

GASC NEWSLETTER



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April Showers Bring May Flowers — and Big Wins for the Club!

Spring has officially sprung, and while we may not have tackled any spring cleaning yet, we have been busy making major improvements around the club.

- In February, we installed impact doors and windows.
- In March, we repaired the club's water main.

So what is April bringing? A whole lot of excitement!

- April 10th – Nominations will be accepted from the floor for any open positions. Your voice and participation are encouraged, so don't miss it!
- April 11th – A huge Heritage Day celebration in Kissimmee, proudly hosted by UGASF. This is one of our biggest cultural events of the year, and we can't wait to see everyone come out and represent. The club will have a table there showing all that we have to offer.

Spring is blooming, the club is growing, and the best is still ahead.

Andre von Bloedau
2nd VP

ELECTIONS AT THE GASC

It's time for elections at the German club again. At the March meeting, the nominating committee nominated the following: **Andre von Bloedau** was nominated for President; **Norma Gangone** for 1st VP; **Frank Rhodes** for 2nd VP **Liselotte Seer** for Treasurer; **Linda Dunlap** for Corresponding and Recording Secretary; **Debbie Rivers** for Membership Secretary; **Gary Malfeld** and **Alan Sielk** were nominated for for Trustee positions.

Since then, **Debbie Rivers** has withdrawn her nomination.

At the April 10th meeting, nominations will be accepted from the floor. Nominees must be present and must agree to run.

Elections will be held at the May 8th meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL ACTIVITIES

- 03 Good Friday (Membership Meeting moved to next week)
- 10 @ 8:00 p.m. Membership meeting for Regular and Lifetime members

- Nominations from the floor for various positions

- 11 German Festival 2026 (formerly German Heritage Festival) in Kissimmee
- 19 @ 11 Bavarian Brunch

MAY ACTIVITIES

- 08 @ 8:00 p.m. Membership meeting for Regular and Lifetime members

- Elections

Dinner and Social Nights \$15/dinner

- 03 White fish dinner
- 10 Lemon chicken
- 17 Schnitzel night!
- 24 Beef goulash with Spätzle

****If you have special dietary needs or preferences, please advise the chef NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY by emailing [GASC at info@gascmiami.org](mailto:info@gascmiami.org) Please do not call the chef. Prepay your dinner or make a reservation no later than 5:00 p.m. the Thursday of each week.**



OFFICERS & TRUSTEES**Board of Directors****Interim President, 2nd VP, and Chairman:**

Andre von Bloedau Silveira

Immediate Past President: David Bauer**1st Vice President:** Norma Gangone**Directors:** Frank Rhodes, Benjamin Maares,
Andre Gast, Rachelle McKool**Other Officers****Treasurer:** Liselotte Seer**Treasurer Emeritus:** Maria Morarin**Corresponding and Recording Secretary:**

Linda Dunlap

Membership Secretary: Olga Eckert**Parliamentarian:** Tony Sellers**Sergeant-at-Arms:****Trustees:** Gary Malfeld, Alan Sielk, Leah Magel-Sheremata, Rose Raudes, and Erika Johnson.**Scholarship Committee:** Christa Collins,
Gudrun Brandl, Norma Stueckenschneider,
Ingeborg Condon, Birgit Weichselbaumer.

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 hours, 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.

Phone: (305) 552-5123 (leave a message).

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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). If you're interested, please contact Carl Bethel at: CWBETHEL@MSN.COM.

The GASC Maintenance Crew volunteers their time and talents on various projects around the club. If you enjoy making repairs, creating things, and spending time with people who do that too, or 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.

Are you moving? Do you have a new phone number? Email address? You can log into your account at gascmiami.org and make those changes yourself. Just use the email address you used to join and make the changes. Or if you're not tech savvy, call or email us to give us your new details. We want to stay in touch!

ACTIVITIES HAPPENING AT THE CLUB

The GASC's Home Brewery was created in 2025 by GASC Board Member Andy Gast.



LEARN HOW TO BREW AT THE GASC'S HOME BREWERY!

Thanks to Andy Gast's creativity and mechanical abilities, GASC has its own home brewery. Beer making classes are now offered exclusively to Lifetime, Regular, or Associate members of a Florida German club who are aged 21 or older. The first session costs \$50, with repeat classes at \$20 each; different beers are made each month. We follow the German Beer Purity Law when making our beers.

Classes take place monthly on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. and last until late afternoon or early evening, depending on the beer type. The fee covers the class session and all necessary ingredients. Attendees have the opportunity to enjoy the brewed beer (ready in 3-4 weeks) at no extra charge.

The microbrewery is reserved exclusively for these classes and may be not rented or borrowed. To enroll in the next class, contact Andy Gast at 305-213-9157.



Soccer training for children
ages 4-16



Ages 4-9: Mon & Wed, 6-7 PM
Ages 10-16: Mon & Wed, 7-9 PM

📞 Coach Yerly: 786-901-1375

📷 IG: @fort_training_academy

Sunday Soccer Club

Sundays 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

After a one-game trial period, GASC annual membership is required. To join, please contact Sergio Jaramillo at 305-989-2279.



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Does your dog really like to play frisbee? Toss & Fetch Miami meets at the GASC on some Friday evenings for agility training. Find them on Facebook or Instagram for more information! Or Call Elizabeth at 305-968-8659.



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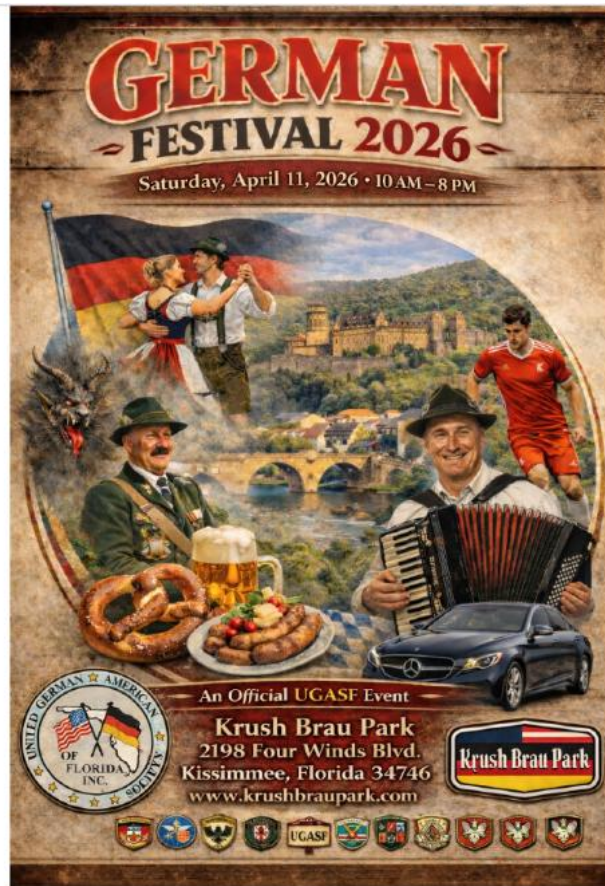
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Where in Germany are you from? Ask one of the regulars to give you a special pin to mark your home town!

Join us at the German Festival 2026!

German clubs from around Florida will be in Kissimmee this year. Make a hotel reservation or plan to camp out nearby and join us for a celebration of all things German!



\$12
Early Bird Adult 14+
March 11 - 20



\$15
Pre Sale Adult 14+
March 20 - April 10



\$20
At Door Adult 14+
April 11th



\$5
Child Ticket (6-13)+

You must have a ticket to Enter. Please print or show receipt on phone. Ages 0 - 5 are Free



April Birthdays

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| 1 | Barbara Zankl, Maria Luiza von Bloedau, Kathy Poerschke | 20 | Marty v McGuire |
| 9 | Denise Stephens | 21 | Marcus Haderlein, Anjenys Gonzalez Eilert |
| 10 | Don Wendt, Jeannie Heller | 22 | Mark Kleese |
| 11 | Jason Wright, Wesley Parsons | 23 | Margaret Robinson, Anna Hester |
| 14 | Monica Hurwitz | 27 | Paul Nemeth, Michelle Haast |
| 15 | Bonnie Schinasi | 28 | Michelle Viteri, Karoline Carvajal |
| 18 | Maria Liz Gamarra Stark de Raab | 29 | Robert Jacobs, Nohemis Strasser |

JOIN THE LAST BAVARIAN BRUNCH OF THE SEASON!

Join us in our Biergarten for Weißwurst Frühstück und Frühschoppen (Weißwurst breakfast and morning pint, a popular German brunch).

\$25 adult, \$15 child.

Includes food only.

Sunday, April 19

11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Food served until 3:00 p.m.



German classes

- German language classes are offered every Monday at 7:30 PM at the Miami German Club
- Focus on basic conversational skills and foundational German grammar
- A fun and welcoming way to interact with fellow club members while improving your German, and we are also learning German songs
- Open to all levels – newcomers are always welcome!
- To join or learn more, contact the instructor, Craig Buehrig, at +1 (541) 999-7696.



Join the GASC!

Scan the QR code to the right or go to <https://gascmiami.org> and become a member!

It's only \$70 per person a year for those of German / Austrian / or Swiss descent and \$56 per person a year for those who are not.



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GASC Dance Groups

Original Auerhahn Schuhplattler

This group practices a type of folk dance from Bavaria in which the men stomp, clap, and slap their shoes and thighs, and the women spin. The Bavarian schuhplattler practice on Friday evenings following the Kinder practice. Email Andre von Bloedau Silveira, Vorplattler, at Auerhahnofmiami@gmail.com or call 305-431-6571 for more information.



German International Folk Dance Group (formerly Die Deutschevolktanzundtrachtengruppe)

They perform folk dances from Germany and other areas of Europe. Everyone welcome. No experience or partner required. Practices are Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. For more information contact Mary Parsons at MaryParsonsGermanClub@gmail.com or 305-776-0674.



Edelweiß Schuhplattler

The Kinder or children's group dances the same type of folk dance as the Original Auerhahn Schuhplattler. 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.



March 1 – 15, 2027
Ski Tri to JAPAN!

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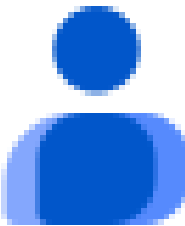
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All candidates for office at GASC are asked to send a headshot to Linda Dunlap via email at info@gascmiami.org or by WhatsApp at 305-710-5021 no later than April 15. Thank you.



Keila works with a lot of patients who need comfortable clothing and tennis shoes in order to do therapy and to return to their community. If you have new or **gently** used items that you would like to donate, please drop them by the club any Friday so that we can collect them for her! Thank you for helping the greater Miami community.

Help needed on Friday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. Someone to check the prepaid and ordered list to make sure that anyone who has already paid for dinner or made a reservation by 5pm on Thursday is served before those who come without a reservation or who make the reservation on Friday and are not included on the list.