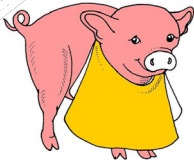




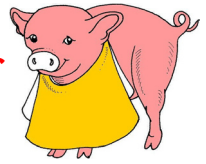
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Germania Club's annual



Schlachtfest

November 11, 2017

Dinner service starts at 5:00pm

Doors open 4:30pm

The Schlachtplatte includes the following:
Geräucherter Schweinenacken, Blutwurst, Leberwurst,
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Tickets in advance only

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OBITUARY

Werner Grauf

February 22, 1932 – September 14, 2017

Werner was a member of the Germania Club for 42 years. He was a regular on Saturday afternoons joining his friends at the Stammtisch. We extend our sincere condolences to his wife of 58 years Karla and his daughter Roswitha.

The following members will be remembered on Sunday November 5th at our memorial service in the Park, please come and join their families and friends. The Park gate is open at 12:00 noon and the Memorial Service begins at 1:00pm

We remember;

Werner Heimes	Geb. 4. Mai, 1936	Ges. 14. Okt., 2016
Arnold Schaefer	Geb. 12. Jan, 1938	Ges. 16. Dez, 2016
Marianne Puppa	Geb. 14. Mai, 1931	Ges. 28. Mar. 2017
Lieselotte Heuck	Geb. 31. Dez., 1931	Ges. 15. Apr., 2017
Erich Puppa	Geb. 31. Mai, 1936	Ges. 5. Mai, 2017
Agnes Link	Geb. 5. Nov., 1929	Ges. 8. Sep., 2017
Werner Grauf	Geb. 22. Feb., 1932	Ges. 14. Sep., 2017

After the Memorial Service please come to the pavilion with family and friends for a social time. Food and beverages will be available.



The President's Corner



This month's president report is a little different, you see our President Ulrich Venohr, or Ulli as he is better known to us, has too much other club work on his plate to write a report this month. I hear the disappointment in his voice as he is trying to decide which task he needs to make most important.

It is 9am when he calls but he has been at the club since 7am. He respects the fact that I come home late from dialysis and like to sleep in a bit if I can, he probably wished he could have called at 7am. 7am and the roofers are on the job, taking a chance against the odds that the rain will hold off and they can do their work. Ulli is there because they are there and he wants to make sure everything goes 100%. Decisions need to be made, and Ulli wants to make sure the best will be done so the roof will last.

At the same time Ulli is checking the emails on the club computer, because he wants to make sure there is nothing missed. He has the laptop, but that hasn't been connected to the club's network, and like all of us he'd need to learn something new..again, and that takes time. In the emails there is a question about what needs to be advertised in the coming issue of Forever Young magazine. There is a quote for the exhaust fans that need replacing because they are ancient, and are crumbling in the roofers' hands. The decision needs to be made. The wiring leading to the fans is bad too and needs replacing. Next decision.

In the meantime Ulli is checking the club's website and tells me that some items need to be updated. He notices for example the Schlachtfest is not advertised, and then works on the details for the annual traditional 'pork-fest' so that it can be advertised in the Germania Post. Ulli checks with me how the November Germania Post is coming along, did I have all the reports? I tell him I do

except the President's report, this stress he really didn't need. So I said 'I'll write something for you'.

You can say that Ulli takes on too much, and wants to know everything that is going on, and you would be correct. Is that a bad thing? Maybe sometimes, but this is work that needs to be done. When we elected a board this year, we didn't find a public relations director, nor a second treasurer, and a second secretary, and no business director. So who do you suppose is jumping in when these jobs need to be done? Ulli. I used to listen to a radio show in the morning, and they had a segment called "chickenman" they started the segment with 'he's

everywhere, he's everywhere'. Ulli reminds me of that; he's everywhere. Luckily Ulli has members that will help him when called on. Some will go ahead and start the work to help. This club runs on volunteers, all clubs do. I took this opportunity to write 'for' Ulli, so we all can see just a bit of what goes on. Don't forget we are only at 9:15am. Most everyone likes a thank you for what they do as a volunteer. Next time you see Ulli, let him know we appreciate all that he does. Thank You goes a long way. Oh, and ladies I know he appreciates a hug once and a while too.

David



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Presented by the Germania Club
Frauenverein "Ladies Auxiliary"

DATE: Sunday, November 19, 2017

WHERE: Germania Club (Large Hall)
863 King Street East, Hamilton

TIME: 11am - 3pm
\$1.00 entrance fee (Door Prize)





Choral Notes

Fall is finally here, after a very beautiful September. When was the last time we could sit outside on Thanksgiving? The Choir sang at the opening of Stiftungsfest, preceding a very nice dinner. "Urkunden" were presented to those who are members of the Germania Club between 10-65 years. On Oct. 28, we will celebrate our annual Weinfest. Two guest choirs will also join us. All Club members are of course invited. There will

be wine tasting, presented by our favourite and very generous Reif Estate Winery from Niagara on the Lake.

The Choir is now feverishly practising for our Christmas concert on December 3rd. We will also participate on the 5th of November in the Memorial service in Germania Park. So you see, seasons come and go for all of us.

Birthdays in November are celebrated by Kurt Wolfsgruber and Sigrid Bachmann. We wish both of you a Happy Birthday.

Greetings

Jeanet Schaefer

Sunday Lunch

Sunday, November 26, 2017
Open from 12:00pm - 2:00pm

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Es spielt "Ewiger Walzer"



Werner Grote biography: 50 year Germania Club membership celebration, 2017.

Werner was born on the 14th of June, 1943 in Spahn, Niedersachsen, Germany. He attended public school from 1949 until 1957, and after that completed a three year apprenticeship for electrician. He met his wife Agnes at the school where he studied for his apprenticeship. Agnes was studying sales at the same school.

In 1961 he joined the Bundeswehr. Agnes and Werner were engaged in 1963, before she went to Canada to be with her sister. Werner joined her in 1965. He arrived on the boat "Arcadia". Agnes was waiting for him in Quebec City. They then came to Hamilton.

They got married, 1966 in St. Boniface Church in Hamilton. Werner became a member of the Germania Club and the Fishers & Hunters in 1967, where he helped build the rifle range the same year.

After his arrival by boat, he worked for John Hepperle for one year, and after that for West Hamilton Electric, until he started his own business in 1971, "Grote Electric". Since his electrician licence was not recognised in Canada, he made his journeyman license all over again in 1966 and a master license in 1971.

Werner and Agnes were blessed with three children, Elisabeth, Andy, Mariejane and three grandchildren. Sadly Agnes passed away in 2004. After a few more years, in 2007, Werner retired and now enjoys his retirement on Haldibrook Road in Caledonia. His daughter lives next door.

Agnes and Werner were passionate Hummel figurines collectors. Since the passing of Agnes, Werner enjoys continuing the family tradition.

Werner still visits Germany as often as he can. We hope he will be able to enjoy the Germania Club for many more years to come.



48th Steel City Oktoberfest, Sept. 23, 2017

Oktoberfest is one of those German cultural traditions that we celebrate each year at the Germania Club. For the Club membership it is an evening of enjoyment, music, dance, good food and drink, including socializing with friends and family. At the same time, we share this light-hearted fun tradition with all Hamiltonians.

This year Ulrich Venohr who was also the evening's MC, had the honour of welcoming the Mayor of Hamilton, Fred Eisenberger and his wife Diane as guests of honour. The Mayor was on hand for the popular tapping of the keg, and as you can see from the photo, stayed for some time to join in the festivities.

The Haus Band and the Nu-Tones ensured that the dance floor was never empty, and to everyone's delight, the Narragonia dancers were with us, once again.

"Bier stemmen" is always a popular event, and it was so again, this year. A beer king was crowned and was rewarded with some free draught beer for his efforts.

The highlight of the evening was of course the Miss Oktoberfest contest. This year's winner was Miss Michelle Nermerich-Asselin. Michelle speaks fluently German, being the daughter of Theo Nermerich, who has been a club member for more than 50 years. In the past, Oktoberfest at the Club was a family tradition. Mom sadly passed away last year. When asked why she wanted to become Miss Oktoberfest, Michelle replied that she wished to honour the memory of her mother. Congratulations, once again, Michelle.

We were fortunate with the weather as well. The balmy weather, made the outdoor beer garden a popular place to catch one's breath, after enjoying the boisterous activities in the hall.

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make Oktoberfest possible. For our tireless President, Ulrich Venohr, Oktoberfest started with the Pre Oktoberfest dance on Friday Night and ended Sunday afternoon with the cleanup. A huge thank you to our sponsors: Denningers, Foods of the World; Dimpflmeier Bakery; Reif Estate Winery; Bert Rufenach, Denturist; Subaru of Hamilton; TALKA Credit Union, Ltd.; and Mr. Richard A. Wellenreiter, LLP.

Until next year, one last "Prosit der Gemütlichkeit".

Waltraud Schork



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Aus unserem Frauenverein

Another month gone by, and what a change! Last week still the 'Knobel' guys who come every week said 'you have it warm in here' – today, just after Thanksgiving I have to turn the heat on in my house.

Our meeting on Oct. 4 was again well attended by a core group of about 10. The main topic was the upcoming Christmas Bazaar on November 19. We pretty well have the organization down pat now, but new ideas and suggestions are always welcome. If everybody again helps together, we can hopefully make a bunch of money for the Club again! There is still another meeting before that at the beginning of November to fine-tune details. Club President Ulli stopped by the meeting, as he does nearly every month to drop off his wife Ingrid and pick her up again. In the meantime he works around the Club, checks the office, now probably even the roofing work. Driving by the

Club you may have seen the crane and the equipment on the front parking lot. Can we have a Party when it's all finished, please? Like they used to do in Germany when a house was constructed, with a little Christmas tree on the gable?? 'Richtfest' I believe it was called.

Ulli also expressed his appreciation how the Frauenverein, despite dwindling numbers, is still able to support the Club. Very well said, Ulli, it's nice to feel appreciated. So much for the official info. Birthdays we have a few in

November:

Elfriede Halbig	Nov 12
Annemarie Kiss	Nov 12
Dorothea Melms	Nov 14
Jennie Vance	Nov 21
Elisabeth Kirchhoefel	Nov 24

As I mentioned earlier I list also members who for a variety of reasons cannot come to the Frauenverein Meetings (but I see them at general functions), so they are still around! All the Ladies above are under 80, so no ages are mentioned.

Check your Germania Post please. There are a number

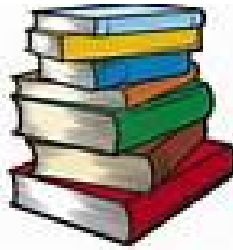


of interesting events coming up (Choir Winefest, Memorial in the Park to name only a few..)

See you at one of them, take care!

Sieglinde Seiler, Secretary (despite some absences I have not been fired yet, thank you).

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Leserkreis Germania=Readers' Circle Germania

Please be advised that our group will resume meeting in the Germania Club Restaurant from 2-4 pm, once a month on the following Tuesdays;

Our fall dates are: Oct 3, Nov. 7 and Dec. 5
(Adventsfeier=Celebration of Advent).

Facilitators are Dieter Eckert and Waltraud Schork.

We are a free-spirited and easy-going group. The impetus for our discussions is usually provided by a book, poem or article, etc. However, our conversations quickly veer off into different, interesting directions.

You, the participants set the tone and provide engaging conversation themes. We are both tolerant of differences, and invite you to share your ideas and areas of interest.

Discussions are held in both German and English.

The goal is ultimately to be sociable and have a great time.

Coffee and cake is available, and the bar can be opened upon request. Please join us for an entertaining afternoon.





Fischer & Jäger

Moin Fisher and Hunter Members and Friends.

First, I must apologise for not attending our Club's 153rd Stiftungsfest on Oct. 1st. Family duty called me away to celebrate my Sister-in-law's 90th Birthday combined with a Family Reunion near Windsor. Oh, what a celebration! But I must congratulate the Germania Club on their 153 years and their many Members of LONG years as Members of this Club. Our very own George Kiss 30 years Member and Werner Grote 50 years. Werner is 50 year Club Member AND 50 years Fisher & Hunter Member. We congratulate you both. Totally awesome.

Congratulations to the Germania Club on a very successful Oktoberfest, the weather was just beautiful and the Schnitzel and Sausages were delicious. Thank You to the many Volunteers. Thanksgiving has come and gone and I hope everyone gave THANKS not only for

their Turkey but for their Loving Family and Friends. We are now looking forward to our Turkey Shoot on Nov. 26th at 10 AM. Please come out and win your Bird for your Christmas Dinner. Speaking of Christmas, the F&H Christmas Dinner and 63rd Stiftungsfest is on Dec. 16th. We will also reward, at this time, our successful JR. Prize Fishermen and Fisher ladies. So, please come out and join us and show these wonderful young People that you care.

Belated Wedding Anniversary Wishes go to George & Annemarie Kiss on Sept. 23(?) and Birthday Wishes to Annemarie on Nov. 12th and Dorothea on Nov. 14th. I'm sure there will be a lot of "Kisses" in the Melms/Kiss household. And to everyone else celebrating a Milestone of their own, Best Wishes. Our next F&H Meeting will be on Nov. 16th at 8PM And please don't forget to wear your Poppies on your chest.

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November Birthdays



Sigrid Bachmann	Annemarie Kiss
Gudrun Boehm-Johnson	Otto Kohlschmidt
Owen Buchan	Agnes Link
Manuela Doolittle-Roehr	Iryna Litvinau
Alex Ewinger	Dorothea Melms
Herbert Herma	Yuli Rotman
Uwe Hillje	Theresa Simpson
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Nov 5	1:00pm	Memorial in the Park
Nov 7	2-4pm	Leserkreis – Reader’s Circle
Nov 10	5-7pm	Fish & Chip Friday
Nov 11	5:00pm	SCHLACHTFEST
Nov 16	8pm	Fisher & Hunter members meeting
Nov 17	5-7pm	Fish & Chip Friday
Nov 19	11am-3pm	Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Bazaar
Nov 24	5-7pm	Fish & Chip Friday
Nov 26	10:00am	Turkey Shoot in the Park
Nov 26	12-2pm	Sunday Lunch – Goulasch
Nov 26	2:30pm	Filmnachmittag - Ewiger Walzer
Nov 28	7:30pm	Members Meeting

VORSCHAU/PREVIEW

Dec 3	2:00pm	Germania Choir Christmas Concert
Dec 5	2-4pm	Leserkreis – Reader’s Circle
Dec 16	5:00pm	Germania Choir Christmas Party
Dec 16	6pm	Fisher & Hunter 63rd Stiftungsfest/Christmas
Dec 17	12:30pm	Germania Club Christmas Party
Dec 31	6:30pm	New Years Eve Dinner/Dance



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