



SCHWABEN KLUB

AUGUST 2023

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Wichtige Daten/Important Dates 2023

Friday BBQ Fundraiser
(Breslau Public School Grade 8
Grad Committee)

August 11

Members' Meeting: August 16

Friday BBQ Fundraiser
(Donau Dancers): August 25

Pecs Dance Group & Band
August 27

Landestrachtenfest (Mansfield, OH)
September 1-3

Friday BBQ Fundraiser
(Schwaben Dancers)
September 8

Niagara Falls Bus Trip
(Schwaben Dancers Fundraiser)
September 16

Members' Meeting: September 20

Kirchweih: September 23

Oktoberfest
September 29 & 30
October 6 & 7
October 13 & 14

Oktoberfest Family Day
October 1 & 8

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10th of the month, for the following
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The Schwaben Club presents KIRCHWEIH

September 23, 2023

Member: \$37 (\$32.74 + HST)

Non-Member: \$42 (\$37.17 + HST)

Child (7-12): \$15 (\$13.27 + HST)

Menu:

Buns
Cucumber Salad
Pork Schnitzel
Mashed Potatoes
Red Cabbage
Dessert

Doors open:
5:30 pm

Dinner:
6:00 pm

Band:

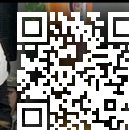
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Greetings all, I hope everyone is enjoying the summer.

The weekend BBQs continue to be a success, and it is nice seeing members and guests out enjoying the patio. So far the weather has been amazing (knock on wood). Check out our calendar of events for the upcoming dates and times.

Just a quick reminder that our next membership meeting will be on August 16th at 7 p.m. There is a lot happening at the end of August (Pecs Dance Group) and into September (Mansfield Liederkrantz Treffen, cabbage roll making, Kirchweih, Oktoberfest) that we want to update everyone on. We also need to gauge interest in attending the Landes event in 2024, which is tentatively being hosted by St. Louis, as they have asked for preliminary numbers at this year's event.

On Sunday August 27th we will be hosting the dance group and accompanying band from Pecs Hungary. We have decided to hold a casual event complete with Canadiana food for sale (I'm pretty sure our guests would appreciate that more than Schnitzel). Admission is free as we want everyone to come out and enjoy the evening. If your dance group is interested in performing for them, please let us know. We are also still looking for more billets; email shayla_herold@yahoo.com if you are able to host one or more of our guests.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Herold
President

MEMBERSHIP AND SICK BENEFIT REPORT

Liebe Mitglieder/Dear Members,

Please welcome new member Natasia Kircos, a friend of Cole Watson. We look forward to meeting Natasia at the club.

Good news: the 2024 KSC Membership Fees will remain the same.

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Sunday August 27
Kitchener Schwaben Club
welcomes



Leorvey Táncegyüttes Egyesület



Dance Group and
Accompanying Band
from Pecs Hungary

Admission is **FREE**. The courtesy of letting us know if you are coming, so we can prepare sufficient food, is appreciated. Email Schwaben@Kitchenerschwabenclub.com. Also let us know if your dance group would like to perform for our guests.

Canadiana food (corn on the cob, burgers, fries) will be available for sale.

Doors open 5 p.m
50 Scheifele Place, Breslau
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1. **Family \$85** - a family includes a married or common law couple, plus any dependent children under the age of 25, living in the same home.
2. **Single \$60** - single individual that is neither a student or senior.
3. **Senior \$40** - single individual who is 66 or older during the upcoming year.
4. **Student \$25** - single individual that is still attending school on a full time basis, is between the ages of 16 and 25, and is not part of a family membership.

We encourage everyone to pay their Membership fees prior to January 15, as a late fee of \$30 will be applied after that date.

For new members, an administrative fee of \$25 is applied when first signing up. However, your annual membership is pro-rated depending on the time of year you apply (if you apply mid year, your membership fee will be ½ the annual amount).

Membership Benefits include:

1. Monthly newsletter (Nachrichten) mailed or delivered electronically.
2. 10% member's discount at the bar on non-club events like Mia San soccer games (you need to show a membership card to get the discount).
3. Membership meetings special bar price.
4. Voting rights after three months as member (excluding dependents under a family membership).
5. Hall rental discounts.
6. Member Appreciation nights.
7. Discounted ticket prices for KSC-related functions.

Please note Club members may complete an application for the Sick Benefit Association from the office which requires a medical and signature from a physician.

Cost is \$12 a year. After three months membership and being 18 or older members are eligible to vote on matters under discussion.

We will begin renewal and acceptance of 2024 Club membership fees and SB membership fees beginning in September at the Member's meeting held the third Wednesday of the month.

You may also drop in during regular office hours or call the office 519 742 7979 to speak with Tracy and make arrangements for payment.

Liz O'Reilly

*Membership Director & Sick Benefits
Financial Secretary*

GEBURTSTAGE FÜR AUGUST

**Herzlichen Glueckwunsch an Alle,
die August Geburstage feiern!**

Best Wishes to All who Celebrate in August!

Irma Mohr-Urschel	1
Christina Mulligan	3
Heidi Potzauf	3
George Milla	6
Vanessa Pastoric	6
Sheri Thompson	9
Gordon Carmichael	13
Christopher Pottkamper	15
Angelina Thompson	15
Doug Brooks	17
Bernhard Falkenberg	17
Neil Hoffman	22
Joanna Holland	23
Andrea Speckner	23
Maria Offak	24
Peter Anton	25
Emma Brohman	26
Frank Kauck	26
Shari Moritz	26
Christopher Thompson	27
Jennifer Cook	30
Richard Speckner	30
Stanley Markowiak	31

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KERRY DRUAR MEMORIAL SCHWABEN GOLF TOURNAMENT

On June 10 it was a fantastic day! The skies opened up, Kerry was looking down on us! It was sunshine and 25 degrees, after a week of cool and rainy weather. The setting was at new place: Merry Hill Golf Course just down the road outside of our club in Breslau.



It was a fantastic course, many golfers commented on how player friendly it was. Merry Hill was very well organized on this day, with our designated golf carts set up as we drove up. They also put out a big welcome covered tent for us, so we could welcome golf players and confirm they have arrived. Pictures were taken, everyone introduced themselves to other players. I want to personally thank Anneliese Kraehling and my friend Maryann for assisting in the Tournament tent and later at the new Silent Auction back at the club.

Originally the tournament was set for Rockway, but unfortunately City of Kitchener decided against all weekend golf tournaments for 2023 late January at Rockway, due to sister course Doon being under construction. Rockway informed me that we had to move our tournament. They wanted to free up Rockway for regular players and overflow from Doon to take advantage of this old classic golf course.

I had to find a golf course last minute to accommodate our tournament. I managed to find Merry Hill,

coordinated our tournament first with Christine, but she moved on to Innerkip course in February. After a few weeks more, I met up with Gillian and Abbey - Events & Tournament coordinators. These ladies were great, very helpful!

Time was running out, poster needed to be done and posted by April. For the years 2019 and 2022 (no golf tournament (covid 2020/2021)), the tournament grew to 72 players and was very successful: Rockway in 2019 and Beaverdale in 2022. This year 2023, we had 20 golf players, we were a smaller group but mighty! Unfortunately due to the higher interest rates, green fees cost, food costs and the way economy is now, times are harder for most, so quite a few golf players who normally play informed me they just couldn't afford it and will try again next year. Many comments from previous golf players was that the big jump in price from \$100 to \$150 was too much to take. The jump in price is due to higher green fees and food & staff costs. Just a side note, there has been discussions at the club board to make the costs more attractive next year, to just have a golf day at the course, then a BBQ and /or social, not a full dinner back at the club.

I am looking for sponsors next year to sponsor the golf hole challenges. I have been approached by 2 businesses at the end of the night.

At the end of our golf day on the course, everyone headed back to our Club for dinner. Dinner was arranged with Chef D staff. The food was fantastic this night! Many



compliments to Chef D, their staff and our staff for helping out. Many of us stayed awhile, we all had a great time. Thank you to Anneliese Kraehling for supplying back up music. Before dinner, I announced the beginning of the new Silent Auction. Silent Auction winners and Golf Hole Challenge prizes were announced after dinner. Thank you to Tracy Ruland for putting together a fantastic slide show of pictures of Kerry during dinner.

Thank you to the following people or business for their donations to the silent auction and to the prizes earned on the course for our golf players:

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- 1) Borealis (this restaurant was Kerry's last workplace, I have kept in touch with staff and manager each year since he passed away 2019) for their donation of 4 gift cards: value of \$100 each
- 2) Kendra Foerster - Professional photographer for her photography package: value \$250.
- 3) Harry Drung -HHD Imports: wine/beer gift pkg.
- 4) Margaret Druar - (Kerry's Mom) for donation of gift card for local restaurants - value \$50
- 5) Maryann Grace - Golf Town package - value \$50
- 6) Heidi Peller-Oliver - Golf Town package - value \$50
- 7) Ricketts Financial group - Golf Town gift card - value \$50

Winners of the golf hole challenges:

- 1) Steph Dolpheide- women' longest drive
- 2) Maryann Grace- women's closest to the pin
- 3) Wes Foerster - men's longest drive
- 4) Dennis Alderman- men's closest to the pin
- 5) **Best Team Score:** Dennis, Dennis A, Steve H, Brian J - their names will be engraved on the trophy soon



Kerry's trophy has been engraved/updated at my cost for all previous years: my donation to the Druar family.

Marg and Peter Druar and family have decided to donate the proceeds of this tournament to Lyle S Hallman Camp.



At the end of our golf tournament, Gillian at Merry-Hill asked me to send them lots of pictures to put up on their social media. She said our group was a lot of fun and really admired that our tournament is for a good cause and in memory of Kerry.

A new date has been set for next year: June 1st 2024! Hope to see many golf players return and grow it again.

Heidi Peller-Oliver

Kerry Druar Memorial

Schwaben Club Golf Tournament Organizer

DONAU DANCERS BBQ FUNDRAISER

FRIDAY AUGUST 25

5:00-8:00 PM

Join us on the patio for a night of fun and good food!

HAMBURGER	\$6⁰⁰
SAUSAGE	\$5⁵⁰
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FREUNDSCHAFTGRUPPE NEWS

Thank you to all who came out to our Oktoberfest in June event. We appreciated the support from our Club members and friends. The Freundschaftsgruppe cooked up a delicious menu including smoked sausage on a bun, buttery perogies with fried onions, and our Club's famous cabbage rolls. Miss Schwaben, Emma Becker, and Mr. Schwaben, Cole Watson, welcomed our guests and helped to host our event. We had some special guests with us that evening. Neil Hoffman and Trachten Quelle displayed beautiful dirndls and German attire for sale. Oktoberfest Ambassador, Samantha Hild provided activities for the kids, and guests were invited to "Design a Stein" for this Fall's Oktoberfest 2023. Onkel Hans and the Keg Tapping crew from KW Oktoberfest rallied the crowd as always, and provided us a favourite Oktoberfest experience. Emma bravely held the spigot with her bare hands as Samantha hit it with the big hammer. The keg's contents sprayed those in the splash zone, and was then poured for the adult guests to enjoy. Thank you to all who helped to make the event a success. The Radio Herz team, and those from CKWR 98.5 always generously promote our youth events and we greatly appreciate their support. As well, a special shoutout goes to Glenn Herold, John Becker, Tina McQuabbie, Ray Tomchick, Angelina Thompson, and Adam Becker for the extra behind the scenes work that helped make our Oktoberfest in June possible. Thank you!

Emma & Lea Becker, Shay & Lena Herold
Freundschaftsgruppe Leaders



FRAUENGRUPPE NEWS

Our yard sale and barbecue was on July 8 and was a very enjoyable day. It was well received by both club and community members. We had 10 vendor's tables and delicious schwaben burgers and sausages. The weather was excellent. The rain came after we had all gone home!

September 6 will be our first meeting for the fall. Start time 6:30. September 16 and 17 is cabbage roll making weekend. Please reach out to the club or one of our committee members if you are able to help. We will be putting together a schedule when we know people's availability.

Enjoy the rest of the summer!

Susan, Lena, Lea, Jen, Penny
Frauengruppe Committee



FRAUENGRUPPE MEMBERS

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HANS SCHAADT YOUTH CULTURAL AWARD 2023 SPEECH

GOOD EVENING! IT IS A WONDERFUL FEELING TO BE BACK AT THE CLUB AGAIN AND CELEBRATING ANOTHER YEAR OF CULTURE AND OUR HISTORY. 3 YEARS OF COVID SEEMS LIKE A LIFETIME OF MEMORIES MISSED! PLEASE KNOW WE CALL THE SCHWABEN CLUB OUR HOME AND FAMILY. WE HOPE TO PARTICIPATE MORE IN EVENTS AS WE MOVE PAST THIS PANDEMIC TOGETHER.

I WOULD LIKE TO START WITH A HEARTFELT THANK YOU FROM THE SCHAADT FAMILY TO THOSE THAT SUBMITTED ARTICLES FOR THIS YEAR'S HANS SCHAADT YOUTH CULTURAL AWARD. I LOVE THAT THESE ARTICLES ARE AN ADDITION TO OUR ARCHIVES AND HELP OUR YOUTH REFLECT ON THEIR CULTURE AND HERITAGE. EACH ENTRY WAS UNIQUE AND HAD THEIR OWN PERSONAL TOUCH. THE OVERALL THEME WAS MEMORIES. FEELINGS OF TOGETHERNESS, PRIDE IN OUR HERITAGE AND A SENSE OF BELONGING. THAT IS ONE PART ABOUT OUR CLUB I AM PROUD OF. WE ARE WELCOMING AND OPEN TO SHARING OUR CULTURE WITH ANYONE. PLEASE BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE ENTRIES ON THE TABLE JUST OUTSIDE OUR HALL TONIGHT.

THIS AWARD WAS DEVELOPED TO HONOUR HANS SCHAADT MY LATE FATHER-IN-LAW. HANS WAS A KINDHEARTED, HARD WORKING, CARING AND DEDICATED SCHWABEN MEMBER. HIS COMMITMENT DATES BACK INTO THE 70'S AS YOUTH DIRECTOR. HE SERVED AS KITCHENER SCHWABEN CLUB PRESIDENT AND DACH VERBAND OF KANADA PRESIDENT FOR MANY YEARS. HANS WAS A MAN OF TRADITION AND HELD HIS SCHWABEN FAMILY CLOSE TO HIS HEART. HE WAS A PROUD "SCHWOB" AND I KNOW WOULD BE PROUD OF US FOR HONORING HIS HERITAGE.

I WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THIS YEAR'S PARTICIPANTS FOR THE HANS SCHAADT YOUTH CULTURAL AWARD AND ASK THEM TO COME TO THE STAGE WHEN THEIR NAME IS CALLED:

SHAY HEROLD: Shay wrote about the 2019 Trip to Banat, Romania. They talk of the differences in celebration of Kirchweih there to here but also the similarities of dance and music. Not everyone spoke the same language but people from across the world joined hands and danced together. Sounds like that was a trip of a lifetime Shay... thank you for sharing your experience.

ANGELE KILLINGBECK: Angele wrote about her core memory at the Schwaben Club being our cultural dance. For her there is something indescribably intimate and heartwarming about sharing a song, a polka, a waltz or two with someone you care for. She talks about how she enjoyed volunteering her time as Kindergruppe Instructor and encourages youth to join the dance group. It builds friendships and a sense of community! Thank you Angele for all your contributions to the club and for your submission to the Hans Schaadt Youth Cultural Award.

LLEWELLYN ROBINSON: Llewellyn wrote about thankfulness to Shay for teaching them about the Schwabian Culture. They talk about fellowship and our traditions of clothing, music, and food. Llewellyn enjoys learning, being part of something Shay is so committed and passionate about and the sense of belonging from our club. Thank you, Llewellyn, for your submission and also thank you for volunteering at our club.

DEANNA SCHAADT; Deanna wrote about a very special Trachten blouse! It is a piece of clothing over 90 years old and was worn at her Great Oma's and Great Opa's wedding in 1932. Please take some time to check out the garment on the display table tonight as it is rich in our history. From the detailed pleating, hand crocheted buttons, to the colour... it really is magnificent. Thank you, Deanna, for your contribution.

MATTHEW SCHAADT: Matthew wrote about Rick's Bowling Skunk Award and ironically also his Opi's Bowling Skunk Award... something they should be proud of as they were both better at bowling than all of us!! Matthew I'm sure your dad is thanking you for letting everyone know he was the worst bowler in 1980/1981!! I wonder if there are any other Skunk Award Recipients here tonight? Thank you for your submission. Opi would be proud.

JAKOB SPECKNER; Jakob submitted a picture that dates to 1967. It is a picture of the dance group when they performed in Toronto for Princess Alexandria. The picture has both his Oma, Cathy Thompson and his Opa, Joe Adam in it. He writes of how he is proud of his heritage and how he also wants to dance like them with hopes to do fly's and lifts one day too! Thank you, Jakob, for this picture... I admire the outfits and especially the hair dos from the 60's!

KATHARINA SPECKNER: Katharina submitted a picture of her and her Oma, Cathy Thompson in traditional Trachten. She writes about how she likes feeling special and pretty wearing our traditional dress and how she likes looking like Oma. She loves being Donauschwaben and coming to the club for events. Thank you, Katharina, for your submission... you are our youngest participant this year at 6 years old!

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WE ARE PROUD OF EACH AND EVERYONE OF YOU AND THANK YOU FROM THE BOTTON OF OUR HEART FOR YOUR SUBMISSIONS. YOUR DEDICATION AND CONTRIBUTIONS TONIGHT ARE A PART OF HISTORY AND WILL KEEP OUR SCHWABEN HERITAGE ALIVE.

THIS YEAR WE HAVE CHOSEN THE RECIPIENT. CONGRATULATIONS TO SHAY HEROLD FOR BEING THIS YEAR'S RECIPIENT OF THE HANS SCHAADT YOUTH CULTURAL AWARD 2023.

Lisa Schaadt

*Hans Schaadt Youth Cultural Award 2023
Presentation Speech*

Hans Schaadt Youth Cultural Award 2023

A Glimpse Into Our Culture

By Shay Herold

The photo I included was during a World Gathering of Donau Schwaben People in 2019 in Banat Region of Romania during the town's Kirchweih. Groups of Donau Schwaben members from clubs everywhere from Canada, the United States, Brazil and across Europe came to celebrate the anniversary of the foundation of the Church. The photo has not just one member, but multiple, George and Mary Kraehling, Lea and Emma Becker and Lena and Glenn Herold and myself.

During this event, the men carried the May Pole to the outside of city hall, where they removed a bottle of wine from the previous year that was buried in the ground before placing the May Pole down. The May Pole is the red, blue and yellow post on the right side of the circle. There was a gentleman playing the accordion as people from across the world grabbed each other's

hands to dance together. Not all of us knew each other's languages, some of us only spoke English while others only spoke German, Romanian or Hungarian, but all of us shared the common knowledge of following the music to the beat and following your heart to the song.

We are groups of individuals who were born across land and sea from each other that share such a passion for music and our culture as Donau Schwaben people. This event let me see how our own Kitchener Club hosts a Kirchweih that has a few similarities but also many differences compared to how it was hosted in a small town in rural Romania.

I personally feel that it is really important for people to not just see but to experience moments like this as you are completely immersed in the traditions of our culture, especially doing it with friends and family. I cherish memories like this because it is a once in a lifetime trip to be surrounded by so many people who share the same devotion to the history of our people. ■



Hans Schaadt Youth Cultural Award 2023

A Glimpse into Our Culture

By *Angèle Killingbeck*

When I think long and hard about my time at the Schwaben Club, the core of all my memories are focused around one thing, my love for our cultural dance. There is something indescribably intimate and heartwarming about sharing a song, a polka, a waltz or two with someone you care for. That is why I choose to volunteer my time at the club as a dance instructor, to teach my most cherished part of the Donau Schwaben culture to our youngest of members.

The Kindergruppe (pictured below) is the youngest aged group that we offer at our club, spanning from ages 3-9, these children truly are the future of our culture. Although this group may be filled with our youngest members, it



is a group whose history runs deep within our roots. The Kindergruppe was officially started roughly 20 years ago by Lisa Schaadt, however a generalized “kids’ group” ran much longer than that, over 50 years previous to now. Today’s members have the opportunity to participate in numerous events and learn the importance of the legacy they are continuing.

The Kindergruppe practices every Thursday for 10 months of the year. The members come to dance eager, ready to learn and perfect their skills. Each dancer gets fitted into a traditional costume that represents our Donau Schwabish roots (pictured to the left). For the girls, they get both a dirndl for less traditional events, and a tracht for more formal events. The boys wear a tracht vest and formal dress pants for all performances and events. Dance is filled with aesthetic values; our costuming allows for distinction from one club or group to another. It is shrouded in symbolism that expounds on the cultural heritage of our community, accordingly, being unique from anyone else.

Similarly, the dances the Kindergruppe learn and perform are passed down traditional dances. Dance steps that decades later, our members can still remember performing themselves. Our Kindergruppe has curated more than traditional dancers, but it has built an atmosphere of community and friendship. Most importantly, it has given our youngest members a tangible way to fall in love with a glimpse of our culture. ■

WE'RE BACK FOR ANOTHER YEAR!



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2023

OPENING NIGHT	FRIDAY, Sept. 29	LIVE MUSIC Weiss Blau
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	SATURDAY, Sept. 30	LIVE MUSIC Weiss Blau
	7 PM - 1 AM	
FAMILY DAY	SUNDAY, Oct. 1	LIVE MUSIC Transylvania Hofbrau Band
	11 AM - 4 PM	
	FRIDAY, Oct. 6	LIVE MUSIC Weiss Blau
	7 PM - 1 AM	
	SATURDAY, Oct. 7	LIVE MUSIC Weiss Blau
	7 PM - 1 AM	
FAMILY DAY	SUNDAY, Oct. 8	LIVE MUSIC Golden Keys
	11 AM - 4 PM	
	FRIDAY, Oct. 13	LIVE MUSIC Weiss Blau
	7 PM - 1 AM	
CLOSING NIGHT	SATURDAY, Oct. 14	LIVE MUSIC Weiss Blau
	7 PM - 1 AM	

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A Glimpse into Our Culture

By Llewellyn Robinson

I have chosen to write about my best friend, and my fiancé, Shay Herold. I met Shay back in 2016, when they were 15 and I was 16! We became friends pretty quickly after our first meeting and they were always very excited to tell me about these soccer games that their German Club played once a week, so I began to come with Shay and play soccer with some Schwaben Club members. I'm a very curious person so I would ask questions about this Schwaben Club



and Shay wouldn't hesitate to tell me all about it. I love to see how Shay's eyes light up when they're teaching and explaining their culture. This is where my knowledge of Schwaben Culture started. Shay brought me to the club to help out at an event the club was hosting, then again to help with the gardens around the old club's building, even bringing me along to watch the Schwaben Dancers practice. I remember admiring the Schwaben culture through their traditional clothing, food, music but most importantly through the fellowship of the Schwaben Club. The feeling that the club is an extension of family is something that was plain to see. Jumping forward to recent years I joined the club myself officially in 2021, mainly to be closer to the culture that Shay is so passionate about, there's never a dull moment when learning about the rich history of the Schwaben people. I would like to end this by thanking Shay for teaching me about their culture and giving me the space to grow within the club in my own way. Shay is a very passionate, caring and headstrong person who I admire with all my heart. Shay puts 100% into everything they do at the club and they always think of the membership and the club first.

Danke Schoen.

(Photo is of the day I volunteered along side, Shay & Tye Herold and Emma Becker) ■

Check out next month's Nachrichten (September) for the remaining Hans Schaadt Youth Cultural Award 2023 submissions (Deanna Schaadt, Jakob Speckner & Katharina Speckner).

Hans Schaadt Youth Cultural Award 2023

A Glimpse into Our Culture

BOWLING AWARD

By Matthew Schaadt

I am writing about an award my dad won during his time bowling with the Schwaben Club. The award is dated 1980-1981 which would have made my dad 9 or 10 years old. The Skunk Award was given to the bowler with the lowest score of the year! Ironically, my Opa also won the Skunk Award in 1984-1985. So, bowling skills clearly run in the family!



My dad tells me bowling happened once a week on Sundays at Victoria Bowling Lanes on Victoria Street in Kitchener. He participated for several years along with his parents. My dad doesn't remember too much about his bowling days but said he remembers it was fun.

Our family tradition is to go bowling every Monday of Family Day weekend. Our bowling alley is Riverside Lanes in New Hamburg. It has bumpers, cosmic bowling, and the best slushies! My dad always wins and is the best bowler out of our family... so those skills he learned when he was young must be helping him today! ■





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Upcoming games in August:

Saturday, August 12	2:45pm	FC Bayern vs RB Leipzig	DFL Supercup
Friday, August 18	2:30pm	FC Bayern vs Werder Bremen	Bundesliga

Games and start times may be subject to change. Please check out our website www.miasankw.ca. Also follow our NEW Facebook page Mia San KW and Instagram miasankw for updates.

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