



SCHÜTZENVEREIN ST. LOUIS



ANNIVERSARY PROGRAM



## Da waren Deutsche auch dabei



Als Bettler sind wir nicht gekommen  
Aus unserem deutschen Vaterland.  
Wir hatten manches mitgenommen,  
Was hier noch fremd und unbekannt.  
Und als man schuf aus dichten Wäldern,  
Aus öder, düstrer Wüsterei  
Den Kranz von reichen Feldern,  
Da waren Deutsche auch dabei.

Gar vieles, was in früheren Zeiten  
Ihr kaufen müsstet überm Meer,  
Das lehrten wir euch selbst bereiten,  
Wir stellten manche Werkstatt her.  
Oh, wagt es nicht, dies zu vergessen,  
Sagt nicht, als ob das nicht so sei,  
Es künden's tausend Feueressen,  
Da waren Deutsche auch dabei.

Und was dir Kunst und Wissenschaften  
Euch hier verlieh'n an Kraft und Stärk',  
Es bleibt der Ruhm am Deutschen haften,  
Das meiste war der Deutsche Werk.  
Und wenn aus vollen Tönen klinget  
Ans Herz des Liedes Melodei,  
Ich glaub' von dem, was ihr da singet,  
Ist vieles Deutsche auch dabei.

Drum steh'n wir stolz auf festem Grunde,  
Den unsere Kraft der Widnis nahm,  
Wie wär's mit eurem Staatenbunde,  
Wenn nie zu euch ein Deutscher kam?  
Und wie in Bürgerkriegestagen,  
Ja schon beim ersten Freiheitsschrei:  
Wir Dürfen's unbestritten sagen,  
Da waren Deutsche auch dabei.

WELCOME

TO OUR 40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
CELEBRATION.

WE HOPE YOU WILL HAVE AN  
ENJOYABLE WEEKEND  
WITH US.



Sean & Christa Cople



König and Königin 2001

Adolf & Lilli Reiter



König and Königin 2000



**MEETINGS ARE HELD EVERY SECOND  
THURSDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:30 PM**

**In the German Cultural Society Hall**

**3652 S. Jefferson**

**St. Louis, MO 63118**

**For more information about membership and  
competition, please contact:**

**Norman Waterwiese (636) 532-3637**

## SATURDAY PROGRAM

June 9, 2001

- 6:00 PM ..... Cocktail Party  
7:00 PM ..... Dinner/Dance  
9:00 PM ..... Schützenverein Presentation  
11:00 PM ..... Evening concluded

## SUNDAY PROGRAM

- 11:00 AM- 5:00 PM ..... Schützenfest

### Directions to Donau Park:

From I-270, take Highway 21 south to 2nd exit  
marked "Old Rte 21 4500 Block".

Go south (left) on Old Route 21  
to West Four Ridge Road; turn right.

Entrance to Donau Park is 1st driveway on right.

## UNSERE KÖNIGE SEAN COPPLE 2001

1964	Mueller, Jack †	1983	Oesterle, Achim *
1965	Lochthowe, Karl †	1984	Leukert, Gerold
1966	Jendreyko, O.	1985	Burlage, Dennis *
1967	Lohman, W	1986	Michelson, Holger *
1968	Scherer, J.	1987	Kuhn, Andy *
1969	Jahn, Alfred *	1988	Eder, Ludwig *
1970	Waterwiese, W. *	1989	Seibert, Karl *
1971	Liska, K.	1990	Rohatsch, Frank *
1972	Back, Paul	1991	Goetz, Gerd *
1973	Gogol, Wolfgang	1992	Dorn, Pete †
1974	Schowe, Kenneth *	1993	Sterzl, Rudolf *
1975	Korneffel, Horst *	1994	Weidt, Carl
1976	Lorenscheit, Helmut *	1995	Kurgas, Richard
1977	Freiling, Peter *	1996	Waterwiese, Norman *
1978	Volk, Walter	1997	Leukert, Helmut *
1979	Balzer, Richard *	1998	McKinstry, John *
1980	Kramer, Witold *	1999	Lorenscheit, Donald *
1981	Elixhauser, Alois	2000	Reiter, Adolf *
1982	Hohn, Wolfgang	2001	Copple, Sean *

† Deceased

\* Current Members

**Note:** Wolfgang Waterwiese became a member in early 1962, and Witold Kramer joined in December of 1962. They are still active members and we appreciate their dedication.

## SCHÜTZENVEREIN MEMBERS 1961 - 2001

Allmendinger, Otto	Jahn, Alfred *	Mueller, Jack †
Armbruster, C.	Jendreyko, O.	Oesterle, Achim
Back, Paul	Korneffel, Horst *	Oldorp, G.
Backhoff, Richard	Kramer, Thomas *	Perry, G.
Balzer, Mark *	Kramer, Witold *	Prible, S.
Balzer, Richard *	Kriss, E.	Prible, R.
Bandlow, A.	Krueger, Karl	Rebsamen, W.
Boevingloh, Marty *	Kuhn, Andy *	Reiter, Adolf *
Boulicault, Marcel *	Kurgas, Richard	Richter, M.
Brachtel, G.	LaBruyere, Gregg	Ritter, E.
Brown, Vearyl	Langlitz, J.	Rohatsch, Frank *
Burlage, Dennis *	Leukert, Gerold *	Schenk, N.
Copple, Sean *	Leukert, Helmut *	Scherer, J.
Darr, E.	Lichtenstein, G.	Schowe, Kenneth *
Dorn, Pete †	Lingl, Hermann	Schwentker, H.
Eder, Ludwig *	Liska, K.	Sdrada, Wilhelm
Eder Ludwig H. *	Lochthowe, Karl †	Seibert, Karl *
Elixhauser, Alois	Lohman, W.	Stagl, K.
Ermel, Jurgen	Lorenscheit, Dieter	Sterzl, Rudolf *
Freiling, Peter *	Lorenscheit, Donald *	Sturman, Eric
Goetz, Gerd *	Lorenscheit, Helmut *	Volk, Walter
Gogol, Wolfgang	McKinstry, John *	Waterwiese, Norman *
Hohn, Wolfgang	Michelson, Holger *	Waterwiese, Wolfgang*
	Morovitz, Ron *	Weidt, Carl

# Schützenverein St. Louis Von 1961

## Officers 2001 – 2002

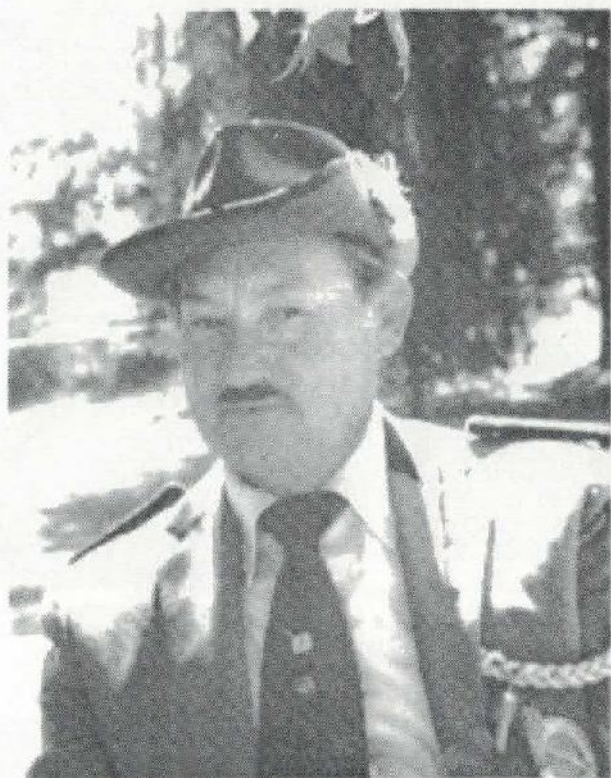
President .....	Norman Waterwiese
Vice President .....	Andy Kuhn
Secretary .....	Gerold Leukert
Treasurer .....	Helmut Leukert
Financial Secretary .....	Peter Freiling
Entertainment Chairman .....	John McKinstry
Schiesswart .....	Mark Balzer
Assistant Schiesswart .....	Richard Balzer

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### Königsball Presentation







Alfred Jahn, one of the founding fathers of the St. Louis Schützenverein, is an honorary member. We appreciate his dedication.

*In Memory of Our Departed Friends*



*Pete & Margaret Dorn*



*Jack Mueller*



Schützen members and their ladies

## SCHÜTZENVEREIN HISTORY

The St. Louis Schützenverein was established in 1961 and is a not-for-profit organization. The seven original founders also known as the "Seven Holy Founders" were Wilhelm Lohmann, Heinrich Schwentker, Karl Liska, Jack Mueller, Gerhard Lichtenstein, Alfred Jahn, and Karl Lochthrowe. Today's membership totals 32. Of these seven founders, Alfred Jahn is the only honorary member and still an active participant.

The Schützenverein was originally the idea of Willi Lohman and was discussed at Henry Schwentker's barbershop. The first formal meeting was held at Bill Eisele's Virginia Inn. The seven members attended and established the club as 'Schützenverein of St. Louis von 1961'. Ten bylaws were established and the club joined the NRA. Willi Eisele became Ehrenmitglied, Jack V. Mueller was elected the first Schiesswart. Three honorary members were appointed:

Willi Eisele - supported the club by providing the meeting place

Henry Buschmann - supported the club with his enthusiasm

Ernst Beutenmueller - supported the club by providing the German House for various functions

The club also recognized early patrons who supported the picnics and dances and were seen at every function. These patrons included; Leo Lehnig, Heinrich Leukert, all of the Eden Club, Kickers and Nick Messmer.

In 1962 the first annual picnic was held at La Agua Valley Swimming Pool in House Springs and the first shooting competition with a .22 rifle was held that year as well. In August the Wanderpokal was introduced and a wooden plaque made by a friend of Henry Schwentker's in Germany and was used as the clubs logo. The Pokalschiessen was held and Karl Lochtowe was the first winner of the Pokal. Willi Lohmann introduced the graphic for the Königsvogel (as it was used in Germany) and is still used today at the annual Königschiessen. Wolfgang Waterwiese joined earlier in the year and Witold Kramer became a member in December, both are active members of the club today.

On September 8, 1963 the first Königsschiessen was held; September 21, 1963 the first Schützenball was held in the Deutsche Haus and the music was supplied by the Trio Freddy (Fred Buechner) and "Die Lustigen Schwaben" (Andy Hochrein).

At the early meetings, it was decided the Schützenverein should have uniforms consisting of white shirts and a green tie and the traditional green jacket uniforms were completed in 1964. Four rifles were supplied by the NRA for temporary use along with 3000 rounds of ammunition. The Verein became a member of Schützenverband Hamburg.

1964 brought the birth of the "Schiessbude" (shooting booth) at the picnic and was seen at the picnics through the 60's & 70's. It was always a big hit! The booth also made appearances at the Columbia Strassenfest in Columbia, Illinois and at the Eden Club picnic.

In 1981 the Verein purchased 10 acres of land in St. Genevieve County and later built a pavilion. The picnic and the annual Königs Schiessen is held on the grounds. As the years progressed great friendships were formed, traditions practiced, spirited competitions held, and a bond with our heritage is continued.

Although the meeting place has changed and new members have come, the St. Louis Schützenverein remains with its original traditions, returning some profits back to the community furthering German-American education per our mission statement.

## A Message from Our President Norman Waterwiese

We truly hope you have an enjoyable weekend and would like to extend our sincere thanks for your support. Whether you are a first time participant or a long-standing supporter, without supporters like you, we would not have a reason to celebrate our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Since our organization was founded in 1961 the Club has evolved and matured into the fine organization you see before you today. We adhere to our mission statement of:

*To enhance German-American relationships by providing fellowship and education through mutual social interest in German Schützenverein traditions and competition.*

By following our mission statement we have become a stronger and more competitive club. With the backing of thirty active members we now compete in local, regional, and national air rifle and air pistol matches. We are also looking for new members to ensure our continued success. As such would like to extend an invitation to any of you with an interest in competitive air rifle and air pistol shooting and a zest to participate to join our team. Please feel free to attend one of our meetings, which are held here at the German Cultural Hall on the second Thursday of each month beginning at 7:30 pm.

Once again, many thanks for your generosity and if the opportunity presents itself, please honor our advertisers with your business!



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Chicago, April 3, 2001

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Mr. Andy Kuhn  
President  
Schuetzenverein St. Louis  
8021 Cope Lane  
Brighton, IL 62012

Dear Mr. Kuhn,

Mrs. Anna Mayer Beck, the German Honorary Consul in St. Louis, told me that the Schuetzenverein St. Louis - the St. Louis shooting Club - will celebrate its 40th anniversary on June 9, 2001.

On this occasion I would like to congratulate you personally and all members of the Schuetzenverein and thank you for all you have done in those 40 years not only to preserve German customs but also to bring Americans and Germans together through mutual interests in shooting and social activities.

With best wishes for you and the future of the Schuetzenverein.

Yours sincerely,

(M. Engelhard)

THROUGH

THE

YEARS

1961 - 2001





**KÖNIG -  
SCHIESSEN - FRÜHSTÜCK - TANZ  
EAT, DRINK & BE MERRY!**

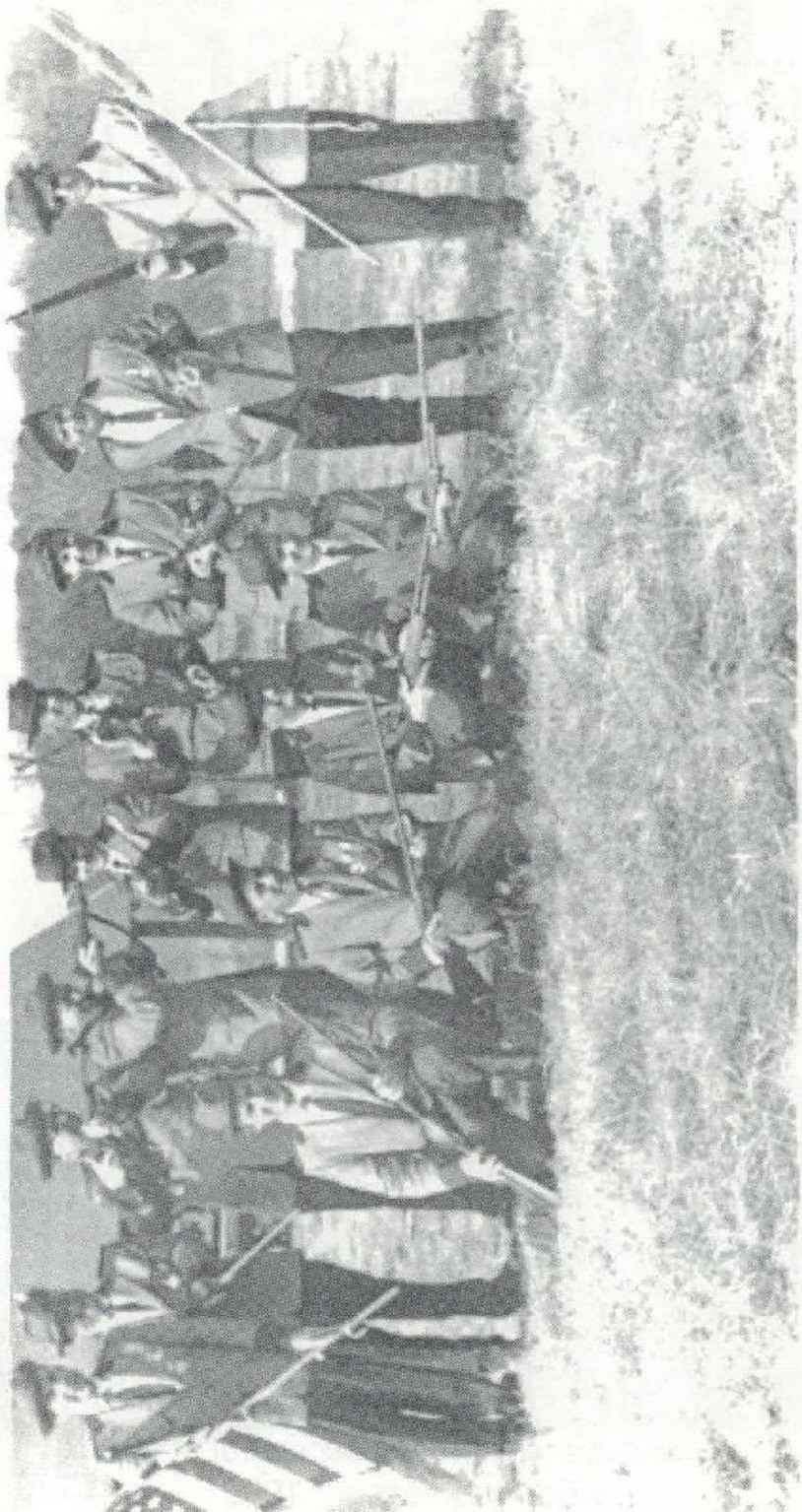




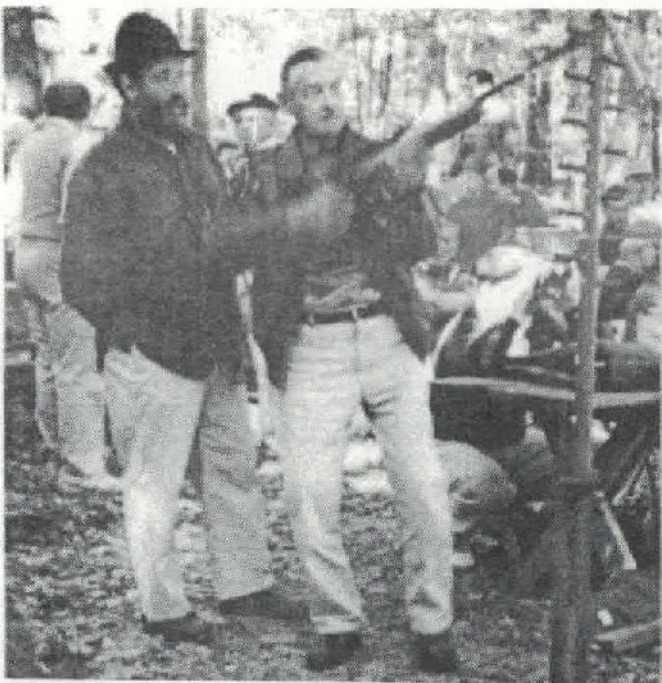
Club Members & Trophies 1962



Award Ceremony 2000



Club Members 1964

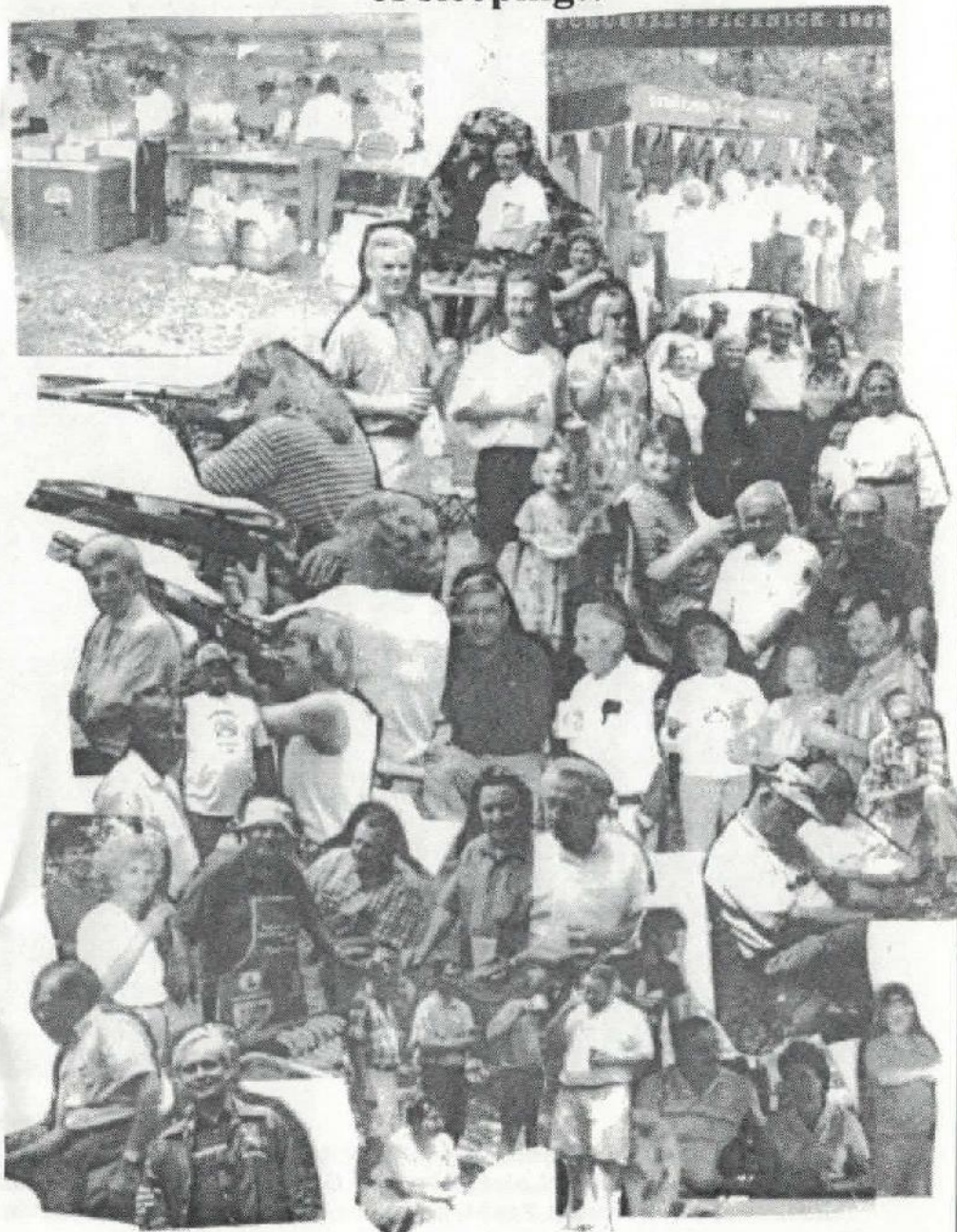


One of the founding members, Fred Jahn, receiving shooting tips from Wolfgang Waterwiese.



Members who were successful at the Königschiessen: 1995

**Picnics are fun! - From the 1<sup>st</sup> to .....**  
**Full of laughter, the toast, tears and a little bit**  
**of sleeping!!**





#### 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Portrait

*Bottom row (left to right):* Helmut Leukert, Frank Rohatsch, Wolfgang Waterwiese, Norman Waterwiese, Peter Freiling, Sean Cople, Andy Kuhn, Rudi Sterzl, Karl Seibert;  
*Second row:* Ludwig H. Eder, Ludwig Eder, Gerd Goetz, Helmut Lorenscheit, Achim Oesterle, Witold Kramer, John McKinstry, Horst Korneffel;  
*Third row:* Marcel Boulicault, Ron Morovitz, Don Lorenscheit, Marty Boevingloh, Richard Balzer, Mark Balzer, Ken Schowe, Holger Michelsen;  
*Top row:* Adolf Reiter, Gerold Leukert



## THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER

Oh say! can you see, by the dawn's early light,  
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming,  
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thru' the perilous fight  
O'er the ramparts we watch'd, were so gallantly streaming.  
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,  
Gave proof thru the night that our flag was still there,  
O, say, does that Star-Spangled Banner yet wave  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?



## DEUTSCHE NATIONALHYMNE

Einigkeit und Recht und Freiheit  
Für das deutsche Vaterland!  
Danach laßt uns alle streben  
Brüderlich mit Herz und Hand!

Einigkeit und Recht und Freiheit  
Sind des Glückes Unterpfand.  
Blüh' im Glanze dieses Glückes  
Blühe, deutsches Vaterland!



## GOD BLESS AMERICA

God bless America, land that I love,  
Stand beside her and guide her  
Thru the night with a light from above.  
From the mountains, to the prairies,  
To the oceans, white with foam,  
God bless America, my home sweet home.  
God bless America, my home sweet home.