

## ... NATIONAL ANTHEMS ...

### Deutschlandlied (3rd Stanza)

Einigkeit und Recht und Freiheit  
Für das deutsche Vaterland!  
Danach laßt uns alle streben  
Brüderlich mit Herz und Hand!  
Einigkeit und Recht und Freiheit  
Sind des Glückes Unterpfand.  
|: Blüh' im Glanze dieses Glückes,  
Blühe, deutsches Vaterland. :|

### The Star Spangled Banner (1st Stanza)

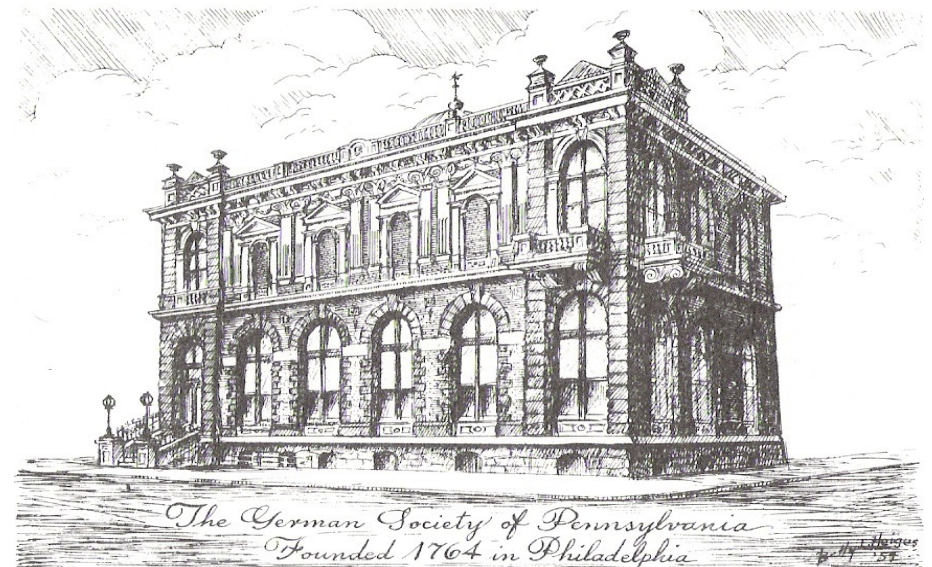
Oh, say can you see  
by the dawn's early light  
What so proudly we hailed  
at the twilight's last gleaming?  
Whose broad stripes and bright stars  
through the perilous fight,  
O'er the ramparts we watched  
were so gallantly streaming?  
And the rocket's red glare,  
the bombs bursting in air,  
Gave proof through the night  
that our flag was still there.  
Oh, say does that Star-spangled  
Banner yet wave  
O'er the land of the free and  
the home of the brave?

By international Protocol, the hymn of a foreign country is sung before the National Hymn of the home country.

## The German Society of Pennsylvania

Founded in 1764

Celebrating its 247th Anniversary



## Stiftungsfest Gala Dinner

Saturday, November 12, 2011

Dear Members and Friends of the German Society,



This evening we are celebrating our 247<sup>th</sup> Stiftungsfest with our Founders' Ball. When the Society was formed on December 26, 1764 I am sure that the brave and generous men did not envision that there might be a migration of 8 million German speaking people to America. Nor could they have

anticipated that even today there is still an important need and role for an ethnic based organization to celebrate the contribution of the immigrants, German-Americans, who helped shape the development of this great country. Over these nearly 250 years our missions have changed slightly reflecting and adjusting to the interests of the current memberships. Keeping our joint heritage alive through social events, cultural program offerings, lectures or seminars and other activities remains a core mission for us.

We continue with our capital program to up-date our facilities and I am sure all of you will notice our new restrooms in the basement, with a new handicap facility. A significant donation for this project came from the late Mr. John C. Haas, a major philanthropic in Philadelphia. Several additional improvements are planned. For examples Mr. and Mrs. Ron and Christel Tillmann will generously donate funds to replace the front door by the end of this year.

To help assure that the Society will remain financially secure for generations to come we started an Endowment Fund with The Philadelphia Foundation. At last year's Stiftungsfest, Mr. Ulrich Both gave us a very generous check to start this endeavor. I am happy to report that at this point fourteen (14) individuals or families have donated or have pledged contributions. We also have commitments from eight (8) families or individuals that we are included in their estate plans or wills.

Our wonderful library is the recipient of a major grant by the Max Kade Foundation for a project to archive and catalog books and manuscript for the period of 1919 to 1960. I believe this is a recognition by the Foundation that we have a very unique collection which needs to be preserved and which should be made accessible to wider audiences.

A fine event such as this could not take place without the hands-on support of many volunteers, especially members of the Stiftungsfest Committee. They were once again led by Frank Klare as the Chair of the Committee. I would like to recognize and thank all our volunteers who spent many hours to plan this anniversary celebration.

Ernest D. Weiler, President

## **GSP Endowment Fund / Linden Society**

*The Linden Society recognizes all individuals and families who have made either donations, or plans for donations to the German Society of Pennsylvania.*

*These individuals have made donations or have included the Society in their estate plans (includes bequests, charitable remainder trusts, charitable gift annuities, life insurance, retirement plans, real estate or other assets).*

### **Donations received or pending**

**Chairman's Circle** (at least \$100,000)

**President's Circle** (at least \$50,000)

Ulrich A. Both

**Council** (at least \$25,000)

Frank and Renate Genieser

Donation in memory of Elsa Schweikert

Ernest and Jutta Weiler

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**Assistant** (at least \$2,000)

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### **Legacy Gifts**

*The German Society is especially grateful to the following individuals for having been included in their estate plans.*

Anonymous Donors (2), Frank and Renate Genieser, Helga Halbfass, Tony Michels and Patty Raine, Lou Oschmann, Maria Sturm, Lew and Hella Volgenau, Ernest and Jutta Weiler.

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*of*

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*we extend*

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*Program*

**Champagne Reception**

In the Joseph Horner Memorial Library  
6:00pm - 7:00pm

Master of Ceremonies: Joseph DeMaria

Welcome Address: Dr. Ernest Weiler, President

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**Dinner, Silent Auction and Dancing**

In the Albert and Hete Barthelmes Auditorium  
7:00pm - 11:00pm

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Procession of Colonial Societies

The National Anthems

Toast: Frank Klare

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**Dinner Menu**

Arugula and Radicchio Greens

With Orange Segments, Toasted Pine Nuts and Feta Cheese  
Citrus Herb Vinaigrette

Sliced Grilled Hanger Steak with Mushroom au Jus

Pan Seared Maryland Jumbo Lump Crab Cake

With Lemon and Thyme Sauce

Roasted Red Bliss Rosemary Potatoes and Fresh Green Beans

Assorted Rolls and Butter

Chocolate and Vanilla Scented Cheese Cake

With Bittersweet Chocolate Glaze

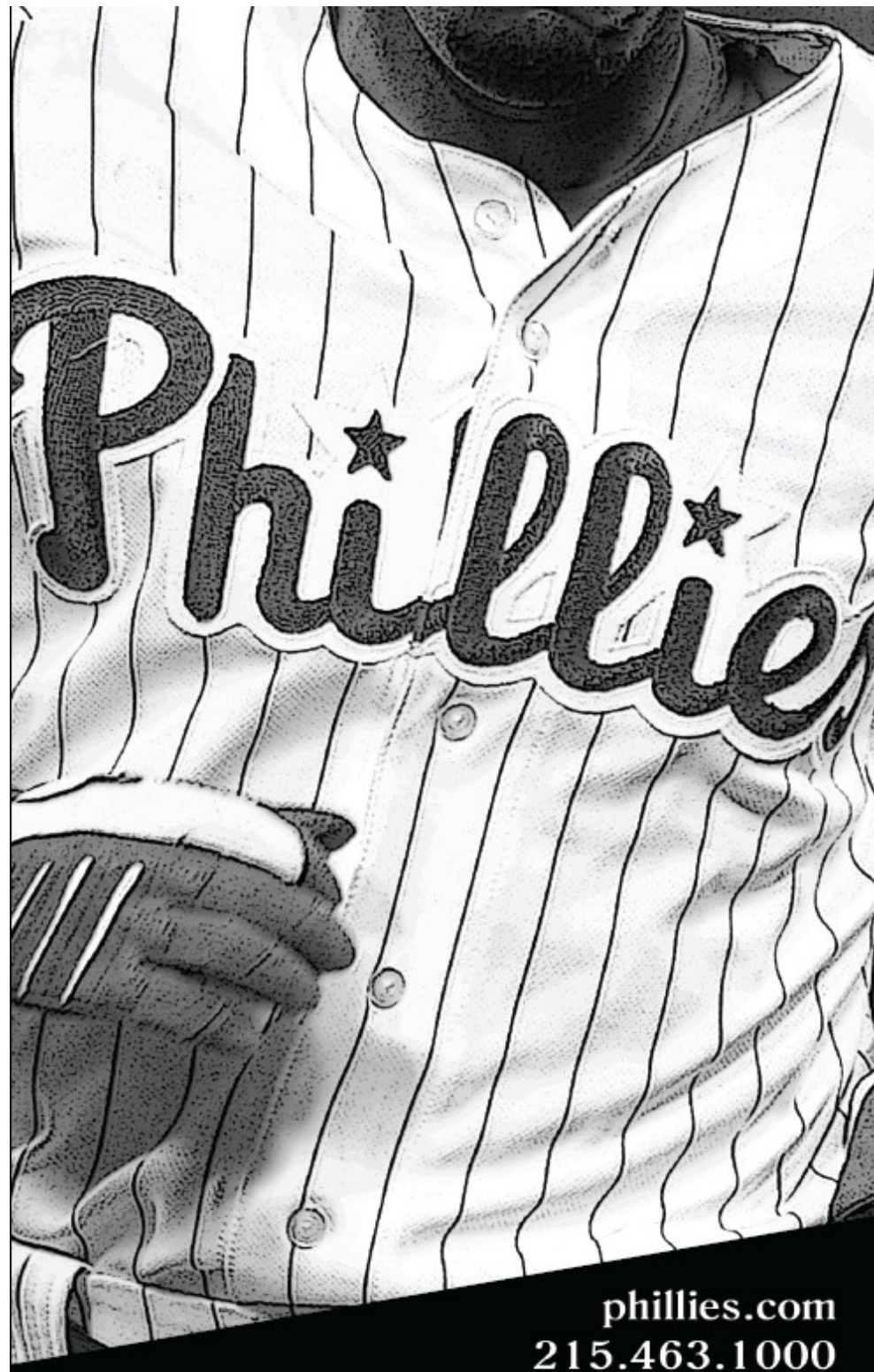
Coffee and Tea

*Music by the Kauriga Orchestra*

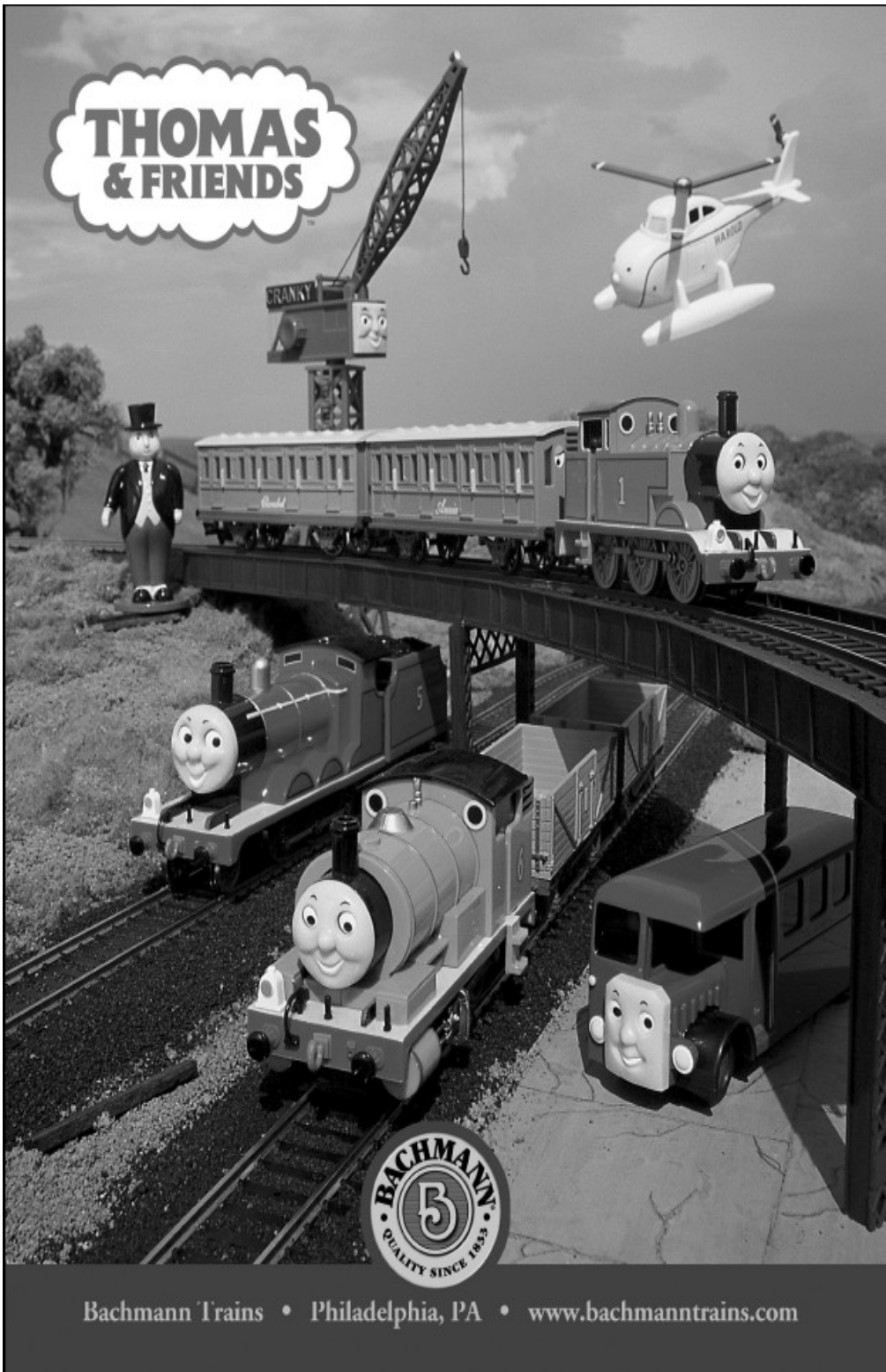


## Silent Auction (7:15 - 10:00)

1. Week at vacation apartment in Ocean City, May 19-26, 2012 or similar date. Value \$850. Opening bid \$700.  
*Desiree and Herta Tonneatto.*
2. Week at country house in Buxton, North Carolina, close to shore. Week of July 5-11, 2012. Value \$700. Opening bid \$350.  
*Stilla and Martin Knappe.*
3. Two nights with Bed and Breakfast service for two, Charlottesville, VA. Value \$300. Opening bid \$200.  
*Nancy McAdam.*
4. Barcelona Apartment in Center City Barcelona, near *Sagrada Familia*, one week stay between May/December, 2012, time to be agreed. Value \$1,000. Opening bid \$500.  
*Nury & Otto Reichert-Facilides.*
5. Gift certificate for Overnight stay at Windsor Suite Hotel, Philadelphia. Value \$160. Opening bid \$100.
6. Weekend for two at Apple Haven farm, York Springs, PA, and guided tour of Gettysburg battlefield. Value \$350. Opening bid \$200.  
*Cecylia and Charles Borowsky.*
7. Two nights at Radisson/Plaza Warwick Hotel in Center City, Philadelphia. Value: \$250. Opening bid \$100.
8. Dinner for Six at Center City residence of Hardy and Gudrun von Auenmueller. Value \$300. Opening bid \$200.  
*Hardy and Gudrun von Auenmueller.*
9. Gift card for Spring House restaurant. Value: \$25. Opening bid \$15.
10. Gift card for Bacco restaurant. Value \$50. Opening bid \$20.
11. Macy's giftcard. Value \$50. Opening bid \$25.  
*German Society of Pennsylvania.*
12. One 12-week session of German language classes. Value \$400. Opening bid \$240.  
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13. Sailing lessons. Value \$375. Opening bid \$250.  
*Ernest and Jutta Weiler.*
14. Watercolor painting and one-day (3-4 hour) workshop on watercolor painting. Value \$200. Opening bid \$75.  
*Beata Szpura.*
15. Oil painting and one-day (3-4 hour) workshop on oil painting. Value \$200. Opening bid \$50.  
*Beata Szpura.*
16. Bachmann Train Set. Value \$145. Opening bid \$60.  
*Edwin Winter.*
17. Bachmann Train Set. Value \$110. Opening bid \$45.  
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18. Two Phillies tickets, Hall of Fame section, July or August. Value \$116. Opening bid \$60.  
*Sonia Churchman.*
19. Four Phillies tickets, Hall of Fame section, July or August. Value \$232. Opening bid \$120.  
*Sonia Churchman.*
20. Two Philadelphia Union tickets, 2012. Value \$200. Date to be arranged with donor. Opening bid \$100.  
*Mark Kleckner.*
21. Two Flyers tickets plus VIP parking for Flyers-Islanders game, Feb. 7, 2012. Value \$188. Opening bid \$100.  
*Georg Simon.*
22. Vouchers for 2 tickets at Inter-Act Theatre Company in Center City for three different plays. Value \$50. Opening bid \$30.
23. One pair of Lieder Abend tickets, Jan. 13, 2012. Value \$50. Opening bid \$20.  
*German Society of Pennsylvania.*
24. Three pairs of Lieder Abend tickets, Jan. 13, 2012. Value \$30 per pair. Opening bid \$10 per pair.  
*German Society of Pennsylvania.*



25. Two Brandywine River Museum tickets. Value \$20. Opening bid \$10.  
*Lew and Hella Volgenau.*
26. Framed photo of German Society building. Value \$85. Opening bid at \$40.  
*Family of Karl Lutz.*
27. Framed oil painting. Value \$50. Opening bid \$25.  
*German Society of Pennsylvania.*
28. Two tablecloths. Value \$40. Opening bid \$20.  
*Kathryn Olson.*
29. Basket of German wines. Value \$60. Opening bid \$25.  
*Hella and Lew Volgenau.*
30. Gift basket of food items from Rieker's Prime Meats. Value \$100. Opening bid \$60.  
*Maria Sturm.*
31. Sugar bowl and tongs. Value \$50. Opening bid \$20.  
*Ernest and Jutta Weiler.*
32. Various German Advent calendars. Value \$25. Sell at \$20 each.  
*German Society of Pennsylvania.*
33. Gartenzwerg "Glückauf". Value \$300. Opening bid \$120.  
*William L. Clovis.*
34. Old fashioned wooden baby cradle made in Germany. Value \$150. Opening bid \$75.  
*Hans and Cherry Bombeck.*
35. Selected pottery items: (a) plate and vase. Value \$30. Opening bid \$15. (b) pitcher and bowl. Value \$30. Opening bid \$15.  
*Maria Sturm.*
36. Luncheon for two at Tavolo Restaurant, BYOB, Huntingdon Valley. Value \$50. Opening bid \$30.
37. Original Trachtenkostüm from Salzburg. Value \$150. Opening bid \$60.  
*Cindy Silvestro*



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## Volunteers

Many volunteers and friends of the Society have worked very hard in the preparation of our 247th Stiftungsfest of the German Society, as well as during our Oktoberfest on Saturday, September 17. In recognition of their tremendous efforts, we express our appreciation to:

Frank Klare	Helen Schutz	Miriam Nemeth
Elizabeth Klare	Andrew Payne	David Fingerle
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Jutta Lendvay	Nancy Schmalz	Ingrid Greim

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*The Wister Quartet* greets you on the occasion of the German Society of Pennsylvania's 247th Anniversary *Stiftungsfest* and would have liked to be with you for the festivities.



As always, we invite you to enjoy our concerts and the entire chamber music series in the coming season.

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