

Peoria German American Society's Weekly Newsletter
December 25, 2017



Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!

Editor's Comments:

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! We had a wonderful year with your support. We hope to see you all soon. If you have no plans for New Year's Eve please think about joining us!

Please post your photos of the Kristkindlmarkt to our Facebook page for the Market:

<https://www.facebook.com/Kristkindlmarkt-of-Peoria-IL-362806687137859/>

DINING TOUR BOOKS

Peoria Dining Tour Books are still available at the Lindenhof. Get your's at the Lindenhof!!! Only \$30 each! Savings worth hundreds of dollars!!

This Week's Calendar

Dec. 29: Buffet w/ Jägerschnitzel, Grill-Style BBQ Chicken, & Roast Beef
Al's Pals Polka Band

Jan. 5: TBD - Information has not been sent to me

All meals are \$12 for adults and \$6.00 for kids 6-10. Children under 5 Eat
for Free!

Complimentary Hot Dogs! Includes Assorted Sides, Salad, Bread & Butter.
Desserts \$2 Extra. Cash or Checks Only! ATM Available on site.
Dinner is served from 5-8 pm

Please call the Lindenhof and leave a message as to how many you will
have in your party if your party exceed 10 or more people. 309-691-7484

7601 N. Harker Drive, Peoria, Illinois 61615 by Enterprise Car Rental
(309) 691-7484

PUBLIC WELCOME

Featuring free WiFi!

ATM Now Available at the Lindenhof!

Chat: Updated New Fest Issue for 2017! Winter Edition Now Available!
Includes 2017-2018 Public Calendar of Events!

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[1a987977b1bb/2017_Kristkindlmarkt_Edition_II.pdf](#)

NOTE: The Public Calendar Events only shows those events that the public can show up at the door or gate and be admitted either for free or for whatever the admission fee is. Member only functions or semi-private functions are not shown. These types of event may appear separately during the year in the eNewsletter.

Dates for the GACS Member Appreciation Banquet and the Oktoberfest have been identified as being incorrect in the Yearbook.

2018 Yearbooks Available at the Lindenhof!

Make sure you pick up your latest version of our Yearbook at the Lindenhof. We want to thank all of you who sponsored an ad in this year's book.

NOTE: Dates in the Calendar are subject to change. Oktoberfest dates are incorrect. They should be shown as September 21-23.

URGENT!!!

For those of GACS members you who have moved and or planning to move PLEASE!!!!!! notify Jeff Pulfer as to your new address and I will

forward the change to the membership secretary in the affiliate you belong to as to your new address. I maintain the Master Roster for the GACS and due to sending out the snail mail newsletter I tend to find out that people moved prior to the affiliate membership secretaries. If you change your e-mail address please contact us with the change!!!

Also, anyone who receives this newsletter and you change e-mail addresses please contact me or change your subscriber preferences with the link at the bottom of this newsletter. Danke!



New Year Eve at the Lindenhof!
Sunday, December 31 beginning at 8pm

Come Ring in the New Year!
7601 N. Harker Drive, Peoria, Illinois 61615 S

Please Bring an Hors d'oeuvres to Share. The Food is Always

Fantastic! Cash Bar

A DJ will be providing Music for Your Dancing Pleasure

Donation at the Door to Help Pay for the Entertainment, Favors and Champagne! (Minimum \$8.00 Per Person Suggested)

RESERVATIONS ARE NOT REQUIRED -- BUT.....If you think you will attend, please call (339-0699) or e-mail (dempster40@comcast.net) Mary Dempster.

Click below for a flyer:

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FUTURE DATES



Monthly German Club Meetings

Harmonie and Damenchor Meetings, Wednesday,
January 3rd

Dinner at 6 pm, Meeting at 7 pm Meeting At The
Lindenhof!

If you are a Harmonie Member and we have 25 or more
members for the meeting we buy a round at the end of
the meeting!

SVP Meeting, Thursday, January 4th at the Lindenhof
Meeting at 7:30 pm

GACS Board Meeting, Monday, January 8th at the
Lindenhof!

7:00 pm meeting

Oktoberfest 2018 Committee Meeting at 6pm!! Anyone
can attend to share their thoughts and ideas!



All GACS Members are cordially invited to the:

German-American Central Society
Appreciation Dinner - at the Lindenhof
Saturday, January 13, 2018

The doors will open at 5:00 pm, Awards at 6:00 pm and
Dinner at 6:30 pm.

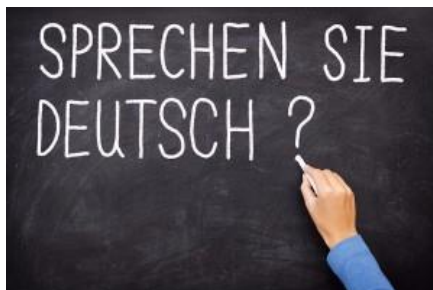
Music and Dancing to follow!

The cost of this year's dinner is \$10.00 per person which
will include the dinner and 2 drink tickets.

Please make checks out to German-American Central
Society or GACS.

Please send all money to the Lindenhof c/o Angie Blasek
to 7601 N. Harker Drive - Peoria, IL 61615 by Tuesday,
January 9th. You may pay at the door if you have made
a phone or e-mail reservation. Make phone reservations
to the Lindenhof -691-7484.

Any questions please contact Angie Blasek at
gacsangie@aol.com



Kinderkränzchen

What? A fun way for children and their parents to learn German.

When? Sunday, January 14
from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Where? German American Society
Lindenhof, 7601 N. Harker Drive, Peoria, IL

What to expect? Parents and children participate in activities together.

The book we will be exploring is "Oh, Wie Schön ist Panama" by Janosch

<http://www.janosch.de/index.html> Check it out!!

The book covers topics such as home, meeting new friends, travel and learning from our experiences.

Contact Christine Strelecky to register and for more details:
cstrelecky@gmail.com or by texting 309 621 3871 SPACE IS LIMITED.

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Winterfest!

Sunday, January 28th

Please join us for a celebration of Winter German Style, Sunday, Jan. 28th - Noon to 6 pm At the Lindenhof. The event is being sponsored by Harmonie. Last year we had the biggest crowd we ever had at the Lindenhof for a dinner!

We are offering a special German buffet for \$12.00 per person. The buffet will tentatively consist of Schnitzel vom Schwein, parmesan chicken, bratwurst, smoked ham, German potato salad, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, spaetzle, sauerkraut, and red cabbage. Apple strudel or apple cake for dessert is \$2 extra.

Kids 9 and under who wear a costume from the Disney movie “Frozen” will get to eat for free. All kids 12 and under without a costume can enjoy the buffet for \$6.

At Winterfest we will also be serving several bock and doppelbock beers in bottle besides our regular draft beer selections.

Video Clip from last year's event: Most of the information contained is the same as except for the date and maybe some of the menu items!

https://www.facebook.com/pg/LindenhofPeoria/posts/?ref=page_internal



Affiliate and Committee News

The following information is related to news from the different affiliates and the various committees of our club.

Photos from the Second Weekend at the Kristkindlmarkt!





Time to Renew Your Dues for 2018!

\$30 for primary membership dues. \$15 for secondary membership dues. Primary membership is for the first affiliate you are a member of. \$15 of your primary dues goes to the Central Society.

Junior membership fees are only \$10 per year.

Make sure the checks are written out to the correct affiliate. You will need a separate check for each affiliate you join. Please do not write a check to the GACS for your dues. We are not set up electronically to transfer funds between the affiliates. Extra checks have to be written by our officers. Maybe one of these days we will join the 21st Century.....

To join or renew with Damenchor, prospective members should send their checks written out to Damenchor to Ruth Sepich at 32 Oakridge Pt, Morton, IL 61550.

To join or renew with Harmonie, prospective members should send their checks to Harmonie to Scott Diestelkamp at the Lindenhof, 7601 N Harker Ave, Peoria, IL 61615.

To join or renew with Sports Verien, prospective members should send their checks written out to SVP to Mary Briit at the Lindenhof, 7601 N Harker Ave, Peoria, IL 61615.

You can also hand over your check at a membership meeting to one of the officers above or if they are NOT there the affiliate treasurer or president.

If you have any questions about joining, please feel free to contact me, Jeff Pulfer, at 309-444-4656 or via e-mail at Jeff.Pulfer44444@gmail.com

Click below for a Membership Application:

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2018 Dining Tour Books

Dining Tour books for 2018 are now available for sale. Same price as last year: \$30. **BOOKS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE HALL FOR JUST COUPLE MORE WEEKS! GET YOURS SOON!**

Call me at 309-444-4656 or drop me an e-mail if you want one and I'll work with you to get your book to you. Books will also be available at membership meetings, some Friday Nights at the Hall, and also at the Kristkindlmarkt during the next five months.

Coupons are good from the day you purchase it to October 31, 2018. This year the Lindenhof again has two coupons in the book. Buy one buffet and get the second one for free! Proceeds to benefit the Publicity and Media Committee. The funds are used to cover newsletter printing costs, stamps, ink toner for printers, card stock

for posters etc.

If you use the two Lindenhof Coupons you save \$24. Combine that with 2 coupons at Double A's for pizza buy one get one large pizza you will save up to a total of \$62!!! Dining Tour Books are available at the Lindenhof!! Get yours today!! Lots more great values in this year's book!



SVP Schützen (Shooters) - Click on Link Below for More Information about Shooting

https://gallery.mailchimp.com/161b7cd1df4edf47736f2131a/files/SVP_Schützen_News.pdf

Schützen News:

For additional information on the shooting program, contact me at 231-4620.

Schuß heil! Hauptmann Paul Bischoff



Harmonie is Actively Seeking New Members!!

We know a number of you have expressed an interest in joining the German club. I know it can be a bit confusing. Harmonie is the German Men's Club which has a focus on singing, even though most of our members are not active singers. Harmonie has evolved over the years to offer a lot to our members than just the chance to sing. We have created a promotional piece with an application on the second page, which explains a bit about who we are and what we do. You will see that we offer a lot of value for your membership dues!

If you are interested in being a part of a group like this, dues

are only \$30 per year. Each member chooses how active they want to be. We would love to have you join us!

If you have any questions about Harmonie please do not hesitate to contact me at 309-444-4656 or by e-mail at Jeff.Pulfer44444@gmail.com

Click below for Harmonie Membership Info:

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Future Harmonie Member Social Events in the Works:
Members Social at Tom Stanesa – Date to be Determined
Bradley Basket Ball Game after first of the year!
Hockey Game after first of the year!
Craft Brewery Tour of St. Louis???



Music and Culture Committee News:

We are always looking for people interested in the German Kultur.

For people interested in German Folk Dancing, the alphorns, or singing with Damenchor and Harmonie, click on the link below. Also details and links on learning German.

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Member News

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The following spot is for information on special dates and happenings of the members. Please feel free to send me news on Birthdays, Anniversaries, Births, Relocations, Special Recognitions, member health news, etc and I will post in the next e-mail.

Welcome New Members!!

Michelle Stalter - SVP

Steve Heine - SVP

Matt Miller - Harmonie

Eric Davis - Harmonie

Mark Barrick - Harmonie

Roger Cox - Harmonie

Birthdays of German Leaders/Celebrities

To cut down on the number of pages in the weekly newsletter, I've created an interactive PDF for you to find the month of the year to check out birthdays of famous Germans.

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Most folks are not fully aware of German Christmas Traditions here in the U.S.

Candy Canes:

According to folklore, in 1670, in [Cologne](#), [Germany](#), the choirmaster at [Cologne Cathedral](#), wishing to remedy the noise caused by children in his [church](#) during the [Living Crèche](#) tradition of [Christmas Eve](#), asked a local candy maker for some [sweet sticks](#) for them.[\[3\]\[4\]\[5\]\[6\]](#) In order to justify the practice of giving candy to children during [worship services](#), he asked the candy maker to add a crook to the top of each stick, which would help children remember the shepherds who paid visit to [infant Jesus](#).[\[3\]\[4\]\[5\]](#) In addition, he used the white colour of the converted sticks to teach children about the [Christian](#) belief in the [sinless life of Jesus](#).[\[3\]\[4\]\[5\]](#) From Germany, the candy canes spread to other parts of Europe, where they were handed out during [plays reenacting the Nativity](#).[\[4\]\[6\]](#) As such, according to this legend, the candy cane became associated with [Christmastide](#).[\[1\]](#)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Candy_cane

Christmas Tree

The custom of the Christmas tree developed in [early modern Germany](#) (where it is today called Weihnachtsbaum or Christbaum or "Tannenbaum") with predecessors that can be traced to the 16th and possibly 15th century, in which devout Christians brought decorated trees into their homes. It

acquired popularity beyond [Germany](#) during the second half of the 19th century, at first among the upper classes.

The tree was traditionally decorated with edibles such as apples, nuts, or other foods. In the 18th century, it began to be illuminated by candles which were ultimately replaced by [Christmas lights](#) after the advent of [electrification](#). Today, there are a wide variety of [traditional ornaments](#), such as [garland](#), [tinsel](#), and [candy canes](#). An angel or star might be [placed at the top of the tree](#) to represent the [archangel Gabriel](#) or the [Star of Bethlehem](#) from the [Nativity](#).]

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christmas_tree

Christmas Lights: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christmas_lights

History of the Advent Calendar

The origin of the Advent Calendar can be traced back to the 19th Century.

The first styles came from the Protestant area. Religious families made a chalk line for every day in December until Christmas Eve.

The first known Advent Calendar was made by hand in the year 1851.

Other early styles were the Advent clock or the Advent candle - a candle for each of the 24 days until Christmas, like today's Advent wreath.

Religious families hung little pictures on the wall - one for each day in December.

In 1902 a Christian Bookshop in Hamburg published a Christmas Clock which was very similar to that published in 1922 by the St. Johannis printing company in Switzerland. The Austrian Landesmuseum considers 1903 as the year of the first printed Advent Calendar. In 1904 an Advent Calendar was inserted in the newspaper "Neues Tagblatt Stuttgart" as a gift for their readers.

Gerhard Lang is widely considered the producer of the first printed Advent calendar in the early 1900s. Lang's calendar was inspired by one that his mother had made for him and featured 24 colored pictures attached to a piece of cardboard. Lang modified his calendars to include the little doors that are a staple of most Advent calendars today and they became a commercial success in Germany. Dwight D. Eisenhower is often credited for the proliferation of the Advent calendar tradition in the United States. During his presidency, Eisenhower was photographed opening an Advent calendar with his grandchildren.

Germanic paganism, Odin, and Christianization

Prior to Christianization, the [Germanic peoples](#) (including the English) celebrated a midwinter event called [Yule](#) (Old English geola or guili). With the Christianization of Germanic Europe, numerous traditions were absorbed from Yuletide celebrations into modern Christmas. During this

period, supernatural and ghostly occurrences were said to increase in frequency, such as the [Wild Hunt](#), a ghostly procession through the sky. The leader of the wild hunt is frequently attested as the god [Odin](#) and he bears the Old Norse names Jólnir, meaning "yule figure" and the name Langbarðr, meaning "long-beard" (see [list of names of Odin](#)).

The god Odin's role during the Yuletide period has been theorized as having influenced concepts of St. Nicholas in a variety of facets, including his long white beard and his gray horse for nightly rides (see Odin's horse [Sleipnir](#)), which was traded for reindeer in North America. Margaret Baker comments that "The appearance of Santa Claus or Father Christmas, whose day is 25th of December, owes much to Odin, the old blue-hooded, cloaked, white-bearded Giftbringer of the north, who rode the midwinter sky on his eight-footed steed [Sleipnir](#), visiting his people with gifts. ... Odin, transformed into Father Christmas, then Santa Claus, prospered with St Nicholas and the Christchild became a leading player on the Christmas stage."

Best German Christmas Cookies!

<http://germangirlinamerica.com/german-christmas-cookies/>



News From Our Friends!



This 3rd annual event gives central Illinois the chance to enjoy outdoor ice skating on the corner of Fulton Street and Jefferson Avenue!

PNC Winterfest is open November 24th, 2017 through January 14th, 2018

[Click here for Pricing Information.](#) [Click here for hours](#)

PNC Winterfest features a REAL Ice Rink, approximately 68ft x 100ft, ready for you to skate under the stars for at least 90 minutes, weather permitting! Bring your own skates or rent them from the skate shack. The skate shack carries skates from size 9 in juniors through 13 adults. Spectators can watch the action from a heated

tent with seating and refreshments.

PNC Winterfest will also feature Peoria's only ICE SLIDE! A 100ft long, 6ft wide slide made of ice! Slide down on a disc, fun for all ages!

<https://pncwinterfest.com/>



Peoria Historical Society

To Preserve, Share and Celebrate the Stories of the Peoria Area

<http://www.peoriahistoricalsociety.org/>

TAZEWELL COUNTY GENEALOGICAL & HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Tazewell County Genealogical & Historical Society

Ehrlicher Research Center

719 N. Eleventh Street, Pekin, Illinois

(309) 477-3044

The Tazewell County Genealogical & Historical Society (TCGHS) library is located in the Ehrlicher Research Center at the above address. The library is open Monday 9 am-1 pm, Tuesday 9 am-1 pm & 7-9 pm, Wednesdays 9 am-4:30 pm, Thursday-Friday 9 am-1 pm, and Sundays 2-4:30 pm central standard time (closed on holidays and holiday weekends). The library is staffed with one or more trained volunteer genealogists.

Since we do depend on volunteers, unexpected closings can occur but are very rare. If you are coming through town and can't stop by during our normal hours, [email us](#) and we'll try to make arrangements to meet you at the library.

Do you know of a group, no matter what age, who would like a tour of our library - whether it be a grade school class, church group, or civic organization? If so, give us a call or send us an [email](#) to schedule a convenient time for a tour.

E-mail Link

<http://form.jotform.us/form/51625871999170>

GERMAN RESEARCH COLLECTION AT THE TAZEWELL GENEALOGICAL AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY LIBRARY.

Many of the early settlers of Tazewell County emigrated from a region of northeast Germany known as Ostfriesland (East Friesland or East Fresia). Ortssippenbücher (OSB) books contain important information for Ostfriesen researchers such as names, occupations, family relationships, and dates of births, marriages, and deaths for families from a specific Ostfriesen town or village. The information (usually extracted from local church records) is presented alphabetically by family group surname. Our collection of OSB books is thought to be the largest in the State of Illinois.



ANNUAL TRIVIA NIGHT
ANYTHING GOES!

Presented by: Pilot Club of Peoria

Saturday, January 20, 2018

Location: Lindenhof (German Society Club), 7601 N. Harker Dr,
Peoria

6:00 p.m.: Doors open 7:00 p.m.: Trivia starts

Cost - \$20 per person. Teams consist of eight people.

(Price includes assortment of desserts)

Dress up in any theme you like!!

Prizes! Cash for top teams! Best-decorated table & team.

50/50 drawing will be held. Silent Auction too! Bring your own snacks!

(No crockpot plug-ins available for individual teams, sorry.)

Cash Bar for alcohol & soft drinks

“Mulligans” (free answers) may be purchased within limits or win two free ones

by having your reservation in by January 12th. Final registration by January 19th.

Seating is limited!

Questions? Call Genny Gibbs: 309-264-2585, Beth Johnson
264-6119

Click Below for A Flyer:

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712 W Second Street, Davenport, IA

Check out their updated website!!!!

<http://gahc.org/>

ADMISSION

Adults: \$5 Seniors:\$4 Children: \$3 (5 – 17 years old)

Free for children under 5

Members: Free (Admission is free all year for members. ([Click here to learn how to become a member.](#))

Military Personnel: Free between Memorial Day – Labor Day.

Hours

Tuesdays through Saturday open 10 am – 4 pm;

Sunday open 12 – 4 pm.

Closed Mondays

A War Among Neighbors

Editor's Note: I attended their first Christkindlmarkt this past weekend. While there I was able to view one of their special displays related to WWI: A War Among Neighbors, investigates the Anti-German sentiment that followed the involvement of the United States in World War I. It shares recorded stories of violence, extortion, and suppression of culture in the Davenport and Iowa, and how German culture nearly disappeared from the Quad Cities.

The display mentioned the Babel Proclamation, which was only declared in Iowa. I did a bit of research on the internet and found these three links. Grouped together they help explain why German culture was suppressed for many years.

ORIGINAL COPY OF BABEL PROCLAMATION

<http://germansiniowa.lib.uiowa.edu/items/show/313>

[The Babel Proclamation and its Influence in Iowa History](http://people.cas.sc.edu/dubinsk/LING240/readings/Frese.2005.Babel.Proclamation.pdf)

<http://people.cas.sc.edu/dubinsk/LING240/readings/Frese.2005.Babel.Proclamation.pdf>

America's War on Language

<https://blogs.illinois.edu/view/25/116243>

Part of the display in Davenport discussed how if you were of German ancestry your property was evaluated for its value to determine how many War Bonds you should buy. If you were

deemed not to have bought enough bonds you were persecuted.



Various Links of Interest Related to German Culture

Click on the link below to for a file with numerous links to various information on German Culture

[https://gallery.mailchimp.com/161b7cd1df4edf47736f2131a/files/Various Links of Interest Related to German Culture.pdf](https://gallery.mailchimp.com/161b7cd1df4edf47736f2131a/files/Various%20Links%20of%20Interest%20Related%20to%20German%20Culture.pdf)

Interesting History on German Surnames

<http://blogs.ancestry.com/cm/2014/10/09/there-are-four-common-types-of-german-surnames-which-one-is-yours/>

Vacation Planning Ideas:

Over the years I've created a list of vacation planning ideas. The list was getting quite long so I've created a downloadable PDF for those of you who want to check it out versus including the list of ideas in each newsletter. The pdf will reduce the amount of content in the weekly eNewsletter.

Click to Download the list of Vacation Ideas:

https://gallery.mailchimp.com/161b7cd1df4edf47736f2131a/files/Vacation_Planning_Ideas_2016.pdf



Tracht/Clothing and More!!

For those of you interested in buying German Tracht Clothing, I've created a downloadable PDF for you. The pdf will reduce the amount of content in the weekly eNewsletter.

I've updated the previous file. Added new site for Dirndls, which is featured on EBay:

The Lukas site no longer has listings. For best prices on Dirndls check out: <http://stores.ebay.com/mgatrachtendirndl/>

The previous site I had is no more for inexpensive dirndls. This new site has similar prices as the former if not better

Click to download document with list of more tracht websites:

https://gallery.mailchimp.com/161b7cd1df4edf47736f2131a/files/a1889396-3016-41ad-adc3-4f47d242bc24/Lederhosen_and_Dirndls_2.pdf

Looking for something unique, you might try Rare Drindl

<https://raredirndl.com/pages/about-us>



MEMBERSHIP INFO:

NOTE TO PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS:

Anyone who is interested in checking out one of the affiliates is welcome to attend any of their membership meetings as well. Please contact the respective affiliate president before doing so, if you are not attending with one of there current members:

Damenchor: Debbie Hedeman (309) 444-8489

The purpose of the this all female group is to promote German music, heritage, and traditions. We do this by continuing to participate in various civic and social events in the Peoria area, ensuring a German cultural presence in Peoria and surrounding communities. Prior to the meeting a free dinner is served beginning at 6pm.

Harmonie: Jeff Pulfer (309) 444-4656

This all male group strives to preserve German traditions through both German and American music. Harmonie is also involved in Community Service and Fundraising. Members are NOT required to sing, in fact most of our members do not currently sing, but are primarily interested in promoting German Culture and Traditions. Our meetings are at 7:00 the first Wednesday of the month. Prior to the meeting a free dinner is served beginning at 6pm.

Sport Verein: Steve Dippel (309) 397-0464

Our co-ed Sport Verein group supports several disciplines of sports: soccer, air gun shooting, archery, bicycling, golf, hiking and running. The Sport Verein Peoria holds its business meetings on the first Thursday of every month at 7:30 pm at Lindenhof. We welcome anyone who is interested to participate with the Deutsche Kultur. Prior to the meeting enjoy shooting and a light meal.

News of Interest From You

If you have news you would like to share with the other members please send it to me no later than the Friday before. Since much of the content is carried over from week to week during the month, all new, updated, or urgent

content will have the main header in RED. This will make it easier for those of you who are extremely busy to see the changes from week to week.

Feel free to forward this update on to your family and friends! Thanks in advance! For those of you who would like to share your comments on any of our activities please use our Facebook page:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/German-American-Central-Society-Inc/111237502243602>

Want to find out more of what is going on in Peoria? Checkout www.peoria.com and www.peoria.com/events If you create an account, you will get a weekly e-mail with links to what is going on in the Peoria area.

Also, the Peoria Visitor's and Convention Bureau has a very comprehensive site as well: <http://www.peoria.org/>

More:

<http://www.whofish.org>

<http://www.eventcrazy.com/>

<http://eventful.com/>

<http://www.explorepeoria.com/pages/EventsCalendar>

<http://www.peoriachamber.org/calendar/> Peoria Chamber of Commerce Calendar of Events

<http://pjstar.eviesays.com/> Peoria Journal Star and other area Newspaper event calendar

<http://www.ciproud.biz/events.amp> - WMDB event calendar

<http://www.artspartners.net/>

Prost!

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