



DEUTSCHER VEREIN

# Die Zeitung

May 2018

The Jasper Deutscher Verein was founded in January, 1980 to promote, preserve and celebrate our proud German Heritage in Jasper and surrounding area. The Club is intended to be primarily Social and Not-For-Profit.

## 2018 Jasper Strassenfest

Hello Fellow German Club Members - this is a reminder that Strassenfest is on August 2, 3, and 4 this year and we will once again have both a Pastry Booth and a Food Booth.

Accordingly, we will need a lot of hands to main both of these booths. We are planning to have the same menu as last year.

We will also be open for lunch on Friday as this has proved to be a good money maker. On this short lunch period we serve a limited menu in a package which makes it easy to serve.

Phyllis began sign-ups at the April meeting and will also be at the May 16th meeting to sign you up. If you cannot make the meeting, please call her at 812.482.2373.

We need you to consider working one or two shifts this year so that it is easier to handle all the jobs. It really is a lot of fun and only 3-4 hours out of your day. The money we make at Strassenfest covers our monthly meeting expenses, special projects, support for Sister Cities, help to send students to Germany, etc. Thanks in advance for your continued support of this event.

Pat and Phyllis Schuler  
General Chairpersons of DeutscherVerein Food/Pastry Booths

## April Jasper DeutscherVerein in Review

The Deutscher Verein met on April 18<sup>th</sup> at the Moose Lodge in Jasper.

There were 70 members present. President Steve Schmitt opened the meeting. He introduced Father Jerry Pratt who is a new member of our club.

He led in the Pledge of Allegiance . Birnie Jeffries led God Bless America and Father Jerry led us in prayer before the meal.

Steve introduced our new Vice President, Van Ziegler. Ein Prosit was then sang to honor Van. Congratulations Van.

Happy Birthday was then sang for members with birthdays in April.

After the meal, Steve introduced the program for the evening which was Nicole, Birnie and Margie from Green Thumb Landcaping and Garden Center. Nicole had some great plant samples to show us and some great tips on planting and taking care of plants. Members had some great questions on how to treat problem areas of their landscapes.

Drawings were held after the program. Door prizes were won by Henrietta Harder, Linda Mehringer, and Rosemary Heim. Special prizes were won by Eileen Scherle and Al Astrike.

Mike Ackerman updated us on a day trip we are planning on October 7<sup>th</sup> to Indianapolis to participate in a public parade in celebration of German Heritage Day. We are taking sign ups at the May meeting for anyone interested in riding on a bus to Indianapolis on Sunday for the parade.

Motion was made to close the meeting. Motion was seconded, meeting adjourned.

Next meeting is Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. Menu will be Polish Sausage and Sauerkraut. Members names beginning A-H bring salad, I-M potato, N-S vegetable, and T-Z dessert.

We will be taking signups for Strassenfest booths and also trip to Indianapolis on Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup>.

Submitted by  
Barb Schmitt, Secretary

## Message from Steve.....

It was great seeing everyone at the last meeting. Thanks to Birnie, Marge and Nicole from Green Thumb for a very informative program.

I also want to thank Van Ziegler for stepping forward to be vice-president, I hope everyone will be as supportive of him as you were for me.

The May meeting will be our last meeting before Strassenfest, if you haven't signed up to work a shift at

the booth yet you will have another chance at the May meeting.

Our summer picnic will be Sunday Aug. 26th at the Jasper Outdoor Recreation Club, Mike Hochesang will be the grill master again this year.

The German Heritage dinner will be Thurs. Oct 4th at the Schnitzelbank.

Stayed tuned for more details to come. If you can't make it for the May meeting I hope you have a great summer.

*Steve Schmitt*  
President

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**Upcoming Events – Mark Your Calendars**

**Mai**  
**Wednesday, Mai 16, 2018**  
**The Moose**

Doors open at 6:00pm, activities begin at 6:30pm  
Menu will be Polish Sausage and Sauerkraut.

Members names beginning A-H bring salad, I-M potato, N-S vegetable, and T-Z dessert.

Program will be Tony Schantz on Legacy Living Senior Housing Project on Hochgesang Farm.

Sign Ups begin for Strassenfest Food/Pastry Booths and Bus Trip to Indy on October 7th

**August**  
**Strassenfest**  
August 2<sup>nd</sup> to August 5<sup>th</sup>  
**Sunday, August 26, 2018**  
Summer Picnic  
Jasper Outdoor Recreation Club

**Oktober**  
**Thursday, Oktober 4, 2018**  
**German Heritage Dinner at the Schnitzelbank**

**Sunday, Oktober 7, 2018**  
The Jasper DeutscherVerein's participation in the "Deutschlandjahr USA" Parade in Indianapolis – sign ups are now being taken for this day trip

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**Gift to the Jasper DeutscherVerein (German Club) German Heritage Endowment**

January 1, 2018 – March 31, 2018

**In Memory of Charles Knust**

Paul and Laura Grammer

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**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE GERMAN EXCHANGE!!!!** Pictured are the students participating in the Exchange.



Results of the Sister Cities Golf Scramble  
1st-Jamie Seger, Jason Pierce, Chris Fleck, Nick Abbett  
2nd-Casey Miller, Clyde Harper, Jacob Western, Christopher Miller  
3rd-Alex Seger, Darryl Spellmeyer, Kyle Korder, Derek Smith

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**Message from Laura.....**

Strassenfest. The celebration of Jasper's German heritage.

The goal for 2017 is to make Thursday night of Strassenfest a German Heritage night. The night already boasts the log sawing event, the German parade to the beer garden for the ceremonial tapping of the keg.

Working with 2nd Grade students and the Jasper High School Theatre students, the goal is to add some new German flair to the opening ceremonies. Much of this is still in the planning stages.

Jim Corn has created a May Pole and Judy Bennet will be painting the base. Plan is for 2nd grade students to perform the May Pole dance as part of Opening Ceremonies.

The JHS Theatrical students are working on song and dance. Plan is for JHS Girls to perform an opening song to kick off the Opening Ceremonies. And maybe have the JHS boys perform the Schuhplattler dance.

So what can you do to help? Get out your dirndl and liederhosen. Get them ready to wear on Thursday night. Plan to spend the evening at opening ceremonies, participating in the parade to the beer garden, walking around and interacting with people on the square.

More details to come in the July Newsletter.

Until then, Iss, trink und sei fröhlich

*Laura Grammer*

Treasurer

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### **News from Celestine's Sister City of Wagshurst, Germany**

Celestine 175th's twenty visitors from the Wagshurst area of Germany are scheduled to arrive on Wednesday, June 27, 2018.

Host family assignments have been made. The host families and their guests are: Fr. John Boeglin—Werner Stueber; Edwin & Judy Betz—Jutta Lippert & Gabriele Schindler; Jeremy, Teresa, Peyton, and Zachary Betz—Thomas Mußler & Nico Schuett; Clara Fromme—Bernhard Danner & his wife Daniela Danner; Charlie & Rose Ann Glendening—Anton Huber & his son David Huber; Bill, Angie, & Celeste Hochgesang—Klaus Eckstein, his wife Birgit Eckstein, & their son Luca Eckstein & Sarah Eckstein (unrelated); Bill & Betty Kleinhelter—Berthold König, his wife Rosa König, and their son Raphael König; Bernie & Diane Knies—Manfred Rothfuss; Larry, Tammy, Sara & Hannah Mehringer—Fridolin Huber & his daughter Veronika Huber; and Bob and Cheryl Schnell—Sabine Lampert. Teresa Hopf also volunteered to host and will help with transportation and food. Many thanks to all the host families.

Plans are in progress for Thursday and Friday daytime activities for our German visitors and their host families. Our German visitors will be introduced on stage at the fest opening ceremony on Thursday evening and will ride on a float in the parade on Sunday afternoon. They will be at the fest at other times as well. Six who are members of Wagshurst's much larger brass band are scheduled to play at the 8:00 am Mass at St. Celestine Church on Sunday, July 1. Bernhard Danner conducts the band and will also play. The other five who will be

playing are: Luca Eckstein, Sarah Eckstein, Berthold König, Raphael König, and Werner Stueber. Thanks to Northeast Dubois High School for the use of their band instruments.

All plan to depart on Monday, July 2. Fourteen will travel in rented vehicles to Chicago, via Indianapolis and Shipshewana; Fr. Boeglin plans to accompany this group, driving his own car. Five others will fly to Las Vegas, and one plans to fly to Los Angeles.

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### **Endowments at the Dubois County Community Foundation**

#### **Jasper Deutscher Verein (German Club) German Heritage Endowment**

A donor-advised endowment to benefit generations in ensuring that our German heritage is preserved and enriched in Jasper and Dubois County.

#### **Claude and Martina Eckert Sister Cities Endowment**

A designated endowment to provide support to Sister Cities of Jasper, Inc. to support the Jasper/Pfaffenweiler relationship.

A gift to the Jasper Deutscher Verein (German Club) German Heritage Endowment or to the Claude and Martina Eckert Sister Cities Endowment is a wonderful way to remember that special someone. A gift in honor of someone or in memory of someone may be given. The Dubois County Community Foundation will send a letter of acknowledgment to the individual being honored or to the family of someone being remembered. Send your gift along with the appropriate information to the Dubois County Community Foundation, P. O. Box 269, Jasper, IN 47547-0269. Envelopes are also available at the greeting table at each club meeting.

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