### German-American Club of Tucson





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By: Darlene Rietz May-June 2012

President's Corner



iebe Mitglieder und Freunde Dear Members and Friends Erna and I could not attend this year's picnic at Reid Park since we were traveling to Florida to spend some time with relatives from Germany and do some sightseeing on the way (by the way, we both loved San Antonio's River Walk at the Alamo in Texas and the Animal Park in Homosassa, Florida). However, I understand that the 38 members and 3 guests thoroughly enjoyed the "good times, good friends, and good fellowship" of the get-together even though some attendees were expecting a greater selection of drinks. Even the weather was perfect (I know as we were driving home on Saturday afternoon). I do want to thank all of the volunteers who worked so hard to ensure that the picnic was a success (You know who you are).

The annual recognition brunch, scheduled for May 12 at 11:30 am, will be at the Tanque Verde Guest Ranch. All board members and alternates and their spouses will be guests of the Club to thank them for their hard work and their contribution to the success of the Club. All other members are welcome to join the event, but must contact Wendell no later than May 5 so he can make reservations for the correct number of attendees at the get-together. If you don't contact Wendell, you are on your own. The cost of the brunch is \$18.00 per person. This amount must be paid to Wendell at his address (1730 E. Calle de la Culebra, Tucson, AZ 85718) May 5 since, once the final attendee count has been submitted to the guest ranch, the Club will be charged whether someone attends or not.

This year's picnic at Rose Canyon (Catalina Mountains) is scheduled for June 10. If you haven't already signed up for the activity, please contact me at 299-8683 no later than June 3 to be added to the list. We need to know the total number of attendees for the food purchases. This picnic is basically a "potluck" with the Club supplying the meat and the leftover non-alcoholic beverages from the Reid Park picnic (remember: no alcohol allowed). Please bring your own paper plates and

utensils since the Club does not furnish those. Also, bring some additional soft drinks or water since our leftover supply is somewhat limited.

### Please be aware of a few changes about the Rose Canyon picnic:

- Any guests over 12 years of age will be required to contribute \$5.00 towards defraying the cost of the picnic expenses.
- Car pooling is strongly recommended; the Club will not reimburse the fees for cars once the allowable limit of 15 cars is reached. Once the 15 car limit is reached, the driver will be required to pay the \$8.00 park fee.
- Any guest driving his or her car will not be counted towards the 15 car limit; the guest will be required to pay the \$8.00 fee.

The membership breakfast is scheduled for July 7 at The Good Egg (NE corner of Grant and Swan). Please contact Hartmut Hausler by July 2 so he can make the appropriate reservations.

Our annual Stammtisch get-together is scheduled for July 21 and will be at El Corral on River Road at 6:00 pm. The dinner prices range from approximately \$14.00 to \$23.00 including tax and gratuity. Please contact me (299-8683) to advise if you will attend this activity. I need to know no later than July 14 the number of persons attending to ensure a sufficiently large room can be made available for this outing.

And last but not least, the annual Gas Light Theater is scheduled for Friday, August 17. The theme of the play is "Back to the Past" and the cost for seniors is \$17.40. The doors open at 5:15 pm; please be there in a timely fashion to enable the group to go into the theater together. Please contact Hermann Kron as soon as possible if you want to attend to ensure getting tickets, which are limited to 28.

In conclusion, I want to wish everyone a pleasant and safe summer. I look forward to seeing all of you at the beginning of the next season.

Wendell Heckele, President

#### **Upcoming Club Activities**

May 12, 11:30 am, Board of Directors Recognition Brunch at Tanque Verde Guest Ranch June 6, 7 pm, Special Planning Meeting for Oktfest



June 10, 11 am, Picnic at Rose Canyon Ramada #1

July 7, 8:30 am, Membership Breakfast, The Good Egg, NE corner Grant and Swan July 21, 6 pm, Stammtisch Get-together, El Corral



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

Erika Eckhardt	02
Gisela Ohlig	06
Anna Schwarz	09
Marshall Nichols	12
Jerry Mullins	16
Christa Schrubbe	17
Filiberto Baca	22
Frank Gallant	24
Wendell Heckele	24
Fritz Fauser	25
Bobbie Gaumond	26
Evelyn Kubis	27
Marie Ortenreiter	27
Marlene Hilligoss	28

Also congratulations to those members celebrating birthdays in



John Papoutsis	02
Werner Hueppe	03
Karl-Heinz Koehler	05
John Hobrath	06
Elfriede Nichols	06
Susan Donnelly	11
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
Sonja Papoutsis	27



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New Member



We want to wish a warm welcome to **Rosemary Lacy**, who joined the Club in April.

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Get well wishes to Carl Unger, Marie Ortenreiter, Milo Loeffler, Roger Taylor and Louis Dauernheim. Also to Heidy Fuhs, who is having knee surgery on May 14. We are thinking of you during your health concerns.

The Club's fourth annual picnic at Rose Canyon Ramada #1 will be on Sunday, June 10, starting at 11 am. The Club will furnish fried chicken and hot dogs. Please bring a side dish, chairs,



tables, tablecloths and your own eating dishes, utensils and beverages. You might also want to bring cards, board games and/or frisbees, etc. If you bring alcoholic beverages, do so at your own risk. It would be helpful if members could carpool as much as possible as there is limited parking. Those arriving after 15 cars must pay \$8.00 per car to park. The Rose Canyon turnoff is approximately half way up the Mt. Lemmon Highway. The turnoff is marked and our ramada is the first one on the left as you enter.



The annual Stmmtisch will be 6:00 pm on July 21 at El Corral on River Road, just east of Campbell. Please advise Wendell if you plan to attend.



Happy Mother's day to all Mothers and Grandmothers on May 13 and Happy Father's Day to all Dads and Granddads on June 17.



Remember to fly your flag on Memorial Day May 28 and on Flag Day June 14.





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