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Germania Post



From the archives; Photo of a busy Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Bazaar. Cake and Coffee, great shopping, and gemütlichkeit. See you all NEXT year at the annual popular event.



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The President's Message



Well, once again, I find myself about to conduct the task of writing my message for the Germania Post.

This has been a very trying time for the club and its membership and once again, we have had to cancel our Annual General Meeting because of the COVID 19 and most of our remaining activities for 2020. The decisions to cancel them was not an easy one to make but one which we feel very strongly about in order to protect our membership and employees. For all intense and purposes it appears

as though the second wave is sadly upon us and we must all remember the necessity of wearing a mask and the social distancing aspect to not only protect ourselves but our families and friends.

We are trying to keep the membership informed of upcoming events and items which may be of interest thru the Germania Post. Reach out to your friends in the Club and find out how they are doing in this very trying time.

Hopefully all of this will be over and behind us before we know it. Enjoy the fall weather and above all, stay safe.

Garry Bulmer



View of lake Niapenco from the Germania Park





Fischer & Jäger

Moin Fischer and Hunter Members and Friends,

The fall season is upon us and it's time to get your woollies out to keep warm. And that includes the hunting season. I'm looking forward to some fresh moose and/or venison roasts courtesy of my Son John, maybe even some fresh Fish. Speaking of hunting, we have decided not to hold our annual Turkey Shoot this year. Sorry but this year we will all need to buy our own Christmas turkey.

I must correct a mistake I made in the October Germania Post. I failed to mention that Alexander and Logan were also at Moon Basin and that it was Alexander that caught the only fish, not Travis. Sorry Boys.

I have only two Birthdays for this

Month, Annemarie Kiss (Nov.12) and her Mutti Dorothea Melms (Nov.14). Alles Liebe und Gute zu Eurem Wiegenfest. And to all others that are celebrating a special Milestone, Happy Birthday or whatever it is, Best Wishes to all of you from all of us.

We will not be holding our normal next meeting in November. We have already planned for our annual Christmas/Stiftungs Event in Decemeber. We are hopeful that we can still have our event as usual. Keep happy and Healthy and remember, "We shall never know all the good that a simple SMILE can do"

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Aus unserem Frauenverein

By the time you read these lines, we will have celebrated Thanksgiving – so differently than in years gone by – but hopefully in good health having counted all the blessings bestowed on us and our families in the past year.

I know, I did amongst a few but very close family members, surrounded by the gorgeous colours of nature.

Our Frauenverein had a lovely get-together on October 7th with Ellen Pezzetta showing us a few more items that Epicure has to offer. Some of our members were introduced to the healthy way of preparing meals. Some typical Epicure baked goodies were served with our coffee. It was an enjoyable evening, although it was overshadowed by all kinds of sad news. First of all, our good friend, Waltraud Schork, had to be admitted to the hospital the previous day having suffered a stroke. She was able to go home the same day, but needed to go back for further testing. We wish you all the best, Waltraud. I hope you'll be able to join us again very soon!

Then several of our members had lost a family member; Jeanet

Schaefer's sister-in-law in Holland had passed away; and also Eva Kolwes' brother in Germany had also passed. To both of you, our deepest wishes of condolence.

Then we also had reason to cheer up a little celebrating Uschi Schien's and Lori Kramolowsky's birthdays in October. All the best to you both, stay healthy and happy! Also our youngest supporting member, Samantha Kiss – Annemarie's daughter – also celebrated her birthday. To you, Sam, also a very happy birthday!

Now, to our meetings, the November meeting has been cancelled.

On December 2nd, we are hoping to celebrate Christmas with a lovely dinner at the Germania Club. Of course, things may change, but hopefully, we'll be able to go through with it. A gift exchange will take place – it is strictly voluntary – if you bring a gift (value approx.. \$20.--) you will receive a gift.

If a change should occur, we would certainly notify everyone beforehand.

And now dear ladies, stay healthy and happy; think of new ideas to stay positive and try to be creative! Another reminder about our fundraiser. Annemarie has brought in the masks with the imprint "Germania Club – Stronger together".



They look very distinguished. They sell for \$10.—each or 2 for \$15.—in colours of black, dark green or red. If you wish to order any, please contact either Annemarie @ 289-253-8955 or annemarie62@gmail.com; or myself at 905-730-6447 or bparzen@cogeco.ca.

Till December, I remain,
Your Frauenverein Connection,
Brigitte Parzen



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Choral Notes

Dear members,

As I m writing this, there is still a bit of warm sunny weather, with the buzz of lawn mowers as people hope that maybe this will be the last cut of the year. I on the other hand hope for the weather to remain for a while, suspending the autumn colour change.

Normally we would report how the Germania Choirs sang at the Germania Club's anniversary celebration, and would be participating with a few appropriate selections at the club memorial in the Germania Park. Singing, which we all know is good for us physically and for our soul, is now taboo, at least in groups, and without being shielded. Huh.

At this point we are all looking forward to that first choir practice, that first bumpy school bus trip to *ANYWHERE* to sing as a choir again. No complaints of it costs too much, the driver went the wrong way, we had to leave before it is over, my car is too cold, the wind blew my hair around, you were supposed to wear this skirt and blouse or that tie. No. Please let us just get back to normal and sing as

a choir.

At this point there is no chance for our annual Christmas Concert that we have held for twenty-seven years in a row. Our President Hedda, is preparing with the hope that we can have our annual Christmas party at the club. At least maybe one last bastion of normal.

Our Lore Schaefer has had an intense surgery and Waltraud Schork has suffered a stroke. Both strong ladies are at home 'doing what the doctors say' and recovering. We wish you both the very best in your recovery, and hope to see you soon back in good health.

Birthday wishes, which usually are accompanied by a song or two, go out to Gudrun Boehm-Johnson who will celebrate on November 9 and Sigrid Bachmann who will celebrate on November 26. Best wishes for a great day, and the following year full of Joy!

In case you are wondering I stole this task of writing an article for this month. How does the saying go?, 'it's easier to beg for forgiveness'?

Lied hoch!,

David

*"keep your chin up
- even if your neck
is dirty"*





We remember those members who have passed away in the last year. We will not be having our regular memorial in the park this year due to Covid-19. The remembrance name plaques will be attached to the memorial wall, and flowers will be laid. We will have a photo in the next issue.

Ursula Kannenberg

Geb. Oct 14, 1939 - Ges. Okt 21, 2019

Ewald Zielke

Geb. Jun 14, 1933 - Ges. Nov. 16, 2019

Linda Wanner

Geb. Okt. 3, 1946 - Ges. Dez. 27, 2019

Hugo Kirchhoefel

Geb. Feb. 28, 1937 - Ges. Jan. 16, 2020

Sigrid Whelan

Geb. Sep. 5, 1938 - Ges. Feb. 2, 2020

Wilhelm 'Willi' Kuehlem

Geb. Okt. 2, 1940 - Ges. Apr. 21, 2020

Karl Heinz Gross

Geb. Mar 14, 1924 - Ges. May 26, 2020

Katherine W. Wahrlich

Geb. May 8, 1930 - Ges. Jun. 1, 2020

Otto Kohlschmidt

Geb. Nov. 20, 1929 - Ges. June 11, 2020

“Do not stand at my grave and weep”

Do not stand at my grave and weep;
I am not there. I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow.
I am the diamond glints on snow.
I am the sunlight on ripened grain.
I am the gentle autumn rain.

When you awaken in the morning's hush
I am the swift uplifting rush
Of quiet birds in circled flight.
I am the soft stars that shine at night.
Do not stand at my grave and cry;
I am not there. I did not die.

Mary Elizabeth Frye
1905-2004



From your 1st Social Director

Well, we have tried to offer a few more events to our members. We have shown two English movies and one German one; the second one will also be behind you by the time you read this article.

Klaus Ludecke tried very hard to offer a great selection; however, our members showed very little interest or perhaps, they are afraid of the “Big, Bad Covid”, so we decided to discontinue the movies until further notice.

We thank Klaus for all his efforts; we really appreciate them very much.

Due to our secretary Waltraud Schork's stroke, the Kultur Event also had to be cancelled.

We wish Waltraud all the best and hope to see her in our midst again very soon.

Until next month, dear members, stay healthy and in good spirits!
Your 1st Soc. Director,

Brigitte Parzen

*In 10-20 years
people
will ask...*

*Where were you
when COVID-19
started?*

*Did you wear
a mask to
go shopping?
go into a restaurant?
be with friends?*

*Did you use Zoom?
or Skype, or Google?
Did you wash your
hands often?*

*Did you stay home
in your 'bubble'?
and eat take-out
every other night?*

*Wow, that must
have been tough
I couldn't
do all that...*





Thank You so much to all members, Culture Circle, the Choir, the board of directors and many friends who called, sent flowers, sent many lovely cards, and encouraging words of support. You cannot imagine how greatly this outpouring of support is appreciated by me and is helping in my recovery. I hope to see you all soon. Lore Schaefer



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From our constitution:

As one of the oldest German club in Canada, the Germania Club looks back on a rich history. The purpose of the club is to provide all members with the opportunity to cultivate the German language and customs, to promote German cultural values through social interaction and song, and to take part in the cultural development of Canada. As a Member of the Germania Club, I will help the club with its purpose, and pledge to support the club by participating and volunteering for club functions and events.

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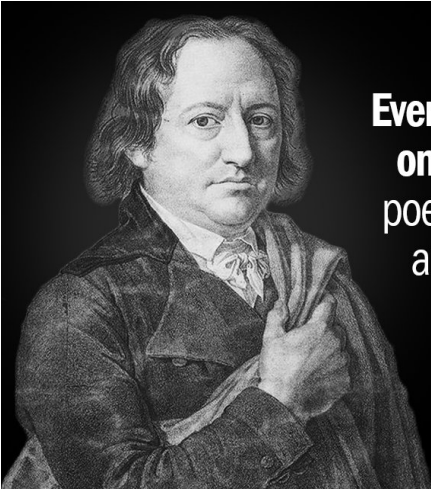
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Every day we should hear at least one little song, read one good poem, see one exquisite picture, and, if possible, **speak a few sensible words.**

— *Johann Wolfgang von Goethe*

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November Birthdays

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Alex Ewinger	Yuli Rotman
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We thank Svenja Brandt for her generous donation of all the Plexiglass guards in the large hall.

We all need to wear a mask in the club at all times. You may remove your mask when eating or drinking. All guests need to remain seated other than to go to the washroom, or to go to the bar to pick up a drink or food. These are City by-laws that we must follow.

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Nov 20 5pm-7pm Fish & Chips Fridays**
Nov 24 7:00pm Members Meeting Via Zoom
Nov 27 5pm-7pm Fish & Chips Fridays - **
chef's special Liver & Onions

Preview

- Dec 2 Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Party
Dec 4 5pm-7pm Fish & Chips Fridays**
Dec 11 5pm-7pm Fish & Chips Fridays**
Dec 12 Fisher and Hunter Christmas/Anniversary Party
Dec 18 5pm-7pm Fish & Chips Fridays** *special Liver & Onions*
Dec 19 Choir Christmas Party

****Please Note:**

All Social activities have a Limited Number of spaces available. You need to reserve by calling the office so that we can place single people, couples and families with proper social distancing. Masks need to be worn as per City by-law 20-155.



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