BETTENDORF PUBLIC LIBRARY

# Global Gathering Germany

September - October 2009



A celebration of culture and heritage

he Brandenburg Gate - Berlin



**EVENTS PROGRAM** 



Global Gathering Germany (GGG) is a two-month celebration of German culture, heritage, and tradition for all ages. Throughout September and October, the Bettendorf Public Library will feature programs and activities related to Germany and its people. There will also be displays of German objects throughout the Library, as well as new library items. Our purpose is not only to enhance understanding of Germany beyond what is widely known, but to respect and appreciate the diversity our neighbors with German roots bring to the community.

Highlights include a series on the elaborate illuminated script folk art called fraktur, a presentation on German Bauhaus architecture, an examination of the influence of the John Deere Company in Germany, a cooking class at Hy-Vee, and concerts by critically acclaimed zither master Tomy Temerson and by New York-based classical guitarist Peter Fletcher.

Our thanks go out to those who helped plan and organize the programs for Global Gathering Germany, including Schar Blevins and the German-American Heritage Center, Paul Bohnsack and the American/Schleswig-Holstein Heritage Society, Janet Brown-Lowe, Michael Hustedde, Gisela McDonald, Nick Pitz, Schuetzen Park, and Noreen and Freddie Steenbock.

For additional information on Global Gathering Germany and for programs requiring registration, please visit www.bettendorflibrary.com/globalgathering or call us at (563) 344-4175.

# Symbols of Germany Contest September 7 - October 30

Learn about Germany and try to win a prize! Beginning September 7, contest entry forms with a symbol of Germany will be hidden throughout the Library (that means anywhere!). If you find a symbol, fill in your name and phone number on the form and take it to the Information Desk.



The contest ends on October 30 at 5:00 PM. No entries will be accepted after that time. A drawing for two prizes will take place on November 2. Winners will be notified by phone. Information on prizes will be given at a later date.

## Displays

On display at the Library during September and October we'll have bauernmalerei, courtesy of Jeannie Elliott, and scherenschnitte, courtesy of Keith Bonnstetter. We're offering workshops with both Jeannie and Keith on their respective art forms; bauernmalerei is September 21 and scherenschnitte is October 3.

Members of the Davenport Zither Ensemble will showcase zithers, a traditional German instrument that can have more than 40 strings. Tomy Temerson, Master Zither player, will be performing on Oct. 12.

You'll be able to see a piece of the Berlin Wall, thanks to the St. Ambrose University Library; artifacts from Schuetzen Park, which was built by German immigrants; and examples of Rosenthal and Weimarer Porzellan pieces, from the collection of Gisela McDonald. Michael and Hedy Hustedde will also share photos from their 2001 and 2008 travels to Berlin and Munich.



### Look for these symbols to find the programs that are right for you!









Adult Children Teens Registration Required To register, please visit www.bettendorflibrary.com/globalgathering or call us at (563) 344-4175.

# Saturday, September 5 Introduction to German





10:00 AM - 11:00 AM, Junior League Program Room
Janet Brown-Lowe and the members of the Bettendorf High
School German club will teach an introduction to the German
language to students in grades K-3. **Registration is required and**begins August 17.

### Tuesday, September 8



**GGG Film Series: All Quiet on the Western Front** 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM, Junior League Program Room

A showing of the film *All Quiet on the Western Front* (World War I) introduced by Michael Thomas Masters. The movie (1930, 132 minutes, Unrated) is based on the novel by Erich Maria Remarque.

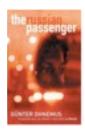
Friday, September 11 Brown Bag Lunch: Opera Quad Cities 12:15 PM - 12:45 PM, Bettendorf Room







This month's Brown Bag Lunch program will feature Opera Quad Cities performers, who will sing arias from various operas by German composers. This program is made possible by support from the Friends of the Bettendorf Library.



Saturday, September 12

Mystery Book Discussion



9:30 AM - 11:00 AM, Elizabeth R. Malmros Room Discussion of *The Russian Passenge*r by Gunther Ohnemus, led by Nick Pitz, German instructor at Moline High School.

### Saturday, September 12 Bauhaus Architecture





1:00 PM - 3:00 PM, Gilbert and Lilienthal Rooms

The Bauhaus (German for "house for building") was a school of design founded in the tumult of post-World War I Germany. It strove to unify the previously diverse fields of art, craft and industry to create works that both promoted and reflected a new social order for the struggling state. After its closure by the Nazis, and the resulting wartime exodus of teachers and students, the Bauhaus ethos spread around the world. This presentation will trace one such path of influence from the birth of the Bauhaus in Weimar to its improbable reincarnation in the American Midwest. Presenter Christopher Wegscheid is a project manager at Cermak Rhoades Architects in St. Paul and president of the non-profit Minnesota Green Roofs Council.

### Tuesday, September 15 GGG Film Series: Cabaret



6:00 PM - 8:30 PM, Junior League Program Room

Showing of the film *Cabaret*. Introduction by Michael Thomas Masters. The film (1972, 124 minutes, PG) is based on the musical play of the same title, the play *I Am a Camera* by John Van Druten, and the book *The Berlin Stories* by Christopher Isherwood.



# Wednesday, September 16 Contemporary Book Discussion: A Mighty Fortress



2:00 PM - 3:30 PM, Elizabeth R. Malmros Room
\*Note new time!\* Discussion of *A Mighty*Fortress by Steven Ozment, led by Michael Hustedde,
St. Ambrose University professor, which will include a
half-hour chat with the author by speaker phone.



Wednesday, September 16

Contemporary Book Discussion: Crabwalk

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM, Elizabeth R. Malmros Room
Discussion of Crabwalk by Gunter Grass, led by

Dr. Nancy Hayes, professor of English at St. Ambrose
University.



#### Thursday, September 17 GAHC Book Discussion: After the Wall 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM, Bettendorf Single Room

Moline High School German instructor Nick Pitz will lead a discussion of the book After the Wall by Jana

Hensel as part of the German American Heritage Center book discussion series.

Saturday, September 19 German for Travelers







10:00 AM - 11:30 AM, Junior League Program Room Janet Brown-Lowe and the members of the Bettendorf High School German club will teach an introduction to the German language to adults, specifically designed for travelers. Registration is required and begins August 31.

Monday, September 21 Bauernmalerei





1:00 PM - 3:00 PM, Bettendorf and Gilbert rooms

Bauernmalerei, or 'farmer's painting', is a folk art style that traces its roots as far back as the 16th and 17th century when people with no formal art training began to decorate the utilitarian objects around them by painting them. Jeannie Elliott will teach participants



about Baurernmalerei and give them the opportunity to try their hand at painting a bookmark with a Bauernmalerei motif. Artist Jeannie Elliott's interest in painting started in the 1970s when she did her Junior Year Abroad in Marburg, Germany. She was fascinated with the 'peasant' or 'farmer's painting' known as Bauernmalerei that she saw, especially on furniture pieces and other decorative items. She began her journey as an artist studying Bauernmalerei in 1984. Registration is required and begins September 1.

Tuesday, September 22 Fifty years of John Deere in Germany: Global Business, Local Impact





7:00 PM - 8:30 PM, Bettendorf Room

Dr. Klaus Hoehn, a German native and vice president of Advanced Technology and Engineering at Deere & Company, will offer a local and global look at John Deere and its impact both here and in Germany. This session will feature highlights from the 50 year relationship between John Deere and its German counterparts, and will touch on the cultural issues that relate to this global business. Dr. Klaus G. Hoehn has been in his position at Deere since January 2006. He is responsible for directing advanced technology development and engineering services that support worldwide agricultural, construction, and commercial and consumer equipment design and manufacturing.

Thursday, September 24 **Senior Day: The DeWitt Hausbarn** 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM, Bettendorf Room







Steve Lindner, City Administrator for the City of DeWitt, Iowa, will be talking about the Hausbarn that was brought from Germany piece by piece and reassembled in DeWitt. He will discuss the process behind finding the building and the deconstruction and reconstruction projects.

### Saturday, September 26 **Culinary Germany**





1:00 PM - 3:00 PM, Devils Glen Hy-Vee Food Club Room Traditional German dishes are the ideal way to celebrate Oktoberfest or National German-American Day (October 6). Carolin Hohensee, Family and Consumer Science teacher at Moline High School, will share recipes for sauerbraten and a number of other traditional German foods. Join us at the Hy-Vee Club Room, 2900 Devils Glen Road, to learn and taste these fabulous foods. Registration is required and opens August 1.

Saturday, September 26 Film Showing: Inkheart





1:00 PM - 3:30 PM, Junior League Program Room
We'll be watching the movie *Inkheart* in preparation for our book discussion and author interview on September 30. Come join us in enjoying this exhilarating movie. We'll also be serving popcorn!

Tuesday, September 29 GGG Film Series: Das Boot

6:00 PM - 8:30 PM, Junior League Program Room

A showing of the film Das Boot (World War II) with introduction by Bill Hampes, psychology professor from Black Hawk College. The Film (1981, 209 minutes, R) is based on the novel by Lothar-Gunther Buchheim.





#### Wednesday, September 30 Book Discussion: Inkheart



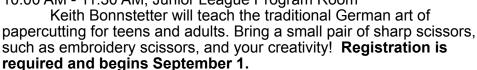
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4:00 PM - 6:00 PM, Junior League Program Room Rivermont Collegiate English teacher Gwen Pokora, YA Librarian John Gillette and Information Librarian Hedy Hustedde will lead a one-hour discussion of Inkheart by Cornelia Funke. This will be followed by a live half-hour video chat with the author. Light refreshments will be available. The first 30 participants will receive a bookplate autographed by the

author. Copies of Inkheart will be available for loan on a first-come basis at the Youth Services and Information Desks September 1.

Saturday, October 3 Scherenschnitte Workshop

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM, Junior League Program Room





Monday, October 5 **German Tanze Group** 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM, Bettendorf Room



Join us as the German Tanze Group demonstrates traditional German folk dancing. Stay for a meet and greet after the performance. This program is presented in conjunction with the German American Heritage Center.



Tuesday, October 6 GGG Film Series



A showing of the film The Lives of Others (2006, 137 minutes R) with an introduction by Bill Hampes, psychology professor, Black Hawk College.

Thursday, October 8, 15, 22, 29 Learn Fraktur with Bill Hannan





6:30 PM - 8:30 PM, Norman J. Kelinson Room

A four-week workshop on the German lettering called "Fraktur" used on certificates for marriages, births, baptisms, first communions, etc. taught by retired Black Hawk College professor Bill Hannan.
Participants will learn the Fraktur lettering in the first two classes. The last two will be involved with completing documents of the participants' choice. Materials will be supplied. **Registration is required and** begins September 1.



### Saturday, October 10 Mystery Book Discussion: Three Bags Full 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM, Elizabeth R. Malmros Room Discussion of Three Bags Full by Leonie Swann.

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#### Kaffee and Kuchen Sunday, October 11

1:30 PM - 3:30 PM, Junior League Program Room

Join us for delicious kuchen and wonderful music. Frieda from Frieda's European Bakery will prepare a selection of kuchen for us to taste, and tell us a little about preparing them. The ASHHS (American/ Schleswig Holstein Heritage Society) Choir will be performing songs sung in German or the Plattdüütsch of Schleswig-Holstein.

Registration is required and begins September 1.



Monday, October 12 Concert: Tomy Temerson, zither 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM, Bettendorf Room Tomy Temerson is a Master Zither performer and teacher from Hanau, Germany. During this concert, he will not only play the zither, but also share stories about the instrument's German heritage, and show how the instrument is played. Mr. Temerson has been playing zither for 25 years and performs in Europe and internationally in concerts as a zither soloist and in collaboration with other musicians and

orchestras. He is also the conductor for the Frankfurt Zither Orchestra, in Frankfurt am Main, Germany, the Riehen Basel Zither Orchestra, in Basel, Switzerland, and is the Musical Director of the Land Federation of Middle Germany Zither Music Alliance.

Tuesday, October 13 GGG Film Series: Good Bye Lenin

6:00 PM - 8:30 PM, Junior League Program Room

A showing of the film Good Bye Lenin (203, 121 minutes, R) with an introduction by Sandra Quinn, criminal justice professor. St. Ambrose University.

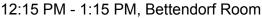




Wednesday, October 14 Senior Day: Peter Fletcher, classical guitar 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM, Bettendorf Room

This Senior Day program will bring professional classical guitarist Peter Fletcher to the Bettendorf Public Library. He will present a program of music by German composers. Coffee and refreshments will be provided after the performance. Please note the date as this program is on a Wednesday. Thanks to the Bettendorf Public Library Foundation for sponsoring Mr. Fletcher's visit, and to the Friends of the Bettendorf Public library for providing for the coffee.

Friday, October 16 Brown Bag Lunch: The Freddie Steenbock Duo



Brown Bag Lunch Series: Freddie and Noreen Steenbock will be performing German-American and Polka Music.



**Eulenspiegel Puppets** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM. Bettendorf and Gilbert rooms The Eulenspiegel Puppet Theatre Company will present the Grimm's fairy tale Little Red Riding Hood. **Eulenspiegel Puppet Theatre** is a local (based in West Liberty, IA) puppet company founded in 1974 to promote the art of puppetry by producing and presenting highquality performances and workshops. The company is committed to educating the public about the arts, serving as a center for the exchange of ideas, and enhancing the quality of community life.

Saturday, October 17







Tuesday, October 20

Germany: The 20 Year Anniversary

of the Fall of the Berlin Wall

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM, Bettendorf Room

The Berlin Wall fell on November 9, 1989. Twenty years later, join us as John Stark, who has been named Outstanding German Educator by the American Association of Teachers of German, recounts the fall and where Germany has gone from there. This program is presented in conjunction with the World Community Institute and the World Affairs Council.





Wednesday, October 21

Contemporary Book Discussion: Crabwalk

1:00 PM - 2:30 PM, Elizabeth R. Malmros Room
Discussion of Crabwalk by Gunter Grass.





Wednesday, October 21

Contemporary Book Discussion: A Mighty Fortress
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM, Elizabeth R. Malmros Room

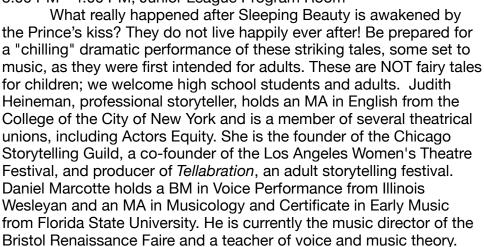
Discussion of *A Mighty Fortress* by Steven Ozment led by Michael Hustedde, St. Ambrose University professor. Also includes a half-hour chat with the author via speaker phone.

Saturday, October 24

### Grimm's Grimmest: The Darker Side



3:00 PM - 4:00 PM, Junior League Program Room



Tuesday, October 27

GGG Film Series: Schultze Gets the Blues 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM, Junior League Program Room

A showing of the film *Schultze Gets the Blues* (after the Wall) with an introduction by Sandra Quinn, criminal justice professor, St. Ambrose University.

Neuschwanstein Castle, in Bavaria, Germany: the inspiration for "Cinderella's Castle" at Disney World.







### Local German Organizations

### German American Heritage Center (GAHC)

http://www.gahc.org 712 W 2nd St Davenport, IA 52802 (563) 322-8844

### American/Schleswig-Holstein Heritage Society (ASHHS)

http://www.ashhs.org/ P.O. Box 506 Walcott, IA 52773-506 (563) 284-4184

#### Schuetzen Park

http://www.schuetzenpark.info/ c/o 3401 Schuetzen Lane Davenport, IA 52804-4353 Email: SchuetzenPark@aol.com (563) 499-6789 or 322-5489



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Monday thru Thursday 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM Friday and Saturday 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM Sunday (October - April only) 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM



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