

September / October 2014

President's Message

I hope everyone is having a great summer. More than 115 Germania members gathered on August 10th for our Wiener Café. It was a wonderful afternoon with music, entertainment, conversation and dessert. Four Germania 25-year members were honored; Agnes Vierhaus, Dennis Mueller and Gerhard and Radina Lueneberger received a commemorative pin and flowers. The Germania Choir performed and we were entertained by Joe Domitrowich as well. I also took a moment to report that six of our Germania choir members were honored by Pacific Saengerbund for their long term participation. Hermann Rehmeier, Ingrid Stahl, Ingrid Bayne and Nora Elderton have 40 years and Dennis Mueller and Manfred Werner have 25 years. "Heino" treated us to a surprise visit which was made possible by the Bubert family. The entire event was spearheaded by Hildegard Wehner and together with her team they made it a pleasant afternoon for all of us.

When will I see you again at Germania? Please check the Germania calendar for our upcoming Oktoberfest on September 13th, Fall Dance on October 11th, and before we know it Christmas Concert and Holiday Party. Don't forget the two community events, the **OKTOBERFEST BY THE BAY GERMAN DAY ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21**, and the **GERMAN HERITAGE SOCCER NIGHT ON OCTOBER 4** that many of us are attending. Please ask a friend or family member to join you at any of these events. "The more the merrier" applies to all of our events.

And what else do we have on the horizon? There are so many opportunities for us to spend our time out on the town or at one of our events. Speaking for myself, I have mentioned the events that I will make an effort to support and attend. I know it is not possible to go to every event, but if you can make some of them, I am confident you will have a good time. Next time we speak I will give you some more info about the Viennese Trio in Los Gatos in March next year. Maybe we can do coffee or brunch? I am always on the lookout for something "German" to do.

Viel Spass!

Albert Zimmermann

2014 Calendar

SEPTEMBER

- 5 Membership Meeting
- 13 Oktoberfest

OCTOBER

- 3 Membership Meeting
- 11 Fall Dance

NOVEMBER

- 7 Membership Meeting

DECEMBER

- 5 Membership Meeting /
Election of Board of Director
- 14 Choir Christmas Concert

Upcoming Events

Oktoberfest

DATE: Saturday, September 13, 2014

TIME: Doors open at 12 noon

DINNER: Dinner with sausages, sauerkraut, potato salad, and cake served at 1 PM.

ENTERTAINMENT: Bill Blythe Band starting 2 PM

TICKETS: \$35 per person, Checks to be made out to Carnival Group

INFORMATION & TICKETS: Georg and Frieda at 408.448.5084 or Hedi 408.446.4140



Fall Dance

DATE: Saturday, October 11, 2014

TIME: Doors and bar open at 1 PM

DINNER: Kale or red cabbage with smoked pork chop, sausage, potatoes, dessert and coffee served at 2 P.M.

MUSIC: Bill Blythe Band

ADMISSION: \$35 per person

INFORMATION & TICKETS: Reinhard Meier at 408.227.7663 or Werner Kahlen 408.374.2373. Please make reservations by Oct. 6, 2014.

Election of Board of Directors

It may seem early but time passes quickly. The election of a new board of directors will be in December.

The nomination list needs to be concluded at the November meeting. We need interested members for the positions of Vice President and two Directors.

Please think about it and contact Jutta Kiel, our election committee chair, at 408.241.4132.

Department News

Schützen

At the Anaheim Schützenfest in June, Anaheim won the first prize, Arizona the second, and San Jose Schützen won the third prize. All of that attended had a great time on that three day weekend.

On August 16 we celebrated the Queen party for Frieda at Georg and Frieda's home. Milder weather, good food, liquid refreshments, and good company made that Saturday a fun day for all who attended.

The normal meetings and target shooting are scheduled to resume on **AUGUST 31 AT 11 A.M.** This will be the Pizza lunch by the club.

Monthly meetings and target shooting are generally on the **LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH STARTING AT 11 A.M.** Guests and prospective new members are welcome to attend on our regular monthly meetings.

Gut Schuß, Werner Springer, Secretary

Choir

Our summer choir break is quickly coming to an end. In August we had a large crowd for our annual choir picnic at the Elderton's, enjoying drinks and a potluck meal with Dittmer Bubert's grilled sausages. A week later we sang a familiar operetta piece to a full house of guests at the club's Wiener Café in Germania Hall.

Our regular Tuesday rehearsals begin again on **SEPTEMBER 9** in preparation for our popular Christmas concert and for our appearance at the annual German Choir Kommers in Sacramento in February. So September would be a great time for any new singers, male or female, young or old, at all levels of musical proficiency, to join us. 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

Carnival

Our group started meeting again and we are preparing for the next "Fasching" season. Please join us if you have any interest in having a lot of fun with the Carnival activities.

This year, we are hosting the Oktoberfest on **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13.** Please see the front page for details. We hope you can join us.

Alaaf and Helau, Klaus Vorrath

Kaffeeklatsch

I hope everybody had a nice summer vacation so that we can start with new plans for the upcoming fall and winter season. Our first meeting after the summer break was well attended. Our next meetings will be held on **SEPTEMBER 9 AND OCTOBER 8, AT 12 NOON.** Hope to see all of you again. Guests are always welcome.

Edith Meyer

Skat

We will meet on **SEPTEMBER 18** and **OCTOBER 16.** Interested players, experienced or not, are welcome to join us every **THIRD THURSDAY, AT 7:30 PM,** in our upstairs lounge.

Gut Blatt, Klaus Glimski

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

Committee News

Sunshine

Most of our Germania Family members have returned safely from their summer vacations; some had delays returning due to health difficulties in Europe, however, they are back and are enjoying our California weather.

Thank you everyone who planned and worked on the wonderful and entertaining "Wiener Cafe"; it was nice seeing so many of our members enjoying themselves, being with friends. Please, keep in touch and let me know who needs a special call and "Sunshine"

Happy thoughts brighten our days.

Jutta Kiel

Membership

Congratulations to our four members, Radina and Gerhard Lueneburger, Dennis Mueller, and Agnes Vierhaus, who completed 25 years of Germania membership.

Ute Nelson

Birthdays

September

Shakuntala Argawal
Else Allmendinger
Ruth Angst
Christa Benson
Ilse Boldt
Willy Bongartz
Helga Cihlar
Allan Doumaee
Elisabeth Felix
Irmgard Funk
Renee Hendriksz
Klara Kahlen
Günther Knoop
Russell Kriegel
Viola Kuchlenz
Mathilde Lucht
Irene Marahrens
Stephen Nelson
Ute Nelson
Sonja Norland
James Raymond
Magdalena Schweiger
Susan Torngren
Heinz Wegener
Claudia Weller



October

Robert Busse
Nora Elderton
Gerald Hunt
Aurel Keck
Herbert Knoesel
Ursula Knox
Edwin Long
Dennis Mueller
Annemarie Nelson
Werner Neumaier
Rita Osman
Martin Schimm
John Wehner
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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.



Wiener Café 2014



Gerhard and Radina Lueneburger, Dennis Mueller, and Agnes Vierhaus receiving their 25-year membership pin.



Enjoying "Heino" and his backup singers.



The hat contest winners.



Backup Singer "Margaret".

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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Herbst

*Der Sommer geht alsbald zur Neige,
und es leeren sich die Zweige.
Tage sind nun kürzer helle,
es naht schon der Herbstgeselle.*

*Und auch diese Jahreszeit
Wunder hält für uns bereit.
Blätter nun in buntem Glanz
wiegen herbstlich sich im Tanz.*

*Süß ist auch das Obst gereift,
übers Feld der Wind jetzt pfeift,
auf dem zwischen kurzen Stoppeln,
suchend nun die Hasen hoppeln.*

*Und die Windsbrant kündigt an,
dass es lang nicht dauern kann,
bis der Schnee hernieder fällt
und zur Ruh sich legt die Welt.*

(Leonore Enzmann)



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