

German-American Club

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

Spring Quarter
2015



Schweizer Abend

March 21, 2015

Come dance and yodel along with

Jan Meere!

and enjoy this traditional menu prepared by Erika's Catering!

PORK GESCHNETZELTES SERVED WITH ROESTI

VEGETABLE MEDLEY, MIXED GREEN SALAD

BREADS & DESSERT

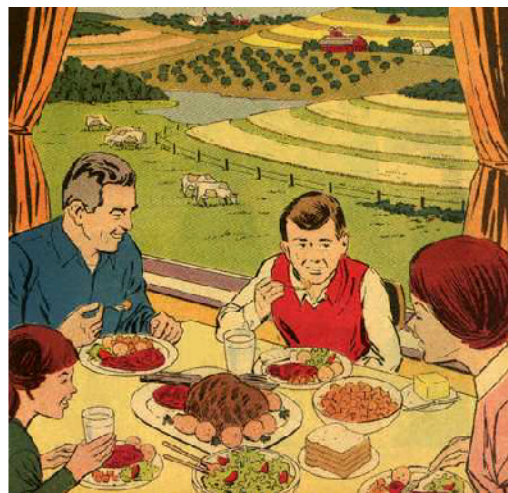
April Sunday Brunch

April 12, 2015

11:00 AM

We had so much fun we're doing it again!
Relax and chat in the springtime daylight!

Free glass of champagne!



Delicious food by ERIKA:

Smoked Ham & Mushroom Strata

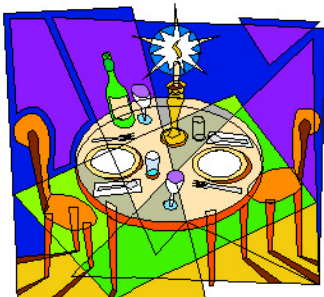
Rosemary & Garlic Roasted Potatoes

Berry Parfait Cups w/Honey Yogurt

Array of Croissant Sandwiches

(Apple & Brie, Tarragon Chicken Salad)

Dried Cherry Scones served with Lemon Curd & Butter



- **Call early for reservations: Club number (831-420-2084), Doris Williamson (831-722-4476)**
- **Entrance and meal: \$12/member, \$20/nonmember**
- **Door opens at 6:00, dinner served at 6:30**
- **Buffet style, paperware provided**

Blumen & Lichterfest

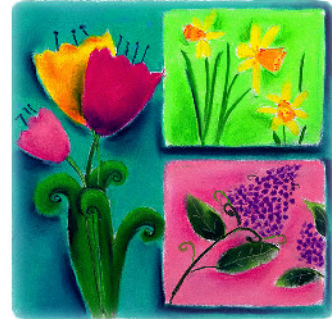
May 16, 2015

Get happy! Smell the flowers, soak up the glow!



MENU BY ERIKA'S CATERING:

Chicken Schnitzel
Cucumber Salad w/fresh dill
Potato Salad, Garden Salad
Array of Breads w/butter
Dessert



Everyone's favorite musician!

Jan Meere



June Potluck

June 13, 2015

Saturday

4:30 in the Afternoon

FREE

Share the cooking specialties of others!

Bring your own favorite!

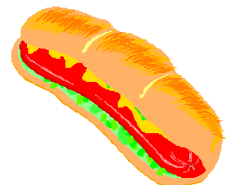
Games and Surprises to entertain us all!

You will be contacted for your ideas and wishes.

Be thinking of your own culinary choices.

And plan on bringing your best

APPETITE!



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

Vice-President: Eva Sweazey (477-1419)
Treasurer: Christa Jaster (423-8607)
Trustees: Hildegard Wiedemann (429-4161)
Nancy Gubash (420-2084)

Botschaft des Präsidenten/**President's Message**

Welcome to 2015, which is now underway with two social events already behind us! I want to thank the many dedicated club members--and especially past president Jim Cavanah--for their generous gift of time and talent given for the good of the club throughout 2014.

The members of the board and I are planning to enhance the club's activities in some new ways and are looking forward to a successful year. All club members are strongly encouraged to attend the monthly business meetings. See below for the time and dates for these meetings. We are very much interested in your ideas and concerns.

I can be reached at any time via my email (traudeboisvert@aol.com) or the club phone number.

I look forward to seeing you at our socials.

Traude Boisvert

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 2014. See the top of this page for a list of the current 2015 club officials.**
- ✓ **In order to better accommodate schedules, the time of monthly meetings was moved to 7:30.**
- ✓ **Traude Boisvert donated new lightweight tables for the club board meetings.**
- ✓ **Special recognition was given to Jim Cavanah for his long history of exceptional service. Few members have ever provided such steady and practical guidance to our club.**
- ✓ **The board was pleased to approve the following new members into the club: Rick & Marian Kolker, currently in Colorado. (Marian is the daughter of Helga Kuntz.) Ward & Susan Willats, both CA born. (Ward is a software engineer and Susan a university administrator.) Royal & Sandra Lua, who reside in Aptos. Judy Allen, also from Aptos. And finally, Richard Allen, who is from Santa Cruz. *Herzlich***

Willkommen to all!

Vorschau/Preview

Mar. 21: Schweizer Abend. Music by Jan Meere. Doors open @ 6:00.

Mar. 27: German Folk Song Lessons. Free. Club hall, 7-9:00 pm.

Mar. 30: Business meeting. 7:30 @ club hall. All members welcome.

Apr. 12: Sunday brunch. Club hall @ 11:00 am.

Apr. 27: Business meeting.

May 16: Blumen Fest. Music by Jan Meere.

May 18: Business meeting.

June 13: Saturday potluck. Free with own dish. Club hall @ 4:30 pm.

June 29: Business meeting.

July 27: Business meeting.

Aug. 31: Business meeting.

Sept. 19: Welcome Back Friends Fair.

Sept. 28: Business meeting.

Oct. 17: Oktoberfest. Music by Karl Lebherz.

Oct. 26: Business meeting.

Nov. 21: Harvest Festival. Music by Jan Meere.

Nov. 30: Business meeting.

Dec. 05: Gingerbread House/Weihnachts Markt.

Dec. 12: Holiday Celebration w/ Cabrillo Chorus.

Dec. 28: Business meeting.

Info Ecke/Info Corner



The next newsletter appears in September. For information in the interim, call anyone on the club board.

The 2015 membership renewals are now past due. The amount is \$12.50 per person. (New members pay an additional \$10.00 initiation fee.) Please mail a check to the German-American Club hall, using the post office address on the front of this newsletter. Benefits include reduced prices to the social events. For information about membership requirements or application forms, contact Doris Williamson at any social or phone 722-4476.

The club is pleased to announce an opportunity for anyone interested in practicing both their singing and German language skills. Deutsche Volkslieder or German folk songs will be taught free of charge in an informal and fun atmosphere, with the assistance of a live pianist.

**March 27, 2015
Friday, 7-9:00 PM
Club Hall, Santa Cruz
Contact Nancy Gubash or Eva Sweazey
or phone 420-2084
GIVE IT A TRY!**



Weihnachts Markt

December 8, 2014

The 2nd annual Weihnachts Markt and Gingerbread House Contest was another big success. The gingerbread creations were superb, the gifts and food excellent.

(L) Eva Sweazey's remarkable "Surf House Santa Cruz" was voted the overall contest winner.

(R) The "Oma Reader" house won the children's event.



Weihnachts Markt

December 8, 2014



There was also a table for children's activities and other tables with food and crafts for sale, many of the items made by our club's own members.

A big Thank You to all those who contributed!



Christmas Social

December 13, 2014



Our Christmas event was once again highlighted by the professional performance of singers from the Cabrillo College Chorus. Led and narrated by our own Eva Sweazey, the dual-language program was greatly enjoyed by the audience.



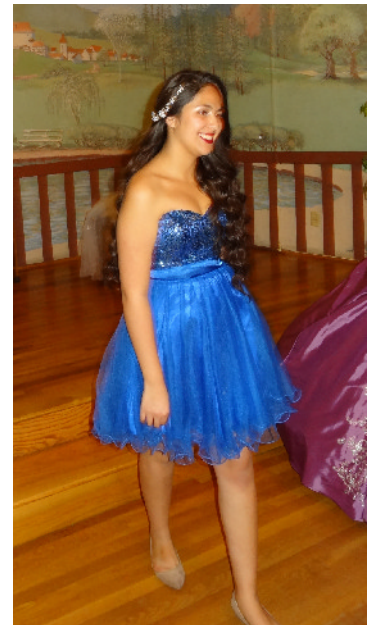
Music soothes the child



Fashion Show

January 18, 2015

This was the club's first-ever fashion show, with the dresses provided by Sonja Escalante from her store in Watsonville. Many of the models were also from our club, with the runway commentary given by stalwarts Nancy Gubash and Eva Sweazey (L). The colors were gorgeous and the food delicious! If you missed the show you missed a treat!



Fashion Show

January 18, 2015

To see the whole fashion show in color go to:
www.germanamericanclubsantacruz.com



Fasching

February 21, 2015



OK, wer genau sind diese Leute eigentlich?



**Vorsicht, gefährliche
Piratin!**

**Wirklich der Toli mit
dieser fremden Frau?**



**Sie schauen den
fröhlichen Bauer an . . .**

Fasching
February 21, 2015



And the costume contest winners are?

- In 1st place those Santa Cruzin' happy hippie peaceniks Rick & Nancy!**
- In 2nd place that Shirley Temple soldier Doris!**
- In 3rd place Sonja the seductress of fashion!**





**Sonja Escalante receives flowers at her January fashion show.
The models stand behind her.**

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**since 1888 preserving German
and European traditions
in our community**

Membership Open to All

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