

OKTOBERFEST 2018

This year's Oktoberfest was another festive occasion. Thanks to the skillful computer wizardry of Bob M, all 49ers were notified weeks ahead of the upcoming event. Guests were cheerfully greeted by Margee W, who gave each guest a ticket for the door prizes. Mike and Patti C once again offered their spacious covered patio and kitchen/dining room for this annual 49er event.



The party had a true Oktoberfest atmosphere complete with blue and white crepe paper streamers hung artfully under the patio awning by the skillful hands of Rod and Marie B. Tables were adorned with beautiful Fall flower arrangements artfully created by Roberta B, along with the traditional blue and white table runners and blue and white helium balloons arranged by Jim W and

Robert M. Thanks to Jim and Nancy L, the tables and chairs were arranged very quickly and efficiently. The evening started out with fresh hot pizza right out of Mike C's outdoor brick oven. Mike does a wonderful creation of pizzas and cuts them into little appetizer size pieces, perfect for tasting with beer, wine or soda (John R made sure the 49ers were well taken care of with beverages). John R and Ted C were our evening bartenders. Roxanne and Mike M picked up veggie trays along with pretzel chips and fresh pieces of fruit. The appetizers were so plentiful that some thought they were the evening's meal.

The evening was very festive with many 49ers dancing the "chicken dance" to the accompaniment of accordionist, Elaine L, dressed authentically in her lederhosen.

After much dancing and socializing the 49ers were ready for the main course (picked up by Arlene J) of an assortment of Bratwurst and chicken sausages accompanied by hot German potato salad and, of course, sauerkraut along with piles of kaiser rolls prepared by Karyn's Biergarten of Rocklin. Sharon W prepared her German grandma's recipe of sweet/sour red cabbage. Dessert was picked up by Carol K and no one was disappointed at the delicious apple strudel prepared by Freeport Bakery in Sacramento. Apple strudel tasted especially good since it was accompanied



by hot coffee prepared by Fran A who brought her own coffee maker from home. 49ers were cheerfully served buffet style by Pam A, Patti C, Nancy L, Arlene J, Fran A and Carol K.

Many door prizes were gifted by the club and included a glass boot beer stein, two Oktoberfest T-shirts that advertised, "I'M ON MY WURST BEHAVIOR" beer, wine and the generous gift of a 2 passenger airplane flight (won by Carol and Jim J) gifted and piloted by Bill L.



Many folks stayed late and helped with the clean-up. Thanks to the clean-up efforts of Jim and Carol J, Ann F, Jim W, Monte S and Marilyn K, this Oktoberfest party was easy to clean up. I wish to extend a big thank you to all who helped make this Oktoberfest a success. A special thank you goes to Andrea W, who covered for me while I was on vacation the week before the party. Andrea collected checks that were mailed to her while I was gone.

Sharon W.