

Bauen Sie! Pledge Your Support to Building for the Future of Our Verein Not everyone wants to swing a hammer, however, everyone can support the expansion at Donau Park, adding memories, opportunities and revenue for the German Cultural Society. Donau Park provides a beautiful outdoor setting for events complementing the Hall. This addition will significantly improve the facilities to better serve our mission, our members and our community.

Treffen Sie der Bauarbeiter und kaufen sie ihnen ein Getränk, oder besser noch, kaufen sie einige Toiletten!

> Meet the workers and buy them a drink, or better yet, buy them some toilets!

You are invited to a hardhat tour of the new annex construction on Sunday May 22, 2016, during Maifest. See the new interior plans and find out more about the capital campaign.



Dear Members, Liebe Mitglieder

So far we've had a good new year!

Our most recent event, the Wurstmarkt was a success with fresh Hungarian sausage pre-orders, plus a dinner of 4 varieties of sausage to tastetest with sides.

Hopefully you have already heard and received information on the latest Donau-Park expansion focus, specifically, generating funds to finish the inside of the facility. Refer to Bauen Sie! details listed on Page 2.

Please consider a contribution to help us in continuing our important mission of sharing German culture and traditions with the use of an expanded facility. Be sure to take a look inside the building at Maifest!

As we start our busy summer season, we will celebrate spring with our traditional Maifest, expanded again to two days with the hopes of generating additional income at our own festivals so we can limit the amount of work and manpower needed to transfer supplies to an outside festival.

Please continue to prepare, support, and help at events in any way possible so everyone can enjoy the events. Bis Bald!

Monika Lorenz and the Executive Committee

Website

This newsletter can also be found on our website,

www.GERMANSTL.ORG



The purpose of the German Cultural Society

"To foster and practice our culture, customs and folklore in all its forms ... meaning language, music, song, dance, crafts, sports and good fellowship -Gemütlichkeit."

> To do this as good citizens of the country we live in and to promote understanding with other ethnic groups.

The German Cultural Society is a cultural, charitable, not for profit and non-political organization.

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Please send submissions by:

- · March 1 for the Spring issue
- · July 1 for the Summer issue
- · November 1 for the Winter issue

Upcoming Events

See page 39 for the full Kalender

Saturday & Sunday, May 21-22

Maifest

at Donau Park

See page 13 for details

Kinder Sommer Verein

See page 15 for details followed by the Sommerfest

June 25 Sommerfest

Donau Park

Open to everyone! See page 14 for details

July 17

Wiener-Schnitzel Dinner

at Donau Park See page 31

August 21 Kirchweihfest

at the Hall

German Church Consecration

See page 21

September 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Landestreffen der Donauschwaben American Aid Society, Chicago, IL

See page 22 for details

List of Groups

Bastelgruppe

Arts & Crafts Group

Coordinator: Käthe Tullmann 314-842-6798

Ktullmann@charter.net

Please call for information and schedule.

Damenchor

Ladies' Chorus

Coordinator: Käthe Tullmann 314-842-6798

Music Director: Peggy Pancella

Choir Practice: Monday @ 7:30 p.m. at DKV Hall

Kindergarten

Instructor: Janine Jordan

janine.solga@hotmail.com

Classes: 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month Sept-Apr

9:30 to 11:00 am at DKV Hall. Call to see if classes will be held.

Seniorengruppe

Seniors' Group

Coordinators:

Rose Lengenfelder 314-631-4364 Becky Haas 314-487-7852

Senioren Gathering Afternoons:

2nd Tuesday of each month weather permitting from 1:00 to 4:00 pm at DKV Hall.

Please call for information.

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A thank you to all!

Named and unnamed--we appreciate all who help throughout the year to make the German Cultural Society the success that it is today.

Service Groups

Bar Committee

Bar Managers: Hans Lengenfelder 314-631-4364 lan Romvari 314-393-5889

Bar Co-Manager: Steve Ballew

Bartenders -

Group 1: Denise Ballew, John Lasinski, Brian Schaffer

Group 2: John Haas, Lorenz Kaiser

Group 3: Hans Lengenfelder, Steve Meinberg,

John Mueller, Matt Stark

Group 4: Matt Potje, Steve Potje, Joe Vaughan

Group 5: Steve Ballew, Susan Bauer, Marilyn Heidbrink,

Christian Hoefke, Charles Tate, Liz Young

Group 6: James Provo, Rudi Sterzl

Reserves: Ralph Hoffarth, Monika Lorenz, Herbert

Lorenz, Ian Romvari, Helga Thalheimer

Donau Park Development Group

- The Wednesday Group -

Meets every Wednesday to develop and maintain our Donau Park in Jefferson County on a year-round basis.

Members: Herbert Fritz, Ralph Hoffarth, Frank Irovic, Hans Lengenfelder, Sepp Messmer, John Mueller, Sepp Neulinger, Matt Potje, Frank Rohatsch, Rudi Sterzl, Willy Tullmann, Marvin Young

Donau Park Expansion Project Committee

Coordinator: Fred Goebel

Frank Irovic, Klemens Wolf, John Romvari, Ted Mayer

Gartenverein

Meets to plant and maintain flowers at both locations.

Coordinator: Becky Haas

Intermediary for Jugendgruppe: Rosemarie Ficken

Members:

Denise Ballew, Rose Hoh, Rose Lengenfelder, Monika

Lorenz, Karola & Ted Mayer, Mistti Ritter,

Lucille Schweiss, Kathy & Matt Stark, Joe Wagoner

Festkomitee

Responsible for the planning and executing of all menus for DKV-sponsored events, including ordering and receiving of the required supplies, the preparing and serving of food, and the workman-like maintenance of our kitchen facilities and related equipment.

Members: Denise Ballew, Lou Eder, Anna Eder, Chuck Jackels, Monika Lorenz, Matt Potje, Barb Potje, Steve Potje, Ruth Vanderpluym, Sarah Birtwistle, Steve Witeka, Lisa and Charles Younger, Erin Stumpf

The Festkomitee could not function without the numerous helpers who volunteer every time either in the preparation or the serving of food. We need your help! To help the Festkomitee, please call the Hall.

Hall Maintenance Organization

- The Thursday Group -

Meets every Thursday to maintain our hall on Jefferson Avenue year-round.

Members: Henry Erk, Hans Fischer, Nick Glasz, John Haas, Mike Wendl, Frank Irovic, Hans Lengenfelder, Pete Ritter, Joe Wagner

For information about volunteering for the Thursday Group, please contact Terry Ficken, Coordinator, at 314-566-2080.

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Saturday Kindergarten!

Bimonthly Saturday fun at the Jefferson Avenue location returns with Janine

We always have a lot of fun playing games and doing arts and crafts and we would love for some more kids to join the fun! We have one last Klasse, and then we break for summer and resume in September. Until then!



05-14-16 - 11am location TBA Picknick - End of year picnic

The Kinder-Tanzgruppe

We start with the youngest Kind(er) at age three to the more "seasoned" Kind(er) at the age of nine. With the Kinder-Tanzgruppe (Children's dance group), the parents, relatives, friends and volunteers all play a vital role in providing a little German culture and tradition.

For more information contact: Birgit Sterzl McMullen, Dance Instructor 618-654-1340 or

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Performing Groups

Deutschmeister Blaskapelle

Deutschmeister Brass Band

President: Helmuth Glatt 314-566-9557

Secretary/Treasurer: Terri Gudowicz

Members at Large: Norbert Glassl and Becky Fischer Band Practice: Wednesdays @ 8:00 p.m. at DKV Hall

Tanzgruppen

Dance Groups

Kindertanzgruppe

Children's Dance Group (ages 3-9)

Practice: generally 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month Call Birgit for practice and performance schedules

Practice: DKV Hall

Coordinator: Birgit Sterzl McMullen 618-654-1340

Mittlere Tanzgruppe

Middle Dance Group (ages 10-14)

Coordinator: Ruth VanderPluym 618-538-9975

See website/call Ruth for practice schedule.

Jugendgruppe

Youth Group (Ages 13-26)

Coordinator: Rosemarie Ficken 314-487-3969

Instructors: Jessica Romvari, Jennifer Taylor

See website/call Rosemarie for practice schedules.

Practice: DKV Hall

Wir Tanzen Tanzgruppe

For practice & performance schedules contact:

Volkstanzgruppe

Coordinator: Monika Lorenz

For practice & performance schedules contact:

Monika Lorenz 314-894-5561

Gardening Club



Hello all you wanna be gardeners. Well I can always hope more will be interested in joining us when we do the clean up in the near future. Following that will be a call for help to plant. I'm wondering what's going to grow around the flag pole other than what's already there. One thing I KNOW grows there are weeds. The daisies are perennials and they'll come up without our doing anything, unless we damage what's there now. Still haven't gotten around to transplanting the daffodils that abound in the "lower 40." [Sorry that is farmer parlance meaning the outer reaches of said farmer's lands - so I guess that means the areas downhill from the lodge and past that fence you see waaaaay out there at the edge of the world/oops, I mean on the horizon, no that's not right. What I mean it's down there past where that fence stands all by its lonesome.] Irises abound there too.

There are other perennials still there, but I won't know what survived the winter until I get my gardening self out to the Donaupark to see what's been going on. Ralph swears he's been watering the flower beds but they're just brown. He can't seem to get it to turn green. He darn well tried. So thanking him patiently I explained [to a farmer-what's wrong with this picture?] that they're dormant right now and he can cease and desist with the watering regimen for now. Yes, I know, I'm being facetious. All you readers out there who know me personally already know I tend to be just a "tad" silly.

There is a long list of gardening to do items which would run past my self imposed limit of verbiage. So if you ARE interested in helping, be sure to let me know and I'll see how it works into what's being done and when. Therefore, thank you in advance. So long until next time.

Becky Haas, Garden club coordinator

Unkraut nennt man die Pflanzen, deren Vorzüge noch nicht erkannt worden sind.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Deceased Members German Cultural Society

Deceased Members January 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016

Elisabeth Fett

1/20/16

Andrew Roselein

Joann Fromm

Deceased Members January 1, 2015 - December 31, 2015

2/27/2015 Katherine Haunold Frank Deranja 4/9/2015 John Gerstheimer 4/13/2015

Mark Fox

4/19/2015

Herta Kanton 4/29/2015

Robert L. Williams 6/14/15

Withold Kramer 7/3/2015

7/12/2015 Anna Mashold HITCHESTER

Anna Achs 9/21/15

Alfred Goerlich 11/9/15

Ingeborg Van Schrick 12/19/14

Maria Mayer 12/19/14



Andrew Roeslein

In 1962 Andrew Roeslein, along with the late Conrad Geislinger and the late Jakob Thalheimer, decided St. Louis needed a German language weekend school. Andrew Roeslein was a teacher and principal at the school for over 30 years. He molded, developed and expanded the school during these years.

For those of us who were his students, we didn't realize until later in our education, around high school, how much we learned in Mr. Roeslein's class. Those dreaded "Diktat" sessions (with more red than black ink on our corrected papers) taught many of us aspects of grammar that put us years ahead of our classmates in grade school. At the tender age of 11, I remember one of our assignments was memorizing "Der Erlkönig" by Goethe:

Wer reitet so spät durch Nacht und Wind? Es ist der Vater mit seinem Kind; Er hat den Knaben wohl in dem Arm. Er faßt ihn sicher, er hält ihn warm...

My classmates in grade school didn't even know who Goethe was and had no concept of the meaning of the poem. Even when we studied "Der Erlkönig" in high school German class, my classmates were clueless of who Goethe was and had difficulties understanding and interpreting the poem. It was then that I realized what a great teacher Mr. Roeslein was.

I'm sure anyone who had to memorize this poem in Mr. Roeslein's class, can easily still recite at least the first verse today. Those of us who were forutnate enough to have had Mr. Roeslein as a teacher at German School, have all come to realize what an effect Mr. Roeslein had on our lives.

Mr. Roeslein was devoted to the German School Association. Even after he retired from teaching, he would call to find out what was going on at the school, gladly attended school events, and attended the Weihnachtsfeirer each year without fail. He always had a kind word and a ready smile for former students and teachers.

The German community has suffered a great loss with the passing of Mr. Roeslein. I don't think Mr. Roeslein realized the impact he had on the many who had the opportunity to know him as a friend, a fellow teacher, or a former student. Mr. Roeslein will truly be missed by all.

Submitted by Helga Thalheimer

Alfred &. Boerlich

Mr. Goerlich died peacefully surrounded by his family November 9th, 2015 after a brief encounter with lung cancer at age 89.

He was born in 1926 in Germany. He arrived in the U.S. in 1954 and later married his childhood friend, Hedwig, in St. Louis in 1959. After living a few years in Los Angeles, he and Hedy returned to Des Peres/Kirkwood to open and run Goerlich's Delicatessen and Imports for 27 years.

Alfred loved his German record collection and began his own radio program. The German Hit Parade on WGNU 920 AM entertained many listeners for 42 years.

Perhaps Mr. Goerlich didn't know the impact on several generations he had with his Sunday radio program. But I certainly remember listening to him from the time I was very young on the living room radio and later in the car on the way to the German Cultural Society Jefferson Avenue Hall for childrens' dance practice.

Farewell to this St. Louis German who brought a little slice of home for many, many years to a lot of immigrants and their children.

Submitted by Liz Young

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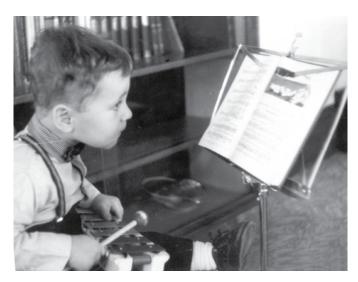


Report from the Deutschmeister Brass Band

by Helmuth Glatt (well mostly by Pete Krege!)

For this article, we asked Pete Krege, our Musical Director, to give us a first person account of his history with our beloved Blasmusik. It amazes me how our Musik fosters such a strong bond of camaraderie and makes the world seem just so much smaller. Here is his story, in his own words:

My great-grandparents had a farm in Poland near the Vistula river. Mom remembers hearing the ice crack on the river during winter nights. The farm had been divided numerous times and had become too small so my grandmother's siblings all left. A couple of them ended up settling in Cleveland Ohio. My grandmother stayed Pete's First Lesson behind to take care of her mother.



As Volksdeutsche, after the war Mom's family resettled in the Rhineland. When Mom was old enough, she went to visit her aunts in Cleveland. It was there, at the German hall, that she met Dad.

Dad was born in Berlin, but at some point moved out to a suburb. After the war he became active in church, studying Bonhoeffer's writings and playing in the youth Posaunen Chor. He also learned his trade as a violin maker. When the iron curtain began to go up, Dad escaped and found work in the Bavarian violin making region. He worked for a violin maker who had a brother in Cleveland. The brother needed workers, so Dad came to the USA.



In Cleveland, Dad found a kindred spirit and together they formed a Posaunen Chor. Later, a man by the name of Peter Glatt (not Helmuth's dad) came and brought numerous musicians. The Cleveland Donauschwäbische Blaskapelle and the Posaunen Chor shared many members. Eventually the two groups split with Peter Glatt leading the Blaskapelle. Once, the Cleveland Peter Glatt had a layover in St. Louis and looked through the phone book; the Cleveland Peter Glatt called the St Louis Peter Glatt and they got together for few beers and discovered that they grew up near each other when they were children. It is quite possible that they are somehow related.

As a child, Mom would often sing to us. Her songs were German children's songs and folk songs. I think this is significant because, although Dad was the musician of the family, I believe my love for music came from her singing. Mom has also always been much more inclined to find Gemütlichkeit after a nice bottle of wine or a bit of Schnapps.

My sister and I began piano lessons somewhere around the time I was five. My younger sister and brother also played musical instruments, but music became much more of an interest for me than for my siblings. At age eight I learned cornet and played publicly for the first time; it was in church for Thanksgiving. When I was ten, my family visited Germany and while there, Oma bought me a Bariton. Ever since, the baritone has been my main instrument.

Over the years, I have played every brass instrument -Trumpet, French horn, Baritone, Trombone, Tuba - in one group or another. In high school, I once played four different instruments in four different groups at the same concert. Between high school music, church music, and German music, I often played several times a week and rehearsed another couple evenings. I was selected to play French horn in the All Ohio Youth Symphony in 1976. I also took classes in Music Appreciation and Music Theory, as well as singing and playing in numerous musical groups. As a high school senior, I studied French horn with a college professor and also studied



Pete's first red vest, in trio with his Dad and Sister

Organ; but by that time music became less important to me and I needed a break from it, so I pursued other things in college.

After college, my life became busy with building a career and a family, but I played anytime I had the chance. Both of my children learned to play instruments. Even

> though Nick lives in Texas now, he still enjoys playing with the Deutschmeister Brass Band whenever he can.

> Well, that was just a wonderful story. I'm sure that the DKV and the Deutschmeister, in particular, is one of the MAIN reasons Pete moved here from Cleveland!

We're glad you came, Pete!!



Pete third red vest and (first mustache)!



Pete. Dad and Nick

German Computer terms

Application die Anwendung

Attachment (email) der Anhang, das Attachment

Arrow key die Pfeiltaste Bandwidth die Bandbreite Banner ad die Banneranzeige

Battery: German makes a distinction between a plain battery (Batterie) and a rechargeable battery (Akku) you would find in a laptop.

Cache der Zwischenspeicher

Cancel Abbrechen Caps lock key die Feststelltaste

Connection der Anschluss, die Verbindung Cut and Paste Ausschneiden und Einfügen

Data die Daten (pl.)

Disk drive das Diskettenlaufwerk

Delete key die Löschtaste Device, machine das Gerät Double-click Doppelklicken Download der Download Drag and Drop Ziehen und Ablegen

Driver der Treiber

Email addresses:

Although the German pronunciation of "@" (at) as part of an email address should be "bei", as in: "XYX bei DEUTSCH.DE" (xyz@deutsch.de), most Germanspeakers pronounce "@" as "et" - mimicking the English word "at."



Error message die Fehlermeldung Escape key die Escapetaste

File (n.) die Akte, die Datei, das File Folder der Ordner, das Verzeichnis

Hard disk die Festplatte Hardware die Hardware Hyperlink der Querverweis, der Hyperlink

Icon das Bildsymbol, das Ikon, das Zeichen

Image format das Bildformat der Posteingang In-box Install Installieren Interface die Schnittstelle Internet das Internet die Taste Key (on keyboard) Dle Tastatur Keyboard Laptop der Laptop, Load Laden Log in Einloggen

Ausloggen, Abmelden Log out

Memory (RAM) der Speicher Mouse die Maus Monitor der Monitor

Operating System das Betriebssystem

Password das Passwort, das Kennwort

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Come Celebrate the Birth of Spring...



4:00 - 11:00 pm

12:00 - 5:00 pm



DONAU PARK

5020 West Four Ridge Rd., House Springs, MO 63051



Enjoy delicious German food & drink! Live music & dance performances!

Continuous Entertainment by:

The Deutschmeister Brass Band & Die Spitzbuam Kinder-Tanzgruppe, Mittlere Tanzgruppe, Jugendgruppe, Wir Tanzen & Volkstanzgruppe

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Come Celebrate the Start of Summer...





SATURDAY

5:00 PM TIL 10:00 PM



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German food & drink! Live music! Folk dance performances!

ADMISSION IS FREE!







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Schwob Wisdom

Perhaps, like me, you have or grew up with these wooden plaques in your home. As a child, these were everywhere! Send in your plaque sayings. We could all appreciate and use some Heimat humor and wisdom!

"He who has work and does not push himself-is wicked/crazy!"

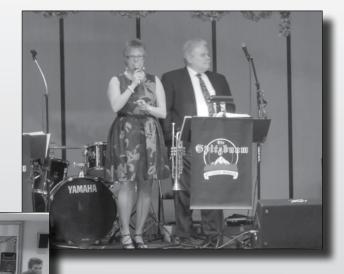
"Toil quietly and peacefully. What is not finished, leave it lie."



Rosenball 2016

March 5 at the hall

Presented by the Jugendgruppe of the German Cultural Society



The Rosenball on March 5th was entertaining, as we welcomed the new Rosenball Königin and König, KD & Eric.

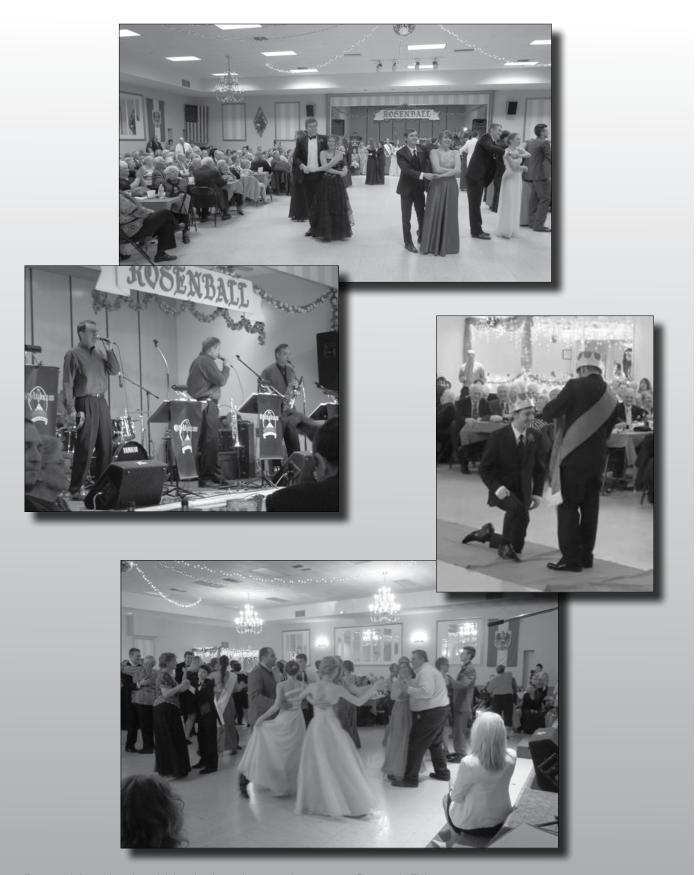
The Jugend had an enthusiastic group this year. It was a beautiful evening of dances.

See more at the website below:

http://www.germanstl.org/YGwebsite.htm







For more information about joining the Jugendgruppe, please contact Rosemarie Ficken 314-487-3969.



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New Website St. Louis German Cultural Society

Youth Group Folk Dancers

http://www.germanstl.org/YGwebsite.htm





Weihnachtsfeier 2015 at Jefferson Avenue Hall







his last Weihnachts feier was another year of talent, and holiday spirit with songs by the Ladies Chor, a nativity, solo music, fun songs and poems, and of course Christmas songs in our German language!



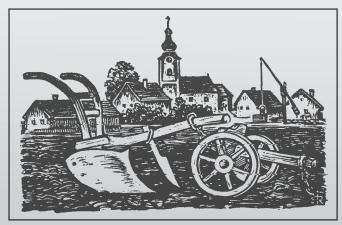




German Celebration of the Harvest & Church Consecration

Sunday, August 21, 2016 at 11:00 am

German Cultural Society Hall 3652 South Jefferson Avenue



The Ladies Choir will sing at German Catholic Mass at 11:00 a.m. in our hall. Festivities to follow the mass.

FOLK DANCING *GERMAN FOOD & DRINK* *LIVE MUSIC *

SEE YOU THERE!



Labor Day Trip 2016!

This year's hosts are the **American Aid Society of German Descendants** Chicago, IL

Welcome to Landestreffen 2016! September 2nd, 3rd, and 4th

www.americanaidsocietyofgd.org/#!landestreffen-2016/xfucr

Contact Terry Ficken for bus (open to all) & hotel information Book by July 15 to reserve your rooms with the St. Louis Group

> by calling Terry Ficken 314.566.2080 First come, first serve!



Ostereiersuchen 2016 Easter Egg Hunt at Donau Park



Ina addition to a pretty good crowd at the Easter Egg Hunt, there was a little time for some unstructured play.



The Wurstmarkt was a nice day at the Jefferson Ave. hall this year. Many pounds of fresh Hungarian sausage were sold from pre-orders this year, with an offering of a meal of 4 sample sausages, red cabbage, green beans and mashed potatoes. Thanks to all the work by young and less young cooking, serving, cleaning, dancing and of course, eating, it was a success!





Wurstmarkt April 2016 at the Jefferson Avenue Hall



These young volunteers worked more than their allotted times.

The Wir Tanzen group of dancers gave us a good show at the Wurstmarkt.

Senioren Meeting-April



Hello to everyone from the Senioren Group! We are happy to see all of our friends on the 2nd Tuesday of every month!

Here are a few pictures from the April meeting–after Easter, but still celebrating the holiday with a meal with Leberkäse.

Below is the schedule for the rest of the year for the Senioren Afternoon Gathering at 1:00 pm.

June 14th, Father's Day
July 12th, Independence Day
August, No Senioren
September, No Senioren
October 11th, Autumn & Fall
November 8th, Thanksgiving
December 13th,
Christmas Lunch at 12:00 pm

Thanks! Rose Lengenfelder







The workers for the Senioren Gathering always coordinate their clothes for the day...yellow tops for the April meeting.



There is always a little time for card games.



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MISSOURI GERMANS NEWSLETTER - ZEITUNG March 2016



GERMAN HERITAGE CORRIDOR Missouri Humanities Council's initiative the German Heritage Corridor: The Inventory of nearly 500 historic sites, people and events in 15 counties along the Missouri River (Chariton, Saline, Cooper, Howard, Boone, Moniteau, MO_GHC_logoCole, Callaway, Osage, Gasconade, Montgomery, Warren, Franklin, St. Charles and St. Louis) chronicles our states German heritage. in our legislature, HB

1851 and SB 818 have both passed, and draws us closer to designation as a Heritage Tourism Corridor, so that signage may be placed at key locations. An APPlication is being developed that will share the Corridor or one may learn more in a new book: (October 2016) that Missouri Life Magazine will publish Exploring Missouri's German Heritage with all the interesting stories of Germans life across the state with beautiful photos and maps in true Missouri Life style. More exciting news coming to your community soon!

To view this message in your browser -- Missouri Germans Consortium

https://mo-germans.com/2016/03/17/march-2016/



BEST TRIVIA NITE IN ST. LOUIS 2016

Trivia Night, Silent Auction and Attendance prizes

Why weren't you at "The Best Trivia Nite in St. Louis" on March 19th? You missed a great time! Wow, can you believe what they gave away? -- \$35 to the winner of Heads or Tails. \$230 to the winner of the 50/50 drawing, \$200 to the 1st place team, \$180 to the 2nd place team, and \$120



to the 3rd place team!!! You missed a Silent Auction that had tickets, gift certificates and beautiful baskets filled with an incredible array of items, Even if you didn't want to bid on any of the Silent Auction items you could have won any of the 30 great Attendance Prizes that were given away and all you had to do was just be there. You didn't really have to answer any questions at all to have a lot of fun and walk away with some great prizes! You should have been there!!!

This year marked the 10th Annual "Best Trivia Night in St. Louis" and we're so very proud that this event has grown and continues to be one of the top fundraisers for the German Cultural Society. Each year we try to make this a fun and interesting event. This year the trivia night started with each table having to identifying the 10 flowers in the vase on each team's table. There was also a lively music round that asked each team to fill in the next few words of the song lyrics when the music stopped.

Many thanks go to John Unterreiner for setting up the hall and acting as scorekeeper. Rosemary Ficken for arranging the Silent Auction and Liquor Raffle, Terry Ficken and Herbert Lorenz for running the bar, and Ralph "Buzz" Ulrich for once again being the Trivia MC. Thank

you also to Matt & Kathy Stark, and John Vanderpluym for their help in handling admission, silent auction purchases, setting up cash prizes and keeping the accounts in order.

The members of the Jugendgruppe have helped to make this event their own by preparing the hall and tables for Trivia, participating in selling tickets, acting as judges, assisting in setting up special trivia rounds, and giving away Attendance Prizes between rounds. The German Cultural Society is very fortunate to have such upstanding, young adults as members of the Jugendgruppe. Extras special thanks and kudos go to the Jugendgruppe Dance Instructors, Jennifer Taylor and Jessica Romvari, who organize and assign jobs to the Jugendgruppe members and make the evening run as efficiently as the Deutsche Bahn.

We're planning to once again make the 2017 event "The Best Trivia Nite in St. Louis" and hope you will consider attending this fun event next year.

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Find the terms listed below in the word search puzzle!

Eagle: The eagle is found on the German coat of arms, and represents strength, courage, farsightedness and immortality. It is the national bird of Germany.

Oak: The national tree of Germany. It represents strength and endurance.

Germania: The female personification of Germany. She is shown with reddish blond hair, wielding the imperial sword, a shield bearing the image of an eagle, or holding the German flag.

Sauerbraten: A "sour roast" usually of beef, that is marinated in vinegar, water, spices and seasonings before cooking. It is considered one of the national dishes of Germany.

Bundestag: The lower house in the German parliament. The upper house is called the Bundesrat.

Grundgesetz: The "Basic Law" for the Federal Republic of Germany, that came into effect after World War II in May of 1949.

Centaurea: Also called the blue cornflower, it is one of the national flowers of Germany.

Autobahn: A system of coordinated motorways in Germany that are famous for a lack of general speed limit, although some stretches are subject to local limits.

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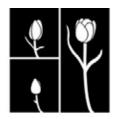
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Please reserve the date and help us welcome the MOSBACH TANZ/SING GROUP coming directly from Germany to St. Louis. For further information on their arrival, departure, host family opportunities, and performance schedule, call Mike Wendl (314-842-2652).



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At least one parent must be a member for children in the dance groups.

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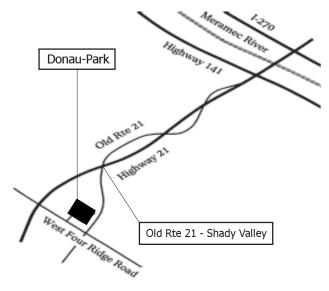
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The entrance to Donau-Park is the first driveway at the right.

Vereinskalender Event Calendar

2016

Sat MAY 21 & Sun MAY 22 Maifest at Donau Park Mon JUN 20 to Fri JUN 24 Kinder Sommer Verein Sat JUN 25 Sommerfest at Donau Park Sun JUL 17 Wiener'n'Schnitzl Dinner at Donau Park Sun AUG 21 Kirchweihfest at the Jefferson Ave. Hall German Church Consecration Sat SEP 10 & Sun SEP 11 Oktoberfest at Donau Park Sat OCT 22 Liederabend und Tanz* at the Jefferson Ave. Hall An Evening of German Song & Dance 1950's Sock-Hop at the Jefferson Ave. Hall Sun NOV 13 Sun NOV 6 **Totengedenkfeier** Memorial Tribute Tag des Deutschen Kulturvereins Sat DEC 3 at the Jefferson Ave. Hall Membership Appreciation Sun DEC 11 Weihnachtsgottesdienst Peace Lutheran Church German Service Sun DEC 18 Weihnachtsfeier at the Jefferson Ave. Hall German Christmas Celebration

Membership Meetings

Sat DEC 31

The Membership Meetings will change times per meeting subject to change. For next meetings the following are planned:

Silvesterfeier New Years Eve***

at the Jefferson Ave. Hall

Thursday May 5, 2016, @ 6:30pm Thursday July 7, 2016, @ 6:30pm

Executive Board Meetings

The Executive Board meets on even numbered months (FEB, APR, JUN, AUG, OCT, DEC) on the first Thursday of that month at 7:30 p.m. at our Hall on Jefferson Ave.

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Volunteer opportunity!

John Unterreiner is looking for club members to help with the hall rentals. In particular, a person is needed who can come Saturday afternoons for several hours to open the hall for caterers, bakeries and music to set up before the events start that evening. Contact John Unterreiner at 314-771-8368 or e-mail at germanstlhallrental@gmail.com

Please send submissions by:

- · March 1 for the Spring issue
- · July 1 for the Summer issue
- · November 1 for the Winter issue

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Mark gets a brotherly lecture from Matt at the Rosenball.