

August 2021 Issue

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

1<sup>st</sup> Friday each Month Fish Fry Fridays 4:00-7pm 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday each Month Schnitzel Fridays 4:00-7pm

**Kaffee Klatsch Ladies Group Meeting Outdoor Concert Series** Filmnachmittag **Goulash Dinner** Outdoor Concert Golden Keys August 14th 4-7pm **Member's Meeting Movie Under the Stars Kinder/Jugend BBO Ladies Group Meeting Cabbage Roll Making Member's Meeting Kirchweih \*in person Oktoberfest Oktoberfest Ladies Group Meeting Oktoberfest** Club Oktoberfest Family Day October 10<sup>th</sup> Octoberfest **Kaffee Klatsch Member's Meeting Ladies Group Meeting** Ladies Fundraiser \*NEW **Member's Meeting** Filmnachmittag Schlachtfest \*NEW DATE November 27th **Ladies Group Meeting Club Christmas Dinner** 

August 1st August 4<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm August 7<sup>th</sup> 4-7pm August 8<sup>th</sup> 1pm August 13<sup>th</sup> 4-7pm August 18<sup>th</sup> 7pm August 21<sup>st</sup> Dusk August 22<sup>nd</sup> 11-3pm September 1<sup>st</sup> 6:30pm September 11-12 all day September 15<sup>th</sup> 7pm September 18<sup>th</sup> 5:30<sub>pm</sub> September 24<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> October 6<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm October 8th, 9th October 15th & 16th **October 17th** October 20<sup>th</sup> 7pm November 3<sup>rd</sup> 6:30pm November 6<sup>th</sup> November 17<sup>th</sup> 7pm November 21<sup>st</sup> 1pm **December** 1<sup>st</sup> **December 4th** 



Their BBQ is taking place AUGUST 22nd from 11-3pm

backyard BBQ bash

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#### HERZLICHEN GLÜCKWUNSCH AN ALLE, DIE IM AUGSUT FEIERN! HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL THOSE THAT CELEBRATE IN AUGUST!

Christina Mulligan	August 3
Heidi Potzauf	August 3
George Milla	August 6
Vanessa Pastoric	August 6
Sheri Thompson	August 9
Christopher Pottkamper	August 15
Josef Offak	August 16
Bernhard Falkenberg	August 17
Janice Hoshooley	August 19
Neil Hoffman	August 22
Johanna Holland	August 23
Anna Koenig	August 23
Andrea Speckner	August 23
Maria Offak	August 24
Peter Anton	August 25
John Schuster	August 25
Frank Kauck	August 26
Christopher Thompson	August 27
Jennifer Cook	August 30
Richard Speckner	August 30
Stanley Markowiak	August 31

#### ENJOY TIME WITH FRIENDS



## Join the

#### The Frauengruppe plans a variety of activities based on the interests of our members.

\*Zumba Classes \*Wine Tours \*Afternoon Films \*Theatre Outings \*Kaffee Klatsch \*Author Visits Our regular meetings inlude BINGO and crafts. We are always open to suggestions and new ideas!







**Learn Traditional Recipes** 

**Explore Places of Interest** 

Play BINGO or make Crafts

Meetings are at 6:30 pm, on the 1st Wednesday of each month. We hope to see you soon! kwschwabenfrauengruppe@gmail.com

#### The Kinder and

#### Jugend Dancers

Kinder 4-9 years old Jugend 10-15 years old

We provide a positive social environment for boys and girls between 4 and 15 while they learn traditional Schwaben dances. They will build on their self-esteem and confidence as they perform at club events and outside events, such a the ChristKindl Market and Oktoberfest as well. Our season runs from September to May.

Cost for the season \$150. New members will require a deposit on the dance outfits. Please contact us at

schwabenkindergruppe@gmail.com for more





#### Mia-San-Kitchener-Waterloo FC Bayern München Official K-W FAN CLU



Mia San K-W was excited to finally start up again in June and hosted Germany soccer matches for the European Cup at our new Schwaben Club location in Breslau. We had a great turnout cheering on the Mannschaft for four games. Mia San K-W is an officially registered FC Bayern München fan club who meets at the Schwaben Club to watch FC Bayern games as well as the German National Team soccer games. There is no membership fee and all are welcome to join us. We are excited to start up again in August to watch our FC Bayern team play again. Here is our August schedule:

Friday, August 13 FC Bayern vs Borussia Mönchengladbach 2:30pm Tuesday, August 17 DFL Supercup FC Bayern vs Borussia Dortmund 2:30pm Sunday, August 22 FC Bayern vs FC Köln 11:30am Saturday, August 28 FC Bayern vs Hertha Berlin 12:30am

In September we will also be showing the German National Team World Cup qualifying games at the Schwaben Club. Here is the schedule and times that the games start:

Thursday, September 2 Germany vs Liechtenstein 2:45pm Sunday, September 5 Germany vs Armenia 2:45pm Wednesday, September 8 Germany vs Iceland 2:45pm

All times and dates of games may be subject to change. Please refer to www.miasankw.ca for updates. For additional information or to be added to our mailing list please contact Thomas Drung at miasankw@gmail.com.



#### Join the Freundschaftgruppe

#### Social/Cultural group

#### 13-25 YEARS OLD

We are a youth group that focuses on friendship and enjoying our time together.

We plan social trips just for fun. We have gone to Wonderland, Fear Farm, Bingemans, out to the movie theatre, laser tag, and gone ice skating just to name a few events over the years.

In January we will be starting the Ballroom Dance program again for those 16-25. We stopped the program last year due to COVID and look forward to showing off the learning dances at our newest Club event -The Rosenball in May 2022. We join other youth from across North American and we attend the yearly Jugendlager. This event takes place at a different Schwaben Club throughout the US or Canada in June each year. We spend the 4 day camp out weekend learning more about our Donauschwaben culture and traditions and make new lifelong friends!

We take time at our Club to put into action what we learn. We have held various events to make sausge together, bake cookies using our Club cookbooks, and share in learning to starch our skirts with a method taught at the Welttreffen in Romania.

To join our group, email us at schwabyouth@gmail.com or text 519-222-7624 or 519-897-4935

#### **Donau Dancers**

At this time the Donau Dancers are happy to say as of Sunday July 16<sup>th</sup> the group will meet and work on routines for the up coming seasons.

We are looking for people who may be interested in dancing with the group (all are welcome, with a great need for men) No experience is necessary, but any with will be looked at as a bonus!

Our first social gathering will be for Sunday July 25 a group potluck and brainstorm meeting to get this party started 2021!

We all meet at the club for 6:30 pm, you may contact the group secretary ~ Darlene for information at 266-749-0203 (call/ text) or email dancedonau@gmail.com



### THE SCHWABEN DANCERS

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#### CONTACT: ERIN WETZEL AT ERINWETZEL5@OUTLOOK.COM



#### **Oktoberfest News**

The Club will be taking on something new as we host Oktoberfest over 4 weekends this year!

Kitchener-Waterloo Oktoberfest Inc. had moved last year to align with the start dates of the München Oktoberfest and look to continue that trend. We will be matching the start date of Friday September 24<sup>th</sup> and will be taping out keg that night to willkommen the 2021 Oktoberfest! Highlights that our board is planning:

- Member's Family Day, Sunday October 10<sup>th</sup>
- Sit Down Dinners with Reservation (dates and times will be released soon)
- Biergarten open no reservations needed
- Visits by Onkel Hans & keg tapping
- Dance performances (following COVID rules)
- German Beer
- We will run for 4 weekends and end our Oktoberfest celebration on October 16<sup>th</sup>
- Ladies group cake table sale on all Family Days
- Potential Oktoberfest with dancing last weekend (COVID rules will determine if dancing is allowed)

We hope to see you out for Oktoberfest, watch for updated information!

Lena Herold, Co-Chair, Oktoberfest

#### **ENTERTAINMENT NEWS**

It has been an incredibily busy summer for Club members as I plan for both in person small group fuctions and larger outdoor events for you as they are made available with Public Health approval. The Schwaben Club hosted the Euro Cup soccer games both under the pavilion and on the Biergarten with the Mia San Soccer Fan Club, we had a fun Father's Day function and saw some new faces there! The Frauengruppe's very popular Filmnachmittag has also started back up. The Freundschaftgruppe did have their summer event and is planning their fall Halloween event already – more to come on that outing soon! It is starting to get back to normal which feels good! Along with our in person events I have continued with virtual content as well. You may have already seen the newest episodes entitled, My Favourite Things. Leah Schummer from the Jugend Dancers was the first to be highlighted on our social media and she did a fantastic job! And the Schwaben Dancers were featured in the virtual 2021 KW Multicultural Festival. Erin Wetzel, Cole Watson and Kaitlyn Dieter did a great job on that too! In the month of July we also had some events taking place for the first time, our Outdoor Concert Series

#### KIRCHWEIH GRUNDUNGSFEST FRAUENGRUNDUNGSFEST

SEPTEMBER 18TH 5:30 DOORS OPEN 6:30 DINNER



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THE SCHWABEN CLUB 50 SCHEIFELE PLACE, BRESLAU

and Movies Under the Stars – I hope you are enjoying what I have put together for all our members! Lena Herold

#### **Entertainment Director**



Welcome new members!

Gary Rottenbucher, Paul Rottenbucher, Jeff Myers, Kayleen Coughlin, David Majrek, Anastasia von Westerholt, Chris Zehr, Andrew Schalm, Erika Hanke, &

Richard and Stephanie Dopheide.





On 18th June 2021, our beloved mother, sister and Oma -- Elisabeth Hohnsbein (nee Leipold) -- passed away peacefully while being comforted by family at Highview Residence in Kitchener, ON. Elisabeth's goal was to live as long as her mother, to be 91 years and 1 month old; she met this goal and then some, taking her final breath in her 94th year.

Elisabeth was born to Jakob and Elizabeth Leipold on 30th April 1928. She was born and raised in a small village in Yugoslavia, the second eldest of five siblings. She attended four years of German school, then left to help at home with farm duties and babysitting younger siblings at eleven years old. Elisabeth faced many hurdles in her life before coming to Canada, the most atrocious was the challenge of surviving WWII.

Elisabeth shared stories of life during the war and its aftermath, including her village being burned to the ground by Yugoslavian guerilla soldiers -- an attack in which her grandfather was killed -- and how she and her family were on the run to avoid capture. Following the war, Elisabeth was forcefully separated from her family and had to sneak away from the farm she was forced to work at on New Year's Eve, walking miles through farm fields to rejoin her family while on the run from authorities. Later, as a reunited family working as refugees on a farm in East Germany, the family crossed illegally to West Germany by foot disguised as farm labourers. The family worked on a farm where Elisabeth met her husband-to-be, Peter. In 1950, Elisabeth was sponsored by the Lutheran Church to come to Canada as a refugee. At 22-years-old, she travelled to Canada on her own, not speaking the language and carrying the weight of representing her family. She worked on a farm in Roseville and found sponsors for the rest of her family to follow, including her fiance. Elisabeth married Peter Hohnsbein (predeceased 1992) at St. James Lutheran Church in Mannheim on the 23rd of February 1952. Over the next ten years, they were blessed with four beautiful daughters.

Elisabeth, Peter, and their daughters moved to New Dundee in 1958. They may not have known it then, but New Dundee would become their community and home. In 1962, they purchased a yellow house on Front Street, big enough to support their growing family. This house was home for the Hohnsbein's for 50 years; a place of family, friends, and many great memories. Elisabeth continued to live there after Peter's passing, moving to Kitchener in 2012.

Elisabeth has been a member of St. James Lutheran Church in New Dundee since 1958. Well known as Miss Elisabeth, the Church is a real community and family for her. It is where her daughters were confirmed and married, and the place of Peter's committal service. Elisabeth also was a member of the Schwaben Club in Kitchener, ON.

For most of her life, Elisabeth was never idle. She was always on the move between tending to her gardens, preserving the fruits of her labour, making and mending clothes, and preparing home cooked meals and baking. She loved knitting and could always be counted on to make patschker (slippers) for her loved ones. She also worked at the New Dundee Creamery for 30 years -- right across the street from her house -- retiring in 1988.

Most important to Elisabeth was family; she was the cornerstone, keeping the family united and strong, wrapping us in unconditional love. Elisabeth had a big heart and an even bigger sense of humour; she truly was loved by everyone she met. She loved entertaining family and friends, dancing the waltz with Peter, and listening to German and classical music. She loved to laugh, as anyone would know if in ear-shot of her watching "I Love Lucy," her absolute favourite comedy.

Elisabeth was a loving mother to her four beloved daughters and son-in-laws: Elisabeth and Ken Elian; Susanne and Len (Pete) Kurt; Margret and Robert Doran; and Barbara and Michael Earl. She was a caring Oma to eight grandchildren: Andrew, Patrick, and Sheldon Elian; Anita and Ryan Kurt (Krystle Reid); Jennifer Doran (Milan Michale); and Jason and Brandon Earl. And she was a dear Uroma to three great-granddaughters: Isabelle Elian and twins Addison and Emilia Michale. Elisabeth is also survived by her siblings Christine Woytiw, Hilde Fittler and John (Hans) Leipold; predeceased by brother Jack Leipold (1987). And Tante Lis was a beloved aunt to several nieces and nephews.

Elisabeth will be loved deeply by her family forever. Her passing is emotional, felt as deep as our love for her. As we grieve and celebrate the fullness of her life, we turn to her words, "this too shall pass." Our hearts are lifted knowing she is once again romancing with Peter on the dance floor in heaven. As expressions of sympathy, donations to St. James Lutheran Church in New Dundee, or Grand River Hospital Foundation would be appreciated.



Erich Vogel passed away peacefully at Grand River Hospital on Monday, June 21, 2021, at the age of 84, after a sudden and unexpected heart failure. Erich was born in Poland on May 23, 1937, and his family emigrated to New Hamburg in 1952. He worked as a machinist at Canada Blower and Forge in Kitchener for 25 years, then enjoyed a happy retirement.

He is survived and sadly missed by his daughter Sonja of Kitchener and granddaughter Brittany of Pembroke. He will be remembered by his brothers John (Beverley) of New Hamburg , Helmut (Paulette) and sisters Rose Wingelaar and Lorie Tuck of Kitchener. Also will be missed by his nieces and nephews from Kitchener, Waterloo , Toronto, Guelph, Cobalt, Ohio and Kenabeek.

He is especially missed by his companion of many years, Hilde.

Special thanks to the compassionate staff of the ICU unit of Grand River Hospital who gave him such good care in his final days.

A Celebration of Life will be planned later in the year for family and friends.Donations to the charity of choice may be made through the Erb and Good Family Funeral Home, 171 King Street S., Waterloo www.erbgood.com or 519-745-8445

#### Sept. 24 & 26 / Oct. 1-3 / Oct. 8 & 9 / Oct. 15 & 16

Membership Family \$85 Single \$60 Senior \$40 Student \$25 plus one time set up fee of \$25) Fees are pro-rated

# Join the Schwaben Club

- 10% Discount with membership card at the Club Bar during Entertainment events
  Use of grounds, including the Bocce Ball courts and play area Bring your family for a picnic!
  Meetings for club updates on the 3rd Wednesday of each month
  Voting rights at members' meetings (after 3 months of membership)

- · Lower ticket prices on club events
- · Join one of our many groups Friendship group for youth. Ladies' group, Dance groups, Table Tennis, and more!

And, most importantly, have fun with great people!

Wonderful opportunities await!

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Congratulations

### **EDWARD** HILL

Son of Barbara and Mike Hill, Grandson of Kathe Schlosser.

Edward graduated from Forest Heights Secondary School this past June, 2021. He plans to continue his studies in the area of business and computers.

Well done, Eddie!

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Call

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# at the Schwaben Club elebrate in our Bierg Sundays are Family Days! \*Details on event times, reservations, and ticket sales will be released soon. 50 Scheifele Place, Breslau

#### The Oma Abt Youth Heritage Award

Call: 519-742-7979



#### In memory of Frau Maria Abt

1st place-\$500

2<sup>nd</sup> place-\$300

3rd place-\$200

Sponsored by the Donauschwaben Stiftung and the Abt Family

Essay topic:

Represent an aspect of your Donauschwaben heritage using a visual art medium (i.e. painting, drawing, sculpture, crafts, printmaking, photography)

- Open to all active USA and Canada Verband youth group members
- Entries must be received by 08/20/2021 sent to kabt93@gmail.com Winners will be announced over Labor Day weekend in Cleveland
- Any questions please contact Katy Abt kabt93@gmail.com

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#### A column in tribute to our Anniversary – The 1970's at the Schwaben Club

(information taken from our website)

In the 1970's, our Youth Group travelled to Germany a number of times to sightsee and perform. The constitution went through changes and we then had social members. The two halls at the King St. location became connected by a covered breezeway. Ballroom Dance was started for the youth. The Danube Swaben Trachten Group was formed at the Club after some senior members travelled to the Trachtenfest in Cleveland and were inspired. Krapfen making was started for an event in the 1970's and became an annual dessert served now at Schlachtfest.

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#### Father's Day Picnic







Euro Cup Games with Mia San





Celebrating Special Birthdays with some of our FG/ladies members with flowers and pictures!

Elfi Geimer turned 80 on July 14 and was presented with a lovely plant for her milestone achievement. Kathie Geimer turned 89 on July 9, 2021, and was the lucky winner of a pretty plant.

These two ladies are regular supporters of our monthly meetings, love to play bingo with their KSC friends and very are competent and independent drivers. We wish to recognize these amazing ladies who have been attending our cultural dinners and have faithfully supported our activities and dancers of all ages over the years. As you can see from the photos our July bingo night on the Pavilion was well-attended and we enjoyed cake and coffee. Thanks to Penny and Lea who sold bingo cards, called numbers, awarded prizes and kept up the friendly banter. We were thrilled to socialize once again and look forward to the next meeting on August 4.

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