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Program



**METROPOLITAN CLUB
STUTTGART E.V.**

Member of the 'Deutsch-Amerikanisches Zentrum' (DAZ)/James-F.-Byrnes-Institut e.V.

<p>TUESDAY</p> <p>November 13 19:30 h</p>	<p>International Get-Together</p> <p>Join us for our get-together to meet friends, for some good conversation and laughter. New guests are welcome! A table in Sophie's Brauhaus, Marienstraße 28, Stuttgart is reserved in the name of the Metropolitan Club. However, from past experience we can say that you just have to look out for the big friendly crowd. Please register by email : Dennis.ODonohue@metclub.de (by November 12th).</p>
<p>THURSDAY</p> <p>November 15 19:20 h</p>	<p>Egyptian Mummies - Immortality in the Land of the Pharaohs</p> <p>The exhibition provides a comprehensive overview of the development of mummification over a period of almost 4,000 years. This development stretches from the beginning of the early Egyptian period to the end of the Coptic era. The exhibition could also be called "Mummies - The Dream of Eternal Life". We have obtained the services of an English speaking guide for this interesting exhibition. Please note that there are only 24 places available. First come first served. Meeting point will be at 19:20 h in the inner courtyard of the Württembergisches Landesmuseum (Altes Schloss), Schillerplatz 6, Stuttgart. Costs for members EUR 5.00; non-members EUR 12.00. Reservations deadline is November 13. Please register by email edollywil@hotmail.com (Dolly Wilson, mobile 0170 958 9741)</p>
<p>TUESDAY</p> <p>November 20 6:30h</p>	<p>Thanksgiving Dinner @ Patch Baracks</p> <p>The Deutsch-Amerikanisches-Zentrum organizes a Thanksgiving Dinner (Roast Turkey of course !!!) in the Swabian Special Events Center of the Pataack Baracks in Stuttgart-Vaihingen. Deadline for registration and payment is November 9th for this American holiday traditional feast. More information you will get in the internet http://www.daz.org/Veranstaltungen.html or at the DA, phone 0711/22818-0. Cost: 32€ per person</p>
<p>MONDAY</p> <p>November 26 19:30 h</p>	<p>No program of the Metropolitan Club. We recommend the following DAZ program: Literaturverfilmung: The Portrait of a Lady von Henry James Vortrag /Diskussion mit Dr. Stefan Winter Die filmische Adaption einer literarischen Vorlage kann nur sehr entfernt den Text übernehmen. Die Konzentration auf dramatische Höhepunkte hin, die manchmal einfache Herausarbeitung der Hauptfiguren auf wenige Charakterzüge und eine oft genauere Darstellung im szenographischen Bereich (Bühnenbild, Natur, Kostüme) lassen den Film durchaus als eigenständiges Kunstwerk bestehen. Ein Beharren auf die exakte Umsetzung vom Buchstaben zur Leinwand ist dementsprechend illusorisch. Allerdings muss sich die Frage auch stellen lassen, ob nicht mit dem Genuss der Kinoversion die Lektüre vermieden wird. – In unserer neuen Reihe wird Dr. Stefan Winter von der Filmhochschule Potsdam-Babelsberg jeden Monat eine Literaturverfilmung diskutieren. Wir beginnen diese Reihe mit der Verfilmung von Henry James' Meisterwerk „The Portrait of a Lady“. Der Film wird am Dienstag, 27. November in der Originalfassung gezeigt. Ort: Deutsch-Amerikanisches-Zentrum (DAZ), Charlottenplatz 17, Stuttgart</p>
<p>TUESDAY</p> <p>November 27 19:00 h</p>	<p>No program of the Metropolitan Club. We recommend the following DAZ program: FILMWORKSHOP: The Portrait of a Lady (1996, OV, 142 min.) Directed by Jane Campion, the great and evident artistry shapes this film version of the Henry James novel The Portrait of a Lady, starring Nicole Kidman as Isabel Archer and a devilishly evil John Malkovich as Gilbert Osmond. For the bilingual amongst you: don't miss Dr. Winter's lecture in German on this film adaptation on November 26! Take place at Deutsch-Amerikanisches-Zentrum (DAZ), Charlottenstr. 17, Stuttgart (see below for location)</p>
<p>TUESDAY</p> <p>December 4 19:30 h</p>	<p>Yearly Member Meeting of the Metropolitan @ DAZ conference room</p> <p>Please join all of your fellow members for a review of this past year's activities and to discuss the coming year's plans. Elections will be held for Board positions of President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary. Other Board positions, such a Program Manager, Publicity Manager and Web-Master will be appointed. Anyone interested in joining the Board please contact Dennis.ODonohue@metclub.de. It is essential that we have a quorum of members for the election so please attend if you possibly can.</p>
<p>SATURDAY</p> <p>December 8 15:00 h (walk) 16:30 h (party)</p>	<p>Christmas Party</p> <p>It is time again for our traditional Christmas party! We will meet for the walk in front of the restaurant "Wiedmanns Waldstuben" and start with a pleasant walk around Degerlach at 15:00 h, which is organised by Georg - please bring a hot drink and a mug! Those who cannot make it for the walk can join a little later. From 16:30 h onwards we will have our Christmas party. Please bring a wrapped gift (€5 – 8 !) to exchange with others. In order to make sufficient reservations at the restaurant, please let us know if you will come: Georg.Mallebrein@metclub.de or 0174 2536147 Start of the walk and place of the party: Wiedmanns Waldstuben, Guts-Muths-Weg 10, Stuttgart-Waldau</p>
<p>TUESDAY</p> <p>December 11 19:30 h</p>	<p>Sikkim - The Switzerland of the Himalayas</p> <p>In 1975 Sikkim became officially the 22nd state of the Indian union after a referendum of the Sikkimese people. Before joining the Indian state Sikkim was a kingdom with domestic autonomy, but India was in charge of foreign affairs. Sikkim has a strong economic growth due to tourism and hydro power. Therefore Sikkim is striving to become the 'Switzerland of the Himalayan'. Matthias saw these words on a billboard during his trip to Sikkim in April. He will show you some slides showing the life of the Sikkimese people, its nature and buddhistic monastries. The third highest mountain on earth, which is called Kanchenjunga, can be seen from many places in Sikkim. To get a view of this giant mountain is not so easy as it appears. Matthias also spend some days in the region of Darjeeling which is very famous for its tea gardens. You will see how Darjeeling tea is produced. Place: Deutsch-Amerikanisches-Zentrum (DAZ), Charlottenstr. 17, Stuttgart</p>

WEDNESDAY December 12 19:00 h	Die Präsidentschaftswahlen: Kandidaten und Konzepte Vortrag/Diskussion mit Wolfgang Stützer Mit den Vorwahlen in New Hampshire im Januar 2008 beginnt die heiÙe Phase der Kandidatenauswahl - der Wahlkampf der potentiellen Kandidaten in den eigenen Reihen, in diesem Jahr bei beiden Parteien. Vieles läuft schon jetzt auf wenige Bewerber hinaus - vor voreiligen Schlüssen, gar Fixierung auf europäische Wunschbilder wird dennoch dringend gewarnt. Noch tummeln sich die stärksten Gegner im eigenen Lager - erst mit den Parteitagen im Sommer stehen die "Tickets" für den Wahlkampf nach Labour Day Anfang September 2008 fest. 2008 verspricht, ein spannendes Wahljahr in den USA zu werden. Wolfgang J. Stützer, Geschäftsführer der Beratungsfirma Risk&Threat Assessment, beobachtet US-Wahlkämpfe seit 1992 und unterhält Kontakte in beiden Parteien. – Wolfgang Stützer, Leiter des Büros für Transatlantische Beratung + Kommunikation, gibt Auskunft über neueste Entwicklungen im Vorkampf um die amerikanische Präsidentschaftswahl 2008. Ort: Deutsch-Amerikanisches-Zentrum (DAZ), Charlottenstr. 17, Stuttgart Dieser Vortrag wird vom DAZ organisiert. Wir dürfen als Gäste teilnehmen.
SATURDAY December 15 19:00 h	ENGLISH LANGUAGE THEATRE: "Fiddler on the Roof" (in Germany maybe better known as "Anatevka") In the little village of Anatevka, Tevye, a poor dairyman, tries to instill in his five daughters the traditions of his tight-knit Jewish community in the face of changing social mores and the growing anti-Semitism of Czarist Russia. Rich in historical and ethnic detail, "Fiddler on the Roof" with the famous song "If I were a rich man" - the story of Tevye, has touched audiences around the world with its humor, warmth and honesty. Its universal theme of tradition cuts across barriers of race, class, nationality and religion, leaving audiences crying tears of laughter, joy and sadness. For more information www.kelleytheatre.de or further questions you may contact Carmen Fellner 0172 7164348 / fellner@diakonie.de Ticket price: EUR 14,- (Metropolitan Club Members EUR 7) Are you interested in this famous musical? Well, then send an e-mail until the 6. December to Fellner@diakonie.de to reserve a ticket, including your ID or passport number and nationality (this is due to security reasons at the Kelley Barracks).
WEEK-END December 21 to December 23	Tschengla (Austria) week-end Join us for a week-end in the Vorarlberg region – hopefully with lots of snow ! We will leave Stuttgart on Friday afternoon/evening for 1.5 days of skiing, sledging and snow hiking. You may also try snow shoes. In the evening we will cook together and enjoy a big meal. We stay at "Schwabenhaus" – a blockhouse at 1200m elevation, 5min walk from ski-lift with self-catering facilities. Please bring your own bed sheets and some food for yourself and some to share for the big Saturday dinner. Drinks are provided. Price for accommodation: 16€ per night. This year we will travel with our own cars to Tschengla. Götz will organize car-pooling. Please register a.s.a.p. with Götz Stelzenmüller by sending him an e-mail. Götz Stelzenmüller: Phone 07152/352804, E-mail: Goetz.Stelzenmueller@de.bosch.com

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Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to our members and guests !

Highlights of coming months:

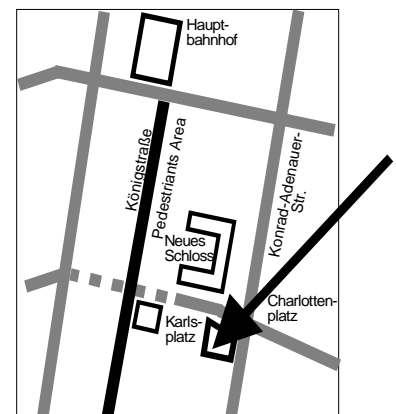
WELCOME 2008 AT THE STUTTGART TV TOWER (1/1/2008)

Join us for our traditional New Year's get-together at the Panorama Café on top of the TV tower. Meet some friends and enjoy the nice view over Stuttgart. In order to reserve the right number of seats at the TV Tower restaurant, please let Georg know in advance if you want to come. Send him an Email to: Georg.Mallebrein@metclub.de or an SMS to: 0174 253 6147 by December 30.
Meeting point is at 15:00h in front of the entrance of the TV Tower Stuttgart.

ABOUT THE METROPOLITAN CLUB

- We are:** A German-American club with international membership.
- The members:** People from all walks of life, especially between 18 and 35.
- Club language:** English for all official programs.
- Activities:** Cultural and social activities, fun and entertainment, weekend trips and whatever you suggest. The members and their ideas keep the club alive.
- President:** Dennis O'Donohue, 0711 687 5463, Dennis.ODonohue@metclub.de
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HOW TO FIND US



The programs marked "DAZ" (Deutsch-Amerikanisches Zentrum), are at Charlottenplatz 17 (Amadeus Building). To get there, enter the courtyard of the complex from the side facing the "Altes Schloss", turn right to entrance 3 at the round tower in the courtyard corner, go up the stairs to the top floor.

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