



## **UPCOMING DINNERS**

**Aug 5** – “Back-Yard BBQ, with Potluck Sides. Bring/Cook your protein, bring a side dish for 8 others, and share in the buffet”, -**\$10**

**Aug 12** – “*Zigeunerschnitzel* w/oven fries. Lightly breaded pork chops in a lively bell pepper sauce with Sides, Salad and Dessert Service”, -**\$18**

**Aug 19** – “Italian Night with Available Wine Tasting with Sides, Salad and Dessert Service”, -**\$18**

**Aug 26** – “*Koenigsberger Klopse*, in caper sauce, and yukon gold potatoes, with Sides, Salad and Dessert Service”, -**\$18**

## **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**, your Board of Directors and I are pleased to share that our July kick-off of expanded service hours was successful.

Our first “German Music Sunday” had visits by 13 members and 2 guests. One guest was a long separated member that rejoined the Club. Welcome back Rachel. Our first “Open House” event on July 5<sup>th</sup> initiated our regular Wednesday afternoon hours. With Facebook information posts by Linda Snyder, we are receiving both members, and walk-in visitors.

Our July 1<sup>st</sup> “Backyard BBQ” was enjoyed by many members. The hours of soft German dinner music allowed for conversations at each table, walk-around discussions and teasing. The request to dinner guests for potluck “dinner sides and desserts” was deliciously answered with a variety of salads, vegetables, soups and DESSERTS!!

By insistence of many, the “Backyard BBQ” returns on August 5<sup>th</sup>, and September 2<sup>nd</sup>. The cost is again \$10, just bring your meat for grilling. Each diner is asked to bring a side dish/dessert (serving 8-10) to share. Also, I have a question – “Should we increase the BBQ by \$2 to help with our air conditioning bill?” Let’s discuss at the next Membership meeting.

Two new hospitality programs were added to our Monthly Membership meetings. First, on arrival, every person receives a free “door prize” ticket to welcome them to the meetings. See the July winner’s story inside this newsletter. Second, we added a birthday cake to the “3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday” Dinner. We will be buying a bigger cake in August!

As we plan for our Club’s Oktoberfest celebration, scheduled for Oct 13-14, I would ask that you please volunteer for a service activity. We will have many guests, and we will need volunteers to assist with food sales and table clean-up. See the article below for information about the three unique 2023 Oktoberfest events, where our Club, through our members, bring German culture, history and fun to Las Vegas.

Dan Dever (#4704) was the Hidden Member Number in the July Newsletter. Did you find the #? If you find your number before August 16<sup>th</sup>, I will buy a dinner for you.

My sincere thanks to those that have “charged forward” with club leadership on Oktoberfest event planning. Your commitment is inspiring to me, and to our membership.

Your President,

*Eric Outfleet*



**Tuesday Bluesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>**

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# The German Show

with Silvia

Every Sunday Morning at 10 AM



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## **SCHUTZEN NEWS- Art Ruckle**

Schutzenfest in San Diego was a lot of fun. It was great to visit with our friends from San Diego and Anaheim. The team from Anaheim took first place, San Diego second, and Las Vegas third. The shooting group meets at the club, on the first and third Saturday of each month, at 11 am. If you are interested in participating or checking to see what we're about, come visit, or call Art at 702 335-0690.

## **GOLFER NEWS - Art Ruckle**

Our Memorial Golf Tournament in Laughlin will be Nov 3-5<sup>th</sup>, so put it on your calendar. We play every Friday at Durango Hills. Anyone interested in playing with us, call Art at 702 335-0690

## **DANCE GROUP - Art Ruckle**

The Dance Group practices every Wednesday at 7:00 pm. We are getting ready for Oktoberfest. You are welcome to come visit us and see what we are about. Please call Art at 702 335-0690.

## **TUESDAY NIGHT MUSIC**

"Latin Groove" will return on August 1<sup>st</sup>. This event, organized by Sal Santiago, was extremely well received in June and July. There is a request for a \$10 donation at the door. However, Sal's guests receive a wonderful show, and a variety of voices. Even better, Sal provides a side buffet with a variety of dishes. He always opens his show with kind words about the German American Social Club of Nevada, and its members. He encourages everyone to join as members, and enjoy the Club's many activities.

## **UPDATE ON MEMBERSHIP**

Membership Chair Leanne thanks everyone for their renewals. For tardy members, she will be sending out a reminder letter and encouragement to sustain their membership.

As of July 27<sup>th</sup>, 10 new members were approved by the Board and three applications are pending.

Contact Leanne at [Krinker2@MSN.COM](mailto:Krinker2@MSN.COM) if your dues are still outstanding.

## **DOOR PRIZE DRAWING**

As introduced in the last newsletter, during the summer, the President is sponsoring a Free Ticket "door prize" program. Each visitor arriving before the Membership Meeting starts, gets a door prize ticket. The Membership Meeting precedes dinner on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday each month.

Silvia Brunn won a \$15 Home Depot card. Christina Bieber selected the \$15 Starbuck's card, and Christian Suedbeck received the Glass Stein (I think).



## **FRUEHSCHOPPEN RETURNS**

In June and July, each Sunday morning, the clubhouse has been a quiet place to enjoy the radio broadcast of “the Las Vegas German Show” from 10-12:00pm. Eric and Patra have hosted a light buffet of German pastry, fruit, chilled yogurt, and coffee. Chris Martin has made sure the House audio system was playing the show. As we enter the third month, Eric will be offering a Free Bloody Mary for guests listening on the first Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>.

In August, show host Silvia Brunn, will extend our morning fellowship by inviting her listeners to join her at the clubhouse for *Fruehschoppen*. A past part of our club schedule, this traditional Sunday social activity is a chance to relax and share with friends. She has selected “First Sunday”, August 6<sup>th</sup>, to kick-off her *Fruehschoppen* invitation to listeners and members. Please join her, at 12:30 pm for a few hours of fun chat about life. We look forward to this monthly Sunday social time at the Club.

## **MEMBERSHIP IS SPECIAL**

Hopefully, the welcoming presentation of our lighted “Guest Register” station at the front door adds a sense of value, and exclusivity, to membership. Each visitor sees that they are “guests” in a special club.

## **BANK SIGNATURE CARDS**

The Club Executive Officers are also the signature custodian of funds on deposit in our three Bank of America accounts. On July 25<sup>th</sup>, new signature cards were filed after state corporate records were presented to the bank. The current signatories are President Eric Outfleet, Vice President Chris Martin, and Treasurer Rose Martin.



## **OKTOBERFEST PLANNING x 3!**

The membership may be supporting three different Oktoberfest events this year. The first is a large German dinner preparation for the Las Vegas Police Protection Association on Friday, Oct 6<sup>th</sup>. Skip Hibbard will get additional information and may be leading a cooking crew that completes the daylong food preparation and then the dinner time delivery to the LV PPA in the west valley.

We began planning for the other two events in early July to allow the leaders and volunteers to have sufficient time to get ready. However, these are both returning events and the Club will benefit from our experience and our motivated desire to share German culture in Southern Nevada.

The first is the “Seven-Oh-Brew Oktoberfest” celebration, Sep 29-Oct 1<sup>st</sup> at Craig Ranch Regional Park. This event will grow this year, given the pleasant grass setting and lower prices (our volunteers will receive admission passes). Increased Club revenue will be possible from our exclusive Saturday morning Pancake breakfast.

The GASCON Oktoberfest will be Oct 13-14<sup>th</sup>. Please say “yes” if asked to volunteer for decoration, preparation, food production or for guest service. The Club will also need designated “Greeters” that circulate, say hello and answer questions. If you cannot help at the event, please visit with an open wallet. Our association continues year-to-year on the funds raised each month, and at these annual festivals.

## **MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS**

Club and Kitchen Rental to members is less than \$100. Schedule your birthday, holiday party or event now with Silvia.



## **PRESIDENT'S COMMUNITY SERVICE CAMPAIGNS**

The President's Community Service Campaigns are halfway to their November 1<sup>st</sup> goals. We have received multiple contributions that built on the opening gift of \$100. The Toys-4-Tots campaign and the Paralyzed Veterans of America each have \$500, on-deposit, as July comes to a close.

While there have been several "match" contributions, donations in any amount are welcomed. Donations should be made at the bar register, mailed in, or given to the Treasurer. Request a receipt for the "President's Campaign".

## **CORPORATE RECORDS**

The Club By-laws require that organizational and financial records be kept for the most recent 7 years. The Board of Directors meets this requirement by keeping meeting, financial and some correspondence records in two file cabinets in the corporate office. The Secretary maintains the files related to our incorporation, elections, and registration.

## **WEDNESDAY ROCKETS!**

Club activity on Wednesdays was heavy in July and will grow in August. Every member is welcome to drop-in for a visit after work (Thanks Kerri, John, Sandie, Tony, Thomas, Duane, and Mike). We often have food available for a small donation.

We are also seeing good traffic generated for "Open House", with several guests reporting that they saw the Facebook invite written by Linda Snyder, or the banner outside. In August, we have Oktoberfest planning meetings, most Wednesdays, from 6-7:00, and the Dance Group will practice at 7:00.

## **THE SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF ERIN – The Irish American Club**

Our Club celebrates German culture and history. There are other organizations locally that highlight other local ethnicities. GASCON is closely affiliated with SDOE over many years. With a long history of mutual support, we look forward to shared "visits" by club officers and shared assistance with festivals and fundraisers. We thank the members that share their energy and help us bridge these worthy culture preservation groups.



## **IMPROVEMENTS & REPAIRS**

The Club has received a new security camera system. The previous system no longer had manufacturer support.

The system was purchased through Amazon for \$349.99 and arrived July 25<sup>th</sup>. Installation may be sped up if we are able to use existing wiring.

When set-up, all Board Members will have equal and continuous access to the eight cameras live-video feed either via phone or computer from anywhere, 24 hours.

The Club is seeking ceiling-mounted LED light pots for stage illumination. Currently, there are only two recessed canister lights. We need to be able to set more dynamic lighting. We also need sound muffling wall and floor baffle materials to reduce vibrations that disturb entertainers. Please see Eric if you have any equipment or suggestions.

There was damage to the *Biergarten* fence in late July. This is being assessed for repair.

Finally, last month I encouraged members to consider making direct donations towards Club repair. I want to thank those that have made gifts towards this purpose. I am again encouraging every reader to offer a "GASCON Repair Donation" of \$1-100 to grow our Reserve Account.

## **Thomas Rocha is behind the Bar**

Tommy has been training for a month to serve as a bartender. You will see him on the rotation of bar shifts to help with our expanded service hours.

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		<b>1</b> <b>LATIN GROOVE</b> Sal Santiago's Party - Potluck, \$10; 6-9:00 pm	<b>2</b> <b>OPEN HOUSE</b> <b>Tours</b> 4:30 – 6:30 pm <b>Oktoberfest Mtg</b> 6:00 – 6:50 pm <b>Dance Practice</b> 7:00 pm	<b>3</b> <b>BOARD</b> <b>MEETING</b> 6:30 pm	<b>4</b> <b>GAME NIGHT,</b> 5-9:00 pm	<b>5</b> <b>Backyard BBQ Grill,</b> Bring your meat to grill, Each member brings a side dish "Potluck"; with House German Music; <b>Schützen, 11 am</b>
<b>6</b> <b>GERMAN MUSIC</b> <b>SUNDAY,</b> "The Las Vegas German Show" at the Club 10-12 pm <b>FRUEHSCHOPPEN</b> 12:30 - 2:30 pm	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> <b>OPEN HOUSE</b> <b>Tours</b> 4:30-6:30 pm <b>Dance Practice</b> 7:00 pm	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <b>GAME NIGHT,</b> 5-9:00 pm <b>GERMAN</b> <b>INDUSTRIAL</b> 10 pm – 2 am	<b>12</b> <b>Zigeunerschnitzel</b> w/oven fries. Lightly breaded pork chops in a lively bell pepper sauce by Ingrid Stewart. Music by Sonny Boline
<b>13</b> <b>GERMAN MUSIC</b> <b>SUNDAY,</b> "The Las Vegas German Show" at the Club 10-12 pm	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> <b>TUESDAY</b> <b>BLUESDAY</b> Monk and the Po' Boys, Hot Plate \$10 6-9:00 pm	<b>16</b> <b>OPEN HOUSE</b> <b>Tours</b> 4:30 – 6:30 pm <b>Oktoberfest Mtg</b> 6:00 – 6:50 pm <b>Dance Practice</b> 7:00 pm	<b>17</b> <b>BOARD</b> <b>MEETING</b> 6:30 pm	<b>18</b> <b>GAME NIGHT,</b> 5-9:00 pm	<b>19</b> <b>Italian Night with</b> <b>Available Wine</b> <b>Tasting</b> w/sides by Art/Tim; <b>Membership</b> <b>Meeting (door prizes)</b> <b>5:30 pm;</b> <b>Schützen, 11 am</b>
<b>20</b> <b>GERMAN MUSIC</b> <b>SUNDAY,</b> "The Las Vegas German Show" at the Club 10-12 pm	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> <b>OPEN HOUSE</b> <b>Tours</b> 4:30 – 6:30 pm <b>Dance Practice</b> 7:00 pm	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> <b>GAME NIGHT,</b> 5 – 9:00 pm <b>GERMAN</b> <b>INDUSTRIAL</b> 10 pm – 2 am	<b>26</b> <b>Koenigsberger</b> <b>Klopse</b> in caper sauce, w/Yukon gold potatoes, vegetable w/ salad and dessert by Silvia Brunn. Music by Billy Fischer
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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.

## MEMBER SERVICE AWARDS

Membership Chair Krinker has reviewed the member list and has prepared recommendations for Service Award pins. Each award for years of service will be based on the most recent "Date-of-Membership". The President has reviewed and approved the nominations, and the longevity pins will be presented during the "Membership Meeting" on August 19<sup>th</sup>. The Meeting Agenda will include a moment to call forward these distinguished members and present these awards. Please congratulate each of these dedicated members for their years of shared service to our organization.

Should these members not attend, their pins will be in the membership box, behind the bar, through September 30, 2023.

### 2022

50	1972	Christiana	Wessel
45	1976	Norman	Russell
35	1986	Sandy	DiFonzo
30	1992	John	Recor
30	1992	Kerri	Clark
30	1992	Barbara	Phillips
25	2006	Sigrid	Anton
10	2012	Janice	Kennedy
10	2012	Suzanne	Woodbury
10	2012	Bruce	Woodbury
5	2016	Rosalia	Achziger
5	2016	John	Britz
5	2016	Carolyn	Carroll
5	2016	Robert	Carroll
5	2016	Kyle	Ruckle
5	2016	Jenny	Ruckle
5	2016	Clyde	Ruckle
5	2016	Mikel	Sipes
5	2016	Alexander	Von Furstenberg

### 2023

25	1997	Skip	Hibbert
20	2003	Joe	Ouellette
20	2003	Evelyne	Ouellette
20	2003	Jose	Rementeria
15	2007	Margaret	Schwob
15	2007	Hans	Schwob
10	2013	Evi	Sellers
10	2013	Sigrid	Sommer
5	2017	David	Boettinger
5	2017	Katy	Boettinger
5	2017	Gene	Hickman
5	2017	Norman	Howard
5	2017	Nathan	Hrustyk
5	2017	Kathy	Mead
5	2017	Peter	Preto
5	2017	Robert	Strauch
5	2017	Julie	Strauch
5	2017	Jack	Toogood
5	2017	Frank	Urban
5	2017	Rosemarie	Urban

## **GASCON HOSPITALITY PROGRAM – Sandie McCulloch**

Hello Everyone!

Your hospitality program sent several member care cards and flowers in July. We also successfully held our first free “Door Prize” contest at the Membership Meeting. Our dinner sales of 50/30/20% Raffle Tickets raised \$167 for club programs and to be applied towards the Oktoberfest music expenses. Thanks to everyone that helped make the Hospitality Program kick-off in July a success.

Also, I am pleased to be organizing an “Oktoberfest” Merchandise Crafting Committee. We will be meeting on Wednesday, August 2nd at 6:00 pm. Our meeting will start after Eric closes the Oktoberfest Planning Committee meeting. Everyone interested in helping with crafting projects, which will create items to be sold for profit during the Seven-Oh-Brew (Craig Ranch), and the GASCON Oktoberfests. Please join us in crafting these items!

If you can't craft with us, you can still contribute! If you have any of the following items and would like to donate them, please bring them to the club and label the package “crafting committee”.

Black buttons, glass paint (curable), artificial flowers – any color, thin ribbon - any color!

Hot glue sticks, paint, stirring sticks

Cotton scrap material – any color, any pattern; water soluble, crafting paint – any color! Member #3728

Thanks so much! I hope to see you there! We're going to have a lot of fun doing this, and we are going to help the Club make some money! If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call me.

## **BORUSSIA DORTMUND – Bundesliga in Las Vegas**

Congratulations to TJ, Christine, their son Steve and granddaughter Nina. They got tickets to the see Dortmund football club, of the Bundesliga, at Allegiant Stadium. They were joined by Justin and Leanne and they all captured the moment with the wonderful photo below. How fun it must have been to see the winning shot that defeated Manchester United of the English Premier League!!

We also had members that got to greet the team during the practice week in Las Vegas. How? In early July, Christian Bieber approached me and suggested inviting BVB to our club. At my suggestion, he emailed the football club! The organization wrote back, noting their full schedule while in Nevada. However, they countered with a special invitation for two members of the German American Social Club of Nevada to attend a private reception on July 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. I sent Christian as my club representative, and he selected Ana Breit, an avid soccer player to attend with him. Both of these members joined our club on different “Open House” dates in July. Christian delivered a GASCON Stein to the team CEO, and he gave our business card to the Team Manager. THANKS CHRISTIAN !

Christine and Christian grew up in Germany, and Ana was a resident there for many years, only arriving in Las Vegas in the last two months. What a taste of home this match must have been for them, and for all our members that got to enjoy this competition.



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# ***AUGUST 2023***

**Latin Groove**

**Tuesday Bluesday**

**German Industrial**

**Wednesday Open House**

**German Music Sunday**

***Fruehschoppen***

**Schutzen**

**Friday Game-Night**

**Membership Meeting**



# 2023-2024 Corporate Officers

As Of August 1, 2023

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