



SCHWABEN KLUB

OKTOBER 2022

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50 Scheifele Place, Breslau, ON

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Wichtige Daten/Important Dates 2022

Members' Night:
Every THURSDAY

Members' Meeting: September 21

Oktoberfest
September 23

September 30 & October 1
October 7 & 8
October 14 & 15

Oktoberfest Family Day
October 2 & 9

Frauengruppe Meeting
October 5

German Pioneers' Day: October 11

Members' Meeting: October 19

Frauengruppe Meeting & Elections
November 2

Volkstrauertag: November 13

Members' Meeting & Elections
November 16

Schlachtfest: November 19

Fish Fry Takeout &
Schnitzel Takeout
Cancelled until November

IMPRESSUM

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10th of the month, for the following
issue. Thank you.

SCHWABEN HALL

PROST! 

OPENING NIGHT
FRIDAY, Sept. 23
8 PM - 1 AM
LIVE MUSIC
Variations **\$27**

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| FRIDAY, Sept. 30 8 PM - 1 AM LIVE MUSIC Weiss Blau \$25 | SATURDAY, Oct. 1 8 PM - 1 AM LIVE MUSIC Weiss Blau \$25 |
| FRIDAY, Oct. 7 8 PM - 1 AM LIVE MUSIC Weiss Blau \$25 | SATURDAY, Oct. 8 8 PM - 1 AM LIVE MUSIC Weiss Blau \$25 |
| FRIDAY, Oct. 14 8 PM - 1 AM LIVE MUSIC Golden Keys SOLD OUT | *CLOSING NIGHT* SATURDAY, Oct. 15 8 PM - 1 AM LIVE MUSIC Golden Keys SOLD OUT |

BIERGARTEN

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| FRIDAY, Oct. 14 8 PM - 1 AM \$15 | SATURDAY, Oct. 15 8 PM - 1 AM \$15 |
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hello all.

Summer is almost done and that means the kids are back in school. For some of our jugend it means that they are moving to other cities to start thier journeys, while we may see them less for a year, I for one am proud of each and every one of them and wish them luck.

Coming up soon is Oktoberfest at the club and preparations are well underway. While I enjoy the Friday and Saturday festivities, what I look forward to most is the family day Sundays. Please get your tickets and bring out the kids, grandchildren or even great grandchildren for what will be a memorable day for all.

Around the corner we also have schlachtfest which is one of the more popular dinners at the club. The theme every year is "pork everything" and this year is no different, we also might get a visit from "Chris P. Bacon" with something for the kids.

And don't forget, elections are coming up soon and we need good people for some positions. If you love the club and have the drive and ambition I ask that you consider applying for a position.

Until we see each other.

Stefan Orsan
President



The KW German Club Presidents with the German Chancellor, Olaf Scholz.

MEMBERSHIP AND SICK BENEFIT REPORT

Dear Members/Liebe Mitglieder,

Fall is here and we have so much to be thankful for as we celebrate Thanksgiving. Alles Gute zum Erntedankfest!

Oktoberfest is here again! Enjoy our club festivities and the Parade.

Welcome new Members: Frederick Gerdei, Frank Notta, Lori South and Skye Weber.

Membership renewal is underway. We encourage all 300 members to make payments and pick up your cards at a member's meeting or by contacting the office. Tracy continues to accept payments over the phone and we accept etransfer. Please leave a message and she will get back to you or send her an email. Please note a late fee will be applied after January 17, 2023.

Our condolences to the family of Susan Elter who passed away recently. She was not only a member but for many years worked in the office during the 1980's and 1990's. We have the quilt she so generously made and donated to the club.

Our sympathy is extended to Joe Groh and his family on the passing of Elisabeth Groh in August, both long-time members of the KSC. Elisabeth was a member of the Frauengruppe, attended our Filmnachmittage faithfully and enjoyed bingo games and celebrating FG birthdays at our meetings.

May Susan and Elisabeth Rest in Peace/ Ruhe in Frieden Susan und Elisabeth.

Thank you to Kirk, his committee and Wright Landscaping for the completion of the setting of the Monument/Denkmal. Walkways and further development will be considered next year in the spring. Leave a message in the office if you wish to make a contribution to pavers, benches or need more information.

Joe Adam, Nick Lang and the cement team also deserve our recognition for the outstanding work completed to place the Denkmal in its current home. Landscaping and completion of pavers can now continue as we have a solid foundation.

Thanks to Andrea Adam Speckner for her creation of the DS club mural which makes the club our home.

Thank you to Vera, our cleaner, for her passionate approach to keep our indoor facility in tip-top shape. Our maintenance crew, Seppi, Joel and Mike who work tirelessly on repairing our well, polishing floors, repairing cement cracks, painting, leaf and debris removal, garbage disposal, cleaning of the pavilion and patio and three-acres of lawn and property upkeep, deserve our thanks. Nickolas checks and maintains our technical needs and is apprising the board of sensible and cost-saving solutions. Special mention to volunteers Hermine and Werner Haas and their amazing landscape solutions and improvements, especially the gravel underneath the pines near the front garden, making for a striking entrance way. These individuals keep our property in good condition and appearance of which we are all proud. Our gratitude also goes out to our members who pickup and volunteer their time to decorate, set up tables, wash windows, garden, water plants and so on.

To all of the members, Schwaben dancers and Donau dancers who attended Landestreffen at the Trenton DS Club. Thanks for your commitment, time and effort to make the trek whether by car or bus.

Here is a list of items we are accepting as donations to our club: Donauschwaben dolls, artifacts, household items, books, CDs and DVDs that are relevant to our history and culture and in good condition. We are not accepting audiotapes, cassette tapes or books in German, be they novels or travel books.

Trachts are always accepted at the club by the Frauengruppe who makes sure they are packed away with care.

Oktoberfest clothing in good condition for all ages can be used by some of our members. Please drop off at the club and we will find a good home for them.

If you need to enter the kitchen, bar or cooler area the board kindly asks you to check first with Tracy Ruland, manager or Tracey Hanke, Vice President. If you need assistance at any time, please ask them or a board member.

Also, I commend those who show respect not only for our facility and protocols, but treat everyone with respect and friendliness for which we are known. We wish all of our members and guests a safe, fun-filled time at our club and work on your behalf to create a positive, energetic experience.

I experience great joy seeing our members and guests sharing greetings, smiles, laughter and good wishes. The Offak family are not just musicians but members as well and seeing Maria Offak at an event recently

brought back wonderful memories of her time as cook at our Weber Street location. We can and will continue to create new memories and keep our traditions alive and well in Breslau.

I am thankful to serve on your behalf and encourage you to enjoy the club, share in its social membership and make new memories while sharing a common love of Donauschwaben culture and heritage.

Danke schön!

Liz O'Reilly

Membership Director & Sick Benefits Financial Secretary

GEBURTSTAGE FÜR OKTOBER

**Herzlichen Glückwunsch an Alle Die
im Oktober feiern!**

**Happy Birthday to all those who
celebrate in October!**

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| Ingrid Kremer | 1 |
| Walter Marzinko | 4 |
| Lena Adam | 5 |
| Rod Braun | 5 |
| Mike Hill | 5 |
| Jane Anton | 7 |
| Willy Heffner | 7 |
| Mariane Heffner | 9 |
| David Hein | 14 |
| Jeff Myers | 14 |
| Helga Peller-Eberl | 15 |
| Diana Nowak | 21 |
| Nicole Schummer | 21 |
| Jeff Stager | 21 |
| Hermine Haas | 22 |
| Bernhard Reiter | 22 |
| Lea Becker | 23 |
| Katherine Kunz | 24 |
| Paul Weber | 24 |
| Joseph Sieber | 25 |
| Anastasia Von Westerholt | 27 |
| Anton Weiss | 27 |
| John Hutfluss | 29 |



Volkstrauertag

Sunday, November 13th at 2:30pm

Woodland Cemetery - German War Memorial
119 Arlington Blvd., Kitchener

Coffee and cake to follow at the Concordia Club.

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**ALL YOU CAN EAT
OKTOBERFEST
BUFFET**

FRIDAY, Sept. 23
FRIDAY, Sept. 30
SATURDAY, Oct. 1
FRIDAY, Oct. 7
SATURDAY, Oct. 8
FRIDAY, Oct. 14
SATURDAY, Oct. 15

\$24⁹⁹ | Kids 12 & under:
\$15⁰⁰

4 PM - 7 PM

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**FAMILY
DAY**



**SUNDAY
OCT. 2
OCT. 9**
11am-4pm

**\$10
plus
taxes**

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**CHILDREN
10 & UNDER: FREE**

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**CORPORATE
NIGHT**

**Friday, Sept. 30
8 PM - 1 AM**

| PLATINUM | GOLD | SILVER | BRONZE |
|---|--|---|---|
| \$50 +tax | \$45 +tax | \$40 +tax | \$35 +tax |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Admission ✓ Oktoberfest Special Dinner ✓ 2 drink tickets per person | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Admission ✓ Choice of one dinner: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schnitzel • Sausage • Vegetarian • Cabbage roll ✓ 2 drink tickets per person | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Admission ✓ Choice of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schnitzel on a bun • Sausage on a bun ✓ 2 drink tickets per person | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Admission ✓ 2 drink tickets per person |

All packages include:

- ✓ Admission to Schwaben Hall
- ✓ LIVE MUSIC by Weiss Blau

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You are invited to celebrate

German Pioneers Day

Tuesday, October 11th, 2022

Concordia Club, 429 Ottawa Street South, Kitchener

Doors Open: 5 p.m.

Musical Welcome by:
Transylvania Hofbräu Band

Official Program: 6 p.m.

Greetings

Heritage awards

Transylvania Dancers

Come and celebrate with us!

For further information:
Contact Concordia Club at 1-519-745-5617

c/o 11 Maxwell Drive, Kitchener, Ontario N2R 1A3
Email: german.clubs.wr@gmail.com

FRAUENGRUPPE NEWS

Monthly meetings have started. Remember, 1st Wednesday of the month starting at 6:30 p.m. however, those wishing drinks from the bar should arrive at 6 p.m.

The Oktoberfest Food Drive Box will be set up in the hallway – please drop off your donations of non-perishable foods. We hope to keep this box going until our club's Christmas dinner – with our first donation going to the food bank in October and the second in December. Thank you to all who have already donated!

October's meeting – Wednesday, Oct.5th – our Oktoberfest Themed evening will feature Pretzels and Beer. Bring a friend and join the fun. Dress up in your best Oktoberfest outfit as we will be taking some photos!

Also please remember that this will be the last day to submit forms for positions of - Vice President (2-year term), 1st Treasurer (2-year term), Secretary (1 year term) and Director at Large (2-year term). All members of good standing will be eligible to run. Please fill out a form during regular meetings or contact club office during regular business hours.

November – Wednesday, Nov. 2nd will be our elections. ELECTIONS WILL BE AT 7 p.m. ALL CANDIDATES MUST BE PRESENT FOR THE ELECTION.

November's meeting will also be our holiday themed night. Wear your best Holiday sweater and enjoy some eggnog and holiday treats!

Those members going to The Sound of Music, remember to arrange your transportation for that event. Details about a meet and greet for those attending will be sent out closer to the date for those attending.

We are also looking forward to another Filmnachtsmittag which is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 6th. We are hoping to show a

PLEASE SUPPORT THE LADIES AUXILIARY

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

We are collecting non perishable food items until October 10th to bring to the Thanksgiving Day Parade Onkel Hans Food Drive.

DONATION DROP-OFFS CAN TAKE PLACE WHEN THE SCHWABEN CLUB IS OPEN IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER.

Thank you for your support.

THE FOOD BANK OF WAFFLEDO REGION

Christmas themed family movie from 2012 – Als der Weihnachtsmann vom Himmel fiel. Details on time will be forwarded to all our members in October.

Our crafters are busy as well. We will be making Fleece Dog Blankets to be donated to the KW Humane Society. This craft will continue until our December meeting. Thank you to Monica A for suggesting this craft. We wish to thank Penny and Jen for helping with leading this craft group.



Our community spirit continues as we will be setting up a Knitting Tree in November. Drop off any homemade or store-bought item – hats, gloves, mittens, scarves, blankets – to help decorate this tree. All items will be accepted until our club's Christmas dinner when the items will be packaged and given to a local charity to help those in need in our community. For more information, please contact Penny H.

Wishing you all the best,
**Barb, Lea, Jen, Penny
and Lena**
Your Frauengruppe Vorstand



Preparing Property for Kirchweih and Oktoberfest

Danke schön to our gardening volunteers Werner and Hermine Haas who are doing a phenomenal job removing bushes and weeds. In preparation for next spring the plan is to install edging and mulch as part of the beautification project.





Trenton, New Jersey Labour Day Weekend





KINDER/JUGENDGRUPPE NEWS

Welcome back everyone. With just a little more summer to enjoy we now get to look forward to a full season of events and fun. The last few weeks we have been busy preparing the costumes and fitting our dancers for the upcoming season. On Thursday Sept 8 we held our 1st practice and it was a delight to see everyone back and ready to go. Only 2 practices and we have our 1st performance during Kirchweihfest on Sept 17. And then on to Oktoberfest we go with the parade and family days full of fun for everyone. At this time we would like to welcome Angelina Thompson as our new Jugend dance instructor, Angelina brings her experience as a former member of this group and current member of the Schwaben Dancers. We would also like to welcome back Sheri Thompson who will be filling in for Angele in the Kinder group while she is away due to work commitments. We'll see you back in Feb Angele. Sheri also brings back all her years of experience teaching the Kinder group. Welcome back Sheri! Finally we would like to wish Erika well as she begins an exciting year starting college. Good luck Erika and hope we see you soon again. Here is looking to a great 2022-2023 dance season!

Mike Kleser

President Kinder/Jugend Dance Groups

YOUTH NEWS

Thank you to all the youth that came out to make cabbage rolls for the Club in September. It is important for us to support our cultural traditions.

For October we have our annual Halloween event on October 21st. We will be sending out an email to provide details. If you are a youth between 13-25 years old and would like to be added to the list please email us at schwobyouth@gmail.com.

We have a few names of people interested in joining our leadership board and will be meeting toward the end of the year. If others are interested please email us by October 31st.

We hope everyone has a safe and fun Oktoberfest. Prost!

*Lea & Emma Becker and Lena & Shay Herold
Freundschaftsgruppe Leaders*

SCHWABEN DANCERS

The Schwaben Dancers hosted our first-ever fundraiser to Niagara Falls in August and it was a great success! We wanted to take a moment to thank everyone who supported. It was great to spend a day out with friends and share in camaraderie.



The trip included a winery stop & tasting, an afternoon at Fallsview casino and downtown Niagara, and a picture-perfect view of the falls. This fundraiser was a huge success and we are excited to bring back more in the future - check out the post below for our next trip!



Save the date!

**Niagara Falls Bus Trip presented
by The Schwaben Dancers**

Saturday, December 3rd

Times TBD, expect a full day

\$45 per person

Departure/Return at Schwaben Club

2-hour shopping at Outlet Collection Niagara,
afternoon at Fallsview Casino, and bus tour of
the Winter Festival of Lights along the
Niagara Parkway

Outlet discount booklet, \$35 Casino Credit,
and bus fare included in cost.

Stay tuned for further details!

Application for Mr. Schwaben and Miss Schwaben



REQUIREMENTS:

1. Must be 19 years old by that year's start of Oktoberfest and no more than 28 years by the start of Oktoberfest.
2. Must be an active member of the Schwaben Club.
3. Must be under a single or family membership for a full calendar year prior to the start of the respective event.
4. Must be single, never married, and have no children.
5. Should have an appreciation of the Schwaben and German culture.
6. Candidate must be within commuting distance to the Schwaben Club and the respective engagements.

If the above requirements are met, please provide the Schwaben Club with a candidate(s) then please see

* Mr. and Miss Schwaben Appendix A.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 31ST

Contact Tracy at the office for details: 519-742-7979

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Elter, Susanna “Susan” (Eidenmueller Gissing)

January 13, 1941 – July 29, 2022



Passed away peacefully in Tavistock, Ontario. Lovingly remembered by her three children and their families whom she called her greatest blessing: Monika (Andrew) with children Patrick (Tess), Andrea (Rodney) and Matthew (Kayleen, and their son Lancelot); Robert “Gus” (Laureen) with children Margaret (Ben) and Peter; Richard with children Sydney and Noah. Beloved sister of Elisabeth and sister-in-law of Carmen. Also remembered by former husband Gary Gissing, extended family and many friends. Predeceased by parents Philipp (1945) and Margaretha (1996), brother Philipp (1992) and husband Nick Elter (2011).

Born Susanna Eidenmueller in the ethnic German community of Altker, Yugoslavia (now Zmajev, Serbia), she and her family became refugees of the Second World War. In the early 1950s, Margaretha and the children immigrated to Queens, New York. Susan thrived in her vibrant neighbourhood of Ridgewood and excelled at her schools, P.S. 81 and Bushwick High School, where she won awards in History and Public Speaking. Susan graduated in 1959 in Commercial Studies and received Honours in Physical Fitness.

Following high school she recalls exciting times working for an entertainment insurance firm in Manhattan where she met movie stars and enjoyed free tickets to Broadway shows.

Susan married Gerhardt (Gary) Gissing in 1962. In 1969, the family moved to Kitchener and later Bridgeport and Maryhill. Susan restarted her career as an administrative assistant, working for several firms before joining VIA Rail. She enjoyed the challenge of adapting to new technologies and had a passion for learning. She was not afraid of change.

Following the end of her first marriage, Susan lived and worked in various locations in southern Ontario before returning to Kitchener. In 1999 she married Nick. Following retirement she was able to devote more time to sewing, quilting, and volunteering in the local German-Canadian community. In 2020 she moved to Tavistock to be near her group of quilting friends. She was a gracious hostess but never stood on ceremony. Many enjoyed coffee and lively conversation around her kitchen table in a tradition that went back to tiny apartments in Queens. She remained a voracious reader and lover of movies and music till the end.

At Susan’s request, a private family memorial service was held. Cremation has taken place. She will be interred beside her mother in the Woodland Cemetery in Kitchener at a future date. The family expresses heartfelt thanks to Stratford General Hospital and St. Mary’s Memorial Hospital in St. Mary’s, Ontario where she received excellent care.

Photo is of Susan's highschool graduation portrait from Bushwick Highschool, June 1959.

Visit www.henrywalsers.com for Susan's memorial.



Groh, Elisabeth (nee Schwab)



Passed away peacefully on Thursday, August 18, 2022 at her home at the age of 90, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Beloved wife of Josef Groh for 62 years.

Lovingly remembered by her children; Joe Groh (Shireen), Monica Laws, Peter Groh (Sue) and Sylvia Groh (Russel), and their families.

Dear sister of Anna Winge.

Predeceased by her parents Stefan and Rosalia Schwab, and sisters Magdalena Welsch and Rosalie Lemke.

She will be greatly missed by all her family and friends.

Elisabeth's family will receive relatives and friends from 4 to 7 p.m. on Sunday, August 28, 2022 at the Henry Walsler Funeral Home, 507 Frederick Street, Kitchener, 519-749-8467. Funeral Mass will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, August 29, 2022 at St. Anne's RC Church, 268 East Avenue, Kitchener. Interment at Woodland Cemetery. Reception to follow at Schwaben Club, 50 Scheifele Place, Breslau.

A special thank you to Dr. Abha Patel-Christopher, Dr. Dawn Yew, Betty Overland and the entire palliative team for their exceptional care.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family (cards available at the funeral home).

Visit www.henrywalsers.com for Elisabeth's memorial.

Mia San K-W

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Upcoming Bayern Munich Games & Events:

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| Tuesday, October 4 | 12:45pm | FC Bayern vs Viktoria Plzen | Champions League |
| Saturday, October 8 | 12:30pm | FC Bayern vs Borussia Dortmund | Bundesliga |
| Wednesday, October 12 | 3:00 pm | FC Bayern vs Viktoria Plzen | Champions League |
| Sunday, October 16 | 1:30 pm | FC Bayern vs SC Freiburg | Bundesliga |
| Saturday, October 22 | 9:30 am | FC Bayern vs Hoffenheim | Bundesliga |
| Wednesday, October 26 | 3:00 pm | FC Bayern vs Barcelona | Champions League |
| Saturday, October 29 | 9:30 am | FC Bayern vs Mainz | Bundesliga |

Games and start times may be subject to change.

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