

Das Deutsche ECHO

THE VOICE OF THE GERMAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY IN TULSA



STAY HOME STAY SAFE

Stammtisch—Movie Night—Folk Dancers— Handarbeitsgruppe = canceled for April
UPCOMING EVENTS AT GAST ARE POSTPONED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE:



Konversationsrunde—Prost!—Weinkellerabend = tentatively scheduled, will email any updates



Robert Rothenbücher—GAST President

I don't have much to report except for the projects at GAST.

We are in the process of getting quotes for updating our HVAC system. The only thing I can report is it will be expensive. This is a MUST DO project as our present system is at fifty percent capacity and very old. We have a quotation to upgrade the GAST office and rental unit; the Board will vote on this at our next meeting.

We are in the planning stage for building storage in the Weinkeller. The need for storage is for the Blaskapelle (equipment, instruments, music and files). We also need a place to store tables and chairs when not in use - we are out of storage space.

Rentals for our Event Center is very poor (almost non-existent). The Board decided to discontinue spending on advertising because we are not getting any meaningful results. We will continue our efforts to rent our facilities on referrals and without advertising.

The coronavirus is forcing us to reschedule most of our planned events and way of life; we are not quite sure how all this will turn out and for how long. Soooooo avoid crowded areas, wash your hands and keep your distance from other people. No hand shaking allowed. Also follow our government guidelines.

We were looking forward to the garage sale at the end of the month. At this time we do not have a new date to reschedule.

Mit herzlichen Grüßen (With heart-felt regards),
Robert Karl Rothenbücher



Harold Wicks—Building Manager

Dear Friends,

My how quickly things can change. A month ago most of us had no idea that such a violent disease was coming our way. We had our routines of living day to day with places to go, meetings to attend, and a long list of things to do. Suddenly, we are staying home and avoiding contact with friends and family. I am sure all of us will make it through this unusual time. Please be careful and diligent in protecting yourself, family, and friends.

When this pandemic passes, we will resume our activities in The German American Society of Tulsa and be grateful when we can meet again.

Sending You My Best Wishes,
Harold



Ray Markley—Arts President

In the midst of the bad news, we recently held our *Liederabend*, a very delightful evening of song. Our guests, Christian Bester and Whitney Myers, provided some awe-inspiring song and pianist, Lyndon Myer, provided an equally inspiring piano music. While such music would be a treat in any loca-

tion, hearing it in the setting of our own great hall was something I shall carry in my mind for a very long time indeed. They are truly awesome guest performers and we can wish they shall return for many more performances.

Clearly Covid-19 is affecting and will, for the foreseeable future, affect the fabric of all life in the world. It would be foolish to pretend that something bad is not happening. But, GAST is a resilient organization and the members bring many skills and abilities to the table. All current activities are indeed suspended, but consider that though these activities are not going to take place when they traditionally would, they are not forgotten or abandoned. Our activities will survive. We will all likely need to adjust to some changes and the activities may not look exactly as they did before, but that is the new reality of where we are. I shall not resort to trite metaphors to minimize how serious this crisis is, but I will say that there is a spirit in this organization that is stronger than any virus and we will adapt in whatever ways we must. We will cope with this.



Don't give in to fear and despair, no nightmare lasts forever...
Ray

Newsletter DEADLINE

Wednesday, April 15 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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Craft Beer Night Tentative for April

Your safety is our top priority. We will keep you updated via email for any changes to the next event.



April 17th – American Solera Brewery, 1702 E 6th St, serves a variety of craft beer that have aged in oak barrels for 6 to 18 months. The brewery was voted the best new brewery in the U.S. in 2016 by Rate Beer! Currently, they're experimenting with a "pop up kitchen" with a full menu, but not sure what will be available in April. Sounds interesting!

May 15th – Elgin Park Brewery (New Destination), 325 E Brady St, located near ONEOK field, is a brewery and a pizza joint. There are 6 house-brewed drafts to choose from as well as well as a selection of other local beers. Thin-crust pizza appears to be their specialty, so we won't leave hungry.

June 19th - Pearl Beach Brewpub, 418 S Peoria, is a beach volleyball bar with an onsite brewery and taproom. This should be a fun place to visit in the summer. There's plenty of patio seating, an onsite brewery and a cozy taproom. Sobre Mesa Food Truck will be on hand serving Latin-inspired food.

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Die Deutsche Konversationsrunde

Die Deutsche Konversationsrunde Group met at the GAST Office on March 8, 2020.

The theme was: Culinary specialties of the various regions of Germany. There were recipes for dandelion salad and stinging-nettles souffle (Aunt Luise's war-time recipes), sauerkraut and weisswurst, and strawberry and eggnog torte.

The discussions were very lively as people remembered their favorite and not so favorite foods.

The refreshments were a joint effort - thank you all!

Our next meeting will be **April 26, 2020 at 3:00pm** at the home of Patricia Mc Laurin who lives at 28148 Forest Ridge Road, Sand Springs. The theme will be: "Customs, Gestures, and Greetings."

If you wish to carpool call Barbara Conrad. Directions to Patricia's home will be available in the GAST office. You can call Sara between 10:30a-2:30p or email gasthouseoffice@gmail.com.

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

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Do you have an interest in becoming more involved with our organizations by serving on the Board of Directors? If so, please contact one of the members of the nominating committee. We are starting the search for the upcoming election of officers and directors and would love to have your name for consideration. The Board of Directors meets monthly on the second Wednesday at 7:00pm.

GAST and GASAA are thriving, and Board participation is critical to our continued success. YOUR involvement is essential. Please contact one of us today! The nominating committee consists of: Janet Jamison (918-695-5611), Tonja Carrigg (918-645-7424) and David Gonzales (918-521-9160).

The annual election of Officers and Directors will be held at the GAST Center

Will be POSTPONED until further notice.

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 2020 by March 1st.

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Now Playing at the Erwin Jerchau

GAST THEATER

Monday, MAY 6

No Movie
Night for
April 2020

Starting at 6:30 PM

Schlagerparade - 2 - 2020

Starting at 7:30 PM

**Scheidung für
Fortgeschrittene**



Iris und Jörg Wiedemann, sind seit 25 Jahren verheiratet. Gemeinsam haben sie viel auf die Beine gestellt: ein schönes Haus mit Garten, zwei talentierte Kinder—und eine Affäre.

Ehrlich gesagt, die Ehe zwischen den beiden besteht eigentlich nur noch auf dem Papier.

Stammtischrunde

Friday, **May 8, 2020** 6:30 PM
in the GAST Weinkeller.

Hope to see you there.
Zum Wohl, – Dann Bjorklund

Membership News

Robert Brewer—Sand Springs
Glen & Cynthia Dresback—Cleveland
Stephanie & Eric Dreyfus—Owasso
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