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## 27th Annual General Membership Meeting

Monday, January 30, 2017, 15:00 a.m.

at the Logenhaus

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## Christmas Presents WRAPPING

at City Station

on Saturday, December 17, at 12:00

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## KUNSTKREIS

Am 20.01.2017 - 15.00 Uhr

im Hamburger Bahnhof

Ernst Ludwig Kirchner Hieroglyphen

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# PRESIDENT'S LETTER

## The Elected Board

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Dear Ladies,

It was so nice to see so many of you at our lovely Nicholas Tea. I hope the festive spirit of that afternoon will stay with you throughout the season. We can look back to a year of giving a little cheer to less fortunate people - children at the Spastiker Heim or at the RMD Haus, at the Lemgo Schule, in refugee homes, and seniors and homeless. Let's keep up the good deeds in the new year.

Have a wonderful holiday season. I am looking forward to new events with you in 2017!

Warmest wishes

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“Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in.”

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**BOARD MEETING** will be held on:

**Thursday, February 2, 2017,**

at **11.00**

at the **ICB**

Everyone is welcome at our meetings but please notify the President if you have a particular issue you wish to discuss, so that it can be put on the agenda.



## Christmas Presents WRAPPING

As every year, we are going to wrap Christmas presents for the homeless at

**City-Station,**

Joachim-Friedrich Str. 46, near Kudamm,  
**on Saturday, December 17, at 12:00**

If you can come and help, please contact

**Etsuko Mishima-Manz**

tel. 89 72 69 29, [emishimamanz@yahoo.de](mailto:emishimamanz@yahoo.de)

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

The dues for the new club year 2017 are due by the end of January!

Please transfer **€75.00** to our account:

Berlin American Club e.V. IBAN: DE46 1004 0000 0269 998100

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If we don't receive your dues in timely manner, your name will be removed from the mailing list.

### MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Change of address:

Cornelia Kunze Hüttenweg 33, 14195 Berlin

# BAC Event

## 27th Annual General Membership Meeting

Monday, January 30, 2017, 15:00 a.m.

at the **Logenhaus**

Heerstraße 28, 14052 Berlin-Charlottenburg



### AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Announcements
3. Presentation of Annual Report of Activities for 2016
4. Presentation of Annual Financial Report for 2016  
by Treasurer Elke Mähliß
5. Election of a third Vice President: Candidate Reingard Renker
6. Vote on Approval of Membership on Activities and Disbursement for 2016  
(Entlastung des Vorstands)
7. Presentation and Vote on Approval of Proposed Budget for 2017
8. Thank-you to Elected and Appointed Board Members
9. Presentation of current Welfare Groups by Welfare Chairpersons
10. Miscellaneous
11. Adjournment  
SPECIAL TALK about AMSOC



Please register with Pam Richter **by Jan. 25!**  
tel. 8 13 73 89 or mail: [hospitality@berlin-american-club.de](mailto:hospitality@berlin-american-club.de)

**We kindly ask you for a donation of €5.00 to help cover the cost of refreshments and tip**

If you want to brush up your English, discuss interesting subjects and meet nice members of our club, come join the

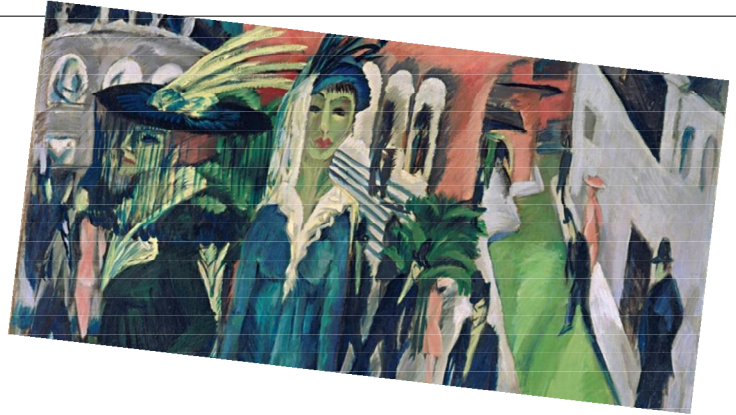
**Conversation in the Gallery**

Our next meeting is on Monday, January 23,  
from 15.00-17.00hrs.

For details, please call Catharine Nicely 86 39 04 29

## KUNSTKREIS

**Am 20.01.2017 - 15.00 Uhr**  
**im Hamburger Bahnhof – Museum**  
**für Gegenwart – Berlin Staatliche**  
**Museen zu Berlin,**  
 Invalidenstraße 50-51, 10557 Berlin



Frau Dr. Hofmann wird uns durch die äußerst sehenswerte Ausstellung  
 „**Ernst Ludwig Kirchner Hieroglyphen**“ führen.

Anmeldungen bitte bei:

Reingard Renker, Tel. 304 88 24 oder per mail renker-berlin @arcor.de

Mit der Ausstellung *Ernst Ludwig Kirchner: Hieroglyphen* werden die Werke Kirchners aus der Sammlung der Nationalgalerie erstmals geschlossen vorgestellt. Kaum ein Museum in Deutschland kann die Vielfalt im Schaffen dieses Künstlers so eindrücklich wiedergeben wie gerade die Nationalgalerie mit ihrem Bestand. Ergänzt durch markante Leihgaben, die Kirchners Konzept der 'Hieroglyphe' verdeutlichen, und Arbeiten der zeitgenössischen Künstler Rosa Barba und Rudolf Stingel bietet die Ausstellung einen neuen Einblick in das Schaffen des Expressionisten.

### TOUR Group im Februar

**Museum BARBERINI** - Potsdam, Alter Markt, Humboldtstr. 5-6

**am 23. Februar 2017, 14 Uhr** mit Führung - Kosten Euro 15,-



Friedrich II. ließ 1771/72 das barocke Palais Barberini als bürgerliches Wohnhaus in direkter Nähe zum Stadtschloss errichten. Die Hasso Plattner Stiftung rekonstruierte das im zweiten Weltkrieg zerstörte Palais als Museumsbau, der traditionelles Handwerk und modernste Technik verbindet. Unter dem Titel "Impressionismus" werden 90 Gemälde von Monet, Renoir usw. gezeigt. Es ist eine Ausstellung, die es in dieser Form noch nicht gegeben hat.

Treffpunkt - Carpool - : 13 Uhr Wannsee an der Königsstr. Richtung Potsdam, nachdem wir auf der rechten Seite die Seitenstraße Pfaueninselstr. passiert haben. Dort gibt es

viele Parkplätze. Hinterher Café im Museum

Anmeldung: wie üblich Marieta, ab Anfang Februar, Ingrid ab 15.2. Wir freuen uns auf die Tour

The next **WELFARE MEETING**  
 will take place on **Friday, 24 February 2017**  
 at **11.00 hrs (place to be announced)**

If you would like to attend, please contact  
 our Welfare Chairlady

Ulli Brandi: tel. 91 54 40 12

# WELFARE PROJECT SUMMARY

Projects funded through DONATIONS

## Clinics for the Homeless in Lichtenberg and at Ostbahnhof

Both clinics always need toilet articles used clothes as well as monetary donations.  
Contact: **Monika Wiesmann** 815 55 06

**AMSOC e.V (ambulante Sozialpädagogik Charlottenburg e.V.) Kultur für arme Familien**  
They work with children of psychologically ill parents. This illness leads to poverty in many cases and the children have to bear the consequences.

Contact: **Gabriele Lewitscharoff** 8929394

## KINDERSCHUTZ-ZENTRUM BERLIN e.V:

The BAC supports the Refuge Center for abused and traumatized children and the Early Prevention of Violence in the Family Groups for parents of babies and young children.

Contact: **Reingard Renker** 3 04 88 24

## REINICKES HOF Selbsthilfe

Neighborhood support for the elderly organized by volunteers and based on donations.

Contact: **Pam Richter** Tel 813 7389



The BAC sponsored a visit of specially trained dogs at the Spastikerheim. The young people thoroughly enjoyed this unusual experience.

## KuB-Young People's Advice Service

The Club supports an annual theater performance as well as assisting the project to meet arising needs in various shelters. Contact **Christina Bausch** 7716806

## Virchow Clinic - Baby Care

Volunteers visit the clinic regularly to hold, cuddle and love newborns and preemies whose parents are often unable to care for them adequately. Contact **Regine Simon** 771 6567.

## Spastics Home

The spastics' home houses severely handicapped, loving, affectionate people of all ages. They respond lovingly to regular visits. Contact:

**Renate Kroll** 805 4740

**Chantal Behncke** 824 14 55

**Elly Mihm** 711 94 98.

## Hands-On Project in Refugee Home Marburger Str.

Volunteers with a good working knowledge of German or Arabic, Farsi, are urgently needed as teachers for the refugees. We are still looking for German books - please help! Contact

**Renate Micus** 323 83 38

## Ronald McDonald House

Help is needed to give the relatives of severely ill children a home away from home during their hard times of suffering. Contact **Angelika McLarren** 797 06523

## City Station Homeless

Volunteers are needed from time to time to help - for example with the Christmas wrapping. Contact:

**Etoko Mishima-Manz** 89 72 69 29

"HANDS ON" Projects

Please send Newsletter submissions for the February 2017 Edition in writing (and in English) by January 20, 2016 to: **Angelika McLarren** e-mail: [newsletter@berlin-american-club.de](mailto:newsletter@berlin-american-club.de)

## ENGLISH CONVERSATION

Our Group helps members who are not native speakers to improve their English. We meet every other **Monday** at **3 p.m.** at members' homes. Contacts:

Pamela Richter, 813 73 89 or  
Angelika McLarren, 797 06523

## English Conversation II

Our group also helps members who are not native speakers and would like to improve their English.

**Please call the contact persons** about the next meetings.

Catharine Nicely 86390429

## FRENCH CONVERSATION

We meet every 2nd and 4th Monday from **12 a.m. - 2 p.m.** in members' homes. Contacts:

Evelyn Bürk-Zeinar, 8252199 or  
Ingrid Freytag, 894 08 447

## GERMAN-ENGLISH-CONVERSATION GROUP

meets on alternate **Wednesdays** from **3 to 5 p.m.** Contacts: Heidemarie Stein, 8410 97 37 or

## LITERATURE

We will have our traditional Christmas celebration at Nancy's on Thursday, December 15th at 3 p.m. In January we will meet at Angelika's on Thursday, January 19th at 3 p.m. to discuss "Killing Pythagoras" by Marcos Chicot. Contacts: Pamela Richter, 813 7389 or Marta Wöste, 803 2812.



On Nov. 10 the Spanish Conversation Group met for a very animated afternoon in the home of Cecilia Steinhardt who pampered us with a variety of delicious cakes and Venezuelan empanadas. It is astonishing how much and how loud ladies can talk in Spanish ..... It is always great to meet up with old and new friends. Thank you, Cecilia, for having us in your home. We thoroughly enjoyed this afternoon.

## BRIDGE NEW VENUE !!!

We meet every **Tuesday** morning at **10.00 a.m. at the Logenhaus, Heerstr. 28.** If you have any questions, please contact:  
Frauke Maaß - 304 89 35,  
Stephanie Kruse - 8921362,  
or Elke Mähliß - 473 62 775

## TENNIS

**Is taking a winter break and will start again in the spring.**

We are still looking for new players! For information call:



Barbara Bötting Tel. 305 5432

## FLOWERS & RIBBONS

Our group's activities include everything connected with flowers (plants, herbs, gardening, wreath-binding) and ribbons (arts and craftwork, interior decoration, etc.). For a program or an event update, please contact: Heidemarie Stein 841 09 737 Ursula Bernt 823 62 67

## FRENCH CONVERSATION II

meets every 2nd and 4th Thursday at 14.30 at the home of Mme Berthier. Please contact her for confirmation: Anne-Marie Berthier tel. 30 20 75 55

## Spanish Conversation Group

The Spanish Conversation group meets 1x a month either privately at a member's home or in a restaurant for lunch . Contact: Carola Bein-Furrer c.bein-furrer@t-online.de Gudula Eisemann gudula@btsgoa.com Dr. Maria Mandok m.m.mandok@gmail.com



### IMPORTANT NOTICES:

Members participating in Club events do so at their own risk.

The Club assumes no responsibility for personal injury.

### BAC RESERVATION POLICY

For all events requiring a fee or requesting a donation, including luncheons, theatre trips and tours, the Berlin-American Club policy is **"A RESERVATION MADE IS A RESERVATION PAID."**

Accordingly, if you make a reservation, you are obligated to pay, even if you are unable to attend, unless you cancel your reservation within the time given and as described for the specific event. This policy is necessary to enable us to plan accurately for events, to avoid unnecessary costs and to protect individuals who are willing to purchase tickets in advance on your behalf.

**Please note:** The BAC e.V. Postfach 33 02 45, 14172 Berlin, is a non-profit, charitable organization under German federal tax law, with an **annual fee of €75.00.** We also welcome contributions !

**Berlin American Club e.V.: Commerzbank Berlin**

**IBAN: DE 46 1004 0000 0269 998100**

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**CLUB RESIGNATIONS** If you choose to terminate your membership with the BAC, the Constitution requires that you do so in a timely manner and in writing. Please consult your copy of the Constitution for details.

### Advertisement fees:

#### Full page:

**1 month: €45.00**

**9 months: €360.00**

#### 1/2 page:

**1 month: €35.00**

**9 months: €280.00**

#### 1/4 page:

**1 month: €25.00**

**9 months: €200.00**

# JANUARY



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Satur	
2 15.00 Engl Conv	3 10.00 Bridge	4	5	6	7	<p><i>Mark Your Calendar</i></p> <hr/> <p>Saturday, Dec 17 Xmas Wrapping</p> <hr/> <p>Thursday, Feb 17 Tea &amp; Talk</p> <hr/> <p>Thursday, Feb 23 Tour</p> <hr/> <p>KUB Theater March 7-9</p>
9 12.00 French Conv.	10 10.00 Bridge	11 15.00 G-E Conv	12 French Conversation 2 14.30	13	14	
16 15.00 Engl Conv	17 10.00 Bridge	18	19 15.00 Literature	20 15.00 Kunstkreis	21	
23 12.00 French Conv. 15.00 Conv Gallery	24 10.00 Bridge	25 15.00 G-E Conv	26 French Conversation 2 14.30	27	28	
30 15.00 AGM Logenhaus	31 10.00 Bridge	1	2 11.00 Board Meeting	3	4	



## Nicholas Tea 2016

