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# THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE GERMAN AMERICAN CLUB OF DALLAS, INC.

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#### **MISSION STATEMENT:**

The German American Club of Dallas, Inc. has the objective to promote good relations between persons of German descent and all other Americans.

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Mark Your Calendar



Upcoming GAC Events at a Glance!

May 8<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>, 2024 GAC trip to Leavenworth, Washington Meeresstille und Glückliche Fahrt!

> June 2nd, 2024 GAC at the Lone Star Races

> > July 14th, 2024 GAC Annual Meeting

# <u>Upcoming Events/ Kommende Veranstaltungen</u>



June 2nd, 2024 Lone Star Races

Gates open 12 PM-1:35 PM (Races start at 1:35 PM) and continue until 6:30 PM.

Our annual visit to Lone Star Park for a fun filled day at the racetrack.

Free Parking

Ladies and Gentlemen compete for "Best Hat" \$100.00/1st Prize \$50.00/2nd Prize

Please note that the GAC is subsidizing this event to get 50 interested participants. The real cost for tickets has gone up to \$75.00/Person but our price is just \$20.00/Member and \$30.00/Guest. Your ticket includes a delicious Silks Room buffet.

Reservations: Elisabeth Williams Text Only: 214-316-5185 Email: ewilliam0516@sbcglobal.net

Tickets will be distributed by Margit Lamb



GAC Annual General Meeting with Summer Brunch Brookhaven Country Club 3333 Golfing Green Dr, Farmers Branch, TX 75234

Sunday July 14th, 2024/12:30 PM-4:00 PM

No charge to members
\$25.00/guest payable at the door
Complimentary Wine and Beer
Entertainment: Helga Beckman
General Meeting immediately following Brunch.
Contact Elisabeth Williams to make your reservations for this important event!

Text Only (please no phone calls)/214-316-5185 Email/ewilliams0516@sbcglobal.net

#### Board Positions that are open this year: 2024: Even Year

For electing board members to positions that were up for election in this cycle and the filling of positions that were currently vacant.

#### Vice President: Jo Ann Bresowar

- In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall take over the duties and powers of the President.
- In charge of special functions to raise money.
- In charge of GAC interaction / school individual donations for qualifying students of German Classes.

#### **Director of Entertainment: Open**

- Shall oversee the selection and planning and will execute all social functions of the club.
- A budget shall be prepared for each event, and it shall be voted on by the Board.
- Receipts to be handed to the Treasurer.
- An individual who likes to organize parties, is creative and has festive ideas about GAC Club trips and outings that are of interest to Members.
- Able to work with others to promote varied Club gatherings!

#### **Director At Large: Jutta**

- Shall set up support committees, as directed by the Board and coordinate such committees as necessary.
- Helps with anything and everything we need to keep the Board and Club in action!

#### Director of Communications/ Director of Score Keeper: William Kanute

- Shall issue the Scorekeeper as designated by the President.
- The Score Keeper shall be mailed to all members and those persons designated by the Board.
- Maintains the GAC Membership List in coordination with the Director of Membership.
- Creates the Scorekeeper and finds and shows current local/Texas activities of interest to our members.
- Keeps us all up to date with great information!
- Help with member information.

#### Director of Club House - Now Real Estate: Open

- Make repair suggestions to the Board,
- Secure estimates for repairs.
- Supervise repairs which are authorized by the board.
- Check on rent payment.,
- Make suggestions as to leasing requirements.
- Update insurance coverage when necessary.
- Our property is in good shape: we do need a few new appliances, need to buff the floor tile and need an inside paint job.

May 03	Albert Braun	June 03	Natalie Monzavifar
May 05	Leon Straub	June 04	Lauri Blesch
May 08	Claus Maucher	June 06	Khalil Hobeiche
May 09	Heidi Goller	June 06	Helga Sims
May 11	Karin Harris	June 09	Monika Kenimer
May 12	Carolyn Fredriksson	June 10	George Beck
May 16	George Tischler	June 10	Margit Lamb
May 18	Elke Henke	June 10	Hans Schnitzler
May 19	Kirsten Holzmeier	June 10	Heidi Lacher
May 20	Ingrid Schwindt	June 11	Dieter Krabel
May 30	Ursula Beaver- Bradley	June 13	Delbert Brown
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		June 15	Heidi Kocher
		June 16	Landon Zapata
		June 17	Allan Bresowar
		June 21	Lionel Schulz
		June 22	Marianne Cannon
		June 23	Cole Mannon
		June 23	Rachel Mannon
		June 27	Johnny Jewell
		June 30	Erich Haigis

If we overlooked your birthday, please accept our apology, and let us know.



## Keeping Up to Date With Our Members

No news to report this time. If any of you hear about or experience life changes, accomplishments, awards, moves, illness, or anything else that would be of interest to members and have permission from all the parties involved and if you wish to share that news, please contact Will Kanute so I can print it in this section of our newsletter.

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#### **Dues and Initiation Fees**

The board has finished contacting all members to determine their true wishes. Many who had not paid dues have since done so and remain active members. We welcome them back. A few others have decided not to renew their memberships and have been removed from the roster. We bid them a fond farewell. Thanks to Carolyn Huggins for her tireless work on the club's behalf as our Director of Membership. Please don't forget that your board has decided to temporarily reduce initiation fees from \$50.00 to \$25.00. This rate will be available for a trial period to see if it encourages new members to join.



### Willkommen!!!

No new members to welcome this month.

### Getting to Know Our Partners:

This month we feature our Honorary Consul of Germany in Dallas, Andreas K. Bremer and his Assistant, Beate Fehrenbach.



#### **Andreas K. Bremer**

Honorary Consul of Germany in Dallas

#### **Beate Fehrenbach**

Assistant to the Honorary Consul

**Andreas K. Bremer** was raised and educated in Germany. He, his wife, Nicola, and their three children have been living in the United States since 1990.

Andreas is a licensed broker in the state of Texas. He has worked extensively in finance, banking and real estate and is CEO & President of International Capital LLC.

Since 2007, Andreas has served as independent director and chair of the Special

Committee on the board of Lightstone Value REIT Plus V, based out of New York.

City. During his time in Atlanta, he helped form several organizations including the

German Church of Atlanta. Andreas Bremer is also Co-Founder and currently.

Chairman of the Board of the German International School of Dallas (GISD), Vice President and of the Luther Center of North Texas and serves as a Knight of Justice in the Johanniterorden and Treasurer of the Board. Since October 2018 **Andreas K. Bremer** also serves as the Honorary Consul and official representative of the Federal Republic of Germany in Dallas. Alongside his main profession, he provides consular services for German citizens and residents in the district of the following Texas counties: Collin, Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Hood, Hunt, Johnson, Kaufman, Parker, Rockwall, Tarrant and Wise.

As an Honorary Consul, Andreas, and his colleague Beate Fehrenbach support and complement the work of the German Consulates General and the German Embassy in Washington in a broad way. Besides fostering the relations between Germany and the United States and projecting a positive and modern image of Germany in the US, he is able to assist US and German citizens with legal and consular issues related to Germany.

The main consular services that are offered by the Honorary Consul of Germany in Dallas include:

- Acceptance of passport applications,
- Notarization of signatures for declarations of approval or power of attorneys in connection with German contracts/property transactions,
- Notarization of signatures for general power of attorneys, renunciations of inheritance, life certificates, certificates of good conduct etc.,
- Notarization of signatures for family matters; birth registrations, marriage registrations, name declarations, (7)

- Notarization of photocopies,
- Participation in cultural events of the German community,
- Limited financial support for certain functions of general cultural interest.

The office of the Honorary Consul in Dallas usually offers appointments one day a week (**usually on Tuesdays**). Appointments must be scheduled in advance; Walkins can unfortunately not be accepted.

For appointment requests please send an email: dallas@hk-diplo.de.

Since the office of the Honorary Consul receives numerous emails daily and the consular service needs to be coordinated with the main profession, Inquiries will be answered as quickly as possible, but sometimes it may take a few days until the desired answer can be provided.