

GASC NEWSLETTER



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Dear Members,

I hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving. The 2nd annual GASC Christmas Market is on December 2nd, so come on out and have some mulled wine and do some shopping. Also coming up is the GASC Family Christmas Party on December 16th. Come on out and spread some holiday cheer and have some fun.

The membership meeting this month is December 1st. We'll be discussing Oktoberfest, and upcoming events such as the GASC 75th anniversary party on March 2nd, and the Heritage Day on March 3rd.

I hope everyone has a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!! See you at the club!!

Sincerely,

David Bauer, President
GASC



UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER ACTIVITIES

- 01 @ 8:00 p.m. Membership Meeting
- 02 @ 11:00 a.m. Christmas Marketplace
- 08 @ 8:00 p.m. Tango night!
- 09 @ 2 -5 p.m. Amigos de la Música's Christmas Concert
- 15 @ 6:30 Happy Hour
- 16 @ 3pm Family Christmas Party
- 22 @ 8:00 p.m. Tango night!

Please note that due to scheduling issues on Friday evenings, the December membership meeting will be held on the 1st of the month.

Dinner and Social Nights*

MENU FOR DECEMBER 2023

- 01 Schnitzel night!
- 08 Chicken a la Francesca
- 15 No dinner
- 22 No dinner
- 29 No dinner



Oktoberfest Volunteer Thank-You Dinner

OFFICERS & TRUSTEES

Board of Directors

President: David Bauer

President Emeritus: Hubert Weichselbaumer

1st Vice President: Norma Gangone

2nd Vice President and Board Chair: Andre von Bloedau Silveira.

Directors: Monica Hurwitz, Emilio Palma, Frank Rhodes, and Sophia Wendt.

Other Officers

Treasurer: Liselotte Seer

Treasurer Emeritus: Maria Morarin

Corresponding Secretary: Linda Dunlap

Membership Secretary: Nicole Canavan

Recording Secretary: N/A

Parliamentarian: Tony Sellers

Sergeant-at-Arms: Andy Gast

Oktoberfest Committee Chair: Denise Stephens

Trustees: Gary Malfeld, Gustavo Matzdorf, Alan Sielk, Timo Hurwitz, and Benjamin Maares.

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 do not have office staff, and we all have jobs that take up a good part of our day, most of our calls and emails are answered within 24 hours.

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Email: info@gascmiami.org

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Come celebrate Happy Hour on the third Friday each month! Each month will feature specialty cocktails for only \$5.00. So come on over and wind down to the weekend at the GASC. Appetizers are available and our pool table is ready, the corn hole set is out, and poker follows! Come on out and support the club!

On hold for October. See you again in November!

Our beginning German class meets on Wednesday evenings at 8:00 p.m.

If you are interested in joining the next class, please write us at info@gascmiami.org!

Changing your contact info? Keep in touch!

Whether you're moving to a new home, changing your email address, or changing or adding a new phone number, please let us know!

And now you can do it yourself by just signing into the GASC website! (The first time you'll have to use the email you used to join and tell the system you "forgot your password" in order to set the password. If that doesn't work, email or call us

DAYS OF WORK: These are typically held on the 1st Saturday of each month or Saturday after the Membership Meeting. Please make coming to the club for a day of work a priority. Wear clothes that can get messed up. The club was closed during the month of July which allowed us to revamp the beer cooler as well as provide needed maintenance to other areas of the club including sodding the field and repairing the sprinkler system. These were major projects.

- We still need to finish painting around the shields on the east and south sides of the club as well as painting the rest of the walls on those sides.
- There is always something that needs to be cleaned up or put away as well. And we always need to have people with trucks who are willing and able to load them and take things to the dump!
- Ceiling tiles still need replacing inside the hall.
- LED lights still need to be installed inside the hall and the office.
- If you have a specific talent or ability that you would like to offer to the club, contact Frank "The Tank" Rhodes at 786-402-1987.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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| 2 Elaine Walter, Lilian Garcia, Mary Blackburn | 18 Suzanne Gilmore, Jessica Rhodes |
| 4 Gudrun Brandl, Richard Parcell | 19 Erich Gressmann |
| 5 Heather Fuentes, Maria Perez, Emilio Palma-Huergo, | 20 Barry Ekle |
| 7 Megan Armstrong, Scott Stephens | 22 Donald Bickel |
| 12 Daniel Lopez | 23 Sophia Wendt |
| 13 Monika Sterothmann | 24 Christel Smith, Virginia McGunagle |
| 15 Stefan Segadlo, Christina Boitel, Mary Suarez Segura | 28 Christopher Nicolaus |
| 17 Judy Parcell | 30 Ole Wagenbach, Maria Jose Willumsen |
| | 31 Roy Bauer |



The GASC could use a few "nicer" items that don't need to be new but DO Need to be in good working order.

1. A replacement desk or reception table for the lobby.
2. A simple leather or vinyl (wipeable) sofa for inside the hall.

If you have either of these items, contact Norma Gangone: (786) 210-5228.

Schützenverein officially has started! (This is a pellet gun shooting club.)

The Lantana and Cape Coral clubs both have these clubs, and it would be fun to be able to participate in competitions with them!

If interested, Please contact Andre at andrevonbloedau@gmail.com or 305-431-6571.



SAFETY FIRST

In an effort to follow proper hygiene and food safety guidelines, we are asking people to **please not enter the kitchen area unless you are actually serving food**. We all know you want to say hi to Chef Tano, but please ask someone to have him step out of the kitchen to converse with you. Attempts have been made to put up signs etc. requesting people to not enter the kitchen and it is not being followed. This is a food safety issue, and we would appreciate EVERYONE following these rules. **Thank you!**

FOLK DANCE GROUPS

Want to learn traditional German dances? Contact the dance group leaders below:

Original Auerhahn Schuhplattler:

Come learn the Bavarian schuhplattler on Tuesday evenings. Contact Andre von Bloedau Silveira, Vorplattler, at andrevonbloedau@gmail.com or 305-431-6571 for more info on this group.

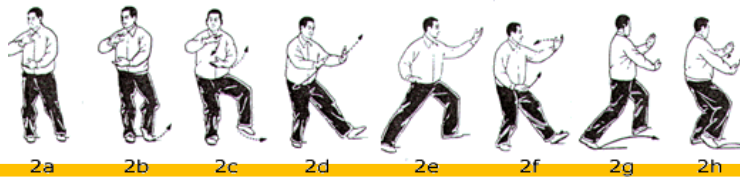
Original Deutsche Volkstanzgruppe:

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

Edelweiß Schuhplattler:

This Contact Christine Giniger at 305-726-6581 to sign up the **children** in your family. Christine will be in touch. The children practice on Fridays at 7:00 p.m.

Tai Chi classes meet on Mondays from 10:15 am to 11:30 am. Tai chi is a traditional form of exercise that involves slow movements and deep breathing. Tai chi has many physical and emotional benefits. Some of the benefits of tai chi include decreased anxiety and depression and improvements in cognition. It may also help you manage symptoms of some chronic diseases, such as fibromyalgia or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). **The group that meets at the club currently has recently opened a new group, so if you'd like to join please contact Carl Bethel at: CWBETHEL@MSN.COM.**



Wishing Well

No information this month.

Contact Linda Dunlap 305-552-5123 (leave voice mail) or write her at info@gascmiami.org.



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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Memberships expire automatically on December 31 of each year.

Be sure to renew when you receive your email reminder!
Or mail your check to the GASC,
Att. Membership
11919 SW 56 Street
Miami, FL 33175

If you joined during Oktoberfest this year your membership expires December 31, 2024.



19. Deutscher Weihnachtsmarkt
19th German Christmas Market

Sunday, December 3, 2023
Noon – 5:00pm

Coral Gables UCC
3010 De Soto Blvd.
Coral Gables, FL 33134
germanministry@gablesucc.org

Christmas Decorations and Crafts
Visit from Santa Claus
Authentic German Food & Mulled Wine
Baked Goods

Music Performance and Christmas Activities for Kids

Instagram and Facebook icons followed by **DeutscheKirchengemeindeMiami**

Men's Soccer League

This league plays at the GASC nearly every Saturday of the year. Open to men aged 45 and older. To join, call



Fernando Duarte at
786-587-0000.

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Have you visited our website recently?

If you haven't, it is time to do so! If you are a member, you can use the email address you used to become a member to sign in to update your info and access members-only areas of the website. And you can update your contact information as well.

Many thanks to Monica and Benjamin for all their ideas!

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Many thanks to:

**DJ MACK and his
VOLKSMUSIK "FIEST
A" SHOW**

Call Mack to schedule him for your next event!

Cell: 612-289-5760

Email: AndyMackAttack@gmail.com

Mack will be at Oktoberfest Miami again this year!



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The GASC Kitties

Unfortunately, people have dropped off cats and kittens at the GASC. We discourage this, but a few of our cat-lover members are dealing with them.



Remember this sweetie pie? Her name is now Phoebe. She was living at the club and really needed a forever home, so Denise Stephens and family took her home. She is now living a great life with her brother and sister. There are other kitties that need loving homes. Denise is currently fostering a 9- to-10-month-old kitten named Jules and a sweet older (about 11-12 years old) kitty named Scruffy. Scruffy would be perfect for someone looking for a calmer kitty who is past the kitten stage. Monica Hurwitz rescued a sweet kitten in the middle of Oktoberfest this year. Monica has been caring for her and the kitten will be going to her forever home very soon!

Starting very shortly, Denise Stephens and Eric Moore will be working to catch and spay the cats who aren't yet fixed at the club. If you are interested in adding a furry family member, contact Denise at 305-926-6882 or email her at denise_stephens@msn.com



CHRISTMAS



DEC 2ND

11AM - 8PM

MARKET



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"A Winter Wonderland Celebration"

🎄 Embrace the enchantment of the season at our "Winter Wonderland Celebration" Christmas Party! Join us for an evening filled with festive delights, heartwarming moments, and the joyous spirit of Christmas.

📅 **Date: December 16th, 2023**

🕒 **Time: 3 - 8pm**

📍 **Location: The German American Social Club**

\$ Cost: \$20.00 per adult. Please make a reservation for adults by December 14. Email us at info@gascmiami.org or leave a voice mail at 305-552-5123.

Highlights of the Evening:

👶 **Santa's Grotto:** Meet the man in the red suit and capture the magic at 4 pm.

🍰 **Sweets and Treats Bar:** Indulge your sweet tooth with an array of delectable holiday treats. Signature seasonal adult drinks for sale.

🎵 **Festive Tunes:** Dance the night away to a mix of classic Christmas tunes and modern hits, ensuring a jolly good time for all.

🍽️ **Dining:** Indulge in a sumptuous multi-course meal meticulously prepared by our talented chef. Each dish is a masterpiece of flavor and presentation.

🎉 **Icebreaker Activities:** Get to know your fellow revelers with fun and interactive icebreaker activities, creating lasting memories.

☀️ **Ugly Sweater Contest:** Show off your most festive, outrageous, and downright "ugly" Christmas sweater for a chance to win fabulous prizes!

🎊 **Dress Code:** Don your most festive attire—think glitter, sequins, and all things that sparkle!

RSVP by December 14th and let us know if you've been naughty or nice!

Prepare for an evening of merriment, laughter, and the warmth of good company. We can't wait to share the magic of the season with you at our Winter Wonderland Celebration!

Warmest Wishes,
Monica Hurwitz

P.S. For inquiries, contact at marketing@gascmiami.com or text message to (786) 564-6710.

P.P.S. This RSVP is for the adult, the children's rsvp is the application form for the gift from Santa.



Are you coming to the German American Social Club's Christmas Party? Would you like your child or grandchild to receive a gift from Santa at the event?

When: Saturday, December 16, 2023 from 3:00 to 8:00

Please complete the information below for EACH CHILD and return it to Elaine Walter at elainewalter@hotmail.com or reply by phone to 786-586-0785 (leave a detailed message). R.S.V.P. By Friday, December 8, 2023	
Child's Name	_____ FIRST LAST
Child is: <input type="checkbox"/> male <input type="checkbox"/> female	Child's Age _____ or Birth Date ____/____/____ MO/YEAR NOTE: Children must be age 12 or under
Membership type of sponsor:	<input type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Associate <input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime
Sponsor's relationship to child:	_____
Child's gift preferences: Please be specific and include website link, if possible (Limit: \$ 20 per child):	_____
NOTE: Registered children eat for free!	

Join the GASC now to be able to sponsor children for the Children's Christmas party for 2023 and 2024

