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# **Germania Club Annual General Meeting with Elections**

**Sunday, March 19, 2017  
starting at 10:00am**

**All members are encouraged to attend the annual general meeting. A hot lunch will be available during the break. (approx. Noon)**

**(cancellation due to bad weather  
will be on the voicemail)**

# Sunday Lunch

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

Come and enjoy radicchio salad, with your choice of 3 variations of Schnitzel dinner, dessert included.

\$15.95 plus tax per person.  
Children ages 5- 12 years 1/2 price



## FILMNACHMITTAG

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**>> Film starts at 2:30pm <<**

*Free Admission / Coffee and Cake available.*



## The President's Corner



Dear Members,

Hosting the Volunteer Recognition Dinner was the highlight of the month of January. It was my real pleasure, to say thank you to a group of volunteers, who have gone way beyond expectations, in volunteering countless hours, and expending much effort, on a regular basis, behind the scenes.

I would like to thank Waltraud for her kind words, in recognizing my work and involvement with the Club. Thank you very much. There would be no Germania Club without volunteers.

Some of our volunteer members continue to prepare Sunday lunch, and the movie afternoon. The first Sunday lunch in 2017 was a great success. The restaurant was full, and I counted 45 people in the Great Hall, enjoying the movie afternoon, and coffee and cake with their friends. Thanks again to the volun-

teers for making this a very special Sunday.

By the time you read this article, other club events will have taken place. I will report on those in the next issue.

I would like to send out a reminder to all of you, to become involved; attend the meetings; be informed; be part of a committee; or perhaps take up a position on the Board of Directors. The Germania Club is your club. This is an election year. Attend, be counted, and make your voice heard at the Annual General Meeting on Sunday, March 19th.

Ulrich Venohr,  
President



## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The annual general meeting will be held on Sunday, March 19, 2017. The meeting is open to all members in good standing. This year will be elections for all board positions.

Please think about what YOU could do as a member of the club, we need a strong board. Maybe you could step forward to become a board member, this is your opportunity. Maybe you know someone who you think would be perfect for a position, talk to them and ask them to step forward for a board position.



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## Fischer & Jäger

Moin dear Fisher & Hunter  
Members and Friends

Does “March” not sound good and March Break is coming up soon. Our young Members, I’m sure, are looking forward to this Break. As I’m writing this in February, I know some of our Members and Friends are Ice Fishing, I wish them Good Luck and keep warm out there. We had our Annual Meeting in Feb., but there’s nothing new to report. We hope Brigitte and Joe are WELL and enjoying that Florida Sun. We’ll see you soon. Our Meetings are still the same, every 3rd Thursday of each Month at 8PM. We hope to see some of you Folks there. I don’t know of any Birthdays this Month except for Gary Albrecht, Happy Birthday to you and anyone celebrating a Birthday or Anniversary, Best Wishes to you from you’re Fisher & Hunter Friends.

-- That’s all for now, untill next Month Tschuess and keep safe.

Maggie

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***Knowledge is knowing a  
Tomato is a Fruit. Wisdom  
is knowing that you  
shouldn’t include it in a  
Fruit Salad.***

**Wenn Du mal wieder  
nicht weisst wie es  
weiter gehen soll, hast**

**Du genau Drei  
Moeglichkeiten,  
“aufgeben”, “nachgeben”  
oder “Alles”geben.**





## SKAT REPORT

Better late than never, with apologies that our Christmas Report did not make the February Germania Post. In celebration of our year, people braved the snow storm and we were happy to have 24 players come out to celebrate. Joining our members, we welcomed guests from Kitchener, Ohio and Kelowna. We started early this year, since there were other bookings for Christmas Parties, and this seemed to work well. Lunch was enjoyed by everyone, and we celebrated our year end victors, Club Champion, Horst Kreitzer for the 6th year in a row. Second place was Henry Schultz and third place was myself, Heidi Frank. Congratulations to everyone, and a big thank you for the support from our membership throughout the year. We do manage to bring in some business for the club every Saturday, so hopefully this will continue and maybe

our club will continue to grow. We were honoured this year to welcome two very special guests, firstly, Hans Juergen Steinmetz who has been the ISPA president for Canada for as long as our Club exists, he travelled from Kelowna, BC. Also we welcomed the President from ISPA USA, Bill Thompson, who also has been visiting our club for at least 10 years. A big thank you to Lori, for looking after us so well, not only at the Christmas Party but year round, and a thank you to our Germania Club President, Ulli Venohr, for his well wishes for our continued future. Everyone is welcome, Saturday at 12:30 PM, please come and join us.

Until next time, GB  
Heidi Frank





## Choral Notes

Here we are in the month that heralds the beginning of spring. It cannot come soon enough.

At the moment, not much is happening in the choir. Clement, our pianist, went on holidays to China for several weeks. As a result, Linus has been our accompanist at the piano, and Gertrud has been doing some conducting, since we are practising for George Fisher's birthday party on Feb. 16th.

I have some sad news to report. Karin Platz has passed away. Karin was a long-time active choir member in the past. She had retired to the Heidehof in St. Catharines, but more recently had moved back to Hamilton. Our condolences go out to her family and friends.

We also extend get well wishes to those choir members who are still sick. We hope that they will be able to join us again soon. We miss them. Thank you Waltraud for doing last month's Choral notes.

This month's birthdays are: Waltraud Schork, Netty de Wit, Erika Eigen, and Inge Leitner. We wish you a very Happy Birthday, and to everyone, keep on singing! Greetings Jeanet Schaefer

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE GERMANIA CHOIR 2017

- March 19 Club General Meeting***
- April 13 Choir Meeting***
- April ?? DKSB Meeting***
- April 23 Tag des Liedes London***
- May 06 Stratford 50th Anniversary***
- May 11 Highgate***
- May 27 Choir Spring Concert***
- June 17 Choir Picnic***
- June to Labour Day Summer Holiday***
- August 13 Club Picnic***
- September 07 First Choir Practice***
- October 01 Club Stiftungsfest***
- October ?? DKSB Meeting***
- October 14 Winefest***
- November 05 Memorial Park***
- December 03 Choir Christmas Concert***
- December 15 Brantford***
- December 16 Choir Christmas Party***
- December 17 Club Christmas Party***



## AMENDMENTS TO REGULATIONS & BY-LAWS

The following amendments to the Constitution of the Germania Club of Hamilton, Ontario Regulations & By-laws are recommended by the Germania Club of Hamilton, Board of Directors.

### Article II      Membership

1.3. A Lifetime Member is a member who is 80 years of age or older and has been a member for 20 years or more. Such a member does not pay a membership fee. Starting January 1, 2009, no new members will be added to this category of membership.

Recommendation is to remove the last line.

1.4. An Honourary Member is nominated by the Council of Elders and confirmed at an Annual General Meeting through a 2/3 majority vote. Such a member has earned his/her nomination through outstanding contributions to the Club or the German Community. Such a member does not pay a membership fee. After March, 2006, the Board of Directors will award a certificate or plaque to any member, who is nominated by another member and approved by the Board, for outstanding contribution to the Club or German Community. Such members will be honoured at the annual Stiftungsfests (Anniversaries) without a change in their membership category.

Recommendation is to change “Council of Elders” to “Board of Directors”.

1.5. An Honourary President is nominated by the Council of Elders and confirmed at an Annual General Meeting through a 2/3 majority vote. Such a member earns his/her nomination through outstanding contribution to the German Community in general or the Club in particular. Such a member does not pay a membership fee.

Recommendation is to change “Council of Elders” to “Board of Directors”.



## Article IV Board of Directors, Youth Coordinator & Internal Auditors

### 1. Election of the Board of Directors

1.1 Eligibility – Eligible candidates for election are those members in attendance at the Annual General Meeting who have voting rights and who have been a Club member for at least one year. Candidates must be nominated either by the Nomination Committee or from the floor of the Annual General Meeting. The Chair of a subgroup may be elected but will be required to resign the chair position of the subgroup. Members of the Board of Directors of the Germania Club may not be commercially involved with the Germania Club. Departing members of the board are eligible for re-election. If due to circumstances beyond control, a candidate can be approved through a 2/3 majority vote by the members present at the meeting.

Recommendation is to remove the line “The Chair of a subgroup may be elected but will be required to resign the Chair position of the subgroup.”

## Article V Meeting and their Agendas

3. Election Committee – The Election Committee is elected at the Annual General Meeting with nominations from the floor. The Election Committee consists of a chair and four members. Members of the Election Committee cannot be nominated for a position on the Board of Directors. Members of the Election Committee, with the exception of the Chair, are entitled to vote.

Recommendation is to remove the line “Members of the Election Committee cannot be nominated for a position on the Board of Directors”.





## Aus unserem Frauenverein

I am so sorry I could not contribute for a few months – I could not type, or even bring my arm up to the keyboard. Now I am on the mend, I hope. Looking at the Germania Post I can see all the events I have missed. And thank you to Annemarie and Dorothea for taking over some of my duties. I am sorry also that I have to start my first report in 2017 with sad news: Rose Strinich passed away on January 26 at St. Joseph's Hospital in her 88th year. Before she was in a senior's home. She was quite a character, always made you laugh, very independent, and, as her family said – quite ahead of her time. The Wannars drove her to meetings and outings for quite some time, then after Linda's stroke I took over. Rose loved her food, the outings to Lake Dalrymple and a stopover at the Mandarin in Barrie was always a must. She regretted never having learned to drive herself (her husband would not let her). I am sure we all miss her!!

I made phone calls to advise our members that the March 1 meeting has been changed to Thursday, March 2 since the Club has the traditional Herings-Essen on March 1. A date for our Stiftungsfest has not yet been set

– there also are a few scheduling problems with the Club. In talking to our Ladies I found that just about everybody has a problem getting to the meetings. A few are still working or caring for family members, others are increasingly in bad health (arthritis and or vision), don't feel safe driving evenings anymore, husband is older and has given up driving. A few have moved (Erna Melloh to her daughter in Welland) and have problems getting a ride. Others are scared to walk on snow-covered sidewalks, or even drive in the snow. On the bright side: The days are getting longer already and we can expect a few warmer days inbetween. A few of our Ladies are eternal optimists and they cheer me up. 'no use complaining – it comes like it comes – it'll get better again' and this mostly from people who have been through WW II, had lost everything sometimes several times in their life.

I don't know if we published birthdays, so I'll try to catch up:

Brigitte Parzen Jan 7

Ina Reile Jan 17 90

Trudel Mueller Jan 29 80

Sieglinde Seiler Feb 1

Rita Jansen Feb 15 82

Helga Laqua Feb 26 83

So much for now, stay well, keep warm.

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**50 Year Member:  
- Alto Muhlhuber**

Alto was born on May 16, 1932.

At age 20 he became a baker in Munich and in 1953 immigrated with his friend Max by boat to Canada.

In 1958 he met his wife in Germany, where he was visiting at the time.



Soon afterwards, she joined him in Canada. Together they started a family in 1959 with the birth of a daughter Lotte.

In 1966, he became a member of the Germania Club. There they made many friends and enjoyed many good times.

Alto worked as a baker in Canada. He started making Pumpernickel bread, because it was not known here, and he continued to do so for a number of years.

Afterwards he worked as an assembler at Ford in Oakville for many years and later was promoted to Inspector for 20 years until his retirement.

Congratulations Alto for many years as a faithful member of the Germania Club.

# FISH & CHIPS

## FRIDAYS

Traditional Fish & Chips with coleslaw on the side

**\$9.95** incl tax

**5:00pm—7:00pm**

**March 10, 2017**

**March 17, 2017**

**March 24, 2017**

**March 31, 2017**

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# March Birthdays



Werner Anders  
 Gabriela Apostol  
 George Apostol  
 Linda Bulmer  
 Jane (Netty) De Wit  
 Erika Eigen  
 Joe Feduszczak  
 Brian Felgner  
 Karl-Heinz Gross  
 Gisela Harwood

Jean (Jeanie) Hope  
 Paul Jaeckle  
 Hans Knoedler  
 John Kohl  
 Inge Leitner  
 Stefan Muensterteicher  
 Waltraud Schork  
 Gerry Schuster  
 Egon Ueberholz

## DONATIONS

### Germania Club

Oskar Bauerle - \$50 in memory of his wife Ella  
 John R. Fischl - \$100 in memory of August & Theresa Fischl

## NEW MEMBERS

Thomas Rademacher  
 Carola Hallmann  
 Bill & Nancy McMenemy  
 Kevin Perl

## MEMBERSHIP FEES 2017

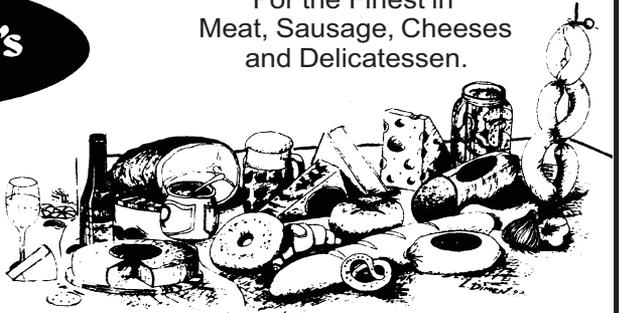
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Mar 1	5:30pm	Ash Wednesday – Fish Dinner
Mar 10	5-7pm	Fish & Chips Friday
Mar 10	8:00pm	Friday Night Dance
Mar 16	8:00pm	Fisher & Hunter members meeting
Mar 17	5-7pm	Fish & Chips Friday
Mar 19	10:00am	Annual General Meeting
Mar 24	5-7pm	Fish & Chips Friday
Mar 24	8:00pm	Friday Night Dance
Mar 26	12-2pm	Sunday Lunch 3 var of Schnitzel
Mar 26	2:30pm	Filmnachmittag – “Nick Knatterton”
Mar 31	5-7pm	Fish & Chips Friday

**VORSCHAU/PREVIEW**

Apr 7	5-7pm	Fish & Chips Friday
Apr 14	5-7pm	Fish & Chips Friday
Apr 15	12:00pm	Easter Egg Hunt in the Park
Apr 20	8:00pm	Fisher & Hunter members meeting
Apr 21	5-7pm	Fish & Chips Friday
Apr 25	7:30pm	Members Meeting
Apr 28	5-7pm	Fish & Chips Friday
Apr 30		Fisher & Hunter MAIFEST
Apr 30	12-2pm	Sunday Lunch – Pork Roll-Roast
Apr 30	2:30m	Filmnachmittag – “Eine Frau fürs ganze leben”



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