



SCHWABEN KLUB

SEPTEMBER 2026

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50 Scheifele Place, Breslau, ON

www.kitchenerschwabenclub.com

Wichtige Daten/Important Dates 2026

Landestreffen (Chicago) Sept. 4-6

Cooking Class (Zwetschkenknödl)
September 13

Stammtisch: September 14

Members' Meeting: September 16

Kirchweih Setup: September 18

Kirchweih: September 19

Oktoberfest Setup: September 20

Cabbage Roll Making
September 26 (& 27)

OKTOBERFEST
September 26 - October 17

Biergarten Nights
September 26 & October 3

Family Day: October 4

Member's/Corporate Night: Oct. 15

Cooking Class (Bretzelknödel)
November 15

Schlachtfest: November 21

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issue. Thank you.

The Schwaben Club presents **KIRCHWEIH**

Saturday, September 19th

Doors Open: 10:30 am

Lunch: 12:00 pm

Member: \$30 (\$26.54 + HST)

Non-Member: \$35 (\$30.97 + HST)

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

Band: SevenCastles

An afternoon lunch
featuring live music,
Donauschwaben culture
and cherished traditions.



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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Guten Tag meine liebe Schwowa,

Here we go again! It's September and things are very quickly starting to ramp up here at the Schwaben Club. While I have to admit that summer was fun (not very relaxing, but fun), I can't wait to get back to our events and celebrating our heritage.

I'd like to send out a special thank you to those that came out during the summer to help out at our Club. Whether it was for cleanup, setup/take-down, playground removal, hosting BBQ's, or anything else the Club needed (which is a never-ending list, to be honest) - thank you very much. Your help and efforts are greatly appreciated. It makes our Club better, stronger, prettier and more fun to enjoy. It is people like you that are the lifeblood of our 2nd home. Danke schön.

The annual long weekend Landestreffen in Chicago is the next big Donauschwaben event. I know we have some dedicated members going who will be representing us with pride, and I thank them for it. I look forward to seeing the pictures and hearing the stories of everything that happened..

Kirchweih is the next event on the afternoon of September 19. We're trying something different this year. We've had numerous requests to have afternoon events that our older members can come out to (since they're not big fans of driving at night). With Kirchweih being a very traditional event, we thought it would be the best one to host earlier in the day, and take full advantage of the outside during the event. There will be some traditional aspects that we carry on from the past, but a few updates as well to keep things fresh. I look forward to seeing everyone at the event.

Can you believe it's around a month until our Oktoberfest starts. I don't know if I've recovered from the last one yet. Well, I didn't actually do anything that would need recovering from (unless you count being at our Club every day and night that we're open from open to close), and I do love my Oktoberfest Special - so bring it on! We have 3 bands over 3 weekends, and 1 Family day. A little bit for everybody. We're also taking advantage of the opportunity to have our Club represented this year at the Willkommen Platz. Three days that we will be downtown, showing the world what we have to offer. If you happen to be downtown, stop by. I hear we're having something delicious to eat available.

The end of Oktoberfest means we are that much closer to my favourite event of the year - Schlachtfest!!! Ahhhh, pork. Delicious little piggies. Meat, meat, meat and more meat. And there's talk of having quite the variety to order from this year, so stay tuned! You don't want to miss out on this event.

As always, our Board is eager to engage with our members to make our Club better. Our doors are always open. We welcome your visit and your ideas.

Sincerely,

Peter Speckner
President

ENTERTAINMENT REPORT

Summer is in full swing, with vacations and sunshine all around. Now, we look ahead to Oktoberfest. On Sunday, October 4, the Schwaben Club will host its Oktoberfest Family Day—a wonderful day of fun for all ages. I would also like to thank all the volunteers who generously give their time and energy to make these events a success.

Mike Kleser
Entertainment Director

SCHWABEN DANCERS

The Schwaben Dancers are enjoying their summer and some weekends off from practice! As we continue to prepare for Kirchweih, we are enjoying relearning some old classics from the Schwaben Dancers repertoire.

Schwaben Dancers



ELVIS
Tribute Artist **SHON CARROLL**

Saturday, August 29
Doors open 1:30 pm
Show at 2:00 pm
\$20 (tax included)
Tickets available at the office
Bar open, coffee & cake available.

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DONAU DANCERS

Hello everyone!

Hope everyone enjoyed the summer! It's that time of year where we gear up for our functions, looking forward to that. The Donau's have been practicing all summer getting ready, working on techniques, doing traditional dances and faster dances.

Once again we welcomed some new dancers and they are learning the dances quite well. They are looking forward to performing with us. If you're interested we do slow traditional dances to faster dances. We practice on Sundays at 6:30. Come on out, check us out you might be surprised on what we actually do!

Hope everyone liked the BBQ on the 14th, thank you to all who came out and supported us!

Donau Dancers

KINDER/JUGENDGRUPPE

Hi everybody!

With summer ending, it's time for practices to start up again. I know all the kids are excited to see their dance friends again, even if it means summer is officially over!

Practices will be starting on Thursday, September 10, 2026. Kinder and Jugend will begin at 6:30pm, with Kinder ending at 7:30 and the Jugend going until 8pm.

I have heard we have quite a few new members joining us in the fall. That would be very exciting. More friends, and larger groups always look more impressive on the dance floor.

As for upcoming events, the kids will begin practicing right away for Kirchweih, which is on September 19. You read that right! Our talented kids will have 2 practices to get a basic performance together for Kirchweih. I have complete faith in them and their instructors and look forward to watching them. After Kirchweih comes Oktoberfest. There is only one Family Day this year, so the kids will be dancing there - October 4, 2026. We're hoping to have more performances lined up by then, so keep a watch for the Kinder/Jugend emails which will be starting up shortly. After Oktoberfest is Schlachtfest on November 21, 2026. Our annual pig night is always popular AND delicious, so keep that night open to attend.

That's it for now.

See you on September 10!!

Peter Speckner

Kinder/Jugendgruppe President

GEBURTSTAGE FÜR SEPTEMBER

**Herzlichen Glückwunsch zu
deinem Geburtstag im September!!**

**Congratulations on your
September Birthday!**

Daniel Wawrzyczek	2
Harry Drung	9
Theresa Mendler	13
Karin Kahnke	14
Krystal Paitz	15
Robert Cook	16
Anne Foster	17
Frank Willyung	17
Kyla Hild	19
Darlene Clausing	20
Joseph Adam	21
Guenther Haas	23
Penny Hanke	24
Elizabeth Schiketantz	25
William Wirtz	29
Angele Frey	29
Maria Maurer	30

CULTURAL NEWS

Hope everyone enjoyed the summer!

It's that time of year where we gear up for our functions, looking forward to that.

September 19th - Join us for a traditional Kirchweih celebration! The term Kirchweih comes from Kirche (church) and weihen (to bless). Historically, a church was used immediately after construction, but the bishop's formal blessing often came months or even years later, usually on a weekend. These consecration days grew into the festive Kirchweih celebrations we continue to honour today.

There are many ways to celebrate Kirchweih, and this year we will begin by gathering at our memorial for a blessing and a moment of remembrance for our past members. From there, a festive parade will lead us into the hall, with Miss Schwaben carrying the beautifully ribbon-decorated Rosmarin that will later be auctioned.

Inside the hall, we will reenact a traditional Kirchweih scene, with young men strolling "through the streets," gathering people for the celebration and raising money to decorate their Kirchweihhut.

The children will enjoy bowling with the Ram, and we'll also host a silent auction for both the Kirchweihhut and the shawl. Kids are invited to write what the Hut or shawl symbolizes to them and why they would like to win it.

Ladies, it's time to pull out your Tracht or dirndl, and men, give your Kirchweihhut a good brush.

Kirchweih is coming!

Decorating the hall will take place Friday September 18th starting at 10:30 am. If you have any Rosemarin, please drop off then.

Stammtisch - September 14th, 6:00-8:00 PM - Come join us for an evening of Donauschwaben and German genealogy. Together, we'll explore how our ancestors rebuilt their lives, traced their movements, and shaped their identities as German-speaking people—whether they lived in Germany, the Banat, the Donauschwaben regions, Austria, Switzerland, or later migrated to North or South America.

We'll look at how borders shifted over time, why they changed, and how those changes impacted our families and their stories.

Cooking Classes in the fall:



Zwetschkenknödl Cooking Class September 13th from 1pm to 4pm

A Taste of Home, A Taste of Tradition

Join us for a hands-on cooking experience celebrating one of our most beloved Schwaben classics: **Zwetschkenknödl** is a soft potato dumpling filled with juicy plums, rolled in buttery crumbs, and served warm from the pot.

Whether you grew up with this dish or you're discovering it for the first time, this class is designed to be **fun, welcoming, and delicious**. You'll learn:

- How to make the perfect potato dough
- Traditional plum filling techniques
- Tips for shaping, boiling, and finishing dumplings
- The cultural story behind this cherished dessert

Come cook, taste, laugh, and share in our heritage.
Spaces are limited. Reserve your spot today.

Let's Make Bretzelknödel! November 15th from 1pm to 4pm.



Soft, savoury, buttery, and irresistible.

Join our interactive cooking class where you'll turn everyday bretzels into warm, fluffy dumplings bursting with flavour. No experience needed. Just bring your appetite and your enthusiasm. You'll leave with:

- Your own Bretzelknödel
- A simple, repeatable recipe
- Fun serving ideas for weeknight meals or festive dinners

Roll, mix, and cook your way to dumpling greatness!

If any member is interested in hosting a cooking class of a Donauschwaben or German dish, please feel free to let me know and we can work together to set up a date. cultural@kitchenerschwabenclub.com

Oktoberfest is just around the corner!

We'll be walking in the Oktoberfest/Thanksgiving parade on October 12th, come enjoy a morning stroll through the streets of Kitchener-Waterloo and share a little Gemütlichkeit with the community.

Bis zum nächsten Mal.

Tschüss!

Anita Schlupp Temniuk

Kulturreferentin/Cultural Director



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and comfort
of those with
allergies.

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others and
avoid wearing
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attending the
Schwaben
Club.



Vorstandswahl / Board of Directors Election 2026

The following Board Positions are open to Nomination:

Praesident/President

Protokoll-Sekretaer/Protocol-Secretary

Kassierer/Treasurer

Fahnentraeger/Flag Bearer

Vergnuegungs sekretaer/Entertainment Director

Cut off date for nominations is October 9, 2026 @ 5pm.

3 Members are required for the Elections Committee. The 3 person committee will be appointed at the September Monthly Members meeting.

If interested in being on the committee please make your intentions know to a board member prior to the meeting. You do not have to be at the members meeting to be appointed to the election committee.



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Thursday, October 15, 2026



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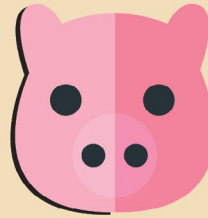
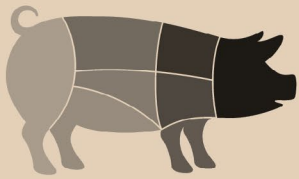
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\$28
+ HST

6 PM - 1 AM

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Schlachtfest

Saturday, November 21, 2026

PORK LOIN WITH SAUSAGE DINNER

Member: \$45 (\$35.40+HST)
Non-Member: \$50 (\$39.82+HST)

PIG TAIL DINNER

Member: \$45 (\$35.40+HST)
Non-Member: \$50 (\$39.82+HST)

PORK HOCK DINNER

Member: \$54 (\$47.78+HST)
Non-Member: \$59 (\$52.21+HST)

**All dinners include
cucumber salad,
mashed potatoes,
blukraut and dessert**

Kid's Meal (12 & under): \$15
Schnitzel Bites, Mashed
Potatoes, Glazed Carrots

Dessert
Homemade Krapfen

Doors Open:
5:30 pm

Dinner:
6:00 pm

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Music by: WILDBAHN

Mr. Schwaben Applications

Young men aged **19 to 28** interested in
representing our Club as **Mr. Schwaben** are invited
to apply. Applications must be received in the
office by **Friday, October 2, 2026, at 5:00 PM.**





Canadian Lutheran
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Did you or someone you know come to Canada on the Beaverbrae?

If so CLWR wants to hear from you. In preparation for the 80th anniversary of the first sailing, we would like to collect stories and memories of the Beaverbrae and its passengers.



Scan the QR code with your phone camera or go to clwr.org/beaverbrae to fill out the form and let us know your connection to the Beaverbrae.



MILWAUKEE GERMAN FEST

For those that are looking for opportunities to share our Donauschwaben heritage with our sister clubs, then German Fest in Milwaukee is an annual event to consider. This year it was on July 24 to 26 at Henry Maier Festival Park (75 acre site directly on the shores of Lake Michigan), and featured authentic German food, music, cultural events and family friendly activities. Dance groups from "Vereinigung der Donauschwaben Chicago", "Deutscher Familien-Verein Akron" and "United Donauschwaben of Milwaukee" all performed. Club members were also in attendance from Chicago Aid, Cincinnati, Detroit, Kitchener, and Los Angeles; it felt like a pre Landes get together. Some additional highlights were the Car Show, Heritage Parade, Dachshund Derby, live Glockenspiel, and performances by voXXclub. If you are interested in finding out more about this event reach out to Glenn or Lena.



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OKTOBERFEST EVENTS

FRIDAY, Oct. 2

6 PM - 1 AM

LIVE MUSIC
Edelweiss Trio

FAMILY DAY

SUNDAY, Oct. 4

11 AM - 4 PM

LIVE MUSIC
Edelweiss Trio

FRIDAY, Oct. 9

6 PM - 1 AM

LIVE MUSIC
Weiss Blau

SATURDAY, Oct. 10

6 PM - 1 AM

LIVE MUSIC
Weiss Blau

MEMBER'S/CORPORATE NIGHT

THURSDAY, Oct. 15

6 PM - 1 AM

LIVE MUSIC
Black Forest Band

FRIDAY, Oct. 16

6 PM - 1 AM

LIVE MUSIC
Black Forest Band

SATURDAY, Oct. 17

SOLD OUT

LIVE MUSIC
Black Forest Band

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BIERGARTEN NIGHTS

SATURDAY

Sept. 26

6 PM - 1 AM

LIVE MUSIC

**Transylvania
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SATURDAY

Oct. 3

6 PM - 1 AM

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Welcome to BASSTOBERFEST 2026!

Welcome to the 2026 Basstoberfest bass fishing tournament at Conestogo Lake Conservation Area, where we combine the excitement of a local, competitive, friendly fishing tournament followed by an Oktoberfest themed Awards banquet at the Alpine Club, located at 464 Maple Ave., Kitchener, Ontario.

On Saturday September 12, 2026, at Conestogo Lake Conservation Area north of Waterloo Ontario, we invite you to join the fun. A 40 boat field with a gentleman's start at 9am and weigh in at 2pm ensures a fun, enjoyable and safe experience for both the weekend warrior and the experienced tournament angler. Please see the attached itinerary for specifics regarding tournament rules and registration.

Following the tournament, competitors, friends and family will gather at Kitchener's Alpine club. Doors will open at 4pm, and dinner will be served at 5:30pm. Cash payouts, trophies and prizes will be awarded to the events top anglers, while we celebrate Ontario's Oktoberfest culture and festivities with music and "Gemütlichkeit"!

\$200 entry fee per boat (team of 2) includes:

- Basstoberfest Tournament entry
- Alpine club entry and dinner for 2 (\$75 value)
- Basstoberfest T shirts for each competitor (\$50 value)
- 3 raffle tickets each for the prize table (\$30 value)

Paybacks based on a 40 boat field: 1st - \$2000.00, 2nd - \$1000.00, 3rd - \$500.00,

BIG FISH PRIZE - \$100.00, Hidden weight prize, Mystery prize.

This event is proudly brought to you by:

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Any questions can be directed to our official email address: basstoberfest@gmail.com



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