



## Association of German Teachers of Victoria Inc.

*Supporting teaching and learning since 1979*

Thanks to the Committee, NW Leaders and our members for their support of German and the AGTV. A special thanks to all the *PraktikantInnen* for their professional, friendly and also volunteered support. An extra special thanks to the families and friends for their support of our commitment to German.

### Thanks to our Key Partners

Goethe-Institut Australia (GI), Department of Education & Early Childhood Development (DEECD), Austrian *Bundesministerium für Unterricht, Kunst und Kultur (bm:ukk – Kultur und Sprache)*

### Summary of Services in 2010

#### Communication

- Publication of 3 issues of the national journal *SZENE*, celebrating 30 years of publication in 2010
- Information disseminated electronically via Committee, Network Leaders and National listserves
- 20 AGTV E-Newsletters distributed so far this year
- Ongoing development of new AGTV website
- Ongoing collation of data and information
- Jaclyn Curnow the AGTV representative on MLTAV Committee
- Representation at German Forums convened by the Goethe-Institut Australia
- Representation at the *Runder Tisch* forums at the German consulate

#### Networks

- Host of NATG Annual Meeting 2010 in Melbourne (prior to the National Conference)
- AGTV Network Leaders Conference in February and combined with Committee in September in Melbourne
- Network PDs & Student Activities incl. Regional Finals for the Poetry Competition
- 60+ known partner-schools with German-speaking countries
- VET Certificate introduced in Year 9 and 10 at Marist Sion College in 2010 for German and Japanese

#### Professional Development

- National Conference (Victorian State Conference) in July with local, interstate and international presenters
- Liaison with bm:ukk to facilitate Wolfgang Gratzler's presentations at NATG and the National Conference
- An after school VCE PD and a Saturday PD Buffet for VCE & Middle Years (following MLTAV Conference)
- 3 x *Box of Tricks* PDs with Sarah Pavy; two in AGTV Networks and one offered centrally
- Presentation at the Hume 2-day Regional LOTE Conference in July organised by the DEECD RPO
- Travel subsidy for Brigitte Ankenbrand in 2010 to attend a bm:ukk 2-week seminar in Austria

#### Student Activities

- *Bayerischer Jugendring* student exchange program including Picnic (Melbourne and Grampians), Central Australian Study Tour for the Bavarians, and a Berlin Study Tour for the Victorians
- *Rumpelstilzchen* and MC Rapper Victorian Tour: Vermont SC, CLC Eltham, Crusoe College, Geelong HS
- Secondary German Day Out at the Town Hall and Federation Square with 1600+ students and teachers. Thanks to the Melbourne City Council for suspending hire charges for the Town Hall (not incl. AV costs)
- Exam Preparation Day for Students of Year 12 German at University HS.
- Years 5 to 9 Poetry Competition with Regional Finals and a State Final with 350+ families and friends
- Pilot project: New Zealand based Radio Program during Advent: Christmas in Australia

#### Scholarships & Sponsorship

- GI/AGTV Year 10 Awards in 2010 – 2 x 3-week language course in German and 2 x Holiday Courses at GI Melbourne, presented on the Main Stage at the German Day Out by the General Consul, Dr. A. Schleich.
- SAGSE Interview Panel & Presentation Banquet – 31 years continuous sponsorship by the AGTV
- AGTV sponsored cash prizes for GI School Film Festival "*Alles im grünen Bereich*".

#### Promotion

- Presentation by Catherine Gosling to all DEECD Language Assistants at Treasury Place in January
- Personal presentation by Catherine Gosling and Liz Ray and written submission in response to the proposed Victorian Government's Languages Strategy.
- Letters to Regional Directors of DEECD, Independent Schools Victoria, Catholic Education, Principals
- Letters to RMIT (with response from Stephen Connelly), Monash University and University of Melbourne
- Catherine presented at the *Deutsche Woche* at Monash University to students of German
- *Schnappi* hired out to various schools and the Austrian Club, Badge-Maker provided free of charge
- Production of *Gratuliere!* Postcards sent to principals for each state finalist of the Poetry Competition

#### New Materials for the AGTV Goethe Boutique

- Senior Practice Exam for German – Audio and data CD with exam, transcripts and solutions
- Promotional items: pencils, stress pigs and *Gut gemacht!* postcards to send home to families

#### Other

- Sponsorship of the *Melbourne Language Picnic* at Collingwood Children's Farm
- Endorsed the *Language Olympics*, an international competition hosted in New Zealand
- Performance of Schubert's *Winterreise* songbook on 14<sup>th</sup> November sung by Andrew Ferguson
- Prepare report and funding application in December for a DEECD grant in 2011 to the AGTV