

30<sup>th</sup>



*Anniversary Celebration*

*of the*

*Founding*

# The Austrian-American Council West



Under the Patronage of His Excellency Dr. Christian Prosl  
Austrian Ambassador to the United States

*and*

Under the Auspices of the The Honorable Dr. Karin Proidl  
Austrian Consul General in Los Angeles

*in order to*

Celebrate the Thirtieth Anniversary of the Founding of the  
Austrian-American Council North America

*and*

In Recognition of Austrian-American Day 2011

*presents*

## *“Pearls and Presence”*

*An Elegant Formal Dinner Dance*

Saturday, September 17, 2011

● 6:00 Reception ● 7:00 Dinner and Dancing

Wilshire Country Club

301 North Rossmore Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90004

Black Tie and Gowns

Decorations and Pearls

## *The Founding*

Thirty years ago one of Austria's most prominent citizens, Professor Fritz Molden, author, publisher, lecturer and businessman, conceived the idea of combining the multitude of existing Austrian clubs, societies and other organizations in the United States under one umbrella organization to strengthen them and give them an opportunity to create a larger forum in which to promote and share their deep-rooted values and to provide opportunities on cultural, educational and humanitarian levels. Professor Molden established at first six Regional Councils, which were officially proclaimed during an official visit to New York City by then Austrian President, Dr. Rudolf Kirchschlaeger. The first Regional President of the Austrian-American Council West was the distinguished Mr. Robert Propst. The work of the Councils continued to expand and eventually encompassed all 50 states in the USA. Involved from the beginning was Juliana Belcsak, who continues to serve as the President of the Austrian-American Councils of North America, which includes a close working relationship with Austrian organizations in Mexico and Canada. Recognizing the Councils' tremendous contributions through their volunteer work on local, state and national levels, President Bill Clinton proclaimed in 1997 that September 26 would be known henceforth as "Austrian-American Day" in the United States.



## *Welcoming Remarks*

Veronika Reinelt, President  
Dr. Karín Proidl, Consul General

Special Recognition Presentation

Announcing the Creation of an "In Recognition of Extraordinary Service" Award

*The 2011 Members of the Year*

Lena Strauss  
Dr. Robert Ward

A Tribute to the Music of Walter Jurmann

THE 2011 AUSTRIAN-AMERICAN COUNCIL WEST  
ANNUAL AWARD

is granted to

SOS CHILDREN'S VILLAGES - USA

## *Entertainment*

The Enchanting Music of Professor Laszlo Cser's Quartet

Monica Schober, Soprano  
James Carlin, Tenor

The Blüthner grand piano has been provided by the Blüthner Piano Company  
through the generosity of Helga Kasimoff



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## *"Pearls and Presence"*

Benefiting  
SOS Children's Villages - USA

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Please make \_\_\_\_ reservations @ \$175 ( \_\_\_\_ Non- Members @ \$195)     \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I/We wish to reserve a Table for Ten, \$1,575 (Non-Members, \$1,755)     \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I/We wish to include a donation to SOS Children's Villages - USA     \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I/We regretfully cannot attend, but wish to make a donation     \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed     \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Select choice and quantity desired for Entrees: \_\_\_\_ Filet Mignon or \_\_\_\_ Sea Bass

Please telephone Lilliana Popov-Alexander  
to make your reservation before mailing the response card  
(818) 507-5904

Reservations are valid only if check is received by September 12 deadline

Please make checks payable to Austrian-American Council West  
and mail with this card to

Fred R. Reinelt, 2701 Forrester Drive, Los Angeles, California 90064

Write names of guests with whom you would like to be seated on reverse side

*We look forward to Sharing this most delightful and elegant evening with you*