

German American Club of the Carolinas

Fall 2017 Newsletter



From the President's Desk

Dear GAC Members and Friends,

I hope that you are all staying cool in this hot weather. I just returned from a wonderful trip to China, where it was also extremely hot. But it's always good to return to South Carolina and see the blue sky again. Our next big event is the Sommerfest at the Ingwersen's house on Saturday, September 9. It is for paid members only, and I hope that many of you have sent your RSVP to Marlies as requested in a former email. Another big event is the Spartanburg International Festival on Saturday, October 7. We hope we can count on you again to help with grilling brats, baking cakes, and working at the booth. Further email announcements about the international festival will follow. Concerning the September election in Germany, for those of you who are still eligible to vote in Germany even though you are no longer registered there, please consult the attachment at the end of this newsletter. I am looking forward to seeing many of you at the Sommerfest and at future events.

Dirk

Upcoming 2017 Events

September 9th (Saturday)

Sommerfest

@ the home of Doerte and Karsten (Thank you both)

For a change, instead of brats + rolls, we will have a traditional American BBQ with pulled pork, chicken, and sides!

RSVP to Marlies by September 1st:

Marlies.Welsch@gmail.com (864) 590-9230

NO STAMMTISCH IN SEPTEMBER!

October 6th 2017 (Friday, 6:00 p.m.)

Stammtisch

Location TBD

November 3rd 2017 (Friday, 6:00 p.m.)

Stammtisch

Location TBD

October 7th 2017 Saturday 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.)

City of Spartanburg International Festival

Barnet Park

Downtown Spartanburg

MORE DETAILS TO COME!

September 15th 2017 Friday 5:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

September 16th 2017 Saturday 11:00 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.

7.00 p.m.

"Spartoberfest" Oktoberfest Event

The Catholic Church of Jesus Our Risen Lord 2575 Reidville Rd, Spartanburg, SC 29301

LIVE MUSIC! FOOD, DRINK! ART MARKET! KIDS ZONE!

September 29th and 30th 2017

Friday - Saturday 12:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.

"Ciclopstoberfest" Oktoberfest-Themed Event

Ciclops Cyderi & Brewery

197 E Saint John St, Spartanburg (864) 704-9080

They are encouraging people to wear their traditional Bavarian dress, and there will be German food, games, and beer of course!

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Vielfraß

Do you love chocolate chip cookies - and could you eat a whole box of them - after finishing a whole pizza by yourself? Most of us indulge at times, but those who can consume large quantities of food all day every day may be called a Vielfraß.

The German word Vielfraß has two meanings. The word can be used to describe a wolverine (also known as a glutton, carcajou, skunk bear or quickhatch). Although this is its proper meaning, most Germans would use Vielfraß in its colloquial sense.

The European species of wolverine is called a glutton. But as many of you know, in the English language, glutton can also mean "an excessively greedy eater." Thus, the word Vielfraß is used colloquially to define someone who consumes large quantities of food.

And when you take the word apart, it makes sense. The word viel means "much" and fraß comes from fressen which means "to eat" (in a manner than an animal would eat).

Vielfraß

But be careful about how you use this word; you don't want to offend anyone. If you're calling a close friend a Vielfraß - in a joking manner - it may be okay. But some people may have hurt feelings if they are accused of being an excessive eater, so use the term thoughtfully - if at all.

By Nicole Glass, Editor of The Week in Germany

Source: The Week in Germany. 25 August 2017 Web. 29 August 2017.

http://www.germany.info/Vertretung/usa/en/_pr/GIC/TWIG_WoW/2017/33-vielfrass.html

Event in Review:

Greenville Stammtisch

On August 4th, we had a Club Stammtisch at Fitzpatrick's Pub in Greenville! Attendance was fantastic and it appeared everyone enjoyed the change in location. Thank you to everyone who made the trip. Hopefully, you enjoyed the food, drink, and fellowship!

THE GAC BOARD NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The GAC Board is looking for a treasurer to manage the club's financial matters. If you are interested in helping the club in this capacity, please contact any of the GAC Board members.

GERMAN-AMERICAN CLUB OF THE CAROLINAS (P.O. BOX 1734, SPARTANBURG, S.C. 29304) Membership Application Form

(Please Print)
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(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)
Marital Status: Married Single
Name of Spouse:
Names and Ages of Name Age Dependent Children:
Citizenship: () Austrian () Swiss () German () U.S. () Naturalized () Other:
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Telephone Telephone
Please list your special talents and/or hobbies: Please list ideas:
Sponsor: (Recommended for Membership by)
Name:

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