

The German American Societies of San Diego, Inc.

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Here we go!! We are so excited to see the light at the end of this long, dark and lonely tunnel!

As we are now in the Orange Tier with the ability to have 25% indoors, we can start planning to have gatherings for Subgroups meetings and eventually so much more!

A lot has been being happening inside the clubhouse, mostly being done by volunteers! You will be pleasantly surprised to see what has been accomplished! Right now, we are finishing up the ceiling painting, so we cannot offer you the use of the inside of the hall just yet . . . but very soon! It's coming together nicely.

We will need some volunteers to help pull off Maifest so that we can offer this at a great value! Everything from food prep work to cashiers, cooks and I.D checkers! Something for everyone! For day of the event volunteers, contact Nicole Horstman (enicoleking@gmail.com)

To help us prepare for the event, please contact Joel Contreras (joelc2@cox.net) or Claudia Jensen (claudiaktg@yahoo.com) to help make this happen!! I encourage every untergruppe or subgroup to have a member of their group help make this happen!

German American Societies of San Diego
Maifest 2021
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 Members Get Free Entry
 LIMITED NUMBER OF GUESTS \$5

Saturday, May 22nd
 2 times to choose from 11-2 or 3-6
 (Each limited to 100 Reserved Guests)

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 Mask Mandates will be enforced

Members Free & Limited Guests \$5
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Clubhouse Rules

The following rules and regulations have been established to ensure that everyone using the club and property has the responsibility to preserve our facility now and for years to come.

ABC restrictions : NO outside alcohol will be allowed to be brought in to, served or consumed on our property anywhere. All alcohol must be consumed inside our building except for during outdoor events with an extended liquor license.

We are not responsible for any personal property.

Publication Policy

The publicity department of the G.A.S. is responsible for the bulletins contents and reserves the right to edit or refuse articles and advertisements submitted for publications.

Contact our editor to advertise in our newsletter.

We try to inform you of those that have passed. We can only do that if the family informs us. If you would like the membership to know of your passing, please let a family member know to inform us. Anyone that wants to write an article for the Newsletter is welcome to do so! I appreciate all the help I can get. Submit to : GermanClub@yahoo.com.

Claudia Jensen, Editor

Elections Coming up!

Dear Member – The club’s General Elections are set to occur on

Wednesday, May 15th 2021 at 7:00 PM.

As a member in good standing (dues paid) you will have the opportunity to elect members to the Board of Directors as listed below. You may vote by e-mail, mail or at the tentatively planned General Membership meeting. However, your ballot must reach the club by 7:00 pm Election Day.

- Family memberships are entitled to submit two (2) ballots.
- If voting by U.S. mail, please include your membership number legibly printed with the return address on the envelope.
- If voting by e-mail, please include your membership number in the subject line. Your ballot may be a part of the body of the e-mail or included as an attachment.
- If voting at the General Membership meeting, you will need to verify your membership before your ballot is accepted.

Membership numbers are used to ensure voting is limited to present members.
Your voted ballot will be separated from your membership number to protect your privacy.

Vice Presidents

The vice president of the Corporation (the “Vice President”) shall, in the absence or disability of the President, perform all the duties of the President and, when so acting, have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon, the President. The Vice President shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board. The Corporation shall appoint up to two (2) Vice Presidents.

Secretary

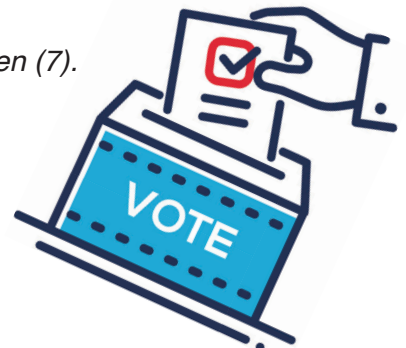
In conjunction with the General Manager, the secretary of the Corporation (the “Secretary”) shall be the custodian and have charge of all books, papers, instruments and record of the Corporation. Additionally, the Secretary shall keep a full and complete record of the proceedings of the meeting of members and of the Board of Directors.

Director at Large – (General to all Board members)

The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed, and all corporate powers shall be exercised, by or under the direction of the board of Directors (the “Board”). The Board may delegate the management of the activities of the Corporation to any person or persons, Management Company or committee however composed, provided that the activities and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed and all corporate powers shall be exercised under the ultimate direction of the Board.

*The authorized number of directors of the Corporation (“Directors”) shall be seven (7).
The term of office of each Director shall be two (2) years.*

For members that have paid their dues, a ballot was sent via parcel post.



Coffee and Cakes will be served.



2020/2021 Board of Directors



Wendel Jenkins
President



Joel Contreras
1st Vice President



Lisel Ferguson
2nd Vice President



Laurence Parme
Secretary



Debbie Sandwig
Treasurer



Claudia Jensen
Publicity

A small group of people volunteer on Tuesdays
No experience of special skill needed!

HELP WANTED!

The Crew needs you!!

The band of men and women that keep the clubhouse looking good would love to have a little more help! If you have even just an hour or so to give, WE WANT YOU! The Crew meets on Tuesdays from 8am to

2pm spiffing up the grounds for all members to enjoy!

From the dirt lot to the parking lot - inside the house and out - much maintenance needs to be done on a regular basis!

**Find out more :
Come see us - Tuesdays!**



Mike Anderson
Director



Presidents Corner

Hello to all of you!

Wow, things are looking up and the sun is going to shine again. The wonderful crew of club volunteers is as busy as bees putting the final touches to the repairs and repainting of the clubhouse, inside and out, just in time for the General Membership Meeting and Maifest. Thank you, to all that have already renewed their membership. If you are not one of them, I encourage you to renew right away, so you can attend and vote at the Membership Meeting. Also, Maifest is coming very soon and you will need your current membership for that. Please show up and help get our Club back in business.

I am happy and looking forward, with great anticipation, to finally seeing all of you my friends again soon!

Bis auf ein baldiges Wiedersehen!

Ihr *Wendel Jenkins*
Präsident



Oktoberfest ist unsere Spezialität!
We specialize in Oktoberfest!

Breakout your beer steins, Lederhosen and Glockenspiels, it's almost fall! Our authentic, all natural, Bavarian pretzels are a huge hit for Oktoberfest, and they meet all your "Brezel" needs. Plan early to ensure your pretzels are ready to go for your Oktoberfest celebration! please call 619-336-0500 or info@sandiegopretzel.com



Oktoberfest dates are September 24-26 and October 1-3, 2021. We are very hopeful that with the vaccines now available, we'll be able to keep those dates and get back to what we do best: host the best fest in the west!! Of course, we don't know for sure if we'll have

restrictions, but I'm going to assume that will be the case, so we'll have to wait and see, and make adjustments accordingly. About the only change we know of now is that there will be a limited selection of German beers on tap, as we needed to order some of the seasonal beers a while back so they can be shipped in time for our Oktoberfest. We'll still have a great selection, but we may be missing some of our favorites!

Pencil in those dates for now, and we'll keep you all updated with any new information that comes our way! And hope for the best...

Mike Anderson

Oktoberfest Chairman

Mitglieder-Bericht / Membership report - April 2021

Dieses Mal fasse ich mich sehr kurz. Ich hoffe und wuensche, dass es allen noch soweit gut geht. Den Kranken senden wir beste Genesungswuensche. Und allen, die Geburtstage im Maerz & April feiern konnten, wuenschen wir alles Gute fuer das neue Lebensjahr.

Hoffentlich nehmen alle Mitglieder, die fuer 2021 ihren Beitrag bezahlt haben, an den Vorstands-Wahlen am Mittwoch, den 19 Mai um 19:30h teil. Ein Stimmzettel ist fuer jedes aktive (Beitrag bezahlt) Mitglied vorgesehen. Die Stimmzettel wurden vorbereitet, werden momentan gedruckt und danach an die derzeitigen (aktuellen) Mitglieder per USPS verschickt. Fruehere oder ehemalige Mitglieder (2017, 2018, 2019, 2020) erhalten den Stimmzettel nur per E-Mail und falls sie den Stimmzettel abgeben oder weiterhin Club-Mitglied sein moechten, muss die Mitgliedschaft natuerlich erneuert sein. Es gibt 6 Kandidaten fuer 3 Positionen.

Trotz der Pandemie besteht nach wie vor großes Interesse an dem Verein. Wir haben sogar einige neue Mitglieder in den letzten Monaten erhalten. Aber leider muss ich Ihnen auch mitteilen, dass wir einige langjaehrige Mitglieder im Maerz & April verloren haben:

- Andrew Roth (Sohn von Ingrid - Damenkreis)
- Horst Barabasch (Ehemann von Susanne - Damenkreis & Chor)
- Al Bennett (Ehemann von Hilde, die 2011 leider verstarb - Karneval)
- Walter Clayton (Ehemann von Rosemarie - Damenkreis & Chor).

Im Namen des Clubs unsere herzliche Anteilnahme, wir werden sie sehr vermissen.

Wie wir schon angekuendigt haben, planen wir das Maifest fuer Samstag, den 22. Mai, waehrend des Tages. Die genauen Einzelheiten fuer diese Mitglieder-Veranstaltung werden noch bekannt gegeben. Wir druecken die Daumen, dass alles klappt. Also bis dann....

Today I will be brief. I hope everyone is doing well. To those of you that are not, the club sends you the best recovery wishes. And to all of you who celebrate birthdays in March & April, we wish you the best in the coming year.

Hopefully all of you will take part in the board elections on Wednesday May, 19 at 7:30 pm. Paper ballots have been prepared, are currently being printed and then will be sent via USPS to the current (paid-up) members. Former members (2017, 2018, 2019, 2020) will receive a ballot by E-mail and may vote after renewing their membership. There are 6 candidates for 3 positions.

As you can see, in spite of the pandemic, there is still great interest in the club. We have even received some new members in the past months. Unfortunately, I also have to inform you that we lost a few of our long-time members in March & April:

- Andrew Roth (son of Ingrid, Ladies' circle)
- Horst Barabasch (husband of Susanne - Ladies'circle & Choir)
- Al Bennett (husband of Hilde who preceded him in death in 2011 - Karneval)
- Walter Clayton (husband of Rosemarie - Ladies' circle & Choir).

On behalf of the club our heartfelt condolences. We will miss them all very much.

As we have already announced, we are planning the Mai-Fest for Saturday, May 22nd, during the day. More details of this members only event will be announced. We are keeping our fingers crossed that everything works out. Till then...

Stay safe & Bleib gesund! - Grüße~Greetings!

Monika Parme, Membership Chair – Email:info@germanclubsandiego.org



Untergruppe : Damenkreis / Ladies' Circle



The holiday honoring mothers is not just an American one. Mother's Day has existed since as long ago as the Greek empire. Today, Mother's Day is celebrated around the world. The Association of German Florists was responsible for bringing Mother's Day to the German nation. For advertisements, florists across the nation used the slogan "Honor your Mother" to sell flowers.

The first mother was celebrated in Germany May 13, 1923. However, wars, divisions and reunifications of the country in addition to endless bureaucracy took the country more than 80 years to set an official date for Mother's Day, which is now the second Sunday in May.

Even though the cliché of the self-sacrificing mother is long outdated, the gesture of getting spoiled with flowers, jewelry, chocolate and breakfast in bed is still highly appreciated by mothers.

The German mother's day is also celebrated during the asparagus season. White asparagus is very popular in May and booths are selling the popular vegetable around town and on the side of the roads leading out of town. Over the years, the tradition of taking mothers out for an asparagus feast became established and many restaurants advertise with slogans like "Treat your mom to some asparagus – Spargeessen zum Muttertag."

With or without Weiss Spargel (white asparagus)

We wish all our members a Happy Mother's Day!



**Die besten Grüße an alle Damen und einen schönen Tag – laßt Euch verwöhnen!
Euer Damenkreis-Team**



Untergruppe : Germania Choir

Dear German Club Members and Friends of the Germania Choir.

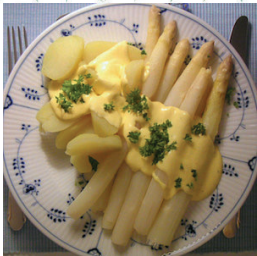
WE HAVE MISSED YOU! The choir has been kept from singing for over a year, and the CDC, in its infinite, every-changing opinions, is still keeping singing in choirs, whether in churches or anywhere else, in incessant lockdown. So here we are, vaccinated and muzzled (literally), and we're still not permitted to sing or have our friends with the Hillcrest Wind Ensemble be free to play their instruments anywhere in public. We miss the club, the members, the singing, and hugging our friends. I'm sure there are a lot of things each one of you misses.

We are hoping to be able to start choir again in the fall -- in whatever fashion, however distanced -- and are especially looking forward to be able to put on a Christmas program for all of you so we can connect with one another again and revel in the memories of childhood holiday celebrations or time spent in Germany -- a year, a week, a month, whatever time it may have been. We all are part of the German Club because of our memories and/or heritage. That's what counts to all of us, and that's what we are finding in our "home away from home." Hope to see you at the Maifest. Sorry, no singing allowed there either.....

Hugs to all and HAPPY SINGING – even if it's only in the shower.

Frauke Kuo, Chairperson

Germania Choir of the German-American Societies of San Diego, Inc.



Spargelzeit! Asparagus Season in Germany

As apples mark the Fall season, nothing epitomizes Spring like the revered white stalks of *Spargel* (Asparagus)! The green variety is more popular in North America and Great Britain, and tends to be available in supermarkets year-round. Germans, however, prefer the white variety that is harvested from about mid-April to the end of June. (Traditionally season's end is June 24, St. John the Baptist Day.) They've given this harvest season its own name — *Spargelzeit*, and celebrate it with passion. Rich in nutrients and very low in calories, asparagus has become a culinary status for many Germans.

During *Spargelzeit*, the average German enjoys the delicate flavor of this tender spring vegetable at least once a day. This adds up to a national total of over 70,000 tons of asparagus consumed per year! However, the annual production of asparagus averages just under 60,000 tons. So Germany imports asparagus to meet the continuously high demand for the healthy stalks.

The vegetable's popularity may in part be rooted in its long history as a luxury vegetable. Going back as far as 2000 BCE, the prized vegetable was cultivated by the Ancient Egyptians, the Greeks and the Romans. Throughout the rule of King Louis XIV, it gained in popularity and was reserved to the tables of the courts. The first document that mentions the cultivation of this vegetable in the region around the city of Stuttgart dates back to 1686!

From: germanfoods.org

Untergruppe : St. Hubertus Schützenverein



After being closed down for over a year now, thanks to COVID, we are all looking forward to getting together again. So many plans were put on hold and we are happy to be able to announce the St. Hubertus Schützenverein will be able to begin to have our regular meetings again at the clubhouse. Our first meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 7 at 6 pm. We have many things to discuss and begin planning and preparing for a booth at Maifest. We plan on opening the shooting range as soon as possible, with some exciting upgrades to make things more comfortable for all of our members.

As things begin to open up safely, we hope to be joining our friends in Anaheim for their annual Schützenfest at the Phoenix Club in July.

We welcome everyone to come check us out and shoot with us. If you would like to learn more about our group, or when the range will be open please join us on May 7th at 6pm or please reach out to any of the leadership of our group for more information. Let's get together! Our Chair person, Nicole, could answer any questions you might have @ nicoleking@gmail.com.

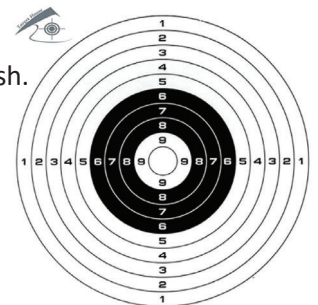
Joel Contreras

Vice Chair

Leadership

Chair, Nicole King-Horstman.
 Vice Chair, Joel Contreras.
 Aux. Vice Chair, Priscila Swann.
 Secretary, Niki Battaglia.
 Treasurer, Theresa Johnson

Range Masters, Tim Swann, Patrick Gowan, Joe Marsh.
 Equipment Custodian, Steve Horstman.
 Youth Chair, Peter Battaglia.
 Flag Bearer, Renato Fogliano.



Brüderlichkeit, schießen und Spaß

Untergruppe : KinderTanzGruppe

Woooo Hooo! We have been given permission to have our little gatherings and meetings! We will, of course, need to re-organize our group. Some have graduated, gotten jobs and/or even moved away! Time to plant some seeds and sprout some new talent! We are so excited to see what these talented kids have retained over the passed year!

We are looking forward to distance dance the Maipole at Maifest for all the guests in attendance! Maybe a Schuphlattler if we aren't too rusty!! We, just like these kids, are ready for life to resemble something that they used to know!

Claudia, coordinator



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Frauke Kuo

Interpreting/Translating

German to English

English to German

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May 2021

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2	3	4	5	6	7	8	6pm Schützenverein Meeting
9 Happy Mother's Day 	10	11	12	13	14	15	- Private Party -
16	17	18	19 Board Elections 	20 Karneval Meeting	21	22 Maifest  11-1 or 3-6	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
30	31 Memorial Day 	June 1	2	3	4	5	

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