Deutsche Tage returns with Paulaner beer, an expanded food menu, entertainment for the whole family, and fairy tale princesses!
Saturday, June 11 | noon – 9 PM
Sunday, June 12 | 11 AM–5 PM

ENTERTAINMENT
Saturday: Dale Dahmen & The Polka Beats, the Chmielewski Funtime Band, and Ron Machel on accordion.
Sunday: Bavarian Musikmeisters, the Minnesänger Chorus, and accordionist Mark Stillman.
You’ll also find fairy tale princesses, puppet shows, storytelling, polka dance lessons, and a castle bounce house for the kids!

FOOD
Food vendors include Aki’s Pretzels, the Black Forest Inn, Burbach’s Potato Pancakes, Nuttin Like It, RJ’s Meats, and the GAI Damenklub brings back their Viennese Cafe, featuring home-baked cakes, tortes, and coffee.

Admission is free. Adults 21 and over may buy wristbands for $5 to purchase beer and wine at the bar. Please bring your ID.

Volunteers Needed!
Volunteers are crucial to make Deutsche Tage run smoothly. Have a great time, support the GAI, and enjoy a free beer! Sign up at gaimn.org/deutschetage

Become a Deutsche Tage Personal Sponsor
Help support one of the GAI’s biggest cultural events and get special perks and recognition! Sign up at gaimn.org/dtvip

LEARN GERMAN
ADULTS
Start 1-2-3 class begins June 16
Summer session begins July 11
KIDS AND TEENS
Summer Camp registration is open

GAI GRUPPEN
JUNE 15
GAI Damenklub
JUNE 20
Deutscher Sprachklub

Stammtisch Curbside
Tuesday, June 14 | 11:30–noon
This summer we offer the option to stay and eat on the patio! Our June menu: rotisserie chicken, Harzer Kartoffel Salat (with a sour cream dressing), mixed vegetable and carrot salad, and chocolate cake with mocha frosting for dessert! Call the office at 651.222.7027 by 3 p.m. on Friday, June 10. $13 for lunch and dessert.
Celebrate Summer at the GAI

Summer at the GAI is a time of celebrations, and this year will include some of our favorite events. Don’t miss Deutsche Tage in June, a Grillabend on the lawn in July, and Kaffee und Kuchen on the GAI porch!

Stammtisch Curbside continues, and for the summer, there will be an option to enjoy your meal on the patio.

Kids rule the Haus and grounds on weekdays, as we offer a full schedule of summer German camps. And adults can begin or continue their German learning—in person or online.

Join us for one or all of these events. 

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Kaffee und Kuchen

Saturdays, June 18–July 30 | 9:30 AM–2 PM

Grillabend

Save the date! | Thursday, July 28

GAI Blog

It’s Spargel season!
Learn some fun facts about German’s love affair with Spargel, the pale white vegetable that sets off a frenzy of asparagus eating every spring and early summer.

Germany’s Halloween in April — Walpurgisnacht
Walpurgisnacht is a celebration that takes place every year on the night of April 30 and into the early morning of May 1. Originating in medieval traditions—it was a night to pay tribute to the Abess Walpurga—new celebrations include firework shows, singing folk songs and enormous bonfires to burn wooden witches.

Read more at gaimn.org/blog

Summer Camps and Adult Classes
BEGIN YOUR JOURNEY HERE

Our Start 1-2-3 Beginners Series will get you on the road to learning German! Held online via Zoom, classes emphasize speaking, in a casual, fun, and supportive environment. This 12 week class meets once a week on Thursday evenings from June 16 through September 1. More information and registration at gaimn.org/adults.

THERE’S STILL TIME TO REGISTER FOR SUMMER CAMPS

Kids won’t want to miss out on summer fun auf deutsch at our camps with themes such as Science with Water, Robotik, and Wir machen Theater. For our youngest learners, we offer German for Kids through Song and Kindergarten Safari. With options for ages 5 to 18, we welcome German beginners to bilingual campers! Held in the GAI Haus and on the grounds, our week-long camps will run from June 20 through August 12. Find the full camp list and registration at gaimn.org/camps.

SUMMER SESSION BEGINS JULY 11

Improve your comprehension and conversation skills this summer and work towards fluency during our 6-week sessions, offered for levels A1-B2/C1. The summer Buchclub class features the book, Die unendliche Geschichte, by Michael Ende for levels A2/B1. If you would like to revisit some grammar topics, join us for Cases, articles, word order, oh my!, a 4-week class at A2 level. More information and registration at gaimn.org/adults.

OBITUARY

Mary-Fred Bausman-Watkins

The co-founder of the Twin Cities German Immersion School (TCGIS) and later German teacher at St. Paul Central High School, died on May 8, 2022, at age 59. Mary-Fred also taught at the GAI’s Samstagsschule and was instrumental in the creation of Kinderstube German Immersion Preschool.

She will be missed by a large community of German students and their families.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. on June 4 at St. Clement’s Episcopal Church, 901 Portland Av., St. Paul.

Read the full obituary at tinyurl.com/mvpsky9x

AROUND THE HAUS

Haus & Grounds June and July

In June, instead of holding a regular work session, Haus & Grounds will support set-up and tear-down for Deutsche Tage. Set-up will be Friday June 10 from 9 a.m. until 1 pm. Tear down will occur immediately following the event at 5 p.m. on Sunday June 12. We need your help! To volunteer, please find the sign-up link at gaimn.org/deutschetage.

The next Haus & Grounds Saturday work session is July 9. Work sessions begin at 9 a.m. and end at noon with lunch and beer! If you would like to volunteer or for more information on helping with gardening and maintenance, please contact Jim Gruetzman at jgruetzman@gaimn.org or call the GAI office at 651.222.7027.
Communities for Ukraine update

The outpouring of support from the GAI community has been amazing! We have exceeded our goal of $20,000 and continue to take in donations for the refugees living in the community of Zell. Our first installment of $10,000 was transferred in April and we heard from the Bürgermeister’s office that some of the money is already being used to stock non-perishable food items and buy appliances.

The GAI Haus and Grounds team is sending a few members to help with the hands-on work of renovating apartments in Zell. Marty and Penny Loso are the first team out of the gate. Marty is sending updates about the work and also some of the sights they are seeing and friendly people they are meeting in the charming town of Zell.

"This morning we met the Baumeister, Franz-Josef Nolden. In our car, we followed him across the river to an old schoolhouse halfway up the hill. Penny and I are renovating about 8 rooms on the second floor. Today we stripped everything off of the walls, cleaned them, replaced trim and patched any holes (some small and some LARGE). Penny picked up and bagged lots of junk/litter, swept (several times) and washed windows. Tomorrow we begin to paint." —Marty Loso

In the July newsletter we will announce the final results of the fundraiser and more updates from Zell.

Photos: Top, the old school being renovated for lodging, middle, Penny and Marty Loso at work, bottom, a view of Zell