



## Desert Steiners

**Our next meeting is in Tucson**

**Saturday January 22, 2010**

**11:00 AM**

**at the home of Al & Astrid Pabst**

The directions on how to get there are on a separate page. If you have problems, call Al at 520-299-6262, or John Piet at 520-271-4200.

Lunch will be potluck. Due to the distance being traveled, and menu, we request the Phoenix area attendees and others that have to travel a long distance bring salads and/or deserts, enough for 8 or more. The local Tucson members are requested to bring side dishes for 8 or more.

The Desert Steiners will supply the meat course, drinks, plates, cups, napkins, paper towels and ice. There will be a \$5.00 charge per person to cover the meat dish and other expenses.

Agenda:

11:00-12:30 "Stein talk" and socializing

12:30-01:30 Let's have an enjoyable lunch and conversation with fellow steiners.

01:30-01:45 Club meeting - **elect new secretary and treasurer.**

01:45- Gary Kirsner will speak on trends in stein sales.

**IMPORTANT:** Our secretary/treasurer Don Scheer has moved to Idaho to pursue business opportunities. We wish him good fortune in his new endeavor. However, this leaves the Desert Steiners in need of a new secretary/treasurer. We ask that you consider volunteering for this position. The position can be broken into two -- secretary and treasurer if necessary. The future of this club could be at stake. It is not fair to ask one or two people to shoulder the burdens of running this club. If you are interested,

please contact Spencer before the meeting so no one is put on the spot to volunteer. Spencer can be reached at 503-998-1822 or 480-380-3513, or you can email him at [swessling@q.com](mailto:swessling@q.com).

Our program:

Gary Kirsner has agreed to speak about the trends in stein values and hopefully, Al Pabst can be persuaded to talk a little about his collection. Also, Al and Gary just returned from Germany and may want to share some of their experiences there.

It would be nice if everyone brought a stein to talk about. One of the nice things about chapter meetings, other than the food and socialization, is the chance to see nice steins that are not, and will probably never be, in our own collections.

Last Meeting:

We would like to thank Spencer and Peggy Wessling for hosting the October meeting at their Monte Vista club house. Ron Heiligenstein presented the chapter with a "Partnership Certificate" given to us by the Alte Germanen chapter of S.C.I. You may recall, the Desert Steiners and Alte Germanen mutually had agreed this year to become "sister chapters". Joe Heater represented the chapter at the SCI convention in Myrtle Beach and he gave a report on what went on there. Joe was also the lucky winner of the 2010 attendance prize stein. After a short show & tell, the meeting was cut short by the desire of several of the Tucson contingent to get back to Tucson in time for a UA football game.

A suggestion was made at the meeting to bring a guest who might be interested in steins to this meeting. Hopefully there will be a new face or two at the meeting. A complete meeting report can be read on the Desert Steiners web page which can be found on the SCI web site.

John Piet  
Acting Secretary