



Annual Award Presentation

of the **German Language and School Society**

Recognizing Outstanding Achievement in the
70th Annual DSSV German Essay Contest
and AATG National German Exam

Sunday, May 4, 2025 at 3:00 PM
Marquette University High School Auditorium
3306 W Michigan Ave., Milwaukee, WI

www.dssvwi.org



German Language and School Society

The Deutscher Sprach- und Schulverein (DSSV) or German Language and School Society of Wisconsin, Inc., was founded in Milwaukee on June 9, 1956. It is chartered as a non-political, non-religious, and non-profit educational organization under the laws of the state of Wisconsin.

The Society’s primary goal is to promote and stimulate interest in and understanding of the German language and culture by means of an annual German Essay Contest.

This contest is open to students of all public and private high schools in the state of Wisconsin who are presently enrolled in a German class. The German Language and School Society conducts its annual contest in conjunction with the comprehensive German language test sponsored by the AATG. Summer study trips to Germany and scholarships are awarded to those who qualify in these contests.

The Society has sponsored 70 annual German Essay Contests.

- 42,517** Students have participated
- 10,260** Awards have been presented to students for outstanding achievement
- 103** Study and vacation trips to Germany have been awarded

Contributions from estate bequests, individuals, and organizations fund this program. The German Language and School Society does not receive any governmental monetary grants.

The German Language and School Society wishes to express their sincere gratitude to the students and teachers who participated, as well as to our members and the many organizations, here and in Germany, who contributed so much to the success of this highly idealistic program.

Honored Benefactors

We extend our appreciation to the following individuals whose generosity has made a lasting impact on our organization and mission.

The Estate of Dr. Ernst Edlhauser

We are grateful for the generous bequest from the estate of Dr. Ernst Edlhauser, the founding Executive Director of Goethe House of Wisconsin. Dr. Edlhauser passed away on December 5, 2013, at the age of 88. Born on February 1, 1925, in Vienna, Austria, he moved to Milwaukee in 1957 with his wife, the late June Edlhauser (née Helgason).

Dr. Edlhauser served as the long-time director of Goethe House Wisconsin, from 1959 until 1995. Prior to that, he had worked for the U.S. Embassy in Vienna and the UN Atomic Energy Agency. His lifelong commitment to the advancement of German language and culture was recognized by both the Austrian and West German governments, each awarding him the Order of Merit, First Class.

On January 24th, 1961 the Goethe House opened to the public, and for over three decades thousands of visitors met Dr. Edlhauser as the face of Goethe House. The DSSV honors his lasting contributions to German language education for students and adults across Wisconsin.

Linda Pensala, In Memory of Mark Haberberger

A donation of \$1,500 was provided by Linda Pensala in memory of Mark Haberberger, a dedicated supporter of the DSSV Essay Contest and German Career Day. Mark sadly passed away on January 4, 2020. He was a past keynote speaker at the DSSV Award Ceremony and represented GE Healthcare at the German Language Career Day. Mark was also an active member of the greater Milwaukee German-American community and the German American Chamber of Commerce.

Heiner Giese, In Memory of Wilma and Heinz Giese

The Wilma and Heinz Giese Scholarship, in the amount of \$1,000, has been donated by DSSV Senior President Heiner Giese in memory of his parents. Wilma and Heinz Giese were deeply involved in the DSSV, German Fest, and numerous other German-American societies for many decades, leaving a legacy of service and cultural dedication.

Bobbette Leu-Timmerman, In Memory of Ursela Leonhardt

Bobbette Leu-Timmerman, retired German teacher at Cedarburg High School, has generously donated \$500 in remembrance of Ursela Leonhardt of the Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg.

Additional support is made possible by:

The Greater Milwaukee Foundation

The Theodore and Anna Grollmann Fund

The German Language and School Society

German Fest Milwaukee, Inc.

German Fest has again donated complimentary tickets to German Fest for all contest winners and teachers attending the Award Ceremony.

Other Cash Awards

Over the past 70 years, the German Language and School Society has been fortunate to receive generous support from many friends and donors who have contributed to our scholarship programs.

In Memoriam

We remember and pay tribute to two individuals we lost this past year, whose memory and impact will remain a part of our shared history.

Frederick P. Kessler (1940-2024)

We remember Frederick P. Kessler, a devoted public servant, advocate, and steadfast supporter of German language and culture. At the time of his passing in November 2024, Fred was serving as Vice President of the Goethe House board, having previously led as board president.

A lifelong advocate for justice and civic engagement, Fred served as a Milwaukee County judge, a leader in Wisconsin court reform, and a state legislator in the Wisconsin Assembly. Beyond his public service, he was deeply involved in organizations that reflected his values and heritage, including Goethe House, DANK, the Milwaukee German Immersion Foundation, and the Milwaukee Turners.

Fred's enduring legacy lives on through his family, community work, and decades of leadership. We are grateful for his commitment, passion, and the many ways he enriched our shared mission.

Dr. Sylvester "Sy" Kreilein (1939-2024)

We honor the memory of Dr. Sylvester "Sy" Kreilein - lifelong educator, humanist, and passionate ambassador for German language and culture. Sy served as President of the Goethe House Board of Directors until his passing in June 2024.

A native of Jasper, Indiana, Sy's journey took him from seminary studies in Austria to a lifetime of meaningful travel, language mastery, and teaching. With a PhD from the University of Wisconsin - Madison, he shaped generations of students during his 45-year career at Marquette University High School and as a visiting professor at Marquette University.

Sy was the founder of the German-American Partner Exchange with Christoph-Scheiner-Gymnasium in Ingolstadt, now in its 36th year, and a tireless advocate for cultural immersion. He brought history to life through storytelling, the arts, and deep personal engagement, making the beauty of German literature, music, and theater accessible to his students and the greater Milwaukee community.

Sy's boundless curiosity, kindness, and dedication to cross-cultural understanding enriched the lives of many. His legacy lives on in the students he taught, the programs he built, and the music and language he so loved to share.

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German Language Contest Description and Awards

AATG National German Exam and Awards

Each year, German students from Wisconsin high schools are eligible to participate in the National German Exam of the American Association of Teachers of German (AATG). This evaluation is administered at high schools throughout Wisconsin by the German teachers at their schools. The Level 2 test is taken by students who have two years of high school German. The Level 3 test requires three years of study, and Level 4 requires 4 or more years of study.

The Wisconsin AATG awards medals to participants with award winning scores and also invites students achieving the highest test scores to submit applications for study trips to Germany. Students must register for and participate in a personal interview in order to be nominated as a trip winner.

In 2025, five finalists were nominated for AATG/PAD National German Exam Scholarships. Unfortunately, no study trips were awarded to Wisconsin students by the Pädagogischer Austauschdienst in conjunction with the American Association of Teachers of German.

DSSV Essay Contest and Awards

Students taking the AATG exam are eligible to participate in the **DSSV German Essay contest**. The essays written by these students are evaluated by a selection committee including a final evaluation by a German Department faculty member from UWM.

The DSSV sponsors over one hundred fifty cash awards annually for students with excellent performance on the DSSV Essay and AATG National German Exam and provides stipends to assist winners of AATG trip awards with incidental expenses incurred on AATG study trips.

Students who have completed both the AATG exam and the DSSV essay are eligible for the larger cash awards offered by the DSSV. Cash awards are based on a combination of their AATG scores and essay evaluations.

AWARD CEREMONY PROGRAM

70th Annual Awards Presentation
DSSV German Essay Contest and AATG National German Exam
Sunday, May 4, 2025 at 3:00 PM
Marquette University High School

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Fred Keller, DSSV Board President and Master of Ceremonies

Study Trip Presentation – 2024 Trip Winner

Emilia Ruggini, Wauwatosa East High School

Special Guest Speakers

Dr. Leonhard Emmerling, Director, Goethe-Institut Chicago

Macartney Weast, Senior International Buyer, Krones

Presentation of Distinguished Awards

Named and Major Awards

Teacher of the Year Award

Study Abroad Grant

Presentation of DSSV Award Winners

Reception to follow in lobby

After this ceremony, we will have DSSV membership forms available at the reception table and will be able to answer any questions you may have. We encourage you to support the work of the DSSV by becoming a member. Your support will enable us to sustain this excellent program for future German students in Wisconsin.

2025 DISTINGUISHED AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to the recipients of awards for outstanding essays and top test scores!

AATG/PAD National German Exam Finalists

These students have been selected by the AATG as finalists for the study trips to Germany. While no students from Wisconsin were ultimately chosen to participate in this summer's program, the DSSV is pleased to award each of them an additional \$200 in recognition of their outstanding achievements.

Theo Heier, Watertown High School

Teacher: Kim Schnieder

Erin Johnson, Mukwonago High School

Teacher: Jude Elliott

Elena Petrova, Brookfield Academy

Teacher: Andrew Richardson

Sonia Senger, Brookfield Central High School

Teacher: Daniel Tess

Avianah Zarnowski, Wauwatosa West High School

Teacher: Christiane Schulte

Dr. Ernst Edelhauser Memorial Award: \$1,000

Gisela Adelson, Divine Savior Holy Angels High School

Nathaniel Micech, Rufus King High School

Teacher: Erich Ternes

Elliot Wymore, Cedarburg High School

Teacher: Derek Schaefer

Mark Haberberger Memorial Scholarship: \$1,000

Nora Synovic, Milwaukee School of Languages

Teacher: Aurelia Schumacher-Casey

Wilma and Heinz Giese Scholarship: \$1,000

Chase Nickel, Milwaukee School of Languages

Teacher: Aurelia Schumacher-Casey

Major Awards: \$1,000

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Elsa Hendricks, Milwaukee School of Languages

Teacher: Aurelia Schumacher-Casey

Sean Matthews, Milwaukee School of Languages

Teacher: Aurelia Schumacher-Casey

Mila McClellan, Milwaukee School of Languages

Teacher: Aurelia Schumacher-Casey

Aisling Meksyphet, Milwaukee School of Languages

Teacher: Aurelia Schumacher-Casey

Liliana Scannell, Rufus King

Teacher: Erich Ternes

Caitlyn Witczak, Milwaukee School of Languages

Teacher: Aurelia Schumacher-Casey

Major Awards: \$750

Sophia Armstrong, Brookfield East High School
Teacher: Kelsie Pattillo-Miller

Rebekah Geier, Milwaukee School of Languages
Teacher: Aurelia Schumacher-Casey

Harper Hood, Milwaukee School of Languages
Teacher: Janelle Pfaller

Douglas Hood, Wauwatosa West High School
Teacher: Christiane Schulte

Avery Lauenstein, Brookfield East High School
Teacher: Kelsie Pattillo-Miller-Miller

Jonah Lotegeluaki, Brookfield East High School
Teacher: Kelsie Pattillo-Miller

Reid Possing, Milwaukee School of Languages
Teacher: Aurelia Schumacher-Casey

Emilia Ruggini, Wauwatosa East High School
Teacher: Eva Tuinstra

Adhityan Saravanan, Brookfield East High School
Teacher: Kelsie Pattillo-Miller

Braden Shambarger, Marquette University High School
Teacher: Mary Haas

Liam Visser, Milwaukee School of Languages
Teacher: Aurelia Schumacher-Casey

Bodie Weeks, Milwaukee School of Languages
Teacher: Aurelia Schumacher-Casey

Theresa Yogerst, Cedarburg High School
Teacher: Derek Schaefer

Major Awards: \$500

Katherine Barbera, Milwaukee School of Languages
Teacher: Janelle Pfaller

Grace Mueller, Brookfield Academy
Teacher: Andrew Richardson

Isaac Neumann, Marquette University High School
Teacher: Mary Haas

Cecilia Ryan, Wauwatosa West High School
Teacher: Eva Tuinstra

Annika Thiel, Brookfield Academy
Teacher: Andrew Richardson

DSSV Teacher of the Year Award - \$250

Dr. Derek Schaefer, Cedarburg High School

DSSV Study Abroad Grant - \$500

Eva Groeschl, UWM
German American Societies Ambassador

Note: For awards over \$600, the DSSV is required to file a 1099-MISC, which means we must have a completed W-9 form on file for the student. If a student has not previously submitted a W-9, the form is included in their envelope. Once the completed W-9 is returned, the student will receive their check.

DER AUFSATZ (THE ESSAY)

This year, students were asked to write an essay in the German language on the theme: Wo in der Welt möchtest du am liebsten wohnen? Warum? (Where in the world you would like to live. Why?)

A total of 291 essays were submitted by students from 12 high schools across Wisconsin. The top essays were evaluated and ranked by Dr. Jonathan Wipplinger of the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee.

Students' dream places to live spanned the globe, covering nearly every U.S. state, Canada, almost every country in Europe and South America, as well as Saudi Arabia, New Zealand, Australia, the Maldives, and Japan. Some even imagined living in unique locations like a ship, the ocean floor, a castle in heaven, or inside a Taco Bell.

Selected excerpts from this year's essays:

Wenn ich die Wahl hätte, irgendwo in der Welt zu wohnen, wurde ich mich für Freiburg entscheiden.

Gisela Adelson, DSHA

Ich denke ich habe immer gewusst das ich als Erwachsene in Deutschland leben möchte.

Nora Synovic, MSL

Am liebsten würde ich weg von der Chaos der Welt sein. Deswegen enthält die Beatles Lied, „Octopus's Garden“ mein Traum. Am Boden der Ozean würde ich am liebsten wohnen.

Chase Nickel, MSL

Ich möchte am liebsten in Italien wohnen. Es gibt viele Gründe wie zum Beispiel das Essen, die Gesundheitsversorgung, das Wetter, und die Kultur.

Caitlyn Witczak, MSL

Ich würde am liebsten dort wohnen, wo meine Schwester ist.

Norah Brukman, Brookfield East HS

Ich würde gern in Berlin leben... Man kann immer etwas neues machen.

Liliana Scannell, Rufus King HS

Wenn ich jetzt irgendwo auf der Welt leben konnte, Ich würde gerne in den Bergen eines ländlichen Landes leben. Genau gesagt, irgendwo ähnlich wie in Nepal oder Romania.

Benjamin Carroll, Rufus King HS

Ich möchte am liebsten in den Vereinigten Staaten wohnen, weil dieses Land meine Heimat ist, weil ich hier viel Freiheit habe, und weil meine ganze Familie hier wohnt.

Jonah Lotegeluaki, Brookfield East HS

Ich würde tatsächlich Indien auswählen, weil Indien mein Geburtsort ist.

Adhityan Saravanan, Brookfield East HS

Leute wollen in andere Länder wegen dingen wie Natur, Politik, Essen, Kultur, usw.

Braden Shambarger, Marquette University HS

Ich möchte am liebsten in Spanien wohnen.... In Spanien haben sie einen spannenden Lebensstil, schönes Wetter und reiche Kultur.

Sophia Armstrong, Brookfield Central HS

Ich möchte am liebsten in Hawaii wohnen. Da gibt es so viele schöne Sehenswürdigkeiten.

Eliana Bauer, Wauwatosa West HS

Ich möchte in drei Ländern wohnen, Deutschland, die Schweiz, und Niederlande.

Nicholas Anderson, St. Mary Catholic HS, Neenah

2025 DSSV AWARD WINNERS

High School	Teacher	Student Winners
Arrowhead High School	Nicole Moser	Evalyn Basterash Lukas Lowe Serena Melter
Brookfield Academy	Andrew Richardson	Omar Alqwasm Zoe Johnson Bridget Kelly Benny Keppler Evelyn Maassen Grace Mueller Elena Petrova Annika Thiel
Brookfield Central High School	Daniel Tess	Sonia Senger
Brookfield East High School	Kelsie Pattillo-Miller	Sophia Armstrong Norah Brukman Lacey Garbe Isabella Ityavkase Avery Lauenstein Olivia Lauenstein Jonah Lotegeluaki Robert Neary Adeline Ritmanich Adhityan Saravanan Paxtyn Weiss
Cedarburg High School	Derek Schaefer	Zack Caravella Alejandro Garcia Hallie Gibowski Brighton Griffin Audrey Hosseini Dagmar Lyon Taylor Lyon

High School	Teacher	Student Winners
Cedarburg High School <i>(continued from previous page)</i>	Derek Schaefer	Emma Odenwald Simon Richter Elliot Wymore Theresa Yogerst
Divine Savior Holy Angels	Jennifer McLaughlin	Gisela Adelson
Greendale High School	Linda Havas	Kaitlyn Keltner Gavin Petersen
Hudson Senior High School	Arianna Wirebaugh	Elsa Brunner Stella Burt Reid Carrier Ella Cothran Tate Dillingham Rosetta Ebben Amber Farrar Allyson Fetzer Gracelyn Ganther Gavin Grajkowski Finn Grundhoefer Marleigh Hedding Solvej Holter Sharv Jani Alayna Juel Nora Koerth Carly Meyer Leah Nordahl Tyler Sias Griffin Swarbrick Chelsey Wandmacher Madden Woodward
Marquette University High School	Mary Haas	Jude Ballinger Andrew Blount Peter Gavahan Gabriel Guminski

High School	Teacher	Student Winners
Marquette University High School <i>(continued from previous page)</i>	Mary Haas	Vincent Mangan Alexander Muha Isaac Neumann Alexander Ohad Braden Shambarger
Milwaukee School Of Languages	Janelle Pfaller Aurelia Schumacher	Katherine Barbera Denise Beamon Janessa Beamon Lucy Coleman Sam Crane Isaac Day Andrew Domena Mackenzie Ekstein Kyle Gagliano Nora Gaynor Rebekah Geier Maren Hartmann Elsa Hendricks Logan Hoehnen Harper Hood Hannah Joseph Samuel Joseph Hunter Kantin Sarah Kuglitsch Asher Lawson Peter Lowry Shayth Masri Sean Matthews Mila McClellen Keegan McEvilly Aisling Meksyphet Addison Meyer Marlee Mindt

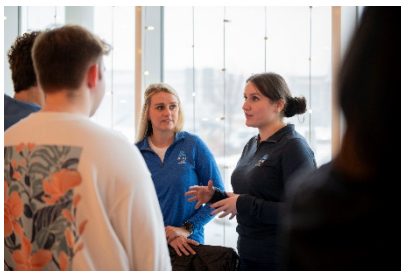
High School	Teacher	Student Winners
Milwaukee School Of Languages <i>(continued from previous page)</i>	Janelle Pfaller Aurelia Schumacher	Mason Moran Morgan Nelson Chase Nickel Thomas Pahl Reid Possing Mason Prentice Malia Prentice William Rahming Parker Rasmussen Balin Schmitt Faylin Schweitzer Martir Slade Sidney Slade Delaney Smith Kaitlyn Stache Zoe Steenwyk Della Stuettggen Nora Synovic Adelaide Taff Lydia Turner Liam Visser Brody Vogt Bryce Vogt Audrey Vogt Lyla Warner Bodie Weeks Carmen Welzig Savannah Wheeler Sophie Williams Caitlyn Witczak Jacob Wormsbacher Susanna Wormsbacher
Mukwonago High School	Jude Elliott	Erin Johnson

High School	Teacher	Student Winners
Rufus King	Erich Ternes	Fonde Bridges Nathaniel Micech Liliana Scannell
Slinger High School	Helen Miller	Mara Broman Josie Dickau Sandra Malinowski Brianna Ries Lee Smith
St. Mary Catholic High School	Kristine Albrecht	Nicholas Anderson John Osland
Watertown High School	Kim Schneider	Theo Heier Jack Zoellick
Wauwatosa East High School	Eva Tuinstra	Margaret Boehlke Luca Cooper Elizabeth Cover Charlotte Germano Sonya Kish George Kish Zoe Meyer Juliet Otto Emilia Ruggini Cecilia Ryan Alexander Symms Miles Williams Daniel Zello
Wauwatosa West High School	Christiane Schulte	Eliana Bauer Vivian Bauer Marissa Brunow Nalani Chavers Nikole Chavers Douglas Hood Matthew Jaworski Lucy Kiracofe

High School	Teacher	Student Winners
Wauwatosa West High School <i>(continued from previous page)</i>	Christiane Schulte	Henry Leonard Laila McGee Eli Peik Avi Zarnowski

Deutsche Schule - German School Milwaukee	Robert McMullen Cornelia Ille- Hoekstra	Aggie Clough Press August Clough Will Clough Wayne Fernandez Branjie Belle Fernandez Theadora LaBonte Brady Lucas Calder Michael Lucas Carter Mundschau Sabrina Streiff-Stuessy Valentina Woehl Victoria Woehl
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DSSV German Language Career and College Day



Connecting Students with Global Opportunities

In November 2024, students from across Wisconsin came together for an exciting Career and College Day, an event designed to spark curiosity and inspire future pathways. With over 30 exhibition booths representing colleges, companies, and organizations connected to the German-speaking world, the event offered a unique opportunity for students to explore international careers and educational options.

Sponsored by the German Language & School Society, the day featured a dynamic panel discussion with industry professionals: Graeme Gross, a lighting and sound engineer; Sommer Finn, an international import intern; and McCartney Weast, Senior International Buyer at Krones. Each speaker shared personal insights and career advice, helping students envision the possibilities ahead.

If you are interested in participating in the future or have any questions, please email info@dssvwi.org



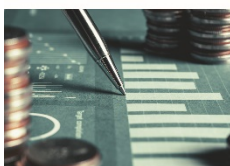
5 Great Reasons to Study German



Speaking German will allow you to communicate with over **120 million individuals worldwide**. After English, German is the most prominent language of world business.



Germany boasts a rich intellectual and literary history and a vibrant art and culture scene. Knowing German will allow you to appreciate significant works of literature, philosophy, film, and music in their original language.



The German economy ranks **#1** in Europe and **#4** worldwide. With nearly \$1.8 trillion worth of goods and services exported annually, Germany is one of the largest exporters globally.



More than **5,000** German companies do business in the United States. Knowing the language and culture of your business partners increases your chances for effective communication and success.



Are you majoring in a STEM field? Germany is the **third-largest contributor to research and development**, and German is the second-most commonly used scientific language.

German Language Education Opportunities

Milwaukee German Immersion School



Milwaukee German Immersion School is a 4-year-old kindergarten through grade 5 elementary school founded by Milwaukee Public Schools in 1977. We serve as a city-wide school to attract children from all parts of the Milwaukee area with our innovative total language immersion program

Our immersion students will be able to communicate in German with ability approximating that of a student who is native to that language. Additionally, our students will acquire a greater knowledge and appreciation of other cultures and perform on standardized tests as well as or better than students who are enrolled in English-only programs. It's that simple.

MGIS has openings for new students for the 2025-26 school year available in K-4, K-5, and 1st grade. Give your child the gift of a foreign language and become part of our MGIS family.



Deutsche Schule – German School Milwaukee



ABOUT US

The Deutsche Schule (German School) is an organization established for the cultivation of German language and culture. Founded in 1932, the Deutsche Schule is the oldest German language school in Wisconsin. We have been teaching German language/culture classes for over 90 years!

We offer 7 different class levels starting from 3 years old to Adults. Classes run from September through May and are held Saturday mornings from 8:15 AM to 10:15 AM.

LOCATION

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In the Oklahoma Ave. Lutheran Church (not affiliated with the church)

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Goethe House Wisconsin



The Goethe House Wisconsin's mission is to serve as a resource for information about the past and present culture of all German-speaking people.

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Midwest – Wisconsin Chapter

The German American Chamber of Commerce of the Midwest – Wisconsin Chapter (GACC-WI) supports students with a passion for the German language and an interest in the close cultural and economic interaction between Germany and the USA. The GACC-WI hosted its first annual Golf Outing in June 2024 and selected the DSSV as a beneficiary of the event.

As a non-for-profit organization, GACC-WI serves corporations, enterprises, and individuals in Wisconsin with a desire to experience practical and applicable knowledge, networking, trends, support, and camaraderie, by connecting them with the German business community - locally, regionally, and globally. The GACC-Midwest provides access to a 2,500+ companies network and several high-level visitors and speakers from the economic and political sector

For membership details and other information, please visit

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🌸 There's So Much More to Explore!

- 📍 Where: Henry Maier Festival Park, Milwaukee
- 🌐 Details & Tickets: Visit www.germanfest.com

Don't miss out—come for the culture, stay for the fun! 🍷🥳



Help Us Promote the Study of German in Wisconsin!

The Deutscher Sprach- und Schulverein (DSSV) or German Language and School Society of Wisconsin, Inc. is looking for people to help promote the study of the German Language in Wisconsin. Are you interested in helping with the planning, organization and administration of our programs? You don't need to be a German expert to help!

We are seeking volunteers to support the DSSV in the following ways:

- ☐ Communications and Publicity
- ☐ Fundraising or Award Sponsorship
- ☐ Contest Coordination
- ☐ Award Ceremony
- ☐ German Fest DSSV booth

Contact the DSSV: info@dssv.org

Our scholarships and grants are funded entirely by membership fees and donations. We encourage you to join and support the DSSV so that we may continue to advance our mission.

Annual Membership:

- ☐ Family \$50
- ☐ Individual \$25
- ☐ Teacher \$20
- ☐ Student \$10

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