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at the PalmArtPress Gallery  
on Thursday, June 15, at 19.00



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## Benefit Concert

at Galerie Mutter Fourage

on Sunday, June 25, 2017

at 19.00 hrs

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# PRESIDENT'S LETTER

## The Elected Board

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The next **WELFARE MEETING**  
will take place on **Thursday, June 29, 2017** at  
**11.00 hrs at the Rot-Weiß-Tennisclub**

If you would like to attend, please contact  
our Welfare Chairlady,  
Ulli Brandi: tel. 91 54 40 12



Dear Ladies,

Sunshine and rain, joy and sadness, health and sickness - so closely together. Luckily we don't always know what's coming. But we should appreciate the good things in life and even in not so good days trust that things will brighten up. Live your life now! Enjoy the little things, count your blessings, don't take anything for granted. And let your loved ones know how much they mean to you.

Warmest wishes to all for a sunny, happy summer

In den Morgenstunden des 21. Mai 2017  
ist unser langjähriges Mitglied

## Reingard Renker

plötzlich und unerwartet eingeschlafen.

Wir verlieren eine starke Persönlichkeit und gute Freundin. Reingard hat durch ihr unermüdliches Engagement für bedürftige und bedrohte Kinder, für die Bahnhofsmission und viele andere Projekte dazu beigetragen, dass die Welt ein bisschen besser geworden ist.

Liebe Reingard, wir werden Dich sehr vermissen, Dein Andenken bewahren und weiterführen.

Elke Mähliß

Das Leben ist viel leichter zu meistern, als man immer denkt. Man braucht nur das Unmögliche gelten zu lassen, auf das Unentbehrliche zu verzichten und das Unerträgliche zu dulden.

Kathleen Norris

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS:

Please note:

Carola Bein-Furrer's  
mobile number: **0172 9276997**

## LESUNG



Our member, Irena Ülkekul, will enchant you by reading from her collection of

### Lithuanian fairy tales

at the **PalmArtPress Gallery**

( Pfalzburger Str. 69, 10719 Berlin )

on **Thursday, June 15, at 19.00**

**Please bring some finger food for the buffet and a donation of €10.00 for our children's projects.**

**Contact Pam Richter**

tel. 8 13 73 89 [lupaRichter@gmx.de](mailto:lupaRichter@gmx.de)

**to make your reservations by June 12**

## TOUR GROUP



### **Babelsberger Schloss - Exhibition: " Pückler. Babelsberg. Der grüne Fürst und die Kaiserin"**

**on Wednesday, 21th of June, 14.45p.m.**

We shall have a guided tour of 2 hours and get acquainted with the renovated Babelsberger Schloss, the exhibition Hermann von Pückler-Muskau and the surrounding Parks.

Babelsberger Schloss - After a long period of renovation, the extensive work was concluded.

It was originally built in a neo-gothic style 1834-1835 following the plans of Karl Friedrich Schinkel. The castle was built as a summer residence for Prinz Wilhelm the former Kaiser Wilhelm the First and his wife Augusta.

Exhibition Pückler-Muskau - He was one of the greatest garden designers of his time and the exhibition leads us through his very impressive lifework.

Surrounding parks - The guided tour leads us also through the actual results of his work.

"The realisation from plan to nature"

After the tour we have a get-together in the " Biergarten" on the other side of the canal in the Waldmüllerstraße (im Stadtplan -Stadtteil Babelsberg).

In this street we might park our cars right at the beginning of our tour and from there it is a little walk to the castle.

Early booking is appreciated - the number of participants is limited.

**Please contact: Ingrid Hink Tel: 8 01 81 71 or Marieta Frey Tel: 8 26 41 03**

# BAC Event

The BAC cordially invites all members, their families and friends to our

## Benefit Concert

at Galerie Mutter Fourage

Chaussee Strasse 15A, 14109 Berlin-Wannsee

on Sunday, June 25, 2017

at 19.00 hrs

Nancy Gruett's string quartett friends

Annemarie Moorcroft, Mischa Meyer, Sebastian Breuningerland and Elsa Brown will play.

For your € 30.00 you will also be treated to mouth-watering finger foods. Drinks extra.

Please join us and help to make this evening a truly great success!

For more information, please contact: Nancy Gruett tel. 813 14 45

For contributions to the buffet, contact Ilse Bley tel. 802 36 11

Please note: A reservation made is a reservation paid.



The kids at the intensive care home of the Spastikerhilfe enjoy the bi-weekly visits of a specially trained dog – sponsored by the BAC!

They would like to offer the children a snooze room where they can calm down and relax. With the concert's proceeds we should be able to help them with this new project.



# 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

## City Station Homeless

We support this organization financially and volunteers are needed from time to time to help - for example with the Christmas wrapping.

Contact:

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



## 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, especially Wednesday mornings from 10-12 or in the afternoon for help with homework.

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

"HANDS ON" Projects

Please send Newsletter submissions for the September 2017 Edition in writing (and in English)

by August 20, 2017 to:  
**Angelika McLarren** e-mail:  
[newsletter@berlin-american-club.de](mailto:newsletter@berlin-american-club.de)

# INTEREST GROUPS

## 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 **Friday from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.** at members homes. Contacts:

Evelyn Bürk-Zeinar  
Tel: 030- 825 2199  
Ingrid Freytag  
Tel: 030- 894 08 447

## GERMAN - ENGLISH - CONVERSATION GROUP

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

## LITERATURE

Our group will meet on Thursday, June 22, at 3 p.m. at the home of Caroline Rued Engel's to discuss **"The Noise of Time"** by **Julian Barnes**. Contacts: Pamela Richter, 813 7389 or Marta Wöste, 803 2812.



## BRIDGE

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

## 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**  
**BIC: COBADE FFXXX**

**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**



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30 10.00 Bridge	31 15.00 G-E Conv	1	 <i>Frehe Pfingsten</i>	
5 <b>WHIT-MONDAY</b>	6 10.00 Bridge	7	8 French Conversation 2 14.30	9 11.00 French Conv.	10
12	13 10.00 Bridge	14 15.00 G-E Conv	15 <b>19.00 LESUNG</b>	16	17
19 9 15.00 Engl Conv	20 10.00 Bridge	21 <b>14.45 TOUR</b>	22 French Conversation 2 14.30 15.00 Literature	23 11.00 French Conv.	24 <b>Sunday 25 19.00 BENEFIT CONCERT</b>
26	27 10.00 Bridge	28 15.00 G-E Conv	29 <b>11.00 Welfare Meeting</b>	30	1

Reporting **BACK**

# BERLINER KAFFEERÖSTEREI

