

# GASC NEWSLETTER



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### September

- 6 @ 7 pm Semiannual GASC Sports Team Meeting
- 6 @ 8pm Oktoberfest planning meeting
- 8 @ 8pm Membership Meeting
- 9 @ 7pm Winzerfest
- 16 @ 8-2 CLEAN UP DAY
- 16 4-8pm Miami Rugby Home Brew Challenge

### October

- 6 @ 8pm Membership Meeting
- 13, 14, 15: **Oktoberfest Miami:** 60 years of Oktoberfest!
- 20, 21, 22: **Oktoberfest Miami:** 60 years of Oktoberfest!

### Wednesday Social Night

*Social hour from 6:30pm  
Dinner, only \$11, served 7-8 pm*

### September Menu

- 6 Schnitzel night
- 13 Shepherd's pie
- 20 Pot roast, potatoes, veggies
- 27 Chef's surprise

Keep an eye on the weather.  
Irma may change our plans.

Liebe Freunde/Dear friends:

Thank you to everyone that showed up and helped last weekend, September 26, for our work day at the Club. We spent a considerable time cleaning out the grill area and organizing the library. More work is obviously needed, but we made some good progress. Further thanks to all the organizers and participants of the Game of Thrones watch party series these past weeks; our attending members thoroughly enjoyed themselves and we now have several new members as a result as well.

**Oktoberfest 2017** (October 13-15; 20-22) is fast approaching and online ticket sales have already begun. Please reach out to Reinhilde Long (omalong@bellsouth.net) **now** to sign up for helping the Club out. We need assistance in all the usual areas: food, beer trucks, parking etc. Also, in addition to past volunteers, if you are someone who has not helped in the past, it would be great if you would step up and participate. Besides the sorely needed help it is also one of the best ways to meet fellow Club members and socialize. After all, it is a social club.

We also have at least one more **Work Day** planned for Saturday, **September 16**, starting at **8:00 a.m.** This day will be focused upon getting the Club presentable for Oktoberfest, both outside and inside. For detailed questions on the work list, please reach out to our Second VP, Emilio Palma (ej91@bellsouth.net), or just show up on Saturday with tools and energy. We will find a way to keep you busy!

Two other events I want to bring to your attention. First, the German International Parent Association ("GIPA") is having its **Oktoberfest** on **Saturday, October 7** at our Club. Please consider volunteering to help them and certainly plan on attending. The German community here is not the biggest and we need to support one another whenever we can. And second, we are having our annual wine **Winzerfest** next week, Saturday, **September 9 at 7 p.m.** as long as Irma doesn't invite herself. Please come and enjoy a nice dinner (cold cuts, Sauerbraten with Spaetzle, and Torte), live music, and open wine bar for \$25 (\$15 under 21). Please buy your tickets in advance at [gascmiami.org](http://gascmiami.org) or in person at the Club.

See you on Wednesdays at the Club.

Jan Williams  
President

## Officers & Trustees

### Board of Directors:

President: Jan Williams –

First V.P.: Neil Jones –

Second V.P.: Emilio Palma.

**Directors:** Frank Biedermann,  
Christian Schlaerth, Marina Urban,  
and Hubert Weichselbaumer.

### Other Officers:

Treasurer: Maria Morarin -

Corresponding Sec.: Linda Dunlap

Membership Sec.: Linda Obermeier

Recording Sec.: Torsten Tyralla -

Parliamentarian: Elaine Walters -

Sergeant-at-Arms: Joe Koelbl -

**Trustees:** Bill Kraushaar,  
Emma Blanton, Edgar Prüss,  
Pastor Alan Sielk, Tony Sellers.

### Info change? Moving?

You can edit your information with the club by signing onto our website <http://gascmiami.org>. If you have never signed in, choose "forgot password" and you can sign up that way. You will need to sign in with the email address you used when you joined (or the current one through which you get your GASC emails).

### NEWS? QUESTIONS?

Whether you have news to share with the club or a question you would like answered, we are always glad to hear from you. Although we don't have office staff, and we all have jobs that take up a good part of our day, most calls and emails are answered within 24 hours.

## Soccer at the GASC

Originally started by the German consulate, the soccer players that practice at the club are all members of the club. They practice 9 to 11 Sunday mornings. Most of the players are between 15 and 60 years of age. A \$5/game fee is collected to cover field maintenance. A few new players can be accommodated; this is a great way to make new contacts in the German community.

### FOLK DANCE GROUPS

**Original Auerhahn Schuhplattler:** Come learn the Bavarian schuhplattler on Wednesday evenings. Contact Joe Koelbl, Vorplattler at 305-247-6948 for more info on this group.

**Original Deutsche Volkstanzgruppe:** For more information contact Mary Parsons at 305-776-0674 or [MaryParsonsGermanClub@gmail.com](mailto:MaryParsonsGermanClub@gmail.com).

**Edelweiß Schuhplattler:** In order to have a children's dance group, we need CHILDREN! Be sure to sign up your child/ren or grandchild/ren with Christine Giniger at 305-254-8932. Nieces and nephews welcome!

### Schützenverein or Marksman's Club

This group welcomes all comers. We continue to work on our accuracy every week. Practices take place on Friday evenings starting at about 8pm.

The Club owns an air rifle and an air pistol which we take turns using. First timers welcome. (No time for dinner? We'll probably order pizza!)

### The Miami Rugby Football Club

**Cordially invites the German American Social Club to attend our 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Home Brew Challenge Rugby Fundraiser**

Tickets to get in are \$20 and include a free homebrew beer tasting and trial membership to the GASC (FOR THOSE WHO ARE NOT ALREADY MEMBERS). Food and cash bar available.

Home Brewers get in free with the donation of two gallons of home brewed beer. Home brewers interested in participating contact John Bankston at [info@miamirugby.com](mailto:info@miamirugby.com) as soon as possible so we can reserve your space. Don't have two gallons available? Contact us to work something out. Best in show contest with a cash prize TBD on the number of entrants.

**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

The birthday list is downloaded from our online information. Only the month and day are required if you wish us to recognize your birthday!

- 1 Julie Hochfelder, Gisela Harris, Bruce Kelly
- 2 Ines Waidele, Joan Browder
- 3 Analisa Joice, George Schur
- 5 Joan Traenkle
- 7 Jean Grieger
- 9 Tim Yeider
- 11 Linda Obermeier, Constance Froelich
- 12 Rudolph Wolf, Lilli Hradelowitz
- 13 Robert Zankl
- 15 Ingeborg Kopp
- 16 Joyce Schmidt
- 17 Det Joks, William Gage
- 18 Carsten Polatschek, Esther Hentschel
- 20 Neil Jones, Leah Magel-Sheremata
- 22 Basil Lamp
- 23 Andre Silveira, Steffi Kordi
- 25 Frank Biedermann, Lois Grell, William Sheremata
- 26 Roy Levi, Frank Berweger
- 27 Imogene Stapp

**CLEAN UP DAY #2 and OKTOBERFEST PREP**

In preparation for this year's Oktoberfest we will have another CLEAN UP DAY on **September 16th**. Please note the date and help us out for a few hours starting at **8 am**. If you want to work in the garden area and/or have a pressure cleaner please contact Emilio Palma at 786-252-4075.

**WISHING WELL**

by **Tonie Camp**  
(305) 270-0865

Emma Blanton had an accident recently. She had minor injuries and is at home.

Jon Landgrave was at Heartland Hospital since August 9. And has recently been released.

Emma and Jon, we wish you a speedy recovery.

Inge Kopp has asked us not to give out her phone number, but her new address is:

Inge Kopp  
9409 Aston Gardens Court  
Apt.110  
Parkland, FL 33076-4105

Drop her a note with your phone number to let her know you want to chat!

**German Classes start again September 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Advanced Class**                      **Wednesdays, 6 to 7:30 pm**  
**Intermediate Class**                **Wednesdays, 7:30 to 9 pm**

**Beginning Class**                    **Fridays, 7:30 to 9**

Classes for those with no knowledge of German, started August 25<sup>th</sup> (with eight new students!) and will be held Friday evenings. For additional information on this or any of the German classes, contact teacher Marina Urban at murba002@fiu.edu.

# Winzerfest Miami 2017

Join us to celebrate the German Festival of the Grape Harvest on Saturday September 9th from 7 PM to 11 PM



German-American Social Club, 11919 SW 56th St., Miami, FL 33186      Web: GASCMIAMI.ORG

**Wine tasting experience**

**3 course dinner**

- Cold cuts / Sauerbraten mit Spätzle / Torte

**Open wine bar all evening**

**Live music from The Honey Badgers**

**TICKETS ONLY \$25 (\$15 for Under 21s)**

**Buy your tickets in advance:**

- online at [gascmiami.org](http://gascmiami.org)
- in person at the Club



Join us for our 60th consecutive year!

# Oktoberfest Miami 2017

The longest-running Oktoberfest in the USA

**October 13, 14, 15 & 20, 21, 22**  
Fridays - 6 PM to Midnight  
Saturdays - 1 PM to Midnight  
Sundays - Noon to 10 PM  
**Rain or Shine!**

Come along & enjoy:

- delicious German food
- real German beer
- live bands from Germany & Austria
- dancing
- kids rides
- games & contests:
  - stein-holding, barrel-rolling & more

Adult Day Pass - \$10; Children & Young Adults (6-20) - \$5  
Festival VIP Pass - \$30; Children under 6 - Free  
Veterans & Serving Military - Free with ID  
Miami-Dade County employees - Free on Sundays with ID

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Be sure to share this with your friends and neighbors! And put it on your calendar so that you can be sure to come!