

# The BeRLIN—AMERICAN CLUB NEWSLETTER



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**DINING OUT**

*HAMLET* RESTAURANT · CAFÉ · BAR

on Thursday, October 19, at 19.00  
details see page 3

**BAC ELECTIONS 2017**

Date: Monday, November 6, 2017  
Time: 15.00 hrs  
Location: Logenhaus  
details see page 4 + 5

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**Kunstkreis**  
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**Bridge & Cooking**

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# PRESIDENT'S LETTER

## The Elected Board

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**Secretary:** vacant

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ulli@brandi.de

The next **WELFARE MEETING**  
will take place on **Thursday, November 2,**  
**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

The next **BOARD MEETING**  
will take place on **Thursday, November 9,**  
**at 13.00 hrs 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.



Dear Ladies,  
Yes, it's getting colder and wet-  
ter and the days are so much  
shorter. But with a good book,  
good friends and good food,  
we will make it through the com-  
ing season. And the best about it: you can  
do some of these things with the BAC! Come  
join us for a nice evening at "Hamlet's" or  
chat with us in the Gallery with a cup of  
coffee or tea. If it gets too stormy, count  
your life's blessings and small joys!

Warmest wishes



**A BIG THANK YOU to**  
**Christiane Graf**  
**for her donation of**  
**€300.00**  
**to our Welfare projects!**

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

We urgently need candidates for our up-  
coming Elections in November —  
especially a **TREASURER**. If we cannot  
find one, the club cannot function and we  
will have to dissolve it.  
PLEASE consider running for office for the  
club year 2018. Contact any of the pre-  
sent Board members.

The candidates will be announced in the  
October newsletter. Elections will be held  
on **Monday, November 6**. Nominations  
can then also still come from the floor.

## DINING OUT

Join us for a culinary evening at the

**HAMLET** RESTAURANT · CAFÉ · BAR

*„Neue deutsch-französische Küche mit einem orientalischem Akzent“*

Ludwigkirchstraße 6 (Ecke Uhlandstraße), 10719 Berlin,

on **Thursday, October 19, at 19.00**

Please make your reservations by **Oct. 16**  
with **Andrea Martsch-Eschweiler** Tel: **0175-2767990**

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

### KUNSTKREIS

LeeAnn has kindly volunteered to continue with these guided tours with Frau Dr. Hoffmann.

### "Frauen des 20. Jahrhunderts"



**Place:** Berlinische Galerie, Alte Jakobstr. 124-128, 10969 Berlin

**Date:** November 17, 2017

**Exhibition :** Jeanne Mammen, Die Beobachterin Retrospektive 1910-1975, women during the roaring twenties.

Ms. Dr. Hofmann would begin with the guided tour at **10:30** and we should meet at **10:15** to distribute the tickets.

**Admission:** 15€ when 15 persons participate. The fee for Dr. Hofmann is 120€ for 90 minutes and for groups of 10 or more persons 7€ for the tickets.

**Registration:** dead-line **Nov. 10th** (If there are fewer than 10 persons we have to cancel the group, otherwise the price would be too high.)

**Contact:** Lee Ann Mertens, Tel. 805 59 06 or via email [lee-ann.mertens@t-online.de](mailto:lee-ann.mertens@t-online.de)  
Please remember: **A reservation made is a reservation paid.**

# BAC Event

## BAC ANNUAL ELECTIONS 2017

Date: Monday, November 6, 2017

Time: 15.00 hrs

Location: Logenhaus !!!!

Heerstraße 28, 14052 Berlin-Charlottenburg

1. Welcome
2. Announcements
3. Election of the Board of Governors 2018
4. Announcements of Election Results
5. Miscellaneous
6. Adjournment
7. Presentation about BROTZEIT and the Lemgo-Library



We will have a book table. You can bring some and buy some.

There is no charge for the meeting ... but please let **Pamela Richter** (tel.: 8 13 73 89 or email: [hospitality@berlin-american-club.de](mailto:hospitality@berlin-american-club.de)) know if you are coming **by October 31**,

so that we can cater for enough coffee/tea and cake.



This is the one of the two meetings in the year where your presence is not only very important, but also your right and duty as a Club member.

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, October 30,  
from 15.00-17.00hrs.

For details, please call Catharine Nicely 86 39 04 29

# BAC Event

## Our Candidates

### For President:



**Angelika McLarren:** She is a real Berliner, married to an American and has two children. She has been involved with the German-American community for several decades. As a founding member of the BAC she has held several board positions over the years, recently as president, in charge of the newsletter and welfare project coordinator for the RMD Haus. The English Conversation and Literature groups are her favourite groups. In her professional life she has worked as teacher, trainer, translator. In her free time she enjoys reading, travelling and Scottish dancing.

### For Vice Presidents:



**Andrea Martsch-Eschweiler:** Love brought Andrea and her two daughters, aged 17 and 19 to Berlin in February 2011. She married business man, Walter Eschweiler in September 2012 and is now firmly entrenched in Berlin. She has managed successfully to migrate her profession as an interior designer also to Berlin, already 9 years ago she created the shop design for Maharani Jewels - do visit the flagship store in Leibnizstrasse 60. When time allows, Andrea is a keen golfer and bridge player. As a friend of the Nationalgalerie, she is able to actively pursue her passion for the Arts. Charitable work has always played an important role for Andrea: already in Bielefeld she initiated her own project "Startgalerie" an Arts project for children while actively supporting the "Deutscher Kinderschutzbund" charity. Her reasons for joining BAC were primarily the wide range of charitable work. As a "new Berliner", she appreciated the warm welcome into the fold.

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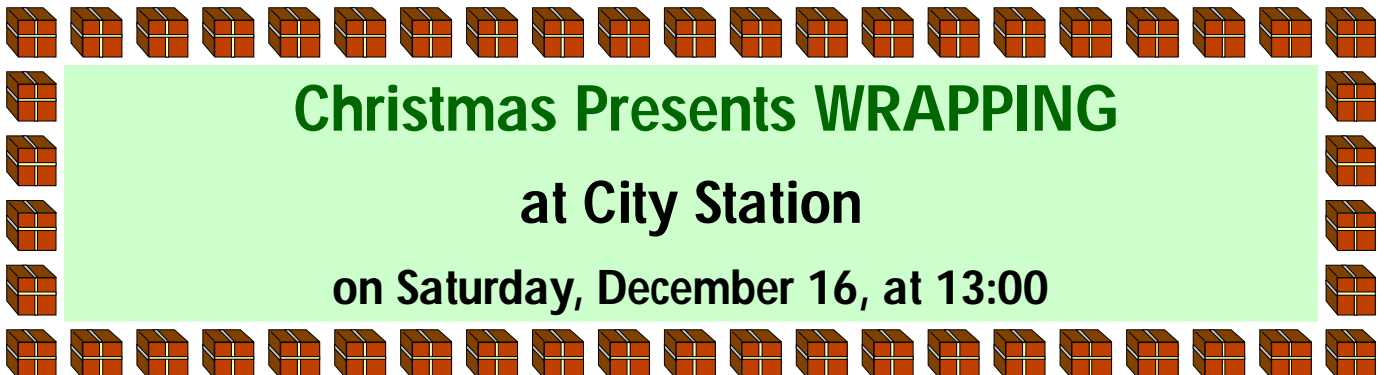


**Dr. Maria Teresa Börner:** ich komme aus der Nähe von München, nach dem Studium der Geschichte Forschungsstipendium in Rom, anschließend Promotion zum Dr. Phil., 2008 Studium der Oenologie und Eintritt in das elterliche Weingut Omina Romana in Rom (Italien), 2013 Umzug nach Berlin. My reasons for joining BAC were the wide range of charitable work. Ich bin selbst ehrenamtlich als Lesepate und in der Sprachförderung (Deutsch) für syrische Flüchtlinge tätig.

**THIRD VICE PRESIDENT**

**TREASURER**




  
**Christmas Presents WRAPPING**
  
**at City Station**
  
**on Saturday, December 16, at 13:00**

# 6 BAC Event

## FARIDEH'S BRIDGE GROUP

"wir spielen Bridge und denken laut"  
-- on the third Friday of the month --

If you are a good bridge player and like to join this group  
call Farideh: Tel. 883 5701

After the game we'll prepare and enjoy a Persian Dinner  
Next meeting: **October 20, 2017,**  
**Giesebrechtstr. 1, 10629 Berlin**  
Time: 14.30 – 19.00 PM  
Costs: Euro 15



## Kochen mit Farideh



Sonntag, 17. September 2017 • Düsseldorf Str. 4

## HANDS-ON WELFARE

Farideh prepares food together with refugee children in their home every last Sunday of the month. She needs help with the shopping and welcomes anybody who wants to cook with them.

Maria Teresa meets with a Libyan family in the Ronald-McDonald Haus to teach them German. Their son has been treated for incurable cancer for over a year now.





**COMING OCTOBER 16TH**

Berlin's new English language radio station  
**KCRW Berlin 104.1 FM!**

**KCRW Berlin 104.1 FM** represents cutting edge US public radio with an eclectic mix of independent music, news, talk and arts programming. As KCRW's first international partner, KCRW Berlin provides a unique platform for cultural exchange leveraging the 50-year Sister City relationship between Berlin and Los Angeles.

Future broadcasts will include locally produced content reflecting the spirit of Berlin, NPR news shows, as well as shows produced by KCRW and other public radio entities in the United States.

The AWC Berlin and Volkswagen DRIVE Forum,  
 in collaboration with ESMOD Berlin, present

## Driving Sustainability

a fashion show  
 for charity




**Thursday**  
**Oct. 12, 2017**  
**1900-2100**  
 doors open at 1830

Volkswagen DRIVE Forum  
 Friedrichstraße 84, 10117 Berlin

Tickets through eventbrite.de  
 €15 / €25 VIP First Row

100% proceeds go to "Hope beyond Displacement"  
 a FAWCO Target Project for education of women and girls  
 Photo credit: Lisa Lankes / Fashion Design: Layla du Mue

ESMOD Berlin **DRIVE** 

### Die Bürgerstiftung Steglitz-Zehlendorf

lädt ein  
 zu einer **LESUNG**



**Bernd Philipp**

**„Wenn's Ärger regnet, Charme aufspannen!“**

am **Samstag, den 21. Oktober 2017**  
 um **19:30 Uhr**

im **Heimatverein Steglitz e. V.**  
 Drakestraße 64A, 12205 Berlin-Lichterfelde  
(Bus M11, Haltestelle Holbeinstr.)

**Kosten:**

Es wird um Spenden für die Aufgaben der Bürgerstiftung gebeten



**Bernd Philipp**  
 Publizist, Buchautor,  
 Medien-Berater

1981 erschien erstmals seine satirische Wochenkolumne „Lebenslagen“, die bis zu seinem Ausscheiden aus dem Springer Verlag 2011 insgesamt 30 Jahre lang in der Berliner Morgenpost veröffentlicht wurde (noch heute im Internet). Seine Satiren über die kleinen Sensationen des Alltags erschienen in 15 Büchern. Die „Berliner Rundschau“ schrieb: „Mark Twain hat einen Nachfolger bekommen!“

[www.buergerstiftung-sz.de](http://www.buergerstiftung-sz.de) Tel. 0172 3128639

The **American Women's Club of Berlin (AWC)**, in collaboration with **ESMOD Berlin** and **DRIVE.Volkswagen Group Forum**, celebrates sustainability in design through a dazzling evening of German/ American cultural exchange.

This Event is dedicated to raising awareness of responsible design, production, and consumption in fashion. We will showcase cutting-edge Berlin designers who are passionate in their dedication to environmentally responsible production of their fashion.

100% of proceeds will go to the FAWCO Target Project **“Hope Beyond Displacement”**, building better futures through education, vocational and leadership training for refugee women and girls.

**When:** Thursday, October 12, 2017, **7:00pm-9:00pm**

**Where:** DRIVE Volkswagen Forum, Friedrichstraße 84, Berlin, 10117

**Tickets:** through EventBrite. 15 Euro, 25 Euro for VIP First Row.

<https://www.eventbrite.de/e/driving-sustainability-a-fashion-show-for-charity-tickets-37124918631>

Doors open at **6:30pm**, show begins **7:00pm**.

For inquiries, please contact [president@awcberlin.org](mailto:president@awcberlin.org)

# 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: **Elke Mähliß** Tel: **0172 306 4835**

## 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**



"HANDSON" Projects

## 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**

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

by October 20, 2017 to:  
**Angelika McLarren** e-mail:  
**newsletter@berlin-american-club.de**



# INTEREST GROUPS

## ENGLISH CONVERSATION BRIDGE

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-Zeinart  
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, October at 3 p.m. at the home of Heidrun Totzke to discuss "The Dubliners" by James Joyce.

Contacts: Pamela Richter, 813 7389 or Marta Wöste 803 2812.



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 once 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
25 15.00 Engl Conv	26 10.00 Bridge	27	28	29	30
2	3 Day of German Unity	4 15.00 G-E Conv	5	6	7
9	10 10.00 Bridge	11 15.00 Engl Conv	12 French Conversation 2 14.30	13 8 11.00 French Conv.	14
16	17 10.00 Bridge	18 15.00 G-E Conv	19 15.00 Literature 19.00 DINING OUT	20 14.30 Farideh's Bridge	21
23 15.00 Engl Conv	24 10.00 Bridge	25	26 French Conversation 2 14.30	27 11.00 French Conv.	28
30 15.00 Conv Gallery	31 Reformation Day	1 15.00 G-E Conv	2 11.00 Welfare Meeting	3	4

Mark Your Calendar

Monday, Nov 6.  
15.00  
Election Coffee  
Logenhaus

Friday, Nov 17  
10.15 Tour  
Berlinische Galerie

Thursday, Dec. 7,  
15.00

Nicholas Tea  
Hotel Seehof

Saturday, Dec. 16  
13.00  
Gift Wrapping  
City Station



Herzliche Grüße von der Insel Usedom sendet Ihnen Sean, Doreen und Anneliese von der Inklusionsgruppe Berlin e.G. in Leben hier ein schönes Zeit mit viel Sonne, Sand und Meer. Wir danken Ihnen, dass Sie uns diesen tollen Urlaub ermöglicht haben! Liebe Grüße

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