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WICHTIGE DATEN 2012

 August 12
 Film Nachmittag: Happy End am

 Schwaben Club Keller
 Wolfgangsee

 August 31-Sept 2
 LANDESTREFFEN DER DONAUSCHWABEN

 All Halls
 Many Bands

September 9 Film Nachmittag: Happy End am Schwaben Club Keller September 15 Kirchweih

Main Hall Golden Keys

October 5-13
All HallsOktoberfest
Golden Keys & The Polka BrothersOctober 27
Schwaben HallHalloween DanceNovember 17
Main HallFrauen Gründungsfest
Golden KeysDecember 9
Main HallChristmas Luncheon

December 31 New Year's Eve Ball Main Hall



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Saturday, September 15, 2012

Music provided by the Golden Keys

August 2012

Menu Caesar & House Salads Schnitzel PEI Medley Vegetables Mashed Potatoes Plum Cake

Tickets are available at the Schwaben Club office: 1668 King St. E., Kitchener, ON 519-742-7979

Members: \$23.50 +tax Non-Members: \$28.50 +tax Children: \$11.00 +tax Doors open - 5:30pm Dinner - 6:00pm

Praesidentenbericht

Vor kurzem beim Radiozuhoeren im Auto deutete der Ansager auf die Tatsache hin, Weihnachten sei nur noch fuenf Monate entfernt !

Demzufolge musste ich auch wahrnehmen, unser Landestreffen findet in nur fuenf Wochen statt ! Vorbereitungen fuer den grossen Treffen wurden schon vor einem Jahr angefangen. Wie im Fluege ist die Zeit vorbeigezischt und das grosse Wochenende naehert sich schnell. Uns ist die Gelegenheit geboten, unseren Klub sowie unser Donauschwabentum mit Stolz vorzuzeigen.

Ich freue mich auf die vielen Aspekte des Festes, aber insbesondere auf die Einweihung des neuen Denkmals, das unsere Vorfahren ehren wird. Viele Mitglieder haben bei der Gestaltung des Denkmals sowie beim Geldeinsammeln mitgeholfen. Die Einweihung wird am Landestreffen-Wochenende stattfinden. Es ist unser groesster Wunsch, dass alle Mitglieder zahlreich erscheinen werden, dieses historisch wichtiges Wochenende mitzuerleben.

Wir brauchen dringend freiwillige Helfer fuer diesen Treffen, so ich bitte um Ihre Hilfe, wenn Sie in der Lage sind, ein paar Stunden fuer Ihren Klub opfern koennen. Sollten Sie dazu geneigt sind, bitte setzen Sie sich mit dem Buero in Verbindung, damit diese Feier erfolgreich sein wird.

Am21.JuliveranstaltetedieSchwabentanzgruppe den Schnitzengiggle-Benefizwettbewerb. Mary, ich und zwei Freunde nahmen am Spass teil und haben eine Mannschaft zusammengestellt, um an die Bierspiele teilzunehmen. Obwohl unsere Mannschaft als erste ausschied, hatten wir trotzdem viel Spass. Die Golden Keys waren auch gut in Form und alle Teilnehmer hatten eine gute Zeit. Unser Vize-Praesident Kirk Hanke feierte auch seinen Geburtstag an demselben Abend. Seine Frau Penny ueberreichte ihm und dem Publikum eine leckere Torte. Schade nur. dass nicht viele Mitglieder rausgekommen sind. Schnitzengiggle ist ein Abend einer anderen Art, prallgefuellt mit Spass und Heiterkeit....nicht zu vermissen ! Unsere Gaeste hatten so viel Spass, sie wollen auch naechstes Jahr dabei sein. So.....schalten Sie den Fernseher aus, weg vom Sofa und raus aus dem Haus zum naechsten Schnitzengiggle !

Mary, ich und die Kinder sind nun auf Sommerurlaub und fahren in die Staaten. Der Sommer soll heiss bleiben, so wir werden uns mit reichlich Sonnenschutz eincremen, den Sonnenhut aufsetzen, die Sehenswuerdigkeiten einnehmen. Hoffentlich koennen Sie in den Schatten ein bisschen Zeit verbringen, eine Limonade geniessen, und die schoenen Sommentage in aller Ruhe erleben.

President's Report

The other day I was listening to the radio in my car and the announcer was highlighting the fact that we were just 5 months away from Christmas! That got me thinking about the fact that we were just 5 weeks away from Landestreffen! We started making our plans for Landestreffen almost a year ago.

Time has flown by and our big weekend is coming up quickly. It is our chance to showcase our club and really wear our Donauschwaben heritage with pride.

I am excited about many aspects of our upcoming festival but of particular significance is our dedication of a new memorial commemorating our ancestors. Many have been involved with the design and fund raising and we will be unveiling the memorial as part of our Landestreffen weekend. It is our fervent wish that all our members will be making their way to the club on this historically significant weekend.

We are in dire need for more volunteers and so I'm pleading to our membership that if you are available and able we could certainly use your help. Please contact the office and let them know if you can help. So plan to come out and be a part of our great celebration.

On July 21st our Schwaben Dancers hosted their Schnitzengiggle fundraiser. Mary and I and two of our friends found ourselves forming a team and we participated in the games. Even though we were one of the first teams eliminated we had a lot of fun. The Golden Keys were in excellent form and all the participants were having a wonderful time. Our Vice President, Kirk Hanke, also celebrated his birthday that night with a cake presented by his wife Penny. It is such a shame that so much fun was only enjoyed by so few. Unfortunately we had a very low turnout. If you want to do something different we encourage you to not miss this evening. Our friends had so much fun they want to do it again next year. So stop watching the summer reruns, get off the couch and come on out.

Well Mary and I and the kids are off to the States for two weeks vacation. Looks like it will be a hot one so we be sure to lather on the sun screen, put a hat on our heads and take in the sights. Hopefully you can find some shade, grab the lemonade, put up your feet and enjoy these lazy hazy 2012 summer days.

George Kraehling President

Geburtstage für August

Allen Mitgliedern des Kitchener Schwabenklubs, die im Monat August Geburtstag feiern Herzlichen Glückwunsch und das Beste im neuen Lebensjahr.

Name	Geburtstag
Mohr-Urschel, Irma	01
Neidert, Betty	02
Grau, Mary	02
Potzauf, Heidi	03
Bekiroski, Dule	04
Birl, Julia	05
Druar, Kerry	05
Milla, George	06
Grau, Franz	07
Schaadt, Hans	09
Thompson, Sheri	09
Joseph, Anna	13
Pottkamper, Christopher	15
Offak, Josef	16
Falkenberg, Bernhard	17
Horvath, Robert	18
Doerner, John	21
Hoffmann, Neil	22
Resch, Adam	23
Speckner, Andrea	23
Koenig, Anna	23
Flint, Rosie	24
Offak, Maria	24
Schuster, John	25
Kauck, Frank	26
Thompson, Christopher	27
Obert, Elizabeth	29
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Frauengruppe

Greetings from the Frauengruppe. It is August now and things will be very busy from now until Christmas.

First of all we will be making cabbage rolls for the Landestreffen this month. The Landestreffen is taking place on the Labour Day weekend. Consider volunteering some of your time to help us with this memorable event.

We are also having a bake sale on the Sunday morning of the event. All baking is greatly appreciated. It doesn't have to be tortes; fruit squares, yeast dough, strudel, cookies would all be wonderful additions to the sale. We hope to put on a nice selection for our visitors. Please contact the office if you need help getting your baking to the club. I will help any way I can.

Our 1st meeting is on *Sept 5th* and we will be looking for raffle prizes for Kirchweih, which will be on the 15th. After that it will be Oktoberfest and then our Anniversary in November. Try to stay cool during these hot days and we will see you soon.

Susan Cook Frauengruppe President



Fuesday, December 11, 2012 Doors Open 5:30 pm Dinner 6:30 pm Show 8:00 pm

Kindergruppe/Jugendgruppe

I can't believe I am writing this near the end of July! Where has half our summer gone? With Landestreffen fast approaching our Jugendgruppe has begun to practice already. Our Kindergruppe begins practicing in early August. Our committee has planned our Kinderplätz activities and games and we are now looking for volunteers!

I would like to thank all the dancers and parents that attended the Jugendgruppe Year End Laser Quest Party on June 28! 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 with Emma, Johanne with Tyler, Kathy and Tim 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 and Tony Bergmeier for all your help! This effort raised \$500 for our Kindergruppe and Jugendgruppe. We will once again need some volunteers in late October or early November to prepare the garden for the Remembrance Day Ceremony.

Our Kindergruppe and Jugendgruppe continue to welcome new dancers. Our 2012-2013 Dance Year begins *Thursday, August 23 at 6:30pm* in preparation for Kirchweih! Sheri Thompson will continue as Kindergruppe Instructor and Brandy Chapman and Kirk Hanke will continue as Jugendgruppe Instructors.

Lisa Schaadt Kindergruppe / Jugendgruppe President

If anyone is interested in getting their Security Licence in order to work at the Schwaben Club during Oktoberfest, please contact the office. Phone: (519) 742-7979 Email: Schwaben@kitchenerschwabenclub.com



Film Nachmittag August 12, 2012 AG MEM HER FAILURE - WALTEREST IL LOW INCOR - LINE LOW INCOM 2:30 pm **Coffee and Cake Available** Film Begins

Schwaben Club Keller

2:00 pm

Joors Open

\$4.00 Admission



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WANTED for the Landestreffen 2012 Schwaben Museum

Donauschwaben Artifacts, Items, History from the last 80 years:

Donauschwaben Trachts and Dance Group Trachts from all decades, dolls, pictures, kitchenware, tools, books, scarfs, jewellery, etc.

Please bring to the Club office.

Our Museum committee will be creating a Museum and proudly displaying your items to show all Donauschwaben visitors our History at this event!

Label your items with your name and they will be returned with care!

Heidi Peller-Oliver Schwaben Museum Chair



DONAUSCHWABEN COMMEMORATIVE GARDEN

Construction is Under Way!!

After four long years of planning, collecting generous donations and organizing, the Commemorative Garden project is finally being started. The Board of Directors decided earlier this year that it would be nice to have something present for our big upcoming Labour Day event. The board proposed that a monument and new flagpoles be constructed, the membership voted on the location and other details, and the decision was made to place the monument on King Street. It will be beautiful and quite the showpiece. A member of the Board will be contacting each of those who have already generously donated to share the good news about the project.

This is only Phase One of a total clean up of the King Street side. The next phases will follow

in the future as more donations come in and time permits. If you have not yet donated and would like to contribute to the project, please contact the office and Melissa will be sure to help, or fill out a Donation Form found by the bulletin board. Some of our members have donated as a family, which is great to see. Many others have donated in the memory of a loved one who contributed to the Club over the years. All these donations will help leave a lasting legacy of our members for all future generations to see.

This project was initiated by a small committee of three members of our Club; Nick Lang, Peter Speckner and Walter Marzinko. Since then, the project has developed into a monument and memorial that is designed to commemorate and remember not only all the Donauschwaben people around the world, but especially here in our own community, who have done all they can to help preserve and advance our cultural traditions. This history is one that goes back hundreds of years to the first German settlers of south-eastern Europe. The monument is also a thank-you and applause to those people who helped build the home we have today, as well as those who took the time to teach others of the importance of culture. Finally, it is also recognition of those people who today, in 2012, are doing the same.

I would also like to acknowledge all of our members who are proud to be Donauschwaben and share that passion with others. Every year in February, when we celebrate our anniversary and recognize our long-standing members - it is opportunity for our youth to see them stand proudly while we thank and applaud them for not only helping further our culture, but also for continuously reminding us how important it is to cherish.

This project could not have happened without the generous donations of our Club members and the members of our Sick Benefit Association.

Thank You,

Nick Lang





Landestreffen der Donauschwaben is coming to our Club on the September long weekend this year. Help us make this the BEST Landestreffen ever!

We are now starting our volunteer lists for all committees for Landestreffen 2012. There will be a sign-up sheet outside the office, or you can email: landestreffen2012@gmail.com

to let us know what committee you'd like to be on.

See the sign-up sheet for committee descriptions.

Sign up early to ensure you get the position(s) you want. Minimum 2 hour shift required each day.

COMMITTEES AVAILABLE

- Schwaben Museum
- Vendor/Sponsor Liaison
- Souvenirs
- Cleaning & Setup
- Ambassadors
- Parking & Security
- Bartending (Smart Serve Required)
- Grand March
- Workshops
- Food Service
- Safety Committee



Let's all work together to put on the best festival ever!

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Goulash Class













Die Bücherecke



Learn how and why the Donauschwaben settled in their new homes along the Danube in the epic, historical novel by Adam Müller-Guttenbrunn, now translated into English!

The Great Swabian Migration relates the fictional stories of a bride from Swabia who travels down the Danube to meet her bridegroom; a family from the Pfalz that travels by wagon to find a hew homeland; and Count Klaus Florimund Mercy, Governor of the Banat, who convinces his nephew to help him achieve his grand vision of a new paradise.



At the end of WW2, innocent German civilians became victims of crimes against humanity. *Forgotten Voices* lets these victims of ethnic cleansing tell their story in their own words, so that they and what they endured are not forgotten. Ulirich Merten argues that applying collective punishment to an entire people, no matter what the circumstances, is a crime against humanity. He conclues that this should be recognized as a European catastrophe, and not only a German one, because of its magnitude and the broad violation of human rights that occurred on European soil.

Please call office to order: 519-742-7979



Illustrated narrative about the Kirchweih Fest. The llustrations in this colourful, hardcover book are aquatinted etchings, depicting the way Kirchweih was celebrated Drhaam, and today in our new home in America.



For Those About to Drink ... We Salute You!

There is no better way to celebrate summer than with beer – even if it is non-alcoholic! And that's exactly what happens each year at Schnitzengiggle, the Schwaben Dancers' annual fundraiser. It's fast-paced, exciting, and this year, had Hacker-Pschorr as a sponsor. How can you go wrong?

It looked for the longest time like there would be only 5 teams this year, but thanks to the Schwaben Club President, a 6th team did enter to round things out. With all the teams entered, it was time to begin the opening ceremonies. Each team was announced and marched in to great applause: Scotland, Hawaii, Germany, Hungary, Canada, and returning 3-time Champions, Sweden. After a rousing rendition of "Ein Prosit", it was time for the games to begin.

Round 1 – Beer Pong. 6 cups placed in a triangle formation at each end of the table. The object of the game is to throw/bounce a Ping Pong ball into all your opponents' cups (forcing them to drink them empty and remove them) before they clear yours. Germany and Canada won their games fairly handily – it took Hungary quite some time to finish off Sweden, but they did!

Round 2 – Flip Cup. 4 cups placed along each side of the table, 1 in front of each player. The object of the game is for each player, in turn, to chug their cup empty, set the cup right-side up on the edge of the table, and flip it so it lands upside-down on the table. First team finished wins. Once again, Canada and Germany easily won both their games. Hawaii and Sweden each won one of their games, while Hungary and Scotland struggled and didn't win any.

Round 3 – Tilt-a-Can. 4 cans placed along each side of the table, 1 in front of each player. The object of the game is for all players to chug their cans down far enough so they are able to successfully balance on the lower, angled edge. First team finished wins. Germany continued their domination winning both of their games, as did Sweden and Hungary. Canada, Hawaii and Scotland were completely shut out.

Round 4 – Beer-Lay Race. 4-part relay race. Part 1 is chugging a cup while hula-hooping. Part

2 is rolling a hula-hoop so it lands around a pitcher of water, then chugging a cup. Part 3 is spinning around a baseball bat, then chugging a cup. Part 4 is stacking 6 full cups into a pyramid, carefully walking that pyramid back across the dance floor, where the whole team chug all 6 cups. First team finished advances to the finals. Only the top 4 teams advanced to this round, meaning Scotland and Hawaii were eliminated. Germany continued their winning streak by defeating Hungary, and in a stunning upset, Canada defeated the returning champs, Sweden.

Final Round – Das Boot. 3 tall cups and 1 plastic Boot are placed along each side of the table, 1 in front of each player. The object of the game is for each player, in turn, to chug their cup/boot empty. First team finished wins the tournament. After player 1, Canada had the lead. After player 2, Germany had the lead. After player 3, Germany maintained a small lead. After player 4 (the Anchor) – *CANADA WINS!*

It was an amazing tournament, and we had the honour of crowning new champions. Congratulations to Team Canada on their win, they looked great holding up their big, glass Boots! We'll see you next year – when more teams will challenge for DAS BOOT.

Peter Speckner Cultural Director



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Calling all Frauengruppe Members!

This is a short reminder to all members of the Frauengruppe that we are still hoping you are willing to take the time to bake something that can be sold on the Bake Sale table at our upcoming Landestreffen on Sunday,



Saturday, August 11, 2012 8:00pm Schwaben Club (Schwaben Hall) Tickets

\$10 in advance or \$12 at the door

September 2. It doesn't have to be fancy, just something that will entice the Americans and make them hungry! Since it is also a fundraiser for the Frauengruppe, it benefits you as well.

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Thank you very much,

Peter Speckner Chairman, Landestreffen 2012 Committee



Congratulations Mom and Dad for 50 years of marriage. All our love Lisa,Rick,Michael,Catherine Joshua, Patrick,Nicholas, and Christopher



Schwaben Home Cooking

Saturday, August 11, 2012 (cabbage preparation) 1pm-5pm Sunday, August 12, 2012 (meat preparation & rolling) 9am-5pm

> Just in time for our own Landestreffen -Learn to cook a traditional main course of **CABBAGE ROLLS**, in the Schwaben Club's next

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Please call 519-742-7979 for more info or visit the office to register at the Schwaben Club at 1668 King St. E. Kitchener

We reserve the right to cancel or postpone the class, in which case, participants will be notified and fully reimbursed. A refund is available up to 5 days before the class begins. No refunds for a missed class.





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Becker, Hermann

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11:30 Uhr

passed away on Wednesday, July 11, 2012, two days before his 80th birthday. Survived by his wife Anna and his children, John Becker (Catherine), Christine Becker, Annemarie Weiss (Rick) and Steven Becker. Grandchildren include Mark Weiss (Monique), Michael Becker, Nicole Weiss, Laura Schultz (Conor) and Joanne Becker. **RTISE YOUR BUSINESS HERE** in our Schwaben Club Nachrichten. **Everyone welcome.** contact: email nachrichten@live.ca





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