

# Kitchener Schwaben Club

# NACHRICHTEN

## JANUARY 2019

# Important Dates / Wichtige Daten 2019

TUESDAYS: Table Tennis	7:00pm
WEDNESDAYS: Karaoke	6:30pm
THURSDAYS: Kids/Youth Dance Practice	6:30pm
FRIDAYS: Fish Fry & Schnitzel too	<u>5-8:00pm</u>
FRIDAYS: Karaoke	8:30pm
SUNDAYS: Schwaben Dancers Practice	3:30pm
SUNDAYS: Donau Dancers Practice	<u>6:</u> 30pm

Filmnachmittag	1:30pm_	Jan 6
January Membership Meeting	7:00pm.	Jan 9
Miss Schwaben	_4:30pm_	Jan 19
Klub Gründungsfest	5:00pm_	.Feb 23
Schlachtfest		_Mar 23
German Spring Show		
Landestrachtenfest Windsor		
Mother's Day	TBA	<u>May 5</u>
Landestrachtenfest		Aug 30
Kirchweihfest		_Sep 28
Oktoberfest		_Oct 11
Ladies Anniversary		Nov 22
Christmas Luncheon		Dec 8
German Christmas Show		Dec 15



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Für das Jahr

# 2019

wünschen wir viel Gesundheit, Zufriedenheit, Wohlergehen und Gottes reichen Segen. Frieden soll in unseren Herzen und in der Welt sein!

Stefan Ihas

Präsident Weltdachverband der Donauschwaben e.V.

Vorstandswahl / Board of Directors Election

The following Board positions are open to nomination:

#### **Communications Director**

Nominations will close December 21, 2018 at 5:00pm

Elections will be held at the January 9, 2019 Club Membership Meeting

If anyone is interested or has questions, please contact Ed Ries (519) 885-1369

### President's Report – January 2019

This has been an amazing 2 years as Club President. A lot has happened, and it went quickly ..... though sometimes, it did seem daunting at times to be able to make it through the whole 2 years. I want everyone to know that I am extremely thankful and honoured to have been able to serve as President of the Schwaben Club. Thank you to all for your support and friendship.

While I learned a great deal about our club and value the fact that I was elected to serve as president for the last 2 years, I am looking forward to being a Past President and taking some time for myself, and hoping to continue volunteering and supporting the club.

I want to wish incoming President, Glenn Herold and the Board of Directors all the very best for coming year.

Congratulations to the Frauengruppe on their 82nd Anniversary which we celebrated on November 17, 2018.

The Frauengruppe is a very important part of our club. They provide their knowledge and assistance when it comes to making our traditional Krapfen and Cabbage Rolls. Several of them have provided their time and expertise in the past, teaching us some traditional Schwaben/German recipes. They host our monthly Filmnachmittag which is being enjoyed by many of our German community members.

On Sunday, November 19th, I attended the **Volkstrauertag** at Woodland Cemetery. Volkstrauertag is German for "people's day of mourning and is a public holiday in Germany held two Sundays before the first day of Advent. It commemorates members of the German armed forces and civilians who died in armed conflicts, to include victims of violent oppression. It was first observed in its modern form in 1952. It was another touching ceremony of remembrance of our fallen ancestors.

Despite the cold, it was nice to have so many in attendance along with the dignitaries from Kitchener, Waterloo and the Region as well the German Consulate. We then hosted coffee and cake at our club following the ceremony. Thank you to all the volunteers who came out and helped with this event and to Stefan and Kirk for rustling up some lunch for the volunteers!

Christmas decor now dawns our halls in readiness for the Christmas Season. Thanks to Tracey Killingbeck for organizing and to all the volunteers who helped.

By the time you receive this issue, my family and I will have enjoyed our Christmas Luncheon on December 2nd. Always a special time of year.

Looking forward to our German Christmas Concert which will again be a lovely enjoyable night of Christmas Melodies and friendship.

The holidays are a special time for family and friends to come together and celebrate the gift of everlasting love. May the joy and festivities continue to radiate in your lives, long after Christmas is gone.

On behalf of myself, and the Board of Directors, we wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and healthy New Year!

### Bericht der Präsidentin – Januar 2019

Es waren erstaunliche 2 Jahre als Klubpräsidentin. Es ist viel passiert und es verging schnell.....obwohl manchmal wirkte es entmutigend zwei Jahre durchstehen zu müssen.

Ich möchte, dass alle wissen, dass ich äußerst dankbar und geehrt bin, dass ich als Präsidentin des Schwaben Klubs habe dienen dürfen. Vielen Dank an alle für Ihre Unterstützung und Freundschaft.

Während ich viel über unseren Klub gelernt habe und die Tatsache, dass ich als Präsidentin für die vergangenen zwei Jahre gewählt wurde, sehr schätze, freue ich mich darauf, Altpräsidentin zu sein, etwas Zeit für mich zu haben und hoffe auch weiterhin den Klub zu unterstützen und auszuhelfen.

Ich möchte dem neugewählten Präsidenten Glenn Herold und dem Vorstand alles Gute für das kommende Jahr wünschen.

Gratulation geht an die Frauengruppe zu ihrem 82. Gründungsfest, das wir am 17. November 2018 gefeiert haben.

Die Frauengruppe ist ein sehr wichtiger Teil unseres Klubs. Sie geben ihre Erfahrung und Unterstützung bei der Herstellung unserer traditionellen Krapfen und Kohlrouladen. Einige von ihnen haben ihre Zeit und ihr Know-how in der Vergangenheit zur Verfügung gestellt und uns einige traditionelle Schwaben/deutsche Rezepte beigebracht. Sie veranstalten unseren monatlichen Filmnachmittag, an dem sich viele unserer deutschen Community-Mitglieder erfreuen.

Am Sonntag, den 19. November nahm ich an den **Volkstrauertag** Feierlichkeiten im Woodland Cemetery teil. Der Volkstrauertag ist ein Feiertag in Deutschland und wird zwei Sonntage vor dem ersten Advent gefeiert. Er erinnert an Angehörige der deutschen Streitkräfte und an in bewaffneten Konflikten gestorbenen Zivilisten, darunter Opfer gewalttätiger Unterdrückung. Er wurde erstmals in seiner modernen Form im Jahr 1952 wahrgenommen. Es war eine weitere rührende Gedenkzeremonie unserer gefallenen Vorfahren.

Trotz der Kälte war es schön, dass so viele erschienen zusammen mit den Würdenträgern von Kitchener, Waterloo, der Region sowie dem deutschen Konsulat. Nach der Zeremonie gab es Kaffee und Kuchen in unserem Klub. Vielen Dank an alle freiwilligen Helfer, die bei dieser Veranstaltung mitgeholfen haben, und an Stefan und Kirk für das schnelle Mittagessen für die freiwilligen Helfer.

Unsere Hallen sind nunmehr weihnachtlich dekoriert. Ein Dankeschön geht an Tracey Killingbeck für die Organisation und an alle freiwilligen Helfer.

Wenn Sie diese Nachrichtenausgabe erhalten, werden meine Familie und ich am 2. Dezember unser Weihnachtsessen genossen haben. Dies ist immer eine besondere Zeit des Jahres.

Wir freuen uns schon auf unser deutsches Weihnachtskonzert, das wieder ein schöner Abend mit Weihnachtsmelodien und Freundschaften sein wird.

Die Feiertage sind eine besondere Zeit, in der Familie und Freunde zusammenkommen und das Geschenk der ewigen Liebe feiern. Möge die Freude und die Feierlichkeiten noch lange nach Weihnachten in Ihrem Leben strahlen.

Ich wünsche Ihnen nun allen, sowie im Namen des Vorstands, ein frohes Weihnachtsfest und ein glückliches und gesundes neues Jahr!

Monica Anstett, Präsidentin Schwaben Club

### President Elect Report – January 2019

To start, let me thank the club for extending me the privilege of being Club President starting in 2019. I look forward to working with the Executive, the Sick Benefit Association and the General Membership to ensure we have a home for years to come.

In the role of President, I am expected to represent the interests of the Membership. To do this, I want to set aside part of each Monthly Member's Meeting to discuss particular topics. For January, the proposed topics will be:

- 1. Member's Meetings potential revisions to the agenda. For example do we need to read out the previous meeting minutes, or is posting the minutes in the office prior to the meeting sufficient?
- 2. Our future level of involvement with KW Oktoberfest. The German Clubs are all partners in this long standing event, but recent events have caused some concern.
- 3. The Nachrichten do we want to make changes to the content, format and timelines.

Discussion will be open for any and all members to express their thoughts to the Executive – I just ask that comments be kept professional and respectful, and that due consideration be given to others' opinions.

Glenn Herold, President Elect Schwaben Club

### Membership / Mitgliedschaft

There are some NEW Rates that will come into effect January 1st, 2019. It has been 3 years since the last Rates increase.

I have done a comparison of membership rates of all German clubs and presented a proposal as asked by the board. The board has discussed the rates and set the new amounts.

#### 2019 Membership Rates

Family	\$85.00
Single	\$60.00
Student	\$25.00
Seniors	\$40.00

The Late Fee is increased to \$30.00. Late fees are an incentive to our members to pay their dues sooner than later. The Late fee will be in effect on April 1st.

Heidi Peller-Oliver, Membership Director Schwaben Club



### Volkstrauertag, at Woodland Cemetery





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# Ladies Auxiliary / Frauengrundungsfest











### Frauengruppe

We will be moving our monthly meetings in order to keep our ladies coming out and drive during the daytime. It will start in March on Sunday March 3 at 12 noon till 2 pm and have them on the same Sundays of the Film which may make it more convenient to some.

This past year we received our LandesVerband Cookbook which is a compilation of recipes from the North American Schwaben Clubs. I personally wanted to thank Barbara Schlosser-Hill for typing out all the recipes for Kitchener Schwaben Club and submitting them on our behalf. These are true Donauschwaebische recipes. We hope you will support us and purchase one for yourself, for your children, mother and/or Oma. It is a hardcover book and has 500 pages of recipes. The cost is \$35 (Frauengruppe members are \$25). The cookbooks will be available at the Ladies Meetings and every General meeting for the next few months in order that the members have the opportunity to purchase one. Then we will sell them at the Filmnachmittag for the other German people that come to purchase one and then perhaps at the other German clubs in the area.

We would like to see ladies join us that are age 18 and over. I know many have young families or are young woman in University, but we need you to be part of our Frauengruppe as well. We will have different groups during the monthly get together - some will play bingo, others will be part of Zumba (an exercise class), and yet others can play cards or just have a cup of coffee and talk about your families. We are also planning to have speakers come out to some of the meetings and go on a Wine Tour.

There are many exciting changes that will be coming up for 2019!

So ladies if you are not part of our group, please think about it and join us.

I wanted to thank my committee for their help and commitment during the past year. I know how involved we all are in other aspects of the club and I am happy to have your support. I wanted to personally thank Tina McQuabbie as she steps down as Secretary. Thank you for your time and commitment Tina over the past 3 years. This past year we welcomed Lea Becker as 2<sup>nd</sup> Treasurer, who will now continue on as Secretary for the next term. I am pleased to say we will have Jennifer Orsan on board next year as 2<sup>nd</sup> Treasurer. Jen's creativity is well noted as you can see by our centre pieces tonight and we look forward to getting our books computerized. She has been an instrumental part of our successful Filmnachmittag along with her husband Stefan for the past several years and we could not have done it without the two of you each Sunday of the month. I will also continue on as President for the next term. I honestly can say it takes the entire team of ladies here to carry out what we do and I am proud to work with all of you.

Helga Peller-Eberl, President Barbara Schlosser-Hill, Vice President Schwaben Club

### Announcements / Ankündigung

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Allen Mitgliedern des Kitchener Schwabenklubs, die im Monat Januar Geburtstag feiern:

Herzlichen Glückwunsch und das Beste im neuen Lebensjahr.

Messmer, Margareth	01
Hild, John	01
Schaadt, Lisa	01
Jaronski, Eva	04
Lang, Jade	04
Haas, Werner	05
Braun, Karen	07
Randell, Jennifer	08
Elter, Susanna	13
Schneider, Paul	14
Strub, Tim	15
Vickman, Debra	16
Willyung, Margaret	18
Schattka, Hedwig	19
Brattan, Stephen	22
Schilling, Margarete	23
Gellner, Christopher	24
Kraehling, Mary	27
Ernest, Amy	27
Mahler, Anna	29
Cook, Michael	29
Lutsche, Alma	29



Filmnachmittag – Januar 6, 2019 @ 1:30pm



### Kindergruppe und Jugendgruppe

You may have noticed that our groups have changed yet again! Each year after Oktoberfest the children who are old enough and are ready, move up to a new dance group. Frauengrungsfest was the first performance for some of our dancers who have just graduated to the Jugendgruppe. Congratulations to Bella, Lily, Naomi, Riley, and Elijah! As well we have had some new dancers join us. Welcome, Shelby, Grace, Spencer, Elias, and Jack! In the Kindergruppe it is wonderful to see some of our former "little ones" become the leaders, encouraging and guiding the new little ones. The sheer joy in their faces as they dance makes it so heartwarming to watch!

Once again, the Kindergruppe/Jugendgruppe families served hearty lunches as a fundraiser during this year's Christmas Marketplace. Thank you to all who stopped by to shop, then buy lunch to support us! As well, we really appreciate the efforts of the individuals who pitched in help. Thank you!

Lea Becker, President Kindergruppe/Jugendgruppe

## MANAGERS REPORT

I have missed the last few of my reports, but I thought that I would take this opportunity to



wish everyone A Very Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year. it has been quite busy and hectic around here over the last four months here at the Schwaben Club. I hope to be able to get back to getting my reports in again in the new year. All the best to one and all in the new Year and I hope to see you soon at some of the great events coming to the Schwaben Club.

Don Egley,

Manager

# Obituary for Gertrude Lorfing (Bodnaruk)

#### Lorfing, Gertrude

Passed away peacefully at Innisfree House, on Wednesday, November 28, 2018 at the age of 86 surrounded by her loving family and friends. Beloved wife of the late Rudolf "Rudy" Lorfing (2015) for 60 years. Loving mother of Rosemarie Traplin (Tom) of St. Catharines and Irmgard Lorfing (John Bot) of Kitchener. Dear Omi of Jim Traplin (Christina) and Nicole Traplin (Jamie Davidson) and Great-Omi of Logan, Connor and Lilah. Sister of Erika Scheinost of Kitchener, and Edda (Manfred) Huller and Inge (Bernd) Ludi all of Germany. Predeceased by her parents Martin and Regina Bodnaruk.

Gertrude was a member of Bethel Lutheran Church and the Schwaben Club. She was a proud homemaker who enjoyed cooking and baking for her family, as well as gardening. Gertrude will be sadly missed by her friends at Court at Laurelwood Retirement Home. Special thanks to Dr. David Grant for his care over the years and the staff at Innisfree House who provided such amazing care.



## Youth Social Group / Freundschaft Gruppe

We would like to wish every member a very Happy New Year and we hope that your Christmas Holidays were filled with a lot of fun with family and friends!

We are excited about our upcoming events for January and February.

January 18<sup>th</sup> - Kochen in der Küche – Cooking in the Kitchen

We will start at 8pm – 11pm in the Club Kitchen. We will do some cookie baking to share at the Miss Schwaben event the next day. We will supply the ingredients – you just need to come out. No cost for this activity.

<u>February 15<sup>th</sup> - Skaten im Freien bei Kitchener City Hall / Outdoor Skating at</u> <u>Kitchener City Hall</u>

Join us at Kitchener City Hall's outdoor rink at 7pm to do a fun winter activity! We can all head back to the Club afterward for a cup of Hot Chocolate! No cost for this activity.

Lea Becker, one of our Youth Leaders has been extra busy with cooking the meals that our group sells at the Filmnachmittag. We have not seen a big demand for the lunches and if the trend continues, we will not be continuing with this service. Thank you for all your hard work Lea – it does not go unnoticed and it is very much appreciated!

We would like to thank those that have supported our group in the past. We will continue to look for additional ways to fundraise for our youth program.

Don't forget to sign up for our email updates, schwabyouth@gmail.com.

See you all in the New Year!

Lea & Emma Becker and Lena & Shay Herold Freundschaft Gruppe Leaders





### Christmas Market Place - Thank You Melissa!

A very special thank you to Melissa Gissing, our Office Administrator and club member, for



organizing and hosting the Best Christmas Bazar!!!

It takes a lot of planning to house 50 vendors from baked goods, crafts, jewelry, knitted items, home decor, holiday entertaining items and so much more.

She was also able to ensure Santa's schedule was cleared so he could be there to see the kids and for photo ops!

Thanks to the Kingergruppe for making lunch available to purchase. All the donations to the food bank were greatly appreciated!!!









### Christmas Market Place – Nov.25th.





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