



House of Germany

House of Pacific Relations, International Cottages, Inc., Balboa Park, San Diego, CA 92101

Newsletter / Nachrichten

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FROHE OSTERN - HAPPY EASTER



Osterbrunnen in Ebermannstadt
For Easter – a decorated fountain in Ebermannstadt

Dear Members,

With three months of experience under my belt, I am writing the second newsletter to keep you up-to-date with the events of the House of Germany.

A few days ago, students from Albert Einstein, who attended the Easter Crafts class, decorated the well on the stage as an Easter fountain. This is an old Franconian tradition in which the wells and fountains that provided drinking water to the villages were cleaned in the spring. After all was done, the well was decorated with garlands of green twigs and ribbons and later on – with Easter Eggs. If you want to have a look, the well remains decorated until Monday, April 5th. The picture on the right is our decorated Easter well.



The Spring Concert was very well attended with the Germania Choir joining the Heimatklang Chor for a wonderful musical afternoon.

I am a bit overwhelmed with my task to rejuvenate the house. To organize events for the younger generation/families and then no one shows up or gives any feedback is rather puzzling. It is an impossible task to offer events and classes in a vacuum – I NEED YOUR HELP and PARTICIPATION!

HERE IS MY REQUEST TO THE MEMBERSHIP:

I would like for everyone to take 3-5 minutes and write to me what they expect from the House of Germany and what you are willing to do for the House of Germany.

Thank you,
Heike

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Joachim Wolff	Food Supply Chair	619 286-4166
Gisela Müller	Sunday Hosting	619 234-1530

Host and Hostesses for Sunday Hosting
May 2010

April 2010

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| 4.4. Gisela Mueller, Tayyba Safdar | 2.5. Sventja von Daake, Doris Schilling |
| 11.4. Katrin Hakenesch,
Caroline Nievergelt | 9.5. Tina Falkenberg, Melanie Frank |
| 18.4. Earth Day (geschlossen/closed) | 16.5. Renate Engels, Rebecca Merz |
| 25.4. Martina Hesser, Gabi Pantfoerder | 23.5. Barbara Valentine plus son |
| | 30.5. Ethnic Food Fair (volunteers??) |

If you have a Dirndl or a "Tracht" please wear it when you serve. It enhances the traditional image which we try to convey with our cottage since most of our visitors are not German.

**Should you not be able to come, please make sure you have a replacement and notify
Gisela Müller at 619 234-1530**

Recurring dates to remember:

Ladies Auxiliary meetings: Every 2nd Wednesday in the Hall of Nations 12:30 PM

Kinder Workshop: For information regarding classes and enrollment, please contact Gisela Muller 619 234-1530

Heimatklang Choir: Practice sessions are every **Wednesday 7:00 PM in the Hall of Nations** in Balboa Park, please contact Hede Wolff 619 286-4166

First Lutheran Church: Offers a German Service on the last Sunday of every month at 1420 Third Ave. San Diego, Questions? Please call Elsbeth Erler at 858 452-979

Special Events:

1980's Dance— Neue Deutsche Welle and more:
April 17th, 2010 from 7 pm to 11 pm in the Hall of Nations

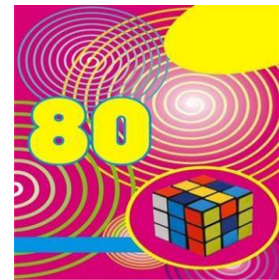
Organized with the help of Albert Einstein Academies

\$15.- for one ticket and \$25.- for two tickets

BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW!

Tickets are NOT available at the door.

Is anyone interested in volunteering an hour or two on Saturday, April 17th at the 1980's party to serve food or beer or to sell beverage tickets? Please give me a call at 619-894-2697 or send an e-mail to paulsen_heike@yahoo.com



SUMMER PICNIC at the Stein Family Farm

Bring your kids, bring your friends and bring yourself

Pet animals, climb a tree, play soccer, feeding a pig, relax in a hammock or chat under olive trees.

Saturday, May 22nd – from 4 pm until ??
\$5.- per person – children under 12 are free

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Important Dates

1980's Disco Dance – **April 17th, 2010 at 7 pm to 10 pm** - in the Hall of Nations

Membership Meeting – **May 2nd, 2010 at 4:30 pm** - in the House of Germany

Summer Picnic – **May 22nd, 2010 at 4:00 pm** – at the Stein Family Farm in National City