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### Coming Events

**Easter Church Service in German** (Ostergottesdienst auf Deutsch) on Sunday, April 24, 2011 at 5pm. Messiah Community Church, 1750 Colorado Blvd, Denver.

**Stammtisch Denver**

### We would like to share the following information with you

**Have you met this new GACC-CO business member?**



**Colorado International School** (CoIS) offers programs from pre-kindergarten through 8th grade for children to learn the skills and languages they need to become the world leaders of tomorrow. All CoIS programs combine total immersion education at the pre-K and Kindergarten levels in a fully licensed preschool (in German, Mandarin, French or Spanish) and a dual language (any of those languages plus English) elementary and middle school curriculum based on both international and Colorado standards. CoIS is also a candidate school for the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme (PreK-5th grade).

In addition to its four core world languages, CoIS also offers Farsi, Japanese, Italian, Arabic and Russian in its middle school and in its enrichment programs. This year CoIS is serving over 150 full- and part-time students in its day school, enrichment and camp programs. The quality of its programs is seen in the recognition of one of its first graduates as a [National Merit Commended Scholar](#) in 2010 (achieved by only 34,000 of 1.5 million entrants, or about 2 percent).

CoIS also offers full immersion language camps in a variety of languages. Its three [summer day camps](#) for 3 to 7 year olds begin June 13 while its [three mountain camps](#) for ages 7 and up begin June 26.

[Highlands Tavern at 7pm on May 2, 2011.](#)

### Treffpunkt Business Leads Forum

meets at 7pm on Monday, May 2, 2011. [Find more info here.](#) For more info send an email to [frerichs\(at\)gacc-co.org](mailto:frerichs(at)gacc-co.org).

**Denver/Boulder Stammtisch**  
Next meeting on May 17, 2011.  
[More info here.](#)



**World Trade Day 2011** in Colorado on May 17. More info on [the Denver WTC website](#). The GACC-CO will participate along with the Stuttgart DIHK via conference call.

[German Heritage Festival](#) at the Colorado Railroad Museum in Golden on June 25 & 26, 2011.

**GACC-CO 15th Annual Biergarten Festival** at the TEV Pavilion near Morrison on July 16. Become a volunteer and meet over 600 people while practicing your Deutsch. Get visibility for your business, [be a sponsor](#) of the event.

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Gain exposure for your organization. [Contact us](#) about having your hyperlinked logo appear in future emails and newsletters to the GACC-CO membership and friends.

### Our GACC-CO Members



Claudia Schroepfel, director of the CoIS Samstagschule in Boulder, recently stated: "What I like best about the Colorado International School is the very individualized instruction that each of our children receive." With degrees from Universität Regensburg and Arizona State University, she now lives in Boulder.

CoIS is always on the lookout for instructors for both summer and regular school year positions, full or part-time. Send resumes/CVs to [german@coloradointernationalschool.org](mailto:german@coloradointernationalschool.org).

### What you missed at the Annual Meeting

About 40 members and friends of the **GACC-CO** attended our annual meeting to enjoy an interesting and wonderful evening at **Paulaner HP USA's** facilities in Littleton. After networking while sampling Paulaner Premium Pils courtesy of our hosts, the evening began with introductions by GACC-CO president Jesse Young.

Young then presented an overview of GACC-CO activities for the past year and how the GACC-CO will move forward with its strategic plan and work with members and other chambers of commerce to provide value to members. See the GACC-CO [presentation here](#) (download 1.5 meg PPT)



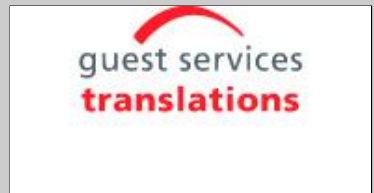
The new **Denver Christkindl Market** general manager, Josh Seeberg, was announced during the presentation. Here he is congratulated upon signing the management agreement by Mr. Young.

Also, the new logo for the Denver Christkindl Market was announced.



After a tasty meal featuring roast pork

## Mean Business



## Somewhere in Germany

One of our **GACC-CO** members hails from this German town in the Bavarian Alps about 5 km



Join by the [Warhorse Inn](#) of Parker, **GACC-CO** member Ron Abo of [The Abo Group](#) shared results of his research about "Sustainable Germany" in a colorful slide presentation.

The meeting ended with coffee and great apfelstrudel hand made by the [Warhorse Inn](#)'s chef Lee George.



## GACC-CO & Members in the News

**GACC-CO** member **Mercedes Benz Club of America** recently appointed Douglas L. Truitt as executive director and Lisa A. Juhl as director of marketing.

"Law Week Colorado" recently named Jim Lyons of **GACC-CO** member company [Rothberger, Johnson & Lyons](#) as one of the top 10 lawyers of the decade ended 2010.

Do you know of anyone else in the news? Then please let us know.

## Looking for a new job?

How about a situation with an international flavor? Then check our [GACC-CO positions available list](#).

[German speaking construction project engineer](#). Tanya Marchman is filling a position in Memphis, TN. Engineering degree is preferred; but 15+ years of industrial/manufacturing construction experience may overcome that requirement. Contact her at [tanja@englishgermanvs.com](mailto:tanja@englishgermanvs.com) for more info.

And don't forget to also check the [World Trade Center Denver job board](#).

And if you like the "Windy City" of Chicago, then check out the [opportunities with GACCcoM here](#).

## New GACC-CO Member Benefit for you

Free entry to our [15th Annual Biergarten Festival](#) on July 16, 2011, at the TEV Edelweiss Pavilion in Morrison, Colo. for paid-up **GACC-CO** members.

from the Austrian border. Do you know it?



The town is well known as a ski and hiking town in the Bavarian Alps. In its "Heimatmuseum" you can see the largest leather ski boot in the world.



First mentioned in the year 1141, its pedestrian zone looks like this.



Most of the original town center was lost in an 1865 fire. Ski mountaineer and extreme sports athlete Toni Steurer was born here. Germany's modern figure skating center is located here and hosts the annual figure skating championship for the Nebelhorn Trophy.

## Did you know?

**The German American Chambers of Commerce** are updating the national membership directory which lists business and corporate members across the USA. **Members of GACC-CO** should have received a snail-mail notice to update their info that is made available to 6,000 key decision makers who use the directory. Associate members can still upgrade their membership to the business level [online](#) by May 2, 2011, for their business to be included in the new edition of the directory.

**World Trade Day.** **GACC-CO** is looking for persons/companies to get instant answers to their questions about international business setup in Germany or bringing a company to Colorado or importing/exporting during a live video conference with the Stuttgart WTC. Great visibility for your company. Contact [info\(at\)GACC-CO.org](mailto:info(at)GACC-CO.org) or call Jesse Young at 303 837-1146.

## Community News & Events

**International Children's Day** sponsored by the Turkish American Cultural Society of Colorado at the Tivoli Center from 1 to 5pm on Saturday, April 23. Free!! Kids learn about a variety of countries (including Germany, Turkey & the USA, among others) and enjoy face painting, henna painting, balloons, folk dancing etc while they learn about different cultures.

**German Flea Market/deutscher Flohmarkt** on Saturday, April 30, 2011, from 10 am to 1 pm. Great place to find German literature, games, DVD's and much more at bargain prices. Location is Messiah Community Church, 1750 Colorado Blvd., Denver. Booth fee is \$15; sellers are to bring their own tables. Qs? Tel: 720-272-0971.

**Goethe Club** (Denver area) lines up great speakers for their meetings.

### June meeting.

If you want some humor in your day, be at the June 12 meeting at 2:30 pm for a slide program (in German) featuring the well known German poet, artist, and humorist **Wilhelm Busch**. His famous "**Max und Moritz**" will keep you laughing; "alles auf deutsch, natuerlich."



Location for the June meeting is [Three Fountains Club House, 3280 S. Oneida Way, Denver.](#)



You may never have seen its crest (above), but if you ever watched ABC's "Wide World of Sports," you most likely saw part of this town when a video clip of a Yugoslavian ski jumper wiping out during an aborted jump. The clip was used for many years to represent "The Agony of Defeat" in promos for the show.

**Where was "Somewhere in Germany"?**

January was [Bremen](#) with its well known [Stadtmusikanten](#).

February was [Calw](#) in Nagoldtal near Stuttgart.

March was [Altheim/Munster](#) west of Darmstadt in Hessen.



Looking for something German in Colorado and can't find it? Then you need our "**German Guide to Colorado**." It's available gratis via an email request to info (at) GACC-CO.org.

Non-members attending the Goethe Club for the first time enter free; after that the fee is \$5.00 p.p. For more info, call Dieter at 303-743-8404.

**[Denver Christkindl Market 2011](#)** will run from November 25 through December 23, 2011. The new general manager, Josh Seeberg, is looking for additional vendors for the market. Contact josh at 720-837-6905 or via email to Seeberg(at)denverchristkindlmarket.com for more info and vendor application forms.

Our friends at the French-American Chamber will present their **L'Esprit de France Gala** on May 6. Find more info about this fabulous event at [their website](#).



The Mar/Apr 2011 issue of "**German American Trade**" magazine is available. We will gladly send it to you in PDF format if you request it from us at info (at) GACC-CO.org.

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**GACC-CO now has a Blog; read it here.**

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**Keep current.** 

**Got questions?** 

**About the GACC-CO:** The **German American Chamber of Commerce – Colorado Chapter** is the initial contact for German companies considering business in the Rocky Mountain region and connects German decision-makers with their U.S. counterparts. On the Web: [www.GACCCO.org](http://www.GACCCO.org), or telephone 303 837-1146.

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