

# Das Deutsche ECHO

THE VOICE OF THE GERMAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY IN TULSA



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# GAST OKTOBERFEST PARTY 2019

After all the hard work (and fun) of Linde Oktoberfest is over, treat yourself to a night of good food and great music at the GAST Oktoberfest Party!

## Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>

Doors open at 5:30PM.

Dinner served at 6:00PM.

GAST's Blaskapelle will perform at 7:00

Admission is **FREE** for volunteers who worked a shift at the GAST food booth at the festival.

\$20/person for non-volunteers.

Find out how  
to volunteer  
on page 3

### RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED!



### MENU

Schnitzel

Potato Salad

Green Salad

Bread & Butter

Dessert!

RSVP by 2PM Wednesday, October 23rd  
(918) 744-6997 or [gast@tulsacoxmail.com](mailto:gast@tulsacoxmail.com)



### Robert Rothenbücher—GAST President

We just finished summer but it still feels like summer; well just hang around a bit longer and, before you realize it, it will be time for Oktoberfest. Lets hope for great weather for this great event.

Our Oktoberfest committee is very busy preparing for the event. Last Saturday the committee had a wash party. They cleaned and scrubbed every thing in sight (pots, pans, grills, backers racks, steam tables, large spoons, food thongs, refuse containers, etc). I was very impressed with our Wash Party volunteers, thank you ladies and gentlemen (Damen und Herren).

A special thanks to Bill Obermark for his mechanical skills; he fixed items and equipment in need of repair and/or assembly. Thank you Bill.

There is still time to volunteer to help out at Oktoberfest; just call Ruth Obermark ( I'm sure she can find a job you might like to do) 918.645.9214.

I hope to see you at Oktoberfest and let's have a great time - we all deserve it.

Until the next time (Bis zum nächsten Mal),  
Robert Karl Rothenbücher



### Ray Markley—Arts President

My fellow members, GAST has provided a veritable tasty pie of cultural activities for September.

We began with a great movie night with Erwin Jerchow. We watched some great videos, music videos of German singers and some great views of the Alps, and the so beautiful lakes. It is okay to sing along, or in my case hum.

German lessons—Wow on the turnout. It is a great and satisfying feeling to see so many bright and shining faces eager to learn German. Ruth Obermark and all the instructors accommodated over seventy students in small classes to make the learning effective and of course fun. *Kinderdeutsch* has kicked off with great start.

*Konversationsrunde*—nice crowd, great chat, good snacks. Do come to the next one and test your German skills.

There is a new cultural pie in October and the rest of the fall. Cut yourself a slice and enjoy that little bit of German culture we have right here in Tulsa. And last, thank you GAST. The loss of my father was a difficult time and I do appreciate all the support, help, and comfort you have given to me and to my family.

Vielen Dank! Ray



### Harold Wicks—Building Manager

Now that der HERBST (FALL) is here, we are preparing the boiler to be ready for that eventual cold weather we will have to endure for several months.

Our lawn service is planting grass seed to improve the look of our lawn. The removal of leaves will be another early winter activity.

Best Wishes, Harold

## Big Thanks from the Conrad's!

Thomas and his family would like to thank the GAST members who made his birthday special. With your help this day is the highlight of the year for him.

A big thank you to everybody again, we are very happy that you are so.

Barbara & Stan Conrad

## 2019 BIG EVENTS AT GAST

**October 16-20**  
Oktoberfest

**October 26**  
Oktoberfest  
Party

**Dec 6—Dec 8**  
Christkindlmarkt

**December 14**  
Christmas  
Party



# Volunteers Wanted!



**October  
17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>  
2019**

Location: River West Festival Park

Menu: Bratwurst, Smoked Bratwurst, Hot Dogs, Potato Pancakes, Brownies

Volunteers: Ruth Obermark will be calling all members and asking you to volunteer. We need a lot of volunteers for a big event like this, so when she calls please say "Yes!"

If you already know when you and your friends can work, don't wait for her to call. Pick up the phone and call Ruth today. 918.645.9214.

For more information about the festival, check out  
[TULSAOKTOBERFEST.ORG](http://TULSAOKTOBERFEST.ORG)

### Perks of Volunteering at Oktoberfest:

- Free admission to OKTOBERFEST for the day you work
- Free food and drinks during your shift
- Free admission to GAST Oktoberfest Party on October 26<sup>th</sup>
- GAST Oktoberfest Pin

**OCT 17**  
**Thursday**  
**5pm-11pm**

**OCT 18**  
**Friday**  
**11am-1am**

**OCT 19**  
**Saturday**  
**11am-1am**

**OCT 20**  
**Sunday**  
**Noon-6pm**

## Newsletter DEADLINE

**Wednesday, October 16 at 2 PM**

All newsletter articles must be turned in the 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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# German-American Day at the GAST Event Center

## 2301 E. 15th Street

### Sunday, October 6, 3 PM

Please join us to celebrate German-American Day. First proclaimed as an annual holiday by President Ronald Reagan on the 300th Anniversary of the date in 1683 when 13 German families from Krefeld landed in Philadelphia. These families subsequently founded Germantown, Pennsylvania, the first German settlement in the original thirteen American colonies.

German immigration continued through colonial times and increased during most of the 19th century due to religious and political persecution, wars and the lack of arable land to feed growing families in Germany. New waves of Germans arrived after WW1 and WW2.

German-American Day honors German-Americans who excelled in the fields of science, business, politics and arts.

### Program



- 3:00 PM Welcome by GASAA President Ray Markley
- 3:10 PM National Anthems by GAST Blaskapelle
- 3:15 PM Reading of the Proclamation
- 3:20 PM Keynote Speaker Dr. Kenny Brown
- 4:00 PM Reception



## Blaskapelle ist Wunderbar!

Many of our members participate in our brass band, called Blaskapelle, and October is one of their busiest times of year. With exciting opportunities to travel around Oklahoma, they get to play in front of thousands of people through the month. Here are some upcoming events where you can catch them.



### German-American Day

*When:* Sunday, October 6, 2019  
*Where:* GAST Center

### Bartlesville Oktoberfest

*When:* Friday/Saturday, October 4 & 5, 2019  
*Where:* Bartlesville!

### Vinita Oktoberfest

*When:* Saturday, October 12, 2019  
*Where:* Vinita!

### Linde Oktoberfest

*When:* Wednesday through Sunday, October 16 - 20, 2019  
*Where:* Riverside Festival Park

# Prost!

## Craft Beer Night Continues

# GAST Social Outing to Oktoberfest

Friday at 4pm October 18<sup>th</sup>

Oct 18th—Oktoberfest Biergarten 4pm Riverside Festival Park  
 Nov 15th—Nothing's Left Brewery 5pm 6th and Rockford



**October** - Linde Oktoberfest is in full swing the third week of October. There's no better place for us to be than in the Biergarten tent at Oktoberfest. Come Friday before 4pm to get free admission into the festival.

As always, no need to RSVP for Prost! events. Just come on down and look for the GAST table.

Prost! usually meets at 5PM on the **third Friday of every month** at a local brewery. Our goal is to visit some of these local breweries and sample craft beers while enjoying the company of our friends from GAST. You don't have to drink beer to join us. Breweries generally serve wine and non-alcoholic drinks as well.

# SPIEL NACHT

Spiel Nacht meets on the **fourth Friday of every month** in the Great Hall at the GAST Center. Game Night is meant to supplement Weinkellerabend, so you can eat with your friends in the Weinkeller first, then come upstairs later or you can bring food up to the Great Hall or you can just come to play games.

As September is the last Weinkellerabend of the year, so Game Night will follow. Join us this month and we'll see what games we come up with for next year!

**MEMBERSHIP NEWS** As we welcome new and returning members we'd like to give everyone the opportunity to update their annual rosters. Thank you for joining us!

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Hosted by GAST's

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



## Die Deutsche Konversationsrunde

The Konversationsrunde met September 8, 2019 at 3:00 pm at the GAST Office. Barbara Conrad presented and hosted the first session after the summer break. She told us all about the "History of GAST". There followed a lively discussion about the experiences of new immigrants and children of immigrants. The refreshments were enjoyed by all. Thank you Barbara and Ursula Morton. FYI: Barbara's right arm is healing nicely.

**German-American Day** will substitute for the October Konversationsrunde on **October 6, 2019 at 3:00 pm** at the GAST House. The speaker will be Dr. Kenny Brown from Central Oklahoma University. He will talk about the contributions of German Immigrants to Oklahoma. See page 4 for full program.

Refreshments will be provided.

*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**

## VOLUNTEERS WANTED VOLUNTEERS WANTED VOLUNTEERS WANTED



Contact Nikki  
 brewer10@sbc.edu  
 or 918.694.9564

## 21st Annual Christkindlmarkt

November 24<sup>th</sup> marks the date of 2019's Route 66 Marathon! GAST has again been selected as a water stop location.



Nikki Brewer, GAST representative and lead for the event, is seeking an AM shift for setup and handing out water and a PM shift for handing out water through tear-down. Water stops have a unique opportunity to really have some fun and she would love to see the GAST stop become a showstopper!

Christkindlmarkt is fast approaching! A winter market dedicated to all things Christmas there is joy and merriment to be had for both patrons, vendors, and volunteers.

CKM committee has a need for several key positions; greeter chair, volunteer chair, parking and setup chair/co-chair. We also need general volunteers for setup and throughout the event.



Sympathy cards were sent to Jim Randall and Connie Hubbard with condolences on the loss of their spouses.

**Terry Pizzo**

**TerryIs452@cox.net**

**918-271-1559**

If you know of anyone who is ill or injured and could use a get-well card, or if someone is celebrating an important anniversary, milestone, or life event, please let me know.

## In Memoriam:



**Lt. Col. Hubbard** made his transition to heaven on August 29, 2019 leaving the world with the fabulous smile that he had all 83 years of his life. A celebration of the life of this extraordinary hero was held on Tuesday, September 10th, 10:30 A.M. First United Methodist Church Tulsa, OK. He has been laid to rest at Fairlawn Cemetery in Stillwater, OK.



Long time member, **Lila Jean Randall** passed away on September 7, 2019 at the age of 85. Jean was a loving wife, mother and grandmother and a treasure to her friends.

Services were held at 11:00 am, Thursday, September 12th at the Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Tulsa.

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## GAST THEATER

Monday, October 7



Starting at 6:30 PM  
Schlagerparade –6- 2019

Starting at 7:30 PM  
**Daheim in den Bergen**

20 years ago, the friendship of the Huber and Leitner families collapsed when Lorenz Huber (Max Herbrechter) caused a fatal accident with the youngest Leitner son. The return of Huber's daughter Lisa (Theresa) who now works as a lawyer, brings new conflicts on.

### Rent our Venue!

Members of 2+ years get 50% off the listed price!

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## Stammtischrunde

Friday, October 4, 2019

6:30 PM

in the GAST Weinkeller.

Hope to see you there.

Zum Wohl,

– Dann Bjorklund

## Membership News

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GAST heartily welcome you all!

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