September 2008 Program



The MetClub is an international organization for cultural, social and educational programs in Stuttgart.

SUNDAY

BICYCLE TOUR TO THE NEW STIHL GALERIE IN WAIBLINGEN

September 7 12:30 h

The recently inaugurated gallery with its rather special architecture, build by waiblingen's world-famous chainsaw manufacturer is the destination of our bicycle trip. Until Sept. 07 the galerie is featuring the "Liber Studiorum" (landscape mezzotinto prints) of the english painter William Turner (1775-1851).

The cycling route follows the Neckar and turns then to the Rems, clinging to the river's arcadian meanders till we reach Waiblingen. Whereas the first part might be familiar to some, the second part could be an insider tip... The way back goes via Fellbach, Bad Cannstatt to Stuttgart Hbf (S-Bahn from Waiblingen also possible).

The complete tour is around 40 km. Not all parts are paved, so you need a robust and reliable bicycle. Needless to say that after all those physical and cultural efforts an opportunity will be provided to take refreshments (Biergarten or Pizzeria in Waiblingen).

Gallery Entrance: 3 Euro (free for members of the Metropolitan Club) Meeting point: Biergarten Mittlerer Schloßgarten next to Stuttgart Hbf.

Please register with Martin (by Sept. 06): email: martin.moser.public@web.de, mobile: 0151/57345104

WEDNESDAY - SUNDAY

5-DAY-TRIP TO THE BALTIC SEA, SCHLESWIG HOLSTEIN

September 10 – 14

Join us for Kiel, the 'Sailing City'! Enjoy the breeze while sailing on the Kieler Förde. Relax on a white sandy beach and watch big ships go by. Discover the scenic town Schleswig with its outstanding gardens and impressive Viking castle. Modern marine industries and the untouched northern landscape are other highlights during our trip.

Our former Metclub program manager Fanny Vollrath (Bazin) will be hosting this trip to the region where she lives now.

Bookings are actually finished now, but if you just came across this event and want to join just ask Georg in case of cancellations.

Local coordinator: Georg Mallebrein; email: georg.mallebrein@metclub.de; mobile: 0174 253 6147

TUESDAY

This program is organized by the DAZ. Metropolitan Club members and friends are welcome.

September 16 19:30 h

MCCAIN VS OBAMA: WER STEHT FÜR WELCHEN WANDEL?

Vortrag/Diskussion mit Matthias Rüb

Barack Obama und John McCain haben sich mit einer Botschaft des Wandels gegen ihre innerparteilichen Konkurrenten durchgesetzt. Was also wird anders, nachdem der 44. Präsident der USA am 20. Januar 2009 auf den Stufen des Kapitols seinen Amtseid ablegt? Was ändert sich angesichts der Wirtschafts- und Immobilienkrise in der Innenpolitik? Was im Verhältnis zu den Verbündeten und zu Europa? Wie geht es weiter im Nuklearstreit und im Kampf gegen den Terrorismus?

Matthias Rüb ist Korrespondent der Frankfurter Allgemeinen Zeitung in Washington, D.C.

This program will take place in the DAZ Conference Room, Charlottenplatz 17, Stuttgart (plan see below)

SUNDAY

PUMPKIN EXHIBITION (BLÜHENDES BAROCK, LUDWIGSBURG)

September 21 14:30 h

UFOs, starships, planets, constellations, and all that in the midst of Ludwigsburg. This year the motto of the famous pumpkin exhibition is "A Journey to the Stars". You can see there more than 500.000 pumpkins of 450 different kinds from all over the world. When the time comes that you get tired of admiring them then you can eat them. And if you are crazy enough you can even boat on a carved pumpkin across the park's lake.

Entrance fee: 7,50 Euro.

Meeting point: Bus stop Residenzschloss. Reachable from Ludwigsburg Bhf by Bus 421 (departure 14:23h) or Bus 427 (departure 14:30h) or by foot (15min).

If you want to add some exercise, join us for a little bicycle ride from Korntal Bhf on the old kings road "Solitudeallee" to Ludwigsburg (10km, start at 13:40h).

Please register with Petra by Sept. 19; email: petrafischer1970@yahoo.de; mobile: 0172 8738947

TUESDAY

September 23 19:30 h

INTERNATIONAL GET-TOGETHER

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.

If possible, please register by email: program_manager@metclub.de (by September 22).

TUESDAY

"BREAD FOR THE WORLD" – INSIGHTS INTO THE WORK OF A DEVELOPMENT AID ORGANISATION

September 30 19:30 h

Presentation/Slideshow with Mr. Martin Remppis

"Bread for the World" is a German development aid organization based in Stuttgart which sponsors over a thousand regional projects, mostly in the third world, dealing with improvement of the economical, educational and health care situation. The presentation will give an overview how such an organization functions and illustrate its operating principles by means of specific development projects in India.

Mr. Remppis is a colleague of Metclub member Camen Fellner and an expert in development aid project management.

For questions and more details you may contact Carmen: fellner@diakonie.de; mobile: 0172/7164348 This program will take place in the **DAZ Conference Room**, Charlottenplatz 17, Stuttgart (plan see below)

... one of the highlights in October:

SUNDAY

THROUGH THE VINEYARDS TO THE GRABKAPELLE ON THE ROTENBERG

October 19 12:00 h

The Grabkapelle on the Rotenberg is one of Stuttgart's most famous monuments. The prominent location offers a marvelous view and we will take a guided tour in English providing many architectural and historical facts. Where does the name "Württemberg" come from? Why is Stuttgart's largest hospital called "Katharinenhospital"? The answers to these questions will give you an idea of the importance of this place not only for Stuttgart but for the entire region and the country.

Our way walking up to the Grabkapelle and back leads us through the surrounding vineyards that form in autumn a colorful patchwork in red and orange, a real feast for the eyes!

To complete this journey to the roots of swabian history in an authentical way a "Besenwirtschaft" in Untertürkheim will be our final destination.

This event is organized by Stefan; email: sdiehl@telefonica.net More details to come in October program.

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

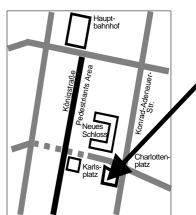
you suggest. The members and their ideas keep the club alive.

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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. In case of an accident, neither the Metropolitan Club Stuttgart nor the organizers of events assume any responsibility. The Metropolitan Club will also take no responsibility for accidents at transportation from or to club events.

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