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WICHTIGE DATEN 2016

Fish Fry Fridays With Schnitzel **5 PM TO 8 PM**

Wing Nite Tuesdays 5:30 PM TO 8:30 PM

June 5 **Filmnachmittag Udo Jürgens Concert**

June 26 Schwaben Club **FATHERS' DAY PICNIC**

July 3 Filmnachmittag "Es schägt 13"-Hans Moser June 26 Schwaben Club **FATHERS' DAY PICNIC**

> September 17 Kirchweihfest **October 7-15**

Oktoberfest November 19

Frauen Gründungsfest

December 11 Family Christmas Luncheon December 16

Christmas German Show

December 31 New Years Eve

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Bericht des Präsidenten

Gratulation an die Schwaben Familie Bowlers. Sie haben ihr Bankett zum Jahresende abgehalten und Betty und ich wurden eingeladen. Es war eine kleine nette Veranstaltung und wir haben uns gefreut altbekannte Freunde wieder zu sehen und begrüßen zu dürfen.

Helga, danke für die Einladung.

Als nächstes fand unsere Muttertags Luncheon statt. Ich denke, wir

können wiederum sagen, dass es ein voller Erfolg war. Gute Teilnahme gutes Essen und gute Unterhaltung. Ein herzliches Dankeschön geht an alle, die in irgendeiner Weise zu diesem Erfolg mitgewirkt haben.

Am 14. Mai veranstalteten unsere Donau Dancers wiederum ihren berühmten "Viennese Gala Ball" und wie in den vorhergehenden Jahren war es wieder großartig - in der Tat eine "Gala-Veranstaltung".

Herzlichen Glückwunsch an alle Donau Dancers und vielen Dank für die Einladung.

Wir treffen uns wieder am 26. Juni, zu unserem Picknick.

Alles Gute zum Vatertag wünsche ich all unseren Vätern.

President's Report

Congratulations to the Schwaben Family Bowlers. They held their year end banquet and Betty and I were invited. A small happy event and it was great to again meet and greet some of our long time friends. Thank you Helga for the invitation.

Next up was our Mother's Day Luncheon. I think we can once again say it was a complete success. Good attendance, good food and great entertainment. Our sincerest thanks to everyone who contributed in anyway towards making it a success.

On May 14th our Donau Dancers again hosted their famous "Viennese Gala Ball" and as in all previous years, this year was right up there with the others. Very much a "GALA" indeed. Congratulations to all your Donau Dancers and thank you very much for the invitation.

See you all on June 26 at our Picnic and Happy Father's Day to all our fathers.

Phil Neidert President

WHAT'S GOING ON Manager's Report

The weather in May was the best that I remember in recent years; I hope everyone had a chance to enjoy it. I also hope there will be the same kind of beautiful weather for the clubs Annual Picnic on Sunday June 26th. May was a busy month and we are continuing to book events at the club as best we can. Tickets for Oktoberfest are selling quite well, plus we have booked a number of Corporate Oktoberfest parties that will be taking place here at the club over the next few months. This is a fabulous service that we offer to businesses that may be having a convention or meeting going on in town. This gives them the chance to show off Kitchener-Waterloo with an authentic Oktoberfest bash with great food and band too. We know how to throw a great Oktoberfest so why not offer private Oktoberfest parties year round. The Corporate Oktoberfest events that we have hosted have been very successful and are very good revenue sources. If you know of someone or company that would like to experience Oktoberfest other than in October call the office as we can arrange it throughout the whole year. This is just another ideal way to utilize the Schwaben club banquet rooms anytime of the year. Have a great summer, don't forget "Fish Fry Fridays" and hope to see you soon at the Schwaben Club.

Don Egley Manager

Membership & Sick Benefit

Now that it is June, when you are enjoying our summer BBQ's with new or old friends- let them know to become a member of the Schwaben Club!

New members are always welcome, all ethnic backgrounds, any age, single or family.

If you have any address updates or moved recently, please inform our club office so we can update our files.

IF you are a Sick Benefit member and have become sick recently, please contact our club office and we will assist you and your family.

Summer is here! Enjoy! Have a fantastic Summer! and see you in September

Heidi Peller-Oliver Membership Director & Finance Secretary

Frauengruppe

Our Mother's Day luncheon was a fun afternoon for all. It was wonderful to see all our great dancers perform for us, along with Katie Thompson's reading the Schwabish Mutter Tag poem.

Marian Nuxoll in her 95th year, won again the flower plant for the the "eldest" Mother. She promises she will come again next year!

Our Schwabenclub picnic will be Sunday June 26th. Hope to see you all there with your family. Please bring your baked goodies for the club to sell. Thank you

Our next Frauen meeting will be Wednesday September 7th, at 7:00 PM.

Wishing you all a fun and safe summer. See you in September!

Joann Nuxoll Frauengruppe

Kinder/Jugendgruppe

The last performance for our Kindergruppe and Jugendgruppe was the Mother's Day luncheon. It was great to see the dance groups mix together for some shared dances. The Kindergruppe paired with some Donau dancer partners for a couple of their dances, and the Jugendgruppe danced Rhinelander with the Schwaben dancers. It was a great opportunity for everyone! The Jugendgruppe performed their new dance called 'Kettentanz', an intricate chain dance that formed a weaving line. It was very interesting to watch. Well done!

We ended our dance season with a fun night of food, games, and karaoke. It was a time to thank all the dancers for a fabulous year of great dancing, as well as to show appreciation to all of our parents for supporting our groups.

From all of our families, we would like to say "Thank you!" to Sheri, Katelyn, Kirk, and Brandy for their ongoing commitment to teaching our kids. We appreciate the many hours you have given.

We want to wish Brandy all the best as she pursues other interests. Thank you so much for the many years you've dedicated to us!

Our regular practices are now over as we break for summer holidays. Some dancers will continue to practice as we prepare a group to dance at Landes in Chicago.

Have a safe and happy summer!

Lea Becker President, Kindergruppe/Jugendgruppe

Nachdem ein Vater wieder eine ganze Mahlzeit damit zugebracht hatte, seinem Jungen Tischmanieren beizubringen, sagte er zu seiner Frau: "Nimmt denn die Erziehung so eines Bengels nie ein Ende?"

"Nein", erwiderte sie. "Und wenn er mal heiratet, muss sich die Frau damit abquälen. Und gewöhne es dir doch endlich mal ab, mit vollem Mund zu reden."

Geburtstage für Juli

Allen Mitgliedern des Kitchener Schwabenklubs, die im Monat Juli Geburtstag feiern.

Herzlichen Glückwunsch und das Beste im neuen Lebensiahr

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Hild, Mary	07
Adam, Ellen	07
Neidert, Philip	08
Schummer, Ruth	08
Geimer, Kathie	09
Klomp, Christina	09
Neidert, Richard	09
Rent, Jo-Anne	11
Niomi Mendler	12
Becker, Herman	13
Geimer, Elfi	14
Foster, Bob	14
Schatz, John	16
Willyung, Frank	16
Schlosser-Hill, Barbara	17
Markowiak, Katharina	18
Hoeft, Juliane	19
Frank, Hazel	20
Hanke, Kirk	20
Grafinger, Lydia	22
Orsan, Sophia	24
Urschel, Michael	26
Dice, Dan	27
Lang, Nikolaus J.	28
Berschl, Jakob	31
Lang, Marianne	31
Zinke, Ruth	31
Schmidt, Linda-Marie	31
Betsch, Randy	31
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Be part of the Saturday/Sunday Programs!

Henning Grumme "Continental Breakfast" - Saturday 6- 8am Hermann & Christel "German Hit Parade" - Saturday 8-10am

Hans & Harry "Musik Melodies" - 12noon - 1pm

You can call the Studio during the shows at 519.886.9878



Filmnachmittag June 5, 2016



July 3, 2016



Donau Dancers

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This year our numbers were few for Mother's Day but a couple of us still wanted to dance and mixed in with the Kindergruppe to their dance called "Bruder Kommt Tanz Mit Mir". All the groups then amalgamated into a large circle and performed Rheinlander. Yes, we can still keep up !

A wonderful poem was recited by our Miss Schwaben, Samantha Hild about mothers.

Cathy Thompson didn't disappoint with her own dress up skit regarding mothers. Sure was funny!

A great afternoon to honour our mothers.

We held another elegant successful evening on May 14, 2016...our Viennese Gala Ball.

We started off the evening with a complimentary glass of champagne generously donated by a few members of the Donau Dance group.

This year the prelude and dinner music was provided by a professional musician and what a great change it was! Sandy MacDonald's classical music was amazing. Sandy was co-leader of The Beirdo Bros. He has played in numerous schools, libraries, clubs, universities and corporate functions throughout Southern Ontario. He performed on The Elephant Show with Sharon, Lois and Bram, and toured Germany with the Canadian Department of National Defense Schools.

Another exquisite meal prepared by our chef Mike. Appetizers included Smoked Salmon with Pumpernickel, Spinach and Feta Filo Cups, Vegetable Pinwheels and Herbed Goat Cheese with Onion Marmalade. Next was a delicious Roasted Parsnip with Pear Soup along with a Greek Salad and the main meal topped it off. Osso Buco – a braised veal shank in red wine tomato sauce with whipped Yukon gold potatoes. This was absolutely divine! Another beautiful display! We were not disappointed. We finished the meal with a light dessert; a Trio of Mousse – Chocolate, Raspberry and Mango. Superb!

Anneliese Kraehling introduced each couple and proudly stood with baton in hand. To signal the opening of the dance Anneliese struck the baton 3 times to the floor –as the late Mr. Horst Kessler did.

Eight years ago our group was approached by the late Mr. Horst Kessler – a well respected local and international Ballroom dancer and instructor - to host a Gala Ball to continue the tradition of Debutante Balls held in historic Europe. The Donau Dancers have held successful Viennese Gala's ever since.

We opened the evening with one of Johann Strauss's famous polonaise, the Radatsky March and went into the first waltz of the evening in which the audience joined in as well.

The band, Variation, played beautifully and everyone continued to dance.

The second polonaise, the Faecher polonaise was composed by the Strauss Family's fiercest rival – Austrian composer Karl Michael Ziehrer. Did you know that in Russia during these Gala balls –if a man stepped on a woman's dress her partner would be forced to ask for a dual –which would take place in the fields -then and there!

We also performed 5 quadrilles to perfection – the crowd enjoyed it immensely.

We were thrilled to have our evening videotaped by Laverne Forwell, Ed's brother in law. Thanks Laverne! We now can remember the night for years to come.

This year we successfully held a Silent Auction with the many donations that was so generously donated.

Again, Walter Marzinko graciously volunteered his time for the evening with a photo opportunity. We appreciate your time with that. The windows and apple blossoms were donated by Ed Ries and added a beautiful background this year.

I wanted to personally thank each of the Donau Dancers who tirelessly volunteered their time and energy to set up and help organize this wonderful evening.

We thank everyone who came to support our Ball. We hope you enjoyed the evening.

A few of us are heading to Frankenmuth MI to proudly walk in their parade and advertise KW Oktoberfest and our dance group for the Schwaben Club. It is sure to be a great weekend!

Helga Peller

President, Donau Dancers



Come celebrate our annual Father's Day picnic on Sunday, June 26th. There is lots of room both inside the building and on the grounds. There are swings for the kids and a HUGE soccer field. There will be plenty of games for young and old as well as a **horseshoe tournament** this year.

So come out with your entire family and enjoy the day.

Hope to see you there.

Helga Peller Picnic Committee Member

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Phil Neidert President



Starting March 29th- Tues night Wing nights are at Schwaben club! Instead of having food trucks coming in -Our club can make money -- and Wings are popular!

Volunteers are needed for:

Servers with Smart Serve to take orders & serve alcohol & non-alcohol drinks and

Runners for bringing food down from the kitchen and serve to the tables in the Keller-

and clean up afterwards.

Volunteer Times are: 5:30 to 8:30 pm - .

We have regular Bike NIghts coming back and a regular Tues night pool league.

Over the winter we have had approx. 30 people extra from the Bike Nights Socials every Tuesday night and they love our club! Tuesday Night Bike Nights are popular and started weekly (Aug 25th last year)

These extra 30 people will grow to 75 people + (as per bikers attendance attending last fall) - they are bringing extra money in to our club.

I myself will be volunteering 2 Tuesdays a month full shift and the other 2 Tues from 5:30 to 6:45 - (including Fish Fry Fridays)

Please reply with which Tuesdays of the month you can help us out- and even just for 2 hours especially between 6 and 8 pm->> it would be appreciated!

Also please note: volunteers are also needed for our ongoing Fish Fry Fridays!

Thank you!

Heidi Peller-Oliver Membership Director Mother's Day







CLUB CLEAN UP DAY





















This year Landestreffen der USA is in Chicago, Illinois hosted by the American Aid Society of German Descendants. All events will be at this location: Lake Villa

259 W. Grand Ave. Lake Villa, IL 60046

Event ticket and registration information is not available at this. If you are interested in attending the event, please call the office and have your name added to the attendee list along with email or other contact information.

Bus Charter to Chicago

The Schwaben Club will have a bus leaving for Chicago on Friday September 2, 2016 at 9:00 am. The bus will arrive at the hotel (Hampton Inn) Friday evening.

The bus will depart Chicago the morning of Monday September 5, 2016.

The cost of the bus will be as follows:

Members: \$105.00/person

Minimum deposit of \$55 required by June 30, 2016, remainder required by August 15, 2016. Minimum deposit of \$75 required by June 30, 2016, remainder

Non-members:\$125.00/person

required by August 15, 2016.

No refunds for cancellations.

Please contact Kitchener Schwaben Club office for your reservation, 519-742-7979 or schwabenclub.com or schwabenclub.com

If we have not reached the minimum requirement of passengers for the bus by July 29, you will be notified that we will cancel the bus at that time.

Chicago Hotel Information

We have secured a block of rooms at Hampton Inn Gurnee for Landestrachtenfest 2016 in Chicago under the name "Kitchener Schwaben Club". Everyone travelling to Chicago may book rooms at this hotel as this is the hotel that the bus will be travelling to and from. If you are going on the bus, <u>you must book this hotel</u>.

These rooms are on hold until <u>June 29, 2016</u>. You are responsible <u>to book your own room</u>!! We will not guarantee a room will be available after this date.

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<u>Hampton Inn</u>

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Why Should We Live Sustainably?



I was lucky recently. I had the honour of working for an organization called REEP Green Solutions. It was only a 3 month contract, but it was wonderful. Green Solutions They hired my to get certain projects off the ground. I won't go into detail about what they

were, but I can say I accomplished the goals they set for me. So now you're asking, why am I writing this article?

I'm writing to tell you not what I did for them, but what they did for me. REEP is an "environmental charity". That means they don't make a lot of money, and they want to help people. In their case, they help people to live sustainably. If you're not sure what that means, it means that they help people to live in ways that use the fewest resources, especially those that aren't renewable. That means, if you do what they recommend, you'll have smaller utility bills and the result will be better for the environment. Those are things I think everyone can get behind.

I have always considered myself environmentallyfriendly. I recycle as much as I can. I try not to waste water. I know I use a lot of electricity, but I'm working on that. I thought I was doing well. So I

thought. It turns out, there's a lot more I can do. So I'm going to pass some of that knowledge on to you. Maybe it'll help you conserve which is better for both your own family and the environment.



REEP concentrates on 3 areas. First, energy efficiency. How much energy does your home use? Are there savings to be had? They do certified EnerGuide tests that test the energy efficiency of your home. They will tell you things like: Is your insulation good enough? Are there leaks around your windows or doors? Are your furnace, A/C and water heater using more energy than they should? If you are planning any upgrades in the future, it might be an idea to get a test done. It has a fee, but it can help you get the most bang for your buck. Oh, and if there are any government incentives available for the work you might do, they'll tell you about those as well!

The 2nd area is water conservation. Working with the Region, they have created an online test that will help you estimate if you are consuming too much water for the number of people in your home. Just go the this website, http://www.regionofwaterloo.ca/en/ about the environment/WET-Challenge.asp and take the self-audit. Your result may entitle you to a free Water Audit. It will help identify the places where excess water is being used (ie. showers, sinks, water heater).

The 3rd area is stormwater management. Do you regularly get flooding/ leaking in your basement when it rains? Or maybe your



backyard becomes one giant pool of water during a downpour? For a small fee, a professional can come out and evaluate your property for trouble spots and make recommendations on how to make changes to help your property deal with rain water without all the pooling and flooding. This could prevent larger problems in the future!

REEP is a small charity, with only a dozen or so employees. But these employees are all dedicated and hard-working. They are passionate about what they are doing. And they love to help people live sustainably – lessening people's impact on the environment, and working with nature, not against it. If you want more info, check out their website at www.reepgreen. ca. If you go, you might see some of the blog posts I wrote while I worked there. I am sure you will find them informative.

Take a look. We could all learn something from REEP.

Peter Speckner The more environmentally-friendly version

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