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Mini-Newsletter of the Austro-American Association of Boston

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Dear Members and Friends!

I am trying to catch up in this newsletter with numerous bits of news I have received from our members, along with updates for the next events. It also includes a new section, A-AA Website Update, with some of the new features available. I am certain you will be impressed with them.

As the Holiday Season quickly approaches, on behalf of the officers and board members, I want to wish all of you and your families joyous and wonderful times together and we hope to see you at our upcoming events.
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NEXT EVENTS:

From Jack Achmakjian:

Friday, November 21, 2003, at 8:00 pm



HUNGARIAN MUSICAL EVENING

Please see the enclosed flyer for the location and the superb program. Jack has reduced tickets for \$ 20, please call him at his office at 781-431-6715.



December 5, Friday, at 7:00 pm

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at the Acker's, 265 Otis Street, West Newton. Please call 617-527-7335.

December 20, Saturday, at 4:00 pm

A-AA's TRADITIONAL HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

Flyer is enclosed, please reply by Saturday, December 13, 2003



January 4, Sunday, at 2:30 pm

SALUTE TO VIENNA. As previously announced. If you have not reserved yet, please call Diethild Harrington for tickets (reduced prizes) at 508-366-0433.

A-AA WEBSITE UPDATE

Media Library: The A-AA is proud to host the new media library on www.austria-boston.org. Please visit our web site to browse through about 30 video titles and request the rental of up to 5 titles at a time via email. (Or call us at 617-527-7335 for a copy of the titles and other information). Please contact Christian Donner, our webmaster, if you would like to contribute to the fast-growing selection, by filling out the "Contact-Us" form on the web site.

Movie Poll: Christian and Pamela are preparing for their next movie presentation early next year for the A-AA. To make things more interesting this time, there is a choice of 5 movies. In order to vote for one of the movies, please visit the A-AA Web site www.austria-boston.org and follow the links to the Yahoo group, or call us with your choice at 617-527-7335:

- Verklungenes Wien (Paul Hoerbiger, Marianne Schoenauer) - A 1951
- Salzburger Geschichten (Paul Hubschmid, Marianne Koch) - BRD 1957
- Die Feuerzangenbowle (Heinz Rühmann) - BRD 1944
- Der Krieg der Knoepfe - F 1961
- Christane F - Wir Kinder vom Bahnhof Zoo - BRD 1981

A-AA Yahoo Group: Please join our group on the Internet: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/a-aa> . Yahoo provides community services such as a message board, calendar, file and photo exchange, online polls and chat. The more members join the group, the more useful it will become.

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MEMBER'S CORNER:

From member Cornelia Schacht:

Cornelia is selling her home in Newport Rhode Island. The A-AA has had several events with nice memories at this lovely place. We wish Cornelia good luck and can't wait to visit her at her new place, hopefully soon!

541 Bellevue Ave. - Sunnelea Unit 4, Newport, Rhode Island

2 bedroom condo is located across from Rosecliff on desirable Bellevue Avenue. Well suited for entertaining with graceful floor plan. Full of light with magnificent 10 1/2 foot ceilings and elegant fireplaces. Balconies to enjoy poetic surroundings. \$ 409,000, MLS#317346. Hogan & Stone, call Nicole Harding, 401-848-4359.

From member Helmut Colbath:

Helmuth is offering all A-AA members (please show your membership card) a 20% discount for all purchases from his liquorstore GRAPE IDEAS in Wayland at 131 Main Street. Among others, he offers excellent Austrian wines, some of them we introduced at our last Heurigen event. For more info please go to: www.grapeideasinc.com

From member Prof. Thomas Hansen:

Prof. Hansen has been teaching history and literature of Austria and the Habsburg Empire. Inspired by his own courses, he put his design skills to work and created a woven necktie with the Habsburg double eagle as its motive. He is offering this tie to the A-AA for \$ 45.00. If interested, please contact him at his office at Wellesley College 781-283-2255, or e-mail him at: thansen@wellesley.edu.



From member Susanne Friedrich Cohen

Susanne would love to have an Austrian representation at her two upcoming recitals. She played for us at our last years Holiday Celebration. Concerts are free and open to the public:

Sunday, November 16, 3:00 pm - Dana Hall School, Beveridge Hall, 45 Dana Road, Wellesley, and on

Sunday, December 7, 3:00 pm - New England Conservatory of Music, St. Botolph Hall, St. Botolph Street, Boston.

Program: Susanne Friedrich, cello - Roy Imperio, piano: Ludwig van Beethoven, Sonate g minor, op 5/2 - Bohuslav Martinu, Variations sur un theme slovaque - Sergej Prokofieff, Sonate C major, op 119.

Births:

Didi and Joe Harrington became grandparents for the second time:

Joseph "Jay" Harrington

born July 19, 2003

Joseph Harrington and Sara Sullivan are the happy parents.

Pamela and Christian Donner became parents for the second time:

Sophia (Sophie, as her parents call her) Donner

born August 12, 2003

Our congratulations!!!

Hermann Haus

Hermann Anton Haus, long-time member of our Association, died May 21, 2003, at 77 years of age. He was an Institute Professor at MIT and one of the world's leading authorities on optical communication.

Haus was born in Ljubljana, Slovenia, in the former Yugoslavia.

His Austrian family spoke German at home. When the German-speaking population was expelled from Yugoslavia in 1945, Haus and his mother fled to Austria with other refugees.

There he studied at the Technical University of Graz and the University of Vienna.

He came to the U.S. in 1948. After earning degrees from Union College and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, he received the Sc.D. from MIT in 1954, and joined the faculty. He became a full professor in 1962, and was named an Institute Professor in 1986.

Our condolences go to his wife of 50 years, Eleanor,
as well as his four children and their spouses.