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May

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11-13 Germanfest

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

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- 4 Movie Night
- 5 Handarbeitsgruppe

10 Picnic

- 12 Handarbeitsgruppe
- 19 Handarbeitsgruppe
- 22 Weinkellerabend
- 26 Handarbeitsgruppe

July

- 3 Handarbeitsgruppe
- 6 Stammtisch
- 10 Handarbeitsgruppe
- 17 Handarbeitsgruppe
- 28 Weinkellerabend
- 24 Handarbeitsgruppe



Friday, 10am – 9pm Saturday, 10am – 9pm Sunday, 11am – 5pm

Free Admission & Parking

Get ready for this three day event! If you are interested in volunteering, call the office to find out how.

Authentic German food LIVE bands Imported collectibles Children's activities

Germanfest celebrates all things German: food, music, dance, family, community, tradition and much more! The festival is free and open to the public in keeping with the German-American Society's goal of keeping the German culture alive and well in Tulsa.





Joseph Rohr—GAST President

Greetings!

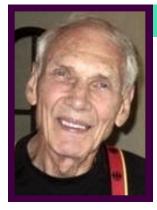
Well, the Lumpenball was a wonderful evening filled with great varieties of food and fellowship.

Up next for GAST will be our Germanfest on May 11th, 12th, and 13th. It will feature some wonderful dishes prepared by Ruth Bly and her merry helpers. If you are unable to volunteer then please do come by our Fest for great food and entertainment.

By now the general elections have taken place and your new slate of officers and board of directors will be ready to take their places and continue to see that our Society progresses forward. Please wish them well and thank them for their commitment and service.

> Till next month, Joseph





Harold Wicks—Building Manager

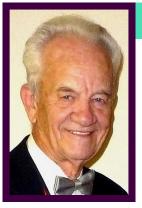
Our foyer renovation is progressing nicely. Many thanks to Don and Carol Wright, Jan Heffner, and others on the committee. Some of the wood in the foyer has been replaced and all of the wood has been stained and a new coat of finish applied. Our display case has been modified to better show the items on the shelves.

We have new seat covers on all of our chairs that are used in the Great Hall.

RUTH BLY has made a very beautiful fishing scene for our Fish Pond that is one of the children's activities during Germanfest.

We are looking forward to a Great Germanfest. Come Join The Fun !

			Cheers, Harold	
2018 EVENTS at GAST				
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

I want to thank the present Officers and Directors of GAST and GASAA for their year(s) of service. They volunteer their precious time for monthly meetings and committee positions. That's what keeps our organization vibrant and alive. I would also like to thank the Nominating Committee, Robert Karl Rothenbucher, Christy Fell and David Lawrence for their hard work of finding nominees for the 2018 election of officers and directors.

Several years ago the by-laws of GAST and GASAA were changed to incorporate term limits; 5 years for officers, 6 years for directors, 10 years total of continuous service. Theoretically that keeps the Board from going stale, becoming a clique that cannot be removed. But it also has the effect of keeping very qualified individuals from being reelected when

no one else is willing to be nominated for the position. The Nominating Committee presented a solution at the last Board meeting that should solve the problem temporarily this year.

Language classes ended in April with record numbers of students. Thank you, language coordinator Ruth Obermark, teachers and volunteers. We will start again in September.

Barbara Taron gave an interesting talk at the Konversationsrunde on Sunday, April 8. Due to a full Sunday schedule in May, Konversationsrunde will resume in September.

Everyone enjoyed the Barthelmes Conservatory Concert on Sunday, April 15 at 3 PM. The students presented a program of compositions by Johann Sebastian Bach, Carl Maria von Weber, Johannes Brahms, Johann Kuhnau, Gioachino Antonio Rossini, Franz Joseph Haydn, Ludwig van Beethoven, Franz Liszt, Pyotr Ilych Tchaikovsky and others under the redirection of bART Director Dr. Noam Faingold.



GASAA's next cooperative effort will be our sponsorship of "An Afternoon of Jazz" presented by the Tulsa-Celle Partnership. A sextet of young Jazz players from our Sister City in Germany will play for our membership on Sunday, May 6 at 3 PM. GAST Blaskapelle Director David Lawrence has been instrumental in the support of their performances at Guthrie Green and the Broken Arrow Rose Festival. See page 7 for details.

So many opportunities for you to attend the free events presented or supported by GASAA with your generous donations. Please take advantage of them!

Arnold



May 16 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.

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Friday May 11th

10:00 am -	1:00 pm	Sepp & Heinz Diepolder	
1:00 pm -	3:00 pm	Das ist Lustig	
3:00 pm -	4:00 pm	Nick Bratkovich	
4:00 pm -	6:00 pm	Sepp & Heinz Diepolder	
6:00 pm -	7:00 pm	GAST Volkstänzer	8
7:00 pm -	9:00 pm	Das ist Lustig	

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AN AFTERNOON OF JAZZ

Please join the Tulsa-Celle Partnership to welcome a group of young jazz musicians from Celle, Germany playing for us at the GAST Center.

SUNDAY, MAY 6, AT 3 PM

Refreshments will be served.

The group came to perform at the International Jazz Festival in Tulsa on **Friday, May 4 at 6 PM** at Guthrie Green. This FREE festival coincides with the First Friday Art Walk. They will also perform on **Saturday, May 5 at Noon** in Broken Arrow at the Rose Festival The players of the Sextet "Was Nun?" (What Now?) are students at the Hochschule für Musik, Theater und Medien, Hannover and are part of Neue Jazz initiative Celle. They each also have their own bands.

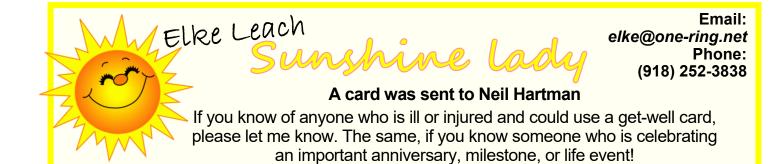
Die Deutsche Konversationsrunde

Thank you, Barbara Taron, for sharing with GAST members and members from the Celle group excerpts from your autobiographical book: "I was my Father's Son" at our Konversationsrunde on April 8, 2018. The discussions afterwards were lively as some of the stories brought back memories of Germany.

In lieu of Konversationsrunde come and join us at the German Fest on May 13, 2018.

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



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