



German-American Club of Tucson

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By: Darlene Rietz/Monica Johnson

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President's Corner



Liebe Mitglieder und Freunde
Dear Members and Friends

I hope all of you had an enjoyable summer; Erna and I certainly did. We took an informative sightseeing trip to the New England states and an enjoyable and relaxing trip to Lake Vallecito in Colorado. Now that we are relaxed, we are ready for the more normal life of supporting the GACT activities; hopefully, most of you will join me in supporting the Club to ensure that we can continue to enjoy all these activities for at least a few more years.

The Stammtisch on June 9 at the Claim Jumper Restaurant on Broadway was attended by 34 members and guests. I was pleased to see so many participants at this "Stammtisch" which enabled our members to get to know each other better. For me, personally, it is always a pleasure to get together with friends without the concerns of a dance (no responsibility) and just enjoy the companionship.

The membership breakfast on July 7 at the First Watch restaurant was attended by 29 members. These breakfast get-togethers give the members who do not drive at night a chance to join the group and chat with their friends. A big "Thank You" to Hartmut Hausler for arranging this annual activity; hopefully, we will continue to have this event for many years to come.

This year's Oktoberfest on October 6 will feature the same dinner as last year - Johnsonville Brats with the customary side dishes. Anyone planning to partake in this customary Oktoberfest fare must contact Wendell Heckeke at 299-8683 or wheckele@comcast.net no later than September 30 to reserve a meal. The music will be provided by Peter Kron who will play Oktoberfest music from his extensive repertoire from 7:00 to 10:00 pm. Of course, there will also be the raffles for prizes and money. I am very happy to inform you that Karen and Bill Faust have committed to perform folkdances with their dance group during the 8:00 o'clock intermission. Their performance is always a highlight of the Oktoberfest activities for members and guests alike.

I have previously sent out an email advising members of a planned outing to an Oktoberfest in the Phoenix area. Renate Ramirez (Tel 1-660-864-4091) is making reservations for attending the Oktoberfest of the German Air Force. The deadline for contacting AND submitting the fee for the reservation is September 16. Please contact Renate as soon as possible; there are only a limited number of tickets. See page 2 for additional information.

For the Erntedankfest in November the fare will be Beef Rouladen with Red Cabbage and Spaetzle as a special treat for the attendees. Of course, there will also be cake and coffee for the diners. More about the meal for the Erntedankfest in the next Newsletter.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the membership meeting on September 19 and the Oktoberfest on October 6.

Wendell Heckeke, President

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Upcoming Club Activities

Sep. 5, 6:30 pm, Board meeting

Sep. 19, 6:30 pm, Membership meeting, potluck (ham)

Oct. 6, 5 pm, **Oktoberfest**, Peter Kron

Oct. 10, 6:30 pm, Board meeting

Oct 17, 6:30 pm, Membership meeting - Pizza Night

Oct. 20, 6:00 pm, Stammtisch, TBD

Nov. 3, 5:00 pm, **Erntedankfest**, Peter Kron – Rouladen



Nov. 6:30 pm, Board meeting, plan Christmas party
 Dec. 8, 4 pm, Christmas party, DM O'Club



Congratulations to those members celebrating birthdays in September

Marcelina Gorter	03
Mike Paris	03
Lieselotte Gandolfi	11
Marianne Paris	12
Eleanor Volz	12
Edita Tomory	14
Emmett Arnold	19
Liane Gregg	19
Earl Webb	19
Bernd Schulz	22
Maria Kristofl	26
Gerd Weber	27

OKTOBERFEST 2018

Our annual Oktoberfest will be October 6 at the FOP, 3445 North Dodge Blvd. Doors open at 5:00 pm with dinner served from 5:30 to 6:30. Music and dancing follow by Peter Kron 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. You must call **Wendell Hecke** (299-8683) before September 30 to make your reservation for a meal. Admission to the dance is \$6.00 for club members; \$8.00 for guests. (See attached flyer for more info.)



Oktoberfest of the German Air Force will be held at 1658 S. Litchfield Rd., Goodyear, AZ 85338.



Luftwaffe

Members of the GACT Board are inviting all members to join them in a trip to Goodyear Airport close to Phoenix to attend the annual Oktoberfest of the German Air Force. The members will be carpooling to the event and hotel accommodations will be reserved for anyone who wants to stay overnight (the festivities end at 12 midnight).

The Air Force is contracting the Bavaria Oktoberfest Band "Handgschabt" for this event. Tickets to the event are \$69.00 per person and include the entry fee, a 1 liter Beer stein to keep (the first 2 beers are free), a T-shirt, all you can drink soft drinks and water, and all you can eat Bavarian Food. Anyone eager to attend this authentic Bavarian Oktoberfest must contact Renate Ramirez (1-660-864-4091) by September 16 to reserve a ticket and to arrange for hotel accommodations for the night (hotel fee is NOT included in the \$69.00 fee). It is recommended that interested persons arrange their transportation as either passengers or drivers. Please contact Renate for additional info.

Attendees who want to take this opportunity to purchase meat products from the German Sausage Co. in Phoenix (4900 E. Indian School Road, phone 603-840-6032) are advised that the store closes at 4:00 pm and preordering their intended purchases would reduce waiting times.



Thinking of you as you face your health challenges: **Mike Bevez, Mert Harshman, Shirley Springborn, and Arno Tepper.** Also best wishes to **Monica Johnson** for a speedy recuperation from back surgery on September 12. Please inform a board member of any members that are ill.





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