

# German-American Club of Tucson Nachrichten



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By: Ulli Malcolm November 2020

### President's Corner

Liebe Mitglieder und Freunde



Happy November. This is my favorite month this year. The oppressive heat that we have had is finally over and fall is in the air. The elections are almost over and hopefully all those nasty TV ad's will stop. I am also looking forward to Thanksgiving with my family. It will be a smaller group than normal as we are still practicing social distancing. I hope all our members have a Happy Thanksgiving. Stay safe.

The Covid virus does not seem to be slowing down, in fact it is on the rise again. The board has decided that due to this, we will cancel the Christmas party for this year. We can't guarantee the safety of our members and do not want to be responsible for anyone getting the virus.

The board received a letter from A Family Storage of an increase in our monthly rent. We store all of our clubs belongings there. They have informed us, as of November 1, 2020, they will be increasing our monthly rent from \$81.00 to \$88.00. The board has decided that we are going to build our own storage shed. The cost to build the shed will be roughly \$1400.00. We have been in discussions with Tom Crisp regarding building the shed on his property to which Tom has agreed. He would charge us \$25.00 per month rent. Very reasonable.

Tom Crisp, Peter Kron, Rafael Ramirez, Louie Stroud, Gerald Lachenschmid, and maybe a few more have offered to build the shed. We will also have all of our belongings moved out of the old storage locker by the end of November and moved over to the Crisp property. The shed should be completed by the end of November or early December.

We have received a very generous donation of \$100 toward the new shed and we would greatly appreciate any and all such donations.

Grüsse an euch alle, Mariza Kron – Interim President



To all the veterans, past and present, living and dead....we salute you! Thank you for your service



Happy Birthday to members celebrating their birthday in **November**. **Alles Gute zum Geburtstag!**.

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### **Membership Anniversaries**

Maria Kristofl	47 years
Meredith Harshman	7 years
Rosa Harshman	7 years
Gisela Aaron	3 years
Antje Roach	2 years
George Roach	2 years

### **Upcoming club activities:**

The club will suspend all activities until further notice. We look forward to returning to our normal operations when it is deemed safe to do so and hope for your continued support in the future. In the meantime we encourage everyone to follow the recommended restrictions in place across both the state and nation as we navigate these uncertain times.



### From the Editor



Should you have any suggestions of what I could add to the newsletter or come across a good story or joke you would like to share with everybody in the newsletter, please feel free to e-mail me.

### Thought for the Day:

Don't waste words on people who deserve your silence. Sometimes the most powerful thing you can say is nothing at all.

Submitted by: Renate Ramirez







Grandma was a terrible driver and one day she got pulled over. The police officer came up to her and told her she was speeding, doing 70 in a 40 mile zone. She said "I know, I know" and so the officer asked her for her drivers license. "Well I don't have one because I am legally blind". The officer asked her if the car was hers and she said "No, that's not my car". So you have no registration, paperwork or anything? "No, because that's not my car - I stole it". He steps back and wants to know who she stole the car from. Grandma gets a little agitated and replies "Well I didn't asked his name before I killed him". The officer tries to stay calm and wants to know if she seriously killed the owner of the car. "Yes I killed him and then chopped up his body and put it in the trunk". He called for back up and soon a senior officer arrived and was informed by the younger one about the whole story. So he steps next to Grandma with his hand on the gun and tells her to open the trunk. He walks around the car, takes a look and all he sees is a spare tire and a nice and clean trunk. He returns back to her and asks her whether she has a drivers license. "Yes I have a drivers license" and she hands it over to him with the registration papers. The officer wants to know if the car was hers and she tells him "Yes the care is mine". Everything checked out fine and the officer tells her he is totally relieved this turned out so good because his partner had told him that she was legally blind, had no drivers license, she stole the car and killed the owner, chopped up his body and put it in the trunk. Grandma looked at the officer and smiled and said "And he probably told you I was speeding too".

Submitted by: Tom Crisp



### **Nellie's Pumpkin Bread Recipe**

Nellie used to be our neighbor in Las Cruces for 23 years and she cooked the best Mexican food we ever ate. She always brought us a Pumpkin Bread at Thanksgiving but would never give me the recipe. Come to think of it - she never shared any of her recipes. The first Thanksgiving we spent in Tucson she texted me this recipe.

### **Ingredients:**

3 1/3 cups all-purpose flour

2 cups sugar

2 tsp ground cinnamon

1 tsp ground nutmeg

1/2 tsp ground cloves

2 tsp baking soda

1 tsp salt

15 oz can of pumpkin puree [not pie filling]

4 eggs

1 cup vegetable oil

2/3 cups water

### **Directions:**

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Generously grease 2 large loaf pans with non-stick spray.
- 2. In a large bowl with whisk combine the dry ingredients -

flour, sugar, cinnamon, nutmeg, cloves, and baking salt. Set aside.

- 3. In medium sized bowl add all the wet ingredients pumpkin, eggs, oil and water and whisk together until combined.
- 4. Pour wet ingredients into dry ingredients and gently mix until combined and batter is smooth.
- 5. Divide between the two loaf pans and bake for 1 hour. Check if toothpick inserted in the middle comes out clean. Let cool completely before removing from pans. To store in freezer wrap the loaves in plastic wrap and put in freezer bag.

Mine never seem to make it into any freezer. We have been eating this bread for years and I have been making it for the last three. Hope you enjoy it.

### **WORD SCRAMBLE**



## Thanksgiving Day

Fourth Thursday of November

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### **German Holidays - November**

November 1: All Saints' Day (Allerheiligen)
All Saints Day is a Christian holiday in Germany devoted to remembering and praying for the departed believers. Aside of church services people also lit candles and decorate the graves of their beloved ones with flowers and wreaths. Families also gather together for meals. It is celebrated in Baden-Württemberg, Bavaria, North Rhine-Westphalia, Rhineland-Palatinate, Saarland and parts of Thuringia.

## November 18: Day of Prayer and Repentance (Buß- und Bettag)

Day of Prayer and Repentance is celebrated on the last Wednesday before November. From 1990 to 1994 it was a public holiday for the whole Germany, which the German people exchanged it for health insurance improvements. However, now it is a public holiday only in the state of Saxony in Germany. The idea of the event is that Protestant Christians pray or reflect in order to find again the way to God. It is celebrated in Saxony.

#### **Did You Know:**

The famous and beloved oversized balloons of the Macy's Day parade were the brainchild of German-born puppeteer and theatrical designer Anthony Frederick-Sarg in 1927. He is also responsible for creating Macy's fantastical Christmas window displays. The first balloons were filled with oxygen, not helium and they featured Felix the Cat and inflated animals like elephants, tigers and a giant hummingbird.

### Some Notable German-Speaking People October Birthdays

5 | Sommer, Elke (1940-)

Berlin-born film actress, entertainer, and painter

10 | Luther, Martin (1483-1546)

German seminal figure of the Protestant Reformation

22 | Becker, Boris (1967-)

Former German tennis champion

25 | Benz, Karl (1844-1929)

German inventor of the automobile

25 | Gruber, Franz (1787-1863)

Austrian composer of "Stille Nacht" (with lyrics by Josef Mohr)

(The German Way)

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(Kenny is Tom and Gina's Grandson)

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- Schwarzwälder Kirsch
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- Cheesecake (Käsesahne) with fruit: Strawberry, Lemon, Raspberry, Pear or Peach.

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