

# GASC NEWSLETTER



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### August

- 2 @ 8pm By-Law Committee Meeting
- 4 @ 8pm Membership Meeting
- 9 @ 8 Oktoberfest Meeting
- 23 @ 8 Oktoberfest Meeting
- 26 @ 8 am CLEAN UP DAY
- 27 Game of Thrones Costume Watchparty

### September

- 8 @ 8pm Membership Meeting
- 9 @ 7pm Winzerfest
- 16 @ 8 am CLEAN UP DAY

### October

- 6 @ 8pm Membership Meeting
- 13, 14, 15: **Oktoberfest Miami:**  
60 years of Oktoberfest!
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### Wednesday Social Night

*Social hour from 6:30pm  
Dinner, only \$11, served 7-8 pm*

### August Menu

- 2 Schnitzel with potatoes and veggies
- 9 chicken francaise
- 16 beef goulash with noodles
- 23 German platter
- 30 Italian dish

**Please note: The GASC is open all summer, but the fields are on vacation this month!**

Liebe Freunde/Dear friends:

I am going to keep this one short and sweet. Most of you are on vacation anyway right? We had a good **Oktoberfest Planning Committee** meeting on the 26th. The next meetings will be on Wednesday evenings, **August 9 and 23** at 8 pm. This Wednesday, **August 2**, the **By-Law Committee** will meet at 8 pm to review proposed changes to be presented to the Membership for discussion.

For all of us dragon fans, the Club is having a season finale **Game of Thrones Costume Watchparty** on Sunday, August 27. And finally, a preview for next month: don't forget about our **Winzerfest** on September 9. Bring all your friends.

Everyone please rest and tank up energy. September will be busy as we get ready for our **60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Oktoberfest**. The Club will really need everyone to pull together to make this a special and memorable event.

Thanks everyone.

Jan Williams  
President

p.s. In preparation for this year's Oktoberfest we will be having 2 Saturday **CLUB CLEANUP** Days. The 1<sup>st</sup> one will be on **August 26th**, and 2<sup>nd</sup> one on **September 16th**. Please note these dates and help us out for a few hours starting at **8 am**.

## Officers & Trustees

### Board of Directors:

President: Jan Williams –

First V.P.: Neil Jones –

Second V.P.: Emilio Palma.

**Directors:** Frank Biedermann,  
Christian Schlaerth, Marina Urban,  
and Hubert Weichselbaumer.

### Other Officers:

Treasurer: Maria Morarin -

Corresponding Sec.: Linda Dunlap

Membership Sec.: Linda Obermeier

Recording Sec.: Torsten Tyralla -

Parliamentarian: Sam Salton -

Sergeant-at-Arms: Joe Koelbl -

**Trustees:** Bill Kraushaar,  
Emma Blanton, Edgar Prüss,  
Pastor Alan Sielk, Tony Sellers.

### Info change? Moving?

You can edit your information with the club by signing onto our website <http://gascmiami.org>. If you have never signed in, choose "forgot password" and you can sign up that way. You will need to sign in with the email address you used when you joined (or the current one through which you get your GASC emails).

### NEWS? QUESTIONS?

Whether you have news to share with the club or a question you would like answered, we are always glad to hear from you. Although we don't have office staff, and we all have jobs that take up a good part of our day, most calls and emails are answered within 24 hours.

## Soccer at the GASC

Originally started by the German consulate, the soccer players that practice at the club are all members of the club. They practice 9 to 11 Sunday mornings. Most of the players are between 15 and 60 years of age. A \$5/game fee is collected to cover field maintenance. A few new players can be accommodated; this is a great way to make new contacts in the German community.

### FOLK DANCE GROUPS

**Original Auerhahn Schuhplattler:** Come learn the Bavarian schuhplattler on Wednesday evenings. Contact Joe Koelbl, Vorplattler at 305-247-6948 for more info on this group.

**Original Deutsche Volkstanzgruppe:** For more information contact Mary Parsons at 305-776-0674 or [MaryParsonsGermanClub@gmail.com](mailto:MaryParsonsGermanClub@gmail.com).

**Edelweiß Schuhplattler:** Hoping to get this group going again starting in August or September. To have your child join the children's dance group, contact Christine Giniger, at 305-254-8932 to tell her you're interested.



### Schützenverein or Marksman's Club

This group welcomes all comers. We continue to work on our accuracy every week. Practices take place on Friday evenings starting at about 8pm.

The Club owns an air rifle and an air pistol which we take turns using. First timers welcome. (No time for dinner? We'll probably order pizza!)

## GASC CELEBRATES 60 YEARS OF OKTOBERFEST MIAMI® -- OCTOBER 13-14-15 & OCTOBER 20-21-22

### AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

The birthday list is downloaded from our online information. Only the month and day are required if you wish us to recognize your birthday!

- 3 Charlotte A. Colson, Ida Mallard
- 5 Edna Allison, Shirley Brosch
- 11 Clare Schade, Ingeborg Condon
- 13 Robert Reilly
- 15 Patricia Poder, Margot Riekers
- 16 Monica Cummings
- 17 Eleonor Longo, Peter Forster
- 18 Jeff Grieger, Matthew Richard, Friedrich Susami
- 19 Rudy Schultz
- 20 Gisela Fernandez
- 22 Max Bergholt
- 23 Adelgunde Gemuerr
- 24 Francis Tirb, Dirk Kuczurba
- 25 Gudrun Oursler, Elly Mims, Rose Klingenschmid, Rossmery Pirkau
- 27 Michael Clauss
- 29 Donald Baar
- 31 Trudy Freitag, William Kraushaar

### WISHING WELL

by **Tonie Camp**  
(305) 270-0865

Our lifetime member **Cecil Hyre** passed away on July 14<sup>th</sup>. He was a dedicated member of our club for many years. Our condolences to his wife Margit and family.

One of our lifetime members, **Inge Kopp**, has moved away from Miami to Coral Springs. Inge has been very involved in our club almost from the beginning.

Inge was First Lady of the club twice when her husband was President. She served as Membership Secretary and Historian and until recently was in charge of the Scholarship Committee. She sold tickets at Oktoberfest and recently was Ambassador at that same event, talking with people, telling them about her beloved club and German customs.

Inge, thank you for your dedication to the German American Social Club of Greater Miami, Inc. for so many years. We will miss you. Please stay in touch.

Inge Kopp  
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Parkland, FL 33076-4105

**German Classes are on vacation, but will start again September 6<sup>th</sup>.**

**Advanced Class            6 to 7:30 pm**  
**Intermediate Class       7:30 to 9 pm**

**Beginning Class            Friday Evenings, time TBD**

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**Welcome back Chef Tano from your vacation!**

### USGAF in 2018

A one day Heritage Day / Heimat Abend for March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018. In addition, on March 10<sup>th</sup>, the German American Club of Central Florida is having "A NIGHT IN VIENNA" event with the Europa Band playing. More information TBA.

August 5 from noon to 8pm the **Ecuadorean League of Florida** will hold a Festival and Expo at the GASC to celebrate the "First Shout of Independence". Featuring typical food, folklore, culture, music, and crafts. \$10 admission. Children under 10 free.



Join us for our 60th consecutive year!

# Oktoberfest Miami 2017

The longest-running Oktoberfest in the USA

**October 13, 14, 15 & 20, 21, 22**  
Fridays - 6 PM to Midnight  
Saturdays - 1 PM to Midnight  
Sundays - Noon to 10 PM  
**Rain or Shine!**

Come along & enjoy:

- delicious German food
- real German beer
- live bands from Germany & Austria
- dancing
- kids rides
- games & contests:
  - stein-holding, barrel-rolling & more

Adult Day Pass - \$10; Children & Young Adults (6-20) - \$5  
Festival VIP Pass - \$30; Children under 6 - Free  
Veterans & Serving Military - Free with ID  
Miami-Dade County employees - Free on Sundays with ID

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Be sure to share this with your friends and neighbors! And put it on your calendar so that you can be sure to come!