silvia

Every Sunday Morning at 10 AM



on KSHP 1400 AM Radio or
Stream the show online at www.KSHP.com
Click on the "Listen Live" button in the top right hand corner

Call in to request a song or to chat
with Silvia every Sunday morning

Interested in being a sponsor?
Give Silvia a call at 702-876-8221



PICNIC WITH ANDY

Silvia Brunn invites you to this playful fundraiser on Sunday, April 19th at 3:00pm. Andy will return for his playful banter and songs. The \$30 entry supports the "Las Vegas German Show". See Last Page Info.

SCHUTZENFEST DINNER

We will have flags, music, pomp and circumstance as we welcome Teams from the Anaheim and San Diego German Clubs to our Match Dinner April 26th.

Tuesday Bluesday is April 15th

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The March Membership Meeting was well-attended. The President discussed recent and upcoming events and the treasurer provided a report of current expense and cash on-hand. The dates for the Maifest were announced. The MAIFEST Chairman is Kyle Ruckle and he will be holding planning meetings on most Sundays at 12:00. Members are welcome to attend. Volunteer Sign-up Boards will soon go up on the Club walls.

Country Jam with Sal is April 22nd

SCHÜTZEN NEWS- Art Ruckle

Looking forward to *SchützenFest* on April 26th. We will have teams from German Clubs in Anaheim and San Diego competing in our annual Shooting Match. If you would like to join the teams at dinner, please keep your April 26th dinner hours free. Silvia Brunn will be cooking a Rouladen Dinner for \$20. Our regular *Schützen* practice is on the first Saturday of each month at 11:00 am. If you are interested in participating, walk-in visits are welcome, or call Art at 702 335-0690.

GOLFER NEWS - Art Ruckle

We are looking forward to our "Spring Tournament", on May 5th. Keep that date on your calendar. The Tournament will be at the Durango Hills Golf Course, 3501 North Durango Drive (Cross roads: Durango and Cheyenne) - Telephone 702 229 4653. The cost will be \$60.00 for golfers (they may bring a guest to dinner for an additional \$20.00), and includes green fee, Awards Ceremony dinner at the Club, and a chance to win a raffle envelope with money. We play every Sunday at Durango Hills. Anyone interested in playing with us call Art at 702 335-0690.

DANCE GROUP - Art Ruckle

Practice is every Wednesday in April at 6:30 pm as we are getting ready for *MaiFest*. Come by and watch, and step in! The *Lustigen Bayerischen Schuhplattler* welcomes new dancers.

APRIL BACKYARD BBQ

Our Apr 12th Backyard BBQ is \$15. The Board will provide Bread & Green Salad. Please consider bringing a 6-10 person "side dish" or "dessert" to offer at our potluck buffet. The Sides Potluck has always had surprising variety !!

5th TUESDAY MUSIC SHOW

Jack is working on a special show for the 5th Tuesday, April 29th. Jack may schedule a Bluegrass band – but for now, the night is listed as “To Be Determined.” Our Tuesday music show/light dinner nights are always fun. All Tuesday Music Shows are FREE, but Supported by Bar and Light Food sales. With warmer weather and evening daylight, these Club Member shows are a great mid-week activity.

BOARD ELECTIONS – 2025-2026

Our Club asks for many volunteers though-out the year. However, our most important service is on our Board of Directors. The Board meets twice a month to plan the Club calendar of meals, music, social activities, and it guides our corporation’s supplies/services payments.

We will be electing a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, and five Directors. We are accepting self-nominations over the next month. Nominations open in April and close in May. Ballots will be mailed in May. All dates will be announced by the Board

ST PATRICK’S FESTIVAL

Many thanks to those members that supported the Saint Patrick’s Day Festival and Parade. Cecil drove his Ford custom in the parade and was escorted by walking, waving GASCON members to represent our Club. We have many dual-members in our Club that also serve in the Sons and Daughters of Erin. Thanks!!



TUESDAY BLUESDAY

Vibrant Blues, at the most intimate setting in Las Vegas. See “Monk and the Po’ Boys” for their 3 hour blast every 3rd Tuesday. The show is celebrating over 3 years performing for our members. Arrive before 6:00 because our \$15 light food plate often sells out!

“MO’TOWN AND MORE by Westley and Shelly”

In April, 2024, the Club added a third Tuesday music to our entertainment calendar. The new show was “MO’TOWN AND MORE” and it has now completed 12 months on our schedule.

The performers, “TWICE AS NICE, Featuring Westley and Shelly”, have proven popular with their high energy performances as well as ballads of the past. The show includes songs of the 60’s, 70’s and 80’s. These talented entertainers will celebrate their 2025 Anniversary Show April 8th at 6:00 pm. **Shelly is asking everyone to come out and help Westley celebrate his birthday!!** The show is always FREE to Members, and to our guests. Please arrive early and order our available \$15 light dinner plate which provides income for our Club.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR – Eric Outfleet

Hello Everyone - I have agreed to produce the April, May, and June newsletters this Spring. The new Board will need an active Editor to produce the 2025-2026 Newsletters. I would ask each member to consider whether they can adopt this task. If you are interested in working with the new Board, and informing our members, please contact President Kerri or Eric.



MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Our Club has an open, rotating leadership with the Board of Directors elected each Spring. All Members are welcome to serve on the Board. The Board sets our social programs and manages finances.

GERMAN LANGUAGE LESSONS

Our Club mission is founded on sharing customs and culture with each other and with the people of Southern Nevada. A key part of this mission is encouraging and fostering expression in the German language. The Club continues to offer weekly German Lessons. Feel free to request schedule information from the Bartender on-duty.

CLUB MUSIC SHOWS

One of the unique truths about our Club is the deliberate intention to provide music, dance and social hours/opportunities throughout the month. We certainly enjoy music with our Saturday dinners, and occasionally that might include Karaoke. Our Tuesday music shows are now a big part of the expanded calendar. Our dinner shows are usually \$20, and our Tuesday music shows are FREE. The Board tries to schedule a variety of genres so that each member can find their preferred entertainment.

MAIFEST PLANNING

"MaiFest" planning continues. Please keep May 9th-10th clear to help. Festival has "2 hour" work-shifts. We thank *Die Lustigen Bayerischen Schuhplattler* for their planned performances!! Here is their Schedule:

FRIDAY	SATURDAY
:00 Event Opens	Event Opens
6:00 Welcome, Color Guard	
7:00 Maypole Dance	Maypole Dance
8:00 Dance Performance	Dance Performance

Dance Performances will be in the Parking Lot

To see recent online photos of the Club, visit our Instagram Page.



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REPAIRS & IMPROVEMENTS

The Club received several cash donations in February for stove repairs.

In Spring 2024, Stage improvements were made for easier, safer access by our entertainers. Black Backdrop Curtains were added behind the Stage. The second front door of the Clubhouse is now commonly used by our entertainers.

At the March Membership Meeting, Eric Outfleet announced that the Stage Sound Amplification System has been completed and tested. The system is used during meetings, and for house music. Our entertainers are welcome to use this equipment.

Our Club Cash Reserves are down. Cash Donations will help our Board meet current expenses. Please consider making a special cash/check donation of \$25-100 in the next two months. Donations are commonly made during the MaiFest event weekend.

Donations, cash or labor, have been a part of our Club's success for over 54 years – Thank you for your continued support.

About the Club

Our purpose is to preserve German traditions and culture, to share it with our community, and to regularly meet in friendship, welcoming all that share this goal. Whether you are German, or just love the culture, come celebrate with us! The German-American Social Club welcomes visitors, as guests, to our clubhouse. Your first 3 guest visits are free. Membership is \$35 plus \$10 Application Fee.

April 2025

		1 DANCE MENIA Sal Santiago, Enchilada Plate by Maxie \$15, 6 - 9:00 pm	2 OPEN HOUSE Tours, Bar is Open 4:30 – 6:30 pm German Dance Practice 6:30 pm	3 BOARD MEETING 5:30 pm	4	5 "SHEET PAN LASAGNE, Special Salad, Sides, and homemade Tiramisu Desert by Cheryl; Music by Kip Anderson; \$20 SCHÜTZEN 11:00 am
6 GOLF 6:30 am Durango GERMAN MUSIC SUNDAY * 9:45 – 12:00 pm MAIFEST MEETING 12:00	7	8 MO'TOWN AND MORE with Westley & Shelly, Gumbo by Silvia \$15 6 – 9:00 pm	9 OPEN HOUSE Tours, Bar is Open 4:30 – 6:30 pm German Dance Practice 6:30 pm	10	11 GAME NIGHT 5 - 9:00 pm	12 BACKYARD BBQ, (BYO Meat), Green Salad, Bread provided by the Board, and "Potluck ; Music by Ciao Bella; \$15
13 GOLF 6:30 am Durango GERMAN MUSIC SUNDAY * 9:45 – 12:00 pm PICNIC WITH ANDY 3:00 -- \$30	14	15 TUESDAY BLUESDAY Monk and the Po' Boys, Pot Roast, Mashed Potato Plate by Cheryl \$15 6 - 9:00 pm	16 OPEN HOUSE Tours, Bar is Open 4:30 – 6:30 pm German Dance Practice 6:30 pm	17 BOARD MEETING 5:30 pm	18 GOOD FRIDAY	19 RIB NIGHT Salad, Vegetable Sides with Dessert" by Art/Skip, Music by Desert Shadows ; \$20 Membership Meeting 5:30 pm
20 EASTER SUNDAY	21	22 COUNTRY JAM Sal Santiago, Light Meal Plate by Kyle \$15, 6 - 9:00 pm	23 OPEN HOUSE Tours, Bar is Open 4:30 – 6:30 pm German Dance Practice 6:30 pm	24	25 SCHÜTZENFEST	26 SCHÜTZENFEST ROULADEN, Salad, Speatzle, Red Cabbage & Dessert" by Silvia; Music by Sal Santiago; \$20
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*Brunch @ German Music Sunday, Eggs, Pastries, Meats, Fruit, and occasional items French Toast, Pancake, Potatoes \$5						

This is a Membership Club. Visitors are welcome, but must sign our "Guest Register". As a courtesy to our cooks, and their Saturday meal planning, please call 702-201-1448 and leave a voice message "Saturday Reservation" stating your name, number of guests, and your phone number. **Reservation Calls should be made by Wednesday Night.** Also, if you must cancel, please leave a follow-up message later.

BEHIND THE BAR – JACK TOOGOOD

[A Brief History of Vodka](#)

While pinpointing the exact invention date of vodka is debated, its origins are generally traced back to the 14th century in Eastern Europe, with the first written record of the word "vodka" appearing in a Polish document in 1405. Here's a more detailed look at the history of vodka:

Early Origins: Some theories suggest vodka's roots lie in the 8th or 9th century in Poland or Russia, with the first distilled spirits dating back to the 8th century when alchemist Geber invented the alembic still.

- **14th Century:** By the 14th century, a liquor called vodka was present in Russia, and the word "vodka" was first recorded in writing in a Polish document in 1405.
- **15th Century:** In the 15th century, a monk named Isidore from the Chudov Monastery in Moscow is credited with creating a recipe for the first Russian vodka around 1430.
- **Medicinal and Cosmetic Uses:** Initially, vodka was used for medicinal and cosmetic purposes, with the Polish word "wódka" referring to alcohol-based medicines/cosmetics derived from frozen wine.
- **Spread and Popularity:** Vodka gained popularity in Russia, Poland, and the Balkan states, and its consumption increased rapidly in the United States and Europe after World War II.
- **Vodka Belt:** The regions of Eastern Europe and Russia, including both Baltic and Nordic countries, are known as the "vodka belt".
- **18th Century:** In the 18th century, Russian chemist Theodore Lowitz invented charcoal filtration to remove impurities from the final spirit, making it more hygienic.
- **19th Century:** By the end of the 19th century, a standard protocol for vodka production was enacted, and the name "Vodka" became officially and formally recognized.
- **Modern Era:** Today, vodka is one of the most popular spirits in the world, beloved for its smooth, clean taste, and its ability to be mixed with a variety of other beverages. **Stay Thirsty, See you next month! Jack Toogood, Bar Manager**



The Las Vegas German Show Presents,
DIRECT FROM GERMANY:

"PICNIC WITH ANDY"
SUNDAY, APRIL 13TH, 2025

Bring your own favorite picnic foods
All proceeds go to the LAS VEGAS GERMAN SHOW



Doors Open at 3pm, Andy Sings at 4pm
Ticket Price \$30, Includes Coffee & Cake Buffet

For Reservations- Call or text Silvia:
(702)772-1517

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STAMP



April 2025

Game Night

Latin Groove

MO'TOWN AND MORE

Tuesday Bluesday

Country Jam

Wednesday Open House

German Music Sunday

Schützen

SchützenFest

Membership Meeting

2024-2025 Corporate Officers

As Of April 1, 2025

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

President			
Vice-President			
Secretary			
Treasurer			

DIRECTORS

Member-At-Large			
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TRUSTEES

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Bar Manager			
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