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#### **WICHTIGE DATEN 2016**

#### **Fish Fry Fridays** With Schnitzel

5 PM TO 8 PM

April 13

**Members' Meeting** 

April 16

Landestrachtenfest

April 20

#### **German Spring Show**

April 23

**Concert: Almost Famous** 

May 1

**Mother's Day Luncheon** 

**May 11** 

**Members' Meeting** 

**May 14** 

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**May 15** 

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June 26

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#### Bericht des Präsidenten

Es ist offiziell, der Frühling ist da und es sieht aus, dass "Mutter Natur" in voller Übereinstimmung ist. Warmer Sonnenschein, klarer Himmel und grünes Gras überall gibt Bestätigung, dass der Winter hinter uns liegt.

Also, was ist im März passiert?

Am 11. März fuhren Tony Baumann und ich nach Windsor zu der

Beerdigung von Arno Erdmann, einem ehemaligen Präsidenten des Teutonia Klubs in Windsor. Im Namen unseres Kitchener Schwaben Klubs habe ich mein Beileid der Familie Erdmann und den Mitgliedern des Teutonia Klubs für den Verlust eines Vaters und eines langjährigen Leiters des Klubs ausgesprochen.

Am 19. März fand unser jährliches Schlachtfest statt sowie der Presidents' Ball im Concordia Club. Betty und ich nahmen an beiden Veranstaltungen teil. Zuerst das Abendessen und die begleitende Kameradschaft im Concordia Club. Hier möchten Betty und ich dem Präsidenten Rob Kerr und dem Concordia Club für die Einladung zu diesem Abend danken.

Leider kamen wir später als geplant zu unserem Klub und viele der Gäste waren schon weg und es tut uns leid, dass wir sie vermisst haben. Ich weiß aber, dass unsere Veranstaltung gut besucht war. Ein großes Dankeschön an alle unsere Mitglieder und Freunde für diese ermutigende Unterstützung. Ein noch größeres" DANKE" an all unsere Damen die mit dem Backen unsere berühmten "Schwaben Krapfen" geholfen haben. Sie waren köstlich und eure Hilfe wird sehr geschätzt.

Zur Erinnerung: "Landestrachtenfest" in Leamington ist am 16. April und unsere "German Spring Show" findet am 20. April statt. Hoffentlich, sehen wir uns da.

Abschließend lasst mich wieder betonen, dass" ihr" der Verein seid und eure Unterstützung ist notwending. Wenn wir unsere Identität bewahren wollen, brauchen wir eure Unterstützung durch eure Teilnahme, Ideen und Teilnahme bei unseren Veranstaltungen. Bitte versucht, wenn möglich, an allen Veranstaltungen teilzunehmen.

# **President's Report**

It's official, Spring has arrived and it looks like "Mother Nature" is in full agreement. Warm sunshine, clear skies and green grass everywhere gives confirmation that winter is finally behind us.

So what happened in March?

On March 11th, Tony Baumann and I drove to Windsor to attend the funeral of Arno Erdmann, a long time former President of the Teutonia Club in Windsor. On behalf of our Kitchener Schwaben Club I extend condolences to all of the Erdmann family and to the members of the Teutonia Club as you grieve for the loss of a father and leader for many years at your club.

On March 19th was our annual Schlachtfest and the Presidents' Ball at the Concordia Club. Betty and I again tried to split our time, so we attended both functions. First, the dinner and the accompanying camaraderie at the Concordia Club. Here Betty and I would like to thank President Rob Kerr and the Concordia Club for our invitation and for the enjoyable evening.

Unfortunately we arrived back at our club a little later than planned and many of our guests had already departed we are very sorry we missed you. However, I do know that we had good attendance. A big thank you to all our members and friends for this encouraging support. An even bigger THANK YOU! To all our ladies who helped with the baking of our famous" Schwaben Krapfen". They were delicious and your help is very much appreciated.

"Reminders", "Landestrachtenfest" in Leamington is on April 16th and our "German Spring Show" is on April 20th. See you all there?

In closing let me again stress that the club is "you" the members and your support is "VITAL". If we are going to maintain our identity, we need your support by your attendance, ideas, and enthusiasm at our functions. Please strive to attend them at every opportunity.

Phil Neidert President

# **Vice-President's Report**

Hello friends

It's been a while since I have submitted an article to the Nachrichten and thought I would update you on the club's stats.

Let's me say that 2015 was much better year financially for the club. Unfortunately we still had a operating loss for the year. We will continue to build on some of our successful money-making endeavours that we carried out in 2015 and work on developing new ideas.

One new idea for 2016 is to have Tuesday as chicken wing night. Back in 2015, a group started coming to the club and they continue to support our club so to build on this we are going to try to bring other groups out Tuesday night for chicken wings.

Also, we are adding karaoke to our Friday fish fry starting at 8 pm. We will leave the kitchen open until 10 pm.

We are also looking to bring other business into our bar room during the week; from meetings during the day to small events in the evening.

It is my feeling that there is lots of opportunity to increase the Monday to Friday business.

Upstairs, business also continues to grow thereby increasing revenue. We will be able to continue to improve and fix the halls so that they will remain clean and modern.

With all the improvements and increased business, we see an increase in labour costs. These costs affect the bottom line and it's always a struggle to have the right nimber of staff at any given time. I have told the of-

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fice to watch and try to keep staffing levels to manageable numbers.

One of the things you, as a member of the Schwaben Club, can do to assist our Club is to try to volunteer your time to help keep our costs to a minimum. The Tuesday chicken wing night and Friday fish fry are two events where we continue to seek help. Places like coat check and office work to small repair of the club are just of few more places where help is needed. If you are interested please let Heidi or me know.

Lastly I would like to tell you that this year's Good Friday fish fry was a huge success. We had almost 300 people come through our doors. This was an increase of 100 people over last year, bringing to the club \$1000 more than 2015. This event was successful with the commitment of volunteers who assisted throughout the day. I would first like to thank our two full-time cooks, Mike and Christine, for their long hours in the kitchen. I would also like to thank all the volunteers without whom we would most likely not have been able to make this such a well-run event for the club.

Again thank you.

Kirk Hanke Vice-President

# WHAT'S GOING ON Manager's Report

First of all I would like to thank and congratulate Marlena Slaney (the Keller Bar) server / bartender for her 25 years of service to us here at the Schwaben Club. She sure has seen a lot and has some great stories. She has been a very loyal employee and we look forward to her continued service.

Thanks to all who helped refinish the floors in the Schwaben hall and the Main hall. The floors look great.

The month of March treated us to an early Easter along with Schlachtfest, a Spring Craft Show, Concerts, and some Rentals. April has in store for you the Spaghetti Dinner, the Spring German Music Show, Musical Concerts, and more rentals. And .....Oktoberfest tickets should be available before the end of the month, so check in to see if they are ready and get you tickets early for your favourite nights.

See you at the Schwaben club.

Don Egley Manager

# Frauengruppe

First of all, we would like to welcome Helga Peller to our Frauengruppe committee as our new vice president. May is just around the corner, and on Sunday May

# Geburtstage für May

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

Herzlichen Glückwunsch und das Beste im neuen Lebensjahr.

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Albrecht, Wilhelm	05
Dupuis, Gary	06
Anstett, Monica	09
Szierer, John	10
Schilling, Andrew	11
Gaysek, Karin	12
Schick, Magdalena	15
Thompson, Catherine	16
Hoedl, Monika	16
Becker, John	16
Ruland, Tracy	16
Gissing, Melissa	17
Heffner, Stephen	17
Vogel, Erich	23
Ries, Irma	24
Brown, Sarah	28
Switzer, Norma	28
Pilz, Emma	29
Koehler, Christel	30
Gellner, Andrew	30

1st will be our Mother's Day Luncheon. We can all celebrate the May 1st European festivities by bringing your family to this fun afternoon.

Please ladies; we are asking for gift donations for our raffle prizes for the Mother's Day luncheon. Please bring the gift before or when you come that day. Thank You

Joann Nuxoll Frauengruppe

# **Membership and Benefits**

Memberships are now due

Student >>> \$25

Seniors >>> \$40

Single >>> \$50

Family >>> \$80

Starting in April, I will be contacting by phone those members who have not paid their memberships!

Late Fee of \$5.00 will apply effective May 1st, 2016.

# **Filmnachmittag**

May 15, 2016



# June 5, 2016



If you have any changes to your personal information, 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.

Enjoy - spring is soon upon us!

Heidi Peller-Oliver Membership Director & Finance Secretary

# Kinder/Jugendgruppe

Schlactfest was our only dance event in March. Our groups were smaller, as many dancers were on vacation for the March Break. It was a fun event and the kids put on a great show. The girls haven't worn their dirndls since the fall, so seeing them, looked to me like a sign of Spring!

We are gearing up for our Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser at the beginning of April. We are excited about this event and greatly appreciate the time, support and donations that people have given. Thank you!

#### Lea Becker

President, Kindergruppe/Jugendgruppe

#### **New Members**

Wilfried & Joan Kleser Mike & Alayne Kleser David & Angel Berry

### **Donau Dancers**

Schlachtfest - What a great meal we had! You had a choice between a Huge Pork Hock or Pork Loin. Both were delicious. Also Sauerkraut and the famous bean salad was served. We had a special dish called Paradeiskraut – that Cathy Thomson regularly serves for her family and is an authentic Schwaebische dish. THAT was the best part, I thought. Recipes were copied and handed out for all those who wanted to try it. For our performance, the men threw on their "Butcher's Apron" for the occasion.

We are busy practicing for Landestrachtenfest in Leamington and our Gala Evening for our Viennese Ball. Tickets are available for the Ball through the office.

Helga Peller

President, Donau Dancers

Members' Meetings 2016 7:00 pm

April 13 May 11

#### **BIG NEWS!:**

Starting March 29th- Tues night Wing nights are starting 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

Runners for bringing food down from the kitchen and serve to the tables (Christina is already confirmed making the wings) in the Keller-

Clean up afterwards.

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

2 to 3 Volunteers are needed effective April 5th and throughout summer to fall.

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



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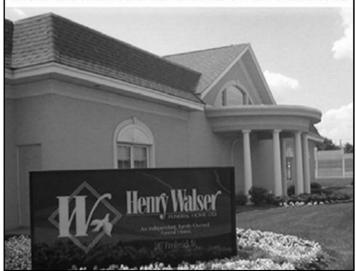


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# Miss Schwaben 2016 Samantha Hild



The committee and members of the Kitchener Schwaben Club would like to congratulate our Miss Schwaben 2016, Miss Samantha Hild.

Samantha is the daughter of Kyla and John Hild, and the granddaughter of Mary and John Hild.

Since she was a small child, Samantha has enjoyed the rich culture and excellent company found at the Schwaben Club. Her family have been members of the club since 1969 and she is proud to be chosen as Miss Schwaben 2016.

Samantha loves to learn and experience new things, always striving for perfection in everything she does. Samantha has a strong love of math, art and construction, aspiring her to studying architecture and one day become an architect.

We are honoured to have Samantha represent the Schwaben Club this year as our Miss and wish her the best for the coming year.

Everyone is invited to join us at a traditional Schwaben Shower in honour of

#### **ADAM COOK & JENNIFER LEHMAN**



We will shower them with good wishes as they prepare for their marriage later this year.

Enjoy an afternoon of loonie bingo, traditional Schwaben burgers and many delicious baked treats.

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Thank you, Susan Cook

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Phil Neidert President







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Ein Bauer kaufte sich ein Pferd. Nach einem Monat wurde das Pferd krank. Der Bauer holte einen Tiearzt. Dieser untersuchte das Tier und meinte: "Das Pferd hat sich mit einem gefährlichen Virus infiziert. Hier die Medizin, die Sie ihm 3 Tage lang verabreichen sollen. Danach komme ich und untersuche es noch mal. Wenn das Pferd immer noch krank ist, müssen wir das Tier einschläfern."

Dieses Gespräch hatte eine Sau mitgehört, die im gleichen Stall wohnte. Nach dem ersten Tag war das Pferd immer noch krank. Die Sau kam zu ihm und meinte: "Mein Freund, bemühe dich, steh auf!"

Am zweiten Tag das Gleiche - die Sau hat versucht, das kranke Pferd zu überzeugen: "Komm, steh auf, sonst musst du sterben!" Am dritten Tag wurde die Medizin erneut verabreicht, jedoch wieder erfolglos. Der Tierarzt meinte dann: "Wir haben keine Wahl, das Pferd muss eingeschläfert werden, sonst infizieren sich noch andere Tiere".

Die Sau hatte alles gehört, rannte zum Pferd und schrie: "Komm doch, steh auf, der Tierarzt ist da, jetzt oder nie!" Plötzlich stand das Pferd auf und lief aus dem Stall. Der Bauer war außer sich vor Freude: "Was für ein Wunder! Das

Der Bauer war außer sich vor Freude: "Was für ein Wunder! Das müssen wir feiern! Lass uns die Sau schlachten und heute ein Grillfest veranstalten!"





# **Schlachtfest**

Sagt der Bauer zu seiner Frau: 
"In drei Wochen haben wir Silberhochzeit. 
Wollen wir nicht ein Schwein schlachten?" 
Erwidert die Bäuerin: "Was kann denn das arme Vieh dafür?"







# Teutonia Club closing down its longtime home



After 80 years in business the Teutonia Club has been sold and will shut down. The Teutonia Club — one of Windsor's oldest and most prominent clubs — will close its doors for the final time at the end of May.

The German club has been a local landmark at 55 Edinborough St. for decades, but with its membership aging and dwindling, the club's executive felt the time was right for its 1950s-era building to be closed. The property has already been sold.

The club's building required at least \$1 million in renovations and roof replacements, according to the

10 club's executive.

"Our membership is down and the building needs a lot of remodelling," said club's president-elect Paul Weber. "We are done here on May 30. That will be our last day.

"It will be very sad for all of us after so many years."

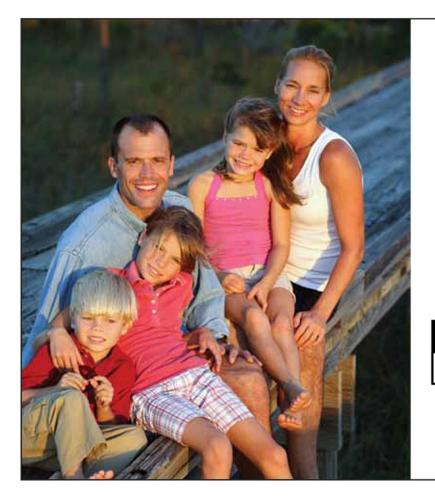
The Teutonia Club was initially formed in Windsor during the late 1920s as the German Canadian Association. It moved to its current home on Edinborough Street in 1954.

At its peak, there were nearly 500 members, but that number has fallen below 200, Weber said.

"We have a lot of older members, many others have died off and not many younger people want to join," he said. "It's the same thing happening all over to a lot of clubs."

Despite closing its doors, the Teutonia Club and its membership will remain in existence. There are plans in place to locate inside the Fogolar Furlan Club at 1800 N. Service Rd., starting in June.

"(The members) didn't like it at first, but then figured there is no other choice," Weber said. "We will keep our charter and Teutonia Club name, but be located at Fo-



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# GUN SHOW HELD

Anyone interested in helping out with putting on a gun show, please call Ken Dennis at 519-894-6695. A meeting will be held on April 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the club.





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### Perli, Hildegard

Passed away on Sunday, February 28, 2016 at the age of 88. Wife of the late Paul (2008). Mother of Anna Jamieson (the late Scott), Mary Harvey (Robert), Hilda Feimer (Joseph). Oma to Ryan and Michael Jamieson, Rosemary Rehberg (Michael), Jennifer Offak (Michael), Paul Harvey (Katie), Katherine Harvey, Christopher (Sarah) and David Feimer. Uroma to Lilianna, Sophia and Magnolia Rehberg, Oliver, Brooklyn and Natalie Offak. Sister of Rudi Erdelt of Germany.





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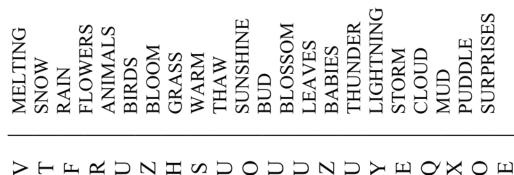
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