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COMMUNITY IN TULSA

UPCOMING EVENTS AT GAST

April

- 1 Folk Dancing
- 2 Movie Night
- 3 Handarbeitsgruppe
- 5 Choir Practice
- 6 Stammtisch
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- 10 Handarbeitsgruppe
- 12 Choir Practice

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15 Barthelmes Recital

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- 29 Folk Dancing

May

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- 7 Movie Night
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- 10 Choir Practice

11-13 Germanfest

- 15 Handarbeitsgruppe
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- 22 Handarbeitsgruppe
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- 25 Weinkellerabend
- 29 Handarbeitsgruppe

June

- 1 Stammtisch
- 4 Movie Night
- 5 Handarbeitsgruppe
- 7 Choir Practice

10 Picnic

- 12 Handarbeitsgruppe
- 14 Choir Practice
- 19 Handarbeitsgruppe
- 21 Choir Practice
- 22 Weinkellerabend
- 26 Handarbeitsgruppe
- 28 Choir Practice

Lumpenball/Soup Party

Saturday, April 14th



Doors open at 5:00PM.

Dinner served at 6:00PM.

**Admission is FREE if you bring
Soup or Dessert to share!**

Admission if you don't bring a dish:

Adults: \$10, Kids 6-12: \$5, 5 & Under: FREE

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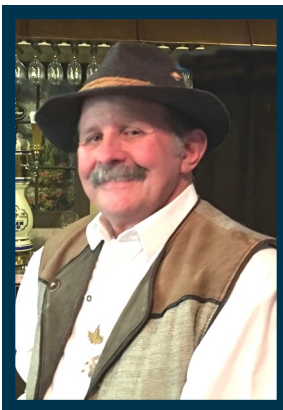
**RSVP by 2PM Wednesday, April 7th
(918) 744-6997 or gast@tulsacoxmail.com**



What is Lumpenball?

This is GAST's annual 'Poor Man's Soup Party.' Members and their guests are invited to commiserate with their fellow tax payers by "wearing their best rags" and sharing a dinner of soup, bread and dessert.

Get in the spirit of things! Wear worn old clothes, the more "ruined" the better. Patched jeans, frayed hats, laddered stockings and torn shirts are perfect.



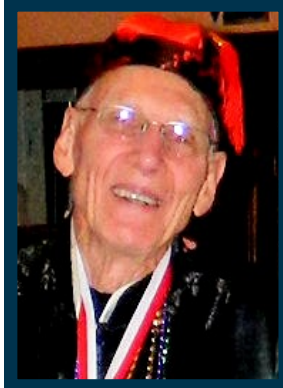
Joseph Rohr—GAST President

Greetings!

Well, Germanfest is quickly approaching, so don't forget to contact the office and offer to volunteer for this popular event. The dates for this year's Germanfest are May 11th, 12th, and 13th. We will be starting our setup on Monday, May 7th and tear down will be on Wednesday, May 16th, so mark these days on your calendar! There are plenty of areas to volunteer and at least one of those areas needs your special talent!

Just call Sara in the office and she can pass your name to the Germanfest Committee and someone will contact you.

Till next month,
Joseph



Harold Wicks—Building Manager

Spring Is Here. We are now on Daylight Saving Time. Time to check our lawn watering system to locate any leaks that the winter weather may have caused.

The heating system (the boiler) needs to be drained and turned off. The cooling system must be checked to be ready for the warm we are about to experience.

There are many jobs to do around the building that get done without ever being mentioned in our news articles that are vital to the prosperity of our club.

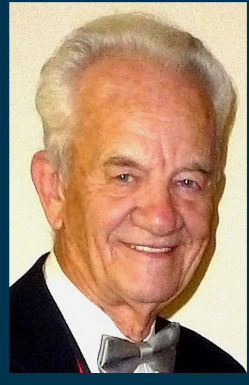
I hope you are enjoying the beautiful flowers and trees.

Be of good cheer,
Harold

2018 EVENTS at GAST

April 14 Lumpenball Party	April 15 Barthelmes Recital	April 22 Annual Membership Meeting	May 11-13 Germanfest	June 10 Picnic
August 5 Ice Cream Social	October 17-21 Oktoberfest	October 27 Oktoberfest Party	Nov 30—Dec 2 Christkindlmarkt	December 8 Christmas Party

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Arnold Bieber—Arts President

Barbara Conrad’s annual garage sale was a huge success thanks your donations and the help of many volunteers. I am always amazed at the variety of items that are donated. Besides the usual clothes, shoes and household items there was jewelry, furniture, books, toys, suit cases, golf clubs, pictures, electronics, tapes and CDs, some brand new toilet seats. Yes, toilet seats, brand new!

April is going to be another busy month. Besides preparations for Germanfest, there is the annual General Membership Meeting and Election on Sunday, April 22 at 3 PM. According to the latest report by the Nominating Committee to the Board, there are still positions open to be filled. Serving on the Board of Directors is a privilege, and it is

the best way to learn about the organizations and to have an influence on our corporate strategy. In order to be included in the official notice, nominations have to be completed before April 8.

Sunday, April 8, is the day of our German Conversation Meeting in the Weinkeller. Barbara Taron will talk about her book and husband Gerald will show some interesting pictures on the large screen. Guests are welcome.

Students from the Barthelmes Conservatory will treat us to an afternoon of classical music on Sunday, April 15 at 3 PM. The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served after the recital.

Arcadia Publishing, the nation’s leading publisher of regional and local photographic history books is interested in publishing a pictorial history of the German community in Tulsa in their Popular Images of America series. They are looking for an author for the project. Arcadia has previously published hundreds of pictorial histories on communities in Oklahoma, as well as around the country.

Arcadia is a full service trade publisher, which means that they absorb all of the costs of publishing the book and provides expert sales and marketing support after its release. They pay royalties on each book sold and give authors the option to purchase highly discounted books to resell for fundraising. Their website, www.arcadiapublishing.com, lists the titles of previously published books. If this something you or someone you know would be interested in, please let me know. 918-357-9156 · aobieber@aol.com

NewsLetter
DEADLINE April 18 at 2 PM
The newsletter goes to press the first Wednesday after the Board meeting. The Board regularly meets at the GAST Center at 7pm on the second Wednesday of the month.

Happy Easter!
Arnold

Choir Practice
Bring out your inner songbird!
Join us Thursdays at 7pm in the office

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GARAGE SALE 2018



THANK YOU GARAGE-SALE VOLUNTEERS!

The Garage Sale of 2018 was a full success. Thanks to Barbara Conrad's organization, the Great Hall of our GAST House filled up with treasures. It took many hours of organizing, pricing, hanging or laying these wares so they may be attractive to buyers. The Sale days required hard working volunteers to aid the visitors and keep the place looking inviting.

Some of the volunteers put in a few hours, others full days working hard to charm potential buyers to great success. Everything that hadn't been sold was gathered by those same volunteers for the Salvation Army to pick up following the event.

Many heartfelt thanks to all the elves of GASAA!



Barbara Conrad—Chair for Garage Sale
Arnold Bieber—President of GAST ARTS



OPEN LETTER TO ALL GAST MEMBERS

by Robert Karl Rothenbücher Nomination Committee Chairman

Our **Annual Membership Meeting** is this month. On the agenda is the election of our Officers and Directors. Our Nominating Committee has some volunteers willing to serve but we need more to step up and help our Organization to be at full strength. Here is a list of positions that need to be filled at both GAST and GASAA.

One - 2nd VP GAST (membership 1 year term)

One - Treasurer GAST & GASAA (1 year term)

Four - Directors (2 year term)

Two - Directors (1 year term)

We need YOUR help to step forward and volunteer for our vacant positions. As a point of interest, some of our vacancies are due to our Term Limits rules as spelled out in our BY-LAWS, i.e. the same position cannot be held more than five consecutive years. Also, one cannot serve more than ten consecutive years in any number of positions.

For our organization to survive and stay/be strong, please step forward and volunteer to become a member of our executive team. Please let me know that you are willing to help our great organization. I can be reached by phone, text or email.

Phone or text: 918-852-2872

Email: robertkarl@sbcglobal.net

Nominating Committee Members:

Christy Fell
David Lawrence

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The annual meeting will be held at the GAST Center

3PM on Sunday, April 22nd

This meeting is held once a year to elect Officers and Directors for GAST and GAST Arts Association. A quorum of members is necessary for the voting to take place, so please plan to attend this important meeting.

To be eligible to vote at the meeting, members need to have paid their dues for 2018 by March 1st.

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*Rick & Terry Pizzo
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*Harold & Doris Wicks
Joe & Hannelore Giles Carter
Stan & Barbara Conrad*

Die Deutsche Konversationsrunde

Thank you Arnold for hosting the March Konversationsrunde and providing the refreshments. Even though Karneval/Fasching time had already ended we talked about the history of these celebrations from ancient time to the present and enjoyed a silent film of how it is celebrated in some areas of Germany.

The next Konversationsrunde will take place on April 8, 2018 at 3:00 pm. We will meet at the GAST House Weinkeller. Barbara Taron will present her autobiographical book: "I was my Father's Son" –(subtitled .. 'and I was supposed to live his dream') The following- very likely animated discussions will be in German and bring back 'Erinnerungen an Deutschland' ("Memories of Germany"). Refreshments will be served.

The Konversationsrunde is a program under the auspices of the German American Society of Tulsa Arts Association (GASAA). It serves to promote the German language and cultural interests of its members. For suggestions, information or if you are interested in hosting one of our meetings please call:

Barbara Conrad (Chair) 918 492 3273 or Gertrud Schmidt (Co-Chair) 918 495 3727



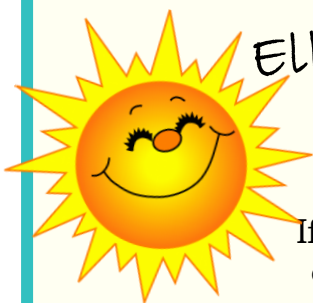
Friday, 10am - 9pm

Saturday, 10am - 9pm

May 11-13, 2018

Sunday, 11am - 5pm

Get ready for this three day event coming up! If you are interested in volunteering, call the office to find out how. We also have print material (signs and cards) to hand out if you are interested in inviting friends!



Elke Leach

Sunshine Lady

Email:
elke@one-ring.net

Phone:
(918) 252-3838

A card was sent to Jeffrey Mosburg
If you know of anyone who is ill or injured and could use a get-well card, please let me know. The same, if you know someone who is

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Now Playing at the Erwin Jerchau

GAST THEATER

Monday, April 2,

Starting at 6:30 PM

Hit auf Hit

With Helene Fischer, Original Oberkrainer, Lisa del Bo, Ema & the Kelly Family, Klaudia Jung, Geschwister Hofmann, Andy Borg and many more

Starting at 7:30 PM

Die Abstauber

Starring Ursula Straus, Misel Malicevic, Friedrich von Thun and many more

"Disgraced banker loses his job and goes to live with the lady that used to clean his office, and her children."



Stammtischrunde

Friday, April 6, 2018 – 6:30 PM
in the GAST Weinkeller.

Hope to see you there.

Zum Wohl,

– Dann Bjorklund

New Members

Stephen Nicholson—Tulsa

Ralph Krause—Tulsa

Murrel Wilmoht—Tulsa

James Flynn—Tulsa

Max Byars-Horton—Tulsa

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GAST heartily welcomes you all!

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