

July / August 2014

President's Message

On June 1st the Germania picnic at Vasona Park was very well attended and everyone had a great time. We had live accordion music which everyone thought was a nice added touch. The Board made the effort to make the event happen and Hildegard Wehner and her supporters made sure the afternoon was a success. A big thank you to all the volunteers. It was a fun afternoon and what was especially pleasing was the fact we had many of our long time members and their extended families. That meant their "grown-up kids" and their grandchildren made it a multi-generational event which gives me hope that we can continue to attract these families to the appropriate Germania events. A special thank you to Rosemary McKinney, who organized the games for the kids again.

I also have to report that Mona Lisa will be pursuing other ventures and has decided to not continue her lease of the Germania kitchen and restaurant space. We all wish her well in her new endeavor. Her business relationship with Germania was mutually beneficial and under the circumstances we will try to arrange for a new lease with another suitable prospect. Our restaurant committee will keep us posted on any developments.

As I mentioned at our membership meeting you can now also use the parking lot across from the Germania building, if there is space available. You must use your Germania parking ticket like at the other lot, in order not to be towed.

Two other upcoming events that are open to the German community at large, and I know that many Germania members will attend (and please invite your extended families as well), is the German Day at the Oktoberfest by the Bay, on Sunday September 21st. I can still try to get the reduced \$5.00 tickets, so if you are interested let me know right away.

Also the German Heritage Soccer Night on October 4th at the San Jose Earthquakes is another multi-generational German event. I want to make your "kids" of all ages aware they can march in at the Oktoberfest 'Einmarsch', and the younger children can go on the soccer field at the Heritage event to rally the players onto the field. Let me know if you need more info and thanks for getting yourselves and your families involved with our events.

Have a wonderful summer everyone! The Germania Verein will take our July break which means no meetings until the first Friday in August. Over the break don't forget to RSVP for the Wiener Café event on August 10th. At this event we honor our long time members, and with other entertainment provided, Vienna music being played, as well as coffee and cake, it will be a nice and 'gemütlicher' afternoon at the Germania Hall.

Summer Greetings!
Albert Zimmermann

Upcoming Events

Wiener Café

The Wiener Café will be an exciting event. Ladies wear your Sonntagsnachmittagsspaziergangsommerhut!

DATE: Sunday, August 10, 2013

TIME: Doors open 1:30 P.M.

WHERE: Germania Verein Hall

MUSIC: Provided by Joe Domitrovitch from 2-6 P.M.

ENTERTAINMENT: By Margaret Bubert

FOOD: Cake and coffee will be served

ADMISSION: \$13 members / \$16 non-members

RESERVATIONS: Make reservations by August 5

INFORMATION & TICKETS: Contact Hildegard Wehner at 408.246.4644 or Ute Nelson at 408.241.2926

Oktoberfest

The Oktoberfest will take place **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13**. More details are coming soon!

2014 Calendar

JULY - The club is closed during July.

NOVEMBER

7 Membership Meeting

AUGUST

1 Membership Meeting

10 Wiener Café

DECEMBER

5 Membership Meeting /

Election of Board of Director

14 Choir Christmas Concert

SEPTEMBER

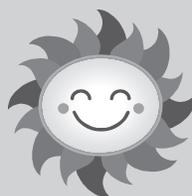
5 Membership Meeting

13 Oktoberfest

OCTOBER

3 Membership Meeting

11 Fall Dance



Department News

Choir

After our successful Spring Concert in May, we are taking a brief summer break before picking up our practices again in the fall.

We will enjoy our much anticipated choir summer picnic on **AUGUST 3** at the Elderton's. We will also have a brief rehearsal for an appearance at Germania Hall for the club's annual Wiener Café on **AUGUST 10**.

We will start our **TUESDAY REHEARSALS** again on **SEPTEMBER 9**. That would be a great time for any new singers, at all levels of musical proficiency, to join us in preparation for our popular Christmas Concert.

We practice for two hours **EVERY TUESDAY EVENING AT 7:30 PM** upstairs in Germania Hall. You can get more information about joining the choir from Edith 408.379.6540 or me 408.997.3309.

William "Woody" Woodcock

Kaffeeklatsch

We are on summer break this month but look forward to seeing you again in August. We meet every **SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 12 NOON** to chit chat, socialize and play bingo. Anyone is welcome to join us.

Edith Meyer

Carnival

We are in the off season and will continue again in September. Anyone interested is welcome to join us. We will be hosting the **OKTOBERFEST ON SEPTEMBER 13**. Please mark your calendar for this fun event.

Alaaf and Helau, Klaus Vorrath

Schützen

We celebrated the Las Vegas Schützenfest on the last weekend in May. This year, we did the competition shooting inside the range of the German club. The Las Vegas men did a great job. The Schützen dance and buffet dinner was then on Saturday evening at a Station casino. The Anaheim Schützenfest was in June and was a very fun weekend.

Monthly meetings and target shooting are generally on the **LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH, STARTING AT 11 AM**. Guests and prospective new members are always welcome to attend our regular monthly meetings. There will be no meeting in July.

Gut Schuß, Werner Springer, Secretary

Language

Our 'Stammtisch' meets **EVERY OTHER WENESDAY** at Hardy's in Sunnyvale **BETWEEN 7:30 AND 8:00 P.M.** For more info call me at 408.210.9491.

Albert Zimmermann

Skat

We will meet on **JULY 17** and on **AUGUST 21**. Any interested player, experienced or not, is welcome to join us every **THIRD THURSDAY, AT 7:30 PM**, in our upstairs lounge.

Gut Blatt, Klaus Glimski

Committee News

Sunshine

It was wonderful to see so many of you at the picnic in Vasona Park; I am sure everyone had a great time, enjoying the music and each other. Let's continue the wonderful feeling of friendship at the upcoming Wiener Café and all other scheduled events.

Many Germania Familie members are on the road, the water and in the air during our vacation time; we wish them safe travels and enjoyable times. To those who are staying close to home, enjoy every day and perhaps visit a friend you have not seen in awhile.

Sending our very special "Sunshine" to our members who are under the weather; we are thinking of you. Please let me know when I can bring a very special "Sun ray" to one of our Germania Familie members.

Some people make happiness for others simply by being who they are.

Jutta Kiel

Membership

We have been informed of the passing of our member Peter Wacker. Our condolences to the family.

Ute Nelson

In Memoriam

Peter R. Wacker



Birthdays

July

Rajkumar Agarwal
 Ursula Christiansen
 Mark Cihlar
 Edith Davenport
 Rosa Genys
 Isolde Gole
 Eugenia Kippes
 Eric Kohler
 Gerhard Lueneburger
 Rosemary McKinney
 Reinhard Meier
 Cecilia Nicholson
 Hedi Peller
 Heinz Plischke
 John Poole
 Maria Ramirez
 Margarete Rechkemmer
 Chris Rehmeyer
 Gisela Reinhold
 Carolyn Schmidt
 Irene Stock
 Al Wedel
 Sigrid Wegener
 Ann Werle
 Heinz Werle
 Manfred Werner
 Gerda Wicklow

August

Alice Busch
 Leilani Eames
 Michael Eames
 Claire Gerwulf
 Ursula Hoffmeister
 Daniel Ivarson
 Armin Kippes
 Irma Kletke
 Helmut Krauss
 Ingrid Kruger
 Kurt Lorch
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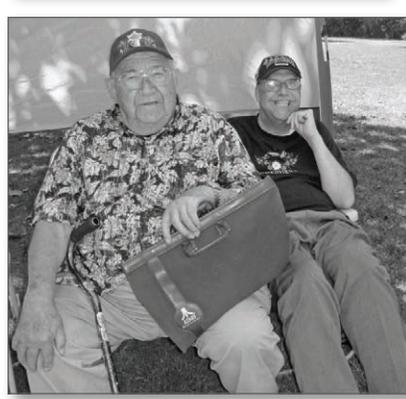
German Pioneers

Learn about our German ancestors who have contributed to this area since 1841. Visit www.germanamericanpioneers.org or contact Maria Brand at 408.270.4888.

Germania

The German-American
Club of San Jose Verein

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Department Meetings

Carnival

Every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 10A.M.

Choir

Every Tuesday at 7:30P.M.

Hiking

No hikes scheduled presently.

Kaffeeklatsch

Every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 12P.M.

Language Group

Stammtisch meets every other Wednesday.
Call for additional event dates.

Skat

Every 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:30P.M.

Schützen

Meetings are on the same day as
the target shooting which is the
last Sunday of the month at 11A.M.

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Änderungen

Wir ändern morgen, wir ändern heut'
wir ändern wütend und erfreut,
wir ändern ohne zu verzagen,
an allen sieben Wochentagen.

Wir ändern teils aus purer Lust
mit Vorsatz teils, teils unbewusst.
Wir ändern gut und auch bedingt,
weil ändern immer Arbeit bringt.

Wir ändern resigniert und still
wie Hinz und Kunz es haben will;
die Alten ändern und die Jungen,
wir ändern selbst die Änderungen.

Wir ändern, was man ändern kann
und stehen dabei unsern Mann.
Ist ein Plan auch gut gelungen,
bestimmt verträgt er Änderungen.

Wir ändern deshalb früh und spät
alles, was zu ändern geht.
Wir ändern heut und jeder Zeit,
zum Denken bleibt uns wenig Zeit.

Und wenn wir dann genug geändert,
dann haben wir uns auch verändert,
denn durch die ewige Änderei
geht unser Leben schnell vorbei.

Und steh'n wir dann am Himmelstor,
der alte Petrus steht davor;
dann ist's soweit, jetzt bleibt's dabei
vorbei ist's mit der Änderei.

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