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"Stiftungsfest"

151st Anniversary Celebration

October 4, 2015

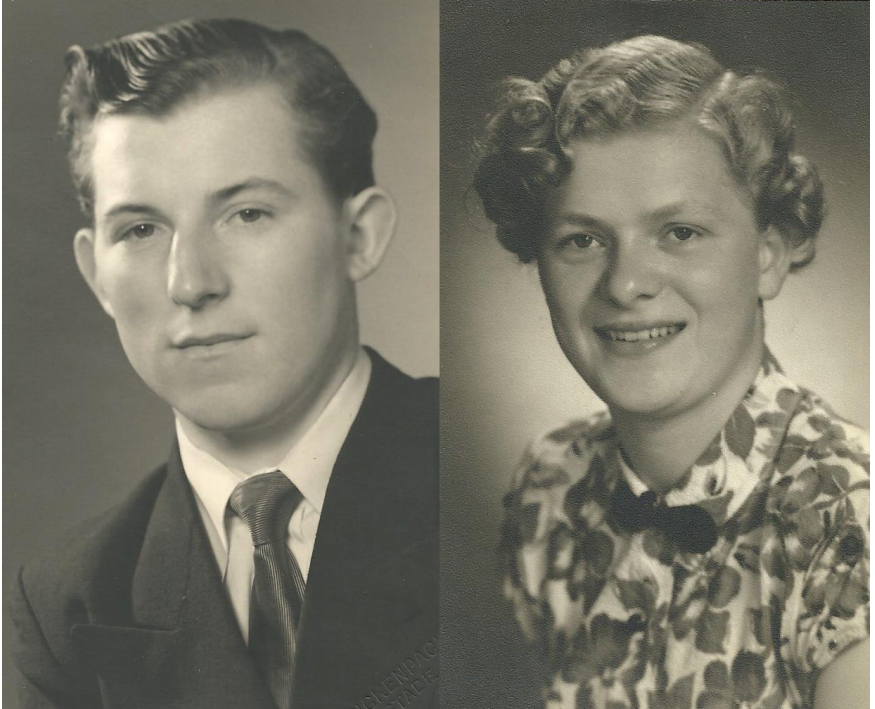
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October 1, 2015*



The President's Corner



Dear Members,

Today I would like to share with you some of the other activities that take place in the Germania Club. These may not be as familiar to you as are our banner events. Even during the summer months of July and August, when most of you are away on vacation, firing up the barbecue, or kicking back, the Germania Club is a beehive of activity. For every Club activity that takes place, someone has to be there, to open and close the premises, and in many cases to service the event.

The Board of Directors meet every week of the year, for 2-3 hours at a time. Under normal circumstances, a Board of Directors should concern itself with the proper functioning of the Club and develop plans for the various activities and events. In our case, because of a diminishing number of volunteers and members willing to stand for office, the Board is heavily involved, as well, in the execution of the plans they develop. It also means, that the small pool of volunteers, many drawn from the various subgroups, help out over and over again. Please consider your own option, if you have not made use of it already, to volunteer your time. Every Sunday, Grindstone Church holds a ser-

vice on our premises. As well, all year long, we offer a Friday night dance every second week. This is a well-attended dance, unfortunately not by our own members. During these past two months, we also hosted a CD-release party, a Member's 80th birthday event, a wedding reception, christening, and of course our regular Stammtisch, Skat games, and monthly subgroup meetings.

In July and August, the Club Office is on reduced office hours, and yet we had 35 scheduled events outside of "It's Your Festival", and the Germania Club Picnic. Don't tell Lori Kramolowsky, our Club secretary, that reduced hours translate into more leisure hours for her. She has not enjoyed a single day off in weeks. At the same time we are of course planning for Oktoberfest, Stiftungsfest, and Schlachtfest. Oh yes, and the Club's Christmas Party is just around the corner.

In closing, let me thank the remainder of the Board of Directors for their dedication, and all of the volunteers for the hard work, that they have invested in the Club. Of course, it goes without saying: we will continue to do all we can, to bring you those events that you have enjoyed over the years. I hope, that you, the Membership, will also give us your full support, so that we may continue to fulfill our mandate.

Until next time,
Ulrich Venohr





Choral Notes

In this month's Choral notes we celebrate milestones.

On July 29th, Lore and Willi Schaefer invited about 80 family members and friends to the Germania Club, to celebrate Lore's 80th birthday. Lore's family came from as far away



as California, New York and Belleville. Yet she also remembered her grandson from Florida, who could not be with her for the celebration. Since Lore is also a 38-year member of the Germania Choirs, these were in attendance as well. A comment about the large number of guests, prompted her to remark with a chuckle, "What can I say, I love to feed people".

Lore and Willy greeted their guests enthusiastically and in-

dividually. Gradually the entire front of the stage filled with gifts. It came as a complete surprise to Lore when the Alpen Trio took to the stage, and provided the necessary German musical flavour to the proceedings. Later in the afternoon, the Germania Choirs played a part in adding to this cultural dimension, by delighting Lore with a selection of songs of her choosing. Along with some lively numbers, the Choirs performed the solemn, "Ave verum corpus", a song that holds a very special meaning in Lore's heart.

It was touching to see how Lore's great-grandchildren recited a short prayer watched by a deeply moved Omi, before the guests sat down to a delicious dinner of Rouladen, red cabbage, and mashed potatoes. The complimentary bottles of wine at each table, visibly enlivened the atmosphere in the Banquet Hall to

the delight of Lore, who enjoyed every moment of the celebration, tremendously.

Her grandson, Peter Wiesner paid a heartfelt tribute to Omi. The family's love and affection for her was lost on no one. Hedda Wagenblast, on behalf of the Choirs, presented Lore with a bouquet of flowers, and an umbrella sprinkled with colourful butterflies. Everyone was charmed by the suitable but-

terfly poem that was recited by Hedda, and accompanied the presentation of the umbrella. Ulli Venohr expressed his best wishes on behalf of the Germania Club membership, as well. So Lore, we all thank you one more time for a wonderful afternoon. Here is another toast to you. May you and Willy enjoy many more years together, surrounded by family and friends, and may the music in your life play on.

Several weeks later, on the afternoon of August 16th, the Germania Choirs performed in Hendrie Park of the Royal Botanical Gardens, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Austrian Continental Club. The Choirs performed alongside, Alphornbläser, a “Hackbrett” musician and several dance troupes. Their performance included music of several Austrian composers. Included was, Josef Schrammel’s fast-paced march, “Wien bleibt Wien”, followed by Franz Schubert’s hauntingly beautiful hymn to art, “An die Musik”. The inspiring, “Lobt den Herrn der Welt”, and the nostalgic, “An der Weser”, made up the more reflective portion of the concert. This was followed by Emmerich Kalman’s spirited, “Tanzen möcht ich” from the “Czardas Fürstin”. Linus Press, our conductor threw in the “Fliegermarsch” for good

measure.

Those of us attending the concert remember the sweltering summer heat of this day very well. Some of us made it over to the Austrian Club, to continue the celebrations, others, after having endured the heat for hours, ended up going home. Still we remember it as a wonderful celebration, and we wish the Austrian Club all the best, as they embark on their next 50-year journey.

October birthday wishes go out to the following: Uschi Schien (Oct. 8); Günter Heitland (Oct. 26). Supporting members: Ulli Venohr (Oct. 5), Alfred Weinstock (Oct. 27). By the time you read this, we may have already celebrated the 80th birthday of our musical director for over 45 years, Linus Press (Sept. 20).

Last but not least, please note that the date of the Garage Sale of the Choirs has been changed to Saturday, Oct. 3, 2015. This was done to accommodate a business breakfast that is being held in the Banquet Hall by Matthew Green, City Councillor for Ward 3.

Until next time,
I remain musically your
Waltraud Schork.



The Camper's & Park Report



The kids probably thought that a German Christmas in July was a little bit hokey. But did they care? They got to decorate the tree that Santa had brought and then were rewarded with presents. And so did some of us adults after paying homage to St. Nick. (How hot was it under that suit, Kevin?) Yes, this all happened at our annual, camper's theme picnic at the Pavilion.

Normally, those events are more geared toward the mature members of our group, with music and dancing and a lot of socializing. This time the younger generation had the floor which kept them happily occupied and nobody was complaining. A lot of folks went all out to help. Some organized, some cleaned, many cooked, a punch and some food were donated, the hall was decorated, dishes were washed, let's not forget the Tombola and of course, there was Santa. If I mention every one by name, I will get my knuckles rapped for being verbose, or by someone I may have overlooked. So from all of us that had fun that

night with much camaraderie, ate heartily and truly enjoyed ourselves: A HEARTFELT THANK YOU! Most of you stepped forward without actually being asked, sometimes at the last minute. That truly is the campers' spirit.

Our midsummer meeting, on August 23rd, came somewhat unexpected and was called on short notice. However, it did clear up a lot of uncertainties and misunderstandings regarding the rules for us campers. It also dealt with expectations and cooperation. Thank you all those who attended for keeping it short and to the point.

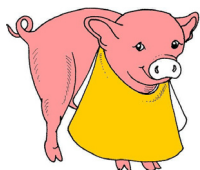
As usual I consulted with the Park Manager, Kevin, before finishing this report. He asked me to caution all owners of boats or canoes in the park. Please put a lock on it. We are already missing one, let's not lose any more.

According to Chairman Frank, our campground is fully occupied. We do have a short waiting list. But we all know, this might change come spring.

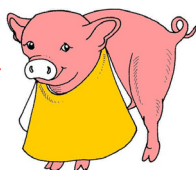
A last reminder: Our fall camper meeting will be held in the Pavilion on Saturday, October 17th. at 2:00 pm.

Your Happy Camper,
Egon Roesslein.





Germania Club's annual



Schlachtfest

November 7, 2015

Dinner service starts at 5:00pm

Doors open 4:30pm

The Schlachtplatte includes the following:
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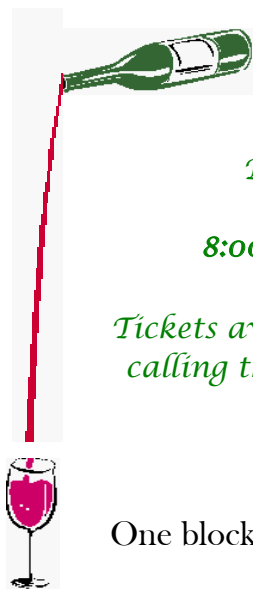
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Fischer & Jäger

Moin, Members & Friends of the F&H. By the time you read this report, Summer will be over and I hope that everyone had a great one. Is it my imagination or are Summers getting shorter? But on Aug.22/23 we did enjoy a funtastic F&H Family Weekend at Lake Dalrymple. Quite a few Folks came out already on Friday including many children. Tents were set up and I was glad I had my bed in my van away from the childrens chatter and laughter in the cottage. Starting early Saturday morning, Master Chef Chris was busy preparing for Dinner. The Fire was lit and before you knew it our Piggy was turning on the Spit getting tanned by the minute, tenderly brushing it practically constantly all day. Everyones mouth was watering just waiting to taste that first piece of "Schwarte". Also the corn was being husked and wrapped ready for the BBQ. In the meantime Brigitte was in the Kitchen preparing the Table with many Salads etc. Then it was

George's turn, our Master Carver. But before that, Chris had to Kiss Piggy's tail. Good show Chris. Most of us were too full for Dessert, so the Cake, Cupcakes and Tarts had to wait awhile. The dishes were looked after by our young People. Thank You. So to wrap it all up, a HUGE THANK YOU goes to EVERYONE who helped in any way ,BIG or SMALL to make this Weekend a success .Please give yourselves a Pat on the Back. It was all Appreciated. THANK YOU THANK YOU. I was just informed that the Roof on the Cottage has been replaced. More on that next time. Cottage Bookings are winding down but still open. Closing Date not known at this time. At our August Meeting, it was decided to change our monthly meetings from Wednesday to the 3rd Thursday of each Month starting at 8PM, starting in October 2015. So until next time, keep this in Mind: My Memory is not as sharp as it used to be. Also, My Memory is not as sharp as it used to be. Tschuess Maggie
Margitta Untch
Auf Wiedersehn



Aus unserem Frauenverein

We still have September ahead of us, but this is for October. Fall is coming, thankfully it's getting a bit cooler over night. We can turn the A/C off and open the windows. Fall at the moment has another meaning, no pun intended: Annie Schaible fell in a store and hurt her knee, came in all bandaged up. But she came!! Dorothea fell twice, once in a store (those red cones DO NOT move, you know); and then again visiting Annemarie's trailer at the Club Picnic . She sprained her ankle but I think her pride was hurt more. Her son Tyler is studying massage therapy – you should have seen him massaging and icing Mom's foot!!

Our meeting on Sept. 2 was well attended – o.k., the usual 12 more or less. After the Summer break the Ladies had lots to tell each other, so the meeting sometimes starts at the end and then gets to the beginning. I forgot to put our Club Stiftungsfest (contribution October 4) on the Agenda (what Agenda – nobody follows it anyway)) but by Telephone it was agreed to do the same again as in the past years.

We talked about the Octoberfest (Sept. 19). We'll show up

and see what we can do. It was decided to cancel Apfelmania on Sept. 23. Turnout was slow the past years. Our main support actually was Sigrid Whelan and her Bridge Club. Since Sigi unfortunately is still not well, we did not think she would be able to attend. Our thoughts and prayers are with her and the family.

Thoughts and prayers also for David Simon. He is not a member of the Ladies.. but he is again in the Hospital, due to problems with his 'good foot'. The doctors try to save that one. I don't think I am giving secrets away – it was announced at First Pilgrim United.

There is the Choir Garage Sale planned for Sept. 26. Anyone need a set of luggage that I bought there a few years ago? I am not travelling much anymore.

The Germania Choirs Winefest in October 17 should be fun again. If I remember correctly, it will feature Reif Wines, and if you have the new magazine from the Liquor Store, Reif Wines is featured therein.

On November 7 is the Schlachtfest. I am still missing Hilde Albrechts Semmelknoedel!! She gets them to stick. I tried them last about 30 years ago, but maybe the bread at that time was not right. I ended up with bread soup, until a col-

league, a nice jewish lady told me to make a loaf, wrap it into oiled alu foil and cook them that way, then slice them. Servietten Knoedel??

Annemarie has started working on the Christmas Bazaar in November. Hopefully Linda Wanner can come out, if only for a visit.

Birthdays October:

Oct. 3 Linda Wanner
still under 70, lucky girl!

Oct. 8 Uschi Schien
85 – does not show it a bit!

Oct. 9 Samantha Kiss

Oct. 30 Vera Pamukoff
under 80

David Simon has been editing and working on the Germania Post. Obviously it's getting a bit much for him and help is needed. Unfortunately I am an absolute moron at Powerpoint, etc. If anyone can help, please contact the Club.

If I forgot anything, please let me know.

'till next month!

Hope to see you at the events.

Sieglinde Seiler, Secretary

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October Birthdays



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Jeff Erickson
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Lori Ann Kramolowsky
Magdalena Weller

Paul Parzen
Renate Bock
Richard Kramolowsky
Richard Neupert
Robert A. Wegner
Ulrich Venohr
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Ursula Schien
Wilhelm Kuehlem

DONATIONS

Germania Club

Brunhilde Cawi - \$100 in memory of husband Dieter

Park & Memorial

We thank the following people for their kind donations to the Park & Memorial Fund in memory of Horst Bojanowski.

Brian & Silvia Bojanowski, Roger & Sheri Bojanowski and Family, Dieter & Claudia Eckert and Klaus Ludecke. A total donation of \$580 was given.

Date Changes

**Choir Garage Sale has been changed from
September 26th to October 3rd.**

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Oct 3	8:00am	Choir Garage Sale in front of the club (new date)
Oct 4	4:30pm	Stiftungsfest 151st Anniversary
Oct 9	8:00pm	Friday Night Dance
Oct 15	8:00pm	Fisher and Hunter members meeting
Oct 16	8:00pm	Friday Night Dance
Oct 17	2:00pm	Campers Meeting in Pavilion
Oct 17	5:00pm	Germania Choirs Weinfest
Oct 25	12-2pm	Sunday Lunch
Oct 25	2:30pm	Film Afternoon “Das Wunder vom Lengede”
Oct 27	7:30pm	Members Meeting

VORSCHAU/PREVIEW

Nov 7	5:00pm	SCHLACHTFEST
Nov 8	1:00pm	Germania Club Memorial in the Park
Nov 13	8:00pm	Friday Night Dance
Nov 18	8:00pm	Fisher & Hunter members meeting
Nov 24	7:30pm	Members meeting
Nov 27	8:00pm	Friday Night Dance
Nov 29	10:00am	Fisher&Hunter Turkey Shoot



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