



# Narrenblatt

61. Session 2025-2026

Anaheim Karnevalsgesellschaft im Phoenix Club

*Künstliche Intelligenz  
kann man vergessen  
Künstlichen blödsinn  
halten wir für angemessen*

**Das Prinzenpaar  
der Anaheim KG 2025-2026  
S.T. Prinz Marc I. &  
I.L. Prinzessin Valeria I.**

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Congratulations  
to our new  
AKG Prinzenpaar

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**S.T. PRINZ MARC 1.**  
&  
**I.L. PRINZESSIN  
VALERIA 1.**

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May your season be as  
memorable as ours.  
PROST  
&  
Phoenix HELAU

*Heinz and Vicki  
Prinzenpaar 2024-25*





## 61. Kampagne

So much of the celebration of Karneval/Fasnacht is lost in translation. It is difficult to describe to those who have never experienced the uniqueness and elemental power of humor and Karneval/Fasnacht first-hand. Establishing and maintaining our German Karneval club and events in the US, among a culture that is completely unfamiliar with the traditions of "Karneval," also presents difficulties. Simply put, Fasnacht-goers just want to be happy and help others forget the grayness of everyday life for a few hours. After all, Germans dedicate a whole 5<sup>th</sup> season for this purpose! Wherever there is a general desire to participate in social life and to enjoy some good humor, Karneval festivities have a home.

Humor was and is an expression of the free, self-confident spirit and is a never-ending source of strength for the preservation of a community of people; a non-threatening source to preserve and cultivate traditions, especially in difficult situations. For many, humor can lighten the stress of facing a new challenge or environment, or it can help prepare the ground for free expression and new understanding. Nothing can characterize a cultural/historical event as sharply or insightfully as a word of humor, and a keen sense of wit. As you see in our Motto for 2026, we challenge progress with a quip about AI and artificial nonsense.

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(You can forget artificial intelligence. We think artificial nonsense is fitting.)

Humor and true wit are fueled by the smiles of different times. It may all seem to be changing on the surface, but our club recognizes its origins and is committed to grabbing the power that our Karneval traditions possess. And so, our Karneval club extends a welcome with open arms to anyone who wants to lighten their heart and participate in Karneval traditions. We know that the way to flourish is by gathering with inventiveness and tireless dedication to the purpose of bringing joy. Phoenix Helau!



## German-American Mardi Gras Association



The time has come, we are again celebrating the fifth season!

I wish the Anaheim Karnevalsgesellschaft a happy, fun-filled Karneval season and look forward to see you at many events.

On January 23-24, 2025, the sounds of Karneval will fill the air again in Las Vegas at our 40. GAMGA Gala. Anaheim Karnevalsgesellschaft, as one of the GAMGA founders, has always been and will remain a very important part of GAMGA, not only by bringing very high numbers of visitors, but especially by its performances. I believe that, together with the many German Karneval Societies all over the Americas, GAMGA will make history in celebrating 40 years.

As I reflect on my many years on the GAMGA Board of Directors and as President, I know that none of it would have been possible without the support from the German Community and your faithfulness to our Karneval traditions. Of course, Karneval traditions must adapt to the changing times and circumstances of a world that is constantly evolving. It can sometimes be a challenge to find the right balance between tradition and new concepts. All Karneval groups have find their way to keep and make Karneval more entertaining and attractive, not only for the members but also for visitors. I encourage trying out new ways, without forgetting the

traditions that are the foundations of Karneval. Part of that change should also include a review of the experiences and lessons that clubs have tried and learned over many decades.

It fills me with great pride to welcome you at our 40th celebration of German American Karneval in Las Vegas. And, I wish you all many wonderful hours, delightful encounters, and lots of fun at the Karneval events at the Phoenix Club and throughout the land.

Phoenix Helau!

Holger Claus, GAMGA President

## Elferratspräsident der Anaheim Karnevalsgesellschaft

Welcome to the Anaheim Karnevalsgesellschaft's 2025-2026 season! We're thrilled to celebrate our 61st season with you. Imagine all the skits, songs, dances, jokes, costumes, and joyful moments shared during these memorable seasons, beginning on 11/11 and continuing until Ash Wednesday.

We are looking forward to another spectacular season as we rally around our new Prinzenpaar.

Our Prinzenpaar, along with all of our talented members, have been working hard all year to plan and rehearse every detail that makes our events unforgettable.

We can't wait to see you and your friends in the audience—trust me, you won't want to miss our events! If, after seeing us in action, you're eager to get more involved, we warmly invite you to join the AKG. We're a lively group with over 60 members, and we're excited to keep growing!

Phoenix Helau!

Patrick Gagné

Elferratspräsident und Gruppenleiter der Anaheim Karnevalsgesellschaft



## Elferratspräsident der Anaheim Karnevalsgesellschaft



As the President of The Phoenix Club, I would like to first congratulate the new Prinzenpaar for the 2025-26 season S.T. Prinz Marc 1 and I.L. Prinzessin Valeria 1. May their reign bring them joy and happiness, and I wish them the best season.

Being part of the AKG is a very exciting and a very fun experience. I look forward to this season and may everyone do the same! Enjoy and have fun! I support the AKG and want to keep the traditions of Karneval at The Phoenix Club as it has since 1965.

Let the Jägermeister, Schnapps and the Kostritzer flow!!!! Phoenix Helau!!!!


Christine Schwab Thompson  
Phoenix Club President


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## Proklamation of Prinz Marc I. & Prinzessin Valeria I.

Prinz: Willkommen! Welcome, my friends! At long last, the season of nonsense begins!

Prinzessin: ¡Bienvenidos! Bienvenue! Tonight, we celebrate with joy and a little mischief too!

Prinz: Logic is gone, and laughter is law — So raise up your glasses and give a loud “HA!”

I am Prinz Marc the First, delighted and proud, To lead this fine, fun-loving crowd. My roots run deep through history’s song — From Germany, to the Volga River, and Kansas along — And now to Brea, where the Phoenix takes flight, I bring warmth, good humor, and Köstritzer tonight!

And by my side, a vision so fair, My Prinzessin Valeria, with sparkle to spare!

Prinzessin: ¡Buenas noches a todos! Qué alegría total! Let’s make this the best of all Karnevals!

Prinz: Born in Argentina, full of grace and delight, She teaches young children from morning till night. But tonight, dear Jecken, her lesson is clear — No homework, no tests — just laughter and cheer!

Together we wander, we toast, and we sing, In Deutschklasse, Schützen, and every fun thing. From Wandergruppe trails to our club full of light, We bring you the joy of Karneval night!

Prinz: Now listen up, Jecken, as custom commands, For these are the rules your Prinzenpaar brands:

Rule One! You must dance — no sitting allowed! If your feet don’t move, we’ll recruit from the crowd!

Rule Two! Costumes sind ein Muss — that’s true! If you show up plain, we’ll lend one to you. (We have selections ranging from Reeperbahn chic... to that one yellow bird costume no one dares critique.)

Rule Three! Beer and Jäger flow as they might, But Köstritzer shall rule as the drink of the night!

Rule Four! When in doubt or unsure what to do, Just shout “Phönix Helau!” — it will see you through!

Crowd: Phönix Helau!

Prinz: Rule Five! The mountains can wait — they’ll still be there. Tonight, we climb spirits, not peaks, through the air!

Rule Six! If the Prinz is found beerless — a crime most severe — Correct it at once, with Köstritzer beer!

Rule Seven! Yes, I used a bit of Artificial Intelligence — But only to craft this royal eloquence! And though technology helped polish each line, The nonsense, dear friends — that part’s all mine!

Rule Eight! Our teacher declares: no homework tonight! Only dancing and joy ’til the morning light.

Rule Nine! When hiking the trails, take care where you tread — Or you might end up EATEN BY A BEAR instead! If that should happen — don’t worry, don’t fear, We’ll toast your memory ... and finish your beer!

Rule Ten! Photos must flatter, or at least make you grin, If you’re frowning too much — we’ll just Photoshop one in!

Rule Eleven! The final command and the best by far: When the Prinz and Prinzessin raise drinks at the bar, All must join in with passion and pride, And shout three times loud, side by side:

All: Phönix Helau! Phönix Helau! Phönix Helau!

Prinz: So let there be laughter, and let there be light, Fiat Lux, my friends, shines brightest tonight! From the Volga to Kansas, from Argentina’s sun, To Mount Whitney’s peak — our season’s begun! We’re one Phoenix Club family, joyful and free, Fueled by nonsense, good company, and glee!

Prinzessin: So raise your glasses and toast with delight — For laughter and love make everything right!

Both: ¡Salud! Prost! Helau!

Euer Prinz Marc I. Eure Prinzessin Valeria I., November 15, 2025

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Patrick Gagne  
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Gary Bonie



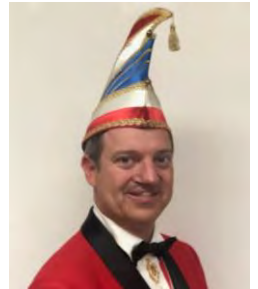
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Richard Herber  
Schatzmeister



Marilyn Orlich  
Schriftführerin



## Its Karneval! Helau and Amen!

Christianity proclaims good news. Joylessness is therefore not a Christian virtue! Religion and humor belong together. This is also evident in Karneval, thanks be to the Catholic Church. It is the fifth season! On Shrove Monday (Rosenmontag) and Violet Tuesday (Veilchen Dienstag), the foolish campaign reaches its climax. The Karneval participants exuberantly celebrate Karneval, Fastelovend, Fasnet or Fasching. Because everyone knows: "Am Aschermittwoch ist alles vorbei" (It's all over on Ash Wednesday.)

This has its origins in the church year, because Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent, in which the faithful prepare for Easter. Those 40 days of Lent used to be hard and full of deprivation: no meat, no eggs, no dairy, no fun! But before that, the night before fasting (Fastnacht), the faithful wanted to let off steam and use up the forbidden luxuries. The tradition of the beginning of Karneval on 11.11 also has its origins here, as Advent was also a long strict fasting period before Christmas.

Without church and faith, there is no Karneval! Medieval sources prove that public celebrations and Karneval processions were held on the model of the Passion and Easter plays, as well as church processions. In contrast, pagan customs from pre-Christian times hardly played a role in the emergence of Shrovetide.

Nowhere in Germany is the symbiosis of Christianity and Karneval as alive as in the Rhineland. Many parishes actively celebrate "Fastelovend". Of course, they organize foolish meetings and take part in the street parades, even the careers of numerous popular comedians, singers, and musicians began in this type of church environment.

In many places, the revelers come to the service in costume. The pastor often gives a Karneval sermon or Büttenrede from the pulpit. In this way, they show that they do not take themselves too seriously. You might hear jokes like this: "A very rich man asks the bishop: 'If I bequeath a million dollars to the church, will I be guaranteed to go to heaven?'" The bishop answers: "I can't promise you that for certain – but you should certainly give it a try!"

Karneval was and is also an outlet against the powerful. The fools turn the world upside down. "Many of those who are first will be last, and the last first." (Mark 10:31) implies a future judgment or reordering where those who are currently esteemed may find themselves in a lesser position, emphasizing humility. And so, rules for the officials of the Church were prompted!

Yes, you can laugh out loud in church from time to time. For centuries, the "Easter laughter" (risus paschalis) was observed, where death and the devil were mocked and laughed at. In a way, the Karneval services have revived this tradition. To be sure, laughter and Schunkeln (swaying) are allowed in the church!





Special "fools' masses" are popular in the Swabian-Alemannic Karneval and in the Rhenish Karneval.

In Cologne Cathedral, the big Karneval mass is a highlight of the church year. Reverent and buoyant at the same time, the revelers celebrate a service "op Kölsch". Traditionally, on Carnival Sunday at the end of Mass, a special register is drawn on the swallow's nest organ, namely the "Loss Jonn" register – which can best be translated as "Now do it!" When this register is activated, a flap opens below the pipes, and a jester figure swings out. The melody "Mer lasse de Dom in Kölle" (We're leaving the cathedral in Cologne) is played. Also, in front of the Epiphany shrine, a consecrated "session candle" burns until Ash Wednesday to protect the foolish activities and the season.

The Christian faith emphasizes communion and proclaims, "life in abundance". This also aligns with Shrovetide. It is no coincidence that a Karneval hymn addresses bliss: "Wir kommen alle, alle in den Himmel!" (We are all, all going to heaven!)

The question remains as to why Shrovetide is particularly at home in the Catholic region.

The Reformers did not practice fasting in their early church. Therefore, Shrovetide made no sense to them. Martin Luther, who was otherwise quite up for crude jokes and pranks, condemned the licentiousness of the Karneval as sinful and ominous.

But it turns out that more and more Protestants and those of other faiths are also celebrating the "fifth season". In Cologne, the Karneval has now become a truly universal affair. That's why everyone is encouraged to join in.

The Anaheim KG has celebrated Rhenish Karneval since our founding. Our organizers wished to carry on the cheerful spontaneity they had experienced in the easily adapted and popular "Saalkarneval" (hall Karneval) versions of the lower and Middle Rhine.





## Narren außer Rand und Band

### Der Orden der Anaheim KG 2025-2026

The Sessions Orden is given to all AKG members and to friends as a reward for service, and excellence. The design of a Karneval Orden (medal) can be humorous or satirical, it can mark group history or even be the subject of controversy. That is what makes the Orden of the Anaheim Karnevalsgesellschaft such a highly sought-after party favor. Orden of Session 2025/26. This season's motto is:

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KÜNSTLICHEN BLÖDSINN HALTEN WIR FÜR ANGEMESSEN.  
(You can forget artificial intelligence. We think artificial nonsense is fitting.)

This year's design features a computer circuit board with our logo and a clown at the center. The Orden highlights the progress of artificial intelligence in daily life and our preference to focus on nonsense instead. To program in a little crazy fun goes a long way toward a happy life.



### Der Prinzenorden 2025-2026

The Prinzenpaar bestows their own Orden as an emblem of gratitude. This season's motto is:

"Fiat Lux ( Let there be light)"  
This was inspired by the Prinzessin's Alma Mater UCLA.

The Orden design shows the form of Mt Whitney at the center, which is the highest peak in the continental US, Summited By Prinz Marc in 2024. Surrounding the Peak are symbols of the Prinzenpaar's origins. A sunflower for Kansas, where Prinz Marc was born, and the Sun symbolizing Argentina, Prinzessin Valeria's birthplace.



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Josef Herget & Sigrid Kunkel



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Ernst Rieder & Anni Hemm



Paul I & Gisela I 74/75  
Paul Gunnemann & Gisela Portmann



Heinz I & Sieglinde I 75/76  
Heinz Kahl & Sieglinde Anderson



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Paul Jager & Susi Mattegit



Karl I & Lisa I 77/78  
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Manfred I & Margie I 79/80  
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Willi Maul & Lucy Hill



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Gerhard I & Kim I 82/83  
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Willi III & Ingeborg I 83/84  
Willi & Ingeborg Gerstner



Alex I & Diana I 84/85  
Alex Hertfelder & Diana Theer



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Albert & Margarete Helmbrecht



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Werner Kurkowski & Heide Fischer



Werner II & Olga I 95/96  
Werner Kurkowski & Olga Donaldson

# Ehrentafel der Prinzenpaare der Anaheim Karnevalsgesellschaft



Frank I & Inga III 96/97  
Frank & Inge Wittmann



Ken I & Marlies II 1997/98  
Ken & Marlies Garmon



Rob I & Sharon I 1998/99  
Rob Gunnemann & Sharon Dietz



Hans III & Margitta I 1999/00  
Hans & Margitta Lietz



Joseph I & Kristen I 2000/01  
Joseph Rheinisch & Kristen Sorenson



Alfred I & Roberta I 2001/02  
Alfred & Roberta Hauptmann



Günter II & Ursula II 2002/03  
Günter Sommer & Ursula Ryder



William I & Ingrid I 2003/04  
Bill Jarosz & Ingrid Simmons



Hans Eric I & Stefanie I 2004/05  
Hans & Stefanie Reisch



Oskar Willi I & Renate I 2005/06  
Willi Gerstner & Renate Halstead



Mark I & Heidi I 2006/07  
Mark & Heidi Davis



Harold I & Kerstin I 2007/08  
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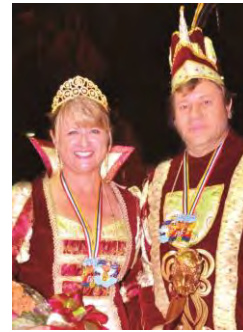
Richard I & Virginia I 2008/09  
Richard & Virginia Lund



Gary I. & Caroline I. 2009/10  
Gary Bonie & Caroline Shackelford



Erik I. & Jillian I. 2010/11  
Erik & Jillian Schwarze



Peter I. & Loraine I. 2011/12  
Peter & Loraine Klotz



Richard II. & Mona I. 2012/13  
Richard Herber & Mona Luebke



Das Dreigestirn 2013/14  
Jungfrau Marieka, Prinz Kurt I. Bauer Erik Mark Davis, Kurt Hauptmann, Erik Schwarze



Joseph II. & Diana II. 2014/15  
Joseph & Diana Spaziano



Holger I & Kerstin II 2015/16  
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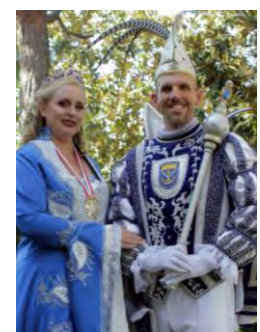
Alan I & Susan I 2016/17  
Alan & Susan Navarro



Daniel I & Nicole I 2017/18  
Daniel Friedl & Nicole Hauptmann



Patrick I & Letty I 2018/19  
Patrick Gagne & Letty Lenoir



Manfred II & Kirsten I 2019/20  
Freddy Bauermann & Kirsten Walter



Matthias I. & Jocelyn I. 2020/22  
Matthew Hale & Jocelyn Gillanders



Mark Russell I. & Lettie I. 2022/23  
Mark Davis & Leticia Lenoir



Adam I & Marilee I 2023/24  
Adam & Marilee Herrick



Heinz Wilhelm I & Viktoria Elizabeth I 2024/25  
Heinz Wiechmann & Vicki Sodman



Marc I & Valeria I 2025/26  
Marc Machin & Valerie Gutierrez



# Unsere Gesellschaft





Picture left to right; back: Lisa Hauptmann, Kerstin Wurmnest, Harold Wurmnest, Heidi Davis, Jillian Schwarze, Prinzessin Valeria I, Prinz Marc I, Patrick Gagne, Vivian Ringen, Mona Lubke, front: Gerda Wisser, Cathy Russ. These active members have shaped the life and camaraderie of our Gesellschaft (society) in their particular roles and enriched the events and performances.

## Court of S.T. Prinz Marc I. & I.L. Prinzessin Valeria I.

Hofmarschall:	Vivian Stevens Ringen	Musikmeister:	Kerstin Wurmnest
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Standarte:	Harold Wurmnest	Hof-Fotograf:	Paul Smith/Jeffrey Lloyd Deal
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Kellermeister:	Mona Lübke	Facebook/Narrenblatt:	Heidi Davis
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Hoppeditz:	Elisabeth Hauptmann Alyssa Pham		



## Unsere Ehrenmitglieder *Our honorary members*

Erich Boehrer	Margie Baurmann
Rolf Pechmann	Paul Morello
Patsy Miele	Egon Kummetz
Willi Gerstner	Rosi Kummetz

## Unsere Ehrensenatoren *Our honorary Senators*

Konsul Erhard Loeser
Michael Meinardus
Hans Klein

## Unsere Senatoren *Our Senators*

Richard Berger
Rudi Graef

### “HELAU”

Our Karnevals Schlachtruf (rally cry) originated in Düsseldorf. Folklore researchers see the foolish "Helau" as a corruption of the church "Halleluja" and refers to the still existing foolish "Ajuja". Other's say is a shepard's call, or that "Helau" comes from "hello" or "he du da" and is associated with the call for the ferryman. Still others argue that it translates from "Halbblau" vernacular for (half inebriated).

In fact, modern Karneval was created as a mockery of all kinds of authorities and is particularly used as a salute or cheer of recognition for a performance or as a greeting.

The salutation of "Helau" is a Karneval institution known throughout Germany and is popular on the Lower and Middle Rhine, thus along with "Alaaf", is one of the most famous among the call of fools.



## Verdienstorden *Order of merit*

2004	Margie Baurmann Margret Graef Rob Gunnemann	2019	Richard Lund
2005	Bertha Berger Richard Berger Walter Lübke Juergen Picard	2020	Gary Bonie
2006	Rudi Graef Frank Wittmann Paul Morello Hans Lietz	2021	Sandy Hernandez
2007	Manfred Walter	2023	Dee Ann Gunnemann Cynthia Wallace
2008	Joyce Gunnemann	2024	Wilma Wilson
2009	Gretl Hirschl		
2010	Joe Spaziano		
2011	Mona Lubke		
2012	Jutta Cronin Kirsten Walter		
2013	Heidi Davis		
2014	Kerstin Claus Rich Herber		
2015	Gisela Simmons Mark Davis		
2016	Vivian Ringen		
2017	Gerda Wissner		
2018	Paul Smith		

Karneval could not happen without the hard work and dedication of our AKG members. Desiring to visibly express recognition and gratitude to deserving men and women of the Anaheim KG, the Verdienst Orden (Order of Merit), is awarded. Modeled after the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany. It is awarded to all those whose work contributes to the furthering of German Karneval and for achievements that serve the continuance of the Anaheim Karnevalsgesellschaft. This and the award of Ehrenmitglied (honorary membership) is the group's highest awards. We salute these individuals who are most deserving with: **3 X HELAU!**

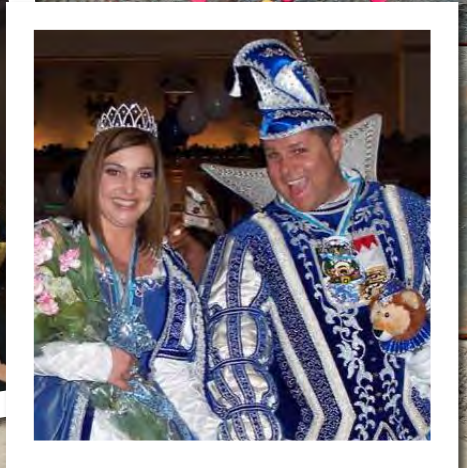


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2025-2026 PRINZENPAAR  
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KARNEVALSGESELLSCHAFT

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## Die Prinzengarde

The Prinzengarde, serving as the Royal Guard to the Prince and Princess, proudly represents the Anaheim Karnevalsgesellschaft at the Phoenix Club of Orange County in Brea, CA. This dynamic group embodies the essence of German Karneval through their high-energy dance routines, captivating audiences and ensuring a fun-filled experience for all. This season, the Prinzengarde showcases six talented dancers, under the leadership of Tanz Kapitän Sandy Hernandez. Adding a special touch to our performances is Funkenmajor Fred Bauermann, whose unique flair enhances our presentations. We are deeply grateful to our choreographer, Katy Stitz, for her innovative choreography that has shaped our dance routines for the year. During the 2025-2026 season, the Prinzengarde will perform at a variety of Karneval events, including our home venue at the Phoenix Club in Brea, the GAMGA Gala in Las Vegas, and the German American Societies of San Diego in El Cajon.



## Die Damen Revué

Karneval Greetings from the Damen Revue!

The Damen are excited to perform for our 10th year at Karneval and look forward to debuting some fun new dances at our upcoming Karneval events.

Special thanks to our choreographers for this year, Manfred Baurmann and Vivian Ringen, and welcome to our new group members: Jenn Constantine, Trina Barich and Julia Squires.

We hope to see you at our Karneval events. Come and enjoy the show!

Roberta Hauptmann  
Gruppenleiterin der Damen Revué

We warmly invite new dancers to join our vibrant group! Practices are held on Sundays, and if you're interested in becoming a part of our team, please contact us at [phoenixclubgarde@gmail.com](mailto:phoenixclubgarde@gmail.com).

2025-2026 Garde Members in order from left to right.

Top: Ryan Mattoon, Fred Bauermann (Funkenmajor) Tim Thomas

Middle: Katy Stitz

Sandy Hernandez (Tanz Kapitan)

Center bottom:

Amanda Hernandez with Autumn



The Damen Revue from left to right:

Patrice Skinner

Rosa Dorn

Vicki Sodman

Letty Lenoir

Trina Barich

Karen Stragey

Nicole Hauptmann-Kavticnik

Jenn Constantine

Christine Schwab-Thompson

Stephanie Schwab-Hudson

Roberta Hauptmann

Julia Squires

Debbie King

Crissy Irani (not shown)



# Kinderkarneval on the Islands

Join us Sunday February. 1<sup>st</sup> 2026,  
1:00PM, Free Admission

Kinderprinzenpaar  
of the Youth Dance Group

S.T. Prinz  
Carter 1.  
&

I.L. Prinzessin  
Amelia 1.

Wish everyone  
a tropically warm  
Karneval Season!

We hope to see you  
here, in costume,  
ready to join the  
festivities including  
music, dancing,  
games, a costume  
contest with prizes,  
and a traditional  
Karneval  
performance by  
The Phoenix Club  
Youth Dance Group.



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Jeck ist einfach...

The Youth Dance group would like to send our gratitude to the Phoenix Club and its members who have supported us. We thank the GAMGA organization for its continued generosity and The German-American Societies of San Diego for their participation at our events! With our joint efforts, we can continue to pass along wonderful German customs, like the celebration of Karneval, to the next generation.

Hoppeditz:  
Alyssa Pham  
Elisabeth Hauptmann

Kinderprinzengarde:  
Kurt Ethan Hauptmann  
Logan Stitz  
Alex Stitz  
Jaxson Schwarze

Tanzpaar:  
Madeline Molitor  
Henry Bauermann

*interested in  
joining our group?  
We practice at  
12:00 -1:30 pm  
Sundays  
Unit E.*



Choreographer/Dance Instructor: Freddy Bauermann  
Group leader: Lisa Hauptmann

*Die Besten  
Wünsche zur  
Karneval  
Session  
2025-2026*



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