



SCHWABEN KLUB

JANUAR 2024

nachrichten

50 Scheifele Place, Breslau, ON

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Wichtige Daten/Important Dates 2024

Kameradschaftsabend

January 13

Members' Meeting

January 17

Members' Night

February 2

Members' Meeting

February 21

Gründungsfest/Anniversary

February 24

Frauengruppe Meeting

March 6

Members' Meeting

March 20

Miss Schwaben Ball

March 23

2024 MEMBERSHIP
PAYMENTS

DUE BEFORE JANUARY 15

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



Hosted by the Schwaben Club

KAMERADSCHAFTSABEND

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 2024

<p style="text-align: center;">MENU</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Salad</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Goulash</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Spätzle</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Root Vegetables</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Apple Crumble</i></p>		<p style="text-align: center;">MEMBER</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$37 (32.74 + HST)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NON-MEMBER</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$42 (37.17 + HST)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CHILD (7-12)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$15 (13.27 + HST)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CHILDREN 6 & UNDER FREE</p>
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BAND: GOLDEN KEYS

DOORS OPEN: 5:30 pm DINNER: 6:00 pm

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Happy New Year everyone,

The Christmas Potluck was a great success; it was a great way to end 2023. Thank you to Thomas for organizing the event, and for everyone that assisted with the day. There was a wide variety of foods to sample, and no one went home hungry. Attendees young and old enjoyed themselves, and the 'spirit of Christmas joy' was in abundance.

At the last Sick Benefit meeting in 2023, updates to the Business Plan were presented for approval; the Business Plan fundamentally summarizes how the club will be managed in 2024. Some of the key updates include:

1. Increased focus on items and activities intended to help promote our cultural heritage and language.
2. Separation of club events into social, family and cultural, and clarification on which Board Member is responsible for event oversight.
3. Requiring that all people working Club Fundraising event, where revenue goes towards the overhead of the club, or rentals be offered compensation; volunteers will not be requested. This was done to separate the business and membership elements of the club, but also provide more autonomy for the business side.

If anyone would like to receive a copy of the business plan, please send a request to my email president@kitchenerschwabenclub.com.

As a club we are in a good financial state, while the economy is expected to remain challenging for 2024, so what I want to focus on in 2024 are more economical social and family events for members and their guests to enjoy. I also want to incorporate more traditional elements into cultural events so we better understand the historical objectives of each.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Herold
President

GEBURTSTAGE FÜR JANUAR

Herzlichen Glückwunsch an Alle die
in Januar feiern!

Happy Birthday to all those who celebrate
in January

Garry Hardy	1
John Hild Jr.	1
Margareth Messmer	1
Lisa Schaadt	1
Heiko Walder	3
Jade Lang	4
Werner Haas	5
Dana Rea	6
Karen Braun	7
Jennifer Randell	8
Adolphine Falkenberg	12
Paul Schneider	14
Tim Strub	15
Debra Vickman	16
Ursula Hesch	18
Margaret Willyung	18
Shayla Herold	19
Andre Killingbeck	19
Hedwig Schaatka	19
Melissa Ferguson	21
Llewellyn Robinson	24
Hans Peter Malthaner	25
Amy Lantz	27
Frederick Gerdei	28
Andrew Schalm	28
Rolf Malthaner	30
Lena Soenser	30

MEMBERSHIP AND SICK BENEFIT REPORT

Liebe Mitglieder/Dear Members,
Herzlich Willkommen im 2024!

Best wishes to everyone for health, happiness and peace in 2024!

We mourn the loss of a long time member, John Szierer, who passed in November, 2023. He was a faithful member of the club for 47 years.

We send condolences to his wife, Veronica and his family, including his brother, Henry. Unser tiefstes Beileid an Johns Frau, seiner Familie und seinem Bruder, Henry.

In December Katharina Neuberger passed away. She was a faithful club member, supporter of the Frauengruppe and cake baker extraordinaire for the Filmnachmittage/Sunday film afternoons. We send our condolences to her daughter, son and family.

Ruhe in Frieden/Rest in peace.

We welcome Lauren Krause as a new member of the KSC; she is excited to be dancing with the Schwaben Dancers including her sister, Justine.

Gentle reminder to pay KSC Membership fees before January 15 to avoid \$30 late fee.

Family - \$85

Single - \$60

Senior - \$40

Student - \$25

*New Application Administration fee - \$25
(payable upon application submission to office)*

Call Tracy 519 742 7979 or send your payments online to payments@kitchenerschwabenclub.com

We have many interesting events coming up in 2024:

Kameradschaftabend, Gründungsfest, Miss Schwaben and Jugendlager. Please come out and support the KSC, our Untergruppen and social groups like Mia San, table tennis and dance lessons.

We thank Monika Hoedl and Liz O'Reilly for their service and commitment to the KSC.

We welcome incoming directors, Peter Speckner, Cultural and Elizabeth Schiketantz, Membership and Sick Benefits Financial Secretary.

Dear Members/Liebe Mitglieder,
It has been my privilege to serve on the KSC board and now it is time to say goodbye as I leave my position and write my final report.

Aufwiedersehen!

Farewell and best wishes to all our members, friends and family.

Liz O'Reilly

Membership Director & Sick Benefits Financial Secretary

APPLICATION DEADLINE for MISS SCHWABEN 2024 is FEBRUARY 23 - Contact the Club Office for details

FRAUENGRUPPE NEWS

We had a very nice social evening in December watching a DVD about Nuremburg Christkindl Markt. It was quite interesting and was followed by Christmas cookies and social time.

The Potluck Christmas luncheon just passed and kudos to Thomas for a wonderfully successful event. The Frauengruppe were happy to assist in decorating and donating towards the kinder gifts from Santa.

Memberships continue to be collected. When you are a member in good standing, we have you on our email list and you are notified about upcoming events. We are planning another theater outing in April. Our Frauengruppe email is Frauengruppe@Kitchenerschwabenclub.com

Please reach out if you have any suggestions for outings or events you might like to see.



There are no meetings in January and February. We will resume in March.

Susan, Lena, Lea, Jen, Penny

Frauengruppe Committee

The Schwaben Club celebrates their

93 GRÜNDUNGSFEST ANNIVERSARY



Menu

Caesar Salad
Rouladen
Mashed Potatoes
Red Cabbage
Cheesecake with Berry Compote

Member
\$37
(32.74 + HST)

Non-Member
\$42
(37.17 + HST)

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

Children
6 & under free

February 24, 2024

Schwaben Club
50 Scheifele Place, Breslau
519-742-7979

Doors open: 5:30 pm
Dinner: 6:00 pm

Band:
Golden Keys



Schwaben Club
Vorstandswahl / Election 2024

Vize-Praesident/Vice-President
Tracey Hanke

Finanzsekretäerin/Membership Secretary
Elizabeth Schiketantz

Archivar/Archivist
Mike Ruland

Pressereferentin/Communications Director
Heidi Peller-Oliver

Kulturreferentin/Culture Director
Peter Speckner

Haus + Hof Director
Joel Wideman

Ballroom Dance Lessons

POSTPONED
New Start Date to Come

**Swing
Waltz
Fox Trot**

Member: \$100
Non-Member \$150

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FREUNDSCHAFTGRUPPE

Frohes neues Jahr!

December brought a lot of fun and holiday spirit for our Freundschaftsgruppe members. A small group of us browsed the Christkindl Market at the beginning of the month, and for our Club Christmas luncheon we provided an entertaining activity that invited guest participation.

The Freundschaftsgruppe purchased ten Gingerbread House kits and challenged families and table groups to assemble them. The Gingerbread House Making Contest proved to be not only a fun challenge that sparked friendly competition, but also created much amusement for those watching. After a seemingly short fifteen minutes, the results were some very interesting, lop-sided creations slopped together with gooey icing which brought about a whole lot of laughter. Congratulations to "The Gingerbread Adams" for winning this year's contest and a \$20 gift card to Tim Hortons donated by the Freundschaftsgruppe. Thank you to all the families and friends who participated and made this so enjoyable. This comical challenge may become a yearly tradition!

We look forward to this new year, spending time with old friends and making new ones. The Freundschaftsgruppe is always looking for ideas and activities to bring our social group together, whether it be for entertainment, or experiencing our culture. Send us a message if you have suggestions or if you would like to join us! You can reach us at schwabyouth@gmail.com

Lena, Shay, Emma and Lea
Freundschaftsgruppe Leaders



The Schwaben Dancers performing at the Christkindl Market.

A GLIMPSE INTO OUR CULTURE

HANS SCHAADT YOUTH CULTURAL AWARD 2024

Sponsored by Lisa and Rick Schaad

Criteria

Submission of a 500-1000 word essay including pictures describing a Schwaben Club members:
Story of Immigration to Canada or
Hometown including memories, traditions & family

DUE
FEBRUARY
10th, 2024

\$200
reimbursement to
chosen recipient
and name added to
display plaque

email: rl@thinkers.ca

CULTURAL NEWS

Hallo meine Freunde,

My name is Peter Speckner, and I will be your Cultural Director beginning in January. It is an honour to be once again responsible for the cultural activities and events of the Schwaben Club, and I hope you have as much fun attending them as I do planning and hosting them.

Our first major events upcoming in the Club include; Kamaradschaftsabend on January 13, Gründungsfest on February 24, and Miss Schwaben Ball on March 23. These are wonderful events that celebrate our culture both within our Club and within the German community.

In between and afterwards, I hope to have some other activities for our members to participate in, to immerse themselves more into our culture. These could include cooking/baking classes, language classes, or something the members specifically ask for.

On that note, if there is something you wish to see, wish to request, or just want to talk - feel free to email me at cultural@kitchenerschwabenclub.com. I am always open to suggestions or comments.

Looking forward to a great year! Tschüss.

Peter Speckner - Cultural Director

Christmas Cultural Potluck





DONAU DANCERS

We Hope you all had a Merry Christmas and wish you all the best in this New Year! May 2024 bring you joy!

As the year came to an end we sat around and remembered all the wonderful things we did this past year. From dancing at various clubs during Oktoberfest, performing at the club functions to just recently performing at Christkindl Market, yes the rain held off for our performance.



We are busy planning for activities in the New Year, we all know how busy Christmas could get so we are having our Christmas party in February. Yup that's right I said February, Its going to be fun.

If you would like to come and join Donau Dancers we practice on Sundays at 6:30pm. New members are always welcome.

The Donau Dancers!!



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SCHWABEN CLUB DRESS CODE SUGGESTIONS

To assist members with the appropriate dress code for Club events, this legend will help in understanding the suggestions that will be placed on event posters for upcoming events. The following categories will be used:



TRACHT: Donauschwaben Costume and Dirndl/Tracht
BLACK-TIE OPTIONAL: Tuxedo or Suit & Tie and Gown

FORMAL: Suit & Tie and Gown or Cocktail Dress

CASUAL: Anything (nothing ripped or too revealing)



KINDERGRUPPE/ JUGENDGRUPPE NEWS

Hello, As I write this, we just finished off a wonderful Christmas Luncheon. There were a few humorous performances along with our rendition of In Der Weihnachtsbackerei. It was a great afternoon of entertainment and food. My compliments to everyone who brought something. December was also busy with Christkindl performances at Kitchener City Hall and The Museum. Everyone did a great job.

I hope everyone had a great holiday and a chance to relax. We are starting up again after our break on January 11th. If you would like to check out what we do, please come by at 6:30PM. We will have some time to get ready for Grundungsfest on February 24th so now is the perfect time to join.

Have a great new year everyone,

Brian Schummer

Kinder/Jugendgruppe President

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!



KATHARINA "KATIE" NEUBERGER

November 23rd, 1929 - December 9th, 2023



Passed away at Innisfree House on Saturday, December 9, 2023 at the age of 94.

Beloved wife of the late Leonard.

Loving mother of Ingrid (Gary) McAdam and Richard Neuberger.

Proud Oma of Erik (Meaghan) and Ian McAdam.

Predeceased by her siblings in Germany.

Fondly remembered by her nieces, nephews and extended family in Germany and the United States.

Katie was an admired cook, baker and enthusiastic supporter of the Schwaben Club.

Cremation arrangements entrusted to the Henry Walser Funeral Home (519) 749-8467. Interment at Woodland Cemetery.

As expressions of sympathy, donations to Lisaard and Innisfree Hospice would be appreciated by the family (cards available at the funeral home).

Visit www.henrywalser.com to view Katharina's memorial.

Katie had fond memories of like-minded people who shared the same background, ideas and recipes. She moved here from Windsor in 1993 with her husband to be closer to her daughter and grandchildren.

She was born in Bacsalmas, Hungary, a few kilometres from the Yugoslavian border. Schwaben, Hungarians and Serbians all got along until about 1941-1942 when the unpleasantness started among the three ethnic groups. The Donauschwaben were hard-working, God-fearing people who respected their elders. They went to church celebrations during Advent and Lent without question. Names day was held dear and St. Katherine's saying was "Katrine schliesst die Geige in".

Katie came to Canada in 1952 as a bride to meet her fiancé and in 31 days they were married according to the laws at the time.

Her favourite dishes included noodles and dumplings with vegetables or fruit; chicken or meat was only eaten once or twice a week.

Katie hopes the next generations maintain the culture, values and German language. Her daughter learned German at home and in school and it helped her secure a position flying to Frankfurt with Air Canada which she has held for over 30 years.

The Schwaben were well-recognized by other nations like Hungary and Empress Maria Theresia for their hard work in the fields producing wheat, rye and corn on good soil.

Katie brought with her from Germany pots and pans, a featherbed and pillows as she did not know what to expect in her new home country.





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Upcoming games in January:

Friday, January 12	2:30pm	FC Bayern vs Hoffenheim	Bundesliga
Sunday, January 21	9:30am	FC Bayern vs Werder Bremen	Bundesliga
Wednesday, January 24	2:30pm	FC Bayern vs Union Berlin	Bundesliga
Saturday, January 27	TBD	FC Bayern vs Augsburg	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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