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Upcoming Events

May 16th-17th
Maifest-CANCELLED

at the DKV Donau Park

July 6th-10th
Ferienlager

at the DKV Donau Park

July 12th
Wiener N' Schnitzel Dinner

at the DKV Donau Park

August 22nd
Kirchweih

at the DKV Hall

September 4th-6th
Landestrachtenfest mit Tanzwettbewerb

at the Cleveland Donauschwaben Club

September 12th, 13th, 19th, & 20th
Oktoberfest

at the DKV Donau Park

October 25th
Musikalischer Nachmittag

at the DKV Hall

November 1st
Totengedenkfeier

at Sunset Memorial Park

November 14th
Winzerfest

at the DKV Hall

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our events go to
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German Cultural Society Newsletter

Published by the German Cultural Society of St. Louis and delivered to our members. If you are interested in advertising in our newsletter, please contact us for details.

Members please send submissions of articles and photographs by:

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

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Interested in becoming a member of the German Cultural Society?

Please call us at 314.771.8368 to request an application.

2020 Membership Dues

Senior (62+)	\$25.00
Adult (18-61)	\$45.00
Dancer (3-17)	\$20.00

Youth and Kinder Dance Groups

Family (2 Adults and 2 Children*) \$100.00

*Children must be in the Kindertanzgruppe or Jugendgruppe

Dues may be paid in person or by check payable
to "German Cultural Society" and mailed to:

Kathy Stark, Membership
9533 Donalds Ct
St. Louis, MO 63126

Thank you for your support which is always appreciated.

Please note that all events are
subject to change due to the
coronavirus. Please check our
website for updated information.

Liebe Mitglieder,

We have a birthday coming! We will be reaching a milestone this year as the German Cultural Society's 75th Anniversary will be at the end of this year - December 31, 2020. We are making plans to celebrate next year and need everyone's help. We would appreciate if everyone would look through their photos. We're looking for photos of the old hall, construction of the new Hall, the Donau Park, fests, dance groups, and any other photos you would like to share. We have the capability to scan them and we can return them to you right away. This 75th Anniversary will be a perfect time to celebrate, reunite with old friends, meet new friends, and will give us some opportunities in building our membership. Strength is in numbers and will help keep our club strong. Details on the upcoming celebrations will be in our newsletters and on our website.

The goal of our present executive board is to continue to help guide the German Cultural Society in the best interest of the club, but we cannot do this without everyone's help. This year, one of our main goals is to increase membership. We're looking to increase our membership - in our dance groups of all ages and of course for anyone who has an interest in our culture. In the interest of our club, we are also looking for anyone that could help us with marketing and advertising. We hope to reach out to those of you that we haven't seen in a while and with everyone's help, membership can be increased.

As things continue to change in the world, we must also make some adjustments. Unfortunately, this new year has brought the coronavirus on a rampage throughout the world. We are concerned for your safety and are making the adjustments to our events, rentals, dance group practices, and to all other German organizations that use our facilities. Please be patient as we work through this terrible pandemic, as things will hopefully soon get back on track. Remember strength is in numbers.

Be safe and see you all soon!

Terry Ficken & Monika Lorenz

Meetings: General membership meetings are held on specific Sundays at 1:00 p.m. at the DKV Hall on Jefferson Ave., unless otherwise noted. Below are the scheduled meetings for 2020.

Sunday, May 3rd, 2020 - **CANCELLED**

Sunday, August 2nd, 2020

Sunday, November 22nd, 2020

****All meeting times/dates are subject to change due to the coronavirus. Please check your email for updated information before attending the meetings.****

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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Executive Committee

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This newsletter can also be found on our website,

www.germanstl.org

On the cover: The German Cultural Society's 2020 Rosenkönig and Rosenkönigin, Tyler Ballew and Rebecca Bauer.



We Are a Volunteer Organization

Every now and then, a request is made to the German Cultural Society for a translation from German to English. We have a wealth of German speakers and are looking for a volunteer to translate texts, often old letters from family and ancestors. Please let us know if you are available for this service to our community! Call the office or find Moni Lorenz or Terry Ficken at any event and let them know! Thank you!

John Unterreiner is looking for club members to help on 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 jjunterreiner@aol.com

Seniorengruppe *Seniors Group*

Coordinators:

Liz Young.....314-583-3053.....lizzy681@gmail.com

Rose Hoh.....314-660-9028.....rphoh2@gmail.com

Kathy Stark.....germanstlnews@gmail.com

Gathering Afternoons: 2nd Tuesday / DKV hall

Grün Weiß *Soccer Team*

Coordinators:

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Steve Ballew.....314-486-2220....ballewfam@aol.com

Performance Groups

Deutschmeister Blaskapelle *Deutschmeister Brass Band*

Leader: Helmuth Glatt 314-566-9557

Assistant: Adam Glassl

Music Director: Peter Krege

Band Practice: Wednesdays @ 8:00 p.m. at DKV Hall

Damenchor

Ladies' Chorus

Coordinator: Käthe Tullmann 314-842-6798

Music Director: Peggy Pancella

Tanzgruppen *Dance Groups*

Kindertanzgruppe

Children's Dance Group (Ages 3-12)

Coordinator: Stephanie Sharp electricsjg@aol.com

phone: 636-212-3728

Practice: at DKV Donau Park. For schedules, contact Stephanie.

Jugendgruppe

Youth Dance Group (Ages 13-26)

Coordinator: Liz Young 314-583-3053

Instructor: Jennifer Taylor

Practice: at DKV Hall. For schedules, contact Liz.

Die Heimatgruppe

Young Adult Dance Group (Ages 18-30)

Coordinator: Joey Wendl stlheimatgruppe@gmail.com

Practice: at DKV Hall. For schedules, contact Joey.

Facebook: Die Heimatgruppe of St. Louis

Facebook Messenger: [@stlheimatgruppe](https://www.facebook.com/stlheimatgruppe)

Wir Tanzen

Adult Dance Group (Ages 21 and older)

Coordinator: Eric Wallace wirtanzenstl@gmail.com

Practice: at DKV Hall. For schedules, contact Eric.

Volkstanzgruppe

Adult Dance Group

Coordinator: Monika Lorenz 314-402-0679

Practice: at DKV Hall. For schedules, contact Monika.

Service Groups

Bar Committee

Bar Managers: John Lasinski 314-313-9802

Herbert Lorenz 314-717-5303

Bar Co-Manager: Steve Ballew

Bartenders

Group 1: Matt Potje, Joe Vaughan, John Haas

Group 2: Susan Bauer, Marilyn Heidbrink, Dave Marlette

Group 3: Lisa Hoffmann, Hank Young, Matt Stark

Group 4: John & Kitty Lasinski, Rose Hoh, Gary Korte

Group 5: Charles Tate, Donna Marlette, Steve Hoffmann

Group 6: Steve Ballew, Christian Hoefke, Nancy Plunk

Reserves: Steve Ballew, Nancy Plunk, Monika Lorenz, Charles Tate, Roger Gansmann

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, Rudi Sterzl, Willy Tullmann, Marvin Young

Donau Park Expansion Project Committee

Coordinator: Fred Goebel

Frank Irovic, Klemens Wolf, John Romvari, Ted Mayer

Gartenverein

Maintains plants and flowers at both locations.

Coordinator: Kathy Starkgermanstlnews@gmail.com

Intermediary for Jugendgruppe: Liz Young

List of Garden Volunteers:

Vicky Boncek, Frank Breitenstein, Stephanie Goetzmann-Sharp, Becky Haas, Rose Lengenfelder, Barb Potje, Kathy Stark, Joe Wagner, David Witte, Gabi Wolf

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.

The Festkomitee could not function without the numerous helpers who volunteer every time!

We need your help! To help the Festkomitee ***per*** event or every event, please join our Sign-up Genius online OR call Terry Ficken 314.566.2080 to volunteer.

Hall Maintenance Organization

- The Thursday Group -

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

Members

Frank Irovic, Hans Lengenfelder, Mike Wendl

Emeritus Members

Henry Erk, John Haas

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

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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.

DKV Weihnachtsfeier 2019

The annual Weihnachtsfeier was held on Saturday, December 14th, 2020. This was the 57th year that the event was held. The morning started with Christmas carols played by the Deutschmeister Brass Band. Members of the German School Association sang and recited poems. Members of the Kindertanzgruppe also participated as the Engelein. The morning ended with a visit from der Weihnachtsmann. Thank you to everyone who attended and helped to make this a wonderful event.

Joey Wendt





Marketing/Advertising Committee

We are currently looking to start a marketing/advertising committee. If you have any interest in helping the German Cultural Society with marketing and advertising, please contact:

Becky Warren: germanstlsecretary@gmail.com

or

Terry Ficken: germanstlvp@gmail.com

This year, we are hoping to do more advertisement for events and we are hoping to market to a wider variety of members. With the 75th anniversary coming up soon, we want to figure out better ways to advertise and draw more people into or back into our Society!

Thanks in advance!

Becky Warren

How to donate through Amazon Smile

The Amazon Smile account has been set up for the German Cultural Society. When you shop on Amazon with us, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products.

Here's how to shop AmazonSmile:

- 1. Visit smile.amazon.com and sign in with your Amazon.com credentials*
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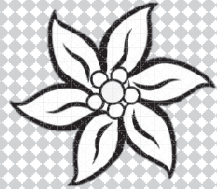
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MAY 16 & MAY 17, 2020

5:00 - 11:00 pm

12:00 - 6:00 pm



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KINDER TANZ GRUPPE



DONAU PARK CONTACT:

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636-212-3728



We are excited to announce that our Kinder group is now practicing at: DONAU PARK

5020 W. FOUR RIDGE RD.
HOUSE SPRINGS, MO 63051

Kinder ages 3-12 years will practice as a combined group to learn German dancing.



The Kindertanzgruppe has been practicing hard this winter so we can give great performances for all of our friends and family when the dancing season starts for us. We are tossing around our next community sharing activity in conjunction with the Jugendgruppe. We will surprise everyone with that in the coming months. We currently have 3 boys and around 13 girls. We have two Jugendgruppe dance leaders Olivia Heidbrink and Josiah Webb. We also have an older girl within our group that is new but fitting in well and taking initiative to being a helper for the leaders with our younger members. We are looking for any young people that would like to check out our practices. We especially would like to add a few boys. If any of our members have any young men that would like to give us a try, please call Stephanie 636-212-3728. Our practices are held at Donau Park.

Stephanie Goetzmann-Sharp

Please check website for updates on the status of this camp.



GCS FERIENLAGER 2020

REGISTER TODAY FOR

GERMAN CULTURAL SOCIETY SUMMER CULTURE AND FUN CAMP

July 6th-10th 2020

Camp will begin at 9 a.m. daily and end at 1 p.m..

**Camp location is at 5020 West Four Ridge Road
63051 in Jefferson County Missouri. Cost for camp
is \$60 per child. Friday is a family fun field trip off
GCS property. Registration due by June 8th 2020 to
reserve a spot. If you are interested in this camp
please call 636-212-3728 for more information.**

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Silvesterfeier



New Year's Eve was celebrated at the German Cultural Society Hall with the St. Louis Express Band playing many of our favorite tunes and attended by a host of our members.

It was an exceptional evening of fun. Everyone had a tremendously good time ringing in the New Year.

Our dinner was catered by Kenrick's Catering. The menu included roast beef, roast pork, garlic mashed potatoes, mixed veggies, salad, and dessert from Federhofer's (a favorite) Schwarzwälder Kirsch Torte. Thanks to all who helped in the kitchen preparing and serving: Matt and Barb Potje, Rosemarie Ficken, and our president, Monika Lorenz.

A bar was set up in the hall where guests could help themselves to German beer, wine and soda all evening.

At midnight, Herbert Lorenz and Terry Ficken served champagne; a snack buffet was laid out with herring, crackers, crab spread, landjaeger, Hausmacher liver sausage, cheeses, grapes, Ferrero Rocher chocolates, and cookies.

Thanks to all who attended and helped make it a successful and fun event.

Mike and Betty Wendt





Save the Date

The German Cultural Society will be turning 75 years old on December 31st, 2020.

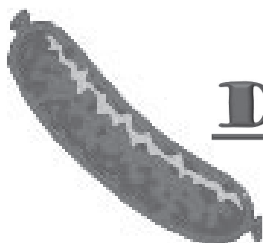
Join us at Silvesterfeier 2020 to celebrate this historic milestone!

Please check website for updates on the status of this event.

WIENER N' SCHNITZEL DINNER

SUNDAY ♦ JULY 12 ♦ 2020

NOON TIL 4:00 PM



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Park, Please.**

Report from the Chor

Although we do not function as a Chor anymore, there are still some activities we enjoy. We will, of course, do the Mass at Kirchweih on August 22nd, and we will again have the “Musikalischer Nachmittag” on Sunday, October 25th. Details on this will follow at a later date. Hopefully we will be able to do the German Service at Peace Lutheran Church again with the “Ver-einigte deutsche Choere” on December 13th.

Since seven of our singers have joined the Liederkranz singing society, I would like to mention the 150th anniversary celebration. To have existed continuously for 150 years is quite an accomplishment, since no other singing society here in St. Louis has been able to exist beyond 50 years or so. Quite a few of the Liederkranz members are American-born. Yet, they maintain German culture through “das deutsche Lied”, which is admirable. We should all recognize and appreciate this great accomplishment and support the gala festivity.

Wishing you a great summer,

Katherine Tullmann

A Special Thanks to Rosemarie

More than 17 years ago, the German Cultural Society did not have enough dancers for a Jugendgruppe. Mr. Pappert was instrumental in the process to rebuild the group. He enlisted the help of Rosemarie and Terry Ficken since they had a family with girls of Jugendgruppe age. I do not know how they did it, but within 2 years, the Jugendgruppe was rebuilt. I can imagine they never anticipated they would be involved for so long. Since then, Rosemarie has full heartedly dedicated her time and talent to the benefit of the Jugendgruppe. As with any large organization or group, there are good times and difficult moments.

In the last 18 years, she has accomplished so many things, including countless practices and performances. I want to highlight a few: she encourages Jugend leadership and provided them with not only traditional cultural experiences, but also was open to newer ideas. She came up with the idea to host a Jugendfreundschaftslager in 2008 which was the start of an annual tradition for clubs around the US and Canada. It was hosted in St. Louis for a second time in 2018 as the 10th anniversary. She took the Jugend on a Europe trip in 2014, led them into competition twice, in 2011 and in 2017. In 2017, they were awarded second place. This was the first time in GCS history that St. Louis was one of the winners, and it was a very proud moment for all. The Jugend, Rosemarie, Jessica and Jennifer all did an excellent job!

On behalf of the German Cultural Society, past and present Jugend and myself, we presented Rosemarie with the following tokens of appreciation at Rosenball 2020. Rosemarie was given a plaque, a bouquet of roses and sunflowers, and a lantern.

Rosemarie, the GCS will forever be in your debt. Thank you for your time and commitment!

Moni Lorenz





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In Memoriam

Deceased Members from December 1st, 2019-March 31st, 2020

James Provo December 2, 2019

Frank Hummel January 14, 2020

John Fischer March 13, 2020



Please check website for updates on the status of this event.

KIRCHWEIHFEST

The German Church Consecration Festival



Saturday, August 22, 2020

Time TBD

More details to come!!

German Cultural Society Hall

3652 South Jefferson Ave., St. Louis, MO 63118

The Damenchor will sing a Catholic Mass in German to the accompaniment of the Deutschmeister Brass Band!

Dance performances throughout the day by the German Cultural Society dance groups!

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THE 14TH ANNUAL “BEST TRIVIA NIGHT IN ST. LOUIS”

On February 1, 2020, the German Cultural Society presented the 14th Annual “Best Trivia Night in St. Louis” and it was a great success. What constitutes a success? When everyone, from the evening’s winning table to the table with the lowest score, leaves with a smile on their face because they had a great time.

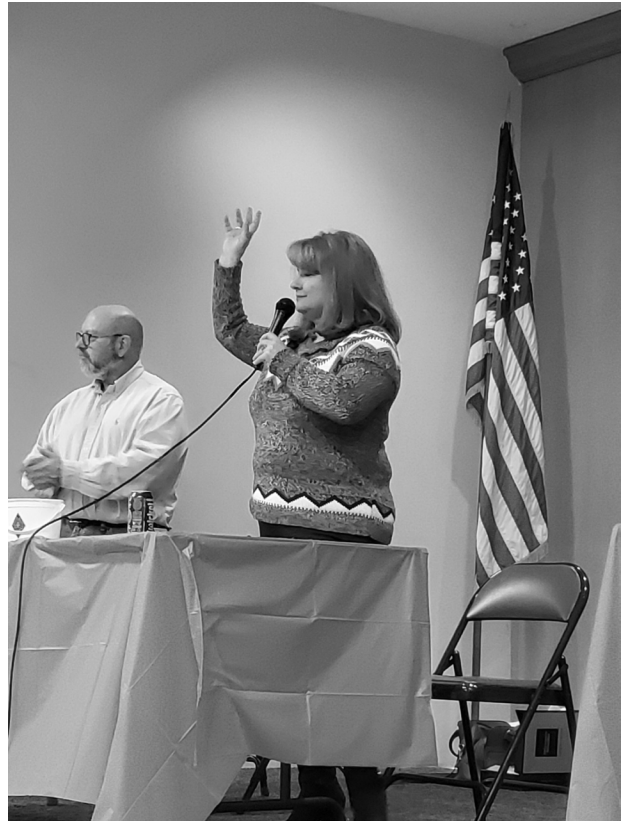
There were many high scores at the event and besides the \$200 cash prize for the winning table, there were many other winners during the evening. Cash prizes were awarded to the winners of the “Heads or Tails Game” and the “High / Low Card Game”. Winner of the 50/50 Drawing, John Meurer, generously donated all his winnings (\$154) back to the German Cultural Society. Thank you, John, for your support. And, as always, there were more than 30 attendance prize gift bags given away between rounds during the evening, containing everything from restaurant gift cards and travel bags, to fine bottles of wine and spirits.

Susan Bauer & Stephanie Goetzmann-Sharp did another amazing job this year gathering attendance prizes and arranging the Silent Auction. They were relentless in obtaining incredible and unique donations for the Silent Auction. Susan and Stephanie worked tirelessly creating a wonderful array of gift baskets and items that brought in some substantial bids. Thank you again, Susan and Stephanie, for another outstanding effort.

The St. Louis Blues Hockey Stick Shots were a big hit this year. For a donation, a choice of Jägermeister, Kleiner Feigling, or Apfelnkorn were poured into four shot glasses on the Blues Hockey stick and then, after a nice “Prosit” all four participants had to turn up the stick to down their shots at the same time. Isn’t that what they call a “shot trick” in hockey??? Whatever it was called, it proved to be a lot of fun.

We couldn’t have a successful trivia night without the masterful scorekeeping done by John Unterreiner. Not only did John handle the numbers like another Einstein, but he also did all the “heavy lifting” of the evening, setting up the tables, the sound system, and laptops.

“Buzz” Ullrich, our Master of Ceremonies and trivia wiz, kept the evening moving and the participants hopping. There were 10 rounds this year and to mix things up, there was a tasting round, where the teams had to taste



and identify different candies, an audio round with musical themes of TV game shows (everyone knew the theme to “Family Feud”) and a round that included 10 movie posters where teams had to correctly guess the movie title of each poster. And, of course each year we have the always popular “Ja, It’s German Trivia” round.

The Jugendgruppe, supervised by “Yenna” Taylor, prepared the tables, distributed snacks, sold 50/50 tickets, helped with the games, acted as judges, and filled in wherever it was necessary to assure we had a successful event.

Free beer and soda were flowing at the bar manned by John Lasinski, Herbert Lorenz, and Terry Ficken. Kathy and Matt Stark assured the “Bank” did its job.

A huge thank you goes out to Rosemarie Ficken for all her years of dedication in leading the Jugendgruppe. She provided help and support of our annual trivia nights from the beginning, in 2006. Liz Young is taking over for Rosemarie and she’ll have some big shoes to fill.

In 2006, the President of the German Cultural Society, the late John Pappert, was open-minded and willing to take a chance on a Trivia Night fundraiser. It’s become a fun and worthwhile annual event. Many thanks to our current President, Moni Lorenz, for staying open-minded and continuing to support “The Best Trivia Night in St. Louis”. Someone pour her another Feigling...





WHAT! YOU'VE NEVER BEEN TO A TRIVIA NIGHT??? Why not??? Because you don't know anything!!! That's baloney!!! None of us at trivia night know anything!!! Do you think "Buzz" Ullrich, the trivia wiz, knows anything??? Hah!!! I have to give him all the questions and answers! I'm no Stephen Hawking either. I have to find all of those on the internet! [Stephen William Hawking (8 January 1942 – 14 March 2018) was an English theoretical physicist, cosmologist, and author who was director of research at the Centre for Theoretical Cosmology at the University of Cambridge]

It's not about what you know or how smart you are. It's about bringing and sharing some good food, maybe some adult beverages, and enjoying the night with friends. We have to ask questions, so we can call it Trivia Night. After all, who would come to an "Eat, Drink, and Have Fun with Your Friends Night"? Well, I guess a lot of people would, but we just call it Trivia Night because that fits on the flyers...

My mother always told me 'you can't say you don't like something until you try it'. If you haven't "tried" it yet, be sure to get some of your friends together and join us for our next Trivia Night. I guarantee you'll like it!

Helga Thalheimer



Here are some of the Trivia Night questions. Enjoy! *Answers on page 27.*

ROUND #1 – AVIATION

1. On an aircraft, what color is the flight recorder also known as the “black box”?

ROUND #2 – 1 LETTER ANSWERS

2. From 1963 to 1999, Desmond Llewelyn played what character in the James Bond movies?

ROUND #3 – “M” TV *(These TV shows begin with M)*

3. What show ran from 1985 -1989 that featured Bruce Willis and Cybil Shepard as detectives?

ROUND #4 – PARKS & RECREATION

4. Which chess player beat Boris Spassky in 1972 World Chess Championship, which was publicized in the media as a Cold War confrontation
5. Which National Park is the solitary place on earth where American alligators and American crocodiles exist together?

ROUND #5 – SWEET TREATS *(Taste and name the candy. – I wasn’t allowed to include a piece of candy, but if you scratch and sniff next to the number 6, you might be able to guess the candy)*

- 6.

ROUND #6 – GAME SHOWS *(If you can hum the theme to “Jeopardy”, give yourself a point. Extra point if you can also hum the theme to “The Newlywed Game”).*

7. Jeopardy
8. Newlywed Game

ROUND #7 AMERICAN HISTORY

9. Every president from Franklin Roosevelt to Bill Clinton has had an airport named after him except one. Name that president.

ROUND # 8 – COLORFUL NAMES *(Each name contains a color)*

10. She’s been co-hosting one of the most popular TV game shows since 1982 and has made turning letters into an art.

ROUND # 9 – JA, IT’S GERMAN TRIVIA AGAIN!

11. What American TV star from the 1980s and 1990s started his singing career in Germany-speaking countries after performing at the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989?

ROUND # 10 – WHAT’S PLAYING *(Below are movie posters without titles. Name the movies)*

12.



13.



14.



75TH ANNIVERSARY

CELEBRATED AT THE GERMAN CULTURAL SOCIETY HALL
AND DONAU PARK FACILITIES

**This year, the German Cultural Society will
be turning 75 years old on December 31, 2020!**

**It will be celebrated from 12/31/2020 to
12/31/2021.**



**To commemorate this historical milestone, we
will be holding a year-long celebration. We are
looking forward to celebrating with everyone- old
and new members. We are hoping that it will be a
reunion, bringing everyone together again!**

MORE INFORMATION WILL BE COMING SOON!

For our anniversary, the history of our organization will be rewritten/updated. We are collecting any DKV related pictures, flyers, historical information, etc. from 1945 to present day. Please send all information to Joey Wendl by emailing germanstl.fb@gmail.com, giving it to him in person, or mailing it to him at PO Box 190486, St. Louis, MO 63119. He can scan any pictures/documents and return them to you. If you have other information you would like to share with him, you can also call Joey Wendl at 314-914-7563.

Did you receive the honor of winning the Kirchweih Strauss or becoming Rosenball King or Queen, Maifest Prince or Princess, or Miss German Cultural Society? Please send what year you won, so our historical documents can be updated. If you have a picture, please include that as well.





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Ostern Vokabeln (Easter Vocabulary)



<i>German</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>German</i>	<i>English</i>
<i>Frohe Ostern</i>	<i>Happy Easter</i>	<i>die Fastenzeit</i>	<i>Lent</i>
<i>der Osterhase</i>	<i>the Easter Bunny</i>	<i>die Karwoche</i>	<i>Holy Week</i>
<i>das Osterei</i>	<i>the Easter egg</i>	<i>der Palmsonntag</i>	<i>Palm Sunday</i>
<i>die Schokolade</i>	<i>the chocolate</i>	<i>der Gründonnerstag</i>	<i>Holy Thursday</i>
<i>der Osterbrunnen</i>	<i>the Easter fountain</i>	<i>der Karfreitag</i>	<i>Good Friday</i>
<i>die Süßigkeiten</i>	<i>the sweets</i>	<i>der Karsamstag</i>	<i>Holy Saturday</i>
<i>der Osterkorb</i>	<i>the Easter basket</i>	<i>der Ostersonntag</i>	<i>Easter Sunday</i>
<i>die Eier</i>	<i>the eggs</i>	<i>der Ostermontag</i>	<i>Easter Monday</i>
<i>der Osterbaum</i>	<i>the Easter tree</i>	<i>suchen</i>	<i>to search</i>
<i>Eier färben</i>	<i>to dye eggs</i>	<i>verstecken</i>	<i>to hide</i>

Check Out Our Website Updates!

Check out the new updates to our website. On our newsletter page (under special interest groups), you can view newsletters back to 2013. Our donations page has been set up for general donations, Donau Park expansion donations, and hall painting fund donations. We have also added a related links page where you can view the websites of other German clubs in the German-American Committee and the Landesverband USA and Canada. We have also added a new tab with links to all of our GCS social media accounts.

Newsletter

2019



Becky Warren & Joey Wendt

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Rosenball

The Jugendgruppe held their annual Rosenball on March 7th, 2020. The Jugendgruppe danced with the help of Die Heimatgruppe. The groups performed multiple ballroom dances together. Only the Jugendgruppe performed the final dance, Wave of the Danube, which was choreographed by Josiah Webb. The Wave dance was inspired by the Viennese Waltz. It was the first Rosenball for many in the group. The entire group worked hard to make sure the dances were flawless. The Jugendgruppe would like to thank Yenna for making this night possible. Without her amazing dancing skills and instruction, it would not have been such a success.

Before their performance, the Jugendgruppe members, both past and present, recognized their former dance coordinator, Rosemarie Ficken for her 17 years of dance instruction and coordinating for the group. Taking over as the Jugendgruppe's coordinator is Liz Young. The group is so grateful that she has agreed to help and grow the group. Some others that deserve thanks are the volunteers that prepared the food, worked in the bar and kitchen, prepared the raffle prizes, and helped set up for this event.

Throughout the evening, Die Spitzbuam played music for all to enjoy and get up and dance to. The dinner served was pork roast, peas and carrots, and rice. For dessert, you could indulge in a piece of cake or cheesecake.

To finish the evening, the crowns were passed on to the new Rosenkönig Tyler Ballew and Rosenkönigin Rebecca Bauer. As the 2020 King and Queen, we look forward to helping at practices and representing the club. We plan to expand our group and bring back some old favorite dances performed by the Jugendgruppe in the past. We are excited for the upcoming year and hope to see you at one of our performances!

Rebecca Bauer and Tyler Ballew









Trivia Answers

1. Orange
2. Q
3. *Moonlighting*
4. Bobby Fischer
5. Everglades National Park
6. Sweet Tarts (how could you miss this?)
7. *Jeopardy*
8. *Newlywed Game*
9. Richard Nixon
10. Vanna White
11. David Hasselhoff – of *Baywatch* fame. He's released 10 albums in Germany and has had nine top-30 songs in Austria. He plays 20 concerts a year and fills some of the largest venues in Germany, Austria & Switzerland. Yes, the countries that gave you Brahms, Bach, Beethoven, Mozart, Handel, Wagner, and Strauss, can't get enough of "The Hoff"!
12. *Titanic*
13. *Sound of Music*
14. *The Terminator*

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Volunteers are like STANDARD OIL...

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Poem from the American Aid Society Vereinszeitung
Submitted by Moni Lorenz



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Seniorengruppe

Senioren Group met on March 10, 2020. There, we had 29 people in attendance to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Liz Young has graciously agreed to be the new coordinator of the Senioren group with assistance of Rose Hoh and myself. Thank you Liz for your willingness to plan and organize, so our Senioren group can continue to get together and enjoy time together.

We thank Rose Lengenfelder for her 10 years of service as the leader of Senioren group. Also, thank you to the ladies who assisted: Becky Haas, Anni Rohatsch, Caroline Messmer, Anni Ruppe, Anni Pappert, and Hilde Frank.

At our last Senioren, I spoke about upcoming events in March including, Wurstmarkt and pre-orders of Hungarian Sausage. In April, the DKV was scheduled to host the Landerverband Annual meeting. Unfortunately, now all events in March and April have been cancelled. However, we are still taking pre-orders for Hungarian Wurst. I also mentioned the Kirchweihfest would be held on August 22, featuring our guest dance group from Hungary. Finally, the German Cultural Society will be celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the founding of our Verein. We are looking for pictures and stories to include in the upcoming newsletters. I also requested the Senioren give us some ideas of how to celebrate our 75th anniversary beginning on December 31, 2020.

Rose Hoh served the delicious muffin desserts and helped with setup, clean up and assisted wherever needed. Everyone visited, played cards or games and enjoyed the afternoon. Thank you everyone!!

Kathy Stark



2020 Senioren Schedule

April 14th: Easter Lunch - CANCELLED

May 12th: Mother's Day - CANCELLED

June 9th: Father's Day (1:00 P.M.)

July 14th: Independence Day (1:00 P.M.)

August: None

September: None

October 13th: Fall Season (1:00 P.M.)

November 10th: Thanksgiving (1:00 P.M.)

December 8th: Christmas Lunch (12:00 P.M.)

****Check your email for cancellations due to the coronavirus****



Report from Die Heimatgruppe

Die Heimatgruppe is doing great and continues to stay busy! Since the last newsletter, we have been teaching new members our dances, making new dances, perfecting our current dances, and starting to plan for Winzerfest this year (11/14/2020). Currently, we are working on a couple new dances. We are especially excited for our hoop dance that we are working on for Winzerfest. Even though Winzerfest is not for a while, we are preparing early. Also, we have been enjoying some group bonding time. We love to get dinner together after practices and attend dances at the German Cultural Society. On March 7th, we enjoyed performing with the Jugendgruppe at their Rosenball. Die Heimatgruppe is excited for this year as we grow our group, work on future performances, and host Winzerfest for the second time. As always, we welcome new members. For more information, please email us at stlheimatgruppe@gmail.com. Also, follow us on Facebook at "Die Heimatgruppe of Saint Louis" to learn more about us and to keep up with what we are doing!



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Winzerfest

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Hosted by *Die Heimatgruppe*
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Saturday, November 14th, 2020

German Cultural Society Hall
3652 South Jefferson Ave.

Admission:

21+: \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door

13-20: \$5 in advance, \$8 at the door

Under 13: Free

Doors open at 5:30

Food and drink* available for
purchase at 6:00

Homemade Hungarian Goulash

Music by: The Wendl Band 7:00-11:00

Dance Performance by *Die Heimatgruppe*

*Wine Tastings are also available.

For tickets, call Joey Wendl (314) 914-7563

or email germanstltickets@gmail.com



See back for more information...

What is a Winzerfest?

A Winzerfest is a German Wine Harvest Festival. The festival is meant to celebrate the dedication, the hard work, and the successful harvest of the year. Our event includes a fun "German" twist. At the fest, grape bags will be displayed on the trellis on the dance floor. People try to steal them throughout the evening. Watch out! If you are caught, you may be taken to the "jail" where you may have to pay a fine for stealing from the trellis.



Die Heimatgruppe

Die Heimatgruppe was founded in 2017 and is the newest dance group at the German Cultural Society! Passionate about celebrating our German and Donauschwaben heritage, we are mainly traditional, but incorporate modern dances as well. Everyone is welcome to join! Our age range is 18-30 years old. If you are interested, please consider coming to a practice or watching us perform.

The German Cultural Society

The Saint Louis German Cultural Society was founded in 1945 and is a not-for-profit, non-political organization (501(c)(3)). The purpose of the society is "To foster and practice our culture, customs, and folklore in all its forms...meaning language, music, song, dance, crafts, sports, and good fellowship (Gemütlichkeit)". For more information, check out the society's website: **www.germanstl.org**



2020 Winzerfest Sponsorship Form



All forms and designs must be received no later than **October 15th, 2020.**

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Please make checks payable to: **German Cultural Society** (Memo: **Winzerfest**)

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- 3rd Largest donation will be displayed on the **INSIDE BACK COVER**

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Freundschaftsliste (Friendship List)

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Donau Park Improvements



While our hall is undergoing some renovations with painting and upgrading our bathrooms, the Donau Park is also receiving a new look. Jefferson County's road construction of Hwy 21 & West Four Ridge Rd is under way. Although some of the construction isn't by choice, after much negotiation with Jefferson County, our Donau Park will actually have some improvements made to its grounds. The ravine behind the lodge is being filled-in with dirt, which will give us a more usable area. Water lines are also being relocated and will end up closer to the new addition keeping our tie-in costs lower when we are ready to do so. The county has cut down quite a few trees along Hwy 21 & West Four Ridge Rd and added a retaining wall, which has made Donau Park much more visible.

Terry Ficken





Statement from the Jefferson County Public Works Department

The county will be reconstructing 0.35 total miles of roadway (0.15 miles on Old State Rt. 21, and 0.20 miles on East and West Four Ridge Roads). Right turn/ acceleration lanes will be added to the intersections of East and West Four Ridge Road. The connecting roads will have a new horizontal and vertical alignment and will provide two-12 feet lanes with added shoulders. Old State Rt. 21 will receive an asphalt overlay and shoulder reconstruction. Roadway pavement surfaces will be asphaltic concrete. Currently the intersection has very poor sight distance and approaching geometrics. The high speed of travel on Old State Rt. 21 makes it difficult and dangerous to make turn movements onto or across this road. The project will provide smoother, straighter approaches to Old State Rt. 21, proper site distance, and right turn lanes onto and off Old State Rt. 21. This project proposes site distances of 500ft.+ to the North, compared with 200ft. now.

Utility Work will continue through the Fall [2019]. The C-1 Water District will be starting their water main relocation work on November 18th [2019] with approx. 1,500 linear feet of piping to be installed.

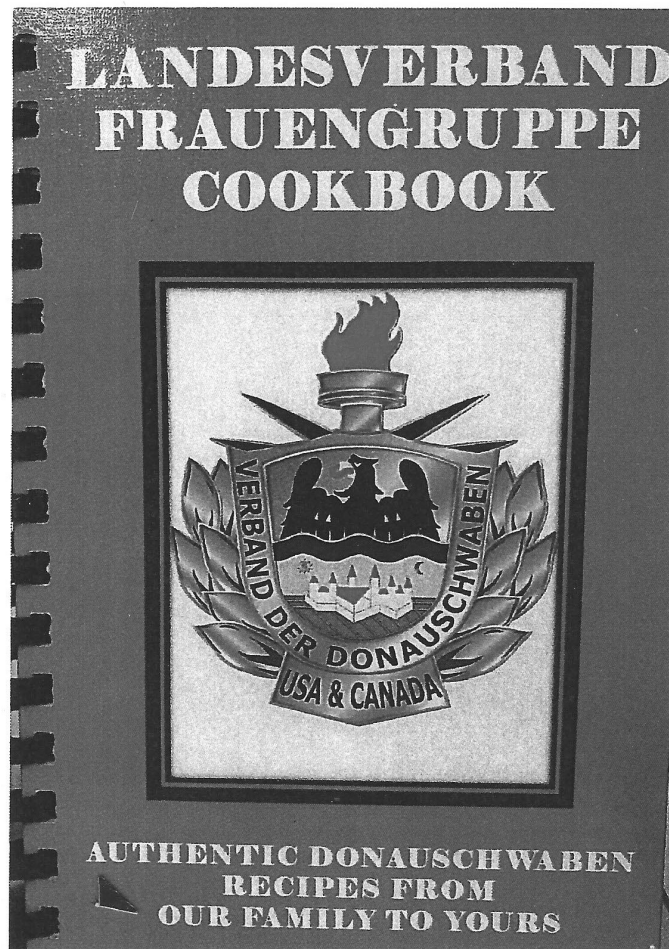
The awarded contractor, Gershenson Construction Co., will be starting work after November 18th [2019] with the large amount of clearing and grubbing on both the East/ West side of Old State Route 21. While the water line is currently being relocated, Gershenson will be starting to excavate for the newly aligned intersection for East Four Ridge Road.

Work will continue through the winter months as the weather allows.

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Vereinskalender 2020 Event Calendar

19 Jan.	General Meeting <i>at the DKV Hall</i>	Jan. 19
1 Feb.	Trivia Nite <i>at the DKV Hall</i>	Feb. 1
7 März	Rosenball* <i>at the DKV Hall</i>	Mar. 7
29-März	Wurstmarkt <i>at the DKV Hall (CANCELLED)</i>	Mar. 29
11-Apr.	Östereiersuchen <i>at the DKV Donau Park (CANCELLED)</i>	Apr. 11
16-17 Mai	Maifest <i>at the DKV Donau Park (CANCELLED)</i>	May 16-17
6-10 Juli	Ferienlager <i>at the DKV Donau Park</i>	July 6-10
12 Juli	Wiener n' Schnitzel Dinner <i>at the DKV Donau Park</i>	July 12
22 Aug.	Kirchweihfest* <i>at the DKV Hall</i>	Aug. 22
12-13 Sept.	Oktoberfest <i>at the DKV Donau Park</i>	Sept. 12-13
19-20 Sept.		Sept. 19-20
TBA	German American Day <i>at the DKV Hall</i>	TBA
25 Okt.	Musikalischer Nachmittag* <i>at the DKV Hall</i>	Oct. 25
1 Nov.	Totengedenkfeier <i>at Sunset Memorial Park</i>	Nov. 1
14 Nov.	Winzerfest* <i>at the DKV Hall</i>	Nov. 14
5 Dez.	Tag des Deutschen Kulturvereins <i>at the DKV Hall</i>	Dec. 5
12 Dez.	Weihnachtsfeier <i>at the DKV Hall</i>	Dec. 12
13 Dez.	Weihnachtsgottesdienst <i>at Peace Lutheran Church</i>	Dec. 13
31 Dez.	Silvesterfeier* <i>at the DKV Hall</i> <i>Official Kick-Off of the DKV 75th Anniversary Celebration!</i>	Dec. 31

* Event Tickets are available from germanstltickets@gmail.com or 314.771.8368

All events are subject to change due to the coronavirus. Please check our website for updated information.

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German Cultural Society's Hall & Offices

3652 South Jefferson Avenue

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Directions: From **I-44**, turn south at the **Jefferson Ave** exit. The Hall is on the left, a block north of the Jefferson/ Broadway/Chippewa intersection.

Or from **I-55**, turn north at the 4500 **Broadway** exit. Proceed to Jefferson Ave. and the hall is on the right.



German Cultural Society's Donau-Park

5020 West Four Ridge Road

House Springs, MO 63051



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German Cultural Society Donau Park Improvements

Check out what's happening out at our Donau Park on pages 34-35!

