



German-American Club of The Carolinas

Past Events:

Sommerfest, September 9 at Springs of Grace Church in Inman, SC

The Sommerfest was a big hit with about 50 people attending. The food was delicious as always with the salads and desserts provided by our members and guests to complement the Bratwurst and beverages the Club provided. A huge thank you to everybody who attended and helped.



International Festival October 7 at Barnet Park in Spartanburg, SC

This year's event was very successful again thanks to the hard work of the board along with many members of the Club. A special thank you to Ramona Platzek for baking 17 cakes (!!). The cakes along with the Bratwurst and Sauerkraut were a big hit and our sales figures proved it. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for the great teamwork!



For more pictures, go to

<https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=728150509351308&set=a.72817532682139>

Stammtisch at Delaney's in downtown Spartanburg on November 2, 2023

Every one of our Stammtisch's are well attended, so please consider attending. You will have a great time meeting our members and friends and, if you are lucky, you may even be able to hear and/or catch up on some German.

Here are a few pictures;



Christmas Market at Boiling Springs High School, November 30

Thanks to the great teamwork of Gundolf, Jerry, and Hannelore, we had another successful event selling Bratwurst, candied almonds (gebrannte Mandeln), and Ramona's Schisch Kebab. A special thank you to Andrea Brunken and Hannelore Kinder for making the candied almonds.



Word of the Day: Synergy (Noun)

1. The interaction of elements that when combined produce a total effect that is greater than the sum of the individual elements, contributions, etc.
2. A cooperative or combined action, mutually advantageous cooperation

Example sentences:

- a) The merger was expected to create significant synergy between the two companies.
- b) The team's synergy was impressive, and they were able to achieve more together than they could have individually.

Nikolausfeier December 9, 2023 at the home of Curt Wagner, starting at 3:00 pm

A wonderful time was had at this year's Nikolausfeier at Curt's home. This year, we had a variety of delicious soups, along with rolls, crackers, dips and wonderful desserts.

Thank you to Curt for being an excellent host and thank you to all who attended for contributing to the delicacies.



Upcoming Events:

Christmas Eve Service at St. John's Lutheran Church, 415 S. Pine Street, Spartanburg, SC

The social hour begins at 3:00 pm and we are asking everybody to please bring a few cookies to share. The service will be held at 4:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

The **Stammtisch** is usually held the 1st Thursday of every month starting at 6:00 pm. Come join GAC members and friends for great conversations while enjoying good food and drinks.



Below is the list of upcoming dates and locations for the Stammtisch and other GAC events.

2024:

- January 11 @ Grapevine Restaurant, Boiling Springs
- February 1 @ Green Olive Grill, Inman

Events:

February - Fasching

March - Annual Business Dinner

Resources:



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