Culinary Exchange 2024

We are excited to begin our first Culinary Exchange!

To deepen the connection and share a tangible part of Pfaffenweiler with the people of Jasper, we are hosting our first Culinary Exchange in the summer of 2024. Visits with chefs in local restaurants, markets, wineries, and in Pfaffenweiler kitchens will give our participants a chance to taste, see, and master the culinary scene of our German Heritage. We are certain they will gather ideas and skills to share with the people in Jasper.

After screening a number of qualified applicants, we chose three people for our first exchange. One is the head chef at the Klubhaus61 by the Schnitzelbank, Jamie Boaz. The Chef is very motivated to make his current menu more authentic and plans to expand it with new recipes and stories from his travels to Germany.

Our second chef, Kim Mitchell, runs a small pub and restaurant in Jasper called Snaps Cafe. The original Saloon and Boarding House opened in 1872, and the current owners want to incorporate German Food that is common in our sister city.

Our third participant is the Jasper Middle School Consumer and Family Science Teacher, Haley Ondiek. In this role, she has an opportunity to introduce many younger students to German Food and Culture. We hope her approach interests them to continue to study the German Language at the Middle School and High School levels.

Congratulations to Jamie, Kim, and Haley!

Kent Seger, Sister Cities of Jasper Board member and Culinary Exchange Chairperson, along with the help of a culinary exchange committee, is planning and arranging their visit for approximately two weeks at the end of June and beginning of July 2024.

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