



# NEWSLETTER

A Quarterly Newsletter

Jan-Mar 2018

**We are introducing a new format for our newsletter, it is easier for the Secretary to edit and hopefully presents an easier to read newsletter. If you'd like to comment or contribute, please contact the Secretary.**

## President's Message

*Dear Members and Friends*

Another year has passed, time is just flying. I would like to wish everyone a happy, healthy New Year! We are wishing members with health issues a speedy recovery. Our thoughts are with you.

For those of you who attended our New Year's Eve dance, we all had a wonderful time. A big THANK YOU to the 44 members and guests who danced the night away to Peter and Edith Mueller, playing uninterrupted dance music. At Midnight we all toasted to free champagne. However, our low attendance has caused us to decide to not have another New Years dance this year.

Our Western dance with Eva Adams was the first dance this year. She and her husband mingled with the crowd and we enjoyed their beautiful voices. February 17th will be our Valentines Dance with Sepp: Heinz will be absent. Please spread the word, bring your friends.

This year we've scheduled a variety of different bands, let's see how this will work out. Please let me know what you think. Your feedback will help me to determine what to do for 2019, which will need to be booked soon.

I was working on the menu for our Picnic and decided on smoked pork with 3 side dishes. It will be prepared for us and give Klaus a much needed break. Its free for members and \$20.00 for guests, including beer, wine, water or sodas. It will be at the Farm Bureau which is scheduled for March 11th. Please make your reservation ASAP as we can only accommodate 100. Last time we were way over. As a result we ran out of food and chairs. Volunteers are welcome to bring their home baked cakes. Also, volunteers will be needed to help with set up at around 10 AM.

As you might have noticed, we are not selling cakes anymore unless we have volunteers who will donate about 3 cakes per event.

A special Thanks to all our volunteers. Thanks you Klaus. We can always count on you to prepare our dinners at our monthly dances. A big round of applause and thanks to Margit and Barbara and their husbands, Klaus and Hartmut.

Thanks you for decorating the hall and making it look so festive and inviting. Remember, its our club, without your participation we cannot survive.

Sonja Dickey and Nicole Reinisch are trying to get younger members and guests involved in our club. They're planning our first annual Sommerfest benefiting students studying German here and abroad. It will be August the 25th, at the Music Compound on Cattleman Road. Are you a business or do you know someone who might be interested in being an event sponsor? More info later on in this newsletter, please take a look.

Reminder: Yearly membership of \$35.00 is due ASAP. Please mail to GASC, PO Box 1343, Sarasota, FL 34230

Hope to see you all on the 17th.

Rosemarie Herke

President, GASC

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## Coming Events

**Sommerfest 2018**

*Please join us at the 1<sup>st</sup> annual German American Social Club of Sarasota's Sommerfest benefiting students studying German here and abroad. The money raised at this event will be distributed among German students applying for a scholarship to further their German studies. The cost of entry includes music ~ top German and American hits, dancing, a German meal and 2 drink tickets (may it be soda/water or beer). Crafty Musicians Kids area. If you are interested in being a sponsor, please see the attached flyer for more information. This event is open to the general public. To purchase your tickets early visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sommerfest-tickets-42684210623>*

**In Memory of Jack Carlon**

*The following was delivered by Dieter Schneider in memory of Jack Carlon at his funeral on January 11, 2018*

Irene, to you and your family our deepest sympathy and condolences from all of us.

Marlies and I met Jack and Irene at the GASC and became good friends. Together with other couples from the Stammtisch we tried to make the best of the Golden Years. We took cruises, had picnics on the beach, went bowling and boating and had fun at the activities of the German Club.

Jack was always there to help. During my time as President of the German Club I needed a treasurer. Nobody came forward except Jack. I had the feeling he didn't like the job but was kind enough to help me out. We worked side by side for a couple of years. Jack was well respected by every member of our Board of Directors.

Jack was a real gentleman, smart, considerate, reliable, kind and he had a fine sense of humor.

Jack's death came as a shock to me and it is sad that he was so suddenly taken away.

Rest in peace dear friend, You will be missed.

CHRISTMAS Dance: Music by Sepp & Heinz Diepolder



CONGA Line AT Our Christmas Dance



Enjoying the music and dancing



Thanks to our Membership Secretary, Brigitte Wetjen, for 14 years of great work.





The United German American Society of Florida  
Presents

# German Heritage Day

Sunday, March 11, 2018  
10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Enjoy the Musical Entertainment of  
*Eva Adams & Matthias*

Celebrate our German Culture and Heritage  
Ticket Price: \$35

Admission Includes: Buffet Style Dinner:  
Pork Roast, Chicken Schnitzel, Spaetzle,  
Red Cabbage, Mixed Vegetables  
Apple Strudel for Dessert and Free Coffee all Day  
Two Drink Tickets: good for Well Drinks, Beer, Wine or Soda



To be held at the clubhouse of  
The German American Society of Central Florida  
381 Orange Lane, Casselberry, FL 32707



Contact Name:

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CONTACT YOUR CLUB REPRESENTATIVE FOR TICKETS & EVENT INFORMATION OR CHECK THE WEBSITE BELOW:

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## German-American Social Club of Sarasota, Inc.

P.O. Box 1343, Sarasota FL 34230

www.SarasotaGermanClub.org

# 2018 EVENT DATES

**NEW LOCATION:** Knights of Columbus Hall, 4880 Fruitville Road, Sarasota, FL 34232

Date	EVENT – ‘Entertainment by’
PLANNED Dinner-	
Jan 27, 2018	Western Night – Eva Adams’ <i>Bratwurst, Potato Salad, Sauerkraut, German Bread</i>
Feb 17, 2018	Valentine’s Day- ‘Sepp & Heinz Diepolder’ <i>Skinless Hot Dog, Potato Salad, Sauerkraut, German Bread</i>
Mar 8, 2018	General Membership Meeting, Fruitville Library, @3:00 PM, Conference Room
Mar 11, 2018	Club Picnic at our <b>NEW LOCATION:</b> Sarasota County Farm Bureau, 7289 Palmer Blvd, Sarasota , @12 Noon
Mar 24, 2018	67 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance – ‘Eva Adams’ (Formal Attire Dance) <i>Frankfurter Sausage, Potato Salad, Sauerkraut, German Bread</i>
Apr 21, 2018	Hawaiian Night - ‘Sepp & Heinz Diepolder’ <i>Nuremberger Sausage, Potato Salad, Sauerkraut, German Bread</i>
May 26, 2018	Mai Tanz – Matthias Wagner <i>Bratwurst, Potato Salad, Sauerkraut, German Bread</i>
June, July,	= No EVENTS =
Aug 25, 2018	SOMMERFEST- Music Compound, 1751 Cattleman Rd, SRQ 34232 Begins at 6-until 10 PM Watch your newsletters, Facebook and Twitter
Sep 22, 2018	Weinfest - “Daniel Fugazzotto” <i>Skinless Hot Dog, Potato Salad, Sauerkraut, German Bread</i>
Oct 3, 2018	General Membership Meeting, Fruitville Library, @3pm, Meeting Room
Oct. 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2018	Club Picnic at our <b>NEW LOCATION:</b> Sarasota County Farm Bureau, 7289 Palmer Blvd, Sarasota , @12 Noon
Oct 27, 2018	Oktoberfest - “Matthais Wagner “ <i>Frankfurter Sausage, Potato Salad, Sauerkraut, German Bread</i>
Nov 17, 2018	Variety Night - “Daniel Fugazzotto” (Formal Attire Dance) <i>Bratwurst, Potato Salad, Sauerkraut, German Bread</i>
Dec 8, 2018	Christmas Party - Peter & Edith Mueller <i>Frankfurter Sausage, Potato Salad, Sauerkraut, German Bread</i>

Dances are from 6 pm to 10 pm, doors open at 5:30 pm

at: **Knights of Columbus, 4880 Fruitville Road, Sarasota, FL 34232**

>>>>>>FOR INFORMATION about EVENT <<<<<<<

CALL: our President, Rosemarie Herke at (941) 350-1738

GASC-German American Social Club of Sarasota, Inc reserves the right to change events,  
dinner choices and entertainment w/o prior notice.



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# SOMMERFEST!

BENEFITING STUDENTS STUDYING GERMAN HERE AND ABROAD



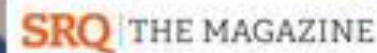
Saturday, August 25  
6:00PM to 10:00PM

\$30 for GASC members  
\$40 non-members  
\$20 students  
(must show current ID)

Kids Free  
Includes Music, Dancing, German meal, 2 drink tickets

Music Compound  
1751 Cattlemen Rd,  
Sarasota, FL 34232.

Thank you to our sponsors!



## Western Night: Music by Eva Adams



Everyone looks like a cowgirl or cowboy



Joe gets to sing with the Band, great job, Yippee Hi Yea Joe!!





## NEW YEARS EVE DANCE: Music by Peter and Edith Mueller



New Years Eve gemuetlichkiet

Although we had a low attendance, everyone had a good time and we enjoyed the champagne



## GASC Officers





# Welcome to our newest members:

Andre Herke and Jennifer Douglas

Sekou Bangoura

Beate, Peter and Juliana Goldstein

**We're glad you've joined us and we're looking forward to seeing you at our events.**

Das alte Jahr vergangen ist,  
das neue Jahr beginnt.  
Wir danken Gott zu dieser Frist  
Wohl uns, dass wir noch sind!  
Wir sehen auf's alte Jahr zurück und haben neuen Mut:  
Ein neues Jahr, ein neues Glück.  
Die Zeit ist immer gut.  
Wir ziehen froh hinein.  
Vorwärts, vorwärts, nie zurück,  
dies soll unsere Losung sein.

Hoffmann von Fallersleben