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OBITUARY



Alexander E W I N G E R

November 17, 1927 – June 25, 2022

Alex was an Honourary Member and a member of the Germania Club since 1959. Alex was a long time member of the Fisher and Hunters, he also served as chairman and was an Honourary member. We extend our sincere condolences to his family and friends.

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but not that of
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The President's Message



to see everyone pitch in. Thank you so much for all your hard work!

To end the great day Garry, our Park Manager gave me the grand tour of our beautiful park. WOW! It was bigger than I thought and such a great spot. Just gorgeous! Thanks Garry.

Guten Tag!

Hope everyone is enjoying the summer. As I write this I'm just getting back from the Strawberry Festival at our lovely Germania Park. What a great day! Nice to see some old friends and make some new friends. It was great that about 20 people from the Continental Austrian Club attended the event.

Two of the boys from our Haus Band were there to keep the oompah-pah going. Great job!

To Brigitte and all the volunteers, some that were asked to help at the last minute, wherever we needed them, jumped right in. It was nice

Next up is our Club Picnic with Petting Zoo! I am already excited. Our really big event, the Steel City Oktoberfest will take place on September 17th. We will need volunteers. Please help where you can.

*See you there!
Paul Hamburg
President*






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*I wish you the best for the summer
and I'll see you all in the Park.*

*Vladimir Khayutin
Chairman
Germania Park Campers*

Fellow campers,

*It is nice to see that the summer is in
full force. The weather is beautiful
at the Park.*

*Many Campers and their friends
came to enjoy our magnificent park
to celebrate Canada Day.*

*Lots of guests came to the Park on
July 10th for the Strawberry Festi-
val to enjoy the BBQ and strawber-
ry shortcake with whipped cream.
In addition, what can be better on
a hot summer day, than a scavenger
hunt, live music and great compa-
ny!*

*Everyone is enjoying time at their
trailers and there are many children
running around (especially on the
playground). Please remember the
posted speed limit in the Park is 5
km/hr.*

*Also, be mindful of your fellow
Campers and maintain a quiet time
between 11:00 PM and 8:00 AM.*

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information and pictures, so don't
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Fischer & Jäger

Moin Fisher and Hunters and Friends;

Our sincere condolences go out to the family of Alex Ewinger, Alex had been an Honourary member, a chairman and a long-time member of our group.

Our prize Fishing Weekend has come and gone. I will report on this in the next Post. As you know we are having a great Summer so far but we could use a little more rain. We are looking forward to our Family weekend on Aug .19 to 21. We are hoping to see some of you. Come and join us!

Our James has graduated from Bluevale High School and received the Toyota Technology Award. James has demonstrated a high proficiency in four technology credits, including a commitment to excellence through co-curricular involvement. As well, he received the Nutrition Award, having received the highest mark in the subject.

I do not have any Birthdays, but someone must be celebrating something. Congratulations to all of you. and good Health. In closing I wish everyone a safe and happy Summer.

*Margitta Untch
Tschuess Maggie*

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Choral Notes

June has been a relatively busy month for the choir:

We prepared for the concert that we



gave on June 24th at the Highgate Retirement Home, where we performed in the bright sunlit garden. Those of us who arrived early could join those members of the audience in the gazebo watching wren parents busily feeding their four tiny offspring in a little bird house that was hung from the rafters. Even though we were sitting in a garden in Ancaster, Ontario, the scene reminded me so much of the waltz "Village Swallows of Austria" by Josef Strauss: The constant back and forth of these tiny birds (smaller than swallows) in their tireless effort to feed four little yellow-beaked

babies..

Following our little concert, we enjoyed some wine and cheese at my place, some on the deck, and some of us in the air-conditioned inside. My neighbours later good-naturedly remarked on my lively (noisy???)

company, and the fact that they did, indeed, sing well, as a good choir should. Bottom line: In spite of my noisy guests, I am still in good standing in my condominium corporation.

The following day we had our annual picnic at the Germania Park.

It was a truly happy gathering, with lots of food, organized and supervised by Hilde, Susie, Erika Eigen, and Brigitte Muessner, with Eckhard at the BBQ. I honestly don't remember the last time that I ate so much. We gave Roland and his charming daughter Lily a very good sampling of our extensive repertoire, with Karl at the guitar and Brigitte directing. Our conductor, aided by our equally-talented Clement on the keyboard, also recited some popular operetta selections from Roland's student days in Salzburg.

For July 28th, we are looking for-



ward to seeing a play at the Light-house Theatre in Port Dover, followed by dinner at the renowned Erie Beach Hotel.

After our theatre outing, we will be at the Germania Club on July 30th for the Celebration of the Life of George Fischer, a former member of our choir, and past President of the Germania Club. We will be commemorating a life well-lived, sharing many wonderful memories of George, with Nina, her children, grandchildren, and other family members and friends.

We were saddened by the passing of Kurt Wolfsgruber in June at his retirement home in Waterloo. He was a cherished former member of the bass section in our choir. Kurt was a true gentleman, a man of many talents: In addition to his vocal talents, we remember him as an expert ballroom dancer, cyclist, boater, and "runner". Kurt never just walked. Even while at the Retirement Home in Hamilton, he was known to go for long distances, sometimes all the

way from downtown Hamilton to the Club and back. Hopefully there is a spot in the bass section of the heavenly choir for our dear friend. And for exercise, I can picture him gliding into an elegant waltz with one of his fellow denizens beyond the stars.



Hilde Bittner and Clement Ng are our only August birthday celebrants. For August 27th, we wish you a beautiful day filled with all the things that bring you joy: May sunshine light your day, flowers line your path, and may songbirds serenade your every step along the way!

Mit frohem Sangergruss,
Gudrun

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Aus unserem Frauenverein

Our outing in June was very enjoyable. It amazes me that people well into their eighties are still able to perform to the degree we saw that day! We applaud them heartily!



Many thanks go out to Annemarie and Ellen for arranging this event and allowing us all to enjoy each other's company this way. However, the extreme heat that day and the complicated parking issues almost dampened our spirits a little.

Some sad news, Waltraud has again been dealing with some serious health issues and Christine is also still convalescing. All the best to you both!

By the time you read this article, our Strawberry Festival at the Germania Park will be behind us and

many ladies (doing double duty on behalf of various sub-groups) had been very actively involved in making this event a success.

Thank you, ladies!

Our next event at the Germania Park will be the Annual Germania Club Picnic on August 7th. It will again require the assistance of many of our members. As an old member used to say: "Der Klub dankt Dir!"

Now, I have to apologize, since I totally missed Eva's birthday on July 9th. My sincere apologies, dear Eva! I hope you had a wonderful celebration with all your friends. A little birdie told me that your daughter even came up from Texas to make this day extra special.

In August, we have one birthday; namely, Hildegard Bittner on August 27th. Enjoy and celebrate to the fullest, dear Hildegard!

Now, dear ladies, please enjoy the rest of the summer so you can return refreshed at our September meeting.

Your Frauenverein Connection
Brigitte Parzen

And now a little different poem -something to think about!

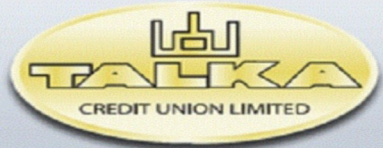
LOOKING BACK

*Things look much clearer
When looking back,
The mistakes we made
Define life's map.*

*The future's an illusion
In a second it's gone.
There's only this Moment
Tomorrow never comes.*

*We're all on a journey
Not knowing how far,
The past is our teacher
It defines who we are.*

*On the road ahead
We'll meet happiness and
sorrows,
for the things we love
in life are only borrowed.*



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John Read 14th October 2018



Strawberry Festival UPDATE

On behalf of Jeanet and myself, I want to express our sincere gratitude for all the help, in whatever way or form, all our volunteers offered, to make it such a successful day.



First of all, I would like to explain to you that; due to the fact that we have no Social Director on our Board of Directors this year, we have had to appoint co-ordinators for each individual event. Jeanet was willing to take on this tremendous responsibility for the Strawberry Festival. Seeing she is not a Board member, I offered my help as her back-up to make sure communication was always flowing.

Thank you so much, Jeanet; it has been a pleasure working with you!

Our thanks go out to Garry, the Park Manager, and all his helpers for preparing the pavilion and the fencing outside and setting up the tables.

Perhaps some of the success can be credited to Annemarie promoting the event vigorously and especially via social media, which reaches many younger people.

Of course, our 2-man Band of Karl Uschold and Fred Macht, deserve a lot of applause for entertaining our guests so well all afternoon. Fred had just recovered from a lengthy hospital stay, was apologizing for them not having been able to practice ahead of time and for making mistakes. I assured him that no one worried about that; they were all so happy to see them again.

We were also able to welcome some of our Austrian Club members and friends.



Anna's Children's events were





well-received, and all the effort she put into them, was rewarded with happy children's faces.

The Barbeque, under Gord's direction, was perfect as usual.



Gudrun's Punch (Bowler) tasted delicious, made with home-grown super sweet strawberries from TIGCHELAAR BERRY FARMS. The luscious berries were all donated to us via Annemarie's friendship with the owners.

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Ulli, the ever-efficient bartender, made sure no one left thirsty.



Karen took good care of all cash and tickets.

Behind the service counter, several choir members, including the Director himself, helped everyone to indulge in the delicious Strawberry Shortcake with real whipped cream.

So again, to everyone – no names



mentioned, except the team leaders as mentioned above, **"DER KLUB DANKT EUCH!"**

We hope we can count on you again at another event!

Brigitte Parzen on behalf of
Jeanet Schaefer



**From your
Board
Secretary**

As you all know by now, the Club is closed for the two summer months, except for an occasional booking.

Your Board, however, is busy and working on many fronts. Now that the Strawberry Festival is behind us, the Picnic on August 7th, is not far off.

It will be co-ordinated by Mandi. We already know that Gudrun has again arranged to have the Petting Zoo available to entertain the children. Anna will, of course, be adding major children's activities on that day.

We're also working on preparations for the Oktoberfest on September 17th. Our second Committee meeting was very successful, and plans are progressing well. We have an excellent team in place.

Some plans for our upcoming Annual Stiftungsfest on October 2nd are also in the works. The names for the recipients of all certificates shall be published in the next Germania Post.

We're counting on all of you to support all the events. Let's keep our Club rolling for a while!

Your Board Secretary,
Brigitte Parzen

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August Birthdays

Hildegard Bittner
 Volodymyr Dovbenyuk
 Eva Fori
 Ilse Kastrau
 Horst Kaufeld

Theo Nermerich
 Barbara Schuster
 Barbara Steyer
 Inna Zinyuk



Happy Birthday

Membership Fees

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Family	\$140
Senior (65 years)	\$65
Honorary Member	Fees Waived
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VERANGSTALTUNGEN - SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

The following events are planned and are on our calendar.

Aug 7	11:00am	Germania Club Picnic
Aug 19-21		Fisher & Hunter Family Weekend
Aug 20		Camper Horseshoe Tournament

VORSCHAU - PREVIEW

September		Fish&Chip Fridays resume
Sep 9	7pm-12am	Rathskellep PUB NIGHT
Sep 14	2-4pm	Kulturkreis Germania "Die Donauschwaben"
Sep 17	3:00pm	Steel City Oktoberfest
Oct 2		158th Stiftungsfest



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