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The Mt Angel Chamber of Commerce announces the last great blast of winter. Wurstfest, a celebration of the mighty German (wurst) sausage takes place in the Festhalle, 500 S Wilco Hwy. on February 13 and 14, from 10 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. both days. General admission is \$5.00. \$10 with specialty stein or glass (limited availability). Young folk under 21 accompanied by an adult are admitted free.

Special events include Senior Day for those over 65 with special give-a-ways on Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Also on Friday before the austerity of Lent, a raucous celebration of Fasching (German Mardi Gras) takes place from 5 p.m. to closing with prizes for the best costume. On Saturday, Wurstfest will celebrate Valentine's Day with activities and specials. And earlier in the day, Race Northwest at [www.racenorthwest.com](http://www.racenorthwest.com) is sponsoring the Wurst 5 and 10 K Run & Walk starting at 10 a.m. Fees include the registration, course map, entry to Wurstfest, beer stein or mug and a complimentary beverage. So dust off your lederhosen, starch up your Bavarian dirndl, pack your Fasching costume, and running clothes and join the happy folk of Mt. Angel for a fun-filled two-day celebration of the Wurst.

For sale in the Festhalle: Area sausage makers - Mt. Angel Sausage, the Glockenspiel and the Urban German present fifteen varieties of the best of their wurst including bratwurst, currywurst, frickadelwurst, and many other variations garnished with sauerkraut, grilled onions and Monastery Mustards plus other great German dishes. Featured are the world famous Warsteiner beers from Germany and a special Wurstfest brew from Seven Brides. There will be an array of German and regional wines plus non-alcoholic beverages. Select cheeses, baked goods, chocolates, roasted nuts and other great delicacies round out the food offerings.

Non-stop music at Wurstfest features Oktoberfest favorites, the ZMusikmakers, Oregon Polka Beats, Bavarian Echoes and the European Take-Out Band. Dancing by our local dancing troupes, the Kleinstadtlers, Engelberg Dancers & very engaging Mt. Angel school children.

There is a Kindergarten corner starting Friday afternoon and all day Saturday featuring arts and crafts, soap carving, face-painting, balloon fun and more.

The Oregon Garden Resort in Silverton offers a Wurstfest Special \$149.00 Package - one night lodging, complimentary breakfast, entry to the Oregon Garden and two tickets to Wurstfest. Call (800) 966-6490 or book on-line.

Major sponsors for this event are Warsteiner Beers of Germany, Seven Brides Brewing of Silverton and Mt. Angel Sausage Company.

For more Wurstfest information, call 503.845.9440 or visit <http://www.mtangelwurstfest.com>.