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Upcoming Membership Events

Tulsa-Celle-Partnership General Meeting, Friday September 7th.



Tulsa-Celle-Partnership members please plan to attend our Friday, September 7th meeting at Siegi's Restaurant at 6:00 pm.

Our Program will be the *Tulsa Bee Keepers*, who took a trip to Celle this past spring on a Partnership sponsored Seminar for Bee Keeping. This will be an interesting program on how Beekeeping is done here compared to Germany with pictures to match.

We will also be eating dinner and have time to fellowship with our members and new executive board. In an effort to please everyone, everyone will order whatever they

want. There is no set price, each will pay individually. Please plan to come and we look forward to seeing each of you.

In an effort to let Siegi's know how many will be in attendance, please RSVP to Deidra Rees, rees1024@yahoo.com on or before Tuesday, September 4. If there are any questions please call 918-637-6222.

Siegis' is located at 8104 South Sheridan Rd., Tulsa (SW corner of 81st and Sheridan.)

Deidra Rees

TGA'S Kids World November 15 to 17th.

The Tulsa-Celle-Partnership is looking forward to participate in TGA's "Kids World" in November 2012. The Partnership will have an adjoining booth with GAST, and we need your help to come up with ideas for activities which will entertain and educate the students when they stop at our booth for a short period of time.

We will also need a few volunteers to man the TCP booth during this event. In addition, the Executive Committee has agreed to use the "Celle House" display this year, and we will need the help of a few handymen to repair the house and set it up at the Kids World site.

Please contact either Gabriele Blankenship (gabrieleb@aol.com) or Kathy Sloan (arcadiasloan@yahoo.com), the event co-chairs, if you want to suggest an activity, or are willing to help.

Recent Membership Events

Celle Students Elsbe and Henrike Have Returned Home.



The five weeks visit of Elsbe and Henrike, our visiting Celle High School students, came to an end on Monday 8/27/12, when they boarded a plane to return to Celle after their wonderful stay in Tulsa. Each girl was hosted by two different families, and both students would have liked to stay a little longer with each of their respective host families.

Thanks to Celle's pre-trip preparations, and to our four wonderful host families, this exchange has been one of our most successful ones. Not only were the two students delighted with their stay, but each host family was equally happy of having had the opportunity to get to know our visitors. We have been told that one of the host families is already making plans to send two young ladies for a one week stay with their new Celle friends next spring. This is what Sister Cities exchanges are all about!

Our visitors' list of "Tulsa Experiences" includes amongst other things: tap dancing, sailing, horseback riding, American cooking, sewing classes, go cart racing, rock climbing, and a movie at a drive in movie. Our two travelers also visited an Indian Pow-Wow, Route 66, and Woolaroc. Of course, they also got involved in all things that teenagers do best such as shopping at the Malls, "hanging out" with friends, swimming, jogging, and playing baseball. On several occasions the hosts families got together to enjoy different events. The young ladies agree that they have had a delightful visit, and they said that they have put a note on their facebook page saying "this was the summer of our life".

Since the school year has already started in Tulsa, both of our guests have had the opportunity to get a taste of the American school life. They were fascinated to see the cheerleading team performances during high school football games.

The four host families held a private farewell picnic for their guests, at the home of Katie Sloan, on Saturday 8/25. [We wish to take this opportunity to thank the Bradways, Damerons, Gastons, and Sloans for being such great hosts, and for contributing to a memorable stay which will be long remembered by our young visitors.](#)

General interest

German Beer Purity law

Article reprinted from German-way.com

The makers of German beer have long boasted about their unique "purity law" (*Reinheitsgebot*, actually "purity decree"), first proclaimed in 1516 by the Bavarian Duke Wilhelm IV in the town of Ingolstadt. Although there had been earlier decrees concerning the ingredients for making beer in what is now Germany, they applied only to a particular city or region.

The 1516 Bavarian beer purity decree was the first to apply to an entire German kingdom or principality.

Until 1987, the *Reinheitsgebot* was part of German law. It was also the oldest food quality regulation in the world remaining in force. But Germany, as a member of the European Union (EU), was forced by a court decision to change the law in order to allow free trade of goods within the EU. (Non-German brewers viewed the *Reinheitsgebot* as a form of protectionism for German breweries.) Since 1993, a new, more liberal German beer law has been in effect. Nevertheless, many German brewers still abide by the *Reinheitsgebot*, which dictates that beer may contain only three ingredients: water, barley, and hops. (A key ingredient in the beer-brewing process, yeast, was not discovered until long after 1516.) When Bavaria joined Prussia to become part of Germany in the unification of 1871, one of the conditions was that the Bavarian beer purity law apply to all of Germany.

Critics of the old German beer purity law liked to point out that the *Reinheitsgebot* in itself did not guarantee a good beer, and that it limited the types of beers that could be brewed and sold. (Wheat beer, *Weizenbier*, and most dark beers are technically in violation of the purity code.) They also point out, correctly, that the original 1516 *Reinheitsgebot* was in reality more of a bread bakers protection law than a beer law, reserving wheat and rye strictly for bread. However, the *Reinheitsgebot* did serve to keep German beer from being adulterated with other ingredients often found in non-German beer.



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