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TOUR GROUP Botanischer Garten



am **Donnertag, d. 31 . Oktober,**
um **15.00 Uhr**

"Aktuelle Sehenswürdigkeiten in den Glashäusern", geführt werden wir von einer Diplom-Biologin, 1 1/2 Stunden

Treffpunkt: Königin Luise Platz - Foyer Botanisches Museum - um 14.30 Uhr, Kostenbeitrag: Euro 12,00

Marieta und Ingrid freuen sich auf eine rege Beteiligung. Und traditionell gehen wir zum Kaffee trinken und vielleicht essen auch einige Kuchen.

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FARIDEH'S BRIDGE GROUP

"wir spielen Bridge und denken laut"

-- on the third Friday of the month --

If you like to join this group

call Farideh: Tel. 883 5701

After the game we'll prepare and enjoy a Persian Dinner

Next meeting: October 18, 2019,

Giesebrechtstr. 1, 10629 Berlin

Time: 14.30 – 20.00 PM

Cost: Euro 20

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

for a **PERSIAN EVENING**

Sunday, November 24,

at the Logenhaus

with poems by Hafes who inspired

Goethe to his East-West Divan,

accompanied by music and

Persian culinary delights.

More details in the next newsletter

BAC ELECTIONS 2019

Date: Monday, November 4, 2019

Time: 15.00 hrs

Location: **Logenhaus**

details see page 3 + 4

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

The Elected Board

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Dear Ladies,

It's the time of year again to make use of your right and duty as a member of the BAC and cast your vote in our annual elections. It would also be nice if at least one of you would stand for office since not all our elected board members continue. If you know somebody or would do it yourself, please let the Board know. Our guest speaker, Frau Gerth from the City Station, will tell us about her work with her "guests". If you have little toiletries, socks or underwear, bring it along as a donation. Looking forward to an interesting afternoon with you!

Warmest wishes



Inge Schirmacher

ist im August 2019 von uns gegangen



Inge war uns eine liebe Freundin mit der wir viel Bridge gespielt haben, aber auch gefeiert. Musik und Kunst waren etwas Besonderes für sie. Ihr Motto war: "Pflücke den Tag und genieße ihn." Vielleicht sollten wir das beherzigen. Frauke Maaß

The next

WELFARE Meeting

will take place on

Wednesday, October 23, 2019, at 11.00 hrs

at AMSOC, Kaiserdamm 21, 14057 Berlin

followed by the

BOARD MEETING

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

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.

BAC ELECTIONS 2019

Date: Monday, November 4, 2019

Time: 15.00 hrs

Location: Logenhaus

HeerstraÙe 28, 14052 Berlin-Charlottenburg

- 1. Welcome**
- 2. Announcements**
- 3. Election of the Board of Governors 2020**
- 4. Announcements of Election Results**
- 5. Miscellaneous**
- 6. Adjournment**
- 7. Presentation by the manager of City Station, Frau Gerth**



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

There is no charge for the meeting ... but donations to our Welfare projects are welcome.

Please make your reservation with **Pamela Richter**
(tel.: 8 13 73 89 or email: hospitality@berlin-american-club.de)
by October 28,
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.
Please try and come!



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:



Sooki Koeppel:

was born in South Korea, but has lived in Berlin since 1984. After her dentistry studies she went to the UdK Berlin to get a degree in Arts. She has become not only a renowned painter, but also a recognized poet. She has won many awards and prizes for her works. She is a member of several art associations and has been with the BAC for many years. She is married to Prof. Matthias Koeppel, they have a daughter, Mathilde.



Christina Möllenkamp

Ich bin in NRW geboren und aufgewachsen und habe dann in Hamburg eine Banklehre und anschließend die Bankakademie gemacht. Danach habe ich bei Lufthansa als Flugbegleiterin gearbeitet und parallel Romanistik studiert. Vor meinem Abschluss habe ich geheiratet und 2 Kinder bekommen und bin mit meinem Mann erst nach Schwerin und dann nach Rostock gezogen, wo wir 20 Jahre gelebt haben. Dort war ich ehrenamtlich als Schöffin und als Wahlvorstand tätig und habe als Hausverwalterin gearbeitet, außerdem habe ich ein Haus gekauft, das ich in Ferienwohnungen umgewandelt habe und vermiete.



For Treasurer:



Gisela Sefranek Seit 2001 leben mein Mann und ich in Berlin. Diesen Entschluss fassten wir, als unsere jüngste Tochter (26 Jahre) das Haus in Köln verlassen hatte. Glücklicherweise lebt unsere ältere Tochter (30 Jahre) auch in Berlin. Nicht nur aus diesem Grunde, fühlen wir uns hier sehr wohl und angekommen. Ich arbeite als Business Coach und als Trainerin für den Bereich Stress- und Gesundheitsmanagement. Ausgebildet zur Philologin war ich am Anfang meiner Berufstätigkeit als Lehrerin tätig. Die Aufgabe als Schatzmeisterin in einem Frauenverein hatte ich bereits in jungen Jahren inne. Ich freue mich, dem BAC weiterhin in dieser Funktion zur Verfügung zu stehen.

In der Jugendfördergruppe der Cooperative Mensch im Prettauer Pfad findet während der Herbstferien wieder die **Hundetherapie** statt, die auch vom BAC gefördert wird.

Wer Interesse hat zu schauen, wie positiv die Kinder darauf reagieren, melde sich bitte bei Elly Mihm Tel 711 9498, um einen Termin zu verabreden.



A BIG THANK YOU to
Ulli Brandi and Dorothea Piper-Jülich
who donated €200.00 raised at a
private Bridge tournament
to the Kinderschutzzentrum



Teppichwäscherei **Abasi**

Ihr kompetenter Ansprechpartner rund um

Ihr „Teppichproblem“

bei Teppichreparatur und -wäsche. Wir beraten Sie gerne unverbindlich auch bei Ihnen zuhause!

- Bio-Handwäsche
- Einketteln
- Riss & Bruchstellenbeseitigen
- Kanten befestigen
- Fransen erneuern
- Löcher nachknüpfen
- Klopfen
- Trittfallen & Wellen entfernen
- und sonstige Reparaturen!



Teppichwäsche und Meister Reparatur

Befreien Sie Ihren Teppich jetzt von Schmutz, Flecken und ungewollten Bewohnern, wie Motten und Milben.

Wir waschen mit Bio-Seifen in Handarbeit!

Durch Imprägnierung - Rückfettung des Gewebes

- bleiben Glanz und Sauberkeit lange erhalten.



Bei der Teppichreinigung Vor- und Hauptwäschen mit diversen Spülgängen bis zur Schaumreinigung, bei der am Ende das Wasser klar abfließt. Lose Fasern, Milben und Teppichkäfer werden dabei entfernt.“

Restaurierung & Reparatur

Um den Wert eines Orientteppichs zu erhalten ist es wichtig jeden Schaden unverzüglich von einem Fachmann beheben zu lassen. Aus einer kleinen Problemstelle wird schnell ein großer Schaden, der aufwändige Reparaturen nach sich zieht. Das muss nicht sein.



Abasi
Ihr Teppichservice

Kostenloser
Abhol-/Bringservice

Besuchen Sie unsere Teppich-Galerie in Abasi.

Sie finden uns in der

Blissestraße. 46, 10713 Berlin

030 / 473 848 38 0176 20 60 7326

Mo - Fr 10 - 18 Uhr • Sa 11 - 16 Uhr

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**

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**.



Jugendfördergruppe der Cooperative Mensch

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**.

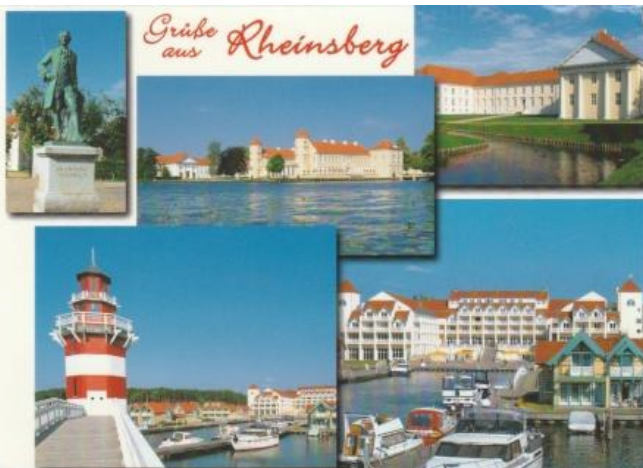
Angstfrei e.V.

This organisation helps HIV-positive children from underprivileged homes by offering them outings, short holidays, gifts at Christmas and other special treats which they would not otherwise experience. Contact: **Ulli Brandi** **91 54 40 12**

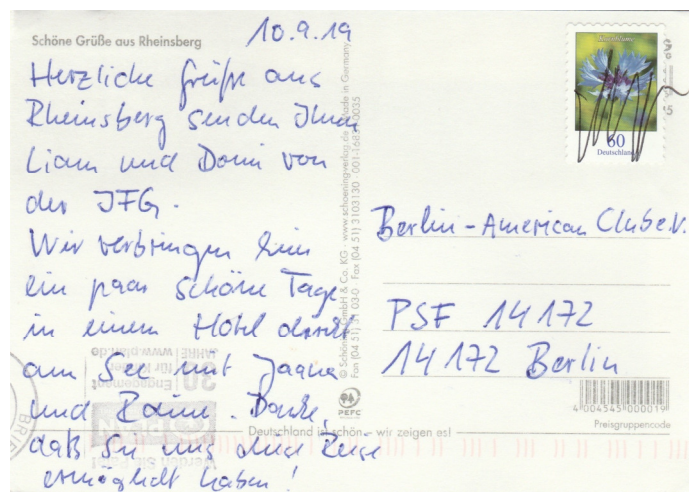
Ronald McDonald House

Help is needed to give the relatives of severely ill children a home away from home during their hard times of suffering.

"HANDS ON" Projects



Die Jugendfördergruppe der Cooperative Mensch (Spastikerhilfe) konnte mit BAC-Hilfe ein paar schöne Tage erleben



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

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, October 17th at 3 p. m. at the home of Angelika McLarren to discuss "Where The Crows Sing" by Delia Owens. 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 Is taking a break
Anne-Marie Berthier
tel. 30 20 75 55

SPANISH CONVERSATION GROUP

If you interested in joining the group, please contact:
Gudula Eisemann, 30 20 40 82
or Marta Wöste, 803 2812.

Please send Newsletter submissions for the November 2019

**Edition in writing
(and in English)**

**by October 20, 2019
to:**

**Angelika McLarren e-mail:
newsletter@berlin-american-club.de**

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

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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



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	1 10.00 Bridge	2 15.00 G-E Conv	3 Tag der deutschen Einheit	4 Edda's Excursion	5
7 15.00 Engl Conv	8 10.00 Bridge	9	10	11 11.00 French Conv.	12
14	15 10.00 Bridge	16 15.00 G-E Conv 15.00 G-E Conv	17 15.00 Literature	18 11.00 French Conv. 14.30 Farideh's Bridge	19
21 15.00 Engl Conv	22 10.00 Bridge	23 11.00 Welfare/Board Meeting	24	25 11.00 French Conv.	26
28	29 10.00 Bridge	30 15.00 G-E Conv	31 HALLOWEEN 15.00 Tour Group		

*Mark
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Calendar*

Monday,
4 Nov
Election Coffee

Sunday,
Nov. 24
Persian
Evening

Monday,
2 Dec
Nicholas
Tea

Reporting BAC(k)



Dinner at the Ronald-McDonald-Haus.
Cooking and caring can be fun!

