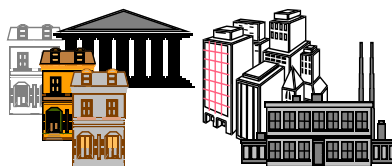


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members and Friends:

Welcome back from a long summer break. I hope that you all had a wonderful time.

We have some special events coming up during the rest of the year that you won't want to miss. On September 2, we welcome Professor Meredith McClain, an internationally renowned scholar on German-Texas history and, most importantly, an authority on that beloved author Karl May, who still delights us with his adventures of cowboys and Indians in the Wild West. Remember the noble Indian Winnetou and his German blood-brother Old Shatterhand? We hope you will join us for an entertaining presentation.

On October 3, we will be celebrating German Unification Day together with the Consul General of Germany Heiner Model. We are privileged to have musical entertainment from Leipzig (and Dresden) for this event.

In November we will have a short annual meeting for the election of directors and officers, followed by some first-hand information about and impressions of Leipzig from recent visitors there. If you wish to make some remarks at the annual meeting or desire to nominate someone (maybe yourself) for a position on the Board, please contact us at the email and telephone number above.

We will round out the year with our potluck Christmas party, which has been a smashing success in past years.

We are looking forward to a great fall. Please contact me at roydeg@aol.com. I welcome your comments, recommendations, and suggestions.

Best regards and viele Gruesse,

Roy De Gesero, President

COME AND FOLLOW US

On the Trail of Karl May

"The Saxonia-Texas Connection:
Karl May and the Llano Estacado."

6:30 p.m. Wine and Light Food
Reception

7:00 p.m. Presentation by
Dr. Meredith McClain
Texas Tech University

Thursday, September 2, 2004

Parish Hall
Christ the King Lutheran Church
2353 Rice Boulevard

Members: \$7.00
Non-Member Students: \$10.00
Non-Members and Guests: \$15.00

Parking is permitted across Greenbriar on the
Animal Hospital lot after 6:30 p.m.



Germany's Oldest Business School in Leipzig Internationally Accredited

The HHL - Leipzig Graduate School of Management (HHL), founded in 1898 as Germany's oldest business school, has been accredited by AACSB International, and is once again one of the leading business schools in Europe. HHL offers a graduate degree in business administration, either in a 15 months' full-time or in a two-year part-time MBA program.

HHL is now internationally recognized and conforms to the high quality standards for management education. This underlines the quality approach of HHL, as well as its international orientation. Currently 35% of HHL's students are from outside of Germany. The number of talented and qualified international students is expected to increase as a result of the accreditation, which allows HHL to join the top business schools worldwide.

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IN MEMORIAM

THOMAS ERNST PAWEL

We have lost a faithful friend and member. He will live in the memory of his children, grandchildren, and friends forever.

Thomas Ernst Pawel died suddenly after a brain hemorrhage at home, on Saturday, August 21, 2004. Tom Pawel was born in Leipzig, Germany, December 20, 1925, to Dr. Ernst and Charlotte Pawel and emigrated to the United States, with his parents in 1937.

Tom arrived in the United States speaking only German — a language he spoke with great relish — retaining his native Saxonian accent throughout his life. He was the nephew of Otto Suhr, former Mayor of West Berlin.

Tom served in the United States Army during World War II and became a U.S. Citizen. A graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the Harvard Graduate School of Business, he moved to Texas in the 1950s where he founded Concord Oil Company in 1956.

An avid athlete, Tom was a generous benefactor to the Modern Pentathlon and regular participant in marathons, triathlons, and 10K races throughout the region, including a second place finish — for his age group — in the Combat Medic 10K held on July 24, 2004. He gained recognition as a businessman of vision when he donated 1500 acres of the Briggs Ranch to establish the Texas Research Park.

Always thoughtful of his German heritage, Mr. Pawel served as the Honorary Consul for Germany in San Antonio for over a decade. He was a member of the Board of Directors for the San Antonio Plaza Club and active in numerous professional organizations, supporting economic development and the oil and gas industry.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Nancy Ray Pawel, his sister Renate (Ronnie) Guttman, three children, and five grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, those who wish may send memorials to Boysville, 8555 E. Loop 1604 N., San Antonio, TX 78109; Texas Research Park Foundation, 14815 Omnicon Drive, San Antonio, TX 78245; St. Mary's Hall, P.O. Box 33430, San Antonio, TX 78265 or Treehouse Day Program for Autistic Children, 271 E. Lullwood, San Antonio, TX 78212

For personal acknowledgments, please sign the on-line guest book at www.missionparks.com under the obituary section. Mission Park Funeral Chapels North.

Get Your MBA in Leipzig, *Continued from p. 1*

The report from the required peer review stated that "... the programs offered by the HHL are characterized by overall high quality, and there exists a positive environment for promoting continuous improvement. The school has the resources and the ability to achieve its mission, to sustain its overall level of quality, and to maintain its continuous improvement efforts. ... [It] has considerable strengths that contribute to its position as a global leader in management education."

AACSB International is a not-for-profit organization consisting of more than 900 educational organizations and corporations. Its mission is excellence in management education in colleges and universities. It is headquartered in St. Louis, Mo.

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Editor's Note: All applicants must take the GMAT, as administered in the U.S., and may have to meet other admission requirements.

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