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Membership Updates: WE ARE HAPPY TO WELCOME NEW MEMBER MARY JANE MUELLER



Christmas Party

Our 2010 Christmas Party will take place at the Fellowship Lutheran Church, 6727 South Sheridan Road, on December 17th, at 6:30 PM.

Several members who have fond memories of the holiday spirit of our earlier Christmas parties have requested that we make this event a Pot-Luck party again.

The main menu will consist of:

Farrel 12 grain levain bread

Tossed salad

Red beet salad

Shrimps with Horse radish sauce

Rib roast

Red Cabbage

Mixed vegetables

Mashed potatoes

Green bean casserole

Apple pie with Ice cream

Gluten free cheese cake

Drinks: red wine, tea, water, and coffee.

The basic cost of the party has been set at \$10 per person to cover part of the hall rental cost, the set-ups, the meat, and the drinks. Our members will have the choice of either contributing another \$7 per person towards the cost of the food, or of bringing some home cooked food. When those fees are added together, the total cost for this event will be \$17 per person. The fee will be payable at the door.

We thank Stanley and Barbara Conrad for their generous offer to pay for part of the hall rental cost. We also thank Kyra Houston for volunteering to cook the rib roast, and Mary Jane Mueller for volunteering to coordinate the event.

We are looking forward to have many of you join us for this annual and joyous get-together.

Reservations are required. To make your reservation and to let us know whether or not you will be bringing any food, please call Mary Jane Mueller, no later than December 10th, at 492-5967 or send her an E-mail at mary.mueller@cox.net . Mary Jane has a master list of suggested dishes to choose from. If your favorite food is not on the list, you can also check with MaryJane and ask her if you could substitute it for a listed item.



Donations received during the past month

Susanne Reinike and George Coppedge had a wonderful idea. George had some excess belonging in his Garage and Susanne suggested that they hold a garage sale and donate the proceeds to the Partnership. The garage sale was very succesful and George was able to send Kyra Houston, our treasurer, a nice check for our cash account. We congratulate George and Susanne for their excellent idea and we also thank them for their generous donation.

We also thank Richard and Ellen Burgess for their monetary contribution to the Wine and Cheese Tasting Fund Raising.

Finally, we thank Jan Polliard for donating three bottles of red and white German wines, as well as several Wisconsin cheeses to the Wine and Cheese Tasting.



Wine and Cheese Tasting 11/19

"Plenty of food and plenty of wine" - This best describes the 2010 Wine and Cheese Tasting which took place at the GAST Center. In addition to several delicious appetizers, we offered 11 different kinds of cheeses from several countries, as well as 20 different kinds of wines.

We thank Mr. Jack Carlson from the Tidal School Vineyards for bringing twelve of the wines we tasted and patiently talking to our members about the Tidal School Vinery and its wines.

We also thank GAST for letting us use its Weinkeller, Arnold Bieber for loaning us his wine glasses, and Jan Polliard for sharing with us his German wines and Wisconsin cheeses.



Kids' World 11/4, 5, and 6 (Sponsored by TGA)

11,700 children visited the 2010 Kids' World exhibit hosted by the Tulsa Global Alliance. The visitors were given a passport at the entrance of the show, and they were eager to get their passport stamped at each of the 33 international booths staffed with Tulsans, many of whom were born in different countries.

The Tulsa-Celle-Partnership and The German American Society had adjoining booths, and we answered questions from curious children as well as interested parents. The TCP booth had three activities, the first table gave artistic children a chance to build and color a paper replica of a Celle house. [Marja Willis had 1500 copies of the celle house printed](#) and the children either assembled a house at her table or took a print home. The second table allowed the visitors to assemble a miniature bee out of brown and yellow pipe cleaners and, as far as we can tell, our visitor managed to [assemble 2160 bees](#). The third table displayed a miniature replica of an old-fashioned Celle bee hive. The replica was donated by the Celle Bee Institute (http://www.region-celle.com/institut_bee_researc.html) to Barbara Taron during our Celle visit last June.

In addition, the Oklahoma Bee Keepers Association made arrangements for a demonstration see through bee hive to be available during the three days of the event. The demonstration bee hive was a "hit" and the children enjoyed the opportunity to search for the queen which had been marked with a blue dot. The TCP also had some handouts about our sister city relationship with Celle, and others about the life cycle of the bees. We also had a honey tasting station, and a count of the remaining spoons shows that we [handed about 2480 honey samples](#). Some children liked the honey and even asked for a second sample, others gave the spoon a very careful lick, made a frown, and decided that honey was not one of their preferred foods.

Barbara thanks all the volunteers who helped man the TCP booth during the event. The TCP could not have succeeded without the support of the following volunteers :

TCP members: Richard and Ellen Burgess, Jim Conrady, George Coppedge, Kelley Fitter, Doris Gallagher, Emma and John Maley, Ursula Monroe-Andress and her grand children Payton and Mia Dougherty, Gerald Taron, Chris VanMieghem and his sister Sam Callis, and Marja Willis.

Friends of the TCP: Glen and June Cockrel, Helen Cohea, Leisha Jury, Lindsey Klacko and her friend Tasyn Dewitt (Lindsey interned in Celle last year), and Lance Wheeler.

Tulsa Community College students from Mary Ann Segner's classes : Josh Cagnon, Angela Doolittle, Krysta Hummel, and Jessica Zorn.

Oklahoma Bee Keepers Association : Helen and Mack Hickey, Robert Persinger (Robert was kind enough to loan us his demonstration bee hive which attracted thousands of curious visitors, most of whom did not know what the inside of a bee hive looked like), and John Runnels.

We also thank the Blue Bell Ice Cream factory in Broken Arrow for donating 2000 tasting spoons.

We must not forget to mention Arnold Bieber who ordered the Celle street scene photo enlargement from "Picture Plus" at TGA's request, and supervised the mounting of the three picture panels on a wooden frame. The resulting display was very life like and it was admired by many of our visitors.



12/4/10 - Celler Runde Meeting

This past meeting of the Celler Runde was attended by several new people: Angelique Giddings, Nathalie Gilbreath, Patrick O'Connell, Barbara Mehan and Christy Miller.

Together with our previous Celler Runde members Patricia McLauren and Adelheid Eichhaus we shared pictures of German Christmas Markets, talked about diverse holiday customs, mutli-cultural hurdles to overcome, as well as foreign exchange experiences and their benefits in various professions.

You will notice that the new attendees are not members of our Partnership as of yet. However, we hope that they will find our activities interesting and will eventually join the Partnership.

We are looking for a host family

We have just received a request from the Celle German American Club to host one of their young members who wants to improve his English. Moritz Petermann, age 20, would like to stay in Tulsa from February to April, before starting his university classes. George Coppedge offered to host Moritz In March. However, we need to host Moritz during February and April. Moritz's family has offered to reciprocate by hosting one of our exchange students.

Moritz wants to study international economics, although he would prefer to find an intership with a Tulsa company or a restaurant, he his also willing to work as an "au pair" student, help handicaped students, or be a soccer coach. Please call Barbara Taron at 355-2370 if you can either host Moritz for a few weeks or have a lead for a paid or unpaid temporary position. Your help will be very much appreciated.



I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our members and our American and German friends for their support during the past year and to wish all of you a "Merry Christmas and happy New Year."

Barbara Taron



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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.

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