



Kitchener Schwaben Club

Issue # 10, 2020

NACHRICHTEN

MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND BOARD ELECTION

Elections at 7:00 pm,
prior to General Meeting.

Wednesday, November 11, 2020
7:00 pm

President's Report

At the time I am writing this report we just finished the 3 weeks of Oktoberfest, and it was an Oktoberfest like no other. We knew going in that it was not going to be the fundraising event it usually was, but we (along with KW Oktoberfest and some of the other clubs) felt it necessary to keep the Oktoberfest name out in the community for the sake of future years. The 50 person capacity for events, the restrictions on singing or dancing, and the banning of the Shot Ski in response to public outcries over health concerns all posed their own challenge – but in the end, what made it all worthwhile was guests thanking us for providing them with a short respite from the concerns of the day. Of course, we placed special emphasis on following all Public Health protocol to ensure a safe and enjoyable event for all our volunteers and patrons as always. We did receive inspections by Public Health, the police, and the Liquor Control Board during Oktoberfest and past with flying colours. A special thank you goes out to the volunteers that came together to host the event; without them, we would not have made any profit at all. And it is times like this that makes us a stronger knit group.

I hope that everyone had a chance to watch the Oktoberfest videos that featured some of our club members, including:

1. Taste of Oktoberfest Culinary Video Series, Episode 6 – Schwaben Cabbage rolls with our own past Ladies Group President “Chef” Susan Cook
2. Oktoberfest Family Video Series, Episode 1 – Making an Onkel Hans Puppet with Erin Wetzel
3. Oktoberfest Family Video Series, Episode 3 – Learning to do the Fliegerlied (So Ein Schöner Tag) dance with Emma Becker, Shay Herold and Erin Wetzel
4. Oktoberfest Family Series, Episode 4, Learning to Yodel with The Golden Keys - Heidi Gregoric
5. Oktoberfest Fashion Show with Host Neil Hoffman (can be viewed on the Freundschaft Gruppe Facebook page)
6. Oktoberfest Trivia with Frank Bischoff, Miss Schwaben Alyssa Hild and Wolfgang Kahnke (can be viewed on the Freundschaft Gruppe Facebook page)

In the last Nachrichten, the November meeting was listed in error as being on November 18. It is on Wednesday November 11th. The elections will be held at 7 p.m. prior to the actual membership meeting. There will be two elections this year for Flag Bearer and Entertainment, so be sure to come out and cast your vote.



I look forward to celebrating the Ladies Group 85th Anniversary the afternoon of November 21st, and to seeing some familiar faces again.

There will also be a Sick Benefit Members Meeting on November 25th (starting at 7 p.m.) where we will review the 2021 business plan.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Herold – President



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In the photo from issue #7 the first three people from the left are John and Katherine Petsch (my parents) and Nick Elter (my mother's brother). Although they look familiar, I do not know the names of the other couple on the right. Many years ago, I had scanned a pile of old photos for my father and was able to find the jpeg of the this photo (img107) and looking closely it seems that the publisher had cropped someone out of the original photo. I am attaching a copy of the original photo and also two others (IMG_0315) of my parents, Nick and Susan Elter, and Kaethe Becker (img311b) which was taken at Gruendungsfest 2009 44 years later on the occasion of my father receiving his pin for 50 years as a member of the Schwaben Club.

In another photo (img101a) taken downstairs at the Club circa 1960 note that everyone has a rosemary sprig pinned to their lapel. From left to right they are Anna und Franz Mueller (parents of Kaethe Becker), Katherine and John Petsch, Nick Elter (looking very surprised), Mr and Mrs Hans Doerner (not 100% certain of their identity), Mary and George Brenner (I understand that the Brenners introduced my parents to each other, Mary Brenner having been born in Kernei, Batschka as my mother was and George having been born in Schoendorf Rumania where my father was born).

Finally (img241) shows the Kindertanzgruppe circa 1965. None of us will ever be that "young and good looking" again!

Regards, John Petsch Jr.



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IMPORTANT DATES 2020:

Ladies Monthly Members Meeting Wed Nov 4th at 6:30pm

November Monthly Members Meeting Wed Nov 11th at 7pm

Sick Benefit Member's Meeting Wed. Nov 25th at 7pm

Ladies Grundungsfest Saturday November 21st 4-7pm

CONCERT: Ansambel Gregoric Saturday November 28th 5pm

December Monthly Member's Meeting Wed. Dec 2nd at 7pm



SICK BENEFIT ASSOCIATION

Members Meeting 7pm

Wednesday
November 25th

Please follow Public
Health Protocols.



Membership Report

Hope everyone has had a great summer and stayed safe. It sure was HOT!

Memberships dues are now open for availability to pay your 2021 membership.

We are accepting membership dues at the club office during the day at these hours: Mondays 8-4, Tues 8-5, Wed 8-5, Thurs 8-1, Fri 8-4

I will also have memberships available to pay your dues at the member's meetings in October, Nov, and December

Membership rates have not changed this year, they are listed below

Family \$85

Single \$60

Senior \$40

Student \$25

When paying your memberships at the office or member's meetings, please provide any change of addresses, your email, phone numbers.

Tracy R and I are consistently working on updating the membership list, so it stays current and all of your Nachrichten get out to you by email or mail.

Note: Everyone needs to pay their membership by Jan 15th, 2021. Effective Jan 16th the Late Fee is \$30.

Thank you and do take care of yourselves and your family during these unprecedented times.

Heidi Peller-Oliver

Membership Director

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ANNOUNCEMENT. – Ankündigung

Happy Birthday

To all members of the Kitchener Schwaben Club who celebrate their birthday in the month of November.

ALLES GUTE ZUM GEBURTSTAG

An allen Mitgliedern des Kitchener, Schwabenklub Die im Monat November Geburtstag feiern

November Name DATES:

<u>Alex Grandmond</u>	<u>Nov. 1</u>
<u>Glenn Herold</u>	<u>Nov. 2</u>
<u>Hilda Kreitzer</u>	<u>Nov. 3</u>
<u>Wera Dennis</u>	<u>Nov. 5</u>
<u>Joann Nuxoll</u>	<u>Nov. 6</u>
<u>Wiltrud Jenkins</u>	<u>Nov. 7</u>
<u>Lydia Kessler</u>	<u>Nov. 7</u>
<u>Ericha Schiketantz</u>	<u>Nov. 7</u>
<u>Monica Laws</u>	<u>Nov. 8</u>
<u>Jennifer Offak</u>	<u>Nov. 10</u>
<u>Michael Adam</u>	<u>Nov. 12</u>
<u>Angel Berry</u>	<u>Nov. 14</u>
<u>Marius Pop</u>	<u>Nov. 15</u>
<u>Barry Gurski</u>	<u>Nov. 16</u>
<u>John Schmidt</u>	<u>Nov. 16</u>
<u>David Berry</u>	<u>Nov. 18</u>
<u>Susan Cook</u>	<u>Nov. 18</u>
<u>Gary Hazlitt</u>	<u>Nov 20</u>
<u>Kathie Neuberger</u>	<u>Nov 23</u>
<u>Otto Mensch</u>	<u>Nov. 25</u>
<u>Manfred Blum</u>	<u>Nov. 26</u>
<u>Walter Roegner</u>	<u>Nov. 26</u>
<u>Gery Becker</u>	<u>Nov. 29</u>

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We would like to thank Darlene Clausing
for all her time and effort in putting together
the club Nachrichten for the past
2 years! We appreciate all your hard work!

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FC Bayern München Official
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Entertainment Report

Liebe Mitglieder/Dear Members

Es freut mich sehr mehrere von Euch bei unseren Veranstaltungen zu sehen, sei es bei einer Modenschau, einer Mitgliederversammlung, einem Abendessen im Club, oder bei den Fussballspielen des Mia San FC Bayern.

It was great to see some of our members at the fashion show taping, our Oktoberfest dinners, at meetings and at the screenings of the Mia San fan club.

It is wonderful to see the table tennis players out again at the KSC on Fridays. Welcome back to Walter, Dan, Ken, and the gang.

Mia San is looking forward to FC Bayern winning even more championships in 2020. We welcome the new members who have joined our club. We congratulate them on gaining new sponsorship, especially HB beer served at the Schwaben. In November we look forward to watching the German national games "Die Mannschaft". Go to www.miasankw.ca for updated info.

Liz O'Reilly, Entertainment Director club.



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Thank you to the German
Remembrance Society for the
donation to our Youth Group. A
portion of the money given will go to
pay for a fun upcoming event for
those that come out to help.

Frauengruppe Article

The Oktoberfest themed meeting saw members enjoying friendship and fun while maintaining social distancing and the guidelines set out by Health Canada. Hand sanitizer, Lysol wipes and social 'bubble' seating did not dampen the fun had by those attending. A special thank you to Penny for her delicious pumpkin coffee cake (as part of her birthday treats) and the Schwaben Club for donation of the wonderful glass mugs! It was a fun event! Next meeting is November 4th meeting.

***REMINDER – meetings now start at 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. – please use King Street entrance.**

The Frauengruppe will not resume **Film Nachmittag** for the remainder of this year (2020). Due to COVID 19 restrictions, the popular film afternoons will be postponed until the new year. Fingers crossed we will stay safe and healthy! Movies scheduled in 2020 will be shown in 2021.

Craft club – The craft club has started! The first 'craft', our Christmas mice will continue. We will start Weihnachtentüte / Christmas Cones (like Schultüte, this is a cone made of paper or cardboard, filled with hard candy and chocolates). This little treat is made to hang on the Christmas tree (Weihnachtsbaum) and is given out to guests when they 'drop by'. We ask any members who have old Christmas cards to donate towards this craft idea.

Yarn, yarn, and more yarn. We will be starting our knitting club soon. We are currently searching for easy patterns and needed materials. We again hope to start our projects in 2021 – We will also attempt to have some 'online' fun. If you are interested in participating, please drop us a line or call the club and leave your name and contact information.

85th Anniversary/ 85th Gründungsfest der Frauengruppe November 21st, 2020 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Please join us for a special celebration as we honour our past presidents – Mary Hild, Susan Cook and Helga Peller- Eberl, as well as past committee members.

Limited seating is available due to COVID 19 restrictions and guidelines. Tickets are available at the next Ladies group meeting on Nov. 4th. If you would like to attend however can not make it to a meeting, please call the club to reserve your spot. **limit of 6 per table and 'bubble seating' is in effect.

For listening pleasure, music is provided by the Golden Keys. Doors open at 4 p.m. with dinner being served at 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$25.00 for members and \$30.00 for non-members.

And our final word....

The Frauengruppe's long standing traditions have been the backbone and strength of our club. With a vibrant and thriving Ladies auxiliary, our Donauschwaben culture will continue. We need YOU to help support the group to ensure our rich, beautiful heritage does not diminish or disappear.

Please consider joining or re-joining the Frauengruppe. We welcome you at our next meeting - Wednesday, November 4th at 6:30 p.m. Wishing you and yours all the best – stay healthy and safe – and remember if you have a 'bad day' dance a polka... all the worries will 'dance away'.

Your Frauengruppe committee – Jen, Penny, Lea and Barb





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Re: Volkstrauertag

Greetings

The Corona Virus has played havoc with most functions throughout the year so far, resulting in the cancellation of all major events by the German Clubs of Waterloo Region and the German Canadian Remembrance Society (G.C.R.S.). Unfortunately, the event of Volkstrauertag sponsored by the G.C.R.S. in co-operation with the Consulate and the German Clubs has also been affected.

The Board of Directors of the G.C.R.S. has decided the following action. We will, as in the past, adorn the graves of the soldiers at Woodland Cemetery with small wreaths and ribbons. There will not be a large gathering at the cemetery, no speeches, no choir and no band. The G.C.R.S. will place a large wreath at the cross as in the past. All the wreaths that the G.C.R.S. has kept in storage for other organizations will be placed on behalf of those organizations as well. Any organization that wishes to lay a wreath is encouraged to do so throughout the day, as members of the society will be on hand to give any assistance required. There will be no social gatherings at any of the German Clubs.

Sincerely yours

Uwe Werner Schlueter

President G.C.R.S.



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