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For the Kitchener Schwaben Club & Community

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November 2013

WICHTIGE DATEN 2013-2014

November 16 Frauengruppe Gründungsfest Main Hall Golden Keys

November 17 Volkstrauertag: Woodland Cemetery
December 1 Filmnachmittag: Waldbauernbub

December 8 Christmas Luncheon
Main Hall

December 20 Christmas German Show Schwaben Hall

December 31 New Year's Eve 2014

January 5 Filmnachmittag: Herbstzeitlosen

ELECTIONS NOTICEFor 2014 Committee

The following positions will be up for election in November 2013 and the nomination period will commence in October.

Vice-President - Kirk Hanke
First Treasurer (expenses) - Joe Adam
Second Treasurer (revenues) - Darlene Clausing
Finance Secretary - Heidi Peller-Oliver
Cultural Director - Peter Speckner
Flagbearer - Wolfgang Kahnke
Communications Director - Wera Dennis
Archivar - Brandy Gellner

The Nomination Committee asks club members (who have been a club member for at least one year) to put their name up for one of these eight positions available on the Board of Directors.

Please do not hesitate to come forward with your name. We will try to find the best person for the job as it also helps the club to develop newcomers to the club committee to higher position advancements.

Nomination Closes October 22nd at 5 pm
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Ed Ries, Walter Marzinko, Frank Nemeth Election Committee

IMPRESSUM

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Praesidentenbericht

Oktoberfest 2013 ist nun Geschichte und fuer mich gibt es etliche schoene Erinnerungen. Die erste offizielle Veranstaltung war der Miss Oktoberfest Galaabend. Achtzehn junge Damen haben sich fuer den Miss Oktoberfest Titel kandidiert, unter anderen unsere Miss Melanie Williamson, die vom Klub unterstuetzt wurde und hat uns stolz gemacht. Mel wurde Zweitplazierte! Es war toll, so viele junge Damen von Kitchener-Waterloo und Umgebung in dem Wettbewerb zu sehen.

Diese Benefizveranstaltung gab Mary und ich die Gelegenheit, andere nette Leute kennenzulernen und gleichzeitig koennten wir einige schoene Artikel ersteigern. Bei diesem Abend wurde fuer uns die echte Oktoberfeststimmung erst angezapft.

Am Eroeffnungstag hatten Mary und ich ein volles Programm. Zuerst wurde das erste Bierfass am Rathaus angezapft und Oktoberfest fuer geoeffnet erklaert. Spaeter wurden in den jeweiligen deutschen Vereinen und anderen Festhallen die Zapfzeremonien nochmals wiederholt. Oktoberfest-Praesident Harry Vogt begruesste alle Anwesenden in Deutsch und Englisch in seinen Ansprachen, was ich fuer richtig befunden habe. Bei der Eroeffnungszeremonien hatten ich und unsere Miss Schwaben Ericha Schiketantz die Gelegenheit gehabt, unsere Premierin Kathleen Wynne kennenzulernen. Das Bild kann man in diesem Blatt sehen.

Die Golden Keys sind lange ein fester Bestandteil des Oktoberfests bei uns. Sie geben immer ihr Bestes, das Publikum zu unterhalten. Ihre Beitraege zum Oktoberfest haben versichert, dass der Schwabenklub die erste Wahl fuer viele, viele Oktoberfestbesucher geworden ist. In der Schwabenhalle gastiert dieses Jahr die aus Burlington stammende Steve Angel Band, die bei den Besuchern einen guten Anklang fand.

Ich moechte mich auch hiermit bei den Frauen der Frauengruppe sowie bei einigen derer Maennern bedanken fuer die geleistete Arbeit zur Unterstuetzung des Oktoberfestes. Die Frauen haben zirka 3.000 Krautrouladen zubereitet und viele schoene Torten fuer den Familientag serviert. Ich moechte mich auch bei Darlene Clausings Tochter bedanken. Sie gab den Kindern die Gelegenheit am Familientag, Lebkuchherzen zu dekorieren. Man koennte auch die Lebkuchenherzen kaufen, schoen verpackt und geschenkfertig. Anderen Freiwilligen sind auch zu danken. Der Auf-und Abbau der verschiedenden Buden, Tischen, usw. bringt mit sich viele Arbeit und ohne freiwillige Helfer kaum zu bewaeltigen. Es gibt viele unbenannte Mitglieder, die immer hilfsbereit sind. Ihnen sei gedankt!

Kurz vor dem Oktoberfest hatten wir eine dringende Notreparatur des Hauptkuehlraums in der Kueche vorzufuehren. Wolfgang Kahnke und sein Crew haben diesen Raum komplett saniert und wieder in Schuss gebracht. Mithilfe eines Stukkateurs wurde die Arbeit kurz vor Eroeffnung des Festes erledigt.

Und nun ein Bisschen Geschichte fuer

Sie... Wussten Sie, dass der Schwabenklub ein Oktoberfest schon am 6. und 7. Oktober 1962 im Kitchener Auditorium veranstaltet hatte? Etliche Tanzgruppen, unter anderen eine Schuhplattlergruppe sowie die Schwaben Dancers und eine Gruppe vom Alpenklub, haben Auftritte gemacht. Sollten Sie Einzelheiten oder Erinnerungen an diese Veranstaltung haben, bitte wenden Sie sich an mich. Ich moechte mich mit dieser Veranstaltung ein bisschen naeher vertraut machen. Die meisten haben keine Ahnung von diesem Fest.

Nach dem Oktoberfest gab es die alljaehrliche Bitzer-Preisverleihung im Alpenklub. Leider konnte ich wegen Arbeit bei dieser Veranstaltung nicht anwesend sein. Studenten werden Jahr fuer Jahr fuer ihre Deutschkenntnisse anerkannt. Hiesige Firmen und Familien unterstuetzten diese Veranstaltung mit Geldspenden.

Bei der November Monatsversammlung gibt es wie gewohnt die Wahl des Vorstandes. Wir freuen uns auf Ihr zahlreiches Erscheinen. In naechster Zukunft kommen viele nette Veranstaltungen auf uns zu: Frauengruendungsfest, Deutsches Weihnachtskonzert, Weihnachtsessen und anschliessend Sylvesterball. Karten sind schon im Vorverkauf.

Das Regenwetter plagt uns immer noch und wird sich wahrscheinlich im Laufe des Monats fortsetzen. Ist ja die Jahreszeit! Hoffentlich werden wir noch ein paar Schoenwettertage geniessen koennen.

Bis bald.....

President's Report

Another Oktoberfest has come and gone but 2013 will have its own special memories for me. The first official event was the Miss Oktoberfest Gala Ball. There were eighteen young ladies that ran this year and our Miss Melanie Williamson, sponsored by the Schwaben Club, gave a valiant effort and made us proud. She was 1st runner up! It was nice to see so many young ladies from the immediate and surrounding areas involved in the event.

The silent auction at this fundraiser event allowed Mary and I to meet and mingle while doing some good-natured competitive bidding. This Gala event got us into the Oktoberfest mood and

ready for the festival.

Mary and I had a full day of scheduled events on the opening day but the highlight for us was the opening ceremonies at the Kitchener City Hall and the keg tapping at all the German Clubs. It was a welcome surprise to hear our Oktoberfest President Harry Vogt welcome everyone in German at the beginning of his speech. The Oktoberfest President, at each venue throughout the week, greeted everyone in German each and every time. At the Kitchener opening ceremonies Our Miss Schwaben Ericha Schiketantz and I had a chance to say hello to our Premier, Kathleen Wynne, and take a picture, which is in the newsletter.

The Golden Keys have been with us for Oktoberfest for many years and we appreciate all they do to contribute to the success of the event. The talent, energy and fun they bring to their performance helps to make the Schwaben Club the premier destination for many Oktoberfest participants. This year we had the Steve Angle band from Toronto in our Schwaben Hall. Both bands kept the crowd hopping in their respective halls.

I also want to thank our ladies auxiliary and a select few husbands for all their hard work in support of Oktoberfest. The ladies made 3,000 delicious cabbage rolls and also provided the wonderful desserts at our Oktoberfest family day. I would like to also thank Darlene's daughter who made all those delicious ginger heart shape cookies that the kids decorated as part of the family day. My thanks also go out to all the volunteers and staff that worked so hard to prepare the hall for the festival and provide the clean up after the event. It is a large job with lots to do to get ready for the event and we could not hold this event without the support and hard work from these folks. We also have a number of club members who provide lots of time and effort in support of Oktoberfest events, such as the parade and the Miss Oktoberfest Gala, I wish I could name and recognize each and every one of these volunteers but I run the risk of missing someone. So please know your efforts are very much appreciated. I would call this year's event a great success and we will provide further information at the next members meeting.

We also had some emergency repairs to our main kitchen cooler just prior to Oktoberfest. I would

like to make special thanks to Wolfgang and his dedicated crew that basically took the cooler down to the bare studs and re-drywalled the walls and ceilings. We had someone help to plaster the walls but the crew helped to sand, paint and get all the racks and finishes back in place with only a few days to spare before opening day.

And now a bit of history for you. Did you know that the Schwaben Club held an Oktoberfest at the Kitchener Auditorium on October 6th, and 7th 1962? That's right. The Schwaben Club held a two-day event with the opening at the auditorium and a second day at the Club. Several dance groups, including a Schuhplattler group, the Alpen Club and the Schwaben Dancers performed. If anyone remembers this event I would like to hear from you. I am doing some research on the Club's history and this is something that not too many of our longer term members recall.

Following Oktoberfest, the Bitzer Awards evening at the Alpine Club was held. Unfortunately, after attending for the last few years, work forced me to miss this year's event. It is wonderful to have an evening where we recognize local students that are excelling in the German language. Many local business and families sponsor the event, which is great to see. I hope we will see the continued support of this important event.

Our November membership meeting will include elections for several board positions. If you have not been out to a meeting for a while it would be great to see you. Let's have a full house at the next meeting.

We are looking forward to the Ladies Anniversary, Christmas Show and New Year's Eve Party to round off the year. Tickets sales are going well so make sure you buy your tickets soon so that you are not disappointed.

Well it has been rain and more rain these past few weeks but hopefully you were able to capture some of that beautiful weather on the Thanksgiving weekend and you were able to enjoy the holiday basking in those final rays of summer-like sun. Hopefully I'll see many of you at our November meeting and events.

George Kraehling

President

Manager's Report

"What's Going On"

Well the 45th Oktoberfest has come and gone, I hope everyone had a great time here at the Schwaben club. There was a super party atmosphere in both halls and it was great to see so many people having such a good time. Thank you our entire staff for a job well done, and a big thank you to all our guests who chose the Schwaben Club to enjoy Oktoberfest at. Now we start the planning for next year's Oktoberfest.

We are gearing up now for the Ladies Anniversary, the Christmas season of events, and New Years Eve. There are exciting times ahead at the Schwaben Club.

Enjoy the upcoming events and please drive carefully as winter makes its arrival.

Don Egley Manager

Frauengruppe

Oktoberfest is over for another year. It is always a busy time for our club. A very big Thank you! goes out to all those who baked for our Family Day bake sale this year. Without baking there would be no sale. Along with our cash donations, we had a very successful day!

This month we celebrate our Grundungsfest and I look forward to seeing many of our members and friends on November 16. It should be an enjoyable evening.

Our birthday meeting will be on November 20. Susan Cook

President, Frauengruppe

Kindergruppe/Jugendgruppe

EIEIEIO...we say goodbye to another successful Oktoberfest. Our groups helped celebrate Oktoberfest at the German school, the Royal Palisade Retirement Community in Stratford, and the Kitchener Market. The dancers did an outstanding job as they represented our club at many community events and other clubs with their dance performances during the festival.

This year our club put together an exciting Family Day with special games and activities

Geburtstage Für Dezember

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

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Name	Geburtstag
Edel, George	03
Eberl, Rolf	04
Dupuis, Nancy	04
Frey, Heinrich	07
Klomp, Romano	07
Bauer, Elisabeth	80
Preis, Josef	80
Speckner, Shelley	09
Doepner, Hans	10
Tworuschka, Peter	12
Adam, Vanessa	12
Cook, Adam M.	13
Watchorn, Joanne	14
Lorfing, Rudolf	15
Wettlaufer, Wayne	16
Kahnke, Wolfgang	17
Gerber, Stefan	17
Weber, Elizabeth	18
Petsch, Johann	19
Bogen, Irma	22
Zai, Michael	24
Zimmermann, Steve	24
Williamson, Melanie	24
Kraehling, George	25
Schaadt, Susanne	28
Gruber Barbara	29

Missed Birthday: Hilda Kreitzer November 3

for all ages. It was nice to be able to stay at our home club and enjoy the day with our families and friends.

During the festival some if you may have visited the new game booth set up in the Schwaben Hall, "The Potty Haus". Special guests, including Onkle Hans and Miss Oktoberfest, even gave it a try. Thanks to all our volunteers and those of you that helped support our dancers by playing the game.

Our Jugendgruppe made us very proud at the Alpine Club's So You Think You Can Tanz event. Their costumes, presentation, and performance were spectacular! Although they did not come home with the trophy, they "wowed" the crowd and demonstrated to the audience that our young Schwaben dance group can hold their own against their seasoned competitors. Thank you, Kirk and Brandy for all the time and hard work preparing the kids for this exciting event. Well done, Jugendgruppe!

We all get a brief rest as we finish the month of October. Soon we begin preparing for our big November performance. Our dancers will look forward to dancing at the Frauengruppe Grundungfest. Until then keep your dancing shoes close.

Kathy Beckett

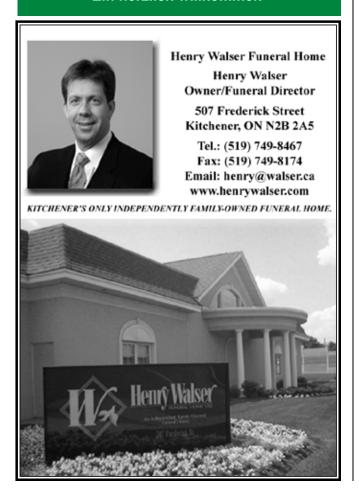
Kindergruppe/Jugendgruppe President

NEUES MITGLIEDER NEW MEMBERS

Anne Heitman

Matt & Sabrina Kennedy

Ein herzlich willkommen





JANUARY FILM January 5, 2014



Donau Dancers Celebrate 45 Years of Oktoberfest

Some of us remember our first Oktoberfest and have memories of many happy times over the past 45 years of this harvest party! We think of the many paid and volunteer hours of young and older club members -past and present –that have gone into this annual celebration –shaping it into a popular community festival.

Friends, family and travellers from around the world enjoyed the activities again this year at our club and throughout the region. The month of October has been busy for members of the Donau Dancers with Thanksgiving gatherings and Oktoberfest preparations, set-up, practises, parade, German Pioneer Day, performances and clean-up. Afterwards we took some time off to relax and rest.

We performed not only at our own club – but also at the Auditorium (Karlsberghaus), Hubertushaus, Concordia and Alpine Clubs.

It was fun to perform for family, old and new friends, and guests enjoying the Gemutlichkeit! Sincere thanks go to all who volunteered in our fund-raising booths and helped sell pretzels – and to the many folks who played our games , had their photos taken, and bought the pretzels! Es war wunderbar!— Herzlichen Dank!

The Steve Angel Band provided the entertainment in the Schwaben Hall and The Golden Keys Band –winners of the 2012 Festers Award for most fun band- provided the fun and party spirit in the Main Hall. Donau Dancers thank you all for the excellent music and creating the Oktoberfest atmosphere!

Our group members want to wish Radio Herz a Happy Anniversary for 15 years of German radio programming. Many are planning to attend the celebrations at our club on November 1st. Congratulations and continued success to all and sincere thanks for your support of our club and group events!

We look forward to our performance at the



Frauengruppe's (Ladies') Gruendungsfest on November 16th and attending the Remembrance Day memorial on Sunday, November 17th, at Woodland cemetery.

Bis naechstes mal'

Anneliese Kraehling, Donau Dancers



Oktoberfest is everywhere!

Jeff Stager in Iceland

Die Mutter: "Peter iss Dein Brot auf!" "Ich mag aber kein Brot!"

"Du musst aber Brot essen, damit du groß und stark wirst!"

"Warum soll ich groß und stark werden?"

"Damit Du Dir Dein täglich Brot verdienen kannst!"

"Aber ich mag doch gar kein Brot!"

Nachrichten Donation

Henry Szierer

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Herzlichen Dank









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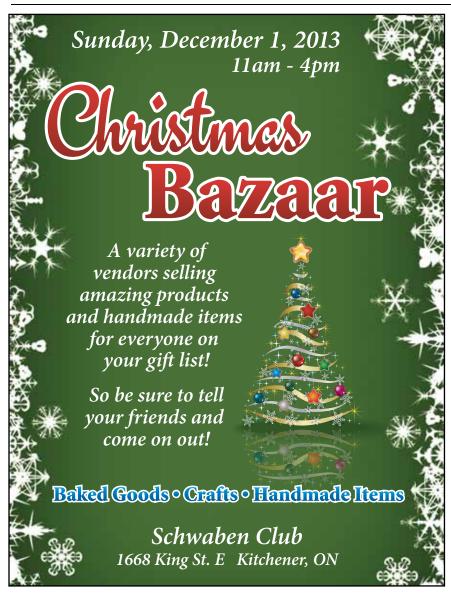






Darlene
Glausing's
50th
Birthday
Party





Liebe Mitglieder

Winter is on its way and it's time to think about 2014 membership renewals.

You can renew anytime at the club office Mon to Fri 9am to 5pm, and at our November & December members' meetings.

Good news is that membership prices remain the same for 2014.

Famly - \$75 Single - \$ 45 Seniors - \$37.50 Student - \$22.50

For your friends who are joining as new members- there is a onetime charge of a membership application fee.

This fee is for adminstration costs and covers:

-"welcome to our club" letter, -setting up of new membership card, -adding your name & address to our listing.

Welcome back and looking forward to talking with you.

Heidi Peller-Oliver Membership & Sick Benefits/Finance Secretary

Happy Birthday Radio Herz!

Our beloved, local German internet radio station recently celebrated its 15th Anniversary. That's 15 years of broadcasting beautiful German music around the world. 15 years of quality discussions and humour, and also 15 years of supporting the German community everywhere. It's no wonder so many came out to support it back at its birthday party on November 1st at the Schwaben Club.

The evening began with a cocktail hour (that lasted 90 min)! If you're really to party, you have to start it off right. Then dinner was served – a delicious addition to the evening. House salad, Schnitzel, Roasted chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, red cabbage, beans, and a wonderful Apple strudel for dessert. There was lots of food, and it was all fantastic. No one left hungry – that's for sure.

It was then time for the hosts to take to the microphone. Paul and Heidi Schneider began their hosting duties by welcoming everyone to their celebration. They continued by announcing the names of all the radio personnel they have working for them around the world. There were people based in Germany, Austria, Spain, Switzerland, and of course, Canada. Then they invited up local dignitaries to the front, and gave them all a chance to say a few words. There were Club Presidents, German organization Presidents, and Civic dignitaries – all here to wish the best to Radio Herz.

Having been seated through dinner and speeches, it was time to get up and move. Paul introduced the band, the Golden Keys, and the dancing started. The Golden Keys are masters of entertaining, and they proved it again that night. They had the floor packed. People were rocking



in their seats. They lead a Conga line throughout the ballroom. The band made sure everyone had a good time.

After a few more announcements, the guests were treated to something really special. Mark Marcel from Saarbrücken, Germany came up and sang a selection of German songs, much to the wonderment of all. He had a beautiful voice, and his 45 min set came and went far too quickly. The Golden Keys started up again though, getting everyone back on their feet and dancing the night away.

The last part of the program began at the end of the night: the ever-popular Tombola (raffle). There were tonnes of prizes, of all shapes and sizes. It took 45 min to hand them all out, and the "095" ticket holders walked away with the majority of the prizes! Sadly, I was not a "095" ticket holder.

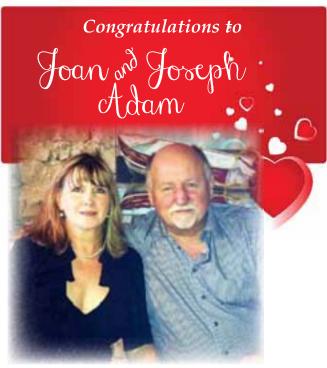
Overall, it was a phenomenal evening. Our hosts

were gracious, the entertainment was spot-on,

and it was the perfect way to celebrate the 15th anniversary of one of our local, prized institutions. We all had so much fun, we told Paul and Heidi to hold another next year for the 16th! Here's keeping our fingers crossed.

Peter Speckner Cultural Director





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