

After a long winter and spring of distancing, Deutsche Tage are here again! We're looking forward to celebrating a return to the GAI's longest standing tradition and reconnecting with fans of German culture.

Make your *Prost* with a selection of four Paulaner beers on tap or with a grapefruit or NA Radler. Black Forest Inn will serve up delicious *Bratwurst* and German sides, with desserts by Ruhland's Strudel Haus.

Music and entertainment throughout the weekend includes the Bavarian Musikmeisters and Alpensterne, GAI favorite Ron Machel and master concertinist Josh Eidsor, along with Makam Baklava Turkish music ensemble and Rivers Ballet, and a special appearance by MN Opera soprano Karin Wolverton. As in past years, local vendors will have German goods for sale. *Bis bald!*

Find all the details at gaimn.org.

Saturday, June 12 | noon - 9 PM and Sunday, June 13 | 11 AM-5 PM

Online registration is no longer required. Admission is free. Adults 21 and over may buy wristbands for \$5 to purchase beer and wine at the bar. Please bring your ID.



Become a Deutsche Tage VIP (Very Invested Patron)

We continue to rely on our donors and supporters to make cultural programming possible in challenging financial times for nonprofits. Personal sponsorships, at \$100 for individuals and \$150 for couples, help cover event production costs and directly impact Deutsche Tage success. You really do make a difference! Details at gaimn.org/DTVIP or call the office at 651.222.7027.

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EVENTS

June 12-13

Deutsche Tage

June 19, 26 Kaffee und Kuchen

July 13

Stammtisch Curbside

July 3, 10, 24, 31 Kaffee und Kuchen

July 17

International Café

August 10 Stammtisch Curbside

LEARN GERMAN

June 7

START A-1 adult beginner class begins

June 28

Summer Camps begin

July 12

Adult Summer Session begins



Corporate Sponsorship

Corporate sponsorships puts your business in front of a large and diverse audience with one thing in common—they love Deutsche Tage! Our audience will recognize your organization as one that is committed to the ongoing support of the GAI and Germanic culture. Find all the details at gaimn.org/dtsponsor.

Fresh Faces at the GAI Haus



New staff at the GAI include, from left to right, Caroline Blank, Casey Horn, and Olivia Felland.

Caroline Blank, Director of Language Education

Caro was born in a small village in the Saarland region of Germany, close to the French border. She has an MA in Chinese studies, history and Romance literature and an MA in Applied Linguistics. Earlier in her career, she worked for the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) in Shanghai, Beijing, and Bonn. Twelve years ago, she moved to the U.S. and took a position managing testing for the Goethe-Institut Chicago. What she likes about Germany is public health care and the concept of "Kurzarbeit" when times are tough. One thing she admires about the U.S. is a strong sense of optimism and a willingness for change when times are tough.

Casey Horn, Office Manager

Casey is originally from Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, but she has lived in the Twin Cities for 7 years. She majored in history with a concentration in German Studies at St. Olaf College. Before joining the GAI in January, she was the Group & Event Coordinator at Minnesota Children's Museum. As a kid, Casey would spend her afternoons with her Oma and Opa—who were from Germany—reading German poetry, polka dancing in the basement, cooking and baking German food and even making homemade sausage. In college, she spent a semester abroad studying at Humboldt University in Berlin.

Olivia Felland, Development Coordinator

Olivia grew up in Northfield, Minnesota. She graduated December 2020 from Hamline University with a major in history. After completing an internship at Charities Review Council and the Minnesota Historical Society, she joined the GAI this March as the new Development Coordinator. Olivia has many hobbies, including reading, podcasts, yoga, biking, watching movies, knitting, and learning to crochet. She also enjoys eating *Spätzle* and any kind of pretzel! She's hoping to one day visit some of the castles in Bavaria.

IMPORTANT NOTE: This is a combined June and July newsletter—monthly newsletters will resume in August. We try our best to bring you accurate information, but events are sometimes subject to changes that are out of our control. For the most current information about classes and events at the GAI, visit our website at gaimn.org or call the office at 651,222,7027. Danke!

UPCOMING EVENTS



International Café
Saturday, July 17 | 1–3 PM
Join the GAI and the Iraqi and
American Reconciliation Project (IARP)
for an international Kaffee und Kuchen
featuring German and Iraqi sweets.
Members of the Iraqi community
will also share some traditional Iraqi
dances and music in a joint celebration
of culture and community.
Details soon at gaimn.org



Summer Kaffee und Kuchen returns! Saturdays beginning June 19 12–3 PM

The GAI Damen return with home made *Kuchen* and *Torten* for sale by the slice. Enjoy it on the porch with a cup of hot coffee. *No registration needed*



Stammtisch Curbside Tuesdays, July 13 and August 10 Stammtisch German *Mittagessen*returns with a curbside format on July 13 and August 10. Pick up your meal at the GAI at 11:30 a.m. Reservations are required—please call Casey at 651.222.7027 to reserve your meal. \$13 includes a meal and dessert.

SUMMER SESSION German language classes

SUMMER CLASSES FOR ADULTS

Improve your comprehension and conversation with themes like *Sommerparty auf Deutsch!*, *Haribo macht Kinder froh!* (German ads), contemporary German topics and German short films. For level A2/B1, the summer *Buchclub* class features the book *Schloss Gripsholm*. More information and registration at gaimn.org/adults.



BEGIN YOUR JOURNEY HERE

Our START 1-2-3 Beginners Series will get you on the road to learning German! The first class in the series will be offered via Zoom. Class emphasis is on speaking, in a casual, fun, and supportive environment. Classes begin June 7 and meet once a week on Monday evenings through August 30. More information at gaimn.org/start.



GERMAN FOR BEGINNERS CAMPS

Kids can have a fun summer camp experience at the GAI Haus and grounds and learn some German! Camp options include:

Kinder lernen Deutsch (Intro to German) For ages 4-6 and 7-10

Session 1: June 28-July 2
Session 2: August 9-12
Register at gaimn.org/camps

AROUND THE HAUS

Haus & Grounds updates

The next Haus & Grounds Saturday work session is July 10. Work sessions begin at 9 a.m. and end at noon with lunch and beer! The weekly Thursday morning work sessions are now back in full swing, and we are always looking for volunteers. If you would like to be included in the weekly Haus and Grounds email update, please contact Jim Gruetzman at jgruetzman@gaimn.org.



Hier & There takes a short trip to the Saarland in southwestern Germany. You'll also hear about the pros and cons of "task-based" learning, featuring Caroline Blank, GAI's new Director of Language Education. Listen at gaimn.org/Podcast



Friedrich Schiller Der Taucher

Der Taucher (The Diver) is a ballad by Friedrich Schiller, the German poet, playwright, and philosopher. It was written in 1797, the year of his friendly ballad competition with Goethe. Listen and follow along with the text at gaimn.org/Podcast.



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In case you missed it...

German Cakes with Helga Parnell

Learn how to bake Apfelkuchen and Schwarzwälder Kirschtorte. In the second installment of "From the GAI Kitchen", Helga Parnell shared her baking secrets and showed the steps to preparing these two iconic German cakes. Thanks to everyone who joined us at the live event and sent us their photos. If you missed it, find links to the recipes and the YouTube video at www.gaimn.org/calendar/bake.





