



SCHWABEN KLUB

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MAI 2024

50 Scheifele Place, Breslau, ON

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## Wichtige Daten/Important Dates 2024

**Frauengruppe Meeting:** May 1

**Club Clean Up Day:** May 11

**Freundschaftsgruppe Spring Ball**  
May 11

**Members' Meeting:** May 15

**Sick Benefit Meeting:** May 29

**Golf Tournament**  
(Kerry Druar Memorial)  
June 1

**Club Inventory**  
June 4 & 5

**Schwaben Family Picnic**  
(with Frauengruppe  
Silent Auction)  
June 23

**Oktoberfest**  
October 4 & 5  
October 6 (Family Day)  
October 11 & 12  
October 13 (Family Day)  
October 18 & 19

## IMPRESSUM

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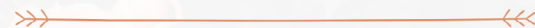


THE FREUNDSCHAFTGRUPPE  
PRESENTS THE 3RD ANNUAL

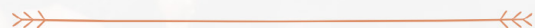
## Spring Ball 2024

Saturday, May 11th, 2024  
7:00PM

TICKETS \$15/PERSON  
MUSIC BY: EDELWEISS TRIO



PROCEEDS SUPPORT THE 2024 JUGENDLAGER  
HOSTED AT THE KITCHENER SCHWABEN CLUB  
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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Just released in March was the book "Brave Builders of the Danube" by Eric Schmidt who's parents came from the Heimat. It is a children's book that tells the history and traditions of the Danube Swabians. I've read through the book and encourage families to purchase a copy, as it is an accurate depiction of our story, has extremely nice artwork, and is interactive for the listeners; it is available on Amazon.ca for \$14.90.

On May 9th is the official ticket launch for Oktoberfest through KWO. For the week prior, tickets can be purchased by club members only through the office; keep an eye out for details

On May 29th at 7 p.m. is our next Sick Benefit Meeting. In the past the Sick Benefit has paid for various upgrades to the building including re-paving the front parking lot, re-upholstering the chairs, and repainting the hall/entranceway (scheduled for this summer); we are looking for input from the membership on what other repairs/upgrades should be done. The Sick Benefit also helps fund cultural activities at the club; again we are open to suggestions

In past years we have had separate Mother's Day and Father's Day events, with varying degrees of success. So this year we are combining them and having a Family Event in June; the intent is to have lots of activities for the youth to enjoy so the parents can sit and relax on the patio. Thomas will provide more details as they come available.

At the end of June our club is hosting the International Jugendlager, where youth from Donauschwaben

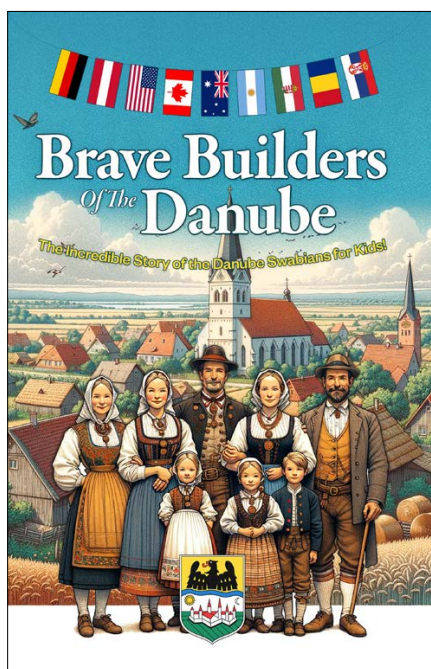
clubs across Canada and the US come together to share our culture and develop new friendships. Please reach out to Peter if you are a youth between 13 and 25 and interested in attending (you need to be registered to attend), or to Nick if you are able to volunteer to help out at the event.

Respectfully submitted,

*Glenn Herold*  
President

## New Children's Book: Brave Builders Of The Danube

*The Incredible Story of the Danube Swabians for Kids!*



"Brave Builders of the Danube" takes children on a captivating journey through history, exploring the courageous adventure of the Danube Swabians.

Kids can delve into their rich culture, traditions, and faith, and learn how they persevered through challenges to preserve their culture.

This enchanting tale inspires conversations about resilience, heritage, and community, offering valuable lessons for young readers to uncover.

Kids, join the adventure and rediscover the incredible story of the Danube Swabians!

**Copies available from Amazon:**

- Canada: <https://a.co/d/9fadrPe>

- USA: <https://a.co/d/3fAxLtu>

- Or search: "Brave Builders Danube"

## GEBURTSTAGE FÜR MAI

Happy Birthday to all those celebrating in May!

Herzlichen Glückwunsch an alle die in Mai Ihren Geburtstag feiern!

Thomas Drung	2
Paul Gross	2
Richard Schaadt	2
Jacqueline Hewson	5
Martin Schelling	7
Monica Anstett	9
Andrew Schilling	11
Ray Tomchick	12
John Becker	16
Monika Hoedl	16
Tracy Ruland	16
Wesley Foerster	17
Stephen Heffner	17
Roseanna Rigo	17
Tony Shaman	20
Tye Herold	23
Klaus Preuschoss	27
Sarah Brown	28
Lori South	28
Andrew Gellner	30
Christel Koehler	30

## FRAUENGRUPPE NEWS

In April a group of us attended the theater to see Jersey Boys. It was a very enjoyable evening.

For our May meeting on Wednesday May 1 at 6:30 we will have a Mother's Day social.

Please keep in mind that our main fundraiser is in June at the Family Picnic. We will be holding our silent auction and welcome donations from those who are able.

Enjoy spring!

Susan, Lena, Lea, Jen, Penny, Monika  
Frauengruppe Committee

## VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hello from the North.

Oktoberfest is quickly approaching; we are starting to plan our staff and volunteer needs. Oktoberfest will be held on October 4-6, October 11-13 and October 18-19.

We will be looking for volunteers in many different positions such as:

- Platers in the kitchen
- Smart Serve and non-Smart Serve table cleaners in the hall
- Ticket sales
- Souvenir booth
- Bartenders
- Parking lot attendants

If you are available to volunteer for any of these positions, please email the office with the date(s) you are available and what position you would like to Tracy in the office.

*Tracey Hanke*  
Vice President

## MEMBERSHIP AND SICK BENEFIT REPORT

I would like to thank everyone who came out to support our Miss Schwaben 2024 pageant. It was a wonderful evening celebrating with the community. I would also like to thank Miss Emma Becker, our former Miss 2023, for doing such a tremendous job representing our club through thick and thin during her reign. Finally, congratulations to Miss Stefanie Khanke, our newly crowned Miss Schwaben 2024. You will do an amazing job as our new ambassador this year.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the Spaghetti Dinner.

**Please don't forget May 29 at 7:00 p.m. the Sick Benefit meeting.**

*Elizabeth Schiketantz*  
Membership Director &  
Sick Benefits Financial Secretary



# FREUNDSCHAFTGRUPPE

Please join us in May as our Freundschaftgruppe proudly presents an enchanting evening of dance featuring the renowned Edelweiss Trio.

As we approach Mother's Day, consider this event as a perfect early gift to celebrate the occasion together!

Date: May 11th, 2024 Time: Doors open 7pm

Tickets are priced at just \$15, offering exceptional value for an evening of entertainment. Indulge in delicious snacks and beverages available for purchase at the bar throughout the event. The suggested attire for the evening is formal, so prepare to dazzle and impress in your finest attire.

We extend a warm welcome to individuals of all ages to join us in support of the Canadian Verband's Jugendlager, to be hosted at our very own Kitchener Schwaben Club from June 27th to 30th.

Secure your tickets by contacting the office at 519-742-7979. Don't miss this opportunity to be part of a memorable celebration! We look forward to sharing this delightful evening with you.

*Shay & Lena Herold and Emma & Lea Becker*  
The Freundschaftgruppe Leaders



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e-mail: info@german-canadian-business.com website: www.german-canadian-business.com

## STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE \$1,500

Are you currently attending a Canadian University or College full-time?

Are you the child or grandchild of a current member in good standing of one of Waterloo Region's five German Clubs?

If yes, you are invited to submit an essay, no longer than 1,500 words,

*"Why my exposure to the German language and culture is important to me."*

Please indicate your parent or grandparent's name and German Club affiliation. Mail or personally drop by your essay with personal contact details to:

German-Canadian Education Fund  
Scholarship 2024 Contest  
c/o YNC LLP  
30 Water St. North  
Kitchener, ON, N2H 5A8

OR: Email to: [drungharry@gmail.com](mailto:drungharry@gmail.com)

Application deadline is May 31, 2024

The evaluation panel will make its decisions by June 15th.

One winner per club will be notified.

The names of the winners will be published in the respective club's newsletter.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 2024**

# SCHWABEN CLUB FAMILY PICNIC

Adult: \$30<sup>00</sup> +HST  
Child: \$15<sup>00</sup> +HST  
Doors open: 12 pm  
Lunch served: 1-4 pm  
Games for the kids!

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

**MENU**  
BBQ Chicken & Ribs  
Coleslaw, Potato & Mixed Green Salad  
Buns  
Chef D Smores

**BID**  
SILENT AUCTION FUNDRAISER FOR THE FRAUENGRUPPE

# CLUB CLEANUP DAY

**SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2024**

**STARTING AT 9 AM**  
LUNCH PROVIDED FOR PARTICIPANTS

**Gardens, planting, yard, debris etc.**



## DONAU DANCERS

April showers bring May flowers, can't wait for all the pretty colours.

We would like to thank Emma for your wonderful representation of Miss Schwaben 2023! Hope you built a lot of new friendships and enjoyed the experience. Stefanie congratulations on being the 2024 Miss Schwaben!

I am sure you will enjoy your rein and will represent the club wonderfully.

We danced three dances one being a new one which was great hearing everyone sing along! I hope everyone enjoyed.



We hope to see you in Toronto on Saturday April 20th!

If you would like to come and dance with us we practice on Sundays at 6:30 pm no matter what your experience is. We are taking a break from April 21st and returning June 2nd.

See you soon!

*Tina McQuabbie ~Donau Dancers Secretary*



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# Schwaben Club



2024

<p><b>*OPENING NIGHT*</b> <b>FRIDAY, Oct. 4</b> 7 PM - 1 AM</p>	<p>LIVE MUSIC <b>Weiss Blau</b></p>
<p><b>SATURDAY, Oct. 5</b> 7 PM - 1 AM</p>	<p>LIVE MUSIC <b>Weiss Blau</b></p>
<p><b>*FAMILY DAY*</b> <b>SUNDAY, Oct. 6</b> 11 AM - 4 PM</p>	<p>LIVE MUSIC <b>Golden Keys</b></p>
<p><b>FRIDAY, Oct. 11</b> 7 PM - 1 AM</p>	<p>LIVE MUSIC <b>Weiss Blau</b></p>
<p><b>SATURDAY, Oct. 12</b> 7 PM - 1 AM</p>	<p>LIVE MUSIC <b>Weiss Blau</b></p>
<p><b>*FAMILY DAY*</b> <b>SUNDAY, Oct. 8</b> 11 AM - 4 PM</p>	<p>LIVE MUSIC <b>Golden Keys</b></p>
<p><b>FRIDAY, Oct. 18</b> 7 PM - 1 AM</p>	<p>LIVE MUSIC <b>Weiss Blau</b></p>
<p><b>*CLOSING NIGHT*</b> <b>SATURDAY, Oct. 19</b> 7 PM - 1 AM</p>	<p>LIVE MUSIC <b>Weiss Blau</b></p>

**Schwaben Club**  
50 Scheifele Place  
Breslau  
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**TICKETS ON SALE**  
*May 9*  
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# Miss Schwaben Ball 2024







## MEMBERS' NIGHT

Friday, April 5.  
Making Spätzle & German  
Potato Salad taught by  
Thomas & Ingrid Drung.



## KINDER/JUGENDGRUPPE NEWS

Hello,

First, we wanted to thank everyone for coming out to our Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser. We all worked hard to bring you a delicious meal and it seemed like everyone enjoyed it. It is events like this that keep us going.

Then, we quickly moved on to Landestrachenfest in Toronto. This was the first time in a while that we participated and it was good to be a part of it again. We are looking forward to it next year.

Next, we have a BBQ coming up at Color Paradise in Mannheim. This will be on May 25th from about 11:00AM to 3:00PM. Please come on out and say hi. We will have hamburgers, hot dogs and sausages to fill your bellies.

Another season has come to an end and we will be taking a break for the summer. A final thank you to everyone who supported us throughout the year. We will be back in September for another great season. If you know of anyone between the ages of 4 and 15, please let them know about our group. We love to see new faces. If you have any questions, please contact us at [schwabenkindergruppe@gmail.com](mailto:schwabenkindergruppe@gmail.com).

**Brian Schummer**

*Kinder/Jugendgruppe President*

*Check out our Spaghetti Dinner photos, in next month's Nachrichten!*





# CULTURAL NEWS

Good day,

We have continued to enjoy the Donauschwaben culture in the last month.

First, we celebrated and crowned our new Miss Schwaben. Congratulations to Stefanie Kahnke! Accompanied by a delicious boneless rib meal, and the adorable kids doing a presentation of Stefanie's good Miss qualities - it was a great evening for all.

We have also had our first 2 Cultural classes. A full house of 11 learned to make Walnut & Poppyseed strudels. There were a few logistical hiccups, but everyone seemed to have a good time.

The Spaghetti Fundraiser was also hosted by our Kinder- Jugendgruppen. It was a fun night with yummy food, great auction items, and the kids having fun the whole time.

Our next cultural event is Landestreffen on the September long weekend in St. Louis, MO. Registration is required in the next week or two (St. Louis has limited spots available), and bus registration with deposit is due May 15. Please contact the office.

There will be more classes in the coming months, watch out for them. Until then, enjoy everything else the club has to offer.

*Peter Speckner*  
Cultural Director



A smaller class learned to make Paprikash. With no real hiccups this time, we all ate a delicious meal and took the extra home.



## 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)





# KERRY DRUAR MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT



Coming up June 1st, 2024! The fantastic price of \$125 + tax includes green fees, golf cart, BBQ dinner, and small donation to the selected charities by Kerry's family: Community Music Schools of Waterloo Region and Guelph Humane Society.

Silent Auction opens at 5 pm after the golf game - Donate a prize!

Competition holes on the Merry-Hill Golf Club golf course for Longest Drive, Closest to the Pin, Best team score!

Sponsor a Hole! Promote your company! Help us reach our \$5000 goal for Charity! We have received 2 major sponsors!

NOTE: only 64 spots available for Tee off- Register early!

To register to play GOLF! Or sponsor, donate and register to play please contact Tracy schwaben@kitchenerschwabenclub.com or call 519-742-7979.

[kerrydruarmemorial.ca](http://kerrydruarmemorial.ca)

[facebook.com/kerrydruarmemorialgolf](https://facebook.com/kerrydruarmemorialgolf)

[instagram.com/kerry\\_druar\\_memorial\\_golf](https://instagram.com/kerry_druar_memorial_golf)

**Heidi Peller-Oliver**

*Golf Tournament Organizer and Committee*

## TOURNAMENT HISTORY & KERRY

Started as a club event in 2011, and organized by Kerry and other club volunteers, the event then called the Schwaben Club Golf Tournament helped to raise funds for club cultural activities and community charities.

Kerry was an ambassador, not just known for his involvement and commitment to organizing events and helping promote cultural activities. With a big heart, he shared many great friendships with people both at the club and in the community.

In 2019 after his sudden passing Kerry's legacy and spirit was to carry on with the club making an announcement to honor his life and the man he was by renaming the tournament he helped to start and build.

Now in its 5th year the Kerry Druar Memorial Golf Tournament it's sponsors, participants, volunteers and the club will once again come together to celebrate an amazing person with a fun day of sport, sharing of friendship and giving.



## SPONSORS PACKAGE

On June 1, 2024 The Kitchener Schwaben Club will be hosting the 5th Annual Kerry Druar Memorial Golf Tournament at Merry-Hill Golf Club in Breslau, followed by a BBQ and gathering at the club.

As in previous years the Druar Family, in Kerry's Memory, selects charities to which the proceeds of the tournament are donated.

Thanks to the generosity of our sponsors, the golfers and host, the Schwaben club, we hope to make this year's tournament the best yet and to surpass our \$5000.00 fund raising goal. This year the Family has selected the following two charities:

Since 2012, the Community Music School of Waterloo Region has provided music education and all its benefits to kids in our community who can't access it. In collaboration with community supporters, their programs develop kids' musical skills, creativity, confidence, and love for music.



For 125 years, the Guelph Humane Society has been dedicated to protecting and caring for the many animals with whom we share our community and our lives, and to fostering the important bonds with animals that enrich us as individuals, families, and communities. Founded in 1893, the Guelph Humane Society provides care and shelter for approximately 3,000 homeless, stray, injured, orphaned, abandoned, and abused animals each year, throughout Guelph and Wellington County.



To reach our fund-raising goal and make this year's tournament a great success we are asking for your kind help in sponsorship or contributions for the following opportunities:

- Hole Sponsorship \$250.00 – Signage at one of the tee blocks, recognition on the tournament's social media and web site.
- Silent Auction Donation – (Approximate Value \$200+) Business Cards or brochures next to the bid sheet and recognition on the tournament's social media and web site.
- Prize Table Donation – Business Card attached to prize.
- Join us on the Links – Register your foursome to play and join us for dinner for \$500.00 plus tax.
- Join us for Dinner - Join us for a BBQ dinner, Prizes, Auction and good company. \$40.00 per person

To Sponsor, Donate, and Register to play please contact Tracy. Email: schwaben@kitchenerschwabenclub.com Tel: (519) 742-7979  
DEADLINE TO REGISTER TO PLAY AND DINNER IS MAY 24<sup>TH</sup>.  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

## SCHWABEN CLUB PRESENTS

# KERRY DRUAR MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

**Saturday, June 1, 2024**

**\$125**  
plus taxes per person

**18 holes**  
**Tee off - 11:00 AM**  
(meet at the course at 10:45 am)

**Includes:**

- Green fees
- Golf cart
- BBQ at 6:30pm at the Schwaben Club

**64 SPOTS AVAILABLE REGISTER EARLY!**

**Silent Auction begins at 5:00pm**  
**Donate a prize!**

**Come join in on the fun!**

**Great prizes:**

- Best Team Score
- Closest to the Pin
- Men's & Women's Longest Drive

**MERRY-HILL GOLF CLUB** Merry Hill Golf Club  
2321 Shantz Station Rd. Breslau

**SCHWABEN CLUB**  
50 Scheifele Place Breslau  
**519-742-7979**

**All skill levels welcome! EVERYONE INVITED!**

Event is organized by the Schwaben Club

To Register or Sponsor contact Tracy

- At the club office or by phone
- Payments by e-transfer, phone or at the club.
- 519-742-7979 • schwaben@kitchenerschwabenclub.com

**DEADLINE for sign-up and payment is MAY 24<sup>th</sup>**

In support of Community Music Schools of Waterloo Region and the Guelph Humane Society









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### Upcoming games in May:

Saturday, May 4	9:30am	FC Bayern vs VfB Stuttgart	Bundesliga
Saturday, May 18	9:30am	FC Bayern vs Hoffenheim	Bundesliga

Games and start times may be subject to change. Please check out our website [www.miasankw.ca](http://www.miasankw.ca). Also follow our NEW Facebook page Mia San KW and instagram miasankw for updates.



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