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Join us for a delicious breakfast/brunch at one of Berlin's most famous cafés

on Monday, May 22 at 10.00 a.m.

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# BERLINER KAFFEEERÖSTEREI



## TOUR

Liebermann-Villa  
am Wannsee  
"Liebermann und Sport"  
on Monday, 8th of May  
at 14.45

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## DINNER at the RMD Haus

on Thursday, May 25

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# PRESIDENT'S LETTER

## The Elected Board

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Dear Ladies,  
May! Finally, it's here: flowers, blossoms, asparagus, warm weather, sunshine ... all the things we have missed for so long and enjoy every year anew.

The tour out to Wannsee to the Liebermann Villa seems just the right thing for the season. But also cooking a nice meal for families who have no time to appreciate the nice weather because they worry about their children. The BAC offers both: doing things together with friends and doing things for others. Thank you to all of you who give their time and support to others all year round.

Enjoy all the holidays this month: 1st of May, Mother's Day, Ascension Day!

Warmest wishes

## BIG THANK YOU

To **Jutta Thomaschewski** and **Reingard Renker** who organized a Bridge Tournament that brought €640 to our Welfare fund!

The next **WELFARE MEETING** will take place on **Thursday, May 18, 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

**BOARD MEETING** will be held on:

**Monday, May 22, 2017,**  
at **9.30 at the Kaffee Rösterei**

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.



Join us for a delicious breakfast/brunch at one of  
Berlin's most famous cafès  
on Monday, May 22 at 10.00 a.m.

at the Berliner Kaffeerösterei

Uhlandstraße 173/174, 10719 Berlin (near Kudamm, U-Bahn Uhlandstr, many buses)

# BERLINER KAFFEE RÖSTEREI

Please make your reservations with Andrea Martsch-Eschweiler  
Tel: 0175-2767990 [andrea.martsch@design40.de](mailto:andrea.martsch@design40.de) **by Thursday, May 18**



## TOUR GROUP

### Summerhouse of Max Liebermann

Liebermann-Villa am Wannsee  
Colomierstr. 3 · 14109 Berlin

We are going to visit the exhibition "**Liebermann und Sport**"  
**on Monday, 8th of May - 14.45 p.m.**

Max Liebermann was already 62 years of age when he bought one of the last available plots of land at the Wannsee. He built his villa on this ground in 1906, and this was his beloved working place in the summertime. Many of his paintings he created there.

We are looking forward to a competent guidance through the exhibition and a gathering on the beautifully situated terrace with a wonderful view on the Wannsee afterwards (We are in close contact with Petrus to arrange for good weather.)

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

## TOUR in JUNE:

**Babelsberger Schloss** - Exhibition:  
"Pückler. Babelsberg. Der grüne Fürst und die Kaiserin" on **Wednesday, 21th of June, 14.45p.m.**  
**More in the next newsletter**



# BAC Event



Our Welfare Chairlady, **Ulli Brandi**, represented the BAC at the McDonald's Kinderhilfe annual reception. She received a "thank-you" certificate for our long standing "Patenschaft" of one of the apartments in the RMD Haus in Wedding.



## DINNER at RMD HAUS

On Thursday, May 25, 2017, - Himmelfahrt— we would like to treat the families of severely sick children who are staying at the Ronald McDonald Haus to a special dinner cooked from the heart and served with a smile to bring some cheer into their lives. If you could contribute some time to cook, serve, clean or help in any other way, please contact Angelika McLaren tel 79706523 or email: [lilie56@aol.com](mailto:lilie56@aol.com) We will meet there at Seestr. 28, 13353 Berlin-Wedding at 17.30 hrs.

**Your help is greatly appreciated!**

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Our member, Irena Ülkekul, will read from her collection of **Lithuanian fairy tales** at the **PalmArtPress Gallery** on **Thursday, June 15, at 19.00**

More details in the next newsletter



## BENEFIT CONCERT

at Mutter Fourage

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 the BAC.

Details and bios in the next newsletter

# 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 Summer 2017 Edition in writing (and in English)

by May 20, 2017 to:  
**Angelika McLarren** e-mail:  
**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, May 18, at 3 p.m. at the home of Marta Wöste to discuss **"My Husband's Wife"** by **Jane Corry**. 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 had a very active start into spring: We not only met at the beautiful apartment of Gabriele Dieckhoff where we were treated to lovely cakes and appetizers, but we also frequented the DBrasserie Le Paris at the Institut Francais where we tested the Plat du Jour. Very tasty, though not really typically Spanish, ...Nevertheless, we caught up on the latest news and had a hard time saying good-bye!**

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  
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### 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!

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**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
1 <b>MAY DAY</b>	2 10.00 Bridge	3 15.00 G-E Conv	4	5	6
8 14.45 Tour 15.00 Engl Conv	9 10.00 Bridge	10	11 French Conversation 2 14.30	12 11.00 French Conv.	13
15	16 10.00 Bridge	17 15.00 G-E Conv	18 11.00 Welfare Meeting 15.00 Literature	19	20
22 9.30 Board Meeting 10.00 Breakfast 15.00 Engl Conv	23 10.00 Bridge	24	25 <b>Ascension Day</b> 17.00 RMD Dinner	26 11.00 French Conv.	27
29	30 10.00 Bridge	31 15.00 G-E Conv	1 11.00 Welfare Meeting	2	

Mark Your Calendar

Thursday, June 15: Lesung Litauische Märchen

Tour Wednesday, June 21 Schloss Babelsberg

Benefit Concert Mutter Fourage So June 25, 19.00



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Asparagus, artichokes, flammekuchen or leg of lamb - everything was delicious at the Restaurant Laurent where we met for our Dining Out