



THE NACHRICHTEN

January/Januar 2021 Issue

IMPORTANT DATES

Member's Meeting	Feb 10 th at 7pm
Family Day Fun	Feb 15 th
Grundungsfest	Feb 27 th
Ladies Group Meeting	March 3 rd 6:30pm
Member's Meeting	March 10 th 7pm
Krapfen (Donut) Making	March 27 th Morning
Schlachtfest	March 27 th

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Any submissions must be in by the 10th of
the month for the following issue. Thank you.

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Presidents Report

Happy 2021.

2020 is finally over – what a year. I hope everyone at least enjoyed the holidays as best they could. A special thank you goes out to those that helped out with the Virtual Christmas Concert – the feedback was extremely positive and (last I checked) we had nearly 3,000 views on Facebook. We also created a YouTube Channel where you can go to view the Concert as well as a few of our videos from this past Oktoberfest (when on YouTube, search for Schwaben Club Channel and subscribe). The Club will continue to add content to the channel, and we look forward to sharing our culture and traditions through this new format too.

For 2021, there is a sense of cautious optimism as vaccines are being rolled out. For our part, we will continue to plan for every event until such time as we know we will not be able to have it. If we are projected to be in the Red (Control) or Grey (Lockdown) levels at the time of the event, the event will unfortunately need to be cancelled. If we are projected to be in the Orange (Restrict), Yellow (Protect) or Green (Prevent) levels, we will plan the event based on the specified restrictions; if the restrictions include capacity limits, we will stream parts of the events online so everyone can join in. If you have not done so already, I encourage you to provide Heidi or Tracy your email address so we can keep you up to date on events, and forward you details on where to view the live streams / recordings. For those that are not online, let us know if you would like us to send you a DVD from the event that you can watch at home. We want to make sure everyone is included.

As a reminder to our youth, the “My Oma” submissions are due January 31st to the office. This year they can include an essay or creative project – there is additional information in the Nachrichten.

Respectfully submitted,
Glenn Herold – President



Frauengruppe Members

We want to ensure we have you included on our Membership List

Please let us know:

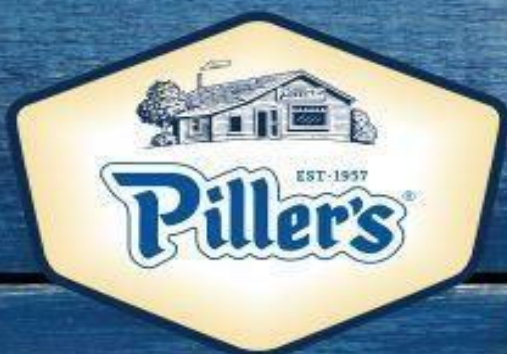
- your current address
- phone #
- birthdate
- best way for us to keep in touch (email, phone, or through a family member)

\$15 Membership Fee for 2021 due by March 3rd

NEW MEMBERS ages 16+ WELCOME!
Ladies' group members 80 years and over receive their membership free!

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Membership Report

Happy New Year! If you have not paid your 2021 Membership yet, you have only until Jan 15th to pay your dues before the Late Fee of \$30 is applied to your total. This extra fee amount was approved by the Board in September 2019.

It is very unfortunate that we could not see you all much in the past number of months due to new COVID-19 rules. I hope that you are all staying safe and healthy.

It sounds like things will be better this spring and I hope to see you all at some point at our new building in Breslau.

Just a few words of what I am feeling with all that has gone on with our club from moving from our old building to new building as many have been asking me. A few points that many members may not know:

My Grandfather, Godfather, Mom and her 3 sisters, and my Dad (later in 1960) all came to Schwaben Club starting in 1948-51 to meet new Donauschwabens, to continue their cultural heritage, to speak with others with same Schwobish language, to join Dance Groups, to assist in running of our club by becoming a Board member and just simply making our club a pretty place and 2nd Home for all to come to by cooking in the kitchen, bartending, landscaping, gardening, and cleaning. All my relatives have done all the above in some form at many different times during the decades. All these relatives except my Godfather, and 3 Aunts are gone now.

It is very important to me to carry on my cultural heritage as my family would have wanted me to. I do realize we are in a new building; I will miss the old building. and have many memories to share. It will now be a new beginning, but with all the same Schwaben family and heritage.

90th Anniversary of our Club in 2021 is a big deal, so let us celebrate this together in February.

Heidi Peller-Oliver

Membership Director and Sick Benefit Treasurer/Secretary

Communications Report

In response to a request, I had made for refreshing ideas to engage our members' interest in our *Nachrichten*, one of our members, Franz Bischoff, presented me with a brilliant idea which would, in his words, "add some relevant, celebratory content in these challenging times of Covid-19". It is our hope to briefly profile an acclaimed person of Danube Swabian lineage in each issue of 2021's *Nachrichten*. Submissions will not be lengthy, kept to approximately 150 words, and will highlight key aspects of the individual's career. Thank you, Franz, for your inspiration, and for composing the first profile for our readers to enjoy. It would be wonderful if several of our members would be willing to do a bit of research and learn some amazing facts about significant people in Donauschwaben history to share with our readers. If you would be willing to contribute to this endeavour, by researching and submitting further entries, please let me know! Need some ideas? Franz has provided some valuable links. Contact me at: lea.schwaben@gmail.com.

Lea Becker,

Director of Communications

Schwaben Profile: [Hans-Peter] Hansi Müller

Müller was an accomplished midfielder playing his club football in Germany, Italy, and Austria over the course of a fifteen-year career (beginning with his hometown *VfB Stuttgart* and ending in Innsbruck with *FC Swarovski Tirol*). Among his 42 international appearances, he represented Germany at both the 1980 European Championship (champion) and the World Cup 1982 (runner up). An elegant playmaker, technically stellar and dangerous in front of the goal, Müller was compared to the great Franz Beckenbauer by no less than Pele. Off the pitch, "*schöne Hansi*" was a charismatic heartthrob; indeed, with his swarthy good looks, he was considered "*das erste 'Teenie-Idol' des deutschen Fußballs*" (as he noted, at the peak of his popularity he needed 250,000 autograph cards a year to keep up with his fans).

For an insightful video featuring Müller (including discussion of his Danube Swabian heritage) [in German] see: *FC Batschka – Fußball im Vertriebenenlager* <https://youtu.be/0bhZONFTuP8>



Entertainment Report

Liebe Mitglieder/Dear Members,

Ich wünsche Euch alle einen guten Rutsch ins neuen Jahr 2021!

Wir freuen uns auf einen neuen Anfang in unseren Eigenschaft in Breslau, 50 Scheifele Place.

Wishing all members, a Happy New Year as we prepare and move forward to 50 Scheifele Place, Breslau.

We are currently not able to offer events in January at our beloved club due to Waterloo Region health department regulations. If you have any questions, please call Tracy at 519 742 7979. Please read the President's message for details concerning the move and future meetings. Follow FB and social media for updates.

The following is a message from R. Krech:

The Mia San KW Fan club met for the last time on November 21st just a few days before our region went into "Code Red" which meant our fan club could no longer meet. Our fan club is excited about the new club location in Breslau and hope to meet soon again. Visit our website at www.miasankw.ca for updated information and be sure to follow and like our posts on social media.

Liz O'Reilly

Entertainment Director



Frauengruppe Article

Please note, we are here for you – simply call the club at 519-742-7979 or contact us through our email kwschwabenfrauengruppe@gmail.com– if you need assistance please reach out.

December 5th saw Santa Claus, Marko the Prince of Polka, and some of our Schwaben Club elves meet and greet our younger members. We handed out 40 treat bags to members who registered for the drive by meet and greet Santa Claus. Thank you, Jen for all your work with these wonderful bags. Please consider joining the Ladies Group Committee. Contact any committee member for information about the positions still open.

CRAFT CLUB – we will be starting with easy beginner projects in knitting and crocheting. No experience is needed. These sessions will be part of our meetings. We will also try to post or send out the patterns closer to our meeting in March. This craft club follows the tradition of our founding members. It is the hope of this group to make gifts for our members, such as handmade baby blankets, mittens, and scarves.

MARCH MEETING – First Wednesday in March at 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. – new club location. A suggestion for carpooling has been made. If you need a ride, please contact one of the committee members and we can help arrange this.

We are also hoping to resume our Film afternoons once the COVID-19 crisis lessens. The scheduled film offerings will be updated in March. Requests for meals have been made, stay tuned for more information in an upcoming Nachrichten.

CHOIR: Yes, the planned choir is hoping to start in the new year. The songs have been researched and Cathy is eager to start. No experience is required. Adult voices of all abilities will be welcomed. Traditional as well as modern songs will be sung. It is hoped that the choir will make its debut for our 2021 Kirchweih celebrations. Please consider joining this new group. Information will be made closer to March.

Stay safe – hope to see you in 2021!

Wishing you all the best – Penny, Jen, Lea and Barb

Herzlichen Glückwunsch an alle,
die im Januar feiern!
Happy Birthday to all those
that celebrate in January!

John Hild Jr.	Jan 1st
Lisa Schaadt	Jan 1st
Margareth Messmer	Jan 1st
Heiko Walder	Jan 3rd
Eva Jaronski	Jan 4th
Jade Lang	Jan 4th
Werner Haas	Jan 5th
Karen Braun	Jan 7th
Jennifer Randell	Jan 8th
Adolfine Falkenberg	Jan 12th
Hedwig Rybcznski	Jan 12th
Paul Schneider	Jan 14th
Debra Vickman	Jan 16th
Margaret Willyung	Jan 18th
Andre Killingbeck	Jan 19th
Hedwig Schattka	Jan 19th
Shayla Herold	Jan 19th
Melissa Ferguson	Jan 21st
Stephen Brattan	Jan 22nd
Margarete Schilling	Jan 23rd
Chris Gellner	Jan 24th
Amy Lantz	Jan 27th
Mary Kraehling	Jan 27th
Michael Cook	Jan 29th

Hans Schaadt Youth Cultural Award

Sponsored by Rick and Lisa Schaadt

This award was created by his family to honour the memory of Hans Schaadt, a Kitchener Schwaben Club Past President, Canadian Dach Verband Past President, Kitchener Schwaben Club member, Sick Benefit Member since 1971, and proud Schwabian. Being born in Hungary, Hans was a key force in maintaining and promoting his Schwabian heritage. He was a firm believer that hard work and dedication deserve recognition and celebration. He was very proud of his children and grandchildren who danced with the club, and would have wanted to encourage his heritage to continue to be exemplified by our youth into the future!



The award recipient will receive:

1. Up to \$200 reimbursement of money spent towards Schwaben (German) Culture.
2. Recipients name on plaque in display case.
3. Invitation for recipient and one guardian to the Kitchener Schwaben Club Anniversary Celebration.

Criteria:

1. Submit an essay or creative project about "My Oma" by January 31, 2021 via email to schwaben@kitchenerschwabenclub.com. Maximum 1500 words.
2. Must be a member of the Kitchener Schwaben Club (through either a family membership or student membership).
3. Must be between the ages of 6 and 25.
4. Must attend the Club's Anniversary Celebration in order to receive the award.

Recipient will be chosen by the Kitchener Schwaben Club President and the award sponsors Rick and Lisa Schaadt.

The award will be presented each year at the Kitchener Schwaben Club's Anniversary Celebration. Recipients will have one year from date of presentation to be reimbursed. Reimbursement will be taken care of by the sponsors upon receipts being submitted to the Kitchener Schwaben Club office. For eligible reimbursement please ask the sponsors; examples include dance registration, dance shoes, cost of travel to out of town Schwaben Club events.

Yearly flag lowering, thank you to the volunteers.



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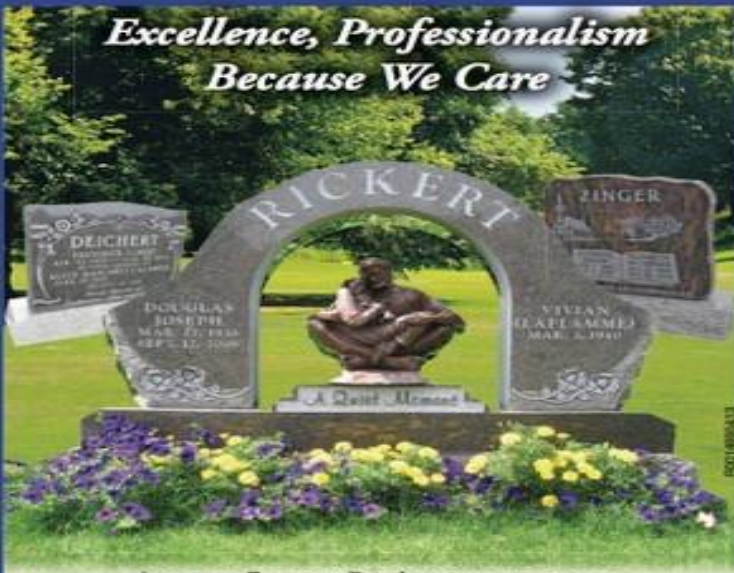


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