

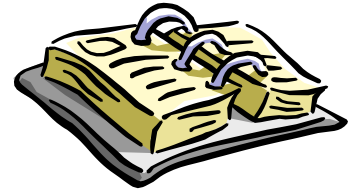


# President's Message

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Next 3 meeting: 11 Okt, 08 Nov, 13 Dec 2016

## GAPA Picnic

Our annual picnic on 08 July 2016 at Bunker Hill forest preserve was a keeper. A nice turnout and a steady wind kept the heat away. **John Meindl** had fun filled day in store for all of us! Good to see **Rory** and **Linda Trausch**—in from Hawaii. We thank **Art Oswald** (pic r) for the job he did with the Picnic Raffle, but we still need more members contributing. This raffle funds the picnic—without it we'd have to charge a steep admission and much more for the food. We thank **John, Joe Schreiner, John Huinker, Roger Haas, Jeff Schuck, Tom Rosenbusch, Tim Schaefer** (pic l) among others who all helped to set-up, run and clean up. We, especially, thank **Tim** for running the **Danielle-Marie Pisterzi** Scholarship. **Rachel Volkl**, granddaughter of longtime member **George Volkl**, was the recipient of this award.



## 2016 Dues

Our 2017 membership renewals begin 01 October 16. Non-renewals will be dropped from mailing list/membership by 01 January 17.

## Annual GAPA Chicago/GAPA Milwaukee Tailgater

The **Norbert Holzinger Cup** stayed in Milwaukee as the Cubs lost. A rainy day almost from beginning to end, but **Tom & Dot Moritz** and **Pete Graeber** & GAPA Milwaukee were excellent hosts on the bus and at Miller park.

## German Fest Milwaukee

My wife **Carol** & I, **Tom & Dot Moritz** and **John & Kelly Huinker** marched with GAPA Milwaukee and enjoyed the festivities. GAPA Milwaukee also had a beverage tent from which they exhibited

outstanding hospitality. Great to see former GAPA Milwaukee president **Ray Fischer** there.

## GAPA Road Trips

GAPA is also planning to visit **Wurst Fest** in **New Braunfels, Texas**, a town in the hill country near **San Antonio** which was founded by German immigrants in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. GAPA has rooms blocked off at the **Fairfield Inn** in **New Braunfels** from **Thursday to Monday, 3 to 7 November 2016**. **Tom** says we have 20 people already signed up. See ad inside & for more information call **Tom Moritz** 815-464-4665).

## Visiting Police Officer from Mannheim, Germany

**Matthias Proehl**, sergeant of **Polizei Mannheim**, will be studying the **HBT** procedures of the **CPD** during the month of **October**. He is working on a **Masters degree** in **HBT** in **Mannheim**. He will be joining us at the 11 October meeting and at our **Oktoberfest Dinner Dance** on 28 Oktober. Hope you all can meet and greet him.

## GAPA Oktoberfest

Our signature event will be held 28 October, 2016 at **Elmcrest Banquets**. Another perfect opportunity to show some membership pride. Remember to wear your **dirndls** and **lederhosen** if you have them! It really makes the evening more festive. We will also be picking our **GAPA scholarship winners** that evening, so don't forget to send in your applications before the deadline. See **OFest** ad and **Scholarship App** inside for more information.

**Nominations for the GAPA Board of Directors will be held at Okt/Nov meetings.**  
Mike