

„Bei uns ist immer etwas los!“

## DEUTSCHE FEIERTAGE, FESTE, UND MESSEN

DER ERSTE TAG SOMMERS / FIRST DAY OF SUMMER  
(occurs between the 20<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> of Juni)

### 6 GERMAN WORDS YOU'LL NEED TO KNOW THIS SUMMER

#### 6. Sonnenwendfeier - summer solstice celebration



*A bonfire in Brandenburg in March 2017. Similar bonfires are built to celebrate the summer solstice.*

June 20<sup>th</sup> or 21<sup>st</sup> is the the longest day of the year, the summer solstice. Germans in the northern states of Schleswig-Holstein, Lower Saxony and Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania welcome it by enjoying a large bonfire.

The bonfire may be part of a *Volkfest* (fair), where sausages and beer among other items are on sale.