



**DEUTSCHER VEREIN**

# Die Zeitung

**Mid Summer 2015**

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 – July 30th**

4:30pm – 7:00pm  
7:00pm – 9:30pm  
9:30pm - closing

#### **Friday – July 31<sup>st</sup>**

10:30am – 1:30pm  
4:30pm – 7:00pm  
7:00pm – 10:00pm  
10:00pm – closing

#### **Saturday – August 1st**

10:30am – 1:30pm  
1:30pm – 4:30pm  
4:30pm – 7:30pm  
7:30pm – 10:30pm  
10:30pm – closing

### Pastry Stand

#### **Thursday – July 30<sup>th</sup>**

4:30pm – 7:00pm  
7:00pm – 9:30pm  
9:30 - closing

#### **Saturday – August 1st**

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 812-482-2373  
to schedule one of these time slots.**

**Remember to patronize the Food, Pastry,  
and Information Booths!!!!!!**

**Sister Cities of Jasper will again host the  
Information Booth up on the south side of  
the square. This booth will be manned by  
the JHS students in the JHS German  
Exchange Program and their parents.**

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### A message from Laura.....

Notifications have been mailed to the handful of members as a reminder to send their 2015 dues. Thanks to everyone for completing this process for the year.

Strassenfest is just around the corner. I have been talking with our long-time treasurer, Rita, about challenges she has faced during the Strassenfest weekend. Based on the valuable information she shared, I am going to try two new processes.

The first process starts with borrowing a safe. Sales money will be placed into envelopes (marked with either PASTRY or BRAT) and then dropped into the safe. The goal is to ensure the money is secure and is credited to the correct booth. And the second process is a way to ensure the cashiers have access to all the quarters and small bills they need to make change for customers.

It will take just a few minutes to explain the process to all the cashiers and shift leaders. I plan to be available during much of the Strassenfest for anything that crops up during the weekend. Thanks in advance for helping this transition.

The club is so blessed to have one massive fund raiser that will pay for all the fun activities for the year and support the German Heritage that made Jasper what it is today. I am truly looking forward to working with everyone during Strassenfest weekend.

Laura Grammer  
Treasurer

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### **Message from Mike.....**

Congratulations to Noah Whalen, this year's recipient of the Jasper Deutscher Verein scholarship. To qualify as an applicant for our scholarship, a student must complete a minimum of 2 years of German language in high school and enroll in a German language class in college. Selection criteria includes academics, extra curricular activities, and references. (picture from high school from awards day.) We are appreciative of Noah's efforts working our Strassenfest booth for the past several years.

Thanks to Alan Hanselman for providing us with a program and tour of the soon to open, Schnitz Brewery and Pub for our May meeting. Thanks also to Wayne Patmore, brewer, for giving us a taste of a couple of the beers that Schnitz plans to brew. This was a wonderful transformation of the basement of the Klubhaus 61 facility that incorporated salvaging a number of items from the original Jasper Country Club. Schnitz Brewery and Pub hopes to include history from the Country Club as part of their decorating theme. They would appreciate any photos and information.

We plan to continue with winery/brewery visits on weekends throughout the summer and fall. If you were unable to attend the May meeting and would like to be included in the email list to be notified of these events, please contact Ann Ackerman, [ann@ackoil.com](mailto:ann@ackoil.com). We will also post these events on the German Club Facebook page.

Strassenfest stand assembly will commence at 5:30 PM on Tuesday July 28. We will be adding a 3<sup>rd</sup> structure this year to stay within the new Fire Marshall tent guidelines. Teardown of the stands will begin following the parade on Sunday afternoon.

Income from our Strassenfest booth sales allow us to have the funding to do many of the things that we do. It is also a chance for us to enjoy great comradery and have fun working while providing Strassenfest patrons with some true German cuisine. If you have children or friends that might enjoy helping, I am confident that the club will be happy to utilize their services and allow them to see us having fun. Who knows? If they enjoy our efforts to celebrate our German Heritage, maybe it leads to a future German Club member.

To carry on the tradition, the German Club will be sponsoring the Log Sawing contest on the main stage on the square on Thursday evening and the Sheephead tournament in the Bier Garten starting at 1:00 PM Saturday afternoon. Thank you to Dan Wehr and Werner Sawmill for chairing the log sawing and to Linda Schroering and Tony Schroering for running the Sheephead tournament.

Our picnic will be held on Saturday August 15<sup>th</sup> at the Jasper Outdoor Rec. We are planning a similar meal to last year of pulled pork, hamburgers/grilled chicken, with members to carry in sides. Last names: A-H = Potato, I-Q = Salad, R-Z = Dessert. Doors open at 2:00 PM, with meal time estimated for 4:00 PM. Enjoy the afternoon playing cards, corn hole, and visiting. The JHS German Students will be back from their trip to Germany. With the earlier picnic date, chaperone Sandy Wehr has offered the services of the students to provide a short program about their trip.

Mike Ackerman

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### **Mai Deutscher Verein Meeting**

May German Club meeting was held at 6:30pm on May 20, 2015 at Klubhaus 61.

Seventy-three club members attended. Three guests were at the meeting: Jaron Herbig, Jaliane Raebe and Steve Steckler.

The Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer before meal was led by President Ackerman.

### **Winners**

BR Bucks were given as door prizes to Mike Humbert and Betty Hanselman. The Special prizes were won by Leo Eckerle and Suzanne Webb.

### **Winery Trips**

The next Wine Excursion will be going to Peppers Ridge Winery on May 30. Plan to leave Ackerman Oil Company parking lot at 2pm. Please shelf stable snacks (chips, salsa, pretzels) or a snack that can be held in your cooler (cheese, fruit, lunch meat). There is no place to heat any food.

We are planning another trip to a winery in Mid-June and Mid-July. A sign-up sheet was passed to all people interested in going along. If you were not at the meeting and are interested in attending, please call Ann at 812-482-6666.

### **Pat Schuler spoke about upcoming Strassenfest Festivities.**

There are new rules regarding locations of tents and booths. The German Club Booth must be 20 feet from the Beer Garden Tent. Jaycees will be making a connection to our booth via fenced in walkway. We are also required to move the fryer. Will probably move it close to the grill.

We will be open for lunch Friday of Strassenfest. Don't know what menu we will have available just yet.

### **Summer Picnic**

Summer Picnic to thank everyone for all their hard work at the Strassenfest will be held in AUGUST. The date is AUGUST 15, 2015

### **Steve Steckler, author**

Steve is writing a book that is based in the time period of the End of World War I to the 1960's. He is looking for any genealogy information from that time period that people are willing to share. The book is a fictional story that he would like to base on how people actually felt and what they remember from that time. If you have any information you would like to share, you can call him at 301-907-2900 or 301-922-2263. Or you can email him at [ssteckler@IMGR rebel.com](mailto:ssteckler@IMGR rebel.com)

### **Schnitz Craft Brewery**

Wayne Patmore is the head brewer and Nathan Rihm is the General Manager.

The tanks for the beer should be arriving in early June. Goal is to have the brewery open by Strassenfest. But if not, hope to have it open very soon afterwards. Plan to be able to do 200 gallons of beer at a time.

Bought the Calumet Pizza recipe and will be serving it at the Schnitz Brewery. Hope to have the restaurant part of Schnitz brewery open in mid-June. But will serving other craft beers until the Schnitz beer is ready.

They are looking to theme it with old pictures of the Country Club. If anyone has old pictures or memorabilia from those days, they would like to make copies and display it.

Brewmeister Wayne had some Wheat Beer and Blond Beer samples for everyone to try. Also had some Raisin Jack.

The meeting was adjourned to look at the facilities.

Submitted by Laura Grammer, Treasurer

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## **Upcoming Events – Mark Your Calendars**

### **Strassenfest – July 30th to August 2nd**

#### **August**

**Partnership Dinner Celebrating the Sister Cities Partnership With Pfaffenweiler, Germany** – August 4<sup>th</sup> at KlubHaus61. Doors open at 6:00pm – Dinner and Program at 6:30pm. Cost is \$15.00 – see details in article.

**Family Picnic** – August 15<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> at the Jasper Outdoor Recreation Club. We are planning a similar meal to last

year of pulled pork, hamburgers/grilled chicken, with members to carry in sides. Last names: A-H = Potato, I-Q = Salad, R-Z = Dessert. Doors open at 2:00 PM, with meal time estimated for 4:00 PM. Enjoy the afternoon playing cards, corn hole, and visiting. The JHS German Students will be back from their trip to Germany. With the earlier picnic date, chaperone Sandy Wehr has offered the services of the students to provide a short program about their trip.

#### **Oktober**

**German American Day Celebration** – Oktober 6<sup>th</sup> at KlubHaus61. Doors open at 6:00pm – Dinner and Program at 6:30pm. Cost is \$15.00 – see details in article

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#### **Sister City Partnership Dinner**

Help celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the Sister City Partnership with our Pfaffenweiler guests on Tuesday evening, August 4<sup>th</sup>, at KlubHaus 61. It will be a Western themed event with doors opening at 6:00 and dinner served at 6:30 followed by a program, then music and song by the Pfaffenweiler guests as well as Grandview Junction.

Please share this memorable experience with our German guests. Reservations are required with Lois Kuntz at Jasper City Hall prior to July 27 ([lkuntz@jasperindiana.gov](mailto:lkuntz@jasperindiana.gov) or [812-482-4255](tel:812-482-4255)). The cost will be \$15 per person.

Dinner is open to the public and you may pay that evening at the door.

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#### **Sister Cities of Jasper Golf Scramble**

The Sister Cities of Jasper Golf Scramble was held on May 16<sup>th</sup> at the Buffalo Trace Golf Course. Scramble Winners were:

Pat and Phyllis Schuler, Hannah Schuler, and Keith Schuler

Thank you to all the golfers, hole sponsors, donors, and special prize donors. Your contributions are appreciated.

## The 2015 Deutscher Verein Scholarship Winner



### Mike Ackerman presenting 2015 Scholarship to Noah Whalen

The Jasper Deutscher Verein has awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to Noah Whalen, a 2015 graduate of Jasper High School. He was awarded the scholarship recognizing successful completion of at least three years of German language study in high school and plans to continue studying German in college.

Whalen is the son of Steve and Shelley Whalen. He was a member of the football team, Jasper Motorsports Club, and National Honor Society. He was named to the Academic All-State team in football and Big 8 Academic All-Conference. He is a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, where he is an Altar Server. He has volunteered for the Jasper Strassenfest, Kiwanis Kiddie Karnival, and St. Joseph Church picnic. He is a Little League Umpire and works in Property Management at OFS. He plans to attend the University of Evansville to study Mechanical Engineering.

Congratulations Noah! We appreciate all the hours you have helped at the Strassenfest

## Strassenfest T-Shirts Pre-Sale

The newly designed T-Shirts for the upcoming 2015 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.

2015 Strassenfest T-shirts Small, Medium, Large, and XL) will be \$15 during the Fest.

Also at the Jasper Chamber of Commerce there are closeouts of past Strassenfest tee shirts for \$5.00.

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

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## Souvenir Booth Items and Kettle Corn

The Souvenir Booth is now part of the Information Booth on the south side of the square. During the Strassenfest, JHS students and parents will man the Information/Souvenir Booth benefiting the bi-annual JHS German Student Exchange Program. Items for sale include kettle corn, Strassenfest T-Shirts, German Flags, German-American flag lapel pins, totes, and many other items. The booth will be open during the same hours than the other booths during the 2015 Jasper Strassenfest.

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## 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 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

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### **Sheephead Tournament**

The Sheephead tourney begins at 1:00 p.m. in the Bier Garten. Linda Schroering and her son, Tony, are the Chairmen and they can be contacted at 812-630-6264.

### **Thank You to Arch and Ruth Margarida for their donation of the prize money for the Sheephead Tournament**

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### **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.

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### **German Heritage Day Program and German Heritage Award**

The 17th annual German American Day Program will be held on Tuesday, October 6th, at KlubHaus61. Social hour begins at 6:00 pm with the Program beginning at 6:30 pm. The seventeenth 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, Larry and Betty Hanselman, Ron and Dellie Keusch, and Jim and Rita Corn.

Our program will be presented by Duane Busick on German Heritage in Dubois County.

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.

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### **German Heritage Essay Contest**

An essay contest open to all seniors in the four county school corporations is being held in conjunction with German-American Day on Tuesday, October 6th. There are three essay topics. The students may pick one of the three topics. They are "What does German heritage mean to me?", "What can we, as the younger generation, do to help maintain and preserve our German heritage?", and "Note local or family German names as they relate to the towns or villages that immigrants came from, the meaning of the family names, relationship to geographic location, occupation, etc."

A winner from Southridge High School, Forest Park Jr.-Sr. High School, Northeast Dubois High School, and Jasper High School will be named from the essays submitted, and the four winners will attend the German-American Day Dinner and read their winning essays.

Each winner will be awarded a \$250 scholarship. German American is the financial sponsor of the contest. Rules of the contest with additional information will be available to the students at their high schools, or can be obtained by calling Patti Goepfrich at 812-482-4821. Entries must be postmarked by September 4<sup>th</sup>.

If any club member has a son, daughter, granddaughter, grandson, neighbor, etc. who will be a senior in one of the four county high schools and would like Essay Contest info, please contact Patti Goepfrich at 812-482-4821 or email to [pmgoepfrich@gmail.com](mailto:pmgoepfrich@gmail.com).

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**We understand that all members of the DeutscherVerein may not be able to work in either the Pastry Booth or Main Food Booth.**

**We encourage you to patronize those booths for lunch on Friday and Saturday or dinner on Thursday, Friday or Saturday.**

**And, the pastries in the Pastry Booth make great Breakfast items for Friday, Saturday or Sunday morning!!!!**

**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 6th at KlubHaus61.

**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.

**Nomination for the 2015 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**

**Jasper Deutscher Verein**

**German Heritage Award, P. O. Box 15,**

**Jasper, IN 47547-0015,**

**By September 1, 2015)**

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**BLT Dip**

Ingredients:

- 1 pound bacon cooked and crumbled
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1 cup sour cream
- 2 medium tomatoes seeded and finely chopped
- 1 teaspoon McCormick Onion Powder
- 1 teaspoon Lawry's Seasoned Salt

Directions:

Mix all ingredients in large bowl until well blended. Cover. Refrigerate until ready to serve. Serve with crackers or toasted bread slices.

Substitution Tip:

Use ½ cup McCormick Bac'n Pieces Bacon Flavored Chips in place of the bacon.

Serves: Makes 3 cups

Prep Time: 15 minutes

(taken from www.mccormick.com)

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Scenes from the 2015 JHS German Exchange Program



**STRASSENFEST 2015**  
**July 30 – August 2**

Strassenfest 2015 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!

	<b>SET UP</b>	<b>TAKE DOWN</b>
<b>Deutcher Platz Decoration</b>	Tuesday 7:30 AM Mehringer's –	Monday 7:30 AM Same Crew
<b>Logistics – Haul stand and Equipment to Fest</b>	Tuesday 5:00 PM Rafe Ackerman, Mike Ackerman – pull trailer into Plaza.	Sunday 3:00 PM After parade – Same Crew /Load Trailer
<b>Food Booth</b>	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
<b>Pastry</b>	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
<b>Biergarten Tent Decoration</b>	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
<b>Fest Setup – Last Minute Details</b>	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.

**Please remember that this is the only fundraiser we have and we need everyone's help!!**

Thanks to everyone who has already signed up to work, but as you can see on our enclosed work



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