

# German-American Club of Tucson



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## President's Corner

Liebe Mitglieder und Freunde  
September  
Dear Members and Friends

I hope all of you had as great a summer as Erna and I did! Not only did we get to spend 36 days in Europe, but we became grandparents to twins in July.

This year's Oktoberfest will feature the same dinner as last year (Johnsonville brats) and the music will be provided by the Ken Novak Band. The entertainment during the intermissions will require attendee participation. So, please, when Hermann Kron, our vice president and entertainment chairperson, asks for volunteer participants, do not be shy; this type of entertainment is always fun for everyone. 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 people on the reservation list and cannot guarantee a meal if you are not on it.

In order to try to increase the attendance at the Oktoberfest, the Board has decided to provide incentives for members to bring guests. Every member who brings one or more guests to the Oktoberfest will have his or her entrance fee reduced to \$3.00.

Example: Mr. And Mrs. Member bring one guest - the fee for them is \$9.00; if they bring two or more guests, their combined fee is \$6.00. In either case, their guests pay \$8.00 each. If they bring more than two guests (would be great), their fee is still \$3.00 each.

The "Stammtisch" get-together at the El Corral restaurant was attended by 24 members and 2 guests. The Board decided last year that, since the membership seems to enjoy these outings, we will continue to have two or three Stammtisch get-togethers annually. Our next Stammtisch is scheduled for October 19 at a restaurant of the members' choice. Please feel free to recommend your favorite restaurant for consideration.

Please mark your calendars for the next membership meeting which is September 18. It will be a potluck with the Club furnishing the main dish (ham). We need more members attending to ensure that we have a large enough

volunteer pool for all the required tasks (setup, donate food and raffle items, cook, cleanup, etc.) at the Oktoberfest.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the September membership meeting on the 18th and Oktoberfest on September 28.

Wendell Heckeles, president.

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## Upcoming Club Activities

Sep. 4, 7 pm, Board meeting

Sep. 18, 6:30 pm, Membership meeting - **Potluck-Ham**

Sep. 28, 5:30 pm, **Oktoberfest Dance - Ken Novak**

Oct. 2, 7 pm, Board meeting

Oct. 16, 6:30 pm, Membership meeting - **Pizza night**

Oct. 19, 6 pm, Stammtisch, location TBA

Nov. 2, 5:30 pm, **Erntedankfest** Tanz- Sixties Garage Band

Nov. 6, 7 pm, Board meeting, plan Christmas party

Nov. 20, 6:30 pm, Membership meeting-**Potluck Turkey**

Nov. 23, 6:00 pm, **Gaslight Theater Christmas Show**


Dec. 4, 7 pm, Special board meeting to plan Faschingstanz

Dec. 15, 4 pm, Christmas party, O'Club



Dec.31, TBA, New Year's Party - Not a Club sponsored function

Kaden, on July 29. We hope they will be healthy and strong members of the German Club.

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

Marcelina Gorter	03
Anna Graves	03
Patricia Rafferty	03
Gregor Wack	04
Donald Reece	10
Trudy Varga	10
Eleanor Volz	12
Myron Streyar	13
Ilse Fendt	18
Norman Hanniger	18
Liane Gregg	19
Earl Webb	19
Bernd Schulz	22
Gerd Weber	27
Anna Bevz	29

**SICK LIST:**

Thinking of these members as they face their health challenges: **Anna Bevz, Louis Dauernheim, Shirley Springborn, Carl Unger and Greg Wack.**



Our sincere condolences to **Lilian Kling's** family and friends on the death of **Heinrich Kling** on July 8 at the age of 77; and

to the friends of former members **Erna Schabinger** on her passing on July 22 at the age of 85 and **Ilse Koehler** who passed on August 11 at the age of 91. A memorial service for Ilse is planned for September 5 at 10:30 a.m. at the New Spirit Lutheran Church, 8701 E. Old Spanish Trail. Auf wiedersehen. May they rest in peace.

**OKTOBERFEST**



Our Oktoberfest will be Saturday, September 28, at FOP. Doors open at 5:30 pm, dinner of brats, German potato salad, sauerkraut, roll with butter and coffee and cake will be served from 6 to 7 pm. Music by Ken Novak will play for your dancing and listening pleasure from 6:30 to 10:30 pm. See the attached flyer. Bring your friends for a truly fun evening.



**HEAR YE! HEAR YE!**

Congratulations to first-time grandparents **Erna and Wendell Hecke** and to new parents **Kati Wilson and Mark Hecke** on the birth of twins, boy named Keegan and girl named

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