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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.

Danke from the JHS German Student Exchange Program

Thank you for all the support during our fundraising for the 2013 trip. All 18 students are very excited to leave on June 3 to visit Pfaffenweiler and surrounding areas. During the September Picnic, student photo displays will be shown so members can see Germany through the student's eyes.

Strassenfest Update

Strassenfest 2013 - AUGUST 1-4

We are asking for your help!!!! We have approximately 275 opportunities to work our Brat and Pastry Stands. Please sign up to work at least one shift.

It may sound like work and it is but it is also fun and a chance to get to know your fellow German Club members.

We are also in need of a day chair on Thursday to replace Nancy and Dave Prechtel.

This is the only club fundraiser and your help is needed!

Call Phyllis at 482-2373 to sign up.

We will also be signing up for shifts at the May meeting.

Thank you so much.

Pat & Phyllis Schuler

A message from Mike.....

For our May meeting and program, 05-16-2013, we will be moving outdoors (weather permitting). Merkley Meats will be participating in our program and doing some grilling to provide us with some samples of their delectable products. As the supplier of the bratwurst for our Strassenfest food booth, Merkley Meats is an integral part of the success of our booth, and should offer some great insight into why our bratwurst is a must have food for Strassenfest patrons.

Our main program for the evening will be the history of the Dubois County Courthouse, presented by Judge Songer. A fun mix of facts and unique insights promises to create an interesting topic for all ages.

Did I mention that we will be moving outdoors? We plan to enjoy the spring weather at the River Walk for this meeting. Because of the location and to avoid expenses that the club would incur for insurance to provide beverages on a public site, please plan to pack your cooler with your favorite beverages, and grab your lawn chairs. Remember to pray for good weather for us for this evening. If weather does not cooperate, we will be moving to the VFW. If in doubt, listen to local radio stations for announcements.

Have you marked your calendars for the weekend of October 12 & 13? As presented at our March meeting, we are planning a trip to attend the German Fest in Nashville TN. Our trip to the fest at Cincinnati last year was well attended and we had a great time. Information on this opportunity for our club is shaping up to be another fun weekend.

As May is our last meeting before Strassenfest, 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.

Mike Ackerman, VP, Deutscher Verein

April Jasper Deutscher Verein in Review

The Jasper Deutscher Verein met Thursday April 18th at the Jasper VFW #673.

President Bridgette Jarboe opened the meeting at 6:30 pm by welcoming the 75 members and 7 guests present.

Ann Ackerman, Pat Dunkel and Barb Schmitt were at the welcome table. Phyllis Schuler and Linda Wehr were taking sign up for workers at the Strassenfest pastry and food booths.

Mike Ackerman, Vice President led in the Pledge of Allegiance, the toast Ein Prosit, and God Bless America.

Mike then introduced Mike Hochesang who gave a short slide show from his trip to Africa.

He then introduced Darren Patterson who talked about the Rotary Club having guests from Germany who were visiting the area.

Bridgette then asked members if they approved the minutes from the last meeting which were in the April newsletter. Dave Buehler made first motion to approve and Nancy Prechtel made 2nd motion. All approved.

Bridgette reminded everyone about the trip the club is planning to a German fest in Nashville, TN on the weekend of October 12th. Mark your calendars and watch for additional information at future meetings.

Happy Birthday was sung for the members who had birthdays in April.

The May meeting will be held at the Dave Buehler Plaza at the Riverwalk on May 16th. The program will be Hugo Songer giving his presentation of the history of the Dubois County Courthouse. Dave Merkley of Merkley Meats will be preparing bratwursts. Board of Directors and Officers will bring sides. Everyone is asked to bring lawn chairs and their beverage of choice.

Winners of door prizes were Ramona Brosmer and Birnie Jeffries. Special prizes were won by Al Astrike and Elfrieda Oeding.

The program for the evening was the students of the Hodgini School of Dance and Gymnastics.

The rest of the evening was spent socializing.

Submitted by, Barb Schmitt, Secretary

Upcoming Events – Mark Your Calendars

Mai Meeting

<u>Call to order – 6:30PM</u>

At the Dave Buehler Plaza at the Riverwalk (weather permitting – if bad weather, VFW)

Thursday, Mai 16, 2013

Program by Hugo Songer and Dave Merkley of Merkley Meats will be grilling Brats.

Bring your own beverages and chairs

<u>August</u>

Strassenfest – August 1 – August 4 Sign up for a workshift or two!!!!! – Your help and support is needed.

<u>Oktober</u>

German Food for German Students – Oktober 6th at the Schnitzelbank – Sponsored by Sister Cities of Jasper, Inc.

German American Day Dinner – Oktober 9th at the Schnitzelbank

Oktoberfest in Nashville, TN – Oktober 12 and Oktober 13 – Call Jackie's Travel Service at 482-7158 for more information or talk to Mike Ackerman – A Great Time is Planned for All!!!!!!!!

STRASSENFEST 2013

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...AUGUST 1-4. We will need your help to work the "food" and "pastry" booths at this year's Strassenfest. Sign-ups will begin at the April meeting. Please think about working at least one shift.

Pat and Phyllis Schuler

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO CALL SANDY WEHR AT 482-2055 TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SISTER CITIES OF JASPER GOLF SCRAMBLE ON SATURDAY, MAY 11TH AT THE JASPER MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE



Hans Gunter

Hans Gunter is 16 years old and is from Staufen, Germany and, when in Germany, attends Faust-Gymnasium Staufen.

He arrived in Jasper on August 9th and attends Jasper High School as a Junior. He participates in Cross Country and Wrestling. He enjoys spending time with friends and family, Noah, Hannah, Zach, and Megan Rydberg and many aunts, uncles, cousins, and a grandma.

Hans states that he came to America to get experience, independence, and to learn fluent English. He did not choose Jasper but he was placed here because this is Pfaffenweiler's Sister City.

He notes that a difference between JHS and his home school is that there are different school hours. For students in Grades 1 - 6, students stay in one classroom and teachers move in and out of the class room. Germany has open campus so students can leave the school grounds and there are no multiple choice tests in Germany.

Hans states that this has been a good experience and he recommends that others do this. It has been a fun eight months and only two months left.

<u>The Homestay Program of Sister Cities is</u> <u>Looking for Host Families</u>

Over the past years, we have had many students through our Sister City Homestay Program visit us for the full or partial school year. Again for the coming 2013/14 school year we have a large list of students coming, some only to visit for a few weeks, most of them staying for the complete school year.

Please contact us if you are interested in hosting one of our students.

Alisia Klemm (partial school year)

Laura Krall (partial school year), both from a neighbor town of Pfaffenweiler

Livia Heller from Pfaffenweiler, for the Full School Year,

Steffen Fidler, from a neighbor town of Pfaffenweiler for the full school year, whose brother attended the JHS 2011/12

Sebastian Schneider also for the full school year.

Three more students are on a waiting list, in case one of the other students cancels their request.

All of their applications have been received and details are available by calling Matthias Hilger at 309-8757.

WOW LOOK AT THESE – Aren't they great looking!!!!!!!

See them at the May Meeting or around town prior to Strassenfest!!!!! Contact Sandy Wehr or Patti Goepfrich for more details!!!!







News from the Dubois County Suds Club

The Dubois County Suds Club is a group of local homebrewers. Anyone who home-brews or wants to learn how to home-brew is invited to attend.

In addition to monthly meetings, the club also holds group brew sessions and live demonstrations throughout the year. Anyone wanting more information about the club is invited to call 630-8433 or attend a meeting. The following is a slate of some of the activities of the Dubois County Suds Club for 2013. There are still some dates to be determined.

Even if you have no interest in learning how to homebrew, members of the Deutscher Verein are ALWAYS invited to stop by a meeting or event to simply enjoy some good beer! Thanks!

2013 Schedule

<u>June 4</u> - Snaps <u>7pm</u> - presentation by Wayne Patmore on mead - no AHA comp this meeting

<u>July 2</u> - Snaps <u>7pm</u> - presentation idea needed - AHA competition style TBD

August 3 - Strassenfest contest

<u>September 3</u> - Millhouse <u>7pm</u> - presentation idea needed - AHA competition on European Amber Lager (this competition covers BJCP category 3 styles beers are due TBD)

September?? - Taster's Fest

<u>October 6</u> - Learn To Homebrew Day <u>11am</u> - Location TBD

<u>November 5</u> - Schnitzelbank <u>7pm</u> - presentation idea needed - AHA competition TBD

December 7 - Holiday Party @ Jaycee's clubhouse

Justin Rumbach

Horseradish Deviled Eggs

6 hard-cooked eggs 1⁄4 cup mayonnaise 1 tablespoon prepared horseradish 1⁄2 teaspoon dill weed 1⁄4 teaspoon ground mustard 1/8 teaspoon salt Dash pepper Dash paprika for topping

Cut eggs in half length-wise. Remove yolks. Set whites aside. In a bowl, mash the yolks; add mayonnaise, horseradish, dill, mustard, salt, and pepper. Mix well.

Pipe or spoon filling into eggs whites. Sprinkle with paprika. Refrigerate until serving. Yield 12 servings.

Please remember, the profits from the Strassenfest booths are the Deutscher Verein's MAIN source of Income. Membership dues barely cover any expenses of the Deutscher Verein. Among our expenses are the landscaping and upkeep of the Maypole, food, attendance prizes, entertainment, paper products, and beverages provided at monthly meetings, hall rental for the monthly meetings, postage and paper for newsletters, Scholarship, supplies for Strassenfest, etc.

In order to be able to continue the above, it is important that members realize the importance of the Food Booth and Pastry Booth at the Strassenfest. And, if you physically can't work at the Strassenfest, not a problem. Support the Deutscher Verein by buying a food item from the booths during the Strassenfest. Remember, we serve the #1 Brat in the State of Indiana!!!!!!!!

<u>Gifts to the Jasper Deutscher Verein (German</u> <u>Club) German Heritage Endowment</u>

January 1, 2013 – March 31, 2013

In Memory of Catherine "Kate" Verkamp

Gary and Rita Egler

In Memory of Dorothy Oser

Allen and Aline Brescher

In Memory of Marie Hoffman

Harvey and Bernita Berger

<u>This will be the last newsletter until mid-</u> summer before the Strassenfest with the <u>Strassenfest Work Schedules</u>

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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