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ANNUAL BANQUET NOV. 7

The Society's Annual Awards Banquet and Dance will be held at Martin's West on Friday, Nov. 7th. Each member is invited to attend and bring guests.

The event will feature a special German-style meal, with German wine on each table and German beer at the bar. The affair has occurred almost annually since the Society's founding in 1783. It has been customary to invite the German Ambassador, State and local officials, the Presidents of the other ethnic organizations and the German Society of Pennsylvania.

This year's affair will be different than in the recent past with an improved menu and more convenient location. The names of all attendees will appear in the program with their seating assignments.

HONOREE: CONGRESSMAN EHRLICH

Robert Ehrlich, M.C. has been selected as this year's honoree. The award is presented annually at the awards banquet to a Marylander of German-speaking ancestry who has made significant contributions to our state or nation. Prior recipients have been the governor of Md., college presidents, prominent clergy, philanthropists and artists.

Mark your calendars to attend this prestigious event. Notices will be mailed to you in early October.

DONALD TILLMAN 1931 - 1997

Don Tillman, a lifetime director and past president of the Society, died on August 11. Pastor Otto of Zion Church presided over his funeral service which was attended by many members of the Society. Don is survived by his wife, Irma (also a director of the Society), his daughters Lynn Chaput and Joyce McGuire and seven grandchildren. A memorial bursary for the Donald E. Tillman Educational Fund of The German Society has already received over \$1,000 in donations.

KIRCHGANG SET FOR OCT. 19

The long tradition of an annual Kirchgang (going to church) by the members of the German Society will be celebrated on October 19 at Zion Church, City Hall Plaza. The service begins at 11:15. Members are asked to assemble at 11 AM in the entrance hall to enter the church as a group. After the service, a luncheon (featuring beef burgundy) will be hosted for our members and guests at a charge of \$8 per person. All members are invited to attend. The Society has maintained a special relationship with Zion Church, since many of the founders of the Society, in 1783, were members of that congregation.

"THE IMPACTS" BAND TO PLAY AT BANQUET

Back by popular demand for the Society's Nov. 7 Banquet, The Impacts will play their selections of German traditional and American popular music. Last year's attendees requested a repeat performance. Bandleader George Barndorf specializes in playing requests, so think about the music you want to hear. (State your requests when you order your banquet tickets.)

"The purpose of the German Society of Maryland is to preserve and promote the German heritage, language and traditions through educational, social and benevolent programs; and to develop the unity and continuity of the German American community in the State of Maryland."

UPCOMING Events Calendar

IN THE PLANNING

Directors of the Society are making plans for the new season. Included are:

CHILDRENS' PROGRAM for the presentation of selections of Fairy Tales of the Brothers Grim. The canceled program prepared for the German Festival at Carroll Park will be presented in Spring, 1998 at a yet undetermined location.

MT. VERNON TOUR. The Society's office is located in architectural-rich Mt. Vernon Place. The local architectural society is offering tours of the area. The Society is scheduling a spring tour, beginning and ending at our office.

GERMAN - AMERICAN ACCOMPLISHMENTS

A national exhibition prepared for the U.S. Department of Agriculture, wants to come to Maryland and the German Society agreed to co-sponsor it. Mike Nieberding and Ted Potthast met with Dennis Bixler, Chairman of The Agricultural Art & Science Foundation to review the project. The Board voted to participate and seek a likely site for the display, in late spring, 1998.

CHRISTMAS RECEPTION. An afternoon reception for members at our offices at 15 Mt. Vernon Place.

SPECIAL MEETING OF MEMBERS. A Saturday retreat to consider the goals of the Society and the means to achieve them.

VEREINS KALENDAR

Sept. 20	Annual Picnic - Centennial Park
Sept. 27	Family picnic & pig roast - Club Fidelitas
Sept. 29	Feast of St. Michael, Patron of Germany
Oct. 11-12	Maryland Oktoberfest - Armory
Oct. 19	Annual Kirchgang - Zion Church
Nov. 7	Annual Awards Banquet - Martin's West
Nov. 26	Annual Thanksgiving Eve Ecumenical Service - Zion

ECUMENICAL SERVICE - THANKSGIVING EVE

The Society will co-sponsor, with Zion Church and The Society for the History of the Germans in Maryland, an ecumenical service on Thanksgiving Eve. The service will be followed by a social function with refreshments in Zion's Adler Saal.

Chairman of the event is Robert Gay. Edwin Wenck, a long-time director of the Society, who is an attorney, artist and ordained minister, will preach the homily.

Notices and invitations will be mailed to all members in early November. Mark your calendars and plan to bring your family and friends.

Donald Tillman was the president of the German Society when the Berlin all fell in early November, 1989. He immediately called a special meeting and told us that we had to do something to commemorate the new freedom in Germany - that we had to thank God that all Germans now have the freedom to worship him without persecution by the communists. Don met with Pastor Otto and thus began the tradition of an ecumenical service of Thanksgiving which has taken place for the past eight years on Thanksgiving eve. We hope that this tradition will continue and be a silent tribute to its chief architect, Don Tillman.

SOCIETY'S FOREBEARS HONORED AT NORTHPOINT BATTLE ACRE

Members of the German Society of Maryland who fought in the Battle of Northpoint in 1814 were honored on Sept. 7th at Battle Acre Park on Old Northpoint Road, the actual site of the decisive battle against the British, lead by General John Stricker, one of our Society's incorporators. Dandridge Brooke and Clement D. Ehrhardt II, two of our directors, laid a wreath at the monument in memory of the 30 members of the Society who fought there.

JOHN ENSOR, DIRECTOR

John H. Ensor, vice president of the brokerage firm of Folger Nolan Fleming Douglas, Inc., died June 23rd. John served on our board of directors and directed the investments of the German Society's general and scholarship funds for nearly 15 years and under his care, the fund values increased dramatically while producing income to help fund our activities.

John was also a farmer and artist and worked with his family on his farm in norther Baltimore County, raising cattle, hay and selling cordwood. He practiced the ancient mariner's art of scrimshaw - carving on whale, mastadon, elephant and walrus ivory.

John served in the marine corps during the Korean conflict. He served as commander of the Markland Kelly American Legion Post and as President of the St. George Society. He was a director of Edenwald (The General German Old Age Home), of the Constellation Foundation, Inc. He was a member of the St. Andrew's Society, the International Visitor's Association and St. James Episcopal Church, Monkton.

He supported the German Society's activities and members recall a recent visit from a German naval ship when John took a large contingent of the crew to his farm for a day in the country. He floated on inner tubes with the sailors, down the Gunpowder River, which flowed through his farm; and they later feasted on fresh corn on the cob grown on John's farm. The sailor's enjoyed it so much that John had to send a bushel back to the ship with them.

His son Scott is an active member of the Society. The Society extends its condolences to John's widow and four children.



DONALD EWALD TILLMAN: PRESERVER OF THE SOCIETY

From time to time during the existence of an organization, there appears on the scene a person whose mere presence brings vitality and new meaning to the institution. Such was the relationship of Don Tillman to the German Society of Maryland.

America's cultural evolution brought the demise of most ethnic organizations. Ther German Society, founded in 1783, was already 204 years old in 1987 when Don took on its presidency. Like most ethnic groups, its membership was foundering. Its activities had diminished to an annual dinner, an annual meeting and a couple directors meetings and its sole activity was a "scholarship" program. Communication among the members was minimal. Don changed this by reviving and breathing new life into the Society.

He brought new directors on board. He made them think about the purpose of the Society and how it could be attained. He made the Society's presence known by an active participation in the Bürgerverein and the summer German festival. He especially instituted contacts with the German Embassy. He encouraged Judge Wittstadt in strengthening the program the German Citizen of the Year award and presenting the honoree at the annual banquet. He selected his friend, Governor Schaefer, as the first recipient of the award (Don Schaefer visited him in the hospital a week before Tillman died). Later he convinced another friend, Louis L. Goldstein, to accept the Society's annual award. Don persuaded both Ted Potthast and Mike Nieberding to serve in the president's post as his successors, and guided them both by keeping the role as chairman of the Executive Committee and of the Membership Committee and a member of the Finance Committee.

The German Society of Maryland has prospered under the leadership of Don Tillman. We will sorely miss him. We trust that the impetus of Don Tillman's spirit will help to preserve Society and keep it going for another 200 years.

LANGUAGE STUDENTS AWARDS

The German Society, presented cash awards totaling \$2,250 to students from Maryland schools who attained the 85th percentile in the German language examinations for 1997. The awards program, conducted by the American Association of Teachers of German, MD Chapter (president Dr. Mohamed Esa) was held at the Univ. of MD, College Park. Directors Christel van der Berg and Ted Potthast attended.

The recipients were: **Baltimore City College** (teacher Sarah Daneker): Lionel Foster & Kathleen Berrigan. **Chesapeake HS** (teacher Shirley Santora) Jedidiah Uker, Jerry Simms, Meike Lewis and Elizabeth Aten. **Dematha Catholic HS** (teacher Siclaire Rzasa) John Minaert. **Eleanor Roosevelt HS** (teacher Hans-Alfred Schneider) Maria Paoletti, Samuel Lynn, Caitlin Moore, Ingrid Brill. **Georgetown Prep School** (teacher Marialuise Collins) John Zedlewski, James Wong, Michael Polignano, Justin Palmer, Diaa Nour, Jeph Jacques and Kevin Barrow. **John Carroll School** (teacher Judy Potter) Donna Beares. **Loyola HS** (teacher John Innes) Peter Schuette and John Lurz. **McDonough School** (teacher William Lyon-Vaiden) Patrick Jacobs, James Disney, Mark Staley and Anne Olcerst. **Old Mill Sr. HS** (teacher Lois Gerstenlauer) Clinton McKay. **Severna Park HS** (teacher Kathleen Hearhart) Alexander Wiener. **Wilde Lake HS** (teacher Myrna Pigo) Robin Shipp, Elena Kessi, Kurt Mueller, Andrea Kraljevic, Amil Kapor and Angie Hsien.

GERMAN CLUB FILM & LECTURE

The German Club at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County will present a screening of the critically acclaimed film "Nasty Girl" followed by a lecture by the real life heroine and author, Anna Rosmus. October 18, 1997, 4:30 PM in the Lecture Hall of the Kuhn Library. Free admission. As a teenager, Rossmus discovered her hometown of Passau's hidden Nazi past while writing an essay. She has dedicated her life to memorializing the victims of the persecution. The film and lecture is part of an all-day "Mindfest" which includes presentations in the arts, children's activities, competitions, Science & Technology and athletic events.

"GERMANTOWN GETTING A HEART TRANSPLANT"

So read the headline in the business newspaper, The Daily Record last month. Germantown, a Montgomery County community of 60,000, will receive a 60 acre Town Center featuring a transit hub, hotel, cinema complex, restaurants, retail outlets and a central green. Besides this Germantown, a village of the same name thrives in Baltimore County. Many other locales in America bear the name "Germantown", with the preeminent Germantown located outside Philadelphia and founded by a group arriving aboard the ship "Concord" in 1683.

BATTLE MONUMENT GIFT BY SOCIETY

Honoring one of the German Society's founders, General John Stricker, our Society donated \$5,000 to the City of Baltimore for the restoration of the Battle Monument, which General Stricker helped to fund at the conclusion of the "War of 1812" with England. General Stricker (issuing orders in German) led the American troops in the victorious Battle of North Point, ending the war and sending the British troops back to England. General Stricker's troops included 20 members of the German Society.

The Battle Monument, located in the middle of Calvert Street at Fayette Street in Baltimore City, appears on all official City documents as the emblem of the City. The marble monument has deteriorated such that more than \$250,000 is needed for its restoration.

President Michael Nieberding presented the Society's check for \$5,000 to Mayor Schmoke at a ceremony at City Hall on July 7.

The Society's participation in the restoration project was headed by one of our directors, Brigitte Fessenden, an official of the City's Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation.

Members of the Society attended the rededication of the Monument on September 12th and heard Mayor Shmoke and other officials, preceded by a parade from City Hall.

CITY HALL MONUMENTS EXHIBIT

An exhibit in the rotunda of the Baltimore City Hall features the many monuments erected to commemorate the role of Marylanders in the victory over Britain in the War of 1812. It will remain until the end of September. Brigitte Fessenden, a director of our Society, prepared the exhibit. It contains the names of contributors to the 1815 Battle Monument (including that of our incorporateor, Gen John Stricker) and of those who donated to restore it in 1997. At the re-dedication of the Battle Monument last week, Mayor Shmoke publicly thanked the German Society for its contribution.

MEMBER NEWS

MANY THANKS-----

to **Irma Tillman** for her long hours in preparing the meal for our annual meeting - in buying food, preparing and setting it up, serving and cleaning up afterwards; and to Irma's helpers: **Harry and Betty Gruel, Mike Nieverding, Connie and Ted Potthast, Marcie Sturgill** and all those unnamed who chipped in with the set up and clean up.
 --to **Zion Church** for the use of its dining room for our 1997 Annual Meeting.
 --to the **NIEBERDING FAMILY** for their work at the annual picnic. President Mike, his father and uncles did all of the heavy work in setting up, cooking and cleaning, while **Irma Tillman** bought the food and cooked her special sweet sauerkraut recipe.
 --to **CHRISTEL VAN DER BERG** arranging for the picnic site and reservations.

GERMAN COUSINS VISIT SCHMIDTS

This summer members Gene and Ernie Schmidt hosted Ernie's cousins, Robert and Marlis Starkloff from Tannroda, Germany. They live in a 300 year old farmhouse in East Germany, the home of Ernie's grandfather's family before they emigrated to Upperco in Baltimore County in 1861. The visitors paid their respects at Ernie's grandfather's grave in Upperco. Although east and west Germany united 7 years ago, the cousins from the east were nevertheless amazed to see the abundance of foods and goods available in our markets and shops.

Two students from the Towson University German Department (Lori Levine and Sandra Feldbinder) served as interpreters for the families at their reunion in a local restaurant. The visit served to strengthen family bonds which had been weakened by east Germany's 50 years of communist restrictions.

VISITS TO & FROM GERMANY, ETC

The German Society wants to hear about its members' visits to German-speaking areas of the world and about visitors to Maryland from there. Write us about your inter-cultural exchanges.

BÜRGERVEREIN STRIKES AGAIN

Remember the nice article in the June issue of this newsletter about our Grimm's Fairy Tale project for the German Festival? Well, it never happened.

Attempts by The German Society to provide a cultural program for the Festival were frustrated by the officials of the Bürgerverein. They refused to permit our exhibit of Grimms' Fairy Tales to go forward as planned.

The Society was cooperating with three other groups to present a depiction of the Grimm Brother's Fairy Tales at the festival. We assembled many illustrated books of favorite tales of the Bruders Grimm and arranged for their presentation. The children of the Zion German Language School had practiced their presentation of some of Grimm's Märchen and had planned costumes and furnishings for the "room" where the children were to gather to hear the readings.

The last minute cancellation by the Bürgerverein of the Society's plans was a repetition of the same situation which occurred in two of the past three years. Our directors are displeased at this arbitrariness and voted at their last meeting to reconsider the Society's relationship with the Bürgerverein.

MICHAELMAS - SEPT. 29TH

"Michaelmas", the feast day of St. Michael the Archangel, the patron saint of Germany, will be celebrated in many churches in Maryland on September 29th. Churches with large German congregations often conduct special services on that day. Maryland has many churches named for St. Michael. Statues depicting St. Michael overcoming a serpent are found in many towns in Germany.

PICNIC & PIG ROAST

The Club Fidelitas picnic is set for Sat., Sept. 27 at the Baltimore County Game and Fish Assoc., 3400 Northwind Road in Perry Hall. \$12 members and \$15 for guests. Call Al Zorn 410-256-4178 or Walter Doleschal 310-866-2372. Roast pig, hamburgers, German beer and soda, activities and games for the young and old.

THE JULIUS HOFMANN MEMORIAL FUND

In 1985, the president of the Hofmann Memorial Fund Committee, Dr. Carrie May Zintl, approached the German Society of MD and asked that our Society take over the task of administering the Hofmann Memorial Award. Dr. Zintl turned over the treasury of the Hofmann Fund (consisting of \$8,000.00) to the Society to be administered through our educational fund. The Society has designated one of its college awards each year as the Hofman Memorial Award.

The Julius Hofmann Memorial Fund was established in 1930 to honor and preserve the memoroy of Pastor Julius Hofmann, who until his death in 1928 had served for forty years at the beloved pastor of historic Zion Church (founded 1755). Zion still continues a regular Sunday service in the German language. Pastor Hofman was a commanding personality, known and recognized by all in Baltimore as the spiritual and cultural representative of a large element of the city's population who were of German birth or descent.

The fund aims to stimulate and encourage the study of German in the schools of Maryland. For many years the Hofmann Memorial Award was presented to the best student of German in the graduating class of high schools and colleges in the state of Maryland, with the faculty of the schools selecting the winner of the award.

The annual award consisted of a bronze medal with the head of Pastor Hofmann and a book prize. The medal is the work of Hans Schuler, a late renowned Baltimore sculptor.

In the move to our new offices, the die for the casting of the Hofmann Medal was re-discovered. The Board of Directors is now searching for a firm which can strike a supply of medals for use as prizes for excellence in German studies for the future, to carry out our agreement to perpetuate the Hofmann award.

SCHNAUFFER, MD. GERMAN, FIRST PUBLISHER TO OPPOSE SLAVERY

At a time when no English language newspaper in Maryland came out against slavery, CARL HEINRICH SNAUFFER took a strong anti-slavery position in his daily German-language abolitionist paper, the "Baltimore Wecker."

Schnauffer, born near Stuttgart in 1823, was a poet, soldier, freedom-fighter and a Forty-Eighter who was exiled from his Fatherland after an unsuccessful revolution in Baden. He came to Baltimore in 1851, married Elise Moos and started his newspaper, but died of typhoid fever in 1854 after three short years in America. His widow continued publishing the Baltimore Wecker. At the outbreak of the civil war, a mob stormed the Wecker offices, smashing its windows. At that moment, Mrs. Schnauffer with her child in her arms stepped out of the building to face the mob, and her appeal to their better natures caused them to abandon further destruction. Schnauffer's wife and his brother published his collected poems in Baltimore in 1879. A lecture on the life of Carl Schnauffer present by Prof. A. E. Zucker at the 1939 annual meeting of The Society for the History of the Germans in Maryland, which was published in its Report #24. Prof. Zucker was then head of the Modern Language Departmenet of the University of MD.

DONALD E. TILLMAN ACADEMIC AWARD

To memorialize the contributions by past president Tilman, The Board of Directors enacted a resolution, part of which reads as follows. A proclamation was given to Don shortly before his death.

"WHEREAS, during his tenure in office he breathed new life into the Society and revived the spirit of its members, instituted new programs, increased the membership, installed many new directors and brought a new prestige to the organization, and;

"NOW THEREFORE, the Officers and Directors, desiring to exprese the lasting gratitude of the Society for his labors, his unrelenting expenditures of ime and for his devotion to the advancement of our German-American heritage, culture, language and customs, have enacted the following resolution, this 4th day of August, 1997:

"RESOLVED, That the German Society of Maryland hereby establishes an annual award, to be known and designated as THE DONALD E. TILLMAN ACADEMIC AWARD, to be granted on an annual basis to an appropriate person or institution for the advancement of German culture, heritage and language in the field of education, in such amounts as the Board shall from time to time establish."

MISCELLANEOUS: ITEMS OF INTEREST

LOUIS L. GOLDSTEIN, our 1995 Honoree and member, has announced that he will run for an 11th term as the Comptroller of Maryland. Louis holds the record for longevity in office for Maryland, and possibly for the entire USA. The youngest persons who voted for him when he first ran for office in 1938 have now been collecting social security for 15 years. Louis will be 85 in the next election. Prior to his 40 years as Comptroller, he served in the MD House of Delegates and the State Senate, having held the office of President of the Senate.

FATHER MARTIN SCHWALENBERG, an active member of the Society, was inducted last month into the Maryland Oldtimers Baseball Hall of Fame. Father Marty was an All-Maryland high school pitcher at Calvert Hall and performed also at Loyola College. He is currently the chaplain for the Baltimore Orioles baseball team.

BALTIMORE OPERA SEASON: TICKET DISCOUNTS. Germans are known to be lovers of the opera, and to encourage this tradition, the Baltimore Opera Company is offering discounts for the upcoming season to members of the German Society. Richard Wagner's "Der fliegende Holländer" will be presented in German with English subtitles. Other operas in the schedule are: Verdi's "Falstaff", Puccini's "Madame Butterfly" and Bizet's "Carmen." Brigitte Fessenden is planning group attendances by members of the Society. To join the group, call her at 410-532-7511. You can also attend individually and still get discounted tickets by calling Gretchen Nielen at 410-625-1600 and identifying yourself as a German Society member.

QUAKER (?) OATS: Frederick Schumacher, a miller in Akron, Ohio, invented oatmeal during the Civil War. It became very popular with the Union Army. After the war he founded the American Cereal Company, the predecessor of the Quaker Oats Company.

PALLBEARERS for Don Tillman were members of the Board of Directors of the Society (except Dutch Niemann, whose wife Betty is a director): Mike Nieberding, Ted Potthast, Ed Wenck, Ron Antlitz, Hans Hurdle and Dutch Niemann.

CAL RIPKEN'S GERMAN ANCESTRY. Cal Ripken, Jr. of the Baltimore Orioles baseball team broke a record set by another German-American, Lou Gehrig, by playing in 2131 consecutive games. Ripken's great grandparents on his father's side (Frederick Peter Ripken and Affena Lubina Wychgram) immigrated from Germany in the 19th century and settled in Harford County, Maryland. His mother, the former Violet Gross, of German/Irish descent. The Gross family immigrated before the American Revolution.

WEBSITE for the German Information Center in New York : <http://www.germany-info.org>

PAPERS WANTED: The Society for German-American Studies is calling for papers for its 22nd annual symposium in Indianapolis April 23-26, 1998. The topic: The 1848 Revolution - 150 years: The German-American Dimension. The failed revolution in Germany brought an onslaught of emigration of intellectuals out of Germany and to America. Deadline for papers: October 15, 1997. Fax to Prof. Giles Hoyt at 317-274-2347.

LECTURES: Rev. Dr. Eric Gritsch is now presenting a series of weekly conferences on perspectives on death and dying each Sunday at mid-morning at Zion Church. The series includes Professionals in health, finance and law. Dr. Gritsch is a retired professor from Gettysburg Theological College. For information call Zion at 410-727-3939.

GENEALOGY: The Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints (Mormons) at Dulaney Valley Road and Seminary Avenue, has a new phone number: 821-0444. You can call for an appointment to use their computers to research their genealogy files. The Mormon's Family History Library in Salt Lake City (801-240-2331) is free to the public and is visited daily by 2,900 people from all over the world tracking down their families. Other sources for research: The National Archives in Washington, DC (202-501-5400) and the Federation of Genealogical Societies (214-907-9727).

DR. ARMIN MRUCK, a German Society member, was honored by The Federal Republic of Germany on Sept. 19 in ceremonies at the Embassy. Details next issue.

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