

Let me begin by introducing myself. I am J. David Frère and running to serve on the Board of the Deutsches Haus.

I have been attending Oktoberfest since it was held on Galvez St; became a member in 2006; Stockholder in 2017; then a Life Member in 2019.

I am proud to be of ¾ German heritage mainly from Bavaria and the Alsace-Lorraine region. My German family traces its roots in New Orleans back to 1839.

I am a retired High School history teacher from East Jefferson High School. In addition to my teaching duties, I served as a Class Sponsor, Hospitality Chair, Union Rep, and served on two book adoption committees for Jefferson Parish Schools. I also previously served 9 years as parish council president of my church.

I have been the Coke-Meister, working the Coke (Soda) booth as the booth captain at Oktoberfest since 2017 when we held our first fest on the bayou. I have also volunteered at various other events over the years as well. I enjoy working with the Dekoration Komitee, assisting on various projects such as the Glühwein Haus, mural on the stage, and the new main hall chairs, Christmas decorations, Wandschrift selection, warehouse clean-up, etc.

My goal is to help foster the German culture in New Orleans and assist the Haus in becoming the beacon for German heritage in the region. We have a wonderful organization with many happy volunteers who work well together. I am amazed how well people work together with a sense of dedication to our organization and cause. I would like to ask you to please vote for me so together we can continue our dedication to our culture and growth.

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