

German-American Club

"Zu jeder Zeit, an jedem Ort, sei frei das Lied und frei das Wort"

"In every hour, across every sea, let song and speech be free"

Spring Quarter

2016



"Bella Italia"

March 19, 2016

Dine and wine and dance with our favorite musician
Jan Meere!

and fill your mouth with Italian food by *Erika's Catering!*

PROSCUITTO WRAPPED CHICKEN ROULADES w/PESTO,
PENNE PASTA w/SUNDRIED TOMATOES, BASIL, PINE NUTS,
VEGETABLE MEDLEY, ANTIPASTI SALAD,
GARLIC BREAD, LEMON BERRY TIRAMISU

April Sunday Brunch

April 17, 2016

11:00 AM

Fun & Games by the light of day!
Talk and visit with peaceful background music!
Free glass of champagne!

Delicious food by ERIKA:

Spinach Quiche

Sauted Potatoes & Onions

Chicken Apple Sausages

Berry Parfait Cups w/Vanilla Yogurt

Croissants, Scones, Blueberry Muffins

Orange Juice, Coffee, Tea



- Call early for reservations: Club number (831-420-2084), Doris Williamson (831-722-4476)
- Entrance and meal: \$15/member, \$20/nonmember
- Door opens at 6:00, dinner served at 6:30
- Buffet style, paperware provided

Bliühender Mai

May 21, 2016

Flowers, flowers, flowers! Be happy!



MENU BY ERIKA'S CATERING:

Chicken Schnitzel
Cucumber Salad w/fresh dill
Potato Salad, Garden Salad
Array of Artisan Breads
Linzer Torte



Music by
Ernie Beran

June Potluck in the Park

BBQ at DeLaveaga Park

June 26, 2016 (Sunday) 2:00-5:00

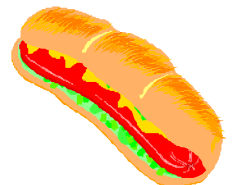
FREE

BBQ meat provided by the club

Share your favorite foods with others!

**Fun & Games for all ages,
including Bocce Ball!**

**You will be contacted at a later date with directions
and further details. Mark your calendar!
Be thinking of your own culinary choices
and show up with a big appetite.**



President: Traude Boisvert (429-5904)
Secretary: Ines Marshall (475-5193)
Membership: Doris Williamson (722-4476)
Hall Manager: Rick Gubash (420-2084)
Newsletter: Dennis Reader (728-1988)

Vice-President: Desiree Popkin (319-6198)
Treasurer: Nancy Gubash (420-2084)
Trustees: Hildegard Wiedemann (429-4161)
Mary Keller (336-9311)

Botschaft des Präsidenten/President's Message

I welcome all those who joined the G/A club membership the past year. And I am delighted to have some youthful blood and enthusiasm back in our club. Thank you all for your participation and willingness to lend a helping hand.

Special thanks to Karina Scarborough and her team for taking on the task of modernizing the bar. "Jugendstil" shall we call it? It looks great! Many thanks also to Rick Gubash for filling the vacant manager position. Last but not least I wish to thank the board members for their commitment to serve the club for another year.

The entertainment committee has planned some interesting future events and I hope you will join the fun and of course enjoy our good food. (Still in the planning stage are a German Language class and a German folksinging group.) My best wishes to everyone for a year filled with the things that make life wonderful.

Traude Boisvert

P.S. I urge you to make your reservations for socials by Wednesday prior to the event.

Kurzberichte/Board Briefs

The club's executive board holds its business meetings at 7:30 pm in the club hall. These meetings normally take place on the last Monday of each month and are open to all members. Some selected board actions:

- ✓ **A special election was held after the regular board meeting in December 2015. See the top of this page for a list of the current 2016 club officials.**
- ✓ **2016 membership renewals are now past due. The amount is \$25.00 per person. (New members pay an additional \$10.00 initiation fee.) Please mail a check to the German-American Club, using the Post Office box address on the front of this newsletter. Or you can contact Doris Williamson at any social or phone her at 722-4476.**
- ✓ **With deep sadness the news was received that Dina Cavanah had passed away. Sincere condolences were expressed to husband Jim Cavanah. The two of them, over many years, have been members of special importance to the club.**

Vorschau/Preview

Mar. 19: "Bella Italia." Music by Jan Meere.

Doors open @ 6:00.

Mar. 28: Business meeting. 7:30 @ club hall.

All members welcome.

Apr. 17: Sunday brunch. Club hall @ 11:00 am.

Apr. 25: Business meeting.

May 21: Blumen Fest. Music by Ernie Beran.

May 23: Business meeting.

June 26: Sunday potluck. Free with own dish.

DeLaveaga Park @ 2:00.

June 27: Business meeting.

Summer Break

July 25: Business meeting.

Aug. 29: Business meeting.

Sept. 17: September event.

Sept. 26: Business meeting.

Oct. 15: Oktoberfest.

Oct. 24: Business meeting.

Nov. 19: November social.

Nov. 28: Business meeting.

Dec. 17: Holiday Celebration.

Dec. 19: Business meeting.

Info Ecke/Info Corner



Our club must sadly ~~ade sagen~~ to Dina Cavanah, but we will not forget her. Dina, along with husband Jim, devoted many years of service to the German-American Club of Santa Cruz. Faithful to her Austrian heritage, she was also a proud member of that vanishing band of Europeans who had directly experienced the Second World War and came to America to build a new life. Through all of these transitions Dina remained a handsome woman, thoroughly pragmatic, yet always ready to break out into spontaneous laughter. It was a pleasure to have known her.

Sei vor andern froh und heiter,
doch in aller Stille weine weiter.



Weihnachts Markt

December 6, 2015

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The 3rd annual Weihnachts Markt and Gingerbread House Contest proved again a big success. The gingerbread creations were exceptional. (L) Eva Sweazey's remarkable dolphin house was voted the overall contest winner. (R) The "Oma Reader" German cathedral won the children's event.



Santa Claus "Eva" & helper elf "Nancy"



Storytime!

Christmas Social

December 12, 2015



Our Christmas event once again treated us to a top quality choir performance, led and narrated by our own Eva Sweazey. The program given in both German and English was of special importance to the cultural goals of the club.



There was also a table for children.



Alpine après Ski

January 16, 2016



To throw the snowball in that little hole was HARD.

It was a sort of wild "after skiing" party—the way they are supposed to be.

Toli helped construct the snowball-tossing game and Paul brought the necessary ski for the Schnaps-drinking game. You should have been there!



Try, try, try . . .



Karina, the winner by a lot.
How the heck did she do it?

Alpine après Ski

January 16, 2016



Erika Falkner (Mama), Regina Falkner ("young daughter," so sagt Regina selbst). Mutti aus Landshut, Bayern, wohnt jetzt in Fremont. "Charming mother/daughter team" (behauptet Regina weiter) "cut a rug to a quick waltz. This was barely possible given that they were full of delicious goulash & Spätzle & Rotkohl & Salat." The "young daughter" has a fine sense of humor.

The Gottwalds: father and son. Gute Besserung, Rudy! Hope to see you very soon.



Five glasses fastened to a ski and full of Jägermeister. To learn more about this sport ask Paul Scheidt.



Fasching

February 20, 2016

**REMEMBER: To see it all in color go to:
www.germanamericanclubsantacruz.com**



**Dracula with blood rose
firmly between his teeth.**



Rick behind the artistically redecorated bar.



**Dancing to Jan Meere's
irresistible music.**



The audience in the music mood.

Fasching
February 20, 2016



More "unusual" couples enjoying the dance floor.



(L) Dracula finds true love at the bar.

(R) Beatrice (in mask) won the crazy jelly bean counting contest.



(L) Costume contestants.

(R) Doris in all her Fasching finery.



Fasching

February 20, 2016

And the costume contest winners are?



Here's challenger mighty Minnie Mouse with her helpful water-toting hydrologist.



Presenting the five surviving finalists.

**AND THE WINNERS YET AGAIN!
Rick & Nancy Gubash, this time appearing
as Mad Metal Rockers,
roles not so different from their
REAL LIFE.**





Practicing (glasses empty) one of the more important northern European skiing traditions. For details see inside the newsletter.

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since the 1860s preserving German
and European traditions
in our community

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