



Das Rundschreiben

The German-American Klub

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Biers on Tap



Mashcraft *Helles*



Warsteiner *Pilsner, Dunkel*



Weihenstephan *Hefe-Weizen*

Helles or hell is a traditional German pale lager beer, produced chiefly in Southern Germany, particularly Munich. The German word hell can be translated as "bright", "light", or "pale".

Helles-style beers typically are full-bodied, mildly sweet and light-coloured, with low bitterness. Munich-style helles is a yellow beer brewed using cool fermentation with a lager yeast such as *Saccharomyces pastorianus*, bitter hops such as Hallertau hops. Helles has a less pronounced hop flavour than pilsner beers

Whole Strudels Available at the Edelweiss!

Having a few guests over? A birthday party? Special occasion? Treat your guests to a strudel from the Edelweiss! Whole apple walnut, cherry or peach strudels are available for purchase. Cost is \$15.00 per strudel and serves 5-6 (depending on how big you make the servings!). *Please place orders 24 hours in advance.*

Edelweiss Carryout

Don't have time to come into the restaurant? The Edelweiss' entire menu is available for carryout! Just call the Edelweiss at 317-888-6940 to place your order. You can pick up your order in the restaurant or the biergarten—just let us know when you place your order!

News from the Edelweiss

Friday Night Music at the Edelweiss!

What's more than a perfect warm evening relaxing on the patio with good food, cold beer, and some nice music. The patio is shaded in the evenings and the view is beautiful. Bring your friends and family. As your guests, they also receive your member discount.

Music will be outside weather permitting. Reservations are encouraged. Our June featured musicians are:

- June 3: Mark Stansbury
- June 10: TBD
- June 17: Steve Bogard
- June 24: Polka Bob

Edelweiss Closed on Friday & Saturday, July 1 & 2!

To allow our staff to celebrate the 4th of July, the Edelweiss will be closed on Friday and Saturday, July 1 and 2. We will reopen on Tuesday, July 5.

Schwenker Weekend at the Edelweiss!

June 17 & 18

Join us for the first of three summer Schwenker Weekends at the Edelweiss! The featured dinner special will be prepared on the "Schwenker" by our Schwenkmeister Travis Jerde!



The special for the first weekend will be Schwenkbraten with 2 sides for \$15.95.

Steve Bogard will be performing on Friday night and the Liederkrantz Brass Band on Saturday night!

Reservations required—especially for outdoor seating. *Note: The Edelweiss will be offering an expanded limited menu—the full Edelweiss menu will not be available*

Die Fledermäuschen Tanzgruppe

Upcoming Events

- 18 Jun: St. Thomas More Church International Fest, Mooresville
- 16 Jul: Oldenburg Freudendest
- 20 Aug: Indiana State Fair
- 8-10 Sep: **Oktoberfest**

die Fledermäuschen practices every Wednesday except the second Wednesday of the month, in the banquet room from 7:00-8:30.

Occasionally practice will be canceled if we don't have enough people for a session, so if you are contemplating joining us, please check with Marie to make sure practice is taking place.

For more information, please contact Marie Lawlor via m1awlor63@yahoo.com or 317-501-4814.

Updates from Cultural, Education & Events Committee

The next CEE meeting will be Thursday, June 2 at 7 pm.

This meeting will be the first **Oktoberfest** planning meeting for 2022, so any GAK member who would like to be a part of planning of Indy's German Oktoberfest, the largest and most authentic in Central Indiana, would be most welcome.



The committee will also discuss plans for the new Maibaum for next year as part of the Frühlingfest 2022 wrap-up discussion.

For members who wish to be involved with The Indiana Historical Societies' Festival of Trees, we will be

forming putting together a committee for O Hoosier Tannenbaum, the German Cultural Societies of Indianapolis' joint Tannenbaum.



The CEE will also begin forming the fall KulturAbend schedule at this meeting.

For more information, please contact TGAK Cultural Chair Travis Jerde via tjjerde@iu.edu.



Kulture Kolumne

The CEE is currently planning and gathering submissions for the next quarterly Kulture on or near the Summer Solstice (June 21).

The CEE would appreciate any member that would be willing looking to contribute their work, pictures, ideas, etc.

Please send submissions to TGAK Cultural Chair Travis Jerde via tjjerde@iu.edu.

THE GAK Kloset

Downsizing...?

How do you downsize and keep your German heritage collectibles and traditions? Purchase one of the few miniature steins available in the GAK Kloset.

For the other German items you can part with, consign or donate them to the German-American Klub of Indianapolis. All proceeds benefit TGAK facility needs.

Upcoming Events

- 8-10 Sep: **Oktoberfest**
- 1 Oct: Garfield Park Oktoberfest
- 8 Oct: Athenaeum Germanfest

For more information, please contact Susan Losche via susanindy@yahoo.com or 317-987-3099.



Your German-American Klub Needs You!

The German American Klub of Indianapolis runs on volunteer power

There are multiple ways that you can help support the Klub as it celebrates and promotes the Indiana German American community through social, cultural, and educational activities, and passes the torch of our German American heritage to future generations.

From gardening help for a hour a month to an evening at a cultural event to all three days of Oktoberfest, or even something behind the scenes, there is something anyone can do to help and make the Klub better..

Projects Completed

With help from our members we have new convertible benches on the biergarten



and a timber-framed styled "Haus"

Oktoberfest Volunteers Needed

We have a wide range of opportunities to help: from serving bier, to serving food, to staffing entrance gates, to staffing ticket booths; from more physical jobs to jobs that can be done seated; from a single to multiple 4 hour shift one night or several nights. There is a job for everyone!



As a thank you, volunteers who work are able to drink bier for free (during their shift and to moderation) and receive \$12 in meal tickets. We also have a thank you luncheon a few weeks following Oktoberfest.

In addition to Oktoberfest itself, set up help starting on the Sunday before and the Sunday after are greatly appreciated and needed. For more information, please contact Patty Johns via pjohns@ibj.com or 317-445-3929

GAK Karte

The GAK Karte, a mini Edelweiss, often makes an appearance at events such as the Garfield Park Oktoberfest and Athenæum Germanfest

The Karte is one of TGAK's outreach to the community.

The Karte serves Bratwurst, Mettwursts, pretzels, kartoffelsalat, gurkensalat, and deserts at these events. The Karte typically needs 10 members to operate.

There have been events that have asked for the GAK Karte to attend, that we have unfortunately had to decline due to lack of volunteers.

For more information, please contact Travis Jerde via tjjerde@iu.edu.

Gardeners Needed

Can you spend one hour a month doing light gardening to keep our Klub looking fresh and inviting?

For more information, please contact Michele Meyer via 73m1meyer@gmail.com or 812-350-4608.

Projects Under Consideration

Our current Maibaum (in it's 6th year) has served us well, but needs to be replaced next year. We are planning a replacement using a 20' aluminum pole.

If you have experience with projects like these or know of someone, please contact Travis Jerde via tjjerde@iu.edu or Ned Hummel via nhummel@gmail.com.



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Upcoming GAK Events

- 21 Jun: GAK Board Meeting, 7 pm. Open to members.
- 5 Aug: Ladies Auxillary Pie Auction
- 8-10 Sep: [Oktoberfest](#)

Other Highlighted Upcoming Events

- 4 Jun: Liederkrantz Band Konzert, 5:30pm—Liederkrantz
- 16 Jun: Athenæum Bier & Building Tour, see: bierandbuilding22.eventbrite.com
- 26 Jun: Athenæum Gartenfest
- 15-16 Jul: Oldenburg Freudenfest
- 16 Jul: H & P's Annual HoPFest—German Park
- 6 Aug: Liederkrantz Summerfest—German Park
- 1 Oct: Garfield Park Oktoberfest
- 8 Oct: Athenæum Germanfest

More Indy area German Activities at the German Cultural Societies of Indianapolis Calendar at <https://teamup.com/ks42kpasu339rxejg3>