



German-American Club of Tucson

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President's Corner

Liebe Mitglieder und Freunde,
Dear Members and Friends,



As all of you know by now, we have lost our home at the FOP. The new manager, Marcia Durns, tripled our rental fee (\$300.00 to \$900.00) by charging us by the hour for usage. I never heard of this kind of rental agreement for a hall. The GACT cannot afford this high a fee without repercussions to all the fees for our members. Needless to say, there will be changes in our organizational structure so I urge you to keep informed via the Newsletter since some of the changes will take several months to implement. I had asked for members to try to support our search for a new home. Sadly, only a few members came up with some suggestions. I do thank all of you who took the time to find a potential new home for the GACT—Crisp, Fejfar, Hocheder, M. and P. Kron, Kubis, Larson, Stroud, and Toohey. Thanks to the individuals mentioned above, the Board has found a venue that will become our new home; hopefully for many years to come. The new venue info is as follows:

Unitarian Universalist Church of Tucson, 4831 E. 22nd Street

It has a dancehall, kitchen, covered patio, ample parking, is centrally located, and priced within our budget.

I need to stress again that there will be additional changes and you need to stay abreast of those changes by reading your Newsletter.

The number of attendees at the picnic at Gina and Tom Crisp's ranch was considerably less than last year - 56 members and 8 guests (Last year 58 members and 27 guests). The venue was, as always, great, the weather was perfect and

everyone appeared to have a great time. The sausages were excellent (thanks Bernie and Gerald for cooking) as were all of the side dishes brought by the members. Peter Kron entertaining the attendees with music and songs added an extra pleasant touch to the affair. Again, thanks to everyone for your contributions and a very special "Thank You" to Gina and Tom Crisp for their generosity and the use of their beautiful ranch.

The annual recognition dinner was held at the El Corral restaurant at 2201 E. River Road and was attended by 12 members of the Board of Directors, 6 directors' significant others, and 9 additional members who also expressed their gratitude to the Directors. This outing gave me the opportunity to thank all members of the Board and their spouses for all they do for the Club. Let's face it, without their dedication, the Club would have ceased to exist years ago. Again, a big "Thank You" to all of you for your contributions to the Club.

The next "Stammtisch" get-together is scheduled for June 15 at the Claim Jumper restaurant at 3761 E. Broadway. All members and any guests are welcome to attend this get-together which gives us a chance to get to know each other better – a good thing since we do have several new members. The dinner prices range from approximately \$10.00 to \$36.00 plus tax and gratuity. Please contact me to let me know if you want to attend this activity by no later than June 9 to ensure a sufficiently large area can be made available for this outing.

So far only 15 members have signed up and I am sure that more members and guests will want to attend. Since I will be on vacation during some of the time between now and the "Stammtisch" date, make sure you leave either a phone or an email message for me reserving your spot.

The membership breakfast is scheduled for July 6 at 8:30 AM at the First Watch restaurant at

4775 East Grant Road (NE corner of Grant and Swan). Please, let Hartmut know if you are planning to attend.

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 Heckeles, President



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

Gerald Lachenschmid	06
George Roach	06
Joseph Toohy	09
Jerry Mullins	16
Christa Schrubbe	17
Tom Wulff	17
Monica Johnson	19
Inge Larsen	20
Monica Hill	22
Wendell Heckeles	24
Evelyn Kubis	27
Marie Ortenreiter	27

Upcoming Club Activities

- June 15, 6 PM, Stammtisch, Claim Jumper, 3761 E. Broadway
- July 6, 8:30 AM, Membership breakfast, First Watch, Grant & Swan Roads
- Sept. 4, 6:30 PM, board meeting, 3455 N. First Ave.
- Sept. 18, 6:30 PM, Membership Meeting, 3455 N. First Ave.
- Oct. 12, 5 PM, Oktoberfest, Peter Kron, Bratwurst, UU Church, 4831 E. 22nd St.
- Oct. 16, 6:30 PM, board & membership meeting, 3455 N. First Ave.
- Oct. 19, 6 PM, Stammtisch, TBD, all welcome
- Nov. 16, 5 PM, Erntedankfest, Peter Kron, UU Church, Rouladen, Red Cabbage & Spätzle
- Nov. 20, 6:30 PM, board meeting, 3455 N. First Ave.
- Dec. 6, 4 PM, Christmas party, D-M Ironwood Club
- Dec. 31, TBD, New Year's Eve, Crisp Ranch



Also congratulations to those members celebrating birthdays in **June**



John Papoutsis	02
Werner Hueppe	03
John Hobrath	06
Elfriede Amsden	12
Gisela Aaron	13
Dianne Burgess	16
Jeffrey Martensen	18
Trudy Dauernheim	20
Louie Stroud	23
Guillermo Teran	25
Ilsa Teran	25
Michael Kud-Kudijaroff	26
Sonja Papoutsis	27

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And also a very happy birthday to members celebrating in **July**

Hermann Kron	03
Thomas Dowell	09
Erika Campbell	13
Loretta Unger	13
Renate Ramirez	16
Aggie May	18

Meredith (Mert) Harshman	21
Richard Hoppe	21
Larry McGarry	22
Carol Toohey	29

The Club wishes to welcome new members, **Christina and Karl Kirner**, who joined in April.



What the heck is a Stammtisch?

A Stammtisch (German for "regular" table) is an informal group meeting held on a regular basis. The word also refers to the usually large, often round table around which the group meets. A Stammtisch is not a structured meeting, but rather a friendly get-together. Traditionally, the meeting table is marked with a somewhat elaborate sign reserving it for regulars. In Germany, a long time ago, the Stammtisch was reserved for the most important people in town: mayor, doctor, teacher, wealthy farmer, etc. Today, a Stammtisch is all about community, closeness, and common interests - getting to know each other and enjoying each other's company.

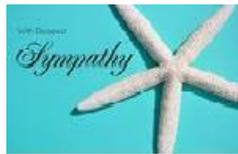
Our GACT Stammtisch is an especially friendly one. Alle sind willkommen! Everyone is welcome!

(submitted by Erna Heckeles)



Thinking of you as you face your health challenges: **Diane Burgess, Anna Graves, Mert Harshman, Aiga Loeffler, Aggie May, Jerry Mullins, Richard Hoppe and Roger Taylor.** Please inform a board member of any members who are ill.

Sincere condolences to **Gerd Weber** and friends of **Gabriella Becker** on her sudden passing May 3. We'll miss you. Auf wiedersehen Gabby. May you rest in peace.



REMEMBER TO FLY YOUR FLAG



On **MEMORIAL DAY**, May 27, on **FLAG DAY** June 14, and on **INDEPENDENCE DAY**, July 4.



We would like to thank the German American Club members for all your prayers and kindness.

Inge and Family



Our annual breakfast will be July 6 at 8:30 a.m. at The First Watch, NE corner of Grant and Swan. All members are welcome.

Stammtisch



The Club has reserved a location for our annual Stammtisch at 6 pm on

June 15 at the Claim Jumper, 3761 E. Broadway The Outback, 4871 East Grant Road. If you are planning to go, please call Wendell at 299-8683 no later than June 9.

A Mother's Love

Of all the special joys in life,
The big ones and the small,
A mother's love and
tenderness
Is the greatest of them all.



Happy Mother's day to all Mothers and Grandmothers on May 12.



A Father's Day Blessing

For all your wise and caring ways, your guiding hand, your words of praise, for teaching by the way you live that love is measured by what you give - You're treasured in a very special way. May the blessing and love of our Heavenly Father be yours in abundance this Father's Day and always!

Happy Father's day to all Fathers and Grandfathers on June 16.



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