



House of Germany

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

Newsletter / Nachrichten

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Dear Members, Liebe Mitglieder,

Time is flying and I am dreadfully late with our last Newsletter before the summer break!

Our Springfest on May 1st was a success. We had a good crowd of 76 members who joined us in the German-American Societies venue in El Cajon. Dagmar Purves and her team prepared a wonderful German lunch, and everything was decorated with beautiful spring flowers. The choir under direction of Claudia Lorenz presented a lively and diverse program with both German and English songs. We all liked the Beach Boys tunes and had a good time. A big thank you to all volunteers who made this event possible!

Our next event will be a membership meeting on Sunday **June 12th at 4:30 pm** at the cottage. We will have some appetizers and beverages after the meeting.

The Kinderwerkstatt as well as most of us on the board will take a summer break and will start normal operations in September. There will be an option to attend summer camps run by the Kinderwerkstatt. Our September membership meeting will be on Sunday September 11th and our Lawn Program will be held on Sunday September 18th. Mark your calendars, as this will be our first fundraiser this year. We will need you as volunteers!

Now I hope you are enjoying our cool but always sunny spring in San Diego.

With best wishes, Liane Mende-Müller



House of Germany Spring Concert 2022

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Vice President Dagmar Purves & President Liane Mende-Müller hosting at the Spring Concert 2022



Hosting at the Cottage

Saturdays:

MAY		JUNE	
5-7	Open	6-4	OPEN
5-14	Monika Hardy Jack Hardy	6-11	Christiane Roche
5-21	Kaethe Krause and Daughter	6-18	OPEN
5-28	Allison Haefner	6-25	OPEN

Sundays:

MAY		JUNE	
5-1	Christiane Koenemund Gisela Mueller	6-5	Christiane Koenemund Gisela Mueller
5-8	Christiane Koenemund	6-12	Dagmar Purves and Friend
5-15	Antje Fechner Laura Brown	6-19	OPEN
5-22	Tilly O'Haver Kaethe Krause	6-26	Liane Mende-Müller
5-29	Liane Mende-Müller		

All hosting dates can be found in our web site calendar. Click the „Cottage Open“ on proposed date and the host's name will show up. Web site: www.houseofgermany.com

Upcoming Events and Dates to Remember

Important Dates:

Next membership meeting is on **Sunday June 12th** at 4:30 pm at the House of Germany. We will have wine, beer, and appetizers after the meeting.

Membership News:

A Message from Christiane Koenemund:

I would like to say thanks to those precious volunteers that step-up time and again to keep our house open. We wouldn't be able to do it without you! You guys are the very best!

The House of Germany can't just rely on a few regular volunteers. We are only able to hold events and share our enthusiasm of German culture while the House is open.

I especially need people to host for June and July!

Saturdays are the easiest, all you must do is be present and greet visitors.

On Sundays you will work with a partner (maybe you want to do it with a friend), and you serve coffee, lemonade, and some cake. I will provide it all for you. Please call me if you have further questions!

Remember also that you will be reimbursed for your time with \$20 on Saturdays and \$40 on Sundays.

I also want to kindly remind all members to pay their dues. Any members not in good standing by **June 12th** will not receive the next issue of the newsletter and will be removed from the membership list.

For the Membership Renewal Form go to www.HouseofGermany.com under Membership. You can fill the form in on-line or print the form and fill out, then send the form together with your fee to Christiane Koenemund, 3405 Florida St., San Diego, CA 92104.

Recurring dates to remember:

Ladies Auxiliary:

Meetings are held every 2nd Wednesday at 12:00 noon in the Hall of Nations. For more information contact Sarah Twamley at 619-515-1734 or Brigitte Gilmore at 858-487-8402.

Kaffeeklatsch:

The Kaffeeklatsch group meets at the cottage in Balboa Park, on the 3rd Thursday of every month at 12:30 pm. Please, contact Elsbeth Erler at 858-452-9797 for more information.

Deutsche Evangelische Gemeinde San Diego at the First Lutheran Church:

Pastor Mark Menacher from the St. Luke's Lutheran Church in La Mesa will hold German Services at the First Lutheran Church for us. We are celebrating our next services on May 29th and June 26th, both events are at 2pm. Come enjoy each other's company along with coffee, please bring sure to bring some of your most delicious home baked goods. Thank you for your donations. If you have any questions, please call Elsbeth Erler at 858-452-9797 or Pastor Mark Menacher at 619-463-6633.



Dolores Peter greets our guests
at The Spring Concert 2022

Kinder Workshop (Diana Zachek):

The Kinderwerkstatt is finishing a wonderful school year on May 19th by exploring vocabulary and grammar related to the topics of animals and the life cycle of plants. Our older students in Poway have been working on the play "Der Fischer und seine Frau".

To celebrate a successful year the Kinderwerkstatt will finish with a fun picnic featuring treats, games and music.

Looking ahead, we are excited for our 4 weeks of summer camp that we are offering this year. We will dive into the German language through crafts, music, stories and play while exploring the beautiful Balboa Park. If anyone may be interested in supporting us as a camp counselor during any of those four weeks, please reach out to Diana at houseofgermanykinderwerkstatt@gmail.com. Thank you!

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VACATION

**House of Germany
Kinderwerkstatt's
German language summer camps**

Each week we will explore a different theme through German songs, games and stories. We will discover Balboa Park auf Deutsch, cook delicious German lunch classics and end the day with a theme related craft or activity.

For sign-ups and more information contact;
houseofgermanykinderwerkstatt@gmail.com

All camps will take place in Balboa Park

**Full German immersion summer camp
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

**Small groups, snack and lunch included
\$300**

June 20-24 Ritter, Burgen, Märchen - Knights, Castles, Fairytales
June 27-July 1 Entdecke die Welt - Discover the World in Balboa Park
July 5-8 (4 days) Discover Balboa Park, plants, worms, gardening & art
August 8-12 Reise um die Welt - Travel around the World

Let the Adventure Begin

House of Germany Choir (by Anna Johnson):

The choir has had a successful spring session. Our concert at the Springfest on May 1st went very well and we were happy to sing for all of you. The program included old and new songs about our Heimat and ended in a medley of *California Dreaming*. The choir is taking a summer break now until late August and then we will prepare for the Lawn Program on September 18th. After that we will practice our Christmas program and hopefully welcome many new choir members. Unfortunately, the Germania Choir from El Cajon will have their last concert this May. We are making plans on how to smoothly blend two German choirs in San Diego into one and utilize all the experience and knowledge. Hopefully, you can come and hear us soon!

Have a wonderful summer!



House of Germany Choir – We make sure to start our new singers early!



House of Germany Choir Members having a good time

Queen's Organization (by Queen Sofia Huey):

We have had quite a lot of meetings since the Queens last update. We had preparations for the lawn program, in which we practiced all our dances in the Hall of Nations. We ended up getting quite bunched together, so we decided that next time we would practice outside giving us more room. We had a special meeting day in which we created posters for Earth Day and put the posters all over Balboa Park. Many drew short messages and some even wrote paragraphs expressing their concerns about our environment. In another one of our meetings The queen from the House of India brought candles and Indian desserts to try from a festival and the House of Peru also performed a dance and taught us some of the steps! We only have a couple meetings left until summer begins and our meetings have been quite eventful and lively recently!

We just got notified by the Queen's Organization, that their coronation ceremony will be at the Organ Pavillion on June 5th from 4 to 5 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.



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