

ÖSTERREICHISCH-AMERIKANISCHE GESELLSCHAFT - OBERÖSTERREICH AUSTRO-AMERICAN SOCIETY - UPPER AUSTRIA http://members.liwest.at/aas

PROGRAM FOR

JUNE - JULY 2009

To our President, Dr. Josef Weißl, we`re sending out belated but none-the-less very sincere birthday wishes. Congratulations on passing the big 50-year benchmark in April! A look ahead tells us that in July W. Hofrat Dr. Beatrix Eypeltauer will become an outstanding octogenarian. We`d like to take this opportunity to extend to her our very best wishes for a happy birthday celebration.

REGULAR EVENTS

Thursday Conversation: The English Conversation Group meets every Thursday (except holidays) from 10 to 12 noon at the Spitz Hotel, opposite the Neues Rathaus. Just drop in for a chat.

SPECIAL EVENTS

June, Tuesday, 9th

Annual General Assembly Meeting

The General Assembly Meeting will be followed by a Welcome Reception for our new members.

Where:Spitz Hotel, 6 Fiedlerstrasse 6, Linz (Urfahr) Time: 6:30 p.m. Please let us know if you intend to attend by June 4th.

June, Saturday, 27th



The Atlanta Boys` Choir is visiting the St. Florian Boys`Choir this weekend. Some of our members are hosting boys. An English-speaking guide will give us a tour of the monastery in St. Florian, crowned with a choral performance accompanied by the Anton Bruckner organ. Afterwards we will enjoy lunch together, either in the Kellerstüberl or, weather permitting, outside.

Time: 11:00 a.m. Guided tour of the monastery in English

1:00 p.m. Lunch The tour and concert cost € 3.00, but are free of charge for members and host families. The number of participants is limited, so <u>make your reservation soon</u>. Please arrange your own transportation, but let us know if you want to carpool.

In the evening the Atlanta Boys` Choir will give a concert which is open to the public at the Martin-Luther Evangelical Church at Johann-Konrad-Vogel-Straße 4, in Linz. Time: 7:30 p.m. Donations are welcome.

June, Friday, 26th – Sunday, 28th

GO WEST Country Western Days, Altenberg/Oberbairing

This is a chance to step into the Country Western Time zone (CWT) at the Katzjaga Ranch and have "boots `n` barrels" of fun. The Volunteer Fire Company in Oberbairing will be putting on one of the most authentic, 3-day Western festival this side of the Mississippi. Call us for more information or visit their website at <u>www.ffoberbairing.at/country/index_west.htm</u>

June, Tuesday, 30th



We are very fortunate to welcome **Ben Sherman**, a member of the Oglala Lakota (Sioux) Nation, from the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota. He will speak to us about Native American origins, history, cultures, traditional values, foods, art, music, dance, religion and faith, current tribal affairs and contemporary Indian life. Sherman will show us compelling photographs and images of his Native American topics.

Where: Oberbank, Untere Donaulände 28, Linz Time: 7:00 - 10:00 p.m. Admission: Members $\notin 5.00$; Students $\notin 6.00$; Non-Members $\notin 8.00$ Beverages and open-faced sandwiches will be served during the break. Please make a reservation by June 26th.



July, Saturday, 4th Independence Day Celebration

The Fourth of July brings to mind names like Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin and John Adams. We celebrate this day because it commemorates the formal adoption of <u>The Declaration of Independence</u> by the Continental Congress on this date in 1776. The Declaration of Independence is one of

America's most treasured symbols. It identifies the moment when the nation was born and describes the reasons for its birth. It declared the separation of the 13 colonies from England and recounted the grievances that had led to the call for independence. On this Saturday we'll get together with family and friends for a delicious, all-you-can-eat barbecue (vegetarian too!), brownies, ice cream, fruits... Great food, music, line dancing, a volleyball match and field games will all make for an afternoon of fun for everyone!

Where: Freiseder's Gasthaus, Freisederweg 2, Linz (Pöstlingberg) Time: 11:30 a.m. Price: Members: €15.00: Students € 18.00: Non-Members € 22.00, half pr

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PREVIEW: Make a note of these dates!September:Excursion to the Landesausstellung in Schlierbach on Friday, 11th.October:60th anniversary celebration, Thursday, 15th, Redoutensaal, Linz.

We thank all our members who have paid their membership fee and remind those who have not yet had a chance to do so.

Full membership: $\notin 25.00$ Every additional family member: $\notin 10.00$ Students: $\notin 15.00$ We would appreciate it if you would transfer the proper amount to our account.

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