

German-American Club of Tucson



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President's Corner

Liebe Mitglieder und Freunde
Dear Members and Friends



Our Faschingstanz was a resounding success, thanks to all the volunteers, especially our cook **Bernie** and the kitchen staff, the members donating the food and raffle items and, last but not least, the persons who sold the tickets for attendance, food, and raffle. As always, the Norm Siess band also contributed to the excellent "Stimmung" and "Gemütlichkeit" at the dance.

While there were not many costumes, they were imaginative and the prizes were well deserved. The winners were:

Ladies: 1st place "Fat Ballerina" **Nelly Hobrath**
2nd place "Pirate" **Darlene Rietz**

Men: 1st place "Cleaning Lady" **Richard Hoppe**
2nd place "Hobo" **Hermann Kron**

Couples: 1st place "Belly Dancers" **Kathy Maxwell and Jeff**

2nd place "Hillbillies" **Ruth and Stefan**

Weiss

The one critique that needs to be addressed is attendees not playing by the rules. The serving of the meals, including cake, starts at 6:00 pm; quite a few attendees secured their cake well before this time. The procedure for getting cake will be changed; cake will be served at the same time as the rest of the meal.

Our next three get-togethers are the Frühlingstanz, the Kaffee Klatsch, and the April dance. This last dance (on April 10) will have a Hawaiian theme and everyone is encouraged to dress appropriately. Of course, all attendees will receive a "Lei" as they walk in and the food served will reflect the theme of the dance. If we all work together, this dance should be a lot of fun.

On March 17 the Club will have the annual elections for the Executive Board and three members of the Council. Please submit your nominations; any member can be nominated for any of the positions. **The Club desperately needs nominations/volunteer for the position of Recording Secretary.** I especially want to encourage newer members to participate in this election

process, volunteer for positions on the Board, and in general become more active in the management of the Club activities. The more members are active and lend a helping hand where needed the more successful the Club becomes.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the Frühlingstanz March 6.

Wendell Hecke, President

President	Wendell Hecke 299-8683	
Vice Pres	Hartmut Hausler 299-5262	
Treasurer	Doug VanDorpe 299-4290	
Recording Secretary	VACANT	
Corresponding Sec'y	Darlene Rietz	744-0789
Council Members:		
Hermann Kron	2 yrs	790-8868
Erna Hecke	2 yrs	299-8683
Doris Wack	2 yrs	825-2133
Trudy Dauernheim	1 yr	290-5808
Ingrid Kron	1 yr	790-8868
Aggie May	1 yr	885-7964

Upcoming Club Activities

March 6, 5:30 PM, Frühlingstanz - Leberkaese (Norm Siess)

March 10, 7 PM, board meeting

March 17, 6:30 PM, membership meeting - Pizza (election)

March 28, 2:00 PM, Kaffee Klatsch, Ramada 8, Udall Park
April 10, 5:30 PM, Hawaiian Blumentanz - Pork Roast (Ken Novak)

April 14, 7 PM, board meeting

April 21, 7 PM, membership meeting

April 24, 2 PM, annual picnic at Crisp Ranch

May 23, 11 am, Club Board Recognition Brunch, DM Officers' Club



Happy birthday to members celebrating a birthday in **March**



Vernon Gorter	02
Lucille Webb	02
Regina Crisp	09
Elfriede Bicknell	11
Monika Hueppe	12
Inge Lesko	13
Lydia Hopson	16
Albert Hartley	17
Joseph Ortenreiter	18
Lou Weidman	18
Sieglinde Bolus	19
Darlene Rietz	19
Trudy Kocher	21
Olga Streyar	23
Doris Wack	23
Irene Cable	26
Brigitte Kaeser	27
Bill Wilkinson	30
Ted Anderson	31
Robert Wedemeyer	31
Carmen Werth	31

Tom or Gina at 885-6833. We will be serving steak and brats. Please bring a dish to share, your own table service, silverware and chairs, as well as a table if you have one. Drinks will be furnished by the club. Attendance is free for members and children of members, but guests over 12 will pay a nominal fee of \$10.00. Guest children under age 6 will be free and from age 6-12 will pay \$5.00. We need to know how many steaks to buy so please call Jean at 546-6663 by April 19 or a sign-up sheet will be circulated at the membership meeting on March 17 so we know how many members and guests are attending.



We are so happy to welcome 3 new members who joined the club at our Faschings dance. They are **Margaret (Toni) Keck, Carmen and Harlan Werth. Connie Siepk** joined at the end of February.



Sincere condolences to **Richard Hoppe** and **Stefan Weiss** on the untimely death of Dick's beloved daughter and Stefan's wife **Ruth**

Hoppe Weiss, who passed away on Thursday, February 25. Arrangements are pending. May she rest in peace.

Blumentanz

Our Blumentanz will be on April 10 at the FOP at 3445 North Dodge Blvd. Food will be served by club members at 5:30 for only \$6.00 per plate. It will be a Hawaiian theme with food in that theme. Please call Jean Brett before April 5 at 546-6663 for food reservations. Ken Novak will be playing from 7:00 to 10:00 pm. Doors open at 5:30 pm. The entrance fee for paid up members will be \$6.00; non-paid up members and guests will pay \$8.00. This will be our last dance until Oktoberfest so let's all come and have a great time. See the attached flyer for further details.



Member News

We have heard **Arlie Kahl** is in St. Joseph's Hospital being treated by a pulmonary and cardiac physician. Also, **Anna Graves** is recovering from a heart attack and **Frank Hastings** will be undergoing heart surgery on March 1. Best wishes for a speedy recovery to these members.



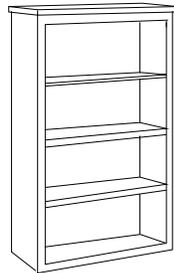
The club will recognize the members who serve on the board by hosting an appreciation brunch at DM Officers' Club on Sunday, May 23, at 11 am. Other members may also attend at a cost of \$18.85 per person including gratuity. If you wish to attend, you must mail your check payable to Trudy Dauernheim, 9600 E. Irene St., Tucson, AZ 85730-3006 so



Our annual picnic at **Tom and Gina Crisp's** home at 4231 South Pauline Lane is Saturday, April 24. If you need directions, please call

she receives it by May 14. If you do not have base privileges, your name must be put on an entrant list.

Many thanks to **Hartmut Hausler** for increasing the shelves on our bookcase so the books fit better. Great job, Hartmut.



does NOT need to bid on the cake. Subsequent bidders write their name and bid \$1.00 more than the previous bidder.

Example: Cherry Cake	Jane Dear (cake donator)	
	John Doe	\$1.00
	Joe Sixpack	\$2.00
	Susie Soccermom	\$3.00

The bidding starts at 2:00 pm and ends at 3:00 pm. After the bidding, the lucky winner of a cake takes possession of the cake and shares it with friends during the actual Coffee Klatsch.



Election of the new board on March 17

Even though everyone is busy, I urge all the members to attend the membership meeting on March 17 to elect the new board. **We especially need a recording secretary.** We need to ensure a quorum of members to be able to elect the board in a timely manner. Also, please be prepared to submit your input for potential candidates. Anyone can run for any office they choose; let the membership choose who they want on the board.

Everyone must bring their own table and chairs, dishes, eating utensils, etc. Please, no foam cups, plastic spoons or paper plates. A tablecloth would add a nice touch to the ambiance. Coffee, milk, and sugar to be provided by the Club.

Please call Hartmut Hausler at 299-5262 to sign up for this activity.

Kaffee Klatsch



We are adding a Coffee Klatsch to our 2010 activities. The date, time, and location are as follows:

- Date: Sunday, March 28, 2010
- Time: 2:00 pm (Ramada available all day, can come sooner and make a day of it)
- Place: Udall Park, Ramada 8 (southeast corner of Sabino Canyon Road and Tanque Verde Road)

Every member of the Club is invited to bake a cake which he or she brings to the gathering and donates to the Club. All cakes will be auctioned off to the highest bidder. The three cakes selling for the highest \$ amounts will get a prize. The prizes will be a blue ribbon and the money for which the cake sold.

Procedure: The cake provider writes his/her name and the name of the cake on a 3x5 card (cards to be supplied by the Club). Bidding starts at \$1.00; the cake provider

