

VERANGSTALTUNGEN - SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

- Oct 2 5pm-7pm Fish & Chips Fridays**
Oct 4 2pm Film Afternoon "McLintock"**
Oct 7 7:30pm Ladies Auxiliary Meeting**
Oct 9 5pm-7pm Fish & Chips Fridays**
Oct 14 2pm-4pm Kulturkreis Germania**
Oct 15 8pm Fisher and Hunter Meeting**
Oct 16 5pm-7pm Fish & Chips Fridays**
Oct 23 5pm-7pm Fish & Chips Fridays**
Oct 25 2:00pm Filmnachmittg – **
"Monsieur Claude und seine Töchter"
Oct 27 7:00pm Members Meeting Via Zoom
Oct 30 5pm-7pm Fish & Chips Fridays**

****Please Note:**

*All Social activities have a Limited Number of spaces available.
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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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Sunday October 4

Starts 2:00pm

Feature Film -

"McLINTOCK!"

A western comedy from 1963 with John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara
Pre-film-

"Grand Ole Opry

- Legends of Country Music"

English Language Film



Free Admission - Coffee and Cake Available

October Birthdays

Carlos Andermarchi	Karin Polap
Brunhilde Cawi	Harry Rischke
Karen Dingfeld	Ursula Schien
Paul Hamburg	Daniel Simo
Gunter Heitland	Ulrich Venohr
Erwin Hiller	Robert A. Wegner
Lori Ann Kramolowsky	Magdalena Weller
Richard Kramolowsky	
Brigitte Kurtz	
Richard Neupert	

Donations

Janet Feduszcak \$500.00

We all need to wear a mask in the club at all times. You may remove your mask when eating or drinking. All people 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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Sunday October 25

Starts 2:00pm



Hauptfilm -

**"Monsieur Claude und
seine Töchter"**

Eine französische Komödie von 2014 in
deutscher Sprache.

Vorfilm

"Supertreffer der Volksmusik"

Free Admission -
Coffee and Cake Available



can of course derail the best laid plans.

Next month we are profiling the Bundesland Bayern. So come prepared to have some fun, armed with your topics with a Bavarian twist.

Until then, keep safe dear Kulturkreisler
Waltraud Schork



Choir Picnic in the Park

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The Secretary's Corner



The Germania Club in the Time of COVID 19.

Dear Members,
After almost 6 months of a complete shutdown, the Germania Club opened its doors once again to its membership at the beginning of September. The Frauenverein met on Sept. 2. On Sept. 6, a get-together for our members in Germania Park was immensely enjoyed by some of our members. This was followed in quick succession by the Culture Circle Germania on Wednesday, "Fish and Chips" in the restaurant on Friday, the Choir picnic on Saturday in Germania Park and a movie in the clubhouse on Sunday. Attendance was lower for all events than the allowable limits set by the provincial guidelines. Understandably there is still a great deal of concern among our membership with the spread of the disease.

Besides providing long-missed and joy-filled contact among the membership, the events for the Board, were also a litmus test to see if we

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not cooperate. Travis caught one Bass and of course one got away .LITERALLY! All in all we had beautiful Weekend.

Birthdays we have one, Samantha Kiss, Happy Birthday to you. and one Anniversary, Annemarie and George Kiss. Stay kind to each other and Love each other for ever. We have our annual meeting on September 17th, so I will have more to report then in the next Post.

Until next time
Tschuess Maggie
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*Life is pretty short,
if you don't look
around once in a
while , you're going
to miss it.*

Margitta Untch
Auf Wiedersehen

Moin Fischer & Hunter Members and Friends

First and foremost I hope everyone is in good health and in good spirits during these crazy times. I also hope you all had a nice and relaxing summer. I sure did at my trailer in Westmont Rose Trailer Park near Elmira. I'm only 15 min. from home, which is nice.

Our Family Weekend at Moon Basin was very nice. Each family had their own cottage, cooked their own meals, 5 Families in all with Brigitte & Joe, Annemarie & George, Dorothea & Eric, Brian & Jack, Rick & Diane, Andrew, Diane, James, and Travis & me. The water was warm but the Fish did



Dear Members,

In March, at our most recent Culture Circle get together, one of our themes was being lonely or alone. Who would have thought that we would get to experience the difference between those two words first hand through the pandemic that overtook us so quickly? Over the ensuing days, weeks and months, the saying, "No man is an island unto himself" imprinted itself on ourselves as we struggled to retain some sort of normalcy in the rhythm of our daily lives. Our world had suddenly shrunk enormously as venues and businesses became shuttered and restrictions were placed on our movements by new safety regulations. For many of us the Germania Club was an important aspect of our social life and interaction with friends and acquaintances. It too had shut down, and we suddenly did feel stranded and isolated.

However, here we are once again, 6 months later, taking our first tentative steps into our new social re-

ality of social bubbles, face masks and social distancing. Our first get together on Wednesday was smaller than usual, about 20 of us found their way to the Club. We were of course ecstatic to see each other. The government rules definitely put a damper on the usual spontaneity of the group, but the ambience became definitely much more relaxed as the afternoon progressed and by the end of the afternoon, most agreed that we passed a few entertaining hours. The important factor was without any doubt at all, that we were spending time with each other. Dieter and I expressed our gratitude to all the volunteers. Thank you Hilde Bittner, Erika Eigen and Karin Dingfeld for the lovely cakes. Hedda and her team of volunteers spent the morning getting the hall ready for us. Thank you.

Lore Schaefer is now at home again recuperating from her operation. Dear Lore, get better soon, so you can join us again. As well, dear Otto, we hope you are well again. Karin Dingfeld had to phone us at the last minute before the event to cancel their participation.

Our next get together is planned for Wednesday, Oct. 14 at 2:pm at the Club. The spread of the virus

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Fisher and Hunter Family Weekend at Moon Basin



The Germania Choir Picnic in the Germania Park



Aus unserem
Frauenverein

A happy gathering was found at the Germania Club on Wednesday, Sept. 6th. I believe it was the very first event in the Club since early March.

Credit goes to Hedda, who has worked tirelessly to bring the place up to Covid standards.

Our meeting was attended by 11 members and a special guest, as we sat well-distanced and tried to figure out who was who behind our masks.

Our special guest, Eva Kuehlem, had been a member of the Frauenverein for many years in the past. Sadly, she won't be rejoining us since she has other commitments on the day of our meetings. It had been very nice to see you, Eva and we enjoyed catching up with you.

Many birthdays were celebrated; but, especially our Treasurer's, Jeanet Schaefer, who reached the milestone of 75 years. All the best to all!

Our next meeting will be on October 7, at 7:30pm. I hope to see you all there.

As per Annemarie, our president, she wishes to advise as follows:

"Sadly, after much discussion and planning, it was decided to skip

our popular Bazaar this year. We just couldn't guarantee a safe environment for everyone; and we definitely couldn't have the "gemuetliche" atmosphere that we have all grown to love.

We'll be back in 2021 – thank you to all who have supported us in the past.

The Frauenverein is selling non-medical reusable face masks. They are 100% prewashed cotton and have been customized to say "Germania Club Stronger Together." This is a fund raiser to replace some of the lost income from the bazaar. The masks are selling for \$10.—ea. Or 2/\$15.—"

I think that's a wonderful positive gesture from Annemarie; so please, support us and the Germania Club by purchasing several of these masks. They should be available at most Club functions. Looking forward to seeing you on Oct.7th to enjoy some Epicurean specialties.

It would be appreciated if you would let us know if you are planning to attend.

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

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So lets all work together, so that we can continue to see each other. As a Board we are not claiming to be infallible. We can make a mistake in judgment. We are asking you to support us and to understand that all our decisions are and will be For the Good of the Germania Club.

Keep safe, dear friends and all of the Board hopes to see you soon at the Club.

Your Board Secretary
Waltraud Schork



Congratulations to Heather and Richard on their recent marriage.

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could open the Club safely to our aging and therefore, as we know, vulnerable segment of the population to the ravages of the corona virus. The Board knew that we needed to ensure that all government protocols with regard to sanitizing, mask-wearing, social-distancing and contact tracing had to be strictly observed.

The Board and all its volunteers worked very hard to put all the mechanisms in place to ensure that the get-togethers were safe for our membership. You let us know how much you missed human contact and we tried to be sensitive to the mental health issues that can arise from prolonged isolation.

We were able to determine fairly quickly that smaller events were easier to control than those with more attendance. We also became more concerned as that first week of events unfolded that not all attendees were following the protocols imposed by the government. I think all of us are aware of all the protocols. We are bombarded with them on a daily basis. Wearing a facial mask under the nose is not proper protocol. Mingling with less than 2 metres distance without a facial mask is not proper protocol if you are not part of a bubble.

The Board can only do so much, the rest is up to you. So we ask that for any future Club events, you wear your mask properly if you can, when required, because you see, the other person wearing the mask is protecting "you" but if you don't wear yours, then you are not protecting them. We are asking you to practice some neighbourly love if you are not part of a bubble, even if it goes against your personal conviction that we are over-blowing the problem or in some cases, that it is non-existent. Keeping in mind the rising numbers for COVID-19 infections, the Board has to rethink the approach to the re-opening. We may have to curtail larger events for the time being.

Just one more thing. Our President from the beginning advised to err on the side of caution and postpone a re-opening. We certainly did not take his advice lightly, however, as a Board we relented to countless requests from our membership to at least try to have some have some events. It was summer and both of the larger events were held outside. We do care about the mental health of our members. We are social beings and crave human interaction. We are still hopeful that we can proceed with our smaller events as fall and winter approach.



Choral Notes

On Saturday, September 12th, after several days of unpredictable cool, rainy, and cloudy weather, our President Hedda, picked the perfect day to organize our annual choir picnic in and around the Fisher and Hunter Hall at the Germania Park.

There was wine to celebrate, individual bags of chips for each person for an hors d'oeuvre, and there was a beautiful dinner of garden salad, roast pork, mashed potatoes, and mixed vegetables, prepared by Chef Ray at the downtown Club, and brought to the Park for us to enjoy. A beautiful piece of "Zwetschkuchen", served with a dollop of whipped cream and coffee, had us sighing with contentment.

We were very good in terms of

wearing masks - except to eat, of course - and keeping a safe distance from each other. Some members brought their own lawn chairs, or carried the Hunter Hall chairs out onto the lawn. Others sat in small groups at the large picnic tables that belong to the Park. After a half year of no social gathering, it was truly wonderful for us to see each other and get caught up with each other's lives.

Thank you Hedda for the many hours that you spent organizing our dinner and preparing the facilities according to ministry Covid guidelines.

Because of the pandemic restrictions, we could not give a Ständchen to Jeanet Schaefer, who had a birthday on September 1st, and to Arthur Wagenblast, who celebrated on the 9th: Viel Glück und viel Segen to you both.

Mit frohem Sängergruß, Gudrun

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A report from your 1st Social Director

Well, we have finally had our first social gathering, and it was so wonderful to see people's faces lighting up as they saw familiar faces arriving covered in masks, some didn't even recognize each other.

It was a jolly crowd that gathered in our beautiful Germania Park; the weather god was with us; food and drink was enjoyed; and, our musical director, Klaus, provided lovely music as a background.

A great big "Thank You" goes out to all our volunteers; beginning with our ever-reliable fence engineer, Dave Blosser, who had just returned from his vacation, to do this big job according to David Simon's detailed description according to requirements.

Thank you to all donors, whether it was money, or donations of supplies or delicious cakes!

Last but not least, "thank you" to all the workers before, during or after the event!

Without you, the show could not have gone on!

Let us keep working together for our great Germania Club!

My motto has always been "The more you put into something, the more you get out of it!"



September 6th Gathering inn the Park

