

# German-American Club of Tucson



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June-July 2009

## President's Corner

**L**iebe Mitglieder und Freunde  
(Dear Members and Friends)

Now that the "Hot Season" is upon us, I hope everyone enjoyed the great Tucson weather during the "cooler" time in the Old Pueblo.

Our last dance before the summer vacation, the "Blumentanz", was a success and everyone seemed to enjoy the music and dancing to the Ken Novak band. The success was also in no small part due to the efforts of the members who contributed food and raffle items and/or hands-on activities with hall setup/teardown, selling tickets, as well as preparing and distributing food. I would like to express my gratitude and say "Thank You" to all these contributing members (you know who you are). We will be able to enjoy these get-togethers as long as we have these volunteers who make things happen. Thanks again.

The picnic at Gina and Tom Crisp's ranch was a huge success even though we ran out of some beer and had to get more at a local liquor store (thanks, Tom). The weather was perfect and everyone had a great time. The steaks and sausages were excellent (thanks, cooks) as were all of the side dishes brought by the members. Again, I would like to thank everyone for their contributions and a special "Thank You" to Gina and Tom Crisp for their generosity for the use of their beautiful ranch.

Doug Van Dorpe organized the annual recognition brunch at the DMAFB for the incoming and outgoing Board of Directors and their significant others. Several members not part of the board also joined the group to enjoy the, as always, excellent food and companionship. Thanks, Doug, for your efforts.

The Board is planning a fun outing/picnic at Rose Canyon in the Catalina Mountains for June 14. If you haven't already signed up for the activity, please contact Hartmut Hausler or myself by no later than June 8 to be added to the list. We need to know the total number of attendees (presently 34 members have signed up) for the food purchases. The Club will supply all the meat and



condiments (please bring a side dish) and the leftover non-alcoholic beverages from the other picnic (remember: no alcohol allowed). However, you may want to bring some additional soft drinks as well as your place settings. As previously suggested, it would be best to car pool as much as possible. **YOU DO NOT HAVE TO STOP AND PAY THE \$5 PER CAR FEE AS LONG AS YOU GO DIRECTLY TO THE RAMADA AND MAKE NO STOPS EITHER GOING UP OR DOWN THE MOUNTAIN.**

Our annual Stammtisch get-together is scheduled for June 20 and will be at Mimi's Café located at the corner of Oracle and Wetmore. The dinner prices range from approximately \$8.00 to \$17.50 plus tax and gratuity. Please contact me to let me know that you will attend this activity. So far, only 30 members have signed up and I am sure that more members and guests want to attend. I need to know no later than June 8 the number of persons attending to ensure a sufficiently large room can be made available for this outing.

The membership breakfast is scheduled for July 11 at the Good Egg (NE corner of Grant and Swan). In prior years, there were two breakfasts: one for the ladies and one for the men. We combined this year's breakfast for both ladies and men. If, by popular demand, the ladies want to sit at their own table, I am sure that can be accommodated. Please contact Hartmut Hausler by July 3 so he can make the appropriate reservations.

And last, but not least, the annual Gaslight Theater is scheduled for August 22 at 7:00 PM. Please contact Hermann Kron as soon as possible if you wish to attend to ensure that you get tickets.

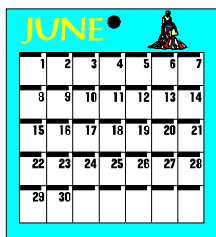
In conclusion, I want to wish everyone a pleasant and safe summer. I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the beginning of the next season with the membership meeting on August 19.

Wendell Heckeke, President

President	Wendell Hecke	299-8683
Vice President	Hartmut Hausler	299-5262
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Hermann Kron	2 yrs	790-8868
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Trudy Dauernheim	1 yr	290-5808
Aggie May	1 yr	885-7964
Ingrid Kron	1 yr	790-8868

Arno Tepper	11
Elfriede Amsden	12
Dorothy Tkachyk	13
Gerhard Strauss	16
Loni Degen	19
Trudy Dauernheim	20
Mickey Griffin	21
Rosemary Rasins	24
Guillermo Teran	25
Ilsa Teran	25
Robertta Rusk	26
Sonja Papoutsis	27
Cynthia Hermann	28

**Upcoming Club Activities**



- June 3, 7 pm, Special planning meeting for Oktoberfest
- June 14, 11 am, picnic at Rose Canyon Ramada #1
- June 20, 6 pm, Stammtisch Get-together at Mimi's Cafe
- July 11, 8:30 am, Membership Breakfast, The Good Egg, NE corner Grant and Swan
- Aug. 5, 7 pm, Board meeting
- Aug. 19, 7 pm, Membership meeting
- Aug. 22, 6:30 pm, **Gaslight Theater**
- Sep. 2, 7 pm, Board meeting
- Sep. 16, 6:30 pm, Membership meeting - **Potluck**
- Oct. 3, 5:30 pm, **Oktoberfest Dance - Tom Chesnut**
- Oct. 7, 7 pm, Board meeting
- Oct. 21 6:30 pm, Membership meeting-**Pizza night**
- Nov. 7, 5:30 pm, **Erntedankfest** Tanz- Ken Novak
- Nov. 11, 7 pm, Board meeting, plan Christmas party
- Nov. 18, 6:30 pm, Membership meeting-**Potluck**
- Dec. 2, 7 pm, Special board meeting to plan Fasching
- Dec. 6, 4 pm, Christmas party, O'Club

Also congratulations to those members celebrating birthdays in **July**



Dieter Mayer	02
Hermann Kron	03
Georgia Harding	05
Don Vogel	07
Walt Jennings	11
Calvin Sheets	11
Loretta Unger	13
Glen Marker	18
Aggie May	18
Richard Hoppe	21
Boyd Cable	23
Jim Graves	23
Steve Montano	25
Laurel Stickell	28
Anita Convery	30



Congratulations to members celebrating a birthday in **June**

John Papoutsis	02
Werner Hueppe	03
Karl-Heinz Koehler	05
John Hobrath	06
Elfriede Nichols	06



**Stammtisch**

The Club has reserved a location for our annual Stammtisch at 6 pm on June 20 at Mimi's Café, northeast corner of Oracle and Wetmore. We will be allowed to choose entrees from the menu. If you are planning to go, please call Wendell at 299-8683 as soon as possible.



**WELCOME to Brigitte and Gerhard Kaeser, Inge Larsen, Ulrike McIntyre and Steve Montano, who became new members in April.**

### MEMBER NEWS



Get well wishes to **Anna Bevez, Gladys Welty and Richard Leisure**, still recovering from a heart attack.



Our sincere thanks to everyone for your kind sympathy expressions on the passing of Erna's sister

Magdalena in Germany. Your thoughts, prayers, and friendship is very much appreciated. **Erna Hecke**le and family

Congratulations and best wishes to **Bobbi Rusk and George Gaumond** on their marriage on April 25. May you both have a long, healthy, happy life together.



Deepest condolences to **Heidi Fuhs** on the sudden death of her sister in Holland; and to the friends and family of **Lydia Ellis** on

her death on April 8; and to the friends and family of **Michael Mutlitz**, who passed away on May 10. Auf wiedersehen. May you rest in peace.

Happy Father's Day to all Dads, Granddads and Great Granddads on June 21.



### TO GRANDMOTHER'S HOUSE WE GO!

Need safe childcare? How about a grandparent? Some parents may think kids aren't as safe with grandparents as with other caregivers. They may think grandparents are out of touch with current safety practices. In a study of nearly 3,500 children followed from birth until age 30 to 33 months, however, kids cared for by grandparents often had lower injury rates than kids in other care settings. For example, kids were safer with grandparents than with other relatives or at a daycare center. All I can add is "kudos" to all grandparents.

Submitted by Erna Hecke



### REMEMBER TO FLY YOUR FLAG

- on FLAG DAY June 14, and
- on JULY 4, INDEPENDENCE DAY.

### Mini Vacation at the Sea

Some of the members of the German-American Club may be interested to experience a vacation in Puerto Penasco (Rocky Point) Mexico. You are invited to join a Mini Vacation with other German-American Club members and friends and spend some time at the beach.

Some information:

Location: Rocky Point, Mexico at the Paradise Villas Town Homes at the Playa Encanto (Beach).

Date: three nights from October 16, 2009 (Friday)-October 19, 2009 (Monday).

Cost: Approx. \$230 per night. Sleeps up to 8 people.

For more information and reservations for housing, call toll free 1-888-328-8491 or use the internet. Type Playa Encanto and enter. Go to the bottom of the page, and hit last search request. You will have 9 choices. Pick a unit and look at the pictures

information. Use the visual tour located under Picture. If you need more help, you may call **Hartmut Hausler** at 299-5262.

Special car insurance for Mexico is needed. Please get insurance before starting the trip. A USA passport is also needed to reenter the USA. After you have made arrangements, please call **Hartmut Hausler** at 299-5262 to go on the list to be called for more travel arrangements.

#### Property Description

Paradise Villas is a two-bedroom, two and one-half bath, two-story town home - - the master bedroom has a king bed, decorative fireplace, bath and terrace with ocean views. The other bedroom has two queen beds and bath. There is a fully-equipped kitchen, including a coffee maker, blender, toaster, and microwave. The living room has a queen sofa bed and a decorative fireplace. Other amenities include satellite TV, swimming pool, central heat and air conditioning, and CD player, Owner requests No Smoking Inside and No Pets. Sheets and one set of bath towels are provided. 2-night minimum during the week; 3-night minimum during weekends in March, April, May, and October and all holidays.

#### A PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS

Dear Lord,

We thank you for the lives and service of our men and women in the Armed Forces.

Strengthen them and give them guidance as they stand in harm's way to protect our nation and way of life. May they face each day of their service the same way Your Son Jesus did; with courage, dignity and faith. And if it be Your will, when their work is through, bring them safely home.

Lord, please also bless the families of our troops. Reward them generously, for their sacrifices are known only to You, while their loved ones are so far from home.

And may we never forget those who have paid the ultimate price for our freedom and safety; those who have died in the service of our country.

May they rest in peace forever with You in Your kingdom.

Amen

Submitted by Erna Heckeke

#### **ACHTUNG!**

Alles Touristen and Non-technischen Lookens Peepers!  
Das machine control is nicht fur Gerfingerpoken und Mittengrabben. Oderwise is easy Schnappen der Spriggenwerk, Blowenfuse, und Poppencorken mit Spitzensparken. Der Machine is Digger by Experten only. Is nicht fur Gerwerken by das Dumnkofen. Das Rubberneken Sightseenen Keepen das Cottenpicken Hands in das Pockets. So Relaxen und Watchen das Blinkenlight.