

# GASC NEWSLETTER



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### JANUARY ACTIVITIES

- 01 Nominating Committee starts seeking candidates
- 05 @ 8:00 p.m. Membership Meeting
- 19 @ 6:30 p.m. Happy Hour
- 27 @ 6:00 p.m. Welcome BBQ/Kickoff for the new year

### FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES

- 02 @ 8:00 p.m. Membership Meeting
- 11 @ 5:30 "Zuper" Bowl
- 16 @ 6:30 p.m. Valentine Happy Hour
- 17 @ TBA Fasching

### MARCH ACTIVITIES

- 01 @ 8:00 p.m. Membership Meeting
- 02 @ GASC 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- 03 @ UGASF (United German American Society of Florida) celebrates German Heritage Day at the GASC

### Dinner and Social Nights\*

### MENU FOR JANUARY 2024

- 05 TBD
- 12 TBD
- 19 Beef goulash
- 26 Sauteed salmon with lemon butter sauce

Dear Members,

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!! I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas, and a joyful holiday season. First of all, I want to give a big thank you to everyone who helped out with our 2nd annual GASC Christmas Market. It was a fantastic event. I wanted to recognize Timo Hurwitz and Sophia Wendt for all their hard work with the market, but the biggest thank you goes to Monica Hurwitz. Monica, thank you for all the long hours you spent at the club to make the Christmas Market as successful as it was.

As we get into 2024, we've got a lot happening at the club. The Züper Ball party and Fasching in February, the GASC's 75th anniversary celebration, and the Heritage Day in March just to name a few. We're really doing a lot to get ready for these upcoming events, and I hope you'll come out and support the club.

There'll be a membership meeting on Friday night January 5th at 8pm. We will not be having schnitzel night that night as Chef Tano will be out of town. There will be more information in Linda's weekly email about dinner that night. Hope to see you at the club!!

Sincerely,

David Bauer  
President



**OFFICERS & TRUSTEES**

**Board of Directors**

**President:** David Bauer

**President Emeritus:** Hubert Weichselbaumer

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President:** Norma Gangone

**2<sup>nd</sup> 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

**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](mailto: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!

**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](mailto: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 1<sup>st</sup> 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. 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.

### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

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|----|--|----|-------------------------------------|
| 5  | Monit Karpuram, Ana Carolina Wagenbach                     | 24 | Marie Schuh                         |
| 9  | Oscar Illesca  | 26 | Guillermo Lugo                      |
| 11 | Patrick O’Donnell  | 27 | Len Cambrelen                       |
| 14 | Oscar Willumsen Jr, Robert Becker, Frank “The Tank” Rhodes | 28 | Natalie Harper, Edgar Prüss         |
| 15 | Virgil Priestly, Inge Wendt                                | 29 | Vanella Cambrelen                   |
| 23 | Floyd Collins  | 30 | Gwen Young, Ramona Uritescu-Lombard |



**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 simple leather or vinyl (wipeable) sofa for inside the hall.

If you have one to donate, 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 [vp2@gascmiami.org](mailto:vp2@gascmiami.org) 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](mailto:andrevonbloedau@gmail.com) or 305-431-6571 for more info on this group.

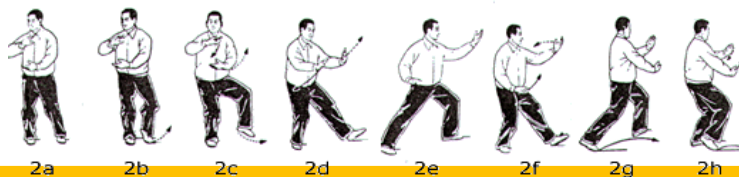
#### **Original Deutsche Volkstanzgruppe:**

For more information contact Mary Parsons at [MaryParsonsGermanClub@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:CWBETHEL@MSN.COM).**



### Wishing Well

The GASC extends its sincere condolences to the family of **Gail Urban O'Donnell** who passed away suddenly last month. She was a hard worker and enthusiastic supporter of the GASC. Her smiling face, contagious joy, and sweet spirit will be missed.

**Joseff Hosemann** passed away on an unknown date after moving to Dania Beach. The GASC extends its sincere condolences to his family.

The GASC wishes **Huong Rose** a speedy recovery following her recent hospitalization.

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

## HOW MUCH IS MY MEMBERSHIP?

**Regular** (German/Austrian/Swiss ancestry): \$70

**Regular Family** (a couple and minor children): \$140

**Associate** (no German/Austrian/Swiss ancestry): \$56

**Associate Family** (a couple and minor children): \$112

**Corporate:** \$400

## 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 JANUARY 31, 2024. You may complete the form that appears later in this newsletter and return it with your check.

## 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!



## 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

**Many thanks for your help at  
Oktoberfest, Mack!**



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Application for Membership

- TRIAL  REGULAR  ASSOCIATE  CORPORATE  
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Date of application: \_\_\_\_\_

Mr./ Mrs./Ms./ Dr. \_\_\_\_\_  
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Spouse: Mr./ Mrs./Ms./ Dr. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Circle One) (First Name) (Last Name)

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

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Spouse. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date of Birth) (City of Birth) (Country of Birth)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Names & Ages of Children under the age of 21)

Please state your ancestry below:

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Signature of Applicant:

\_\_\_\_\_

Club member that applicant was recommended by: \_\_\_\_\_

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The GASC looks forward to welcoming the **United German American Society of Florida (UGASF)** to our club on the first weekend in March in order to celebrate both **German Heritage Day** and the **GASC's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**. The UGASF is an Umbrella Society uniting German American Clubs in the State of Florida into one society. The goal of this society is to preserve and further promote German customs and traditions by unifying member German American organizations in the State of Florida, by improving communications and cooperation between member organizations, and by participating in their representation at the State and National Levels.

For more information, check their website: <https://ugasflorida.org/> or look for the **United German American Society of Florida** on Facebook.

Denise Stephens and Eric Moore have started catching and spaying the cats who aren't yet fixed at the club. If you are interested in adding a furry member to your family, contact Denise at 305-926-6882 or email her at [denise\\_stephens@msn.com](mailto:denise_stephens@msn.com)



## ELECTIONS

The GASC will be holding elections for officers and directors soon. If you have been a member for at least 2 years and are interested in serving, please contact a member of the nominations committee.

Members of the committee include: Linda Obermeier, Gudrun Brandl, Jen Stine, Norma Stickenschneider, Ingeborg Condon.