



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,

Summer is over now and hopefully everyone enjoyed their vacations. We are heading into a very busy fall season. Our next membership meeting will be on Sunday **September 10th** at the House of Germany in Balboa Park at 4:30 pm. We will have to elect a new nomination committee for our board elections in November. We will also discuss our plans for the House of Germany lawn program held on **September 17th**. Our Vice President Heather Sander-Heinz has already prepared an exciting program for us. You will find the announcement on the last page of this newsletter. Again, we would like to ask you to donate home-baked cakes. Please, join us for the meeting and some get-together afterwards where we can exchange ideas, drink some beer and wine and eat home-made finger foods. Also please contact Christiane Koenemund (Tel: 619-246-3763), if you would like to volunteer at the lawn program or donate a cake. We are looking forward to seeing you soon for our next events.

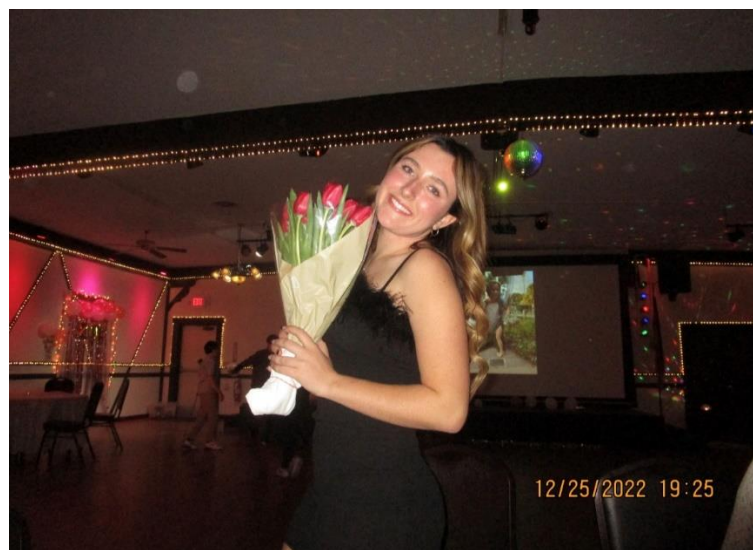
Best Wishes from Liane Mende-Müller



Springfest 2023: House of Germany Choir and Kinderchor

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Zoe Vowinkel, 2023 Queen of the House of Germany



Hosting at the Cottage

Saturdays:

SEPT		OCT	
9-2	C. Koenemund	10-7	Antje Fechner
9-9	Open	10-14	Open
9-16	Open	10-21	Open
9-23	Open	10-28	Minori Boone Lisa Strahm
9-30	Open		

Sundays:

SEPT		OCT	
9-3	Angela Wastrack Brian Surks	10-1	Liane Mende-Mueller Nicolas Fusseder
9-10	Liane Mende-Mueller Astrid Brown	10-8	Anna Johnson and friend
9-17	Lawn Program	10-15	Heather Sander-Heinz and friend
9-24	C. Koenemund	10-22	Chris Peter Sherry Radford
		10-29	Angela Wastrack Brian Surks

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 will be on **Sunday September 10th** at 4:30 pm at the House of Germany in Balboa Park. We will have wine, beer, and appetizers after the meeting. The House of Germany Lawn Program is on **Sunday September 17th**. Our House of Germany Lawn Program will begin serving your delicious, donated cakes at 11 am and bratwurst at 12 noon. Bring your chairs and picnic blankets to enjoy our live entertainment beginning around 2:00 pm

Recurring Dates to Remember:

Ladies Auxiliary:

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

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 service on September 30th at 2 pm. Come enjoy each other's company along with a cup of coffee. Please bring some of your most delicious home-baked goods to share. 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.

Kinder Workshop (by Diana Zachek and Heather Sander-Heinz):

We are looking forward to the new year at the Kinderwerkstatt. This year we are offering a variety of classes in three different locations, for all ages and language levels. See the poster below for more information. Classes start the week of September 18th. We are always looking for new students and teachers to join our community. Please contact us at houseofgermanykinderwerkstatt@gmail.com if you have any questions or want to register.

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<p>SPIELTREFFEN</p> <p>Parent and Me German Language Playgroup Die Knirpse Fridays - Balboa Park 10:30 AM</p>	<p>ELEMENTARY</p> <p>Kinderwerkstatt - KLASSIK - A play-based German language & culture class.</p> <p>Tuesday - Clairemont Wednesday - Poway Thursday - Balboa Park 4:30 - 6:00 PM</p>	<p>MIDDLE SCHOOL</p> <p>Boost your German language skills, increase your vocabulary and build a solid grammatical foundation through interactive and fun exercises. Ages 10-15 Years old</p> <p>Monday - Balboa Park 5:00 - 6:30 PM</p>	<p>BUSINESS GERMAN</p> <p>Corporate German language training Monday - Balboa Park 6:45 - 8:15 PM</p>
<p>HIGH SCHOOL</p> <p>Language and homework support and test preparedness</p> <p>Wednesday - Balboa Park 5:00 - 6:30 PM</p>	<p>ADULTS</p> <p>Emerging German learners learn the basics of using the German language for travel, homework support and personal growth.</p> <p>Wednesday - Balboa Park 6:45 - 8:00 PM</p>	<p>FILM CLUB & GERMAN CRAFTING</p> <p>Family fun events are free to all members.</p> <p>Balboa Park times and dates TBD</p>	<p>CHILDREN'S GERMAN CHOIR</p> <p>Choir director Claudia Lorenz makes learning German a magical musical experience.</p> <p>Thursday - Balboa Park 6:15 - 7:00 PM</p>



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**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.

German version mer camp
AM -
PM

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

All camps will take place
in Balboa Park

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June 19-23
Entdecke die Welt - Discover the World in Balboa Park

June 26-30
Reise durch San Diego - Traveling around San Diego

Let the Adventure Begin



This year, at the end of June Kinderwerkstatt had two successful weeks of summer camp again. In the first week, we "traveled" to different countries, hosted by our fellow HPR cottages. For example, we went to India, Poland, Norway, Puerto Rico, Italy, and Spain and learned about their country, culture, music, and food. In the second week, we learned about traffic rules, automotive history, and public transportation and made use of the "Kids ride free" program at MTS. We traveled to Coronado and Encinitas and all over Balboa Park. We can't wait for the next Kinderwerkstatt Camp!

House of Germany Choir (by Anna Johnson):

The House of Germany Choir had a fun and successful spring semester. We sang at the Maifest of the German American Societies where we were joined by our friends from the Phoenix Club Gemischter Chor. At our own Springfest, we shared the stage with our Kinderchor and sang "Edelweiss" together. During the summer break, some of our choir members had the honor and opportunity to sing the US National Anthem before the friendly match between Borussia Dortmund and San Diego Loyal soccer clubs at Snapdragon Stadium. It was truly a special experience to sing in a big stadium in front of a crowd of soccer fans!

Now, we are looking forward to singing again after the summer break. Rehearsals will start on September 21st to prepare us for the Christmas program. Everyone who wants to sing in German in our fun choir is welcome to join us! Invite your neighbors and friends! But first, we are preparing to sing at our Lawn Program and spread German culture through music. See you then!

**Kinderchor:**

The House of Germany Kinderchor completed their first Spring Semester with a fabulous concert at our Springfest in May. There were even some wonderful solo performances! Under the guidance of our experienced Kinderchor director Claudia Lorenz and accompanied by Teres Byrne, the children learn to sing by heart without reading sheet music. This helps especially with learning German words and phrases and keeps it fun for everyone. The Kinderchor Fall semester starts on September 21st and enrollment is open for children aged 6 and older! Please contact me, Anna Johnson, at houseofgermanykinderchor@gmail.com to sign up and for more information.

Queens Organization: (by Liane Mende-Müller)

At our last membership meeting in May we elected Zoe Vowinkel, a now 16-year-old student at Helix Charter High School in La Mesa. She will represent the House of Germany at the HPR Queens Organization. She is involved with the Associated Student Body of her school, which helps with social events in her school. She also likes to play soccer and she has joined the Varsity Soccer team of her school. Zoe's father was born in Heidelberg, Germany, and she speaks fluently German. Zoe has been involved with the German American Societies, helped at Oktoberfest, and was involved with the German Dance Group. Zoe also has attended the Albert Einstein Academy where she met Heather Sander-Heinz, our vice president. She completed her Deutsches Sprachdiplom at the Academy and considers herself bilingual. Zoe has many hobbies, and she will tell you about them when you see her next time.



HPR - INTERNATIONAL COTTAGES, BALBOA PARK

SUNDAY - 17TH OF SEPTEMBER - 2023



HOUSE OF GERMANY

LAWN PROGRAM



11:00 AM - 4:30 PM

**BRATWURST
KAFFEE UND KUCHEN**



PERFORMANCES BEGIN AT 2:00 PM

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

HOUSE OF GERMANY CHOIR, KINDERWERKSTATT -
KINDERCHOR, BERT AND DOROTHY BARTH,
GERMAN-AMERICAN SOCIETIES CHILDREN'S
DANCE GROUP AND THEATER GROUP,
SAN DIEGO MUSIC CONSORTIUM SAX QUARTET

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