

GASC NEWSLETTER



Upcoming Events

August 5

8 pm Membership Meeting

September 10

Winzerfest

October 14-16 & 21-23

Oktoberfest

Wednesday Social Night

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

Menu

3 Pork Schnitzel

10 Classic Coq au vin

17 German dinner night

24 Beef pot with beer

31 Mediterranean style fish

Officers & Trustees

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Eugen Klingenschmid and

Suzanne Gilmore.

Liebe Freunde/Dear friends:

I would like to thank all of you for making our events this past month a whopping success. The Night at the Races was a lot of fun and raised much needed money for soccer field restoration. Many of you showed up in appropriate spectator attire and Neil Jones did an excellent job as MC (and event organizer). We followed up the next weekend with an equally impressive showing at our Club Day of Service. As those of you know that were there, a large tree branch fell from lightning the night before and volunteers spent a good part of the morning chopping that monster up and disposing of it. A lot of tasks got done that day, including cleaning and organizing the Club's old library, painting the parking lot, trimming and pruning trees, and re-sodding parts of the soccer field. Most of us sweat quite a bit, but I for one, had a blast.

Going forward, in the next few weeks we will need to organize another, brief Saturday event on a smaller scale to help dispose of the branches that were cut. As we go into August, please keep in mind that we have the Winzerfest coming up on September 10 and I hope that all of you wine enthusiasts will come out in full force.

Finally, I would like to broach with you everyone's favorite subject: membership dues. Thanks to the enormous efforts of many of our long-time members, now decades ago, we have a gem of a property in the middle of beautiful Horse Country. But this great property does not come without costs. Considering the relatively low current Membership dues compared to similar organizations in the County, I intend on proposing to the Board that we increase Membership dues by \$20 a year for Regular Members and \$16 for Associate Members. I am sure we will have a lively discussion – as we always do – at the next two Membership meetings as contemplated by Article XI of our By Laws. However, in the end I hope you will agree with me that this modest increase is in the long-term best interest of the Club. I look forward to seeing you all at our Wednesday socials.

ADDITION:

At the Membership meeting Friday it was suggested that my prior newsletter message failed to comply with our By Laws and did not properly put everyone on notice of my intent to call a vote on a proposed fee increase. It was also suggested that we should vote on any fee increase before the Oktoberfest so that we can advise potential new members of the new fee structure, should it be approved. In order to address these concerns I hereby offer you the following proposal, to be voted on at the October Membership meeting pursuant to Article XI of our By Laws: ***Should the Club increase the dues for Regular Members from \$50 to \$70 a year and for Associate Members from \$40 to \$56 a year, with the increase to take effect on January 1, 2017?***

Jan Timothy Williams
President

August Birthdays

03 Charlotte A. Colson, Ida Mallard
 05 Edna Allison, Shirley Brosch
 11 Ingeborg Condon, Clare Schade
 13 Robert Reilly
 15 Patricia Poder
 16 Monica Cummings
 17 Peter Forster, Eleonor Longo
 18 Matthew Richard, Jeff Grieger, Freidrich
 Susami
 19 Rudolf Schultz
 20 Gisela Fernandez
 21 Raunir Montoto
 22 Max Bergholt
 23 Marwan Qawasmeh, Adelgunde Gemuerr
 24 Dirk Kuczurba, Francis Tirb
 25 Rose Klingenschmid, Elly Mims, Gudrun H.
 Oursler
 26 Adelina Noriega
 27 Michael Edward Clauss
 31 Trudy Freitag, William Kraushaar

What to plant in our Club's Garden

First, plant five rows of Peas:
 Purpose, Plans, Preparation, Promptness,
 Perseverance.
 Second, plant three rows of Squash
 Squash gossip, Squash criticism, Squash
 indifference.
 Third, plant four rows of Lettuce
 Let us be alert to the needs, Let us be helpful
 and dedicated, Let us identify problems.
 No garden is complete without Turnips!
 Turn up for meetings, Turn up with a smile,
 Turn up with new members, Turn up with
 determination to make everything count for
 something good and worthwhile!
 Author unknown.
 Contributed by Inge Kopp

THANK YOU

Linda Dunlap for a donation to the GASC.

Wishing Well

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

Congratulations to Linda Dunlap whose second grandson was born on July 14th. in Tallahassee. Welcome to little George Miller!

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 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.

GERMAN CLASSES

The next series of classes will begin September 14th and are held every Wednesday night. Each series is \$90 and is open to GASC members only. See the gascmiami.org website for more information.

THANK YOU

Many thanks to Helga Brown for her donation of decaf coffee to the club! It is thanks to her that we can sleep at night.

Winzerfest!

Join us for Winzerfest, the German Grape Festival. Plan to volunteer with your fellow club members and be sure to invite your friends and neighbors! Come to taste wines and enjoy this German cultural event!