

German-American Club of Tucson



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By: Darlene Rietz

April-May 2013

President's Corner

Liebe Mitglieder und Freunde
Dear Members and Friends
Thank you for your continued vote of confidence and support in electing me president of the GACT. A special "Thank You" goes to Sulfa Brauner and Sonja Papoutsis, who have graciously agreed to be members of the Board of Directors, and to all of the other board members for their support and commitment without which the Club could not continue to thrive. Thanks all!



The Frühlingstanz was successful, thanks to all the hard work by the volunteers and the music by Norm Siess. A special "Thank you" to **Hartmut Hausler** for picking up the Leberkaese in Phoenix and to **Bernie Schulz** for preparing the meals for all the guests. And, of course, a big thanks to all the volunteers who helped in making the dance a success.

The Kaffee Klatsch was attended by a total of 16 members. Even though the 16 attendees enjoyed their time with friends, it was decided that there will be NO MORE kaffee klatsches due to the low attendance.

For this year's Blumentanz we will have Inge Larsen provide the music for dancing. Inge has provided excellent entertainment at other clubs frequented by Club members. Also, as a special treat for the attendees, we have contracted the Polynesian Dancers to perform during the 8:00 pm intermission. These dancers will be adding a nice touch to the Hawaiian-themed dance.

As in prior years, **Gina and Tom Crisp** have graciously agreed to host this year's picnic (April 27) at their beautiful ranch. For their generosity, I would like to thank Gina and Tom in the name of the club. The main dish provided by the Club will be "weisse Bratwuerste" which will be purchased from the butcher in Phoenix. As always, the Club will also provide wine, beer, soft drinks, and water. Members, please bring a side dish to share as well as your own plates and cutlery, tables and chairs if you have them. Gina and Tom cannot accommodate all members with those items. Please make sure you contact Jean Brett at 546-6663 if you are planning to attend so the proper quantity of food and drink can be purchased. Also,

as with Leberkaese, members who want some of these brats for their home use will be able to order them through Hartmut at 299-5262 no later than April 13.

The annual recognition dinner, scheduled for May 25, will be at Chad's at 3001 N. Swan Road. All board members and their significant others will be guests of the Club to thank them for their hard work and contribution to the success of the Club. All other members are also welcome to join the recognition dinner, but must contact Wendell so he can make reservations for the correct number of attendees at the get-together. More about this event is on page 2 of this Newsletter.

In conclusion, I want to, again, thank everyone for their vote of confidence and to ask for your continued support to ensure that we can enjoy German traditions and mingling with friends for many years to come.

Wendell Heckeke, President

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Upcoming Club Activities

April 6, 5:30 pm, Hawaiian Blumentanz, Inge Larsen entertaining

April 10, 7 pm, Board meeting

April 17, 7 pm, Membership meeting



April 27, 2 pm, picnic at Crisp's ranch, 4231 S. Pauline Lane
 May 25, 6 pm, Membership Recognition Dinner at Chad's, Swan & Ft. Lowell
 June 5, 7 pm, Special Planning Meeting for Oktfest
 June 8, 6 pm, Stammtisch Get-together, El Corral, River & Campbell
 July 6, 8:30 am, Membership Breakfast, The Good Egg, NE corner Grant and Swan

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



Cynthia Cooper	02
Erna Hecke	09
Aiga Loeffler	14
Ronald Brauner	18
Josephine Boehm	19
Sulfa Brauner	20
Gabriella Becker	25
Elizabeth Minarik	26



Also to members celebrating in **May**

Erika Eckhardt	02
Gisela Ohlig	06
Anna Schwarz	09
Marshall Nichols	12
Jerry Mullins	16
Christa Schrubbe	17
Filiberto Baca	22
Wendell Hecke	24
Fritz Fauser	25
Evelyn Kubis	27
Marie Ortenreiter	27
Marlene Hillgoss	28

Picnic

April 27 is the date for our annual picnic at the Crisp ranch. It will start at 2:00 p.m. Bring a dish to share and tables and chairs, if you have them. White bratwurst and drinks will be furnished. We need to know approximately how many brats to buy so please call Jean by April 13 at 546-6663 if you have not already signed up. Come on out to the picnic and enjoy a little Gemütlichkeit with all your friends at the Club. There is no charge for members and their minor children; guest children under 12 pay \$5.00 and over age 12 is \$10.00. The Crisp ranch address is 4231 South Pauline Lane. Directions are: From Golf Links, go south on Harrison, over the Pantano Wash and turn left on Millmar, left again on Pauline Lane. Drive past the house on the right at the end of the road where you'll find plenty of parking in the rear. Please check in with Aggie May on your arrival to get your name tag. We ask that you please not start eating until the brats are done.



Member News



Thinking of you as you face your health challenges: **Anna Bevez, Louis Dauernheim, Erika Eckstrom, Frank Hastings, Shirley Springborn and Carl Unger.**

Recognition Dinner at Chad's



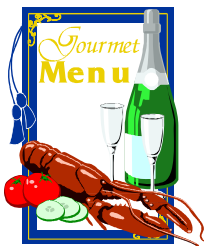
The choice of dinner for the Board will be Prime Rib, Pork Ribs, Chicken Breast, or a Ribeye Steak and will include Chad's Special Dinner Salad with choice of homemade dressings, fresh baked breads and cowboy beans and your choice of baked potato, sweet potato, french fries or rice. All

attendees who are not Board members can either order from the same menu at a cost of \$26.00 including tax and gratuity or order from Chad's regular menu at a cost between \$16.00 to \$25.00 PLUS tax and 18% gratuity. Anyone planning to attend this recognition dinner must contact Wendell no later than May 18 to ensure that a large enough room will be provided. Also, anyone planning to order from the special Board menu must also supply Wendell with their choice to ensure

that the restaurant does not run out of a desired selection.

The annual Stammtisch is scheduled for June 8 at 6 pm at El Corral, River & Campbell.

Wendell will make arrangements for the get-together; however, he needs your commitment **NO LATER THAN June 1** to have a head count of attendees to make the reservation. Anyone contacting him after that date is not guaranteed a seat in the room.



Thanks for your contributions

For any club to continue to prosper and be successful, the help of many volunteers is required. The following members deserve a big “THANK YOU” for their contributions with either hands-on activity, donations to the Club, or both at the “Frühlingstanz”.

Erna Hecke	Jean Brett
Richard Hoppe	Anna Graves
Aggie May	Waltraut & Hartmut Hausler
Darlene Rietz	Nelly & John Hobrath
Roger Taylor	Ingrid & Hermann Kron
Doris & Greg Wack	Jerry Mullins
Werner Hueppe	Marcelina Gorter
Inge Tepper	Bernie Schulz
Brigitte Kaeser	Doug Van Dorpe
Trudy Varga	Charlotte Griffin
Sonja Papoutsis	Christa Schrubbe
Olga Claassen	Maria & Josef Ortenreiter
Gabriella Becker	Sulfa Brauner
Inge Larsen	Aiga Loeffler
Trudy Dauernheim	Inge Fauser

I realize that several other members also may have made contributions even though they were not on my list of volunteers. I apologize for any omissions and thank those contributors as well. Please, in the future, let me know about your contribution so I can properly thank you in the name of the Club for your contribution.

Unsung Hero!

Many of our members may not know about some of the work involved in keeping the Club running smoothly since that work is accomplished by Board members behind the scenes. One of these unsung heroes is our Web Master **Tom Crisp**. He collects Club information and ensures that this latest information about and for the Club is added to the Club’s Web Page shown on Page 1 of the newsletter.

Thanks to Tom’s efforts, anyone (members and non-members alike) can get all the information about the Club they want or need. If you have a computer, please check out the Web Page and thank Tom for his efforts. I am frequently contacted by persons who find the Web Page and want to know more about our Club. Thanks, Tom, for your efforts and help.

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A Motorist received a receipt from the police clerk for his traffic fine. “Oh, come on,” he complained. “What am I supposed to do with this?” “Keep it,” the clerk replied. “When you collect four, you get a bicycle.”

Submitted by Ingrid Kron

Happy Easter on March 31



Happy Mother's Day on May 12



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