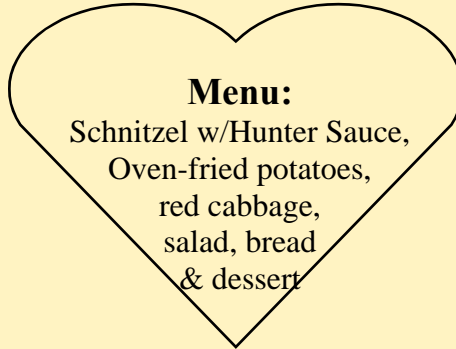




GAST Oktoberfest Party

Saturday October 28, 2006



Menu:

Schnitzel w/Hunter Sauce,
Oven-fried potatoes,
red cabbage,
salad, bread
& dessert



Music by: Karl Waldbauer's "Lawton Polka Kings"

Social Hour starts at 6 PM

Dinner starts at 6:30 MP

Dinner & Dancing \$15 for non-workers

Dinner & Dancing \$5 for workers

Babysitting will be available in the Weinkeller for members' children at \$5:00 per child.

**Please make your reservations by calling the Message Center
at 744-6997 by Wednesday, October 25th**

GAST Happenings

Handarbeitsgruppe Tue. at 10 AM	Jan 5 Stammtisch	May 4 Stammtisch
Oct 28 GAST O'fest Party	Jan 13 Anniversary Party	May 6 Konversationsrunde
Nov 3 Stammtisch	Jan 14 Konversationsrunde	Jun 1 Stammtisch
Nov 5 Sonntagskaffee	Feb 2 Stammtisch	Jul 6 Stammtisch
Nov 12 Piano recital	Feb 11 Konversationsrunde	Aug 3 Stammtisch
Dec 1 Christkindlmarkt	Feb 17 Fasching Party	Sep 7 Stammtisch
Dec 8 Stammtisch	Mar 2 Stammtisch	
Dec 9 GAST Christmas Pty	Mar 11 Konversationsrunde	
Dec 10 Adventsfeier	Apr 6 Stammtisch	
Dec 17 Konversationsrunde	Apr 8 Konversationsrunde	
2007	May 4 Germanfest begins	

...FROM THE GAST PRESIDENT

We had a very good Western party that unfortunately many of our members missed. The decorations were outstanding, the food was great and the band was great. Thanks to the party committee of **Helen Cohea, Brigitte Phelps, Terry Sponsler, Susanna Phelps, Doris Gallagher, June Myhre, Ginny Greek and Gwen Bieber**. They did a very good job. Our next party will be October 28, 2006. By the time you get this issue of the Echo, it will probably be over. The dancers will decorate as usual and, for the second year, the Oktoberfest Committee will prepare the food.

At the time of writing this, we are one day away of the beginning of Oktoberfest. The Oktoberfest Committee consisting of **Leon Boggs** as chair and **Erica Hartman, Ed Westenhiser, Dave Schoneweis, Jim Walker and Elam Blank** have spent many hours planning and preparing for this event and will spend many more during the next six days. For GAST, Oktoberfest is a major revenue source. It takes a lot of people to make it successful and only thirty percent of our members have agreed to participate. The good news is that the weather is expected to be good and the committee and the people who are participating will make it work.

After discussion, the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors decided not to hold a General Membership in November because of the number of hours devoted to Oktoberfest and Christkindlmarkt.

A strong organization needs participation by all its members. I hope everyone will find a place to get involved.

– Charles Tegeler

**Now always on the Wednesday after
the Board meeting**

**Echo Deadline is:
Wednesday, November 15 by 6 PM**

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...from the Arts President

October 8 saw one of our best programs ever for the annual celebration of German-American Day and the Day of German Unity. Dr. Douglas Hale gave us an excellent summary of the movement for German unity in the early 19th century along with the personal struggles and achievements of several participants who came to the United States following the abortive revolution against the German Confederation in April of 1833. Dr. Hale also donated ten copies of his most recent book "Wanderers Between Two Worlds" to the Arts Association. These are available for sale to the membership. Proceeds will go to support future Arts events.



The musical program was given by Mr. Chuck Cissel and Ms. Pat Moore of the Oklahoma Jazz Hall of Fame. The selections performed were well known and very popular pieces by famous artists including Nat "King" Cole, Duke Ellington and George and Ira Gershwin. Anybody who wasn't there missed a wonderful afternoon.



Thanks go to the many volunteers who made the celebration successful. These include **Darlene Tegeler, Susan Bey, Ingeborg Jerchau, Helga Roepel, June Myhre, Silke Becker, Barbara Conrad, George Starch, Arnold Bieber and Fred Rother.**

Volunteers are needed to help setup and staff our booth at the Kid's World program in November. The event runs from the 9th through the 12th and is heavily attended by schoolchildren from the entire Tulsa area. Please call **Lois Voeller** (355-2318), **Arnold Bieber** (357-9156) or the Message Center (744-6998) if you are interested in helping with this project.

Our November 12 program will be a piano recital by Swiss pianist Hanny Schmidt-Wyss. This is presented in cooperation with the Swiss Club and the Amadeus Piano Festival. This event is being sponsored by the Oklahoma Council for the Arts.

Pastor Ingo Schroeder from our sister city in Germany, Celle, will officiate and the GAST Choir will sing your favorite German Christmas carols at our annual Adventsfeier on December 10. Donations are welcome and will be forwarded to Meals on Wheels.

All Arts Association events are free and open to the public. Come enjoy them and remember to bring a friend.

Best wishes,

—John Millar

Die Deutsche Konversationsrunde

We would like to thank **Helga and Claus Greiner** to open their house for our meeting and the very informative video about their trip on the Amazonas, A video like this makes you wish to pack your suitcase. We will not get together in Nov., because of the Piano-recital which we will have together with the Swiss Club on the 2nd, Sunday of Nov. On the 19. of Nov. we will again honor the former POW, who are layed to rest at Ft. Reno. Since we will do this with out the help of the Oklahoma City group we do not have all the information ready yet. We will inform you per e-mail about the details later in the month. If you have any questions about the event please contact Barbara Conrad at 492-3273.

The Konversationsrunde is a program under the auspices of the GAST arts association. It serves to-promote the German language and other cultural interests of its members. For suggestions or hosting one of our meetings, please call **Barbara Conrad** at 494-3273(chair) or **Gertrud Schmidt** at 495-3727 (co-chair)

Barbara Conrad
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Tulsa, Ok 74133

...from the Building Corporation President

Final touch-up is all that is needed to complete the renovation project with the ladies restroom. It has a new vanity, new faucets, mirror, wallpaper removed, and walls repaired and painted.

Operating Committee chairman, **John Millar**, reports that the handicap restroom was also updated to meet the Health Department's code.

Volunteers are needed to get their food handlers card. It requires a class and test which take approximately one hour. You may sign up by calling the Health Department at 582-9355.

Harold Wicks and the Grounds Committee has caught up with the weeding. The lawn service has trimmed the hedges, and sprinklers have been serviced and repaired. **Arnold Bieber** continues to clean gutters on a regular basis. **Carol and Don Wright** lent their new knowledge on garden fencing. They have reshaped the pavers that form the new garden area by the circle drive. You may volunteer to be on his committee or just help with the work by calling Harold at 743-0359.

Lois Voeller reports that the **leasing committee** has 37 confirmed and several pending leases for 2006. There are 10 on the calendar for 2007. Volunteers are needed to host leased events at the building. If you are interested or have questions, please call Becky in the office on MWF from 9:00 to 3:00 at 744-6997.

Additional suggestions from our membership would be appreciated. Please call me at 625-7629 or write him your ideas or suggestions to amishkitchen@mail.com.

– Elam Blank



Now Playing at the GAST Theater

An Erwin Jerchau Presentation

Monday, November 6

Starting at 6:30 PM

Lieder die das Leben schrieb
Freddy Quinn in Concert



Starting at 7:30 PM

Mutter aus heiterem Himmel
Starring: Ann - Katarin Kramer,
Johel Nickel
and Dietmar Baere



Impressionism: Manet painting of Monet on his
"floating studio" anno 1874
Bayerische Staatsgemäldesammlungen

We welcome these new members to the GAST Family

November 2006

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1503 East 37th Place
Tulsa, Ok 74105
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Piano Recital

"Music From Three Centuries"

Hanny Schmid Wyss

Sunday, November 12, 3 PM at the GAST Center



The Swiss Club of Oklahoma, the Amadeus Piano Festival and the German-American Society Arts Association have joined forces to bring you a performance by a world-renowned Swiss concert pianist.

Ms. Schmid Wyss has performed as a soloist with major orchestras in the United States, Switzerland, Holland, Germany and Romania. She has recorded and appeared on TV and radiobroadcasts in Italy, Germany, Austria, the United States, Switzerland, Holland and Romania. She is acclaimed for her "masterful performance" in recitals and chamber music.

Ms. Schmid Wyss graduated from the Zurich Music Academy and the Staatliche Hochschule für Musik in Cologne, Germany. She is the prize-winner of many International Piano Competitions, among others, a Medal Laureate at the Geneva International Piano Competition. Hanny Schmid Wyss' repertoire ranges from early Baroque to the late 20th Century's contemporary music. Several composers have dedicated concertos and piano works to her, which she premiered with great success.

A reception in honor of Ms. Schmid Wyss follows.

The event is sponsored in part by the Oklahoma Arts Council.
It is free and open to the public.





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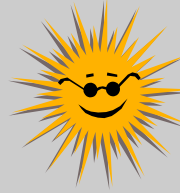
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**The
Sunshine Lady**

Please call or E-mail me if you know of a GAST member who is ill. Also, please let me know if it is appropriate to send a sympathy card. Thank you.
Phone 357-9156

E-mail book_worm34@hotmail.com
—Gwen Bieber

Stammtischrunde

Join us on Friday evening,
October 6, 6:30 PM



Zum Wohl,
—Dann Björklund,
Chair

Sign of the times

Sign in a laundromat automatic washing machines: please remove all your clothes when the light goes out

In an office: after tea break, staff should empty the teapot and stand upside down on the draining board.

On a church door: this is the gate of heaven. Enter ye all by this door. (this door is kept locked because of the draft, please use side door.)

Outside a secondhand shop: we exchange anything - bicycles, washing machines etc. why not bring your wife along and get a wonderful bargain?

Sign outside a new town hall which was to be opened by the Prince of Wales: the town hall is closed until opening. It will remain closed after being opened. Open tomorrow.

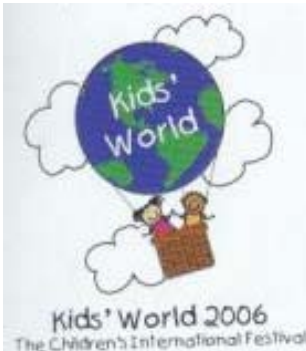
Outside a photographer's studio: out to lunch: if not back by five, out for dinner also.

Notice in health food shop window: closed due to illness.



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**Up, Up, and Away!
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Kids' World, 2006
November 9-12, 2006

at the Expo Center

Kids' World began in 1993 with a vision of uniting Tulsa's diverse ethnic communities under one roof to provide children with a cultural perspective and unique understanding of our world. More than 50 exhibits representing cultures from around the world will be represented and will be part of the kick-off of Oklahoma's Centennial Celebration. GAST'S theme for this year is "Cars and Castles." Volunteers are still needed to staff both the GAST and the Celle Partnership booths. Shifts are approximately 3 ½ hours in length beginning at 8:30 on Thursday, November 9, through Sunday, November 12th at 5:00 P.M. Please call me if you can help.

—Lois Voeller
Phone 355-2318

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