



SCHWABEN KLUB

NOVEMBER 2022

nachrichten

50 Scheifele Place, Breslau, ON

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Wichtige Daten/Important Dates 2022

Members' Night:
Every THURSDAY

Frauengruppe
Meeting & Elections
November 2

Christmas Market
November 12 & 13

Volkstrauertag
(German Remembrance Day)
November 13

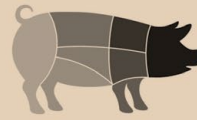
Members'
Meeting & Elections
November 16

Schlachtfest & Mr Schwaben
November 19


Sick Benefit Members' Meeting
November 23

Frauengruppe Meeting
December 7

Christmas Luncheon
December 11



Schlachtfest

including the announcement of our new MR. SCHWABEN 

Saturday, November 19, 2022

MENU

Charcuterie Board
Caesar Salad
Pork Roast
Pork Sausage
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Glazed Carrots
Vegetarian option:
Vegetarian Cabbage Rolls

MEMBER: \$50⁸⁵ / \$45.00 + HST

NON-MEMBER: \$56⁵⁰ / \$50.00 + HST

CHILD (7-12): \$15⁰⁰ / \$13.27 + HST
(6/under free)

Tickets on sale until Friday, Nov. 11

Doors Open: 5pm · Dinner: 6pm

Music provided by the
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519-742-7979



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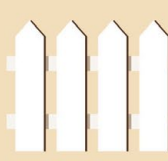
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Any submissions must be in by the
10th of the month, for the following
issue. Thank you.



Canadian
Remembrance
Day
November
11th



Volkstrauertag (German Remembrance Day)
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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VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hallo zusammen,

I hope you are enjoying the change of season. I'm already missing summer and time on the Biergarten. I'm not one for the cooler weather but I do enjoy the beauty of the fall colours. As I write this during Oktoberfest and Thanksgiving I find myself reflecting on how thankful I am to be a part of this club. How much love and support the members have given me and my family over the years. The rich sense of family all the members show towards one another, the culture that has brought us all together, these are the foundations that make our club great.

Our club has been busy, full of activity over the past month. Oktoberfest has been well received in our new home. I want to take time to thank everyone who has had a hand in making this a successful Oktoberfest.

A big thank you to all of the members who made cabbage rolls, helped plan the events, decorated, worked or volunteered, to the dancers and parents of our dances. WE COULD NOT HAVE DONE THIS WITHOUT ALL OF YOU ALL!

Thank you to everyone for your contributions to make this a success. There were no small jobs. And it warms my heart to see us all come together once again. I hope everyone enjoyed the parade. This was my first time ever being in the parade. I have always been a spectator and cheering our club on from the sidewalk. It brought new perspective to the parade for me which I truly enjoyed.

I also want to take a moment and wish the members of our club that are running for the ambassador of Oktoberfest all the best. It is my understanding we have 3 members from our club running this year.

Our club received a great deal of media coverage over the festival which has brought us more business.

As we move into November, we will have elections for the board,

at our usual general meeting. A Sick Benefit meeting and Schlachtfest, where we will announce our new MR. Schwaben for the year 2022/23.

Ray has done an absolutely wonderful job representing our club and during Oktoberfest this year. You have gone above and beyond for our club, even attending outside events during this Oktoberfest season. Thank you Ray, I can't wait to hear how the year was for you.

In closing, I would like to thank Stefan for all his hard work while he was on the board. You put countless hours in at the club over the past several months. It takes a special person to do all the things you do for this club!

Prost!

Tracey Hanke

Vice President (Acting President)

MEMBERSHIP AND SICK BENEFIT REPORT

Liebe Mitglieder/Dear Members,

Condolences are sent out as we mourn the loss of Sibylla Wingrad, wife of Matthew Wingrad, Past President 1966. Ruhe in Frieden.

We encourage all members to join a social group, support our fundraisers, come out to sporting or cultural events, make new friends, contribute your talents as a volunteer, become a dance group performer and learn how to make authentic Schwaben recipes.

We are accepting payment for 2023 Memberships. Fees have not increased; there is a \$30 late fee for payment after January 15. Payments can be made in person or over the phone with Tracy 519-742-7979. Also before November and December member's meeting: we accept cash, cheque, debit or credit.

This year's Oktoberfest had something for everyone: buffet, live bands, dancing, performances, souvenir and game booths. Next year we plan on making it even better as we make improvements.

Oktoberfest Family Days are truly exceptional as we hosted members and guests of all ages from two months to

over 90 years old including guests from Germany and Brazil. It is wunderbar to see three generations of families and friends celebrating crafts, decorating cookies, German music, dance and food together. The root beer keg-tapping, visit from Onkel Hans, Sparky and our local Woolwich Fire Department with the big red fire truck made it a joyful, discovery experience on a beautiful, sunny Sunday afternoon. I hope you saw the authentic Bavarian-style decor for Oktoberfest; the decor team: Kirk, Joel, Mike, Andy, Rod, Werner and others -I may have missed- did a Wunderbare Arbeit.

On November 19 we celebrate Schlachtfest with a great meal, entertainment and naming of the new Mr. Schwaben. Thank you to Ray Tomchick who performed his duties proudly and enthusiastically.

Sunday, November 13 is the day of Volkstrauertag with wreath laying ceremony in Woodland Cemetery off of Arlington Blvd., Kitchener at 2:30 pm. Everyone welcome afterwards to Concordia Club for Kaffee und Kuchen.

On November 23rd the Sick Benefit membership meeting takes place in the Main Hall at 7:00 pm.

On November 16th under the leadership of the Election Committee, we elect members who will form the board in key positions. New board members will begin their term in January.

Groups active in our club: Mia San, table tennis, family soccer, Frauengruppe, Freundschaftsgruppe and the dance groups, the Kinder and Jugend, Schwaben and Donau Dancers all add to our vibrancy and reveal commitment to our Donauschwaben culture and values. Each in their own way add their energy, camaraderie and dedication to Oktoberfest and the community that makes our Kitchener Schwaben Club.

Congrats to Thomas Drung, Marius Pop and all the members of the Mia San fan club for the October CTV news coverage which presented a story not only about our Oktoberfest but also Der Klassiker German soccer game. This game brought German fans together and had everyone cheering on Canada's 'Fonzi', Alphonso Davies, FC Bayern's youngest rising superstar.

Danke schön for your readership, patience and support as we continue on this journey to make Breslau our home.

Please contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Liz O'Reilly

Membership Director & Sick Benefits Financial Secretary

GEBURTSTAGE FÜR NOVEMBER

Herzlich Glückwunsch an Alle die im November feiern!

Happy Birthday to all those who celebrate in November!

Glenn Herold	2
Hilda Kreitzer	3
Wera Dennis	5
Wiltrud Jenkins	7
Lydia Kessler	7
Ericha Schiketantz	7
Jennifer Offak	10
Paul Robillard	11
Michael Adam	12
Angel Berry	14
Marius Pop	15
Barry Gurski	16
John Schmidt	16
David Berry	18
Susan Cook	18
Chris Zehr	18
Katharina Neuberger	23
Manfred Blum	26
Dan Blohm	28
Mark Mycyk	28
Gary Becker	29
Cameron Cooper	29
Kaitlyn Dieter	30

Updates:

Rod Braun	May 10
Monica Kauck	July 28

REMINDER



**CLUB ELECTIONS
are taking place**

**Wednesday
November 16
at 7:00 PM**

Come out and vote!



Schwaben Club Wahl/Election 2022

**An Election will be held Wednesday, November 16, 2022
@ 7pm**

For The Position Of

Praesident/President

Glenn Herold

Protokoll-Sekretar/Protocol-Secretary

Neil Hoffman

Kassierer/Treasurer

Nickolas Leipold

Fahnentraeger/Flag Bearer

John Becker

Seppi Hoedl

Mike Kleser

Tim Strub

Cole Watson

Kulturreferentin/Culture Secretary (1 Year Term)

Monika Hoedl

Peter Speckner

Vergnuegungs sekretar/Entertainment Director

Thomas Drung



Schwaben Club

Kindergruppe / Jugendgruppe

Do you have children between the
ages of 4 and 15?

We provide a positive social environment for kids
while they learn traditional Schwaben dances.

They will build on their self-esteem and
confidence as they perform at club events.

Contact us at schwabenkindergruppe@gmail.com
50 Scheifele Pl, Breslau

We practice every Thursday at
6:30PM in the main hall.

Come on out!

YOUTH NEWS

It was a busy October for our Freundschaftgruppe. After four weeks of Oktoberfest we ended the month with a Halloween pumpkin carving contest and Jack Box game night.

On November 5th, we are looking forward to visiting our Schwaben friends in Detroit to join them in celebrating their final Kirchweih before closing the doors of the Carpathia Club. There will be a Kirchweih March and everyone is invited to participate. This is the perfect time to wear your traditional tracht if you have it! Even though we will be attending as a Freundschaftgruppe, all members of our Club are welcome to purchase tickets. Please see the poster included in this issue of the Nachrichten for prices and details.

Freundschaftgruppe members ages 13-25 are encouraged to let us know of their interest in attending the Carpathia Club Kirchweih by November 1st in order for us to secure tickets for the event and arrange carpool transportation. As always, if you are interested in joining the Freundschaftgruppe and wish to be added to our email contact list, please reach out to us at: schwabyouth@gmail.com.

Lena & Shay Herold and Lea & Emma Becker
Freundschaftgruppe Leaders

Kirchweih
Hosted by the Carpathia Foundation
November 5th, 2022
Admission (Includes Dinner, Soft Drinks, Beer & Wine)
Ages 21 & over \$55
20 & under \$40
12 & under \$15
Doors Open 6pm
Dinner 7pm
Program 8pm
Kirchweih Einmarsch!
Strauss Auction!
Music by Siasswasser Tanzmusik
Contact Maria Dosenberger for tickets
586-822-2366 or mdosenberger@comcast.net

FRAUENGRUPPE NEWS

A special thank you to all who attended our Kirchweih celebrations held at our club on Sept.17th. What a wonderful evening! Fantastic food, great entertainment by our fabulous dance groups and of course seeing our wonderful members were part of the evening's highlights! A heartfelt thanks goes to our Miss Schwaben 2022, Shayla Herold and our past Mr. Schwaben, Nolan McQuabbie who were our ambassadors for the evening. The dedication of our memorial was given by our Canadian Dachverband president, Glenn Herold with Nolan saying the prayer of remembrance. Thank you again to all the participants especially our Trachten wearers and our Kindergruppe/Jugendgruppe members who decorated many Rosemary plants for our event. Without every group's involvement, this event would not be a success.

Kirchweih is one of the traditional Donauschwaben events celebrated in all the Donau Schwaben regions. Whether a village was Lutheran or Catholic, this festival brought together the community and was celebrated with food, songs, dance, Trachten and of course the Rosemary Strauss auction. As we go forward, we must attempt to bring in new ideas while maintaining the old, ensuring that our culture is preserved with honour and respect.

THANK YOU to all who helped with the Oktoberfest pretzel sales, cake table and other volunteering during the Oktoberfest celebrations at our club. We couldn't have done it without you – Thank you again!



NOVEMBER FILM – Due to a scheduling conflict, weather concerns and lack of interest, our film afternoon for November has been postponed until March. A new film will be scheduled, and we hope that we will be able to get back to a regular filmnachtsmittag schedule.

NOVEMBER MEETING – Check your closets for that special Holiday Sweater and come out for the fun on Wednesday, Nov. 2nd. Holiday themed treats will be on hand for all to try. (Maybe some special eggnog?) Our elections will be held at 7 p.m. – and a reminder that **ALL CANDIDATES MUST BE PRESENT FOR THE ELECTION.**

Those attending *The Sound of Music* event keep an eye on an email for more details about a meet and greet.

The tradition of giving created by our founding Frauengruppe members continues with us. Our crafters are busy making fleece pet blankets to be given to the KW Humane Society in December. Please join in this fun, easy and quick craft to help our fur babies in need.

The Knitting Tree will be set up during our November meeting – all knitters, crocheters and those who love to shop for items – are encouraged to drop off a pair of mittens, a hat or warm blanket or scarf for those in need. All members at the November meeting will vote to select the charity or organization the items will be dropped off to. All items will be collected until the club's Christmas dinner in December.

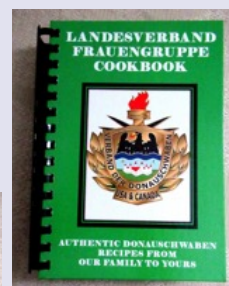
Though the Oktoberfest Food Drive donation box was a slow start, food and needed items were collected and given to the Food Bank during the Thanksgivings Day Parade. We are continuing to collect non-perishable food and hygiene products for the Christmas Food Drive until the club's Christmas dinner.

December – our meeting on Wednesday Dec. 7th will be for ALL Frauengruppe members to come out and enjoy our traditional **Frauengruppe Weihnachtessen/Ladies Christmas Dinner**. Information on this event will be presented at the November meeting. Sign up will be required to ensure enough food is prepared. More information will be given at the November meeting – IF you require a ride to our meetings or to a club event, please call the office, leave a message, or ask Tracy for information regarding car pooling.

Wishing you a wonderful month –

Barb, Lea, Lena, Penny & Jen
Your Frauengruppe Vorstand

Share the joys of our ancestors



\$10
Landesverband Frauengruppe Cookbook
authentic Donauschwaben Recipes from our Family to yours



\$5
One Big Family
the Schwaben Cookbook

A wonderful way to keep family ties strong through the love of food.

Get yours today – don't delay!

Contact the Frauengruppe or call the club office during regular business hours to reserve your book today.



KIRCHWEI





The Kindergruppe and Jugendgruppe members decorating their homegrown Rosemary shrubs, for Kirchweih.



Oktoberfest 2022



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Thanksgiving Day/Oktoberfest Parade



Making our Oktoberfest Cabbage Rolls!



Check our CTV News clip

<https://kitchener.ctvnews.ca/video?clipId=2525524&jwsourc=cl>

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Upcoming Bayern Munich and World Cup Games:

Tuesday, November 1	4:00pm	FC Bayern vs Inter Milan	Champions League
Saturday, November 5	10:30am	FC Bayern vs Hertha Berlin	Bundesliga
Tuesday, November 8	2:30pm	FC Bayern vs Werder Bremen	Bundesliga
Saturday, November 12	12:30pm	FC Bayern vs Schalke 04	Bundesliga
Wednesday, November 23	8:00am	Germany vs Japan	World Cup
	2:00pm	Canada vs Belgium	
Sunday, November 27	11:00am	Canada vs Croatia	World Cup
	2:00 pm	Germany vs Spain	
Thursday, December 1	10:00am	Canada vs Morocco	World Cup
	2:00pm	Germany vs Costa Rica	

Games and start times may be subject to change. Please check our website www.miasankw.ca and our facebook page Mia San Kitchener-Waterloo for updates.



Official Bayern Munich Fan Club www.miasankw.ca



Check out this article about Mia San K-W by CTV News

<https://kitchener.ctvnews.ca/der-klassiker-soccer-fans-in-kitchener-waterloo-enjoy-big-match-during-oktoberfest-1.6102194>

Ray Tomchick - Mr. Schwaben 2022

Our current Mr. Schwaben was raised in Kitchener-Waterloo and graduated from Grand River C.I. in 2014. He currently works as a shipper/receiver at William Knells Door and Hardware where he has been employed for nine years.

Ray has been a youth leader in a church group. Since 2007 he has worked out either in his home gym or at LA Fitness.

His mom is Susan (Mayer) Tomchick and his dad is Rob Tomchick. His Oma and Opa Mayer were very active in the Kitchener Schwaben Club. Ray is very interested in learning more about his heritage by learning to speak German and learning more about the Donauschwaben culture.

He encourages all to be active in club activities, join a dance group or volunteer for the many different jobs like set up, yard work and decor. There's something for everyone.

He says being Mr. Schwaben has been a great experience and he sincerely hopes he has been doing a good job. He hopes his mom's dad, Opa Mayer, who



used to be part of the Schwaben Club along with his mom, Susan, and his aunts are proud of him and the job he's doing as a Schwaben dancer, volunteer and youth leader.

Ray is known at the Schwaben Club for his kind smile and to be reliable; he is someone who always makes everyone feel included. He is our "Ray of sunshine."

Acknowledgement:

This article is based on an Interview conducted and written by Liz O'Reilly.

Information provided by Ray Tomchick and printed with his permission; with comments from Miss Schwaben, 2022, Shayla Herold.

Heidi Peller-Oliver provided name of Susan Mayer.

SIBYLLA WINGRAD 1927-2022



Sibylla Wingrad (Elmer) was the daughter of Joseph Elmer and Katharina Elmer (Fischer).

Sibylla had been a world traveller for most of her life. Her first trans-continental trip took place when she was 2 years old.

The daughter of Donauschwaben immigrants who came to Canada after World War 1, Sibylla was born in Kitchener. At the age of two, she accompanied her older sister, Margaret, to Yugoslavia to live with her grandparents. The trip entailed travelling halfway across Canada, across the Atlantic Ocean to France, and across Europe to Yugoslavia. Sibylla and Margaret spent their early and teenage years there; Margaret passed away during this time.

With the onset of WW2, Sibylla, at the age of 18, was rescued, and saved from concentration camp internment, by the Red Cross. Again, she travelled alone from Yugoslavia to Italy to New York City and back to Kitchener. Once here, she was enrolled in Notre Dame Academy, Waterdown, to learn English.

Mutual Life Assurance Co. (now Sun Life), in Waterloo, hired Sibylla and put her in charge of calculating Branch Managers' salaries. She met her future husband, Matthew, married in 1951, and had one daughter, Catherine Thompson. Matthew and Sibylla travelled extensively, visiting almost every continent on earth. Her favourite destination was Brazil.

Matthew passed away about 20 years ago and Sibylla remained in her home until 2011. On November 1, 2011, she moved to Emmanuel Village. Sibylla enjoyed Bingo, playing Solo and watching movies. She missed her Donauschwaben home-cooking.

Sibylla has 2 married grandsons, Peter Speckner (Andrea Speckner) and Richard Speckner (Shelley Speckner).

She has 4 great-grandchildren: Natasha, Matthew, Jakob and Katharina.

We loved her dearly and will miss her immensely.

*The strongest woman I have ever known,
My mother, Sibylla, a will which shone.
Her ideas were simple, her direction was set
We love her, we miss her
Eine starke Frau, you bet
~ Catherine Thompson*



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