



DEUTSCHER VEREIN

Die Zeitung

Mid Summer 2013

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.

Open Spaces in the Work Schedules

As you review the Work Schedules in this newsletter, you will see open work spaces designated by *****.

We are hoping that members of the Deutscher Verein will take time out of their busy schedules to come forward and volunteer for these open spaces.

They are:

Main Food Stand

Thursday – August 1st

9:30pm - closing

Friday – August 2nd

7:00pm – 10:00pm

10:00pm – closing

Saturday – August 3rd

10:30am – 1:30pm

1:30pm – 4:30pm

4:30pm – 7:30pm

7:30pm – 10:30pm

10:30pm – closing

Pastry Stand

Saturday – August 3rd

4:30 – 7:30pm

7:30pm – 10:30pm

**Remember, this is our ONLY fundraiser of the year,
so please be generous with your time.**

**Please call Phyllis Schuler at 482-2373 to
schedule one of these time slots.**

A message from Mike.....

Strassenfest will soon be here. If you haven't signed up to help in our booths, please be sure to get with Pat & Phyllis Schuler. Our food booths at Strassenfest are the primary source of our club's income. Working our booths represent a great opportunity for fellowship and fun while helping to anchor the German theme of the Jasper Strassenfest.

Our member picnic to learn about Strassenfest results and enjoy some of the fruits of our labors will be held on Saturday September 14 at Jasper Outdoor Rec. We are planning to move the event to an earlier time slot in the afternoon, so watch the newspaper for details on specific times. We plan to have 2 speakers for this year's picnic, one before our picnic meal and the other following our business meeting.

Our first program will provide us with an update on Josh Dodd's initial trip to Pfaffenweiler, Germany to learn the art of stone carving from Master Stone Carver, Michael Eckert. With our club's purpose to "promote, preserve, and celebrate our proud German Heritage", Jasper Deutscher Verein contributed financial support for Josh's efforts to preserve our German Heritage through learning and utilizing the art of stone carving, especially as it relates to reconstruction of tombstones in our local cemeteries. This program promises to be an interesting sharing of Josh's visions and progress to date to learn how Josh has taken his ideas for preserving our heritage from concept toward craft.

Our second program will be provided by Vincent Lueke on his inspiration to erect the Chapel of the Vierzehneiligen on his family's farm near New Boston, IN. The chapel whose name is German for "14 Holy Helpers" is modeled on the well-known "Basilika Viersehnheiligen" adjacent to Bad Staffelstein near Bamberg, in Bavaria (Southern Germany). An early altar for this basilica was consecrated in 1448, with the construction of the basilica occurring from 1743 to 1772. Pilgrimages to the Vierzehneiligen continue to the present day. (<http://www.viersehnheiligen.de/>). Seeing

his inspiration through actual construction, shows Vince's commitment that is built upon our strong German work ethic.

Are you ready to party? Deadlines to sign up for our trip to attend the German Fest in Nashville TN on the weekend of October 12 & 13 are nearing. Our trip to the fest at Cincinnati last year was well attended and we had a great time. Hope that you can join us for another fun filled weekend.

Mike Ackerman,

VP, Deutscher Verein

2013 Strassenfest Theme

Celebrating 35 Years of Food, Fun and Memories

Remember to patronize the Food, Pastry, and Souvenir Booths!!!!!!

Mai Deutscher Verein Meeting

The May meeting of the Jasper Deutscher Verein was held on May 16th at the Jasper VFW Post # 673. There were 100 members and guests present.

President Bridgette Jarboe opened the meeting by welcoming retired Judge Hugo Songer, who was presenting the program for the evening. She also asked members with birthdays in May to stand and the members sang Happy Birthday to them.

Mike Ackerman led the Pledge of Allegiance, God Bless America, and the prayer before the meal.

Bridgette introduced Judy Rohleder and Judy Bennett who gave details of a benefit for club member LaVerne Kieffner on June 1st.

Mike Ackerman thanked the VFW for letting us move our meeting, which was supposed to be held at the Riverwalk, because of inclement weather. He then led in the toast "Ein Prosit".

Dan Wehr made a motion to approve the minutes of the April meeting, Dave Prechtel made second motion, all approved!

Rita Egler gave the treasurer's report.

Jackie Braunecker from Jackie's Travel gave details on our trip to Nashville, TN on October 12th & 13th.

Bridgette gave the date of the family picnic which will be on September 14th at the Jasper Outdoor Recreation.

She thanked the VFW, Gary Meyer from Meyer Catering, and Dave Merkley from Merkley Meats for their participation in the meeting.

The door prize drawing was then held. Phyllis Boeglin won the Merkley's gift certificate, and Dave Buehler and Al Bennett won the special prizes.

Members were reminded that we need a lot of help for the Strassenfest food and pastry booths. This is our only fundraiser and we need lots of help for it to be a success!! See you at the Strassenfest!!

Hugo Songer then gave his presentation on the history of Dubois County.

The rest of the evening was spent socializing.

Barb Schmitt,
Secretary

Merkley Brats Served at the Mai Meeting

Original – This is the brat used by the Deutscher Verein at the Strassenfest. Mild with an onion flavor.

Beer – Mild with a beer flavor.

Garlic – Sausage with a garlic flavor – mild.

Chipotle – This one has a little heat to it. Not extra hot without packing a punch.

Upcoming Events – Mark Your Calendars

August

Strassenfest – August 1st to August 4th

September

Family Picnic – September 14th at the Jasper Outdoor Recreation Club

Oktober

German American Day Celebration – Oktober 9th at the Schnitzelbank

Family Picnic

The Family Picnic is at Jasper Outdoor Recreation Club, September 14th, 2013.

There will be more details in the September newsletter and in the newspaper.

The Josh Dodd Family Arrived in Pfaffenweiler on Sunday, July 7, 2013



Pictured are Diana Treyer, Melissa Wagner, Mother of Megan Dodd, Megan Dodd holding Beckett Dodd, and Josh Dodd holding Ryker Dodd, and Mayor Dieter Hahn. Josh will begin working with Michael Eckert, Master Stonecarver.

Strassenfest T-Shirts Pre-Sale

The newly designed T-Shirts for the upcoming 2013 Jasper Strassenfest are available for purchase at the special pre-fest price of \$10 each for Small, Medium, Large, XL, and XXL.

Show your spirit of the festival by wearing one of the shirts. They are available at the Jasper City Hall and at the Jasper Chamber of Commerce.

2013 Strassenfest T-shirts Small, Medium, Large, and XL) will be \$12 during the Fest.Fest.

Also at Jasper City Hall are totes for \$5 and \$10 and hats for \$3 and at the Jasper Chamber of Commerce there are closeouts of past Strassenfest tee shirts for \$3.00.

Proceeds from these sales support the Jasper High School German Exchange program sponsored by Sister Cities of Jasper, Inc.

Strassenfest Home-Brew Contest

The winner of this year's Strassenfest home-brew contest will brew their winning recipe at Jasper's Basket Case Brewing Company, and it will be served at the Mill House Restaurant.

The Dubois County Suds Club is holding the 6th annual home-brew contest during the Strassenfest on [Saturday, August 3, 2013](#) from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The contest will again be held at Snaps (1115 Main St., Jasper) this year.

The public is invited to enter the contest, which will be judged live by a panel of 12 beer connoisseurs.

Brewers can enter their beers in six categories this year — light, amber, hoppy, dark, wheat and specialty beer.

Use the Beer Judge Certification Program guidelines for guidance when entering (the full list can be found at www.bjcp.org/2008styles/catdex.php).

Examples of light beers are light ales and lagers (BJCP categories 1, 2, 6a-c, 7b). Amber beers range from Oktoberfests to nut brown ales and Irish reds (3, 4, 5a-c, 7a, 7c, 9, 10b-c, 11). Any beer that showcases hops should be entered in the hoppy category (8, 10a, 14). The wheat category is reserved for any beer containing wheat or rye (6d, 15). Examples of dark beers are stouts and porters (12, 13, 19). Examples of specialty beers would be sour beers, Belgian beers, fruit beers, beers with spices or oak-aged beers (16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23).

Certificates and prizes will be given for first, second and third place in each of the categories. A special "Best of Show" award will be given to the judge's favorite beer of the day, chosen from the six first-place winners. The

Best of Show winner will brew at Basket Case.

Two 12 oz. bottles or a 22 oz. bottle or larger is required to enter. The bottles should be unmarked if possible.

The cost to enter is \$2 per entry. Entry forms can be downloaded from <http://www.jasperstrassenfest.org/events/event-registration-forms>. Forms will also be available the day of the contest.

Entries should be dropped off between 10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. on the day of the contest at Snaps. Please bring exact change if possible. Checks can be written to the Dubois Co. Suds Club.

Arrangements to submit bottles early can be made by calling 630-8433 or sending an email to justinrumbach@gmail.com.

Souvenir Booth Items and Kettle Corn

During the Strassenfest, JHS students and parents will have a Souvenir Booth benefiting the bi-annual JHS German Student Exchange Program. A new item this year is kettle corn. Other items for sale include Strassenfest T-Shirts and Aprons, German Flags, German-American flag lapel pins, totes, umbrellas, German License Plates, and many other items. The booth will be open during the same hours than the other booths during the 2013 Jasper Strassenfest. The souvenir booth is located across from the Jasper Deutscher Verein Food Booth with their great Brat- and Knockwursts, just in front of the Biergarten entrance.

LOG SAWING CONTEST

The Deutscher Verein is sponsoring this long time event of the Strassenfest. The event is held on the Main Stage on Thursday evening at 9:00 p.m.

Werner Sawmill, Inc. is again our financial sponsor. They pay for prizes and supply wood products used in the contest; there is no club expense.

No entry fee is charged, but prizes are awarded in both the men's and women's category. Beautiful custom designed mugs for both 1st and 2nd place winners.

The event has been held continuously since the mid 1980's and has quite a following. The crowd is usually 300-400 or more, and has 30-40 people competing. Teams simply sign up before the event. Each two

person team tries to saw through a log before the other team on the other end of the log.

It would be good to have a few more club members attend. And occasionally Saw Master Fred Roeder and Crew, Chief Judge Leo Eckerle or myself could use a bit of help. Please consider attending the event and showing your support of the Club.

Actually, the event has gathered quite a dedicated following over the years. Remembering back a couple year ago, I tried to cancel the event because it was pouring down rain but everyone still wanted to saw. We had two dozen people sawing with a couple hundred watching in the down pour - and nobody complained.

Hope to see you there Thursday evening.

Dan Wehr

Sheephead Tournament

The Sheephead tourney begins at 1:00 p.m. in the Bier Garten. Tony and Linda Schroering are the Chairmen and they can be contacted at 630-6264.

Thank You to the Dubois County Community Foundation

Sister Cities of Jasper, Inc. has received a grant from the Claude and Martina Eckert Sister Cities Endowment Fund. We are grateful for Claude and Martina's forethought in establishing this Endowment.

German Heritage Day Program and German Heritage Award

The 15th annual German American Day Program will be held on Wednesday, October 9th, at the Schnitzelbank Restaurant. Social hour begins at 6:00 pm with the Program beginning at 6:30 pm. The fifteenth annual German Heritage Award will be presented.

Past recipients of the German Heritage Award are Mary Jo Meuser, Claude and Martina Eckert, Dave Buehler, Linus and Sally Lechner, Joe and Irene C. Eckerle, Danny and Linda Wehr, Leo and Lora Lou Eckerle, the late Lowell and Joan Glendening, Dave and Janet Kluemper, Rafe and Phyllis Ackerman, Vic and Monica

Knies, Gary and Rita Egler, Patti Goepfrich, and Larry and Betty Hanselman.

Our program will be JHS students who participated in the Student Exchange program in June of this year.

German American will again be the financial sponsor of the German Heritage Essay Contest open to all seniors in the four county high schools.

More details of the German American Day Dinner and Program will be available after the Strassenfest.

Sister Cities of Jasper
Jasper Partnership Commission
Jasper Deutscher Verein
GERMAN HERITAGE AWARD

"Honoring those who promote our German Heritage"

The annual German Heritage Award is presented to an individual or group who has contributed generously his/her or their time, talents or resources to maintaining, improving or building upon our German roots in Dubois County. Sister Cities of Jasper and the Jasper Partnership Commission created the award in 1999. The Jasper Deutscher Verein is sponsoring the award.

This recognition is open to all individuals, not just residents of the City of Jasper, who give what they can in order to make a difference.

Because the efforts of these individuals are sometimes known only to a few, a nomination will recognize the work of those who generously support our German Heritage.

A committee, consisting of the Presidents of the Jasper Deutscher Verein, Sister Cities of Jasper, and the Jasper Partnership Commission, will judge all nominations. The Presidents will present the German Heritage Award during the German American Day Dinner celebration on October 9th at the Schnitzelbank.

How you can nominate:

The nominee must be an individual or group, nominated by any individual or group. Please submit the official form (copy is accepted), along with the following:

1. A letter of up to one page listing your reasons for the nomination.
2. A biography, up to two pages, listing the service or efforts of the nominee.
3. Mail or deliver your nomination to: Jasper Deutscher Verein

German Heritage Award
P.O. Box 15
Jasper, IN 47547-0015

Nomination for the 2013

German Heritage Award

Nominee's Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

ZIP: _____ Phone: _____

Occupation: _____

Nominator's Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

ZIP: _____

Relationship to nominee:

Nominee's service is: voluntary / paid
(circle one)

**(Remember, nominations need to be
postmarked to**

**German Heritage Award, P. O. Box 15, Jasper,
IN 47547-0015,**

By September 3, 2013)

**STRASSENFEST 2013
AUGUST 1 – AUGUST 4**

Strassenfest 2013 is nearly here and plans are well under way. We will be operating the Main Food Booth and the Pastry Booth on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

We have assigned chairman to specific duties to help the process of setting up and take down of the Deutcher Platz area.

The following is a list of Chairman and times for each process. All names are not listed for set up and take down, so if you helped out in the past, please help again. We appreciate your help and if you find new helpers, bring them along. We can use some young people!

	SET UP	TAKE DOWN
Deutcher Platz Decoration	Tuesday 7:30 AM Mehringer's –	Monday 7:30 AM Same Crew
Logistics – Haul stand and Equipment to Fest	Tuesday 5:00 PM Rafe Ackerman, Mike Ackerman – pull trailer into Plaza.	Sunday 3:00 PM After parade – Same Crew /Load Trailer
Food Booth	Tuesday 5:30 PM Chairman – Leo Eckerle – If you helped before, please help again. All members are invited to help.	Sunday 3:00 PM After parade – Same Crew
Pastry/Souvenir Booth	Tuesday 5:30 PM Chairman – Jim Corn – If you helped before, please help again. All members are invited to help.	Sunday 3:00 PM After parade – Same Crew
Biergarten Tent Decoration	Tuesday 6:00 PM Chairman – None. If you helped before, please help again. All members are invited to help.	Sunday 3:00 PM After parade – Same Crew
Fest Setup – Last Minute Details	Thursday 10:00 AM Any help appreciated.	

We will again have day chairmen for the main food and pastry booths. They are responsible for the entire process for that day. Also, the Strassenfest Committee is handling the table and chair setup, and cleaning. We will supervise the organization that will keep the plaza area and tables clean for our patrons.

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