



DEUTSCHER VEREIN

# Die Zeitung

March 2017

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.

## Februar Jasper Deutscher Verein in Review

The February Jasper Deutscher Verein met February 16th at the Moose Lodge in Jasper.

President Steve Schmitt opened the meeting by welcoming 67 members and 11 guests present. He then asked the ones who had birthdays in February to stand and everyone sang Happy Birthday in German. Vice President Mike Brecher led the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer before the meal.

After the meal, a short business meeting was held. Treasurer Laura Grammer gave a short summary on upcoming events. The Bier Verkoster group is planning some events for the next few months. Anyone can attend these events.

Some suggestions were a beer and autolauf, tour St Joseph Church, Cookout, Louisville Underground Zip and sip beer, bourbon, or wine, Winery tour, visit Brown County,

Laura also informed members of the painting session at the March meeting.

The drawing for prizes was then held. Door prize winners were Gladys Knust and Ann Ackerman. Special prize winners were Irene Kapp and Leo Eckerle.

Steve then announced the program for the evening. Dean Vonderheide explained the process of growing and harvesting hops on his farm.

We had several entries in the beer tasting competition. The judges had a hard time picking the winners.

First place was Dan Herman

Second place was Rob Meiring

Third place was Justin Rumbach

Bread competition winners were

First Barb Schmitt

Second Patrick Schuler

Third Brother John Mark

A thank you goes out to the judges Cliff Howard, Al Bennett and Mike Brescher for their help and for the people for entering.

Next meeting is March 16th at the Moose Lodge. Doors open at 6:00, meeting starts at 6:30. Hamburgers and grilled chicken breast are the entrée. Members with last name A-H, bring salad, I-Q dessert, R-Z vegetable.

Program for the evening will be Mayor Terry Seitz. He will give an update on the projects going on in the city of Jasper.

Submitted by

*Barb Schmitt*  
*Secretary*

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## Message from Laura.....

Dues have been steadily arriving; about two-third of the members have paid. In April I will be mailing reminders to people who have not paid. Let's save the postage and get the last third of the dues in by March 21, when we welcome Spring back to Jasper.

### Spaß mal voraus

A few German Club events scheduled OUTSIDE of the regular club meeting:

March – Paint the German Alps

April – German Club Member Autolauf

May – Tour St Joseph's church and enjoy music at Snaps

June – Summer outing

July – Zip & Sip (Cave zip line and Sip some booze)

September – Huber Winery

October – Brown County hiking and shopping

Contact Laura at 812-634-2138, to get your name on the list for these exciting trips

*Laura Grammer*  
*Treasurer*

## News from Sister Cities of Jasper, Inc.

JHS German Exchange is gearing up for our exchange students from Poesneck! Our German exchange partners arrive April 2 and depart April 14. While at JHS, these German students will attend prom, go to a Cincinnati Reds baseball game, visit Amish country and Indianapolis. Of course we will show them the sights of Jasper starting with St Joseph Church and the Dubois County Museum. So if you see them out and about with their Jasper hosts, be sure to say "Guten Tag!"

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### **GOLF SCRAMBLE**

BUFFALO TRACE GOLF COURSE

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

\$220 team/\$55 per person (includes cart, greens fees & lunch!)

12:00 P.M. SHOTGUN START (lunch at 11)  
PRIZES, FOOD AND FUN!!

Register by April 17: Sandy @ 812-482-2055 6.  
email:senora@twc.com

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE JHS GERMAN  
EXCHANGE PROGRAM

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### **Address Changes for Newsletters and Temporary Address Change – Travel or Nursing Home**

Would all members who are going to be gone for any period of time, please notify Patti Goepfrich at 812-482-4821 with your new address so we can forward your newsletter to you. This keeps us from having to pay double postage and assures you to receive all newsletters while you are away from home. Having your mail forwarded while you are gone will not work, simply because of the "Return Service Requested" stamped on our newsletter. This is stamped to let us know when someone has moved. The Post Office informs us of new addresses if you have permanently moved.

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## Jasper Deutscher Verein Taking Scholarship Applications

The Jasper Deutscher Verein is offering a scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 to a German student of Dubois County. If you have a child, grandchild or know of anyone who would like to submit an application, please inform them to contact their Guidance Counselor at their school. Applications must be postmarked no later than April 1, 2017. If any questions, please contact Linda Wehr at 812-482-4432.

At their January Board of Directors' Meeting in 2008, the following adopted the following qualifications for the Dubois County Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.00.

1. Completion of the common scholarship application available from the School's Guidance Office.
2. Successful completion of two years of high school German.
3. Two years of active participation in German Club or German Civic affairs in other schools.
4. Verification of enrollment in a German course at the college of their choice, or participation in an accredited German study abroad program such as the IU Honors Program.
5. Submission of a one page or less essay stating your personal qualifications and intentions.
6. GPA consideration.
7. Participation in an exchange program or hosting an exchange student.
8. Submission of two letters of recommendation from adults other than school personnel regarding personal character, etc.
9. The scholarship will be awarded upon verification of enrollment in German at college or acceptance into another German study abroad program such as the IU Honors Program. A \$500.00 scholarship will be given for the first semester and will be renewable for the second semester.
10. Parental membership in the Jasper Deutscher Verein will be considered.
11. Submission of all completed forms by April 1, 2017 to:

Jasper Deutscher Verein Scholarship Committee, P.O.  
Box 15, Jasper, Indiana 47547-0015

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## Upcoming Events – Mark Your Calendars

### Maerz

#### Thursday, Maerz 16<sup>th</sup> at the Moose Lodge

Doors open at 6:00pm Activities begin at 6:30pm

Mayor Terry Seitz will give an update on the projects going on in the City of Jasper and German Club Painting Party

Hamburgers and grilled chicken are the entrée and members with last names – A – H bring salad, I – Q bring dessert, and R – Z bring vegetable.

### April

#### Monday, April 17<sup>th</sup> – sign ups for Sister Cities Golf Scramble are due

#### Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at the Moose Lodge

Doors open at 6:00pm Activities begin at 6:30pm

Mark Schleckte will present a program on how to survive living off the land. Bugs and plants included!!!!

### August

Strassenfest – August 3, 2017 – August 6, 2017

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### 2017 German Club Dues Are Due

Please check your mailing label on your newsletter for when your membership expires. Please forward your dues as to keep your membership current.

Membership Expires 12-31-2016  
Jasper DeutscherVerein  
P. O. Box 15  
Jasper, IN 478547-0015

If you get your newsletter electronically by email, please call Laura Grammer at 812-634-2138 or send her an email to lagrammer@psci.net to verify when your dues are due!!!!

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### “Ein Prosit”

Ein Prosit Ein Prosit  
der Gemutlichkeit  
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Eins, Zwei, Drei, G'suffa!  
Zicke, zacke, zicke, zacke  
Hoy, Hoy, Hoy,  
Kindermachen, Kindermachen  
Ya Ya Ya  
Motorcycle, Motorcycle  
Vroom, Vroom, Vroom  
Der Deutscher Verein is Voonderbar!!

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### MEMBERSHIP

Dues for the DeutscherVerein are \$10 a person. Out of this \$10, a \$1 will go to the Jasper Deutscher Verein (German Club) German Heritage Endowment, \$.50 per member for dues to Sister Cities of Jasper, Inc., and \$8.50 to German Club for postage and meetings. Dues are to be by March 31, 2017 by mail to German Club, P.O. Box 15, Jasper, IN 47547-0015 or paid at meeting.

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### Windbeutel!

Ingredients Puffs:

1/2 cup butter (unsalted if you can get it)  
1/4 cup water  
1/2 cup flour

Dash salt (only if using unsalted butter)  
2 large eggs

Filling:

1 cup heavy whipping cream  
1/4 cup powdered sugar  
1/2 tsp. almond extract

powdered sugar for sprinkling on top

Directions

Heat oven to 400° (375° if convection). In a saucepan, heat the butter and water to a rolling boil. Stir in flour (and salt, if using) all at once and beat vigorously about 1 minute, or until a ball forms. Remove from heat and beat in eggs, 1 at a time, until batter is smooth and glossy. Drop by 1/4 cupfuls onto an ungreased baking sheet about 3 in. apart. Bake 35-40 minutes (less if convection) until puffy and golden brown all over. Cool completely on wire rack.

For Filling: Beat whipping cream, sugar and extract in a deep bowl until fluffy and holds its form well. Keep chilled until use. Just before serving, split the puffs, remove any damp insides and fill with the cream mixture.

Looks nicest if you use a fluted pastry tube for this. Place caps back on puffs and sprinkle with powdered sugar; serve immediately. –

(taken from:  
<http://ilovegermanfood.com/recipes/windbeutel/#sthash.SSSy37wS.dpuf>)

## What is an Osterbaum... Easter Tree

### What is an Osterbaum?

Every year at during the Easter Season my mother would place a few budding branches in a vase and hang colorful painted eggs from them. This was an Osterbaum, an Easter Tree Over the season, the buds would sometimes even bloom. So pretty! While these Easter Trees are quite common in Germany, I'm delighted to see them catching on here in the US.

In Germany, people also decorate live trees or bushes in their yard with colored eggs tied on with ribbon. Unlike Christmas trees, these trees are living, and don't require a special stand or lights. Because it can still be grey and cold in the spring, these colored eggs add a festive atmosphere to neighborhoods and towns. The eggs can be plastic, wooden or real painted eggs that have been hollowed out.

The most famous of these Osterbaum trees is in Saarberg. For years Volker Kraft in Saalfeld, Germany has been adding more and more eggs that his family decorated to a tree in his yard. The final count was 10,000 eggs!

(taken from [www.germangirlinamerica.com](http://www.germangirlinamerica.com))



Mick Birge interviewing Matthias Hilger in 2012 after Matthias was presented the Federal Republic of Germany Friendship Award

## 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.

Enclosed is my gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

to the \_\_\_\_\_

(Please specify appropriate Endowment)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

I want my gift to be in memory of / in honor of:

Please acknowledge my gift to:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership Dues**

It's that time of year again! Please submit your dues for 2017 by March 31, 2017 by completing and sending in the following form. Thanks!

SEND TO: Jasper Deutscher Verein, ATTN: Laura Grammer, P.O. Box 15,  
Jasper, IN 47547-0015

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Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Please note your email address: \_\_\_\_\_

[circle one]  
Single Membership (\$10.00) or Couple Membership (\$20.00)

[circle one]  
New Membership or Membership Renewal

Please indicate the year which dues are to be applied: \_\_\_\_\_

**Five Months Until Strassenfest!!!!!!!!!!!!**



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Jasper, IN 47547-0015

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