

Summer 2012
Kindergruppe/Jugendgruppe Newsletter

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Congratulations Jugendgruppe for hanging on until the end of June. I know Kirk and Brandy have worked your shoes off this year and it definitely shows. Your last performance at the KW Multicultural Event on June 23 was an enjoyable way to finish. The weather couldn't have been more cooperative and everyone was in good spirits. I heard a number of parents cheering their dancers on and thank them for always showing such amazing support!

I would like to thank all the dancers and parents that attended the Jugendgruppe Year End Laser Quest Party! We had quite the turn out! Thanks to Johanne for organizing this fun social evening for our dancers!

On Saturday, June 30th from 9am to early afternoon Lea along with Emma, Johanne along with Tyler, Kathy and Tim along with Jayne and David and Rick and I worked on cleaning the pathway and gardens of the German War Graves at Woodland Cemetery. It was quite a bit of work for us but we managed to get it all done! Thank you gardeners! This effort helped raise \$500 for our group. We will once again need some volunteers in late October or early November to prepare the garden for the Remembrance Day Ceremony.

Just a reminder that uniforms should be dry cleaned prior to Landestreffen der Donauschwaben. We are no longer collecting uniforms over the summer unless you are not returning for our 2012-2013 Dance Year or need uniform alterations. *Please contact Johanne by July 26th if your dancer's uniform needs altering or if you will not be returning for our 2012-2013 Dance Year.*

Our Jugendgruppe welcomes another dancer... Angele! Angele was able to sneak in two performances before the end of our dance year! Welcome Angele!

Sincerely,

Lisa Schaadt

Kindergruppe/Jugendgruppe President

Reminders for JULY:

Summer Social Night: As per committee decision this evening has been cancelled but will be replaced with a tasty, cool treat after a practice in August!

Wednesday, July 18, 2012 at 7pm: Wedding Shower for Brandy. See Lisa if interested in coming.

Saturday, July 21, 2012 at 7pm: Schwaben Dancers Fundraiser "Schnitzengiggle"

Adult only event. Tickets \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door. Please come out and support our fellow dancers!

Thursday, July 26, 2012 at 6:30pm: Jugendgruppe practice for Landestreffen der Donauschwaben begins!

Practice, Practice and more practice for Landestreffen der Donauschwaben! Dancers are to attend as many practices as possible and need to speak to the instructors prior to missing any. Dancer's attendance will determine their performance line up for this event. *See calendar for other practice times.*

Reminders for AUGUST:

Thursday, August 9th, 2012 at 6:30pm: Kindergruppe practice for Landestreffen der Donauschwaben begins!

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Thursday, August 23 at 6:30pm: 2012-2013 Dance Year Start Up!

LANDESTREFFEN DER DONAUSCHWABEN!

This is the first time Landestreffen has EVER been hosted by the Kitchener Schwaben Club. Annually, all our North American Schwaben Clubs rotate and host a weekend of dance and Schwabian Culture/Heritage. Every 6th year is a dance competition year. In previous years, we have travelled to Mansfield, Detroit and Philadelphia as a group.

Friday, August 31st: A casual night to come out for dinner, social dancing and meet and greet with the other clubs.

UNIFORM: Children are to wear casual clothes incorporating either red or a Canadian theme.

Saturday, September 1st: Performing, Kinder/Jugend Workshops and Grand March. Kinderplätz (Children's Activities) open and volunteers needed to help organize and run.

UNIFORM: Children are to wear their full dance uniform. Kinder girl's hair is two French braids with white bows and Jugend girl's is two French braids joined and tucked under in the lower back.

Sunday, September 2nd: Performing and Kinderplätz open and volunteers needed to help organize and run.

UNIFORM: Children are to wear their full dance uniform. **Kindergruppe and Jugendgruppe girl's hair is to be crown braided.** Please see sign up sheets at practice if you need your dancer's hair crown braided.

Upcoming:

Saturday, September 1st and 2nd: Landestreffen der Donauschwaben

Sunday, September 9: JUGENDGRUPPE ONLY. Williamsburg Town Centre Community Event. Time: afternoon (TBA).

Saturday, September 15: Kirchweih. Dinner Event. Please see Melissa for tickets by September 6th.

Below is the Nachrichten Article submitted for July's issue:

June was a fun and rewarding finish to our Jugendgruppe dance year. This month we celebrated KW Trachtenfest and the KW Multicultural Festival in Victoria Park. KW Trachtenfest was a night of friendship, dancing and great food! This gave our Jugendgruppe an opportunity to see our fellow clubs showcase their talent. We thank the Transylvania Club for hosting such a wonderful evening. On Saturday, June 23 at the KW Multicultural Festival our Jugendgruppe dancers were well received with many local residents anticipating their performance. The weather couldn't have been better and the children made our Schwaben Club proud! Great job dancers!

Our dancers are anxiously waiting for our next big event.... Landestreffen der Donauschwaben. Dancers start up in July to prepare for their performance. We have also been asked to perform at the Williamsburg Town Centre in Kitchener during their 6th Annual Not-for-Profit Community Festival on Sunday, September 9th.

We welcome a new dancer to the Jugendgruppe... Angele!

***On behalf of the Kindergruppe/Jugendgruppe,
we wish everyone an enjoyable and safe summer!***