

GASC NEWSLETTER



UPCOMING EVENTS

February

- 3: 8pm membership meeting
- 11: 8am-3pm Club Day of Work
- 25: 7pm Fasching meets Bourbon Street, Party!

March

- 3: 8pm membership meeting

April

- 7, 8, and 9: 25TH Heritage Day Anniversary of the United German American Society of Florida, Inc.

October

- 13, 14, 15: Oktoberfest Miami: 60 years of Oktoberfest!
- 20, 21, 22: Oktoberfest Miami: 60 years of Oktoberfest!

Wednesday Social Night

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

Menu for February

- 1: Schnitzel night!
- 8: Mediterranean Stuffed Chicken
- 15: Stuffed Tilapia in a lemon wine sauce
- 22: Smoked Pork Chops with sauerkraut and potato

Officers & Trustees

Board of Directors:

President: Jan Williams –
First V.P.: Neil Jones –
Second V.P.: Emilio Palma.

Directors: Frank Biedermann, Gary D. Malfeld, Christian Schlaerth, and Hubert Weichselbaumer.

Other Officers:

Treasurer: Maria Morarin -
Corresponding Sec.: Linda Dunlap
Membership Sec.: Linda Obermeier
Recording Sec.: Torsten Tyralla -
Parliamentarian: Sam Salton -
Sergeant-at-Arms: Joe Koelbl -
Trustees: Bill Kraushaar,
Emma Blanton, Edgar Prüss,
Pastor Alan Sielk, Tony Sellers.

Newsletter info to: (305) 552-5123 or gasocialclub@gmail.com

Liebe Freunde/Dear friends:

It is that time of year again and the Club needs your help. If you have not already done so, please **renew your membership** as soon as possible, preferably by the first week of February. I will spare you the whole speech about how a non-profit like ours relies on its membership fees for planning throughout the year. You know why it is important. Also, we have received several generous donations from **lifetime members**. If you are a lifetime member, please do consider donating – any amount would be appreciated.

If you would like to otherwise get involved in the Club, after the success of last year we are having another **Club Day of Work** on **Saturday, February 11**, beginning at **9 a.m.** and going to approximately 3 P.M. We will be working both inside (cleaning the office, library, and backstage area) and outside (trimming, painting etc.) so anybody can make themselves useful. As an added bonus we will serve lunch.

On **Saturday, February 25** the Club is partying: **Fasching meets Bourbon Street**. More details to come in a future e-mail, but it is going to be *crazy!* and you won't want to miss it.

As always, please talk to me if there is something on your mind and I look forward to seeing you at our February events.

Gruss,

Jan Timothy Williams
President

Seeking member volunteers...

The German American Social Club of Greater Miami is a membership-driven organization. Nothing is planned or accomplished without the participation of its member volunteers.

Can you bartend or do you want to learn how? Can you do a load of laundry (the club has a washer and drier)? Can you upload photos to Facebook? Use social media to promote GASC events? Do you like helping with setup and tear down of events? Can you do laundry (the club has a washer and drier)? If you would like to contribute your talents and abilities to the club, email us at gasocialclub@gmail.com. Can you work on a computer or on a website? Scan documents?

Can you organize an event? Would you like to help us organize one? Please email the club or leave us a voice mail message on the club number so that we can connect. Working with fellow club members is a great way to get to know one another better. We look forward to seeing you!

- FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**
- 2. Helmer Anderson, Tarri Bauer
 - 5. Silvia Willumsen,
 - 6. Esther Bolster
 - 7. Edward E. Clauss, Peter Germann, Tom Worrell
 - 8. Lolyklara Palmahuergo,
 - 11. Louise K. Davidson-Schmich, Arnulfo Guerrero
 - 12. Ronny Funk, Ingeborg Ledergerber, Reinhilde Long, Joseph Miller
 - 15. Crystal Blackburn, Irmgard Wolf
 - 17. Estelle Cowan,
 - 23. Arne Bremer

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

Elke Kraushaar fell and broke her arm in early January. After surgery at South Miami Hospital, she was at The Palace for rehab until January 26th and is now home. We wish you well, Elke!

German Classes

Wednesday night German classes have started!
Advanced Classes are from 6 to 7 pm.
Beginner Classes 2 are from 7 to 8 pm.
Beginner Classes 1 are from 8 to 9 pm and start February 1.

Classes are held in an open setting with a focus on conversational German. Marina Urban teaches the classes. She is a native German speaker and has extensive teaching experience. For additional information, contact the teacher Marina Urban at murba002@fiu.edu.

Club day of work

Come by the club some time during February 11th to help work on the grounds and facilities!

Thank you!

To Eugen and Rose Klingenschmid for their Lifetime donation!

Welcome new members

Arne Bremer and Rayla Guimaraes
 Jacunda Lorenz and Michelle Pruss

Moving? Changing phone number or email address? Be sure to let us know! Be sure to call or email us with your new information.

Online Membership Renewal available at www.gascmiami.org.
Make sure your information is correct and complete.
 Take this opportunity to update your contact info!
 If you prefer to renew by check, please complete the form below and send with your check to:
 The German-American Social Club of Greater Miami
 11919 SW 56th Street Miami, FL 33175
 Att.: Membership Secretary Linda Obermeier (REGULAR and LIFETIME MEMBERS)
 Att: Tonie Camp (ASSOCIATE MEMBERS)

Membership Renewal and information update

\$70 Regular Member
 \$140 Regular Member Family
 Lifetime Member (no envelope required)
\$56 Associate Member
 \$112 Associate Member Family

Please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope to receive a card.

Mr. Name: _____

Mrs./Ms. Name: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Cell Mr. _____ Cell Mrs. _____

Home Phone: _____

eMail Mr. _____

eMail Mrs. _____

Please note: Linda Obermeier will be available most Wednesday nights at the club after 8pm. For those nights she is not available, you may give your application to Tonie Camp or Gudrun Brandl.

If you go online, please recheck that all the information we have on you is still correct – email, address, telephone numbers, etc.

**INFORMATION FOR 25th HERITAGE DAY ANNIVERSARY
UNITED GERMAN AMERICAN SOCIETY OF FLORIDA, INC.**

To: All Presidents & Delegates and Members of
German American Clubs

It is hard to believe that in 2017 we shall be celebrating the 25th Heritage Day of UGASF. This will be a three-day event; however, each event can be purchased separately or in combination. We ask all of the Presidents to please insure that this information is forwarded to their members, either by email or in the newsletters. Please also encourage your members to log on to our website at **UGASFLORIDA.org**. Any of the Board members will be happy to answer questions or concerns you may have.

The UGASF Board for 2017: Kurt Freiter, *President*; Michele Kager, *Vice President*; Charlotte Kappel, *Secretary*; Kerry Bauer, *Treasurer*; Directors – Joe Glass, Fred Kappel, Robert Kraft, Henry Schaber, Susie Zimmer.

PLACE: American German Clubhouse, Lantana, FL
5111 Lantana Rd, Lake Worth, FL 33463

Heritage Day 2017 – Committee Report

April 7: **50th Anniversary** American-German Club
of Palm Beaches festivities
By invitation to members & guests only
Apr 8: **7th Annual Heimat Abend**
Apr 9: **25th Anniversary Heritage Day**

Entertainment Bands

Friday:	Matthias
Saturday:	Bob Houston
Sunday:	Sepp & Heinz / Matthias
Saturday:	<i>Schuhplattlers</i>
Sunday:	<i>Heidi Eckardt</i> from Germany
Sunday :	TBA

Ticket Entry Prices

Saturday – Heimat Abend - \$35 per person
(includes 2 tickets for well-only drinks)
Sunday – Heritage Day - \$30 per person
(dinner includes dessert)

Tickets will be sent to all clubs; also available on line
We will be advertising & marketing to the public;
everyone will be welcome. Free Coffee all day

Hotel Accommodations – TBA

Times: HA – doors open 5 p.m. dinner served 6 p.m.,
dancing/entertainment to follow
HD – doors open 10 a.m. Fruehschoppen, pretzels,
Weisswurst available
Dinner will be served commencing at 11:30 a.m.

Menus

HA – Kasseler Rippchen (smoked pork cutlets), Sauerkraut, mashed potatoes
Goulash, Nudels
HD – Schweinehaxen (smoked pork hocks), Red Cabbage or mixed veg, Spaetzle
German Pot Roast, Vegetables, Spaetzle

Raffle

Joe Glass will handle the raffle. All clubs are asked to send one or two \$25 gift certificates to the UGASF secretary by the time of the January meeting.

Hotel

Courtyard by Marriott rates being negotiated and other hotels being considered. More information to come.

Attention singers!

The Miami Collegium Musicum, Miami's community chamber choral ensemble now in its 40th year, is looking for new members to join in singing Johannes Brahms' *Ein deutsches Requiem* in several performances this April, as well as a Baroque music program with the Alhambra Community Orchestra.

Membership in the chorus is open to the greater Miami-Dade community. The Collegium's 20 to 30 singers are of different backgrounds and of all ages—some members are students, some are faculty, some are in careers (including teachers, medical people, bankers, attorneys, etc). All make a commitment to learn music outside of regular Monday evening rehearsals, so that rehearsals focus on musicality and performance considerations. Auditions for membership can be arranged by emailing audition@miamicollegium.org or contacting the director, Donald Oglesby.

The Collegium rehearses on Monday evenings at 7:30 pm in the Episcopal Chapel of the Venerable Bede on the University of Miami Campus.

For more info please see our web site at <http://www.miamicollegium.org/>

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 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.

Classical music lovers please note:

Chopin for All -- Free Concerts

Granada Presbyterian Church

950 University Drive

Coral Gables, FL

Sundays at 3:00 pm (free, first come first serve seating)

February 19	Krzysztof Ksiazek
March 12	Anna Miernick
April 23	Young Pianists Concert
May 21	Reed Tetzloff
February 26	Noah Waddell (5:00pm!!!) Key Biscayne Community Center 10 Village Green Way Key Biscayne, FL 33149 <i>Young Outstanding American Pianist</i>

For the latest information, check their website:

<http://www.chopin.org/events.html#CE>