

Second Alumni Reunion in Vancouver

The HACA Chapter in Vancouver met on June 3rd at Hidden Tasting Bar and Social Lounge at The Westin Hotel. Present were German Consul General of Vancouver, Hermann Sitz, also a Heidelberg alumnus, and two other alumni, Suzanne Hilgendorf and Andrea Mechler. A special guest at their reunion was Joachim Gerke, Universität Heidelberg's Director of the International Office, who gave an overview of the exciting festivities during the anniversary year as well as the latest activities and developments at the university. In addition to reminiscing about old times in Heidelberg, HACA members also made plans for future meetings in Vancouver. Irmintraud Jost, Executive Director of Heidelberg University Association (New York), John Barber, the Seattle Regional Chair of HAUS and fellow HAUS member Audra Giese also attended. Their presence and support in deepening neighbourly relations between the two North American alumni clubs are greatly appreciated. Vancouver Regional Co-chairs Bianca Solterbeck and Melanie Solterbeck sent regrets as both were in Heidelberg at the time of the meeting.