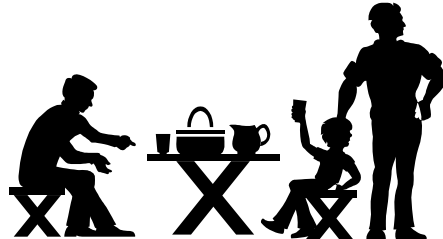




## GAST Annual Family Picnic.



Don and Carol Wright's

**“Bayerischerhof”**

will again be the location of the  
GAST Annual Family Picnic  
on Sunday, June 13, 2004 from 1-5 PM.

It is located at 6240 East 116<sup>th</sup>, Tulsa  
(Go South on Sheridan Road to 116<sup>th</sup> St. Make a right turn onto 116<sup>th</sup>,  
You'll find us on the left side of the street)

### Look for the welcome sign

Please make your reservation by Wednesday, June 9,  
by calling the GAST Message Center at 744-6998

The picnic fare will be prepared by the Amish Kitchen  
Menu – Bar-BQ Beef Brisket, Hot Links, Chicken, Bologna,  
Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Texas Toast, Cookies, Watermelon  
and Ice Tea. Of course there will also be soda and beer.



If you have never been to the GAST annual picnic, let this be the year you  
come to enjoy the lazy, hazy days of summer among friends. Dress casually,  
bring the children and grandchildren. Bring a lawn chair and come to play or  
just relax and visit. There is plenty of shade and space for games,  
trampoline, swings and more.

Adults \$10.00 - Children under 12 years \$5.00 -  
2 years & under - no charge

### **GAST Happenings**

May 28	Weinkellerabend
Jun 6	Sonntagskaffee
Jun 13	GAST Picnic
Jun 19	Folkdance party
Jun 25	Weinkellerabend
Jul 23	Weinkellerabend
Aug 1	Sonntagskaffee
Aug 20	Theater Organ Soc.
Aug 27	Weinkellerabend
Sep 11	Kinderdeutsch
Sep 12	Konversationsrunde
Sep 14	Language classes
Sep 24	Weinkellerabend
Oct 3	German-American Day
Oct 10	Konversationsrunde
Nov 7	Sonntagskaffee
Nov 14	Konversationsrunde
Nov 26	Weinkellerabend
Dec 19	Konversationsrunde
<b>2005</b>	
Jan 9	Konversationsrunde
Feb 13	Konversationsrunde
Mar 13	Konversationsrunde
Apr 10	Konversationsrunde
Apr 29	Germanfest begins
May 15	Konversationsrunde
	Heinzelmännchen—Wed ,10 am

## ...from the GAST President

Dear Members,

On behalf of GAST let me express condolences to **Brigitte and Susanna Phelps** for the death of their Mother and Grandmother in Germany in May. They are in our thoughts and prayers.

I would also like to thank **Brigitte** for chairing the Maikönigin selection committee and for seeing that everything was in order for the coronation of our new Maikönigin. **Christy Collins** was crowned 2004-2005 Maikönigin as part of the Opening ceremonies of Germanfest. Congratulations Christy.

Speaking of Germanfest, I want to thank everyone who had a part in helping make our fundraising event so successful. It was fantastic. A special thank you goes to **Peter Kamens and Lufthansa Technik, North America** for their Sponsorship of Germanfest. There were also many "in-kind" sponsors whose contributions also helped make a difference. The two-day event netted GAST three times the amount that was made at Mayfest in 2003. The public had nothing but praise for the event. The GAST Board has approved expanding the festival to a three-day event in 2005. It is being planned for on April 29, 30 and May 1, 2005. Mark your calendars now and let **Jim Walker** know if you would like to be a part of it in 2005..

Membership chairperson, **Irmgard Toschik** has advised me that membership renewal has closed and this year there were fewer "lost" memberships due to non renewal.

This past month has been unusually busy as projects and activities are completed and the new incoming Board prepares to take over. The incoming Board is now complete. **Terry Sponsler** responded to my plea for a volunteer to serve as Secretary for the GAST Boards. The nominating committee recommended that her offer be accepted and the Board made it official by approving a motion for Terry's appointment as GAST Secretary.

Other action by the Board was the approval of a donation to a Tulsa University German Language student's scholarship fund. Also, GAST will be offering members and the public CPR classes at no charge. Detail elsewhere in Das Echo.

### Das Deutsche Echo

is published monthly by  
The German-American Society of Tulsa  
1429 Terrace Dr., Tulsa, OK 74104

Office hours: Mon. Wed. Fri. 10am - 4 PM  
Office Phone 744-6997—Fax 744-6998  
Library hours: the third Wednesday, 2 - 4 PM

#### Claus Greiner, President

Fred Rother, Editor 299-4814  
Editor E-mail address: ffrother@yahoo.com  
GAST e-mail: gastulsa@att.net  
GAST Web page <http://www.gastulsa.org>

### Message Center - 744-6998

The German-American Society, Arts Association  
and Building Corp. do not necessarily endorse  
advertisers and/or ad content.

I want to say thank you to outgoing Board members, **Doris Gallagher, Dean Butler, Ginny Greek, Uschi Mueller, Jim Thomason, Bob Schein, & Jim Walker**. Thank you for your support.

The annual GAST Family Picnic will once again be held in Don's and my garden on June 13. It is always a pleasure to host this picnic. Look for the details elsewhere. Hope to see you there. Don't forget to make reservations.

*(Continued on page 4)*

Echo Deadline is: *June 18*

## *...from the Arts President*

It was a pleasure to work with Dana Maher, Artistic Director of the Amadeus Piano Festival organization, to co-sponsor and host the Piano Power Recitals in our Great Hall on three Sundays in March, April and May. It is so very gratifying to see and hear these young performers and their teachers share their talents with an appreciative audience.

The last of the series, a Mother's Day Concert on Sunday, May 9, featured Dr. Roger Price from the University of Tulsa and his students, Emily Yates and Kayla Healy. It was a wonderful afternoon, enjoyed by more than 140 members, families, friends and guests.

The refreshments were served by board members **Rusty Seelye** and **Dann Bjorklund**. Thank you, guys. You did so well, we may ask you to do it again! Thanks also to **Lois** and **Al Voeller**, **John Millar** and **Charles Tegeler** who spent quite a bit of their Sunday setting up and moving chairs. You have been getting a lot of practice lately!

Please check the website of the Amadeus Piano Festival organization for their Summer Session 2004 ([www.amadeuspianofestival.org](http://www.amadeuspianofestival.org)) or call Dana Maher at 745-0743.

Our next Arts event is a Mini-Concert by the American Theatre Organ Society on Friday, August 20, at 7:30 PM. Please mark your calendar, you don't want to miss it.

We are also preparing for German-American Day on October 3 and Kid's World, November 4-7. Please give me a call if you would like to chair one of these events.

—Arnold Bieber

## Die Deutsche Konversationsrunde

Thank you, **Margaret**, for your gracious hospitality and opening your home to us for Konversationsrunde, and providing a fantastic variety of home-made cakes for our last meeting before the summer pause. A special thanks also to **Jutta Tankersley** for her musical arrangements, which made this meeting even more special. We will now go into our summer break and meet again in September. We wish everyone a pleasant and fun-filled summer.

Association. It serves to promote the German language and other cultural interests of its members.

For suggestions, information or hosting one of our meetings, please call **Barbara Conrad** at 492-3273 (Chair) or **Gertrud Schmidt** at 495-3727 (Co-chair).

The Konversationsrunde is a program under the auspices of the German-American Society Arts



### June Choir Notes

We will be in Peoria  
when this report is due.  
So in July, we'll report to you  
On the National Sangerfest event  
And how our adventure went!

Congratulations to our new Maikonigin,  
Choir member **Christy Collins**.  
Best wishes to **Marie Budde** on her forth-  
coming marriage in July.  
Speedy recovery to **Guenter Roepel**. Hope  
he'll be back home soon.  
Sympathies to **Brigitte Phelps** and her family  
on the death of her mother.

Happy Father's Day to all GAST Fathers.

Question/Information  
Teresa Gallagher 663-9573



### Stammtisch

We'll be gathering 'round  
the'Tisch as always, starting at  
6:30 PM.

See you there.

-Dean



### So, you wanna be a Heinzelmannchen?

Just call John Toschik for info at 749-5282

*(Continued from page 2)*

Also, don't forget about the Folk Dance Workshop  
(Lehrgang) Dance Party on Saturday, June 19. At  
this time we have reservations for the workshop  
from dancers from Texas, Washington, Indiana,  
Ohio, Colorado and Connecticut.

Although I am retiring from the GAST presidency  
I do plan on continuing to play an active role in  
many GAST activities whenever Don and I are not  
traveling. During the past 13 years that I have  
served GAST as secretary and President. There  
have been significant changes and growth in  
GAST and I am very proud to have been a part of  
it. It has been an honor and pleasure to have  
served. Thank you all for your support.

—Carol Wright

## Sonntagskaffee

*(Sunday Afternoon Coffee  
is a German ritual)*

*You are cordially invited to join us for  
Coffee, Cake and Conversation  
on Sunday, June 6,*

*starting at 3 PM*

The Kaffee Team:

Helga Greiner, Barbara Hunsberger, Helen Cohea  
Claus Greiner and Fred Rother



## Folkdance Party

Come join the GAST Folkdancers  
for an evening of Dinner, Folk Dancing and Folkmusic.

Saturday, June 19, 2004, in the GAST Center.

Social 6:00 p.m.

Dinner 6:30 till 7:30—cost \$15

Grand March and dancing program 7:30 till 10:30

GAST is hosting Folkdancers from across the country who will have come to Tulsa to attend a Folkdance workshop of the North American Federation of German Folk Dance Groups. Participants will be presenting a program of their dances and the GAST membership is invited to attend.

Special guests will be Dr. Wolfgang Schlüter, his wife and son from Germany. They are the teachers of the folkdance workshop featuring dances and Folklore of the "Heath Region" "Lüneburger Heide".

You are encouraged to wear your Dirndl or Lederhosen and join others wearing their Trachten (German costume) from other German areas.

### Menu

Roladen,  
Rotkohl (red cabbage)  
Mashed potatoes  
Bread & Butter and  
Dessert.

Please call the GAST Message Center at 744-6997 to make your reservation by June 16.

# Jackie Cooper

*Imports of Tulsa Ltd.*

**Paulstephen Schaffrin**  
Sales Consultant

PORSCHE INFINITY NISSAN VOLVO

918.249.9393 (main) 9393 S. Memorial  
918.902.3320 (cell) www.jackiecooper.com Tulsa OK 74133

# Sunderman

## Thunderbolt Welding

Lawn Furniture, Fences & Gates,  
Miscellaneous Repairs, Fabrications  
Scrap metal hauled free!

Ask for John

Phone 260 1229

# Rheingarten

Restaurant



911 S. Main St. (918) 786- 8737  
Grove OK 74344 WWW.Rheingarten.com

*Fine Dining — German Cuisine*

# SOUTHWOOD

## Landscape & Nursery

### 91st and Lewis

### Joe & Ginny Schulte

## Rosita Karin Golz-Martin

### German Master Tailor

Haute Couture for ladies

Tailoring & Alteration for ladies and men  
by Appointment only (918) 496-0313



## W. G. Creations

12212 N. 135th East Ave.  
Collinsville, OK 74021

### Custom Embroidery

Telephone (918) 371-0640



## Class Act

Party & Wedding Supply Rental



**Bill & Nancy**  
6520 E. Skelly Dr. Tulsa, OK 74145  
(39th St. & Sheridan)

**Phone 663-7997**



**CHRIS HAYES**

6535 East Skelly Drive — Tulsa, OK 74145  
918.665.7229 – Fax 918.665.7308

## Lydia Treager

*Scroll Artist  
in wood and metal*

3114 N. Sunset Avenue  
Sand Springs, OK, 74063  
918.245.6910  
tfamilie@peoplepc.com



- Catering
- Amish Program Available
- Banquet Facility Available



(Tulsa Regional Medical Center)  
744 West 9th Street  
Tulsa, OK 74127

**Elam Blank**  
582-1607 • Fax 584-7464  
Cell Phone 625-7629

## Home-stays needed for international Students

Open your home to a student from another country and make them a part of your family. People who host with AFS Intercultural Programs provide a bed, meals, and loving support to a student attending high school for a year or semester in the U.S. Students arrive eager to experience what it's like to live in the U.S. as a member of a family, school, and community. People who host can feel great knowing that they are contributing towards building intercultural understanding and awareness in their communities, and in the world.

AFS was founded by volunteer ambulance drivers who survived World War I and II who believed, as AFS believes today, that the way to build a more just and peaceful world begins when people from different countries and cultures meet, learn more about each other, and begin to understand each other. Today's AFS is also largely a volunteer effort, with more than 8,000 U.S. volunteers and 100,000 worldwide. AFS has numerous students from all over the world of all shapes, sizes, religions and interests who are coming to the area as well as the rest of the US. There are many students from all over the world coming to Oklahoma (we have offices in 52 countries) who are in need of host families.

You can find information about hosting a student or volunteering by calling Erin at AFS 800-876-2377 ext 2235 or visiting the AFS Web site at [www.afs.org/usa](http://www.afs.org/usa). She will put you in contact with your local volunteer. AFS is a nonprofit, volunteer- based organization THANK YOU!

**Please visit our fine Sponsors**  
who help support the publication of this newsletter

## We welcome these new members to the GAST Family

Jill Holmes (OK) P.O.Box 981 Stillwater, OK 74076-0981	Frank Martinez (OH) Linda Martinez (NY) 3664 S. 107th E. Ave. Tulsa, OK 74146 622-5934
Ludwig & Sally Dischner (NY) 15702 E. 79th St. N Owasso, OK 74055 272-9969	Georg Ort (Erlangen, Germany) Martha Ort (TX) 7826 E. 22nd St. Tulsa, OK 74129 665-7108

### German-American Society of Tulsa (GAST)

President	Claus Greiner	455-3096
1st VP	Charles Tegeler	747-0610
2nd VP	Richard Pizzo	
*Secretary	Ginny Greek	299-3282
*Treasurer	Leisha Jury	272-2635

### \*German-American Society Arts Association

President	Arnold Bieber	357-9156
1st VP	Barbara Conrad	492-3273
2nd VP	Dan Bjorklund	252-0105

### \*German-American Society Building Corporation

President	Ed Lenfestey	627-5521
1st VP	John Toschik	749-5282
2nd VP	James Thomason	622-2499

### Directors

Director	Dan Belcher	294-0501
Director	Elam Blank	836-9648
Director	Dean Butler	747-0306
Director	Teresa Gallagher	663-9573
Director	Claus Greiner	455-3096
Director	Erica Hartman	272-7903
Director	John Millar	481-0614
Director	Uschi Mueller	743-4353
Director	Dana Rosler	254-0600
Director	Fred Rother	299-4814
Director	Rusty Selye	742-8033
Director	James Thomason	622-2499
Director	Irmgard Toschik	749-5282
Director	John Toschik	749-5282
Director	Aaron Veale	585-8554
Director	Jim Walker	743-9113
Director	Jack Wynn	496-1724

Information and Message Center  
744-6998



## Siegi's Sausage Factory & Deli



Siegi's Sausage Factory is steeped in Austrian culinary tradition. Using only the finest products, natural seasonings and ingredients that date back to the late 1800's in Austria. Siegi's produces twenty different kinds of sausages—all of them hand-made to produce the look and taste of real sausage.

Master butcher, Siegi Sumaruk, was born in Austria and came to the States in 1965. Twenty years later, he moved to Tulsa where he opened the family-owned-and operated "Factory".

We invite you to visit Siegi's Sausage Factory and Deli at 8988 S. Sheridan in the Chimney Pointe Center to experience the scents, sights and taste of real sausage.

NON-PROFIT  
U.S. Postage  
Paid  
Permit 528  
Tulsa, Oklahoma

German-American Society Arts Assoc.  
Das Deutsche Echo  
1429 Terrace Drive  
Tulsa, OK 74104