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Dear Members

The year 2012 greeted us with a heat wave: summer had finally arrived but for many of us this heat was almost too much.

Many of our members and friends visited our Christkindl Market in December or took part in our Christmas get-together at Club Tivoli. I am sure these events contributed to remind you of Christmas in the German style.

From the financial point of view, the Christkindl Market was not as successful as last year, but as a German event and as a meeting point for the German community, it served its purpose.

The roughly 100 guests at our Christmas get-together especially enjoyed the singing and poems of the 'Spatzen' school.

Now, we look optimistically to the New Year 2012. Will our "Friendly Visiting Service" continue to grow? Were the meetings of volunteers and older members successful? There is always room for improvement and we are working on it.

The two computers in our conference room could be used a bit more. Every Wednesday afternoon, Charles van Veen is waiting for students willing to learn. You are welcome to bring your own laptop. Once you have started, things can only get easier.

In the month of February we plan to have another film afternoon in Club Tivoli. Please, take further details from our enclosed events calendar and let the office know that you are coming.

Let me wish all of you a healthy and happy 2012: I hope to meet many of you at our different functions.

Best regards from

Linde Mohr

The Generation that Grew up in the Years after WW II

We usually recognize each other. We have some funny habits in common.

We turn off the lights at people's places where we don't even pay the bills, we turn down the heating in hotel rooms and at flea markets we buy second hand tables on which to set up our inherited silver cutlery.

We would rather not buy a tram ticket when we have bought an expensive salmon trout for dinner.

But we are not an avowed community. With us it is more like say money: you do not talk about it, but you have it.

Whereas others rush into the city to buy new wrapping- paper for Christmas, we iron the paper and the ribbons from last year and use them again. We do not feel ashamed of doing so; on the contrary, we despise those who always throw away the old and buy new wrapping paper.

How can you explain this attitude to the younger generation? It is not that we are short of money. We could also buy new ribbons and wrappings – but that is not our syile. We encourage these attitudes and are annoyed if others try to destroy our fun.

We do not like to get presents where the wrapping paper is glued together with sticky tape in such a way that we can not use the paper again. We are really disappointed and may even lose interested in the gift. But we do not only iron paper and ribbons. We try to knead the final little pieces of soap together and we roll up the toothpaste tube in such a way that also the very last bit in it won,t be wasted.

We use a brush to reach the final remains of our lipstick.

It has nothing to do with stinginess; we are happy to give away our ribbons and paper, we just don't waste anything.

In spite of being on a diet, we finish the sandwiches our children did not eat, and we reheat coffee when it has become cold. We sit in expensive cashmere pullovers in cold houses to save fuel and hang out our washing in cold weather to save electricity rather than using the dryer.

Perhaps we suffer from a thrifty obsession, or perhaps all the others are mad. We pay a lot to have a good life. But we are annoyed when the shrimp salad is not sold in a decent plastic container which we can wash carefully and use again. We know, of course, that this attitude has no logic but we don't change it.

We treat ourselves to a holiday in the Mediterranean but never have our afternoon nap in the shade - how could we otherwise bleach our hair and save the money at the hairdresser ?

If we get a bad back from the charter flight home from our holiday and we use a Taxi to get to our house, we feel guilty. Next time, we go to the opera, we will surely use public transport to make up for it.

These are the 'Wonder Children of post- war times'

(From an old Newspaper Article) **Linde Mohr**

Broadband Kiosk for Seniors



Internet? Email? Broadband? Online? Please help!!!!

Don't be afraid of computers! They can be so much fun with a little help of our tutors. Just try it out and come to the office on

Wednesdays at 1pm - in our office in 24 Albert Road

For questions and alternative arrangements contact 96960907. Feel free to bring your own laptop. This service is free of charge and computers are available any time during office hours.

Statistic Social Work – November 2011

Pension	4
Financial Aid	1
TTHA / MLH -	20
Age care in General	7
Language Problems	
Friendly Visiting Service	34
Information	1
Isolation	
Legal Issues	2
Health Issues	
Family Issues	1
Others	3
Total	73
New cases	18
Clients visiting the office	7
Visits made by social worker	7
Presentations	-
Participants at Residents Meetings and Presentations	

Our office was contacted 142 times and we had 32 visitors.

Statistic Social Work – December 2011

Pension	3
Financial Aid	7
TTHA / MLH -	5
Age care in General	11
Language Problems	3
Friendly Visiting Service	8
Information	
Isolation	
Legal Issues	1
Health Issues	-
Family Issues	
Others	1
Total	39
New cases	1
Clients visiting the office	3
Visits made by social worker	6
Presentations	-
Participants at Residents Meetings and Presentations	45

Our office was contacted 99 times and we had 19 visitors.

New Members:

We welcome cordially:

Mr U. Schultheiss

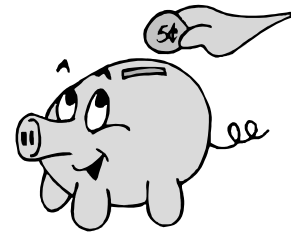
Mrs R. Tan

Mrs I. Zeitler

I always take life with a grain of salt- plus a slice of lemon, and a shot of tequila.


Donations

Thank you very much for your donations! Donations for the Tabulam and Templer Homes are marked with *. Please note that donations which have not yet been processed will appear in the next newsletter



Anonym	50.00
Anonym	*25.00
Bahl, Mr	50.00
Charles, Mr & Mrs (xmas market)	300.00
Drohn, Mr	124.98
Dwyer Mrs (xmas market)	10.00
Hain, Mr	25.00
Hampel Mr & Mrs (xmas market)	50.00
Huebl Mr & Mrs (xmas market)	1,000.00
Jankowski, Mr & Mrs	100.00
Juettemann, Mrs (xmas market)	50.00
Katona, Mrs	50.00
Kisielnicki, Mrs	5.00
Lichte, Mrs (xmas market)	25.00
Morzinek, Mr	*100.00
Reichelt, Mr & Mrs	20.00
Reichelt, Mr & Mrs	*20.00
Schultheiss, Mr	5.00
Tan, Mrs	40.00
Tan, Mrs	*20.00
Teutonia Club	50.00

von Nickisch, Mr 3.00
 Woerner, Mr 600.00

Bereavement	
	<p>Mrs E. Mag Mrs M. Lapins</p>

Calendar of Events



German Stammtisch - for youngsters and those young at heart

Please refer to our website www.germanwelfare.org.au

QU-QU-meet up group - please come and chat!

Tuesday, 14 & 28 February 2012

Where: AGWS Office

When: 10.00am and 1.00pm



Movie Afternoon with CCC...

Cinema, Coffee, & Cake

Thursday, 16. Februar, 1.30 pm

Club Tivoli, 291 Dandenong Road

Entry (coffee & Cake incl.): 12.00 \$

Bach @ German Lutheran Trinity Church

Miwako Abe and Elizabeth Anderson- two of Australia's finest musicians- will present the complete cycle of JS Bach's Sonatas for Violin and Harpsichord in three concerts. In each concert, these masterworks will be complemented by some of Bach's best-loved music for solo violin and solo harpsichord.

Sunday, February 19 church -3.00pm

Concert 1: Sonata No. 4 in C minor (BWV 1017)- Sonata No. 3 in E major (BWV 1016)

Tickets \$35 and \$25 (concession) Booking: www.trybooking.com/BAQY

Sunday, February 26 church -3.00pm

Concert 2: Sonata No. 2 in A major (BWV 1015)- Sonata No. 1 in B minor (BWV 1014) Sonata No. 5 in F minor for (BWV 1018)

Tickets \$35 and \$25 (concession) Booking: www.trybooking.com/BARB

Sunday, March 11 church -3.00pm

Concert 3: Sonata No. 6 in G major (BWV 1019)

Tickets \$35 and \$25 (concession) Booking: www.trybooking.com/BARC

Detailed Information: Hans Schroeder, ☎: 0425 802 046 email handschroeder@optusnet.com.au

BACH's ST JOHN PASSION with the MELBOURNE BACH CHOIR and Australian Opera soloists. 8pm Friday 30 March and 3pm 1 April – St Mary, Star of the Sea W. Melb. Early bird discount to the end of January via www.mbc.asn.au Booking options on the website. General admission. Prices: adult \$60/ conc. \$50/ full-time students \$30

******TTHA NEWS******

Dear Friends,

TTHA had a wonderful month in December celebrating our Christmas events. It is always fantastic seeing all the relatives and friends join in the festivities. January saw the return of residents from holidays and staff after taking time off with their families over the Christmas break, all have come back



refreshed and ready for the 2012 year. Australia Day is approaching and TTHA always celebrate with the Australian Animal Zoo, our residents and children enjoy this thoroughly and we look forward to it again on Wednesday 25th January at 10.30am. All are welcome to join in with this event.

TTHA remains at full occupancy and we continue to support our two parent societies in looking after their communities. We maintain our waiting lists on a daily basis and are always happy to have enquiries and provide a tour of our beautiful facility. Please contact reception 8720 1333 or myself directly 87201300 for further information. Our Retirement Village units are fully occupied, with five currently under renovation/construction, with the residents awaiting to move in; all should be complete by end of March.

TTHA have recently invested in another Commercial Oven for the kitchen and new insulated covers for our food service. This has made a significant difference to how we cook our meals and serve to our residents. The feedback from our staff and residents has been very positive and another way TTHA strives to maintain its high standard of care.

Over the Christmas period we had a visit from the Department of Health Accreditation Agency who reviewed our Clinical Care and Pain Management. After a few hours of reviewing our documentation, interviewing staff and residents the auditors were delighted with the care we provide to our residents and said they had no feedback other than to say we are doing a fantastic job. In light of this recent audit, we still maintain that improvement is the best policy and will continue to strive to provide the best care for our residents.

We look forward to a wonderful 2012 and wish you all the best for the new year.

Kind Regards

Natasha - CEO - Phone 8720 1300

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Sudoku

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9	1	6	3	5	7	2	8	4
8	5	7	2	4	1	3	6	9
3	4	2	9	6	8	7	1	5

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Would you like to publish something in the next newsletter? If so, we would be delighted. The copy deadline for our March Newsletter is Wednesday , 15th February 2012.