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Sepp Kaindl Awarded Ehrenmitglied of Gau-NA at 26. Gaufest

Josef "Sepp" Kaindl has often come to Gaufeste in North America. He is well known both here and in Bavaria for his contributions to Bavarian Brauchtum. At the Gau-Ausschuss meeting in March, it was decided that Sepp would be named "Ehrenmitglied" for his support of Gau-NA. Gau-Ehrenvorstand Walter Wieand wrote the following letter to explain why Sepp Kaindl is deserving of the honor.

As a member of the Gauausschuss for thirty-five years and as Ehren-Gauvorstand, I have had the pleasure of knowing and meeting with several Trachtler, Vorstände, Gauvorstände, and members of the Landesvorstand of the Bayerischer Trachtenverband e.v. on my

"Sepp" Kaindl, past Gauvorstand of Huosigau, has been very supportive of our Gauverband. He, along with members of the Verein D'Ammertaler" Diessen, have attended several Gaufeste in North America. It was through Sepp Kaindl's influence with the Vorstandschaft of the Bayerischer Trachtenverband that we now enjoy a "Patenschaft" with the Bayerischer Trachtenverband, which I witnessed at the Ladestagung in Landsberg am Lech on September 26, 2000, with Michael Olk, Gauarchivar, and our Gauvorstand Tom Vogt, who signed the Patenschaft Urkunde.

Sepp Kaindl was also instrumental in opening the door for our Gauverband to have membership with the Förderverein Trachtenkulturzentrum in Holzhausen. His influence made it possible for our Gauverband to sponsor a bedroom in the Pfarrstall along with all the Gauverbände of the Trachtenverband.

It is with this knowledge that I ask the Board of Directors to consider and recommend Josef "Sepp" Kaindl for Ehrenmitglied of Gauverband Nordamerika. I believe that Sepp Kaindl's influence and support has given our Gauverband a bigger footprint in Bavaria and with the Bayerischer Trachtenverband. We can never repay him what he has done for the Gauverband, and I know he wouldn't want us to compensate him, but I am sure he would be very honored to be recognized in this manner.

Walter R. Wieand, Ehrengauvorstand

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L to r—Walter Wieand, 1. Gauvorstand Tom Vogt, Sepp Kaindl, Gaubeisitzer Bob Hugel presenting Sepp with a pin and Urkunde

visits to Bavaria. I have had a good rapport with all that I have met and all were very helpful with the customs and cultures of Bavaria.

However, one Trachtler, namely Josef

Remembering Carolyn Marquardt



The Gauverband Nordamerika is deeply saddened by the news of the passing of Carolyn Marquardt, Ehrengaubeisitzer, on Tuesday, May 23, 2017. Carolyn was first appointed to the position of Gaubeisitzer in 1996 by 1. Gauvorstand, Walter Wieand. She was re-elected to the Gauausschuss in that capacity until 2016. She also held the position of Gau-Webmaster during her tenure on the Board. She was named an Ehrengaubeisitzer at the 2017 Executive Board Meeting.

Carolyn was a very beloved Trachtlerin who upheld her "Sitt und Tracht" to the highest degree. Personally, it was always a pleasure to see her smiling face every morning at our Executive Board meetings. She will be sorely missed by all that knew and loved her, especially her husband Reid Champagne.

Ruhe in Frieden.

Tom Vogt, 1. Gauvorstand