

German-American Club of Tucson

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By: Darlene Rietz

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President's Corner



Liebe Mitglieder und Freunde
Dear Members and Friends

I hope you all had a great summer and are ready to participate in our Club's annual activities. Our first dance will feature our annual Oktoberfest fare and entertainment including a performance by Bill Faust's Folkdance Group. As always, please call Jean Brett at 546-6663 to reserve a meal if you intend to eat. The Club provides enough meals for the persons on the reservation list and cannot guarantee a meal if you are not on it. As always, we appreciate the people who clean up after themselves at the dances and keep in mind the FOP does not allow people to bring their own drinks.

For the November dance, the Club is engaging the "Sixties Garage Band". They play, as their name implies, songs from the 50's and 60's. So by all means, wear blue jeans, poodle skirts, and other 60's attire (if you still have any). The dinner will be theme appropriate; the flyer with the details about the dinner is attached.

The membership meeting on September 21 was attended by less than 20% of the members. This attendance is inadequate since this relatively small group of persons is requested to "volunteer" for all of the required tasks (setup, donate food and raffle items, cook, cleanup, etc.). Please attend the membership meetings so you can vote on the activities of the Club and, occasionally, volunteer for some tasks. Some of our members, especially newer ones, may not know that all of our dances and outings need many volunteers to make the events successful. We are always looking for volunteers who contribute with hands-on activities or with donations for the raffle or the dinner. These volunteers usually offer their services during the membership meetings. Occasionally, due to insufficient participation of members at these meetings, not enough volunteers can be found to support all of the activities which in turn require the already signed up persons to contribute even more. I urge

all of the members, and especially newer ones, to please come to the meetings so you can contribute to the success of all of our activities and to become part of the decision-making process for the direction of our Club.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the Oktoberfest on October 1

Wendell Heckeles, President

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Upcoming Club Activities

Oct 1, 5:30 pm, **Oktoberfest Dance**, FOP

Oct 5, 7 pm, Board Meeting

Oct 19, 6:30 pm, Membership Meeting,

Pizza Night

Nov 5, 5:30 pm, **Erntedankfest** - Sixties Garage Band

Nov 9, 7 pm, Board Meeting

Nov 16, 6:30 pm, Membership Meeting - **Potluck-Turkey**

Dec 7, 7 pm, Board Meeting

Dec 11, 4 pm, Christmas party, DM O'Club

Jan. 4, 7 pm, Board Meeting

Jan. 18, 7 pm, Membership Meeting



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

Bianca Kahn	03
Inge Reece	03
Shirley Springborn	03
Nancy Bannister	09
Rebecca Mullins	14
Truman Cooper	21
Frank Ohlig	25
Frank Buehler	27
Joyce Buehler	27
Ed Kocher	29



Get well wishes for a speedy recovery to **Fil Baca and Louis Dauernheim.**

I want to thank the wonderful friends who supported me during my surgery and rehabilitation after my hip replacement. Thanks to Ingrid and Doug van Dorpe, Erna Heckeke, Sonja Papoutsis, Gina and Tom Crisp, Hermann and Ingrid Kron, Hans and Erika Eckhardt and, last but not least, Aggie May, who even came to bring me to the hospital appointments.




Inge Larsen



ERNTE-DANKFEST (Harvest Dance)

Be sure to mark your calendar for our Club's Erntedankfest

50's-60's dance on November 5 at the FOP. Doors will be open at 5:30 pm. Dinner will be served by club members from 6:00 to 7:00 pm. Meal will be barbecue beef on a roll with pickle, cowboy beans, salad, cake and coffee for \$7.00. Cake and coffee only, \$2.00. Sixties Garage Band will be playing for your listening and dancing pleasure. See attached flyer. Wear your poodle skirts and saddle shoes and bring your friends for a fun evening.



Hermann Kron is beginning to prepare the program for our annual Christmas party at DM O'Club on December 11. Please let him know as soon as possible if you have a reading or song you'd like to sing. Don't be shy! Volunteer just for fun.



Important Information about the Christmas Party!

1. Every member **MUST** submit a check in the amount of \$30.00 per person (\$25.00 for guests) to Doug. As in prior years, \$20.00 of this amount is refundable and may apply to the member dues for the next year if you desire; the other \$10.00 is non-refundable and helps to defray the cost of the party expenses. Members who sign up and fail to attend will forfeit these \$10.00; guests who fail to attend forfeit their \$25. No exceptions (the Club gets charged for the number of persons who signed up)!
2. All guests, including children, will pay \$25 for their dinner. The restaurant charges the Club the same for adults and children.

REMINDER

Our annual Oktoberfest is Saturday, October 1. Doors open at 5:30 pm with dinner served from 6:00 to 7:00. Music and dancing follow from 7:00 to 10:00. The meal will be one brat, sauerkraut, potato salad, roll, dessert and coffee for \$7.00 or 2 brats, sauerkraut, potato salad, roll, dessert and coffee for \$8.00. **The deadline to call Jean Brett if you plan to eat was September 25.** Entry cost is \$6.00 for club members; \$8.00 for guests.

3. A cash bar will be open for two hours (4:30-6:30); however, no drink tickets will be handed out.

Other changes to the Christmas Party procedure are as follows:

The procedure for accessing the Air Force Base has changed due to a Defense Department directive. Attendees at the Christmas Party, who presently DO NOT have access privileges to the base and want Doug van Dorpe to be their sponsor, must submit the following information to Doug:

1. Provide your date of birth
2. Provide your Social Security number
3. Submit a \$30 check (to the order of GACT) for each member attending the party (\$25 for guests)

This information must be submitted to Doug in a timely manner to ensure he receives it no later than November 25 at the following address:

Doug Van Dorpe
3811 N Camino Blanco
Tucson, AZ 85718-7237

Anyone who has a sponsor other than Doug is responsible for ensuring that the pertinent information required for access to the base is submitted to whoever needs it.



Attention

Important - Attention!

The Club is considering to have a New Year's party (not a Club-sponsored activity) at the FOP if enough members and their friends are interested. The plan is as follows:

1. The party would be at the Fraternal Order of Police hall and start at about 7:00 pm and end about 1:00 am
2. Music would be supplied via CDs.
3. Several ladies would form a committee and decide on the dinner choices, including hors d'oeuvres, main course, dessert and coffee and, of course, decorations.
4. The hors d'oeuvres would be purchased by the committee, the dinner selections would be catered by the committee's choice of restaurant.

5. A group of volunteers would set up the hall for the party and store the Club's items at the end of the party.

The cost per person would probably be about \$25 (\$340 for the hall rental plus food and hors d'oeuvres) if we have approximately 50 attendees.

Please contact me by October 16 at 299-8683 to let me know if you wish to attend. Also, any ladies interested in being on the dinner committee need to let me know at the same time. If enough persons (at least 40) have committed to the party by October 16, I will reserve the hall and ask for volunteers for the committee. If not enough persons commit to attend, we will scratch this idea. So please, do not procrastinate! If interested, contact me by the given deadline so we can have a great party and enjoy an evening with friends.

Wendell Heckeke

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Submitted by Jean Brett

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

