

MAY 2012
Kindergruppe/Jugendgruppe Newsletter

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Well, we finally made it. Another busy but successful dance year completed! Congratulations and thank you to all dancers, instructors, parents/guardians, committee members and the Schwaben Club on a job well done. Every year, I am amazed to see how our groups get BIGGER and BETTER! Speaking of bigger... our Jugendgruppe welcomes our newest dancer Chiara!

A big thank you to our instructors for their continued commitment and dedication: **Brandy Chapman, Kirk Hanke and Sheri Thompson**. I also want to recognize our committee as they are the ones that keep me and everyone else organized week after week; **Johanne Watchorn, Kathy Beckett, Christie Schellenberger, Helga Hill, and Lea Becker**.

Our Jugendgruppe will continue to practice and perform until June 28th with a year end party at Laser Quest.

Reminder: We continue to collect Zehrs tapes as a fundraiser. Please give to any receipts to a committee member.

Summer Birthdays!

Matthew Sch, June 9	Chiara, June 27	Aldous, July 12	Keiran, July 27
Nolan, June 13	Grace, June 27	Maxwell, July 17	Teo, August 15
Jessica T, June 15	Jerome, July 9	Miralys, July 21	Emily, August 24
Adam, June 25	Tyler H, July 10	Daenera, July 24	Lauren, August 24

Reminders for MAY:

THURSDAY, MAY 3, 2012

Kindergruppe and Jugendgruppe Year End Potluck Party
Schwaben Club, after Kindergruppe dance practice

PLEASE SIGN UP TO BRING A POTLUCK ITEM!

SUNDAY, MAY 6, 2012

Mother's Day Luncheon (celebrated one week prior to actual Mother's Day)

Doors Open: 11am, Lunch: 12pm

VOLUNTEER: Please sign up to sell hanging baskets at 11:30am or for Hall Set up in the morning on May 6.

Please see Melissa by Thursday, April 26, 2012 to purchase your meal tickets and sign up with Helga to let us know you are dancing.

UNIFORM: Children are to wear their full dance uniform. Both Kindergruppe and Jugendgruppe girl's hair is two french braids joined in the lower back.

THURSDAY, MAY 10, 2012

Kindergruppe Year End Bowling Party, Towne Bowl at 6:15pm

Cost: \$5.00. Please sign up and have monies in prior to May 10.

UPCOMING:

Sunday, June 3, 2012: Schwaben Club Picnic. Wilmot Rod and Gun Club. 11am. **Raffle Fundraiser.** Come out for some great food, children/adult activities, and our raffle fundraiser. Friends and family welcome! **Each family is responsible for donating one raffle item.**

Saturday, June 9, 2012: K-W Trachtenfest (**Jugendgruppe ONLY**), Hosted by Transylvania at the Schwaben Club

Saturday, June 23, 2012: KW Multicultural Festival. (**Jugendgruppe ONLY**), Victoria Park, Kitchener Time: TBA

Thursday, June 28, 2012: Jugendgruppe Year End Laser Quest (Victoria St) Party at 6:20pm

Below is the Nachrichten Article submitted for May's Issue:

April was the calm before the storm for our Kindergruppe/Jugendgruppe. Both May and June are filled with many performances and events. Sadly, we were unable to get enough dancers to participate at Landestrachtenfest in Windsor on April 28. We did however accept an invite from The Toronto Schwaben Club for Kindertrachtenfest on Sunday, April 22. It was a wonderful afternoon packed with great food, friendship and dancing! We would like to thank the Toronto Schwaben Club for including us in their celebration. We hope to make this an annual tradition.

On May 6th we will be dancing at our Mother's Day Luncheon and on May 10th our Kindergruppe will be celebrating their successful 2011-2012 dance year by bowling at Towne Bowl. Our Jugendgruppe will continue to practice until the end of June in preparation for Landestreffen in September. They will also participate in KW Trachtenfest, KW Multicultural Festival in Victoria Park and a year end party at Laser Quest in Kitchener.

I would like to sincerely thank our instructors Brandy Chapman, Kirk Hanke and Sheri Thompson for their continued support week after week teaching our children! They all have a passion for dance and a dedication to continuing the Schwabian Heritage. Thank you on behalf of the dancers and our committee for your patience and continued commitment!

If you are looking for a way to support our Kindergruppe/Jugendgruppe we continue to collect Zehrs tapes. These can be dropped off at the office or given to any one of our dance group members.

We look forward to joining our family, friends and members at the Schwaben Club Picnic on June 3, 2012. Please come out and support our Kindergruppe/Jugendgruppe Raffle!