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Remembering Claus

by Lisa Hollis

***“Celebration of the life of Claus Emanuel Sadlier, Jr.,
and his entrance into God’s eternal life in love.”***

*-from the funeral Mass program,
March 15, 2002*

How does one begin to recall the life of a Renaissance man, musician, educator, family man? Few members of the Deutsches Haus can say that they have not met or spoken with Claus at some point over the years, but Claus’ many contributions to the Haus are so numerous I fear that I may overlook a few. If he were here with us, I would have to say, “Claus, I can only attempt to do your life and your service justice.”

Claus and his wife, Eva-Maria, joined the Haus in 1984, and Eva said that he immediately felt at ease. The Deutsches Haus quickly became a place for Claus to “hang out and enjoy himself; the camaraderie was very important to him.” Because of Claus’ vocation as a musician and humanities professor at Delgado Community College, it was only natural that he step into the role of arranging the entertainment at the Haus, a task he enjoyed tremendously according to Eva. Claus’ work booking musical and dance acts at the Haus soon extended to managing publicity for the Haus through press releases, advertisements and flyers, and editing the Monatsblatt, a role he assumed in 1988. And of course, few could forget Claus’ duties as a long-time board member of the Haus, his leadership of the Dixie Hofkapelle German Band, or his work as director of the Damenchor and Saengerchor at the Haus.



Claus Emanuel Sadlier, Jr. 1926 - 2002

Long-time Haus member and historian Col. Richard Kuntz once said that Claus took the Monatsblatt to a new level, and few could argue with that statement. Claus took the time to personalize each issue, filling it with photos and labeling each with the persons’ names, injecting humor and his extensive knowledge of humanities into the stories. Claus raised the standard of the Monatsblatt from a simple, one or two page bulletin to a full-fledged newspaper which is eagerly awaited by members each month. The current staff of the Monatsblatt can only aspire to Claus’ achievements with this publication.

Claus’ service at the Deutsches Haus and Delgado were preceded by his years as a U.S. Navy veteran in World War II, and his work as a teacher of English and music at a U.S. military installation in Morocco, and as band director at Spring Hill College in Mobile, AL. An accomplished musician who played the French horn and tuba, Claus also performed with the New Orleans Opera and the American Legion Band in New Orleans, and served as a musician and board member with the New Orleans Summer Pops orchestra for many years.

When I spoke with Eva concerning Claus’ dedication to the Deutsches Haus and to his students at Delgado, she said that he never boasted about helping others, but it is clear that he touched many lives. He enjoyed “helping to create something,” Eva said. At the Deutsches Haus, Eva said that Claus often served as a peacemaker, bringing people together when there were differences of opinion. For his students at Delgado, he was a friend and a teacher, often bringing an extra lunch for a student in need, driving to the housing projects to pick up students for band concerts and other events, even bailing students out of jail, in particular one student who found himself in jail during the Christmas holidays. Eva said that Claus was certainly talented enough to teach at schools other than Delgado, and his sister, Sister Angèle Marie Sadlier, O.Carm., once asked him why he remained at the small community college. He replied, “They need me there more than anyone else does.”

Perhaps that is why Claus loved the Haus so much, because we needed him, his many talents and kindness and love of all things German. Claus, you will be missed and needed more than you could know in the years ahead as we all strive to fill your shoes. *Rest im Frieden, Claus. Auf Wiedersehen* from your grateful friends at the Deutsches Haus.



Vom Historiker des Hauses

OUR PAST PRESIDENTS

The annual membership meeting for the election of officers and directors was conducted on 27 January 1931. Sigmund Odenheimer who had served as president for more than two years declined that nomination, stating that he believed in the democratic principle of "rotation in office."

The membership elected Bruno Prager as president, Joseph Reuther as First VP, Charles Mauthe as Second VP, M.S. Senton as Treasurer, Paul J. Sendker as Secretary and Board of Directors, Fritz Baldenhofer, Bernhard Gerhardt, Henry Kraak, Frank Langbehn, Adam A. Muhleisen, K.M. Rahm, Jr., M.G. Rapp, Peter Rothschnitt, Fr. Weber and Albert Weiblen.

With a payment of \$3,350.00 on a second note of \$5,000.00, which had been extended six months until 10 January 1931, there remained a debt of \$11, 350.00 on the original purchase price of the Haus. A third note of \$10,000.00 was being serviced by interest payments only. The six lane bowling alley proved to be a great asset and provided much pleasure and entertainment to many of the Haus members.

COLONEL RICHARD A. KUNTZ, AUS (Ret)

Willkommen

Herzlich Willkommen
unsern neuen Mitgleidern
(Welcome Our New Members)

Michael Biggs	Thomas Czekanski
Anne Farmer	Thomas Fubacher
Theodore Hokkanen	Mike Stuebben
Thomas Palfrey	Greg Vicknair
Donald Sauviac, Jr.	George Wax



"Most Valuable Player"

Lido Dominic Schaubhut, son of D.H. member Lido Schaubhut and brother of D.H. member Karla Schaubhut received the "Most Valuable Player" award for the De La Salle varsity soccer team last Sunday night (3-10-02), at the school's winter sports award banquet. Lido has played soccer at De La Salle for four years and lettered his junior and senior years. He began playing soccer when he was six years old at Plantation Athletic Club in Algiers. Also, he was selected to the 9 - I All District Soccer Team in a recent edition of the Times-Picayune newspaper. The all district teams are selected by the high school coaches from their respective districts. Lido plans to attend Nicholls State University in the fall.

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Crescent City Homebrewers: Brewing Beer and Good Times

by Lisa Hollis



This is the second in a series of occasional profiles on the many organizations which meet at the Deutsches Haus.

The Crescent City Homebrewers are busy preparing for their 11th annual Crescent City Competition and Crawfish Boil, so this seemed like a great time to let the Deutsches Haus membership learn more about this organization.

CCH member Charles Sule was kind enough to provide some details about the history of the club and their activities, so I thank him for his helpfulness. The Crescent City Homebrewers was founded in September 1980, and currently has 142 members. The purpose of the organization is to encourage the homebrewing of beer and to share brewing knowledge. Membership in the CCH requires only two things: payment of the \$30 annual dues and the making of at least one batch of homebrew per year. Meetings, which are held on the first Wednesday of each month at the Haus at 7:00 p.m., include tastings and critiques of members' brews. This year's officers include president Brenda Hagsetette, vice president Tom Martinez, secretary Mike Biggs, and treasurer Ronald "Ron" J. LaBorde.

A number of special events make up the yearly calendar for the homebrewers, including their annual fundraiser, the Winterfest, held each November and featuring homemade beer, wine, music and food, as well as the LATEX, a get-together with clubs from Louisiana and Texas held in Jennings, LA.

The highlight of the year for the CCH is their upcoming competition and crawfish boil, scheduled for April 10th through April 13th. at the Deutsches Haus. The judging portion of the competition will start at 6:00 p.m., on Wednesday, April 10th Thursday, April 11th, Friday, April 12th and concludes on Saturday, April 13th with the award ceremony and the crawfish boil, held beginning at 3:00 p.m. and the raffle/award presentation will begin at 6:00 p.m. The crawfish boil is \$20 per person and includes crawfish, red beans and rice and beer; for those not eating crawfish, the cost is \$10 per person. Entries for the competition must be received no later than Friday, April 5th, and the entry fee is \$6 per entry. Chairmen for this year's competition are Warren A. Chigoy, Jr., and Danny Duggan. For more information about the competition, call Warren at (504) 914-8836.

Charles notes that he and the rest of the Homebrewers "would like to thank the Haus for having us. All of us truly enjoy meeting there and have made many new friends as well!"



Coming up at the German-American Cultural Center

At the German-American Cultural Center, 519 Huey P. Long Avenue in Gretna, a number of interesting activities are scheduled for the month of April.

Monday, April 1, 7:30 p.m.: German Language Discussion Group

Saturday, April 13, 10:00 a.m.: Children's Program, "Classic Fairy Tales" by Claudia Baumgarten and Jennifer Pagen of the Terrific Traveling Troubadours. Admission is \$2 per child, \$1 per adult.

Saturday, April 20, 7:00 p.m.: Lecture Series, Scott Gallinghouse will speak on "Doing Your German Family History"

*For more information about the GACC, visit their Website at www.gacc-nola.com
or call them at (504) 363-4202.*

Out of Bavaria

The Munich-based band "Out of Bavaria" is returning to New Orleans. Back by popular demand, the group will bring their special brand of music to the Haus on Wednesday, April 3 at 7:30 pm. Admission is free. Dinners of wurst, sauerkraut and bread will be available for \$5. For more information, call the Haus at 522-8014.



Oktoberfest

Dates are out:

September 27-28

Oktober 4-5

Oktober 11-12

Oktober 18-19

Oktober 25-26

Are you ready ???

Saturday Night Monthly Function

We are holding our second meeting to finalize plans for our monthly Saturday night parties. We are seeking help and volunteers at this time. If you have any ideas, we will be meeting on Wednesday April 3rd at 7:00 and than again on the first Wednesday of each month until Oktoberfest. Hope you join us.

Saturday speckled trout dinner Saturday April 6th

They've been catching them and freezing them. George and Phyllis Lesage from down in the Parish are preparing for another big speckled trout dinner at the Deutsches Haus. Doors open @ 5pm service @ 6pm. Tickets will be \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door.

Menu:

**Speckled Trout
Corn on the cob
Boiled Potatoes
Cole Slaw
French Bread**

Write your check payable to "Deutsches Haus" and either drop it off to the Haus Steward or mail it to:
"DH Trout Dinner"
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Contact Haus Steward for tickets.
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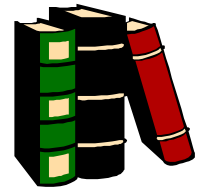
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Books at the Haus



Help for those researching their German past.
Books available at the Deutsches Haus. Supplies are limited

The German Research Companion by Shirley J. Riemer (Lorelei Press, 2000, 664pp, Paper, \$32.00, ISBN:0-9656761-0-2) This one-of-a-kind book is an information bonanza for trackers of their German heritage. It's the German researcher's essential reference work. *The German Research Companion* is a heavy-duty German reference assistant. Includes sections of Germany's political and jurisdictional organization, basic facts about Germany, German institutions, and immigration. Resources in the United States, and in Germany, German archive terminologies, German federal and state archives as well as churches, cemeteries, newspapers, libraries and museums.

Researching in Germany *A handbook for your visit to the Homeland of your ancestors*
By Roger P. Minert, Shirley J. Riemer (Lorelei Press, 2001, 254pp, Paper, \$18.95, ISBN: 0-9656761-5-3) All you need to know-at home and abroad. Designed, so that you don't waste valuable time, this handbook guides you to use your time in the homeland effectively. Tips include finding different types of record repositories, research papers to take along, writing letters to Germany, financial planning, and tips on lodging and restaurants and packing your suitcase.

The German Researcher *How to get the most out of an L D S Family History Center* by Fay Dearden, Douglas Dearden (Family Tree Press, 1983, 81pp, Paper, \$14.50) This book has been written to provide genealogists with a step-by-step guide for finding German information, especially when using a Family History Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS), formerly known as an LDS branch genealogical library. There are more 3100 LDS Family History Centers located in 64 countries having access to microfilms in Salt Lake City. This guide will assist you in the proper and efficient use of such resources.

These books can be purchased at the Deutsches Haus during regular business hours, Wednesday through Friday or by mail. **When ordering by mail, add \$5.00 for postage.**

The German Research Companion	\$32.00
Researching in Germany	\$18.95
The German Researcher	\$14.50

Deutsches Haus Dues

If any member, associate member or student member who has paid their 2002 dues and has not received their membership card for year 2002, please contact the Deutsches Haus with their name and phone number. A new card will be issued and sent at that time.

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Out of Bavaria
April 3th
7:30 p.m.

The Consulate General would like to inform you that INS is reminding the foreigners living in the US have to inform INS about a change of address. Failing to do so can result in a fine, detainment or deportation. A call to INS is sufficient, the toll-free number is 1-800-375-5283. Please pass this information on to those concerned.

Unser Kalender für den Monat April

Deutsches Haus opens at 4 p.m. Wed, Thurs, Fri.
Unless otherwise noted, all events are after noon and in the Haus.

Wed	3	5:45	German classes
		7:00	Saturday Night Monthly Function Meeting
		7:00	Crescent City Homebrewers meeting
		7:30	Out of Bavaria
Thu	4	5:45	German classes
		8:15	Schlaraffia - Sippung
Fri	5	7:30	Damenchor Rehearsal and Meeting
		8:30	Sängerchor Rehearsal and Meeting
Sat	6	5:00	Saturday Speckled Trout Dinner
Sun	7	2:00	Gottestdienst in Deutscher Sprache St. Mattheus Unierte Kirche
Wed	10	5:45	German classes
		7:00	Board of Directors Meeting
Thu	11	5:45	German classes
		8:15	Schlaraffia - Sippung
		7:00	NOLHAM (New Orleans Living History Of The American Military Troupe, Inc.)
Fri	12	8:00	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
		9:00	Deadline for Ads and Articles for Monatsblatt
Wed	17	5:45	German classes
		7:30	German Heritage Festival Association meeting
Thu	18	5:45	German classes
		6:00	Monatsblatt preparation for mailing
		8:15	Schlaraffia - Sippung
Fri	19	7:30	Damenchor Rehearsal
		8:30	Sängerchor Rehearsal
Wed	24	5:45	German classes
Thu	25	5:45	German classes
		8:15	Schlaraffia - Sippung
Fri	26	6:30	Spiel Am Haus (Gaming at the Haus)

The Haus Calendar

Haus members, especially club officers, are invited to submit items for the calendar by writing them in the calendar kept by the Haus steward behind the bar, by giving them to a member of the Monatsblatt staff, or by e-mailing it to monatsblatt@cox.net. Please note that the Monatsblatt staff is always eager to promote events but we do need your information in order to do so, particularly if a date is changed or rescheduled. PLEASE KEEP IN MIND OUR DEADLINES FOR ADS & ANNOUNCEMENTS WHEN SUBMITTING ITEMS FOR THE CALENDAR.