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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Erich Kohl

Dear Members:

we have a busy month here at our GASC. On December 6th we will hold our General Meeting and election for club directors. Per the bylaws please remember to bring your current membership card. If you cannot find your card, you may contact the office during regular business hours to get a new card. Other notable dates this month are:

December 8th – Birthday & Anniversaries

As the calendar turns to December.

December 14th & 15th – Christkindlmarkt

December 20th - Our Annual Christmas Concert

December 31st – New Years Eve Gala

I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and Happy New Year!

Erich Kohl, President



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GASC POLICY

The purpose of the German American Social Club of Cape Coral according to its Bylaws is "to promote good fellowship (Gemütlichkeit) and provide its members with the opportunity for group enjoyment of activities based on songs and traditional celebrations of German social life. GASC is open to all persons without regard to race, creed, culture or ethnic background. Any discrimination, racial comments, bigoted remarks by members or guest, theft, and want on destruction to club assets will not be accepted or tolerated! Members are expected to adhere to this policy of respect towards other members and the club itself both inside Club property as well as in any public forum, including online forums hosted by and representing the Club. Failure to abide by this policy will result in disciplinary action stated in section VIII, F 5* of the GASC Bylaws.

Past President: Vacant



Director: Ed Freund



Director: Tom Isham

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Director: Kimberly Rabalais





Director: Tony Krenn



Director: John Wagonhoffer

Liebe Mitglieder,

Der Kalender hat nun den Monat Dezember erreicht, ein sehr ereignisreicher Monat hier im Deutsch Amerikanischen Club. Am 6. Dezember ist Generalversammlung, verbunden mit der Wahl der Direktoren. Denken Sie daran, dass sie wie es in den Statuten festgelegt ist, die gueltige Mitgliedskarte dabei haben muessen. Falls sie die Karte nicht finden koennen bekommen sie waehrend der normalen Oeffnungszeiten des Bueros eine neue Karte. Die wichtigen Daten des Monats:

- 8. Dezember Feier der Gebursttage und Jubilaeen
- 14. und 15. Dezember Christkindelmarkt
- 20. Dezember Weihnachtskonzert des Edelweiss Chor
- 31. Dezember Neujahrsball

Ich moechte Allen Frohe Weihnachten, Frohes Lichterfest und ein Gutes Neues Jahr wuenschen.

Erich Kohl, Präsident

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FROM THE EDITOR

Please be sure to submit all information for the newsletter before the 20th of each month to avoid publishing delays.

If you would like to submit information for the newsletter such as photos, club updates, or have suggestions, please email to the editor at : anzeiger@gasc-capecoral.com

For all other inquiries or questions, please contact the main office at:. office@gasc-capecoral.com



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Submit the application along with all fees to

Our office Secretary Tammy Oosting or our

Membership Chair Holly Jo King

Election - Notice



Election of DIRECTORS will be held on the meeting night of

Friday December 6, 2024

(5:00pm - 7:30pm)

Reminder: YOUR VOTE will determine the Leadership of this Club. It is up to you!

- All current Dues paying GASC Members of 10 months or longer are eligible to vote.
- Voters must present a current Membership Card.
- GASC Members who are unable to attend election night, may request in writing
 an Absentee Ballot. The request must also include a #10 self-addressed
 stamped envelope. A Ballot will then be sent to you, which you will mark and
 return in an envelope marked "OFFICIAL BALLOT" and to be received 5 days
 prior to the election. Also, please identify yourself on the front of the envelope
 but not on the ballot. That way I can see that you are an eligible voter, but I also
 have no way of identifying how you've voted.

EMAIL: office@gasc-capecoral.com Attn: Judge of Elections

MAIL TO: German American Social Club of Cape Coral, FL

ATTN: Judge of Elections 2101 SW Pine Island Rd. Cape Coral, FL 33991

Thank you

Diana Veith

Judge of Elections

I moved to Cape Coral from Peekskill NY in 1994 employed by Sony Electronics in Fort Myers for eighteen years where I managed the facility and special operations with focus on contract and budget negotiations. Prior professional work includes corporate taxes and management information systems. During my membership tenure I have stepped in to fill vacant positions that had no designated backups to keep the club moving forward.

My nine years of prior Board service includes Secretary 2004-05 and 2014-15 as well as Director 2007-10 and 2017. I currently Chair the Entertainment & Decorating Committee and coordinate our annual Karneval season. I served eight years as Director or Vice President of the United German American Society of Florida and still represent Cape Coral as our delegate.

The next generation can best continue our club's legacy through shared experience with our long-term members to achieve a balanced approach to future challenges.



My name is Kimberly Schlachta Rabalais and I am honored to be nominated to serve on the Board of Directors. I was born and raised in SWFL and where and have been a member of this club since 2004 when I was selected to represent the club as your Ms. Oktoberfest. Since I completed my Mrs. Oktoberfest duties, I have served as Anzeiger Editor, and parade float chairperson for several years. I also volunteer Oktoberfest every year and do what I can to make each event success. I have been serving on the Board of Director for the past two years and most recently my husband and I were selected as the Prinzenpaar of the 2023-24 Karneval season here at the club.



My business background also brings experience, office skills and knowledge.

I have a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Sciences degree from Auburn University and have 25 years as a business owner and environmental consultant here in SWFL, where I was responsible for project management, permitting and advisory services to a variety of clients environmental issues related to planning, permitting and compliance for all types of projects, I feel it is important for us to carry on the traditions and pass on the cultural knowledge we have to honor our heritage. Also, that we stay relevant to the current changing world by adapting and embracing new opportunities to help this club be successful.

Holly Jo here! I started volunteering in 2018 after running in the Ms Oktoberfest Pageant, which made my passion for the Club grow. I officially joined the club in 2019. Since then, I have assisted the publicity chair, on the decorating committee, nominating committee and proudly active on the current

bylaws committee. I am also your current Membership Chair, a position I have held for over a year and truly

enjoy.

For fun, I run our home based real estate appraisal company. I am an awesome mom, and an outdoor lover.

Moving forward as a club yet keeping our traditions is very important to me. I am committed to working with fellow board members as the club continues to evolve. I will continue to bring new ideas to life and show the community our club is here to stay.



From 2008-2014, I served as the Vice President and President of the Board for a 40 unit condo building in IL. I also served as vice president on the Umbrella Board which presided over the maintenance of the 35 acre property, 3 condo buildings, 125 town homes, a large pond, pool, and clubhouse.



30 years experience as a manager/ foreman in the electrical trade for commercial and industrial projects.

I currently serve the GASC as Hausmeister and on the Beautification, Bar Finance and Bylaw committees. I along with volunteers from Beautification, have worked diligently to clean, improve and modernize the GASC.

Projects I have spearheaded include the new roof, rework of the electrical switches on the east bar wall, floor cleaning, exterior lighting, bathroom fixture improvements along with savings on the supplies and linen service, freshening up the main office. Members of my family have been coming to the club for over 40 years. I hope to keep the club running in the right direction.

As an active member of the German American Social Club since 2021, I have dedicated myself to supporting our club's mission and growth. I immediately joined the bar committee and, in 2024, took on the role of co-chair while also serving as chair of Finance.

Beyond my involvement here, I have successfully served on the boards of other community nonprofits, including the Kiwanis Club of Cape Coral and the Cape Coral Chamber of Commerce, where I honed my skills in collaboration, leadership, and navigating organizational challenges.

As the owner of several successful businesses, including Cape Foreign and Domestic Cars and SWFL Experts Automotive, I bring financial and strategic expertise that I believe will benefit our club as I continue to honorably serve, with the forethought of looking into the future to continue our clubs legacy.



I am Tony Krenn from Passau, Germany, where my wife Julie and I still own a home. We also reside mainly in Cape Coral.

I am currently an active Director on the board of the GASC. For the past 12 years, I have been the Oktoberfest Entertainment Chairman, bringing well-known bands from Germany to play at our Oktoberfest. I love the Bavarian Culture, and enjoy sharing our traditions. The latest songs, dances and traditional music performed at Munich Oktoberfest in Germany, can be heard two weeks later by the same bands at our Cape Coral Oktoberfest.



In the past, I have promoted the German American Social Club on "Wir Im Bayern" in live TV shows as a guest host, in the Passau Newspaper, and in live interviews with Austrian radio stations. I attend many festivals in Germany canvasing new entertainment possibilities.

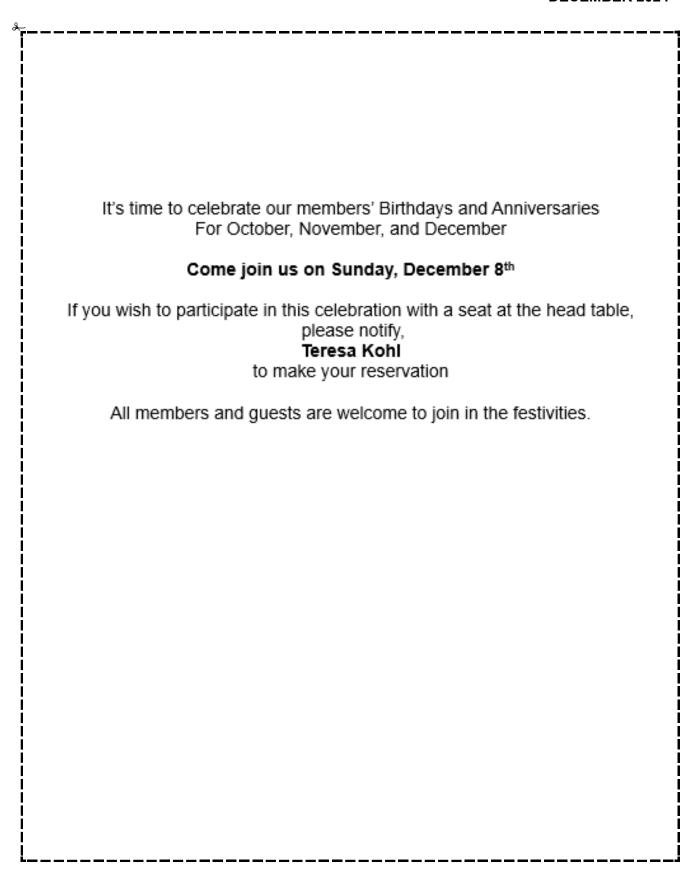
I was in a large global corporation employing 170,000 employees. I participated in their Fuehrungskreis, a top executive level Leadership Team. My responsibilities included overseeing plants on 5 continents. My division produced over \$200 million per year.

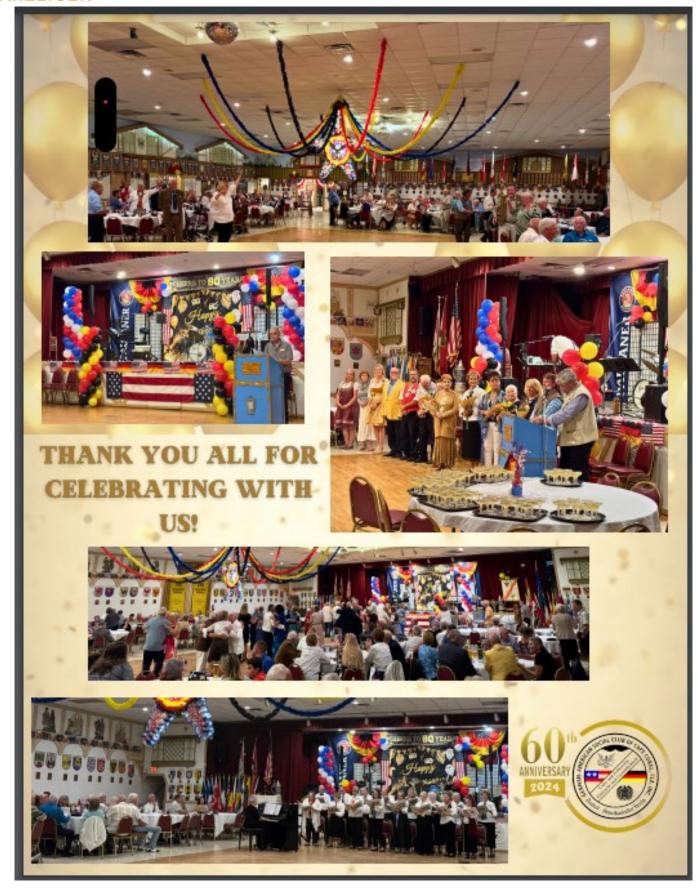
My leadership skills, and worldwide business experience, can only benefit the club. I believe in this club, its heritage, and will provide fresh ideas, smart business decisions, and grow our membership.

My name is John Wagenhoffer, I am from New Jersey. I was a Police Detective in Rahway NJ for 26 years. I was also President of our PBA for 2 years. I retired in 2008. My family and I purchased a Yogi Bear Jellystone Park Campground in Emporia Virginia, it also included a mobile home park, which we owned and operated until December 2018. I was the CEO of our businesses. We purchased our home in Cape Coral in 2014 and I started coming to GASC in 2014. I really enjoyed the club. When we sold our business I joined the GASC in January 2019. I immediately became active in our club. I was appointed coordinator of the outdoor fests. In 2020 I accepted the appointment as Oktoberfest co-chairman which the majority was completed unfortunately the pandemic curtailed the Oktoberfest. I was co-

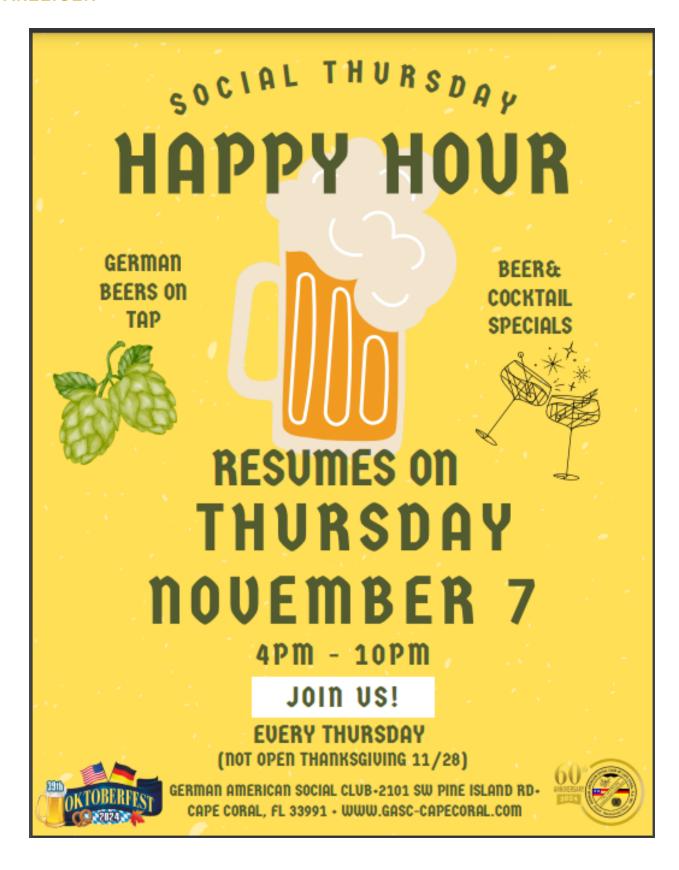
chairman of the 2021 Octoberfest which was very successful. Unfortunately Oktoberfest 2022 was canceled due to the disaster of Hurricane Ian. Oktoberfest 2023 was again very successful. I have also chaired the Great American Picnic which is held on Memorial Day Sunday in 2022 and 2023. I intent to make this an annual event. We honor our members with Quilts of Valor for Service to our Country. I have been a member of the Board of Directors since 2023 and have strived to bring more transparency and modernization to our great club. I am also a member of the beautification committee. I am also on the Finance Committee. I have worked with other members to upgrade and improve the Garden Kitchens. I always have and will continue to be dedicated to the success and welfare of our club and its members. I would appreciate your vote.











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GERMAN MINISTRY

The next German Church Service will be held on December 24th at 2PM in the church at Santa Barbara Blvd.

The Edelweiss chorus and members of the Hafenkapelle will be part of our Christmas service.

Wolf Ruediger Pech, President German Ministry

GALS

The G.A.L.S. (German-American Ladies' Society) meet every Wednesday morning at the club for friendship and crafts. They mainly produce useful and also fun items in knitting, crocheting and beading etc. The G.A.L.S. also arrange and conduct events for enjoyment, information, knowledge and fellowship.

G.A.L.S.Chairperson: Karin Krueger

EDELWEISS CHORUS

Rehearsals began on Monday September 9th, at 7 P.M. Our calendar is quite full.

The CHRISTMAS CONCERT on Friday December 20th.

New members are cordially invited. There are no "tryouts"... Just bring yourself and your voice to rehearsal! You will be welcomed. We look forward to seeing you!!

Director: Barbara Wilken

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER DANCE

Dinner is served from 5:00 PM—7:00 PM on Friday Nights

Music begins at 6:30 PM and ends at 10:30 PM

Events may be added or changed without notice

SUBSCRIBE to the weekly bulletin for Upcoming Events & Happenings

SKAT

Hello friends of the "Skat Game" at the GASC. We play every Thursday from 4-7 p.m. in the club house. The bar is open for your needs. Every new player are welcome.

If you have questions then call 239-898-4211 or 239-283-1400. Hope to see you all next Thursday.

Gregor

SUNSHINE

I am 'Sunshine Girl' so any illness &/or death please notify me.

Also, I am selling tickets for the dances throughout the year!

I can be contacted for either situation at: 239-850-7997 and also at oosting.carol.1942@gmail.com

Carol Oosting

GALS

Long time member Susan Feiger of Venice, Florida, friends of Helmut Such family. We are deeply grateful for your thoughtful Christmas donations. Thank you for your holiday generosity.

Best wishes, Good Health and Merry Christmas.

With Love, Katin Krueger GALS Chair



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KULTURGESELLSCHAFT



December 17, 2024 7 PM

Back by Popular Demand!

Sissi, Die Junge Kaiserin – Teil 2

Am 19.1 war es endlich soweit – die Nachfrage war gross, und insgesamt kamen 15 Mitglieder, um uns den Film Sissi anzuschauen. Der Film, 1955 gedreht, ist seit jeher beliebt und der ersten in der Trilogie. Die Szenerie um Tegernsee und Österreich ist wunderschön anzuschauen. Die Schauspieler Romy Schneider, Karheinz Böhm und Magda Schneider, gehören zu den Lieblingen der Heimatsfilme aus der Zeit. Die Nachfrage war gross, und von daher schauen wir uns am 16.2 um 19 Uhr Teil 2 an. Düsseldorf

war zwar geplant, kann aber wohl warten. Also, kommt, seid dabei, bingt ruhig Familie und Freunde mit, die der deutschen Sprache nicht ganz mächtig sind, denn die Untertitel lassen sich gut lesen.

Ja, und klar, die Bar hat geöffnet und wir servieren Gebäck und Kaffee. Wir freuen uns! Sissi, The Young Empress – Part 2

On January 19th, the long wait was over – the demand was huge and a total of 15 members came to watch the movie Sissi. The film was produced in 1955 and has been a favorite among young and old since it originally premiered. It was the first part of the trilogy. The beautiful scenery included Lake Tegernsee in Bavaria and scenes in Austria. The actors Romy Schneider, Karlheinz Böhm and Magda Schneider are fan favorites of German Heimatfilme of the time. The members who attended enjoyed the

movie and the demand to continue with Part 2 in February was unanimous. So, Dusseldorf, which was on the schedule for

February, can wait. Come an join us on February 16th at 7 pm to watch it. Your German's needs improvement? No problem – the subtitles will get you through it. Of course, the bar will be ready to serve and there will be the usual coffee and cake throughout the evening. See you then.





BEAUTIFICATION

The year 2024 gets close to its end. A year with ups and downs, a vear again with hurricanes and the uncertainty to have our Octoberfest or not. But thanks to the effort and work from all of us celebrated we wonderful fest. After Octoberfest we had our annual Memorial



service and everybody who attended could see that the room for names of our past members became sparce. Therefor we moved all memorial name plaques to the left to make room for 2 new plaques which will be installed in the next days. I would like to thank all members of the beautification team for their work bringing countless hours on Wednesdays and whenever needed for the prosperity of our club. I wish you and your family a beautiful holiday season and that all of your wishes may become true.

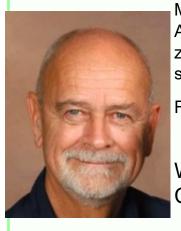
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

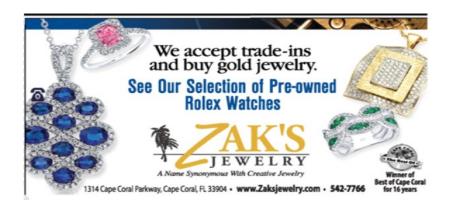
Das Jahr 2024 neigt sich dem Ende zu. Ein Jahr mit auf und ab und wieder mit Hurrikans und der Unsicherheit, ob wir ein Oktoberfest feiern koennen oder nicht. Aber dank der Anstrengungen und der Arbeit von uns Allen konnten wir ein schoenes Fest feiern. Nach dem Oktoberfest hatten wir unsere Gedenkfeier fuer verstorbene Mitglieder und wer daran teilgenommen hat konnte bemerken, dass der Platz fuer die Namen verstorbener Mitglieder knapp wurde. Wir haben daher alle Erinnerungstafeln versetzt, um Platz fuer neue Tafeln zu schaffen. Diese werden in den naechsten Tagen installiert. Ich moechte mich heute bei allen

Mitgliedern des Beautification Teams bedanken, fuer die unzaehligen Arbeitsstunden an den Mittwochen und wann immer sie benoetigt werden zum Wohl unseres Clubs. Ich wuensche Euch allen und Euren Familien schoene Feiertage und das sich Eure Wuensche erfuellen moegen.

Frohe Weihnachten und ein Gutes Neues Jahr

Wolf Ruediger Pech, Chairperson Beautification









SOCCER WATCH PARTIES WATCH A GAME WITH US!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2024 AT 2:45PM: FC BAYERN VS LEVERKUSEN (DFB POKAL)

FC BAYERN VS HEIDENHEIM

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10 AT 3:00 PM: SHAKHTAR DONETSK VS FC BAYERN (UEFA CL)

MAINZ VS FC BAYERN

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20 AT 2:30 PM: FC BAYERN VS LEIPZIG

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11 AT 12:30 PM: MÖNCHENGLADBACH VS FC BAYERN

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15 AT 2:30 PM: FC BAYERN VS HOFFENHEIM

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