




Summertime
And the livin' is easy
Fish are jumpin'
And the cotton is high
Oh, your daddy's rich
And your ma' is good lookin'
So hush
Little baby
Don't you cry.




from Porgy and Bess
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Germania Club

GET TOGETHER *in the Park*

August 8, 2021

starts at 1:00pm

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, we are limited to the number of people we can entertain; therefore, we would kindly ask you to call and reserve, if you are planning to attend.

At this time the event is tentative

Admission will be limited to members only, at \$3.00 per person.

We will be serving sausages and schnitzels off the BBQ and there will be coffee and cake available.

The bar will be open.

Please call;

Lori at the office (905) 549-0513

Jeanet at (905) 385-2317

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Choral Notes

Our Spring DKSB (Deutsch-Kanadischer Sängerbund) virtual meeting was hosted by our very own expert Germania Hamilton virtual assembly organizer, David Simon, who has become indispensable to all the Club functions, and now even our Sängerbund connections during this extended Covid quarantine. As was the case at our fall meeting, the individual choirs have suffered terribly by their enforced stay-at-home orders throughout Ontario and most of our country.

Kitchener Concordia is planning to start practices again in September, and they will wear special masks, designed for singers, to ensure the safety of the individual choir members. Like the rest of us, they are hoping that all the choristers will be fully immunized by that time, and even their younger members (yes, indeed, they have several young singers) will have their second dose by then.

Kitchener Transylvania reported problems similar to ours. Some of the members are reluctant to take on fresh choral works, particularly in the men's sections where the

numbers are reduced substantially. As we have noted for several years now, some of the older choir directors seem to want to go with the old "faithful" selections, one or two of which might be revived occasionally, but if it's consistently the same old for every concert, it is hard to foster enthusiasm for the same old "hits".

We were very happy to have Sigrid Vila, president of the Ottawa Concordia Choir, join our DKSB meeting. She has recovered miraculously from a stroke that left her almost incapacitated more than a year ago. An iron will and consistent rehabilitation exercises have done miracles for her, and we, along with her choir, are most thankful for her recovery.

It was good to see first-time attendees Brigitte Muessner and Christine Eastwood on screen for our virtual Germania Choir session in May. Nina and George Fischer, although the timing was not ideal, again joined us from Belleville for a little while, as did Christl Reglin-Petts from her retirement home in Oakville.

Our song on YouTube was "Die Gedanken sind frei", but I would suggest "Alte Kameraden" for our next session in June. And if we all get fully vaccinated, perhaps Hedda will stage that choir picnic at our

beautiful Germania Park in September!!! By that time, we should be able to sing a "Ständchen" for Brigitte Muessner and Heinz Mildenerger, whose birthdays are on July 1st, Eva Kolwes, July 9th, Lore Schaefer, July 28th, and Gertrud Press, on July 30th.

Mit frohem Sangergru! Gudrun



Happy 65th Anniversary Gertrud and Linus Press



Wir gratulieren euch zum 65-jahrigem Ehejubilaum und wunschen euch auch fur die kommende Zeit viele schone Stunden. Ihr zwei seid ein groes Vorbild fur uns.



From your Board Secretary

Well, by now you should all have received your Annual Report and, hopefully, you actually read it, since a lot of work went into it. Most of the work was, of course, left up to David and we all express our gratitude to him for his devotion.

Now we have some good news to report. We have finally found a new Property Manager. His name is Bernie Bieber, and he has been a member for approximately ten years. He feels he wants to help and contribute as much as he can. Welcome aboard, Bernie!

Our Social Committee had put out their feelers to members if they would come to an event on August 8th at the park. The response was very positive and, judging from the improved Covid situation, we may very well be able to take on this event. I know everyone is very anxious to get out and enjoy our beautiful Germania Park.

Many Campers have been busy volunteering to improve the grounds at the park; and we thank them all!

The Board has received recommendations from the Council of Elders looking at the future of the Germania Club and is reviewing them, but we have no news yet, so if you have any helpful comments, please keep them coming.

It very much looks like the restaurant will not open until September, but by then we should be ready to roll.

Have a wonderful summer; stay safe and healthy.
Till next month,
Your Board Secretary
Brigitte Parzen



Fischer & Jäger

Moin Fischer und Jäger
Members and Friends

Here we are in July already and the heat is on. We finally get to remove the word TENTATIVE. I was really starting to dislike that word. Our Prize Fishing at Moon Basin Marina will be July 17 - 18, and our Family Weekend will be August 20-22. Other than that, I have no news.

I do not know of any Birthdays, but I'm sure there is someone out there celebrating something, so go for it, go all out, BUT stay safe.

Until next time Smile and be Happy,
Tschüß, Maggie
519-746-2619
Margitta Untch
Auf Wiedersehn

I found a little something to keep you smiling,

I recently called an old engineering buddy of mine and asked what he was working on these days. He replied that he was working on "Aqua - ther-

mal treatment of ceramics, aluminum, and steel under a constrained environment." I was impressed until, upon further inquiry, I learned that he was washing dishes, with hot water under his wife's supervision.

Two young ladies fell down a hole. One said, "It's dark in here isn't it?" The other replied, "I don't know; I can't see."

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Frauenverein

Germania Park. The Frauenverein is always eager to make its contribution to the success of the event.

Summer is here! At least we're able to spend a lot of time outdoors enjoying our beautiful surroundings; such as all the lovely colourful flowers, the lush green foliage, the songbirds, as well as the children set free to play outside. The sights and sounds are very uplifting!

Regulations are also slowly being loosened and we're all looking forward to dining outside again. We will probably be able to gather in small groups soon, perhaps even for a picnic at our beloved

In the meantime, we had our second zoom meeting, but sadly, many of you are unable to join us. No celebrations that I know of this month, so everyone celebrate all the small happy occasions in your life!

Till next month,
I remain,
Your Frauenverein Connection
Brigitte Parzen

P.S. Following is a little inspiration for all of you:

One

One tree can start a forest;
One smile can begin a friendship
One hand can lift a soul;
One word can frame a goal;
One candle can wipe out darkness,
One laugh can conquer gloom;
One hope can raise your spirits;
One touch can show you care;
One life can make the difference,
BE THAT ONE TODAY



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Family Name: _____ First Name: _____

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Date of Birth: mm/dd/yyyy _____ Type of Membership: Single ; Family

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Date of Birth of Spouse: mm/dd/yyyy _____

Name of Child: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Name of Child: _____ Date of Birth: _____

(If more than two children please list on reverse 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.

The Germania Club of Hamilton is an organization that is politically non-partisan, and religiously non-sectarian. Non-compliance with the values of our Club, as enshrined in our constitution, results in loss of membership. As one of the oldest German clubs 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 in and volunteering for Club functions and events to the best of my ability.

Signature(s) of Applicant(s): _____

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Comments: _____

Member Application updated June 2021

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We are keeping a close watch on the Federal, Provincial and City public health announcements and regulations and are planning to open for indoor and outdoor activities as soon as permitted. Once events are a go, Public Relations Director, Karen Dingfeld will make sure they are advertised, in the Germania Post, on the website, in the newspapers, and on the club's phone voicemail.



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July Birthdays

Hilde Albrecht	Eva Kolwes
Julie Andronico	Philip Kummel
Jutta Anton	Heinz Mildenberger
Nina Fischer	Brigitte Muessner
Richard Frank	Lisa Nimz
Mike Goldenberg	Gertrud Press
Martin Hack	Eleonore Schaefer
Klaus Kastlunger	Manfred Schien
Eduard Keller	Franz Weinhandl
Kaitlyn Kergl	

Happy Birthday

If we missed your name on your Birthday, we are sorry. Please call the office and let Lori know, or send an email to info@germaniaclub.ca

If you have a special anniversary please send us a photo and information and we are happy to congratulate you in the Germania Post.

If you have a photo to share, please send it our way

Remember, we are in this together!.



VERANGSTALTUNGEN - SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

There seems to be light at the end of the Covid tunnel. As more and more citizens get vaccinated, restrictions are slowly and cautiously being lifted.

Until the point when we can gather we will continue to have weekly board meetings, and our monthly members meeting via Zoom.

July 7 July 17-18	7:30pm	Ladies Auxiliary meeting via Zoom Fisher & Hunter Prize Fishing ...at Moon Basin Marina
July 27 July 29	7:30pm 2:00pm	Member's meeting via Zoom Choir get together via Zoom
August 8	1:00pm	Germania Club Get Together ... in the Park
August 20-21		Fisher & Hunter Family Weekend ...at Moon Basin Marina



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