

GASC NEWSLETTER



Upcoming Events

May 8

11-2:30 Elections
11:30-2 Mothers Day Brunch

May 11

7pm Installation of Officers

May 21

Maibaumfest

October 14-15-16 & October 21-22-23

Oktoberfest

Wednesday Social Night

Enjoy social hour and dinner for only \$11. Dinner is served 7-8 pm.

Menu

4 Schnitzel night!
11 Grilled chicken breast
18 Beef Lasagna
25 Hungarian Swiss Steak

Officers & Trustees

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

President: TBA - **First V.P.:** Wieland
Uchdorf - **Second V.P.:** Mary

Parsons **Directors:** Frank
Biedermann, Ingeborg Condon,
Gary Malfeld, Stephan Tuschen -

OTHER OFFICERS: Treasurer:
Maria Morarin - **Corresponding**

Sec.: TBD - **Membership Sec.:**
Linda Obermeier - **Recording**

Sec.: Maria Luiza Silveira -
Parliamentarian: Sam Salton -

Sergeant-at-Arms: Joe Koelbl -

TRUSTEES: Betty Frankhouser,
Marge Froehling, Bill Kraushaar,
Pastor Alan Sielk, Jonathan Varela.

Newsletter: Email contributions for the June newsletter to Linda Dunlap ldunlapmiami@gmail.com by May 26th. Editors: Eugen Klingenschmid and Suzanne Gilmore.

A Word from the 1st Vice President...

Dear Friends,

This is my farewell message as your 1st VP. A lot has happened during the last two years. Besides rearranging the Club (library, bar) we are now in the 21st century with all the new-fangled electronic stuff. After some birth complications, we have a very well working bar/POS system. Do we have some issues with some software? Yes, we do; but we will get a handle on this, too!

I want to thank all of you supporting the folks who stuck their heads out the window to feel the breeze. An excellent example is the 500 year Reinheitsgebot Fest. Everyone had fun, we saw a lot of new faces and we will follow up on the new contacts. While we don't have the financial bottom line in, it looks like we broke even at least.

I also want to thank the new members who show a lot of enthusiasm, participating in "everyday" matters as well as in special events.

At the same time, I am very grateful for the "seasoned" members showing their continuing support for all kinds of activities.

So let me end with a heartfelt THANK YOU ALL and all the best wishes for the new incoming board. Best - Wieland

The following proposal to change the bylaws was made at the March meeting and discussed at the April meeting. **The vote will be at the May meeting.**

Article X - Meetings - Section I: should change to:

Membership meetings shall be held on the first Friday of each month. If Friday is a holiday, or on the first day of the month, the meeting will be held on the following Friday. A social gathering shall follow each membership meeting.

This is a change from the Sunday afternoon meetings.

The following bylaw changes were approved at the April meeting:

Article X- Meetings, Section 3, shall be changed to read:

At any general Membership meeting, regular or special, a minimum of 25 Regular Members must be present to constitute a quorum.

This is a change from the existing provision, which provides for a quorum of 40 Regular Members.

Article V- Nomination and Election of the Directors and Officers, Section 7, the 5th paragraph, shall be changed to read:

The Election Committee shall prepare for the election by posting three (3) persons by the door. They shall check the Membership cards shown by those entering and each verified current Regular member that has not already voted in the election shall be required to sign in a ballot receipt book and be given a ballot. A valid photo ID may be substituted for a Membership card for verification of current Regular membership by the Election Committee members using the list of current Regular members in the ballot receipt books. One and a half hours after the election meeting is scheduled to start, the President shall declare balloting closed. The Election Committee shall collect all ballots, count and verify them against the number of members signed into the ballot receipt books.

This is a change from the existing provision, which provides for declaring balloting closed at 9:30 P.M.

May Birthdays

- 1. Cheryl Oswald
- 2. Joyce Weidinger, Christian Engelbrecht
- 5. Martin Bentley, Nancy Tobin, Alex Manzano
- 6. Huw Kruger Gray
- 9. Robert Kuhn
- 11. Arlene Weyrick
- 12. Heidi Jannotti, Peter Weidinger
- 17. E. Alexander Gerster
- 18. Maria Fischer, Alexei Choquet
- 19. Janet Priestly
- 21. Andres Lopez, James F. Colson
- 22. Inge Martorana, Judi Nemeth
- 24. Ilse Maldonado
- 26. Robert C. Haytock Jr.
- 27. Christa Odumn
- 28. Donna Forster
- 29. Isabella Kayat, Beth Schlaerth-Barahona
- 31. Francis Schürtz

ELECTIONS 5/8 11:30 - 2:20

UNCONTESTED

President: Jan Williams,
 1st Vice President: Neil Jones,
 Treasurer: Maria Morarin,
 Recording Secretary: Torsten Tyralla
 Membership Secretary: Linda Obermeier,
 Corresponding Secretary: Linda Dunlap
Trustee (2 positions):
 Emma Blanton
 Pastor Alan Sielk

CONTESTED: 2nd Vice President

Emilio J. Palma
 Jane Thede

We will vote only on the contested positions. Uncontested positions will assume their responsibilities without needing to be elected. No write-ins may be added to the ballot.

Wishing Well

by **Tonie Camp**
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Congratulations! It's a boy! **Maria Morarin's** sister **Johanna Johnson** became a great grandmother for the first time April 18th. Her daughter's older son **Clinton Lewis and wife Colleen** are the proud parents. Grandparents are **Cliff and Maria Lewis**.

Reinhilde Long is now a great grandmother! Her granddaughter, Samantha gave birth to her son Cooper on March 25th. Congratulations to **Samantha, David**, and all the family!

Ellen Claus had knee surgery April 18th. All went well. She will be in rehab for a while.

Condolences to the family of **Robert C. Haytock, Jr.** who passed away April 27th.

German Classes

The next series of classes will begin in the fall at a date still to be determined. Membership in the GASC is required. Contact **teacher Marina Urban**, 305-401-9564, Marina.Urban@fiu.edu to reserve your space.

Dance Groups

Original Deutsche Volkstanzgruppe: For more information contact Mary Parsons at MaryParsonsGermanClub@gmail.com or 305-776-0674.

Edelweiß Schuhplattler: For more information on the children's dance group contact Christine Giniger, at 305-254-8932.

Original Auerhahn Schuhplattler: Contact Joe Koelbl, Vorplattler at 305-247-6948 for more info on this group that practices Wednesday nights

THANK YOU!!

Thank you to **Tano** for putting in many hours of hard work to fix the kitchen drain! Without his work we could not continue to use our kitchen.

Many thanks to **Tonie Camp** for her donation to the club in memory of **Bob Schmidt**.

HEADS UP!

There will be a **Special Election Edition** of the newsletter next week with bios and pics of the candidates where more than one person is running for a position. Candidates are asked to send a headshot and bio to LDunlapMiami@gmail.com by Monday, May 2nd for inclusion in a Special Election Edition of the newsletter to be sent next week.