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President's Message-Kraig Dean

Hello!

I hope everyone is getting back to some semblance of normality. I am sure everyone is aware we had to forgo the German Society's Annual Meeting due to State, City, and CDC guidelines. The April Board meeting was held via Zoom. A new slate of Officers was submitted and approved. I am in appreciation to our Board of Directors for their vote of confidence in my selection as our new President of the German Society of Maryland. I look forward to meeting again in person. We did just that with the Executive Committee Meeting held in-person on the 27th of May at the Society's Office on York Road in Timonium. I am hoping that we can continue doing so as it was so good to see everyone in person! There is a new list of officers for 2021-2022 located on the last page of this newsletter.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Past

President Shelley Arnold for all of her hard work during the unusual pandemic year. I can only say she got our Society through the lockdown in great condition. It is with great gratitude I can say Shelley will keep doing our fantastic Newsletter which comes out four times a year. Also special thanks to the officers who along with Shelley, kept things going!

Our first official public event will be the German Festival this July 10th and 11th located at the Maryland State Fair Grounds in Timonium, Maryland. Volunteers are needed for both days. Volunteering for a 2.5-hour shift at the booth will get you free admission to the Festival. Please contact Past President Anton Smoot to sign up. For this, his email is: agsmoot@verizon.net Do not worry we will try to pair you with a seasoned member who is familiar with the workings of *Your Society*. What better way to help and learn about who we are and what we do



than to work at our booth with someone who has more knowledge of our non-profit Society.

We are moving ahead planning projects that will move our Society forward into a stronger position by which we can grow and prosper. Our Society is as good as its membership. Keep in mind, we are here to keep the German Heritage and Language alive and not forgotten. Helps us celebrate it!

I look forward to seeing everyone at our future events!

Kraig A. Dean

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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



Unser Kalender

June 24	Executive Committee	TBD
July 10-11	120th German Festival	Timonium
July 28	Board Meeting	TBD
August 26	Executive Committee	TBD
September 23	Executive Committee	TBD
October 6	German American Heritage Garden	Details to follow
October	Heritage Month Seminar Series	See Flyer Insert

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German Society Website:

www.germansociety-md.com

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www.md-germans.org

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www.germanmarylanders.org



The Julius Hofmann Memorial Award



Many of you are aware of the 'Merit Awards' presented by the German Society each year. The awards are presented to High School and College Students (see page 4).

What many do not know is this award began as the Julius Hofmann Memorial Award. The Julius Hofmann Memorial Fund was established in 1930 to honor and preserve the memory of Pastor Julius Hofmann, born on April 9, 1865 in Friedberg. He served for forty years as the beloved pastor of historic Zion Church at City Hall Plaza, until his death in 1928. This old congregation, founded in 1755, continues a regular Sunday service in German today. Julius Hofmann graduated from the University of Giessen and entered the seminary in Friedberg. He served

under Pastor Scheib, who for many years, 1835 to 1895, served as the principal and major force in Zion's school, at that time one of the best in the state. Pastor Hofmann, upon taking the lead position at Zion, was a commanding personality known and recognized by all in Baltimore as the spiritual and cultural representative of the large element of the city's population who were of German birth or descent. Pastor Hofmann was a visionary and educator. He began teaching German at Hopkins in 1890 and it was his vision that brought to fruition that which is Zion today. He designed the Gemeindehaus (parish house) and was instrumental in the additions made between 1912/1913.

The purpose of the award is to stimulate and encourage the study of German in the schools in Maryland. Every year 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. The faculty of the school selects the winner of the award. The award remains active today in the capable hands of the German Society of Maryland.

The prize for this honor, in the past, was a bronze medal with the head of Pastor Hofmann and a book. The medal was the work of Hans Schuler, the late renowned Baltimore sculptor. In the interest of American youth the Julius Hofmann Memorial Fund remains dedicated to this high ideal. Today the award is in the form of scholarship monies.

There has been much written about Reverend Julius Hofmann and Hans Schuler. The German Society of Maryland's mission is to continue to preserve and promote the German heritage, language and traditions. Today, the German Society does that through our scholarship programs.

Besides our dues payments, many members make contributions to our two major funds, the 'Education Fund' and our 'Newsletter Fund'. This past dues cycle:

Education: \$1645.00

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Thinking of Learning German?

In her introduction on February 5th in 'This Week in Germany', Nicole Glass of the Embassy's webteam, hit the nail on the head. Why study German? Why not? She wrote:

Have you ever thought about learning German? Reaching a level of fluency will take time and dedication, but it will pay off in the end.

German is one of the most useful languages to learn – and that's because it is the most common native language in the European Union. There are more than 100 million native German speakers in the EU and German is an official language in Germany, Austria, Liechtenstein, Switzerland, Luxembourg and Belgium – that's 7 countries! Plus, a few other countries speak German in certain provinces.

Globally, German is the 11th most-spoken language in the world and it is the third most commonly taught foreign language in the US, following Spanish and French. You'll find German speakers almost everywhere! In the US, one-fourth of all tourists are German-speaking (pre-pandemic, of course).

Even in the workplace, German comes in handy. It turns out that German is particularly useful in the fields of business, culture, history literature, theology and philosophy. It is also the second language most commonly used for scientific terms.

There's no doubt that learning German is useful, but is it difficult? Well, German is famous for its long and extensive use of compound words and its case system may not be the easiest to remember. However, English and German share a large percentage of their vocabulary. In fact, one survey found the origin of English words is 25% derived from Germanic languages.

Thank you for renewing your 2021 and thanks those that donated extra to the Newsletter, Education and/or General Funds. Those collective donations really help us continue our work promoting the German Language and Heritage in our community.

Together we can do great things. If everyone does a little – a lot can be done!

While time marches on, so does the average age of our membership. Which brings me to this point. Do you know anyone interested in joining? For about seven cents a day

ask a friend or family member to join or even better make it a gift membership!

We are also looking for volunteers to work the booth at the 120th German Festival July 10-11. Call to pick a time slot (410-685-0450). You may also email Anton Smoot at agsmoot@verizon.net

'The Society presents 'Merit Awards'

The German Society for many years has presented awards to college and university students from Maryland studying German. The program provides up to 3 awards of \$1,000.00 each to outstanding Maryland students studying at colleges and universities in Maryland and Washington DC, who have declared a German major.

In addition, The German Society also offers awards of \$500.00 each to up to three Maryland students who are minoring in German at a Maryland or Washington DC college or university.

The candidates presented our Education committee with a tough task. The applications, essays, recommendations and transcripts were testament to the applicant's exceptional qualifications.

The winners this year:

Caroline Pugh attends the University of Maryland and Majors in German Studies, Biology and Pre-Med. She carries a 3.68 GPA. Caroline was part of the Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange, is a member of the Honor Society, recipient of the President's Scholarship, a volunteer at the Maryland Shock Trauma Center and the Trauma Operating Room. Dr. Josh Alvizu, UMD Professor, stated, "Based on my experiences with her I can say without hesitation that she is one of the most talented students I have ever had the opportunity to teach either here at UMD or at other institutions I have taught, which include Yale, Johns Hopkins, and Washington & Lee".

Leanna Rousset also of the University of Maryland, majors in German Stud-

ies and Engineering. She carries a 3.46 GPA. She plans to study engineering in Germany. She is a volunteer at the Humane Society and a Telemundo Instructor for children. Her Professor, Dr. Regina Ianozi, says that, "I am especially impressed with her capacity for creative thinking and writing as well as her ability to articulate her analysis of various topics in German.

Last but not least and also a student at the University of Maryland is Leah Smead. Leah majors in Germanic Studies, English Language and Literature. She carries a 3.9 GPA. She made the Dean's list the last three terms. Dr. Randy Ontiveros, Professor at UMD, stated, "Ms. Smead is among the very best in terms of intellectual curiosity and creativity, passion for language study and cross-cultural experience, and professional focus.

We will award one 'Merit Award' to Adam Ratajczak, who minors in German and Majors in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology and carries a 4.0 GPA. He a student at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County. His activities and awards include UMBC Merit Scholar, UMBC Honors College, Founder and President of UMBC German Club, Mem-

ber of Phi Delta Epsilon Professional Medical Fraternity, Undergraduate Researcher in Dr. Chengpeng Chen's Microfluidic Analytical Chemistry Laboratory. He also worked at Manna House (food distribution for the homeless in Baltimore). His professor, Dr. Susanne S. Sutton, stated, "His language skills are excellent, his comprehension superb and his writings are well-organized and insightful. He completed German 301 with one of the highest grades in the class".

Many thanks to Maureen Helinski, Chair of our Education Committee and committee members, Armin Mruck, Mohamed Esa, Gerhart Meinzer, Mary Upman, Shirley Santora, and Linda Butt.

*Herzlichen
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deutschen Studenten,
die ihre 2021 Klassen
abgeschlossen haben!*



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Studying in Germany-What you need to know!

Want to study in Germany? Here are the top 10 tips to assist you as you search for your study place.

There are over 400 high-end universities to choose from and choosing the right school and right course is not always easy. Use the following guide as you choose and search. The best part is that many of these schools have opened their doors to American students and have a ton to offer, including free tuition, scholarships, a booming job market and research funding.

Die Zeit, Germany's leading weekly newspaper has a new magazine, ZEIT Campus which is a guide to study, research and work opportunities in Germany. Read the magazine at https://issuu.com/zeitmagazine/docs/zeit_germany_study_and_research_2020?fr=sZWEzYzEyMDg0NjE

One of the most difficult decisions is choosing your subject. German universities offer almost 17,000 courses of study. In last issue we told you about the GSM student representative, who was accepted and is studying in Münster, James Eberwein. He has chosen Business Administration as his major. If you haven't chosen your field of study, there are a few websites that could help with direction. There is even a test specifically designed for technical study courses.

- High School Aptitude Test (In English): www.hochschulkompass.de
- Zeit Campus Aptitude Test (In German): <http://studiengaenge.zeit.de/sit>
- TU9 German Universities of Technology (In English

& German): www.global-assess.rwth-aachen.de

If you already have an idea of what you wish to study, the next step would be to look online at what courses of study are available in that specific field. The best starting place is the website of the German Academic Exchange (DADD). This organization is the world's largest for the promotion of international exchange among students. Their site also gives valuable information on bachelor, master and PhD programs. In most of these programs, lectures are generally given in English.

- DADD (Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst e.V): www.daad.de
- DADD International Programs: www.daad.de/international-programs
- DADD Plan your Studies: www.study-in-germany.de/en/plan-your-studies

Believe it or not, Germany has only had the higher education courses ending with a Bachelor's or a Master's degree for about 15 years, but they now account for 90% of the courses. There are still, just as here in the US, certain subjects such as medicine or law that still requires a 'state examination'. If you are looking for PhD studies, you need a recognized university qualification. That and other information or what you need to know may be found online. You can find all you need to know about opportunities for PhDs on the website "Research in Germany" and in the database "PhDGermany", provided by the German Academic Exchange Ser-

vice (DAAD). Both of these are available in German and English.

- Higher Education Compass: www.hochschulkompass.de/en/degree-programmes
- Study in Germany: www.study-in.de/en/plan-your-studies
- Research in Germany (Federal Ministry of Education & Research) www.research-in-germany.org/en.html
- DADD: www.daad.de/deutschland/promotion

The next step would be to determine where would be the best fit. There are three types of university in Germany:

1. Classic: Universitäten, which offer academically-oriented study course
2. Fachhochschule, universities of applied science, placing the emphasis on vocational training.
3. Musikfachchule, which is an academy of arts, film, music, etc., and more for the student concentrating in the arts.

There are some universities that specialize in specific subject areas such as...medicine, education, technical, etc. The universities are maintained by the German state, so there are usually no fees. The regulations may vary as the schools/education is the responsibility of the sixteen German

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A Little History...the German Festival



Despite two world wars, that made Germans and German Americans an enemy of the state, and in the past year, a worldwide pandemic, the German American community have pulled it together to celebrate their heritage and culture annually. True that in the first century of the event, the 1900s, crowds were much larger, speakers much bolder, countless entertainment and German cuisine and free flowing beer, it still serves the same purpose...bringing the German American community together. We will celebrate at the 121st German Festival this year!

The festival had its' beginning as 'German Day. It was first celebrated on October 6, 1890, when the German Historical Society approved a day be set aside to celebrate the 207th Anniversary of the Landing of the first German Colony in the US. This was a major event in Baltimore with demonstrations, special speakers, entertainment, etc. The Baltimore City Schools had 500 children sing the 'National Anthem' in German. The evening concluded with a spectacular display and torch light parade that ran throughout the city, ending at the Concordia House with an evening concert. Baltimore City Hall flew the national colors of

Germany, as the then Governor Jackson and then Mayor Davidson reviewed the torch parade from the portico. To read more about this first German Day see the Society for the History of Germans in Maryland's article at <http://loyolanotredamelib.org/php/report5Hennighausen41-72.pdf>.

German Day varied for the next several years ranging from sponsored dinners sponsored by SHGM and German Society of Maryland (GSM) at Germania Männerchor Hall in 1891 to a large event at Electric Park in 1899. A comment in the Sun-paper stated, "Indeed, the German strain in the local, as well as the national, blood is so strong that there are comparatively few persons who are not of German descent or who have not German connections more or less close. This article also lauded the arrival of Pastorius and his group, arriving from Crefeld and vicinity, landing in Pennsylvania, stating that this brave new race proved their self equally and that the US has reason to be proud of their numbers within their borders. They were compared to the New Englanders landing at Plymouth Rock. This day was too filled with entertainment, speeches (with the speakers transported by electric cars).

It was about this time when the month of the event was changed to September. The date was changed, to honor the defense of Baltimore during the War of 1812...in fact, it commemorates the fact that history shows no small part was taken by the German Americans in defense of Baltimore in 1814.

In 1901 and 02 the event was held at Darley Park, which in fact, became the location of choice during the early years, meeting there in 1904

and 1905. There were again many speakers. This year the keynote was Rev. Julius Hofmann of Zion. Zion Church of the City of Baltimore has always been active in the celebration of German Day or the German Festival. The Darley Park event hosted 67 societies. The event was nicknamed, the 'event of booths'. The event committee consisted of more than 250 persons. This event was a three day event chocked full of concerts, speeches, entertainment by bands, dances and the Turner clubs. There was even entertainment by the German Orphan Home. There were also trolley rides to Gwynn Oak, Mt. Washington and Ellicott City. This was the first year that awards were presented for the best decorated stand. The 1905 event hosted 20,000. I thought it was interesting that the Secretary of the Navy was urging Germans to oppose the suffrage amendment, primarily because women seemed predisposed to vote for prohibition, whereas, the German men enjoyed their beer.

In 1906, the event moved to Riverside Park in South Baltimore. The speech presented at that event by the speaker C.J. Hexamer (President of the German Alliance) summed up what many thought of their German friends. He stated, "Were I asked to characterize the American of German blood I would say: industry, frugality, thrift, domesticity, conservatism, honesty in public and private and a strong individualism." He continued by outlining the many donations made by Germans in the US. Congressman Wachter, speaking the same day, stated when speaking about the Great Baltimore Fire of 1904, "if nobody else had celebrated the
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rebuilding of the city, the Germans would have done it themselves. Riverview Park remained the venue of the event for the years 1907 to 1927.

In 1929 the festival moved to Arion Park. Arion Park was located directly across the street from Loudon Park cemetery on Wilkins Avenue. It was touted as the 29th annual celebration. All of the German Festival/German Day events were loaded with great singers from many of our German singing groups, speeches by leading politicians, entertainment with bands, children from the German Home, etc. It was a big day for the children when they were often treated to ice cream and some other delicacies, not always available at the Home.

The festival moved again in 1931 to Gwynn Oak Park. This park hosted the event in 1931, 1932, 1934 1937, 1939, 1940, 1942, 1948, 1949 and 1952, which in '52' was shared with *Continued on page -9-*

Stammtisch at the 'The Old Stein Inn'

As COVID restrictions are eased and more people receive their vaccinations, it has become easier to meet and enjoy the company of our friends and family.

We did exactly that on April 25th when about 25 members of your Board met at the 'Old Stein Inn' in Edgewater. It was a beautiful day, a little on the chilly side, but we were seated inside their covered bier garden.



Probably the nicest part of the day was sharing our past few

months and how things are improving. We are able to visit and enjoy our families and many are making vacation plans.

It was especially great to see some of our older members who were, for many months, hunkered down in their homes without much outside contact.

The weather was good, the food was good, the beer was cold and the company was great.

KRIMSKRAM

Why German bread is the best in the world

Baking is serious business in Germany. The country even has an Institute for Bread. According to the bread register of the German Institute for Bread, there are now more than 3,200 officially recognized types of bread in the country. And German bread culture was officially added by UNESCO to its Intangible Cultural Heritage list in 2015.

A key German term rests upon those hearty loaves: one of the words for work is Broterwerb, literally "gaining one's bread."

Bread is a staple for most meals in Germany: at breakfast, break-time (sometimes called Pausenbrot, or "break bread") and dinner or Abendbrot, literally the "bread of the evening."

"It sells like sliced bread" is a German proverb describing fast-selling items.

Bread even stars on TV: a talking loaf named Bernd has become a popular character among German children. The comedy series "Bernd das Brot." hosted by the titular character, has been airing on the children's channel KI.KA since 2000.

So why are Germans so mad about loafs, pretzels and rolls?

To read more and review a German break dictionary, see: <https://edition.cnn.com/travel/article/germany-best-bread/index.html>



Plattdütsch-A Rare German Dialect is Dying, but a Missouri Town is Fighting for its Survival.

There is a small town in central Missouri, Cole Camp. This town housed its share of immigrants and they tell their stories in the article of their younger days when they spoke a dialect called Mi, or low German or Plattdütsch. This language was the heart and sole of the immigrant community. The article goes on to talk about the 49 million Americans that claim either full or partial German ancestry and the fact that only 2% actually speak the language.

German immigrants in the Midwest came from different parts of Europe and settled in communities in both Missouri and Kansas with differences in regional dialect, just as in Germany.

This article follows those immigrants arriving in the 1830s and settling in Cole Camp, Missouri. They brought their families, their farming skills and their Plattdütsch. It talks about what the community is doing to keep the traditions and the language alive, including monuments, writing histories, translating songs to Plattdütsch, meeting groups, a monthly Stammtisch and more. The town is working diligently to keep their German identity.

To read more: <https://www.kcur.org/community/2020-02-22/a-rare-german-dialect-is-dying-but-a-missouri-town-is-fighting-for-its-survival#stream/0>

New Law Eases Citizenship for Descendants of Nazi Victims.

Deutsche Welle reported in late March that Germany was attempting to draft law to grant citizenship to more descendants of Nazi victims. If enacted, it will close a loophole that has led to many of those descendants being denied the ability to reclaim their citizenship.

Reasons for the denials are many and include that some ancestors fled Germany and changed their citizenship prior to the Nazi government revoking their citizenship, others due to their date of birth being prior to April 1, 1953 to a non-German father and a German mother in a gender discriminating rule.

It was 1941 when the Nazi's stripped citizenship from all Jews living outside its borders. Prior to 41, many Jews had their citizenship stripped for political or ethnic reasons.

The new law will set into motion a law and change in rules adopted in 2019.

To read the entire article, see <https://www.dw.com/en/germany-new-law-eases-citizenship-for-descendants-of-nazi-victims/a-56977454>.

Potthast Furniture Mentioned in Video

A May 18th presentation by the Baltimore Heritage Foundation's in one of their 'Five Minute History Videos' spotlighted the Bagby Furniture Company. During this presentation the Potthast Brothers Furniture Company received a mention. Our past president and director, Ted Potthast's family owned and operated the furniture company for many years. The video used the two companies as a comparison, with the Bagby Company that embraced the *Continued on page 11-*

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 Carlin's Park. In 1931, one of the



Carroll Park-1990

remembered take-aways was the telegrams received from President Hoover and Governor Roosevelt (candidate for President). Both messages were printed in the Sun-paper the next day. Another first is the festival in 32 served 'near beer' due to prohibition. Many thought this would put a damper on the event and the numbers, but it was reported that 20,000 were in attendance. The Citizens Union sponsored the events. Today, that is the Bürgerverein. The event was held in Gwynn Oak in 1956, 1957, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1965 (Mencken honored), 1966, 1967,



Gwynn Oak Park—1960's

making it the most used venue for the German Festival.

1933 was an odd year with two festivals, both held on the same day, however, one sponsored by the Citizens Union was held at Carlin's Park and the other, chaired by an individual, Maximilian Haw, was called the 'Cannstatter Volksfest', held at Schutzen Park. If you recall the annual Oktoberfest held at the Fifth Regiment Armory, you will remember the fruit monument. It stood 24 feet tall. This monument was first used at the Cannstatter Volkfest.

The event was held at Carlin's Park in 1938 as well. Sixty five societies took part and it was here that the war was splitting the German American community. The speaker that year, Dr. C.R. Walter Thomas a professor at the US Naval Academy urged the

6000 attendees to be 'Germans for America' as well as 'Germans in America'. He continued, "This country is our country; its welfare is our welfare."

A January event held in 1950 and labeled as the annual 'German Day', was actually the annual dinner of the German Society of Maryland. It was held on January 16th at the Emerson Hotel. The honorary chairman of the dinner was Theodore R. McKeldin. There was entertainment and singing. The guest speaker was Pulitzer Prize winner (1939), Louis Lochner, a war correspondent that followed the German army into Poland.



Under the Grandstands, Timonium 2007



Timonium Fairgrounds 2018

In the 70s the event venue changed several times with the 1970 event being held at the Deutsches Haus. The 1977-1983 events at Fells Point, 1978 at Rash Field at the Inner Harbor. The 1984 at Boston and O'Donnell Streets in Canton, moving to Carroll Park in the 90s (1990, 1996, 1999, 2001, 2005) and moving to the Timonium Fairgrounds in 2007.

Only a few years, including the past pandemic year and a few war years have been missed.

The event will be held at Timonium Fairgrounds again this year. It will be held July 10th and 11th. Hope you will join us.

Also, if you want to learn a little more about the German Festivals, visit <https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BxQN4BSUBfFAdnhyOFVOMVJKcEk/view>

If you would like to volunteer to work a shift at the 120th German Festival, July 10th and 11th, contact the Society office at 410-685-0450 or at german@germansociety-md.com

See you in a few weeks!

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states. There are, however, usually fees involved with a post graduate degree such as the Master's and PhD programs. The religious universities are financed by the Catholic and Protestant churches and the country has about 120 private universities. Just as in the US, there are often high charges associated with these schools.

More detailed explanations on the various types of university in Germany can be found on the "Higher Education Compass" web portal, a German and English-language service provided by the German Rectors' Conference (Hochschulrektorenkonferenz, HRK).

www.hochschulkompass.de/en/higher-education-institutions.html

Schools in Germany have an exceptional reputation and are regularly compared to one another. The Center for Higher Education Development (CHE) ranks the universities using about 30 popular subjects which are evaluated by 200,000 students and 15,000 professors based on various criteria. This will give you direction on which universities will fit your particular subject area. Again, visit the website of DADD as well as ZEIT, to find the 'CHE University Ranking'.

- www.daad.de/deutschland/studienangebote/ranking/en/
- <http://ranking.zeit.de>

We all know that practical experience also carries many advantages, perhaps you want to study at a university, but you do not want to give up on practical experience or earning a wage. Many students combine study and work. There are work-study programs in Germany. The same is true of internships. You can apply for one before, during or after your degree. You will need to make application. The country has a minimum wage 9.35€ (US\$10.68),

which also applies to interns. You can find internship vacancies in the vacancy listings of the German Federal Employment Agency (Bundesagentur für Arbeit, BA).

Dual studies/work (German):
www.duales-studium.de
 Job Exchange Employment Agency:
<http://jobboerse.arbeitsagentur.de>

Source: www.Deutschland.de ;
<https://studying-germany.com/>

Other Resources for German Students

Studying in Germany

<https://www.studying-in-germany.org/>

German Society of Maryland –Scholarship forms for students studying German in Maryland schools

<https://www.germansociety-md.com/education.htm>

Germany Student Visa requirements

<http://www.germany-visa.org/student-visa/>

Health Insurance for Students studying in Germany

<http://www.germanyhis.com/health-insurance-students/>

Information on earning your Master's Degree in German

<https://www.mastersdegree.net/masters-degree-germany/>

Meet the Germans

DW Euromaxx recently presented a video that offers help for those wishing to study in Germany. It welcomes you to a crash course in studying there. It is a short 6 minute video which I would encourage all students considering a study abroad program watch. Go to <https://www.facebook.com/dw.euromaxx/videos/295744951946942>

FREE STUDENT MEMBERSHIPS

We encourage all students from first grade through university level to become student members of our Society. Email their name, grade or level, and name of the school to the Society at german@germansociety-md.com and stating that you wish to become a student member. This is FREE. **NO ANNUAL DUES WITH VALID EMAIL ADDRESS!**

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steam engine and used it successfully to increase furniture production at a lower price and the Potthast Brothers Company that was known for their ‘high end’ furniture using the old world methods, including foot lathes to turn spindles for chairs, etc. They also repaired antique and valuable furniture.

I was surprised at the number of furniture manufacturers/companies were in the area. In 1870, 64 companies employed 800 persons and just 15 short

years later, there were 95 companies, employing 2000.

To watch the video, go to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gtQKpO_9SfU. To learn more about the Potthast Brothers, go to <https://www.germanmarylanders.org/profile-index/manufacturing-retail>.

Lollipop tests begin in primary and special schools

Monday, May 10, 2021 in North Rhine-Westphalia will be the first federal state to introduce so-called lollipop tests nationwide at all

primary and special schools. The tests are called lollipop tests because the pupils have to suck on the test stick like on a lollipop for 30 seconds. The samples are examined in PCR test procedures by laboratories. The testing is first done in groups. Only when a group has tested positive are individual tests of the group members done. "The lollipop tests will help us to break chains of infection in schools from the very beginning," said NRW School Minister Yvonne Gebauer (FDP).

Help the German Society be more efficient and save paper. If you have an email address and would like to receive your ‘Vereinsnachrichten’ via email, send an email to Lynette Dean at german@germansociety-md.com This action alone saves paper and postage costs.

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