



DEUTSCHER VEREIN

Die Zeitung

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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.

JASPER DEUTSCHER VEREIN EARLY HISTORY

The idea for a club came from Jasper Action Team, following the first Strassenfest, a club to keep the German Theme alive all year long.

Dave Buehler called the first meeting to pursue interest, and we met several times in the fall of 1979. Meetings were held at Beck's Tavern, later BeBops.

Founding Members 1979

Dave and Judy Buehler
Ron and Dellie Keusch
Ron and LaVerne Kieffner
Gary and Rita Egler
Jim and Jeanne Holler
Dan and Linda Wehr

(This list was compiled by discussing with the above. No records were kept until January 1980 and in 40 years some time one's memory is a bit fuzzy. There could have been another couple or two.)

1. First official meeting, January 1980, 320 paid charter members; 372 by April.
2. First big event was "Fashnacht" in February 1980 to raise money for entertainment at the next Strassenfest and seed money for the club. Raised \$1,400 for the Strassenfest and \$600 for the Club.
3. First club trip was to Terre Haute to attend their 1980 Fest
4. First overseas trip to Germany, Austria, Switzerland was 1981, followed by another the next year.

FIRST OFFICERS

President Dan Wehr
Vice President Gary Egler
Secretary Jeanne Holler
Treasurer Ron Kieffner

FIRST BOARD

Larry Hanselman
Harvey Berger
Dave Buehler
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First Committees and Members

Deutscher Verein Band

Jim Holler
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Mike Hochgesang
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John Thyen
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Costumes

Linda Wehr
Crystal Roedinger
Marilyn Thyen

Historical

Lillian Doanne
Julius Bitner
Al Schuler
Cecile Klammer
John Fierst

Other Milestones in the First Year

Logo Designed
Vests and Pins designed and available to purchase
First Club Float built
By-Laws written
Club Incorporation process began

Dan Wehr 12-09-2019

The following Information was taken from Board Meeting Minutes, Club Meeting Minutes, and Press Releases these past 40 years!!!

These past 40 years are proof that the German heritage is alive and well in Dubois County!!!! Sit back and enjoy "the read"!!!! I am sure there will be laughs and tears as you read this. We remember those who are no longer with us and honor their memory. We are grateful for the memories of the good times.

For reference-in the day, the Gamble Building was where the present City Office Building stands and the present City Office parking lot was gravel and that is where the Strassenfest beer garden was.

Enjoy....Patti

Milestones of the Jasper DeutscherVerein

1980

Founded in January, 1980, in Jasper, Indiana, USA, for the purpose of promoting interest in the community of our German heritage, history of the community, Bavarian architecture, etc. This is to be a purely social club.

First official event, The Fastnacht, at the Jasper Holiday Inn on February 9, 1980. Proceeds of \$1,400 from this event were donated to the Strassenfest Committee to be used for German decorations for the downtown area.

The first meeting of the Board of Directors and officers of the DeutscherVerein was February 21, 1980 at the Schnitzelbank.

Four couples went to Terre Haute to attend their Strassenfest.

Mrs. Sabine Jordan arrived in Dubois County to conduct a one-year study of the German-American heritage in the county. Her study, funded by grants from the Indiana Committee for the Humanities and the German American Bank Foundation, was pioneered by Stephen Harroff, a specialist in German-Americans in Indiana who spent three weeks in 1978 studying the feasibility of the larger study of the county's heritage. The Jasper Community Arts Commission and the Friends of the Arts are administering the study.

1981

39 individuals departed Jasper on June 21st and visited Germany, Austria, and Switzerland.

Sabine Jordon's job as "Humanist in Residence" ends in June of 1981.

The DeutscherVerein made a contribution to Kim Hulsman and Clare Wagner who will study in Germany.

The DeutscherVerein also donated books on German heritage to the Jasper Public Library.

In October, the Jasper DeutscherVerein chartered a bus to the Octoberfest in Terre Haute.

In October, the Jasper Kinderlein performed for the DeutscherVerein. This group consisted of children from the five schools in the Greater Jasper Consolidated School System who sang and danced in their native German costumes.

1982

The DeutscherVerein provided financial support for four Jasper High School students who studied in Germany for six weeks.

In November of 1982, Mary Jo Meuser, German Language Teacher at Jasper High School, presented information to the DeutscherVerein on a four week German exchange program. The German students would arrive here in April of 1984 and the Jasper students would go to Germany in June of 1984.

The DeutscherVerein purchased a tape "Jasper's German Heritage" and donated it to the Jasper Public Library.

1983

The Jasper Action Team is in search of a Sister City in the Baden area.

Ruth Reichmann of Sister Cities International gave a presentation to the club on the potential of a Sister City for Jasper.

The DeutscherVerein has their first German Food Stand during the Strassenfest.

1984

Plans for a club trip to Germany and Austria are in full swing.

Two Sister Cities are being considered – Pfaffenweiler, Germany and Lofer, Austria. A final decision will be made after the upcoming trip.

In November, Pfaffenweiler, Germany was chosen to be the Sister City of Jasper. Claude Eckert consented to chair the program. A group from Pfaffenweiler will visit Jasper in April.

1985

Elaine Astrike was appointed as Newsletter Editor.

Harold Burton and Jim Corn were chosen to work on the placement of a Maypole near the Square. A \$1,000 was budgeted for this project.

\$1,000 was also budgeted to build a permanent dance floor in the Strassenfest Beer Garden.

An organizational meeting of Sister Cities of Jasper, Inc. was held on January 15th. Some of the familiar family names of the Pfaffenweiler area are: Bauman, Bauer, Berger, Birk, Brinkman, B\Daschle, Egloff, Fink, Gutgsell, Dischinger, Eckerle, Eckert, Haas, Huber, Kaiser, Klein, Kunkel, Kunkler, Lechner, Gramelspacher, Metzger, Meurer, Neumann, Schafer, Schmidt, Schneider, Schnell, Schuler, Stenftenagel, Scherle, Troxler, Wagner, Weber, Winkler, and Zeller.

A joint meeting of the Historical Society, Strassenfest Committee, Sister Cities of Jasper, Inc., and the DeutscherVerein was held in March. Sabine Jordan spoke on the "One Thousand Year History of Pfaffenweiler".

Forty-one guests from Pfaffenweiler visited Jasper in May and the Sister City Proclamation was signed. Guests from Germany included Gerhard Auer, Hermann and Waltraude Baumann, Rita and Calba Edy Bledau, Martha Boesch, Peter Boesch, Rudolph Boesch, Walter Boesch, Rolf W. Brednich, Stefan and Theresia Eckerle, Louisa Eichhorn, Herman Elmlinger, Robert Fehrenbach, Fritz and Brigitte Gutgsell, Kurt and Irma Hanser, Heinrich Haury, Henry Heddick, Gustav and Luise Kiefer, Stephan and Agath Kiefer, Manfred Lais, Johann and Marianne Luhr, Arnald Pfaff, Paul Schuble, Eberhard and Irmagard Schuler, Joseph and Hilda Schweizer, Roswitha Seelin, Herman Seelinger, Annaliese Steinhart, Axel Steinhart, Hugo Steinhart, and Anneliese Vogel.

Dedication of the Maypole took place on October 10, 1985. Special guest was Lt. Gov. John Mutz.

1986

Conversational German classes continue.

Three students from Pfaffenweiler arrived for three weeks in Jasper.

Six students from Jasper High School students traveled to Pfaffenweiler during the summer.

The Volkstanzgruppe Marienfeld, a German fold dance troupe, visited Jasper and performed during the Strassenfest. Members of the DeutscherVerein hosted the dancers in their homes.

This is the first year Apple Strudel was sold in the Food Stand during Strassenfest.

Jutta Eisenring of Staufen attended classes at Jasper High School and was hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hayden.

A new event at this year's Strassenfest is a Polka Contest.

Stones from Pfaffenweiler are on display at the Jasper Public Library.

Discussions took place on erecting signs at various city limits signifying the Sister City Partnership with Pfaffenweiler.

The DeutscherVerein subsidized a convocation for the Jasper High School and the Jasper Middle School.

1987

Students from Staufen Gymnasium attended Jasper High School and visited areas of interest.

Jasper High School students attended school in Staufen and visited areas of interest in Germany.

Indiana's Gov. Robert Orr visited Pfaffenweiler.

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City of Jasper adopted a city flag. A Jasper City Flag was sent to Pfaffenweiler.

The German Club of Jasper High School is selling a book of German proverbs, prayers, etc.

Food stand got a "face lift".

Lights for the murals on the east side of the Gamble building were completed in time for the Strassenfest.

The DeutscherVerein also financed a portion of the bronze plaques which identified the four panel murals on the Gamble building.

Pfaffenweiler's brass band, Batzenberger Winzerkapelle, visited Jasper and performed during the Strassenfest. Sixty-five people from Germany made the trip to Jasper. The guests from Pfaffenweiler were the special guests at the Strassenfest.

The Log Sawing Contest was introduced at the Strassenfest. Joe Eckerle was chairman.

German American Day was celebrated on October 6th at the Good Samaritan Nursing Home. Mayor Jerome Alles signed the Proclamation.

1988

The DeutscherVerein held an "Authentic Old Fashion Day of Butchering" on the Leonard and Viola Wehr Farm.

Members of the DeutscherVerein and Sister City of Jasper visited Pfaffenweiler and other areas of Germany.

Ambassador to West Germany visited Jasper.

The food stand at the Strassenfest was located between Gamble's and Corbin's.

1989

DeutscherVerein club dues are raised. Effective January 1st, family membership is \$10 and single membership is \$5.

A curio cabinet was placed in the Schnitzelbank to display items of the DeutscherVerein

Clemens Hüppe of Pfaffenweiler spent time in Jasper working at Kimball Electronics and is staying with Al and Rosina Schuler.

Claude Eckert received the Maurice Endwright Award from the Indiana Federation of Older Hoosiers for his work in establishing and maintaining Jasper and Pfaffenweiler as Sister Cities.

Students from Staufen Gymnasium attended classes at Jasper High School and visited areas of interest.

Jasper High School students attended school in Staufen and traveled throughout Germany.

New stand for Strassenfest constructed. Committee members were Joe and Irene Eckerle, Leo and Lora Lou Eckerle, Leonard and Dennis Wehr, Bob Fleck, Jerry Jahn, Joe Niehaus, and Dave Prechtel.

Polka Masses introduced at Precious Blood, Holy Family, and St. Joseph's Church.

Year-end financial balance was \$11,344.33.

1990

100 cases of wine arrived from Pfaffenweiler and were sold at the Buehler Food Stores and the Schnitzelbank.

The DeutscherVerein took a trip to the Bavarian Festival in Frankenmuth, MI.

Letterhead had to be changed to comply with the postal request to change the zip code to 47547-0015.

There are approximately 270 members in the DeutscherVerein.

The weathervane, a gift from Pfaffenweiler, was installed on top of the "Old House" across from the public library.

The DeutscherVerein participated in parades at Ferdinand, Schnellville, and the Strassenfest.

Dr. and Mrs. Klaus Schraymeyer – German General Council were Hofmarschalls of the Strassenfest.

Year-end balance of the DeutscherVerein was \$16,674.99.

1991

Faschnacht III dance will be held on February 9th at the Heritage Inn.

Mary Jo Meuser, German teacher at Jasper High School, has been named German Teacher of the Year by the Indiana Association of Teachers of German and was Hofmarschall of the Strassenfest.

Club membership in September was at 464.

Buehler Foods Computer Dept. set up the membership listing and newsletter mailing labels for the DeutscherVerein. The DeutscherVerein reached the computer age!!!!

Carry out containers were introduced in the Pastry Stand at the Strassenfest and were a success.

The DeutscherVerein took a trip to Helen, GA

Mayor Jerome Alles visited Pfaffenweiler.

Two trophy cases were installed at the Schnitzelbank Restaurant to display items of the DeutscherVerein.

1992

Annual dance was held on February 29th at the Bavarian Inn Convention Center.

Vic Knies attended the annual Indiana State Sister Cities meeting in Fort Wayne.

The DeutscherVerein and the Sister Cities organizations – At the March, 1992 meeting a motion was made and passed that the two organizations should be combined into one for the dues and activities effective January 1, 1993. They will remain separate as far as reporting to the proper authorities since one is non-profit and the other is tax exempt. Changes in the DeutscherVerein by-laws will be made at a later meeting.

The DeutscherVerein took a trip to Kitchener in Ontario, Canada.

Black Forest Cake was introduced as a third dessert option at the Strassenfest.

The DeutscherVerein booth will be at 7th and Main Street for the Strassenfest.

1993

A budget process was established for the finances of the DeutscherVerein.

Vic Knies attended the annual Indiana State Sister Cities meeting in Bloomington.

Jasper High School students attended school in Staufen and traveled throughout Germany.

Students from Staufen Gymnasium attended Jasper High School and visited areas of interest.

Heiko Muehr, a student from IU working on his Master's Degree, gave a presentation on the history of immigration in the US, culminating with Fr. Kundek's efforts to supply the German-speaking immigrants in southwestern Indiana with priests who were able to speak and minister to them in their native language.

The DeutscherVerein supported the Celestine Sesquicentennial by hosting visitors from Wagshurst, Germany, took shifts at food stands, and participated in Celestine's parade.

The DeutscherVerein took a trip to the German Fest in Milwaukee, WI.

A large tent was rented to cover areas of the beer garden and family area for the Strassenfest and also a dance floor in the beer garden.

1994

Partnership was established between Jasper High School and Am Weissen Turm Gymnasium in Poessneck in June.

Bob Steffe and his associate, Ron Keusch, provided entertainment for a meeting featuring Ed Meyer's German Yarns-Lofty and Concise.

The DeutscherVerein took a trip to Herman, MO.

A costumed German Mascot was purchased for use at the Strassenfest. Fritz was well received at the Strassenfest.

A Monument was erected in front of the new city office building in Jasper commemorating the Sister Cities relationship of Pfaffenweiler and Jasper.

DeutscherVerein vest patches are now available.

The Pfaffenweiler Accordion Club, The Pfaffenweiler Traditional Costume Dance Group, and the Budweiser Clydesdales team from New Hampshire were Hofmarschalls of the Strassenfest.

Year-end balance of DeutscherVerein - \$10,414.98

1995

Vic Knies and Claude and Martina Eckert attended the Sister Cities International Convention in Indianapolis.

One of the meeting programs of the year was given by Gib Treadway on "Why Germans Are Democrats".

Jasper High School students attended school in Staufen and traveled throughout Germany.

35 people signed up to visit Pfaffenweiler to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the Sister City Partnership. Mayor Fritz Gutgsell of Pfaffenweiler had personally invited members of the DeutscherVerein to travel to Pfaffenweiler for the celebration.

1996

DeutscherVerein will sponsor the Sheephead Tournay at the Strassenfest.

Alexandra Eckerle arrived from Pfaffenweiler and began an 18 month work program at Stens. Her host family was Joe and Irene Eckerle.

Hats were sold for \$10 and suspenders for \$25.

Jim Corn is maintaining the lawn and flower area around the May Pole at 6th and Newton Streets.

The DeutscherVerein visited the Alpine German Fest in Clarksville and other attractions in Nashville, Bowling Green, Lynchburg, and Bell Buckle.

1997

Matthias Hilger celebrated his 10th anniversary in Jasper.

Matthias Hilger wrote bi-weekly articles for "The Herald" about news events, historical stories, and cultural differences and similarities between Jasper and Pfaffenweiler

The Jasper Partnership Commission was established by Mayor William Schmitt.

1998

The monthly Stammtisch on the last Tuesday of the month at the Schnitzelbank began.

Dawn N. Weidenbenner, a student at Jasper High School, was the recipient of the Jasper DeutscherVerein Scholarship.

Claude and Martina Eckert and Joe and Irene Eckerle found host families for the visitors coming from Pfaffenweiler and surrounding communities.

Forty seven visitors from Pfaffenweiler and adjoining communities arrived in August to celebrate the Strassenfest. There are two groups, the Pfaffenweiler Alpine Horn Blowers and the Traditional Stone Carver Group.

No fall trip was taken.

JHS State Baseball Champs, Snail Valley Alpine Horn Players, and Sister City Group from Pfaffenweiler were special guests at the Strassenfest.

There was a meeting between the Jasper Partnership Commission and visitors from Pfaffenweiler and Mayor William Schmitt and Bürgermeister Fritz Gutgsell. This was the first time in the 13 year history of the Sister City Partnership that this kind of meeting took place.

1999

Renee Hopf, a student at Jasper High School, and Duane Meyer, a student at Forest Park Jr Sr High School, were the recipients of the Jasper DeutscherVerein Scholarships.

1999 Hofmarschalls of the Strassenfest Parade were Claude and Martina Eckert. Special guests at the Strassenfest were JHS Back-to Back National Champion Cheerleaders, Wassenberg Dance Group from Vincennes Sister City, and Wagshurst Band from Celestine's Sister City.

Mary Jo Meuser was the first recipient of the German Heritage Award presented at the German American Day Dinner held in October. Father John Boeglin was guest speaker. Sister Cities of Jasper and the Jasper Partnership Commission created the award and the Jasper DeutscherVerein sponsored the award.

The DeutscherVerein's fall trip was to the Oktoberfest in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Plans began on the 15th Anniversary of the Sister City Partnership trip to Pfaffenweiler in June, 2000. Several projects are under taken. An anniversary quilt to be quilted by local persons will be presented to the Community of Pfaffenweiler. An anniversary booklet, a VHS greeting tape, and framed quilt blocks for the host families will be put together.

Darren Patterson was the editor of Die Zeitung.

2000

Basic German classes ongoing at VUJC.

KinderCare is available at some German Club meetings.

The movie 'Banished into Paradise' was donated to the Jasper Middle School, Jasper High School, VUJC, Jasper Library, and City Hall. This movie is the story about the immigration of Germans to America. Matthias Hilger, Raymie Eckerle, and Terry Gobert worked on this project.

Many grants were written to and received from the Indiana Humanities Council in support of activities pertaining to the 15th Anniversary Celebration of the Sister City Partnership with Pfaffenweiler.

JHS German Exchange students held a rummage sale in April and card party in August.

Abby Potter, a student at Forest Park Jr Sr High School, was the recipient of the Jasper DeutscherVerein Scholarship.

Dave Buehler was Hofmarschall of the Strassenfest. Special guests of the Strassenfest were Ruth and Eberhard Reichmann – Sister City Organizers/Supporters.

Darren Patterson attended a Sister Cities of Indiana meeting in Indianapolis to report on all of the activities that Sister Cities of Jasper participated in in conjunction with the 15th Anniversary of the Jasper-Pfaffenweiler Partnership.

Claude and Martina Eckert were the recipients of the German Heritage Award presented at the German American Day Dinner held in October. Dave Buehler was guest speaker.

The first meeting of the "Kaffee Klatsch" was held at the Schnitzelbank.

Students from Staufen Gymnasium attended Jasper High School and visited areas of interest.

The Pfaffenweiler Room as officially established in the basement of the Jasper City Hall.

Jasper Deutscher Verein Web site established.
www.jaspergermanclub.org

2001

Kathy Gutgsell and Marie Hendry took over as newsletter editors.

Tara Deppert, Darren Patterson, and Matthias Hilger attended the Annual Meeting of the Indiana German Heritage Society Meeting in Indianapolis.

Katie Dilger, a student at Jasper High School, and Anthony Voelkel, a student at Northeast Dubois High School, were the recipients of the Jasper DeutscherVerein Scholarships.

Students from Am Weissen Turm Gymnasium in Poesneck attended Jasper High School and visited areas of interest.

Jasper High School students attended school in Staufen and Poesneck and traveled throughout Germany.

Patricia Keller arrived in Jasper to work at the German American Bank. Her hosts were David and Janet Kluemper.

Dave Buehler was the recipient of the German Heritage Award presented at the German American Day Dinner held in October. Drs. Ruth and Eb Reichmann were guest speakers.

Discussions began with the Dubois County Community Foundation on establishing a DeutscherVerein (German Club) Endowment.

2002

The Sister City Calendar project completed. This calendar of common locations and items in Jasper and Pfaffenweiler has been produced by students of Jasper High School under the direction of Stan Jochum, Tara Deppert, and Bob Dilger.

Matthias Hilger, Tara Deppert, and Darren Patterson represented the DeutscherVerein at the annual Indiana German Heritage Society meeting. The theme was "Sister City Relationships", and Jasper's experience with Pfaffenweiler was prominently displayed as a model of success.

The Jasper DeutscherVerein (German Club) Heritage Endowment was established at the Dubois County Community Foundation. The purpose of the endowment is to provide support to charitable projects benefiting generations in ensuring that our German Heritage is preserved and enriched in Jasper and Dubois County.

Leann Schwartz, a student from Forest Park Jr. Sr. High School, and Zach Pfister, a student at Jasper High School, were the recipients of the Jasper DeutscherVerein Scholarships.

Roasted Nuts were introduced at the Strassenfest.

Students from Staufen Gymnasium attended Jasper High School and visited areas of interest.

Linus and Sally Lechner were awarded the German Heritage Award at the German American Day Dinner in October. Judge Hugo Songer was the guest speaker.

Forty-four club members attended the 22nd Oktoberfest in Fredericksburg, TX. While in Texas, they visited many areas of interest including the Riverwalk and Alamo in San Antonio, LBJ Ranch, and Luckenbach!!!

2003

The final Stammtisch was held in March.

Mona Schmadl from Pfaffenweiler was in Jasper on a work internship and was hosted by Bob and Sharon Dilger.

Students from Am Weissen Turm Gymnasium in Poessneck attended Jasper High School and visited areas of interest.

Jasper High School students attended school in Staufen and Poessneck and traveled throughout Germany and visited areas of interest.

Amanda Nordhoff, Ryan Gutgsell, and Hannah Brescher, students at Jasper High School, are the recipients of the Jasper DeutscherVerein Scholarships.

Regine Haderer of Pfaffenweiler participated in a student agriculture internship. She worked on the Larry and Pat Hopf farm and was hosted by Joe and Irene Eckerle.

Outdoor German Home Decorating/Lighting Contest introduced prior to Strassenfest. Sponsored by Jasper DeutscherVerein and Sister Cities of Jasper.

Joe and Irene Eckerle were presented with the German Heritage Award.

A German Heritage Essay Contest was introduced as part of the German American Day Dinner.

2004

Carrie Birge, a student at Jasper High School, was the recipient of the Jasper DeutscherVerein Scholarship.

\$5,000 was donated to ROJAC in support of the water wheel on the reconstructed Eckert Mill.

The Jasper DeutscherVerein became a member of ROJAC.

Simone Hoferer returned to Jasper to visit Dave and Janet Kluemper, Matthias Hilger, and others she had met during her internship to Kimball International in 1997-1998.

Dan and Linda Wehr were presented with the German Heritage Award. Norb Krapf presented the program at the German American Dinner.

www.jaspergermanclub.org was updated.

Irrigation system installed by the May Pole at 6th and Newton Streets.

The DeutscherVerein took a trip to the Upland Brewing Co. in Bloomington.

Students from Staufen Gymnasium attended Jasper High School and visited areas of interest.

2005

Patti Goepfrich was named the newsletter editor.

The Jasper DeutscherVerein donated \$2,500 to ROJAC designated for the water wheel.

Jasper High School students attended school in Staufen and Poessneck and traveled throughout Germany.

Aaron J. Ketzner of Forest Park Jr Sr High School was the recipient of the Jasper DeutscherVerein Scholarship.

A. T. Rumbach, Editor of **The Herald**, traveled to Pfaffenweiler and other areas of Germany in 1950. Accounts of his travels were then published in **The Herald**, and those accounts are now being included in the Die Zietung.

St. Joseph Church Choir visited Pfaffenweiler.

Plans are underway for the visit of guests from Pfaffenweiler in August to celebrate the 20th Sister City Anniversary.

One of the guests found Bob Sunderman's beer bottle to be so interesting, he took it back to Germany with him!!!

Franz and Bärbel Hilger were the 2005 Hofmarschalls.

Leo and Lora Lou Eckerle were the recipients of the German Heritage Award presented at the German American Day Dinner held in October. Julie Newton – JHS German teacher was guest speaker.

Club membership at year end was 438.

2006

Sister Cities International celebrated their 50th anniversary with a Celebration Conference in Washington, DC. Mayor Bill Schmitt nominated Buergermeister Fritz Gutgsell of Pfaffenweiler and Vic Knies of Jasper for the the 50th Anniversary Local Government Leadership Circle and Sister Cities of Jasper, Inc. has nominated Dave Buehler, Martina Eckert, Matthias Hilger, Mary Jo Meuser, Ruth Reichmann, and Danny Wehr for the 50th Anniversary Circle of Distinguished Volunteers.

U.S. Senator Dick Lugar highlighted Jasper and its Sister City of Pfaffenweiler, Germany in his keynote address at the 50th Anniversary Conference of Sister Cities Internation luncheon.

Sister Cities of Jasper is selling sets of wooden coaster. The four designs are the Jasper Train Depot, Eckert Mill, St. Joseph Church, and City Hall.

Lapel pins with the Jasper/Pfaffenweiler logos were available for sale.

Jennifer Kunkel, a student from Jasper High School, was the recipient of the Jasper DeutscherVerein Scholarship.

The DeutscherVerein will no longer issue membership cards to their members.

The DeutscherVerein was awarded a \$150 grant from the Dubois County Tourism Commission to add information and pictures to the DeutscherVerein website. Students from the Staufen Gymnasium attended Jasper High School and visited areas of interest.

The late Lowell and Joan Glendening were the recipients of the German Heritage Award presented at the German American Day Dinner held in October. Giles Hoyt, PH.D, Professor of German Philanthropic Studies – IUPUI/IGHS was guest speaker.

“A German Christmas” with Eberhard and Ruth Reichmann was held at the Gasthof in Montgomery.

2007

The DeutscherVerein donated \$5,000 to ROJAC to support the water wheel project.

Students from Am Weissen Turm Gymnasium in Poessneck attended Jasper High School and visited areas of interest.

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Abby Bohenkamper, a student at Forest Park Jr Sr High School, was the recipient of the Jasper DeutscherVerein scholarship.

Dave and Janet Kluemper were the recipients of the German Heritage Award presented at the German American Day Dinner held in October. Kristen Ruhe – Dubois County Visitors Center was guest speaker.

2008

Mayor William Schmitt, Vic Knies, Raymie Eckerle, Matthias Hilger, and Patti Goepfrich attended the annual meeting of Indiana Sister Cities in Indianapolis.

Domink Klein from Pfaffenweiler attended classes at Jasper High School. He was hosted by Matthias and Kathy Hilger.

Aileen Ehrhardt of Ehrenstetten, Germany attended classes at Jasper High School and was hosted by Michelle and Mark Bramlett.

Annika Marschall from Pfaffenweiler attended classes at Jasper High School and was hosted by Jim and Louise Gutgsell.

Sebastian Loeffler from Staufen attended classes at Jasper High School and was hosted by Rosalie Ruell.

The Indiana German Heritage Society's Annual Meeting and Symposium was held in Jasper in March, 2008. Patti Goepfrich was Jasper's representative to the State Council and coordinated the planning committee of the Meeting and Symposium.

Ashley Eastwood, a student at Jasper High School, was the recipient of the Jasper DeutscherVerein Scholarship. Students from Staufen Gymnasium attended Jasper High School and visited areas of interest.

Dan Wehr was Hofmarschall of the Strassenfest.

Rafe and Phyllis Ackerman were the recipients of the German Heritage Award presented at the German American Day Dinner held in October. Ron Flick, local architect, was guest speaker.

The DeutscherVerein donated \$5,000 to ROJAC in support of the water wheel project.

2009

Sara-Kristin Guenter from Staufen Gymnasium attended Jasper High School and was hosted by Sandy and Mark Fierst.

Amanda Hilger, a student at Jasper High School, was the recipient of the Jasper DeutscherVerein scholarship.

A 40' trailer was purchased to haul and store both of the Strassenfest booths and their supplies.

The DeutscherVerein donated \$5,000 to ROJAC in support of the water wheel project.

Jim Corn retired as our "Maypole Man". For 24+ years, Jim maintained the area around the Maypole with great care.

Bürgermeister Dieter Hahn led a delegation from Pfaffenweiler to the Jasper Strassenfest in preparation for Jasper's visit to Pfaffenweiler next year.

Sina Ehrhardt of Ehrenstetten attended classes at Jasper High School and was hosted by Matthias, Kathy, Amanda, and Alex Hilger.

Matthias and Kathy Hilger were Hofmarschalls of the Strassenfest.

Vic and Monica Knies were the recipients of the German Heritage Award presented at the German American Day Dinner held in October. Maureen Braun - ROJAC was guest speaker.

Jasper High School students attended school in Staufen and Poessneck and traveled throughout Germany.

Matthias Hilger retired as Picnic Chairman after 10 years of service.

Anna-Lisa Weber of Staufen took classes at Jasper High School and was hosted by Mark, Michele, and Catherine Bramlett.

Martina and Hubert Wacker of Ohlsbach, Germany visited Jasper. Martina's Grandfather, Karl Sutter, lived in Jasper for six years – 1894 – 1900 and worked at the Eckert Mill.

Louis Steinle from Ehrenstetten attended classes at Jasper High School and was hosted by Nick and Christine Ring.

2010

Dues for the DeutscherVerein are now \$10 a person or \$20 a couple.

To celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the Jasper DeutscherVerein, the Birnie Jeffries family put together a digital presentation of pictures of members and events over the past 30 years and it was presented at the January, 2010 meeting.

The 25th Anniversary of the Sister City Partnership was celebrated in Pfaffenweiler. During the celebration, Matthias Hilger was honored by the young people of Pfaffenweiler and neighboring communities for all he has done to support the Exchange Program, work internship program, and those wishing to attend school in the States.

The Jasper DeutscherVerein participated in the Purdue Extension-Dubois County Family FUN Night. Linus Lechner, Jeff Lechner, Patti Goepfrich, Lois Kuntz, Barb Schmitt, and Al and Rosina Schuler represented the Jasper DeutscherVerein. Streusel was served to those who attended. There was a display of Germany and information on where family names originated from in Germany. This information had been compiled by the late Joan and Lowell Glendening. Jeff Lechner led the group in doing the Chicken Dance.

Olivia Gutsell, a student at Jasper High School, was the recipient of the Jasper DeutscherVerein Scholarship.

Laura Lang of Ehrenstetten, Germany took classes at Jasper High School and was hosted by the Brian and Andrea Ackerman Family.

Judith Osterloh visited for two week in July, 2010. Judith was from Wittnau, Germany and was hosted by the Mike and Staci Hanselman Family.

Julia Schnekel of Pfaffenweiler attended classes at Jasper High School and was hosted by Tom and Stephanie Reinsch.

Leo and Lora Lou Eckerle were Hofmarschalls of the Strassenfest.

Gary and Rita Egler were the recipients of the German Heritage Award presented at the German American Day Dinner held in October. Joan Knies, Gene and Raymie Eckerle were guest speakers discussing the 25th Anniversary of the Sister Cities Partnership.

Students from Staufen Gymnasium attended Jasper High School and visited areas of interest.

Mary Leah Christmas, a graduate student at Wilmington University, Dover, DE, pursuing a Master of Science in Management with a Concentration in Public Administration, contacted various individuals in the community and county to conduct a Master's thesis research into what makes an international sister city program successful on the business, economic, and cultural levels, and of how those strengths could be of similar benefit to any other U.S. municipality that might consider initiating a sister city program. The brief title of my project is "Envisioning a Twin." Jasper is one of the Case Study cities whose programs will be examined in the course of her research. She made a brief visit to Jasper in April during which time she conducted interviews with some of the key individuals involved in the Jasper-Pfaffenweiler partnership. The Thesis also featured the Maypole at 6th and Newton Sts in Jasper.

2011

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Bürgermeister Dieter Hahn established the Pfaffenweiler Partnership Commission, similar to Jasper's Partnership Commission.

Hoosier Business Machines will now print and fold the newsletters. Newsletter Editor will do final folds and prepare newsletters for mailing.

Sister Cities of Jasper had their first golf scramble as a fund raising opportunity.

Copies of Mary Leah Christmas's Thesis were distributed to the Jasper Public Library, Dubois County Museum, Max Kade Center and the German Library at IUPUI. A copy was also presented to the community of Pfaffenweiler.

The Board made the decision to turn over the operation of the Souvenir Stand at the Strassenfest to Sister Cities of Jasper along with the majority of the inventory.

Amanda Hilger interned in Pfaffenweiler with the Albert Keller Steuerberater for the summer.

Mayor William J. Schmitt was Hofmarschall of the Strassenfest.

A clock brought from Pfaffenweiler, Germany in 1847 by Rosalia Elminger and Francis Eckert and a framed photo of the old Eckert home in Pfaffenweiler were auctioned off in Ferdinand and bought by Dave and Linda Lubbers. Linda is the great, great granddaughter of the Eckerts.

The DeutscherVerein donated \$2,500 to ROJAC in support of the water wheel. This is the last of the \$30,000 commitment made by the DeutscherVerein.

Justin Lassiter attended the Institutionen Der Jazz and Rock Schulen in Freiburg, Germany. His host family was Karin and Alex Horst in Pfaffenweiler.

Laura Knoebel of Ehrenkirchen attended classes at Jasper High School and was hosted by Michelle and Jerry Buffington.

Tim Ehrhardt of Ehrenkirchen attended classes at Jasper High School and was hosted by Don Vennekotter.

Vanessa DeLeo of Ehrenstetten attended classes at Jasper High School and was hosted by Todd, Laurie, Alexis, and Grace Mehringer.

Marlena Loeffler of Ehrenkirchen attended classes at Jasper High School and was hosted by Veronica and Dale Lassiter.

Maja Gutenkunst of Ehrenkirchen attended classes at Jasper High School and was hosted by P. J. and Christie Wessel.

Patti Goepfrich was the recipient of the German Heritage Award presented at the German American Day Dinner held in October. Mayor William J. Schmitt was guest speaker.

In preparation for the retirement of Mayor William Schmitt, Bürgermeister Dieter Hahn and several citizens of Pfaffenweiler skyped Mayor Schmitt with congratulations and remembered him for establishing the Jasper Partnership Commission and other contributions to the Partnership.

2012

Members of the DeutscherVerein went to Indianapolis to help support the Schnitzelbank's effort in their quest to have the #1 Sandwich in the State!!! The Bratzel won!!!!

The Sister Cities of Jasper Facebook page was established.

Jasper High School students attended school in Staufen and Poesneck and traveled throughout Germany.

Matthias Hilger celebrated his 25th year in Jasper.

The Maypole at 6th and Newton Sts was sand blasted and repainted.

Taylor Wade Reutman of Jasper High School was the recipient of the Jasper DeutscherVerein Scholarship.

Pat Hochgesang took the project of rekindling the Pen Pal program between young students in Jasper and Pfaffenweiler.

The DeutscherVerein float is now the property of the Strassenfest Committee.

Students from Staufen Gymnasium attended Jasper High School and visited areas of interest.

Marina Gutsell of Pfaffenweiler attended classes at Jasper High School and was hosted by Todd, Laurie, Alexis, and Grace Mehringer.

Matthias Hilger was presented with the Federal Republic of Germany Friendship Award during the opening ceremonies of the Strassenfest. The presentation was made by Sven Schumacher, Honorary Counsel of the Federal Republic of Germany.

At the invitation of Natalie Werner, Joe and Irene Eckerle and Patti Goepfrich presented information German heritage to the students at Winslow Elementary School.

Paul Knies was Hofmarschall of the Strassenfest.

Larry and Betty Hanselman were the recipients of the German Heritage Award presented at the German American Day Dinner held in October. Kevin Manley of the DC Visitors Center was guest speaker.

2013

The 29th Annual Meeting and Symposium of the Indiana German Heritage Society was held at the Kordes Enrichment Center in Ferdinand. Attending from the DeutscherVerein were Mike and Ann Ackerman, Dave and Janet Kluemper, Patti Goepfrich, Giles Hoyt, and Norb Krapf.

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Hans Gunter of Staufen attended classes at Jasper High School and was hosted by Noah, Hannah, Zach, and Megan Rydberg.

Bethany Boeglin, a student at Forest Park Jr Sr High School, and Lee Knies, a student at Jasper High School, were recipients of the Jasper DeutscherVerein Scholarships.

Josh Dodd, JHS teacher, and his family were in Pfaffenweiler for several weeks and Josh worked with Master Stone Carver, Michael Eckert on honing his skills in stone carving.

Karen Roesch, Ph.D., was in Dubois County interviewing several people for her project, "the Indiana German Dialect Project" which she created to preserve the endangered German heritage dialects brought to Indiana over 175 years ago. Dr. Roesch recorded stories of what life was like for the ancestors of the German speakers in order to preserve the "old German" they spoke. She presented glimpses into life in the German community as

it still existed 70-80 years ago in Indiana, in towns such as Jasper, Ferdinand, and Fort Wayne. Dr. Roesch was a Hoyt-Reichmann Scholar of German-American Studies, Director of the Max Kade German-American Center, and Assistant Professor, German at IUPUI.

Alisia Klemm and Laura Krall, both of Maleck-Emmendingen, Germany, visited Jasper for several weeks. Alisia is the daughter of Hans and Christine Hilger Klemm and granddaughter of Franz and Bärbel Hilger.

Patti Goepfrich was Hofmarschall of the Strassenfest.

Steffen Fidler of Ballrechten-Dottingen, Germany attended classes at Jasper High School. He was hosted by Tom, Lana, and Adam Fierst.

Hannah Gutenkunst of Ehrenstetten, Germany attended classes at Jasper High School and was hosted by P. J. and Christie Wessel.

Ron and Delli Keusch were the recipients of the German Heritage Award presented at the German American Day Dinner held in October. Shannon Sonderman, Erin White, and Sandy Wehr were guest speakers discussing the JHS German Exchange Program.

2014

Luke Lottes, a student at Jasper High School, was the recipient of the Jasper DeutscherVerein Scholarship.

Jim and Rita Corn were the recipients of the German Heritage Award presented at the German American Day Dinner held in October. Diane Hoppenjans and Ken Sicard were guest speakers speaking on the relationship between Ferdinand and Dudenhofen, Germany.

The DeutscherVerein donated \$500 to ROJAC.

Michael and Barbara Schmidt and Clemens and Sylvia Koerner of Dudenhofen, Germany were guests at a dinner organized by Diane Hoppenjans and the Ferdinand Tourism Commission. The Jasper DeutscherVerein and Sister Cities of Jasper were represented by Mayor and Mrs. Terry Seitz, Bob Dilger, Darren Patterson, Sandy Wehr, Kevin Manley, Raymie Eckerle, and Patti Goepfrich.

Students from Staufen Gymnasium attended classes at Jasper High School and visited areas of interest.

Rita Egler retired as Treasurer of the DeutscherVerein.

2015

Alexander Hilger of Jasper and Tyler Conley of Fayetteville, NC participated in a three month internship in Germany working for Mercedes, BMW, and Audi in Freiburg.

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The Bier Verkoster began.

Students from Am Weissen Turm Gymnasium in Poessneck attended classes at Jasper High School and visited areas of interest.

The St. Gangolf Choir from Dudenhofen, Germany visited Ferdinand. The group had a celebration dinner and it was attended by Dave and Sandy Wehr, Matthias and Kathy Hilger, and Patti Goepfrich.

Noah Whalen of Jasper High School was the recipient of the Jasper DeutscherVerein scholarship.

Jasper and Pfaffenweiler celebrated 30 years as Sister Cities with a celebration in Jasper during the Strassenfest.

Hofmarschalls of the Strassenfest were Karin Horst (Pfaffenweiler) and Stan Jochum (Jasper).

Lois Kuntz was the recipient of the German Heritage Award presented at the German American Day Dinner held in October. Duane Busick was the guest speaker showing a video of the 2015 Strassenfest.

Jasper DeutscherVerein Facebook page was established.

2016

Greg and Dana Schnarr and their three children and Yvonne Mullen, Mike and Ann Ackerman, and Paul and Laura Grammer participated in the Multi-Cultural Day at 5th Street School on Leap Day, 2016.

Olivia Otto, a Jasper High School student, was the recipient of the Jasper DeutscherVerein scholarship.

The new mural at 6th and Newton Sts. was completed and dedicated during the Strassenfest. Those who were instrumental in this project were: Mike Ackerman, Pat Schuler, Linda and Danny Wehr, Bob Herzog, Bramwell-McKay Masonry Restoration, TDI Brands, Fisher Electric, City of Jasper, Judy Bennett, Michael Smith, Jim and Rita Corn, and the Linus and Sally Lechner Family Endowment of the Dubois County Community Foundation. Guest speakers at the dedication were Art Nordhoff and Giles Hoyt, Ph.D.

Dave and Janet Kluemper were Hofmarschalls of the Strassenfest.

Stan Jochum was the recipient of the German Heritage Award presented at the German American Day Dinner held in October. Haley Arthur, JHS German Language teacher, was guest speaker.

Students from the Staufen Gymnasium attended classes at Jasper High School and visited areas of interest.

2017

Students from Am Weissen Turm Gymnasium in Poessneck attended classes at Jasper High School and visited areas of interest.

Xiomara Deno, a student at Southridge High School, was the recipient of the Jasper DeutscherVerein scholarship.

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Mike and Ann Ackerman were the recipients of the German Heritage Award presented at the German American Day Dinner held in October.

Matthias Hilger was named the Indiana German Heritage Society Hoosier German-American for 2017. Presentation was made by Mr. Heinz Roesch at the GermanFest in Indianapolis.

2018

German Consul General Herbert Quelle and his wife, Corinna Nistrath-Quelle visited Jasper.

Karli Meyer, a student at Southridge High School, was the recipient of the Jasper DeutscherVerein scholarship.

Shana Berkold from Eschbach, Germany attended classes at Jasper High School and was hosted by Al, Lisa, Jessica, Daniel, and Megan Berg.

Visitors from Celestine's Sister City of Wagshurst, Germany attended Celestine's 175th Celebration.

Strassenfest celebrated its 40th Year.

Sister Cities of Jasper won the Sister Cities International Best Overall Program award in the 10,000-25,000 population category.

Father John Boeglin was the recipient of the German Heritage Award presented at the German American Day Dinner held in October.

Matthias Hilger was presented with a Lifetime Achievement Award.

Students from Staufen Gymnasium attended classes at Jasper High School and visited areas of interest.

German Heritage Committee established within the DeutscherVerein. Members included Van and Nancy Ziegler, Paul and Mary Leah Sigel, Sandy and Mark Fierst, Kurt and Ginger Hedinger, Keith and Dana Bachman, Ross Halvorsen, Breann Lechner, Erin Herbst, Lynn Wagner, and Paul and Laura Grammer.

2019

Dr. Ross Halvorsen begins hosting Das Kaffeekränzchen (coffee hour) at the High School when school is in session.

The StrassenVORfest made its initial appearance in July.

Rosie Stewart was the recipient of the German Heritage Award presented at the German American Day Dinner held in October.

Conversational German returned to VUJC. Dr. Ross Halvorsen was the instructor.

Wine from Pfaffenweiler arrived in Jasper.

Drake Siegel, a student at Jasper High School, was the recipient of the Jasper DeutscherVerein scholarship.

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Students of Jasper High School attended school in Staufen and Poessneck and visited areas of interest in Germany.

The DeutscherVerein introduced "German Heritage Night" at the Strassenfest.

Sister Cities of Jasper, Inc. announced that the City of Jasper had been presented the Sister Cities International 2019 Innovation Award for Business and Trade for a city with a population less than 25,000.

Sister Cities of Jasper, Inc. received the Indiana Sister Cities award for Best Program 2019 for importing Pfaffenweiler wine at the Indiana Sister Cities Symposium.

Members of the DeutscherVerein cruised on Patoka Lake during the "German on the Water" wine tasting event.

2020

Herzlichen Glückwunsch zum 40. jährigen Jubiläum des Jasper Deutscher Verein.

Herzlichen Glückwunsch zum 35. Jubiläum der Gemeindepartnerschaft zwischen Pfaffenweiler und Jasper.

And the best is yet to come!!!!!!

Information from the December and January meetings, info from our officers, Sister Cities/Partnership logo info, Christmas letter from Mayor Dieter Hahn, and other items of interest will be in the March issue!!!

New for 2020 are pins, pens, frisbees, and cloth patches!!!!!! More info to come!!!

Upcoming Events – Mark Your Calendars

Februar

Februar 19, 2020-Wednesday-Moose Lodge -. This time it's homemade beer and breads. Many people don't know this, but in ancient times, "Beer and Bread" was a common Egyptian greeting between people. Our evening will include a LOT of greeting! Menu will be brats, hamburgers and potato wedges. Eli Haggis will do presentation on food and beer pairings. Members A-H bring vegetable, I-Q salad, R-Z dessert. Doors open at 6:00pm with homemade beer and bread registration. Festivities begin at 6:30pm.

März

März 18, 2020-Wednesday-Moose Lodge – The guest speaker for the March meeting is Mr. Clayton Boyles, Executive Director of the Dubois County Community Foundation. He will be providing a brief history of the organization, the current philanthropic endeavors, the future of the organization, and the Jasper DeutscherVerein (German Club) German Heritage Endowment. The Club will furnish a Spaghetti and Garlic Bread dinner, requesting members A-H bring a side dessert, I-Q a veggie, and R-Z a salad. Doors open at 6:00pm and festivities begin at 6:30pm.

April

April 15, 2020-Wednesday-Moose Lodge – Agenda-TBD – Meal: Pork Steak and German fries.

Mai

Mai 20, 2020-Wednesday-Moose Lodge

Juli

Juli 12, 2020-Sunday-Moose Lodge – StrassenVORfest - Noon to 3pm – More details to follow

August

July 30 – August 2, 2020 – Strassenfest

August 30, 2020-Sunday-Jasper Outdoor Recreation-Family Picnic – More details to follow

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, 2020. 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, 2020 to: Jasper Deutscher Verein Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 15, Jasper, Indiana 47547-0015

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ACHTUNG DEUTSCHER VEREIN MEMBERS:

I am very happy to report that our new club is off to a great start. For a group that is not fully organized the interest is almost unbelievable.


Some general information:

1. We have 78 paid members.
2. An official membership card (to be presented at the first meeting).
3. A Band committee, Jim Holler, Gary Fields.
4. A mannechor, Ken Ziegler, Bill Balsbaugh, Don Rasche, Leo Schmitt, Norb Kreilein
5. A program committee - Crystal Roediger
6. A membership committee - Dan Wehr, Gary Egler, Tom Hynes, Fred Hollinden, Vic Eckert
7. A social committee - Dave Buehler, John Thyen, Mike Hochgesang, Bernita Berger, Rita Webber, Hillary Hochgesang
8. A historical committee - John Fierst, Julius Bittner, Al Schuler, Cecile Klamer
9. A costume committee - Crystal Roediger, Linda Wehr, Marilyn Thyen.
10. Two bank accounts - Membership and Social.
11. A nominating committee with suggestions of officers for our new club: President, Dan Wehr; Vice-Pres. Gary Egler; Secretary, Jeanne Holler; Treasurer, Ron Kieffner.
12. Our first official meeting will be February 21st at 7:30 at the Schmitzbank. A post card is enclosed for your approval or disapproval of the officers.

Our plan is to install the officers, if approved, at the "Fastnacht" on February 9th.

In closing, I ask you to put forth some real effort in selling tickets or encouraging people to attend our first FASTNACHT. See you there!

Yours for a German Jasper
and a good time,



DB: jh Dave Buehler

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COME TO THE

"Fastnacht"

A German Pre-Lenten Party
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Sat., Feb. 9 — 7:00 P.M.

Tickets — \$7.50 Available at
Main Bank & Savings & Loan Offices,
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the Jasper Chamber of Commerce

Proceeds to the Strassenfest Committee
and the New Jasper Deutscherverein
(German Club)



The Herald, Thursday, February 28, 1980



Money for the fest

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After 40 years, the verbiage got a little "fuzzy"!!

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