

Tulsa - Celle - Partnership Newsletter



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Membership Updates :

We thank Dale and Christl Parsons for renewing their membership.

Please send an E-mail to taronger@windstream.net if you would like to have your name removed from our newsletter mailing list, or if you know someone who wants be added to the list. Thank you.

Letter from the President

Last year, many of our meetings were somewhat dictated by major events such as Savoring Sister Cities, our own 10-Year Anniversary, the visit of the Celle Fire department and Kidsworld. It seems to me that this left some of us a little worn-out when it came to enjoy the smaller events such as the Christmas Party, the movies, Fasching with GAST, and the Siegi's restaurant outing.

Although it is always nice to have larger events, trying to get people to attend these larger meetings has been a bit of a challenge for the persons in charge of organizing these events.

This year, we have elected to try something different. Keeping in mind one of your suggestions to speak more about Celle and/or Germany, we will select fewer big events for the "Membership Meetings", but we will also offer smaller, more diverse events which might be of interest to smaller groups within our membership. We will announce these events in our monthly newsletter and you may want to join the group or skip an outing depending on your interest and time available.

I hope this change will meet with your approval, and I will appreciate hearing from you if you would prefer a different approach.

Upcoming Membership Meetings

Blues, Brews, and BBQ - Saturday July 2nd

A few Partnership members will be attending the "Blues Musical Event" at the Jazz Depot on Saturday July 2nd, at 5 PM. The Jazz Depot is located in the old railroad station in downtown Tulsa. We have been informed that the \$10 entrance fees includes the show and BBQ food. Advance reservations can be obtained for \$20. Please contact Gerald at 918-355-2370 if you would like more information.



Musical "Evita" - Wednesday July 6th

Several Partnership members who attended the election dinner have expressed an interest in seeing the musical "Evita" at the Williams Theatre on 7/6, at 8 PM. Some of us will be going to a local restaurant for a light meal before the show, others will just come to see the show.

The PAC has posted the following write up for the show:
Andrew Lloyd Weber and Tim Rice's EVITA is about the woman behind Argentine dictator Juan Peron. Eva "Evita" Peron quickly went from fledging actress to first lady, capturing the hearts of the poor while alienating Argentina's polite society along the way. Regular Tickets cost \$32, and senior tickets cost \$27.

Please contact Gerald Taron at taronger@windstream.net if you are interested in joining us for this fun outing, and let us know if you are interested in going to the restaurant before seeing the show at the Williams Theatre or just want to see the show.



Membership Meeting

Date : Friday, August 5th,

Time: 6 PM.

Place: Gast Center WeinKeller - 1429 Terrace Drive, Tulsa

Program: Our Speaker Mr. Schoneweis will talk about the history and collection of Beer Steins. Members are welcome to bring their own steins for show and tell. Light refreshments will be served.



German-style Coffee and Cake - Saturday 9/10

We are planning on having an afternoon get-together at the new Centennial Garden. (Enter on 6th street between Madison and Peoria). We will enjoy the native flowers and the park's garden trails before sitting down in the community room to listen to a presentation about the Walsrode Bird Park near Celle and enjoy a mid afternoon German-style coffee (or tea) and cake degustation.



Savoring Sister Cities - Wednesday 9/21

TGA's Annual Savoring Sister Cities event is scheduled to take place on 9/21. Please contact Barbara Taron if you have recommendations about the kind of food the Partnership should provide for this meeting, or if you would like to volunteer to help with setting up and staffing our booth.



Port of Catoosa Visit - Early October

Arrangements are being made with the Port of Catoosa management for a tour of the facilities by our members and guests. We will publish more information when the details of the visit have been finalized.

Movie Evening - November

A movie evening is being planned for November. Please let Gerald know if there is a movie you would like to see. Suggestions given to us so far include "10 questions for the Dalai Lama", "The Edukators", and "Männer".

Past Events

June Annual Membership Meeting

The annual Executive Committee election took place on June 7th at Baxter's Interurban Grill. The Nominating Committee composed of Chris VanMieghem (chair), Mieke Epps, and Mary Jane Mueller did an excellent job and was able to fill all board positions. Kelley Fitter, our past Nominating Committee chair, supported this year's Committee efforts by passing on her experience.

After an excellent dinner, the Partnership members went to the restaurant's meeting room for the Business Meeting. The president and the VP's presented their year-end report, and the annual election followed after that. We only had one candidate for each position, and the Partnership members had a vote by acclamation for each of the positions outlined below:

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Daniel Pham, our current Celle intern, was invited to the dinner by the Partnership, and Barbara Taron took this opportunity to present Daniel with a \$250 stipend offered by the Partnership.

Mr. Richard Ekdahl accepted the position of Member at Large a few days after the meeting.

Partnership members who are interested in obtaining a copy of the year-end financial report should send their request to Gerald at taronger@windstream.net



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Celle Tourism : click on <http://www.region-celle.com/american.html> to see the English version of Celle's tourism page.

Don't forget to visit the **Tulsa Global Alliance** web site at: www.tulsaglobalalliance.org

Celle German American Club : <http://www.celle-usa.de>

