# Germania Post













## IN MEMORIAM ERWIN SCHIEN

In memory of our dear father, grandfather and great grandfather who passed away on February 21, 2011



You will never be forgotten.

Manfred (Linda), Helga Grandchildren Erika (Kris) Jeff (Melissa) Melissa (Justin) and great grandchildren Alexander, Keaton, Cooper, Max, Alex, Will and Hayley

Loved and forever missed

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# The President's Message



2021. Did we ever think that we were going to get there? It has been an extremely trying time for all of us.

Since this pandemic hit us almost a year ago it has been a series of ups and downs and for those of us who have hit somewhat a milestone in our lives, a scary time. This last month and a half has been obviously the worst: not being able to spend the holidays with family and friends, especially for Christmas. But as a friend said to me there is always next year. At least that gives us something to look forward to.

The situation at the Club has been somewhat the same: a series of ups and downs starting with the cancellation of last year's General Meeting. We have struggled through having to make changes in the way we can meet, as the Province changed the numbers that could gather. We re-opened the restaurant for our weekly fish fries only to have them cancelled once again. Your Board has continued

to meet virtually in the hope that we would be able to once again offer our membership the chances to meet and socialize. At the present time the prospect of doing this seems to diminish every day. Listening to the news this morning where the province has said that until the numbers get below 1000, we will remain in lockdown.



Let's all hope and pray that this will soon be behind us and we can get back to some semblance of normalcy. I trust this short note will find all in good health and remember follow health guidelines and stay safe.

Garry Bulmer President

"It has been an extremely trying time for all of us."





## Fischer & Jäger

Moin Fischer and Hunters Members and Friends, Here we are in February 2021 and Covid 19 is still keeping us apart. If it weren't for ZOOM you wouldn't see your Family and Friends and have a meal with them. But this too shall pass, hopefully soon. Always remember to forget the troubles that pass your way; but never forget the Blessings that come your way.

Speaking of ZOOM, we are having a ZOOM Meeting on March 07 at 7PM. Fisher and Hunters and Members, please call Rick at your earliest convenience to let him know that you like to join us. Birthdays we have Ziggie Seiler,

Goran Predojevic and Joe Parzen.

Wishing you all a very Happy, Healthy Birthday.

Success is;

At age 4 success is not piddling in your pants

At age 12 success is having Friends At age 17 success is having a drivers licence

At age 35 success is having money At age 50 success is having money At age 70 success is having a drivers licence

At age 75 success is having friends At age 80 success is not piddling in your pants

Happy Valentine's Day everyone Tschuess Maggie 519 746 2619 highwayhoney44@ gmail.com

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Margitta Untch Auf Wiedersehn







Wow! It's almost the first Anniversary of the terrible Pandemic; who would have thought we would be in worse shape now than early in 2020! But there is light at the end of the tunnel -- vaccinations have begun; and since none of us are spring chickens any longer, we should have our turn very soon! Until then, dear members, be positive, stay well and happy!

And now, I want to apologize to Annemarie! Last month I forgot to thank her for being so thoughtful before Christmas and personally delivering a beautiful poinsettia plant to each of our members, seeing our most beloved Christmas Dinner & celebration had to be cancelled due to Covid. Thank you so much, Annemarie for being such a sweet person!

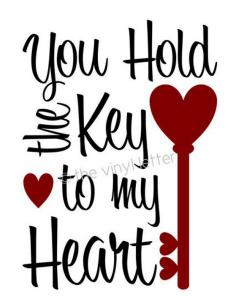


All our birthday children, we wish good health, happiness and celebrations – Covid style – appreciating our wonderful families and super friends. They are on Feb.1st Sigi Seiler, on Feb. 26th Helga Laqua, on March 5th Waltraud Schork, on March 15th Erika Eigen and last but not least, on March 25th Inge Leitner. All the best to you all.

Now in anticipation of better days ahead and spring not being too far away, I remain,

Your Frauenverein Connection

Brigitte Parzen





## MEMBERSHIP DUES

The Germania Club membership fees are now due. Membership renewal is due by January 31st

Student \$32
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Thanks to David Simon, in spite of the Covid restrictions, those members of the Club who have internet connections are able to stay in touch with virtual meetings. Last week, for example, the choir had its own zoom rendezvous, and, among others, it was great to see Netty DeWit on the screen from her home in Utrecht. Those who cannot participate in our virtual meetings try to stay in touch by phone, and it seems that currently our choir members, even those who have had serious health issues during the past year, are now doing well, eagerly anticipating an end to the current stay-at-home orders.

Many happy returns go out to Anneliese Walthers, who is celebrating a birthday on February 12th, and to Erika Mildenberger, whose birthday is on February 26th. We wish you "viel Glück und viel Segen auf all Euren Wegen" - even if, for the time being, you must continue to stay home. Eventually there will be an end to this pandemic, and we will all be able to

celebrate with friends and family! Hedda can't wait to have a picnic for all of us to observe our birthdays "im Kreise der Lieben", meaning with all choir members. She definitely has made plans for happier days.

In the meantime, make the best of your leisure stay at home, don't spend all day cleaning and tidying! Remember, you're not having company (and your cat and/or dog don't mind chasing dust bunnies), put on your favourite radio station or CD, and sing along. This, too, shall pass...

Mit frohem Sängergruss, Gudrun







## Germania Club of Hamilton

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## Antrag auf Mitgliedschaft / Membership Application

Family Name:	First Name:
Street:	
City/Town:	Province: Postal Code
Tel:	Email Address:
Date of Birth:	Type of Membership: Single □; Family □
For Family: Name of Spouse:	
Date of Birth of Spouse:	
	Date of Birth:
	Date of Birth:
(If more than two children please list on re-	verse side of this form.)
Nominated by:	Seconded by:
Annual Membership Dues \$ payable with application. Please add \$5 for first time processing costs and attach full payment to this form. Annual dues due by February 1.  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.  Signature(s) of Applicant(s):	
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# Notes from the Secretary

Dear Members,

I hope that you are in good health as you read this article. Our President already pointed out, that we are in a difficult situation at the moment, however we are hopeful that the long shadows that COVID-19 has cast upon us will soon be behind us and the Germania Club, including our beautiful Germania Park will be there once more for us to enjoy.

Dear Friends, more than ever we count on you for your support. Even though we are officially closed, our properties still need to be maintained. You can help us tremendously by renewing your membership for 2021. The Club Secretary can still be contacted in the Club Office every Tuesday and Thursday from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm.



As you know, under normal circumstances elections would have been held at the upcoming Annual General Meeting. We ask for your

patience and we assure you that the meeting will be called at the earliest opportunity, after the restrictions are lifted.

Last year the Board of Directors asked the Council of Elders to have a look at the Park and Campers Rules and Regulations of the Germania Club (2019). The rules had become more difficult to interpret over time. The Council of Elders recommended the breaking up of the rules into the following three documents:

- (A) Rules and Regulations of the Germania Club Campgrounds
- (B) Job description for the Germania Park Manager
- (C) Internal Regulations and Bylaws of the Campers' Group.

After discussions, both (A) and (B) were passed by the Board.

The Board of Directors appreciates that the Council of Elders tackled (A) and they deserve our thanks for this tremendous effort. The Board of Directors handled (B). The Camper's Executive will now of course create (C), their subgroup's Campers Rules.

I also wish to inform you, that effective March 31, 2021, I will be resigning my position as Board Secretary for health reasons. However, I hope to continue together with Dieter Eckert as facilitator of

the Kulturkreis. I am grateful to all of you who have jumped in and filled my shoes. I especially want to thank Brigitte Parzen who was an excellent secretary during so many months last year. Thank you so very much, Brigitte.

Last but not least, Klaus Ludecke is keeping a list of films on hand that he is willing to screen for us at the earliest opportunity. He also informed us that the European Football Championship will take place between June 11 – July 11, 2021. Germany will play their 1st game on June 15. Let's keep our fingers crossed that we will be able to enjoy the games at the Club.

Dear Members, until next time, keep yourself and others safe. Best Regards Waltraud Schork

## About the front page: The Germania Club has made

a pledge to keep our employees, volunteers, members and guests who visit our club safe from the Corona virus. We will do this by wearing a mask when required, cleaning and disinfecting, washing hands, maintaining physical distance and staying home if unwell.

This pledge is called **POST Promise.** 

The other logo is the "Shop Local. Shop Safe." from the province of Ontario which promotes shopping locally when you can to support your neighbours, and the same 4 measures that we all know to keep us virus free.







## **February Birthdays**

William Anger Erika Bastel Hans Bastel Hans Dietl Claudia Eckert Eduardus Heijm Wilma Held Martha Herres Helga Hillje Horst Kurtz

Helga Laqua Erika Mildenberger Joe Parzen Goran Predojevic Thomas Rausch Josephine Rischke Sieglinde Seiler **Anneliese Walthers** 

### **Donations**

Helga Schien Hillyard - \$100 in memory of father Erwin Schien Manfred Schien - \$100 in memory of father Erwin Schien John R. Fischl - \$100 in memory of August & Theresa Fischl Hans Renz - \$65

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### **VERANGSTALTUNGEN - SOCIAL ACTIVITIES**

Due to restrictions because of the Corona-virus pandemic the Germania Club has needed to halt all in building events. We will keep you informed as soon as we are able to resume events. Information will come in the Germania Post, and on our website.

Until that point we will continue to have weekly board meetings, and our monthly members meeting via Zoom.

Feb 23 - 7:30pm Virtual Members Meeting via Zoom

Mar 7 - 7:00pm Fisher & Hunter Virtual Annual Meeting

Mar 23 - 7:30pm Virtual Members Meeting via Zoom

#### \*\*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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