

2022 | Spring Newsletter  
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German-American Club of The Carolinas

### Upcoming Events

#### **Lavender Farm Trip - May 28**

Sign-up, wear comfortable shoes and clothing, pack a picnic, and join GAC members and friends for a fun day at Twin Creek Lavender Farm in Williamston, SC.

If you would like to carpool, please meet us at 9:00 am at Cracker Barrel on Highway 290. We will return after 2:00 pm. Some members may also visit a winery or brewery on the way back.



#### **Sommerfest – August 20**

Come join us for a fun-filled Sommerfest with food, games, and friendship. Sausages, sides, and desserts will be served.

Location: TBC

Time: 4:00 pm – 10:00 pm

#### **Anne Frank Exhibit at Wofford College – September 19 – Nov. 19**

GAC proudly co-sponsors the Anne Frank Exhibit at Wofford College.



#### **Spartanburg International Festival – October 1**

Come support GAC and enjoy an all-day (11:00 am – 7:00 pm) fun-filled celebration of global diversity at Barnet Park. Enjoy great food, games, music, and friendship.

**Stammtisch** – 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm  
Come join GAC members and friends every first Thursday of the month. Future dates and locations are listed below.



June 2 - Stammtisch at the Grapevine, Boiling Springs

July 7 - Stammtisch at Cribb's Kitchen, Spartanburg

August 4 - Stammtisch at the Green Olive Grill, Highway 176 (Springfield), Inman, SC

September 1 - Stammtisch at Delaney's, Spartanburg

## Past Events



### Easter Egg Hunt – April 16

GAC members and friends enjoyed a lovely afternoon at Spartanburg Day School where children had fun with crafts and filling their baskets with Easter eggs. Friendship, delicious food, and sunshine made the day that much more enjoyable.

### 2022 Business Dinner – March 26

The German-American Club members enjoyed a wonderful evening of good fellowship, a catered meal, and a raffle at USC Upstate. While at the dinner new officers and board members were elected. Gundolf Platzek was elected as the new Vice President; Alex Akulli was re-elected for another board term; Norma Geissler and André Amann were elected as new members.



A special guest from Landshut, Germany, Prof. Dr. Burkhard Jaeger, joined the business dinner while he was in town for the Global Upstate Conference on International Business and Foreign Affairs, and an official visit to USC Upstate.



### Fasching/Fastnacht – February 26

The Fasching was held at St. John's Lutheran Church where German-American Club members enjoyed an evening of costumes, dancing, and fellowship. Line dancing, delicious food, and a costume contest all took place at this year's Fasching.

## Club Membership

The club welcomes new members to join at any time of the year. Membership applications can be submitted online; please visit our website [www.gaccarolinas.com](http://www.gaccarolinas.com). Current members may also renew their membership by completing the online renewal form. Please contact us with any questions. Annual membership fees are: \$25 Single (1 person), \$40 Family (2+ persons), \$10 Student.

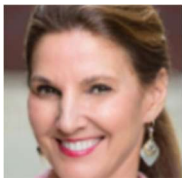
## Resources

### Honorary Consul of the Republic of Germany - Charlotte



Mr. Reinhard von Hennigs is the new German honorary consul in Charlotte, NC. He can be reached at [Charlotte@hk-diplo.de](mailto:Charlotte@hk-diplo.de) or by phone at (+1) 704-333-5220. Address: 112 South Tryon St. - Suite 1500 Charlotte, NC 28284 Services provided include: German passports, German citizenship, registrations, and family matters, documents, certificates, and notarizations

### Honorary Consul of the Republic of Germany - Columbia



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