



Germania
 Post

GERMANIA CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Sunday, March 12, 2023
starting at 11:30am**

All members are encouraged to attend
the Annual General Meeting.

A hot lunch (\$15) will be available
during the break.

(Cancellation due to bad weather will
be on the Club voicemail and website.)



Germania Club Annual General Meeting

MARCH 12, 2023 - 11:30AM

The Annual General Meeting of the Germania club is scheduled to be held on Sunday, March 12th 2023 at the starting time of 11:30 AM.

The Annual General Meeting allows members to hear reports from the directors, including a financial report for the year 2022. This meeting may be attended by all members in good standing and who have paid their membership for the year 2023.

This year is an election year, positions open for election are President, 1st Secretary, 1st Treasurer, 1st Business Administrator, 1st Social Director,

Property Manager, Chair, Internal Auditors, 1st Member Internal Auditors. In order to maintain this Club it is important to have a full board, so please think about what you could do for the club. If you are unwilling or unable to step forward at this time, please think of someone who you could nominate and approach them and ask them for that commitment. The Nominations Committee has nominated some members. Nominations may be made from the floor of the meeting.

A hot lunch will be available for a cost of \$15 (incl. Tax) at break time.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The board of directors appointed a nominations committee with Waltraud Schork, Chair, Hedda Waganblast and Vladimir Khayutin as members. The committee gave the following names forward for the noted positions.

- Mr. Drew Chamberlain - 1st Social Director
- Mr. Bernie Bieber - Property Manager
- Mr. David Simon - 1st Treasurer

All other positions without nomination, to be nominated from the floor of the Annual General Meeting.

From your Board Secretary



March, and that means spring is just around the corner. Imagine spring flowers, the birds singing, the trees sprouting and longer days with much more sunshine!

Mardi Gras Season is behind us. The first event, "Kappenabend am Nachmittag", was a great occasion. Waltraud and Klaus put a lot of effort into this afternoon. Thanks so much to both of you!

The other Mardi Gras events are still to come at the time of writing of this article. We hope they will be as successful as the first one and that they will bring many happy faces and big smiles to those attending.

Valentine's Day is also gone by; and, hopefully, you showed your loved

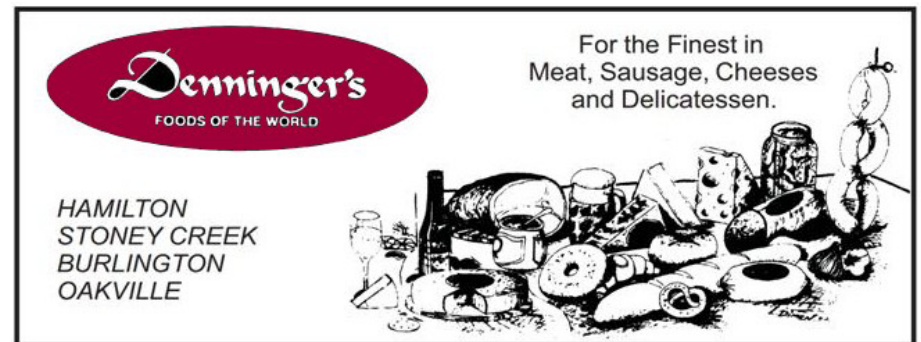
ones how much you care.

We are now looking towards our Annual General Meeting, taking place on Sunday, March 12, 2023. Quite a few positions will be up for election; so, if you are at all able to put your name forward and use your abilities and talents to support your Club, please don't hesitate to do so.

Many of us are getting a little too old for such commitments.

I look forward to seeing many of you on March 12th beginning at 11:30 A.M. The meeting will be a hybrid model, which means you can attend personally (preferably) or, if not possible, via Zoom. You will be able to participate fully and vote as well.

*Until then,
Your Board Secretary
Brigitte Parzen*





Campers Korner

for you to have your say. I highly encourage all members to attend and be part of shaping the future of our club.

As we move closer to the start of the new season, we are looking forward to welcoming you back to the Park and enjoying the beautiful outdoors together.

Vladimir Khayutin
Camper's Chairman



Frozen lake Niapenco at the edge of the Germania Park Campground

Fellow campers,

I hope this message finds you well after a wonderful holiday season and a fantastic start to the New Year. I would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to the hardworking volunteers who regularly check on the park and keep it in the best possible condition. Without them, we would not be able to maintain our Park.

As we gear up for another exciting season, I'd like to take a moment to remind you about the 2023 camper fees. This year, the fees include a campsite fee of \$1,362.00 (including HST), a \$50 electrical fund fee per site, and additional charges of \$50 each for air conditioning, extra fridges, or golf carts.

Additionally, I would like to draw your attention to the Annual General Meeting of the Germania Club, which will be held on March 12, 2023, starting at 11:30 am. This yearly membership meeting is a crucial opportunity for the club to share updates, plans for the upcoming year, and provides a platform



CONGRATULATIONS

60th Anniversary



Brigitte and Joe Parzen

FEBRUARY 23, 1963

FEBRUARY 23, 2023

The first couple to be married in the small hall of the Germania Club.

65th Anniversary



Gertrud and Linus Press

MARCH 17, 1957

MARCH 17, 2023





Choral Notes

Except for David Simon, the vice-president of our choir, the members and supporting members who came down with a touch of Covid, had recovered by December 17th to thoroughly enjoy the festive Christmas Dinner, organized by Hedda, Ray, and her special helpers. The various courses were scrumptious! Again, we were reminded of the generous legacy left to us by Heinz Ollisch, which also financed the tickets to the lovely Salute to Vienna Concert on January 2nd.

By Friday, January 6th, 2023, we resumed the serious business of choir practice - and, to be honest, we were most happy to be singing again. We are getting ready for participating with the other DKSB choirs, particularly the Concordia Choir's 150th Anniversary in June, as well as other informal choir get-togethers, possibly one here in Hamilton. Our plans also include mini concerts at a couple of retirement homes in the area.

We tried to get caught up with singing a "Staendchen" for those who celebrated a birthday in January. In my last report, I forgot to men-

tion our conductor, Roland, whose birthday was on January 17th. Hilde Bittner and Erika Eigen brought cake for us to share in Roland's celebration. Then, for our first choir practice in February, Roland's wife Qi (pronounced Jean without the "n") brought each of us a couple of very delicious soft, meaty mini egg-rolls to help celebrate Chinese New Year! Scrumptious! And a happy New Year to you and your family, dear Qi!

After Anneliese and her family's foray into the milder climate of Ecuador, we're most happy to welcome the Walthers back to Canada in time to celebrate Anneliese's birthday on February 12th. Erika Mildenerger's special day is on February 26th, with more festivities the following month: Waltraud Schork was born on March 5th, Lore Uschold on March 6th; Erika Eigen has a birthday on March 15th, Netty De Wit and Paul Jaeckle on March 18th, and along with Inge Leitner's birthday on March 25th, we can celebrate the arrival of Spring!

May love and laughter
light your days
and warm your heart and home.
May good and faithful friends
be yours
wherever you may roam.

(Irish Blessing)



The choir sends long time members Gertrud and Linus Press our special wishes for their **65th Wedding Anniversary.**



Special wishes go out to Netty De Wit, one of our three "Dutchies": In spite of having to return to live in the Netherlands for health reasons, Netty is still involved with the Germania Choir. She attends executive meetings via the internet, and she still types programs and member lists. In short, she is our long-distance secretary.

Betty Boerkamp is our treasurer, a volunteer job that is rather time-consuming, especially now that we have invested the legacy from Heinz Ollisch. As a taskmaster, Betty reminds me of my late father, of whom it was said in good "Badischer" tradition: "Er dreht den Groschen fünfmal um bevor er ihn ausgibt".

Similarly, our choir finances are in very reliable hands, and Betty is a tough, persistent, yet always po-

lite and patient financial officer. In short, we are most grateful for the time and effort that she dedicates to the choir in addition to vocally supporting the Alto section.

And then there is Jeanet! Not only is she our "Notenwart", spending hours trying to keep our sheet music organized, as everybody knows, a most thankless job. She also looks after flowers and cards to our sick friends. Jeanet is equally dedicated to the Frauenverein and the Germania Club as a whole. She can be trusted to help out wherever and whenever help is needed, a big chunk of which is in the Soprano section of our choir.

Thank you Betty, Jeanet, and Netty for your dedication and loyalty to the Germania Choir and the Club as a whole.

Mit frohem Saengergruss!
Gudrun

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Fischer & Jäger

Moin Fischer and Hunters, Members and Friends

We are back and 2023 is well under way. Winter is here and so is the bitter cold. This is Canada and so we might as well suck it up.

Our Turkey Shoot was well attendet and our Christmas Dinner was very very delicious . Thank you Chef Raymond.

Our next function is the Maifest on Sun. May 07 at the Park. Since we don't have any more small children to climb the Maibaum , we will have a shooting competition instead . Should be fun. Please come out and join us.

Birthdays that I have missed in January were George Kiss, Brigitte

Parzen (a very young (81) and myself (Maggie) and even though he's not a F&H but a very important man to ALL OF US David Simon. We love you too. Happy Birthday. In February Joe Parzen (91yrs) (an oldie but a goodie) and Brian Felgner in March. I We hope you all celebrated with Family and Friends 'til blue in the face, because from now on you're only allowed 2 drinks a WEEK. Happy, happy Birthday to all and the Best of Health .

And last but not least, a very SPECIAL COUPLE , Brigitte and Joe Parzen are celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary. CONGRATULATIONS! Here's wishing you all the Best , now and in the Years to come. Keep smiling and Keep LOVING each other.

*Tschuess Maggie
Margitta Untch
Auf Wiedersehn*

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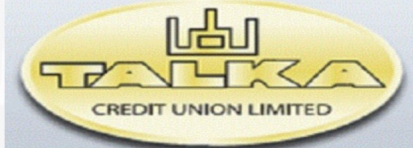
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5:00pm to 7:00pm in the Club

- Mar. 3, 2023 - Special - Liver & Onions
- Mar. 10, 2023 - Special Wienersehnitzel
- Mar. 17, 2023 - Special - Pasta Special
- Mar. 24, 2023 - Special Chef's Choice Schnitzel
- Mar. 31, 2023 - Special Chef's Choice

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Sunday Lunch

Mar. 26, 2023 12-2pm

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Fresh Berry Fruit Flan for dessert.

\$18.95 plus tax per person.
Children ages 5- 12 years 1/2 price

FILMNACHMITTAG

Hauptfilm - **"Der Vorname (2018)"**
Filmkomödie

Vorfilm: **"Musikalische Kreuzfahrt - Main zur Donau"**

>> **Film starts at 2:30pm** <<

Free Admission - Coffee and Cake available



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The fact that our Planet fully rotates in 24 hours really makes my day!



Helau, Alaaf, Ahoi!!!

Dear Members,

The Culture Circle's, "Kappenabend am Nachmittag" started with an enthusiastic, "alaaf, helau, ahoi" and an affectionate nod to Narrhalla and David Simon who unfortunately was not able to celebrate with us. Rummaging through the basement of the Club we found photoalbums, framed pictures of many princes and princesses of the Elferat who ruled the 5th season of the year during the heydays of Narrhalla.



Klaus Ludecke raised the energy in the hall considerable with his video of a boisterous musical German carnival celebration. Gudrun Boehm-Johnson generously donated Berliner Krapfen for the event.

The "Kappen" contest was deservedly won by Brigitte Parzen who allowed free reign to her creativity the night before, when she decorated a top hat with plastic figures of wild and mostly prehistoric animals, dangling precariously from the rim of her hat, surrounding the word, "Germania Club". In true satirical German carnival speech fashion, she captured humorously, the turbulent times that the Club is facing as it approaches the upcoming election at the AGM on March 12.



There was plenty of laughter when the mike was handed to the those participants who could not wait to share their humour with us. Even though Erica



Eigen has already presented her Oma's wisdom several times in the past, we enjoyed her presentation once again.

On a more serious note, we collected \$100 and donated it to the Red Cross towards the aid that they will be providing for those impacted by the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria. As well, the Culture Circle gifted \$50 to the Germania Club at Stiftungsfest 2022.

Regretfully, I also wish to let you know that for health reasons my time with the Culture Circle has come to an end. However, if any of you have an interest in continuing from time to time with a themed event, then please inform the Board of Directors.

Thank you Klaus and Gudrun for assisting in keeping it going. Hilde, thank you for capturing the events on camera for us. Thanks also to Lori who made sure that we lacked nothing that we required.

Several members of the Culture Circle have been planning for some time to start a Kaffeeklatsch afternoon, where you cannot only enjoy each other's company but also play your favourite games. I am certain you will hear more about this in the coming weeks.

I will always fondly remember all the afternoons we enjoyed together.



Best Regards
Waltraud



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Germania Club Annual


Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 8, 2023 at 12 noon

Enjoy refreshments, lunch and an egg-cellent afternoon!
 Germania Club Park on Lake Niapenko, Binbrook
Please register by April 1st, 2023

Cost: \$8.00 per child, includes a light lunch and a drink, Easter goodies, and children's craft table.
 To be paid at entrance, registration needed.
 To register or for info call the club at 905-549-0513 & leave a message for Anna Fischer.
 Leave the form in the club office or email to:
office@germaniaclub.ca



Registration form for the Easter Egg Hunt due by April 1st

Parent Name _____ Phone _____

Name of Child (ren)	Age	Sex
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Friday, March 10, 2023

7pm to midnight

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March Birthdays

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| Gabriela Apostol | Jean (Jeanie) Hope |
| George Apostol | Paul Jaeckle |
| Artur Bitner | Hans Knoedler |
| Linda Bulmer | Inge Leitner |
| Jane (Netty) De Wit | Waltraud Schork |
| Mary Denyes | Gerry Schuster |
| Samuel Dovbenyuk | Egon Ueberholz |
| Erika Eigen | Grigory Yeryomenko |
| Joe Feduszczyk | |

Happy Birthday

Membership Fees

Student	\$32
Single Adult (18 years)	\$85
Family	\$140
Senior (65 years)	\$65
Honorary Member	Fees Waived
Life Long Member	Fees Waived



Donations to the Club

- Adolf & Karin Polap - \$100
Martha Herres - \$200 in memory of her husband Hans
Arthur & Hedda Wagenblast - \$130
Hans Renz - \$65
Dieter Eckert - \$65

Stiftungsfest Donation
Culture Circle - \$50



VERANGSTALTUNGEN - SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Mar 3	5-7pm	Fish& Chip Fridays - Liver & Onions
Mar 10	5-7pm	Fish& Chip Fridays Wiener Schnitzel
Mar 10	7pm-12am	Rathskeller PUB Night
Mar 12	11:30am	Annual General Meeting
Mar 17	5-7pm	Fish& Chip Fridays - Chef's Pasta Special
Mar 24	5-7pm	Fish& Chip Fridays - Chef's Schnitzel Special
Mar 26	12-2pm	Sunday Lunch - Roast Beef
Mar 26	2:30pm	Filmnachmittag - 'Der Vorname' (2018)
Mar 31	5-7pm	Fish& Chip Fridays - Chef's Schnitzel Special

VORSCHAU - PREVIEW

Apr 08 noon Easter Egg Hunt - in the Park please see form (p.13) to register children



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