

# Der Botschafter

(the messenger), a monthly newsletter.

## United German-American Society of Florida, Inc. (UGASF)

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United German American Society of Florida, Inc., the umbrella organization of German American clubs in Florida was formed in 1991 for members to get together, exchange ideas, help and get to know each other, mingle, and above all to promote German Gemuetlichkeit.

Club members that served as president of this organization:

1990, 1991 John Lange

1992,1993 Klaus Kohl

1994 Hannelore Crothers

1995, 1996 Fritz Eggerts

1997 – 2003 Hannelore Crothers

2004 Bud Schmitt / Uwe Kellner

2005 Uwe Kellner / Kurt Nolden

2006 -2009 Kurt Nolden

2010, Kurt Nolden / Kurt Freiter

2010 to present Kurt Freiter

This short newsletter was created to keep information flowing between board members, club members, and among clubs.

Keep the communication open and flowing.

The next membership meeting is scheduled for November 4, 2017 at the German American Club in Pinellas County.

Paul Burkle writes about Heritage Day:

1. There are many excellent German musicians and bands here in Florida so there is no need to spend money to bring someone in from Deutschland. Top stars like Andrea Berg, Helene Fischer or Semino Rossi are too rich for our budget so all that we could afford are second tier entertainers.

2. As an educator, I am all for scholarships that benefit both the giver and the receiver. Currently the scholarship given to a student studying German benefits only him, the receiver. It does not benefit the club at all. The money would better be spent on donating it to Cancer or Alzheimers Research. That way both the giver, our club, and the receiver would benefit.

The above statements represent my views and not those of the G-A Club of Sun City Center

Ray Maxwell, president of the German-American Club of The Villages states:

For the Heritage celebration use a format similar to what is suggested in the July newsletter.

Martin Grum was appointed chairman and Michael Reis as assistant of the nominating committee for officers at the November 4 membership meeting. I will pick a third member at the meeting or sooner (according to our bylaws). If anyone in your club is interested in serving on a position as: president, vice-president, secretary, or treasurer, please contact Martin Grum at 352.259.9432; Michael Reis at 352.637.2042.

I checked out the club's website: [ugasflorida.org](http://ugasflorida.org) :and what an improvement. Michele Kager is working on it, and the improvements are great. Check it out. You might find your club, and club members doing their thing.

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