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Newsletter of the Austro-American Association
June 2021

Dear Members and Friends,

This has been a difficult year for all of us, but having friends and helping each other is a powerful assurance that we all cherish in the A-AA.

We have just had a Zoom Board Meeting that included the wishes of our members to get together again, and we discussed some future safe A-AA events. Please find a summary of this meeting below.

Wishing you a pleasant and healthy summer!

With best regards to all of you,

Traude Schieber-Acker, President

The following topics were discussed by the Board.

Elections: All officers and board members have agreed to continue in their current positions for 2021 - 2022. Members may submit additional nominees as Board Members.

Annual Meeting: Unfortunately, this year's June Annual Dinner meeting is not being held for the second consecutive year due to the ongoing coronavirus restrictions.

Other Events: All of us sorely miss our wonderful event gatherings, seeing each other, catching up, mutually enjoying the company of one another, good food and wine, and appreciating wonderful music together. Many of you have expressed a desire to get together at an outside venue. The board discussed several possible places, including restaurants with outside seatings. We contacted several places (including The Wayside Inn, Legal Seafood, Coach Grill, Papa Razzi in Concord and BSV). They do not have outside settings with reservations, or are not suitable for the A-AA.

The Board decided that the future is too uncertain to be able to make plans for outside events. Nevertheless, we will continue to search for an outside place with food and beverage service. **If any of you have thoughts where this is possible, please contact Traude asap.** Most certainly we will require fully vaccinated participants in any such gatherings.

Christmas Event: The St. Julia Parish, where we had our 75th Anniversary, does not take reservations from now through December. The BSV could be available for a few days in December. To be decided.

Annual Dues: will not be required until we schedule events again. Tax Deductible contributions to our operating fund would be much appreciated.

Scholarship Program: The scholarship program is on hold, likely until 2022. The presentation of our scholarship recipient of 2020, Maxfield Fulton, is still to be scheduled.

The Board will review the status of all items in August.

Continuing Officers and Board Members of the Austro-American Association for Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022.

OFFICERS:

President - Traude Schieber-Acker
Vice President - Martha Stasa
Treasurer - Hana Sittler
Secretary - Judy Zohn

Chairman of the Board: David E. Acker
Board Members: Veronika Demers,
Christian Donner, Johann Nittmann,
Renate Yasigian

Committees:

SCHOLARSHIP PANEL:

David E. Acker, Traude Schieber-Acker, Hana Sittler, Judy Zohn, Veronika Demers, Christian Donner, Johann Nittmann, Renate Yasigian

MEDIA: Chairman: Christian Donner
Committee: David E. Acker

HOSPITALITY:
Chairman: Renate Yasigian

EVENT PLANNING:
Traude Schieber-Acker
David E. Acker

MEMBERSHIP MAILING:
Traude Schieber-Acker, Hana Sittler

Zoom DIRECTOR:
Johann Nittmann

Congratulations to our continuing board with many thanks from all in the Austro-American Association for your dedication.

Zoom Meetings:

Some members of the A-AA have gotten together via Zoom meetings during the pandemic and more recently, they have become quite popular. Johann Nittmann has done a wonderful job in managing these Zooms and we greatly appreciate his effort.

We would like to limit the attendees for each Zoom to around 20 people in order to give everyone the opportunity to speak. Reservations are on a first-come-first-served basis.

If anyone is interested in joining the Zooms please contact Traude.

We look forward to see and hear from you.



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