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LOCATION: Germania Club, 863 King Street East, Hamilton, ON

The President's Message



Our Club members, their families and friends had many opportunities to enjoy the summer weather in our beautiful Germania Park, which is being kept in absolutely great shape.

I really have to acknowledge keeping the Park in great shape, organizing all aspects of the annual Germania Club Picnic or working the day of the picnic; it was great to see how many members of all groups of the Germania Club working together made this day so enjoyable and successful!

It would not be a picnic without good food, cold drinks and our Haus Band providing the music. Even our children had a great time; thanks to Anna! She always makes sure there are enough toys, crafts and games to occupy the kids - mostly at her own expense.

Having the Petting Zoo in the park was not only great for the children,

but many of the adults enjoyed petting the animals and having pictures taken with them.

The total cost to bring the animals to the park was covered by donations from Sheri, Gudrun and Andrew.

On behalf of the Germania Club, I would like to express my sincere "Thank you" for all donations and for everyone's time and efforts to help to make this event possible; it is very much appreciated.

It is also good for our Club members to realize that not all functions take place in the park, There are many events booked at the Germania Club.

I had the opportunity to come to the Club to close up after a big wedding, which was being held at 863 King St East. I was really impressed how absolutely beautiful the big hall had been decorated. I just hope that some of the pictures which were taken can be seen on our website for everyone to see what is available and possible at the Germania Club.

It also reminded me of how much

work is involved by our staff from the beginning to the end of such a function.

There are also weekly Skat games taking place in the restaurant at the Club. We also host annual International Skat Tournaments. It was my pleasure to greet and welcome this year's Skat players at our Club.

There are many upcoming events at

863 King St. East; including our big Steel City Oktoberfest on Saturday, September 23, 2023. This function requires a lot of planning and many, many helpers.

Hoping to see you soon in good health,

Your President,
Ulrich Venohr

OVERNIGHT TENTING IN THE GERMANIA PARK

The Board in cooperation with the Camper's Chair is opening up the 5 tenting sites in the Park for rent. All Germania Club members may rent an overnight tenting site for \$25/night or \$35 /night for a site with hydro. Camper members may have their guests stay on a site. Booking is through the office on a first come basis. A key for the Park gate may be obtained from the office with a deposit.



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Camper's Korner

Dear Fellow Campers and Club Members,

I hope you're all enjoying this beautiful summer weather we've been having. It's been great to see everyone coming together and having such a good time at the park lately. I wanted to give you an update on some of the happenings around here and let you know about an exciting new change.

The annual Picnic in the Park on August 6th was an amazing event, thanks to our talented Social Directors Sheri and Andrew and all the volunteers and sponsors, who made it happen. The pavilion looked fantastic with all the festive decorations. Many thanks to Gordon for providing his always delicious schnitzel. And the music from the Haus Band really set the perfect tone for a fun afternoon of good food and friendship. It was wonderful to see so many happy faces enjoying the day together. The petting zoo captivated visitors, both young and young at heart. The array of adorable animals kept children and adults alike entertained throughout the day.

I'm pleased to share that the Board of Directors has made a significant decision regarding reintroducing the park's tent site rental program.

Going forward, the tent sites will be reserved exclusively for Club members and campers' invited guests, allowing overnight stays after events or for those who prefer not to drive back late. Please remember that all campers and guests need to follow the park rules and guidelines. Campers will be responsible for their guests' behavior. Please note that rentals must provide their own tents. To make reservations easier, members can now book sites through the Park Manager, Campers' Chairman, or Club office. The Park Manager will oversee availability to ensure fair access for everyone. There are currently five designated tent sites available for reservation.

As we continue enjoying the rest of the summer, let's make sure we're staying safe out there. Whether you're taking a walk, participating in activities, or just relaxing in the park, please keep an eye out for yourselves and others.

I hope you all have a fun and safe rest of the summer creating special memories together here at Germania Park. It's been so nice seeing the community come together. Wishing you sunshine, friendship, and good times ahead!

Sincerely,
Vladimir Khayutin
Campers' Chairman



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Choral Notes

We are currently experiencing those "lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer", and our Germania Park/Club has organized festivities to make the most of the season. It is very gratifying to experience the renewed spirit of co-operation between the various Club members, including those who have a spot in the Trailer Park, and those who mainly make use of the Downtown Club facilities. The Summer events at the Park, all of which involved our musician trio of Arthur, Fred, and Karl, along with a busy team of volunteers at the BBQ, the Bar, and the Cake and Coffee station, have been enjoyable, indeed. We were also very happy to welcome some of our Austrian Club friends, who came to take part in our Park celebrations.

Most of us are looking forward to September and the resumption of choir practice. For the last Friday of the month, September 29th, we will be helping the residents of the Park View Nursing Centre on Main Street West to celebrate a bit of Oktoberfest. Our Germania house band will accompany us to bring a bit of "Schwung" to those residing in the home. Following the long summer break, it will be a great way to get back into the swing of things.

Invitations to our Weinfest, which is taking place on October 23rd, have gone out to all the DKSB Choirs. Like our Spring-Singalong, we are hoping that many Germania Club members will join us on that occasion.

We wish a Happy Birthday to Jeanet Schaefer, our youngest, who will be celebrating on September 1st., Arthur Wagenblast on September 9th, and Linus Press and Erika Renz on September 20th. We hope your joyful birthdays are followed by a great week, a wonderful month, and an incredible year!

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The following is a list of members who will be honoured at the Germania Club's 159th Anniversary on October 1, 2023. Please check this list carefully. If there are any errors or omissions please call Lori at the office (905) 549-0513 or by email to office@germaniaclub.ca

NEW MEMBERS

Sigfrid Barta
Adam Bury
Horst Dietrich
Elise Dyck
Manfred Feldt
Else Fodor
Deb Gabrysch
Ron Gabrysch
Adrian Junker
Rafal Kusiak
Veronica Kusiak
Herbert Lippert
Eric Melms
Bennet Racher
Emily Situm
James Schmitz
Miranda Schmitz
Helga Voss
Maria Wellenreiter
Richard Wellenreiter

10 YEAR MEMBERS

Martin Hack
Blain Young
Debra Young

15 YEAR MEMBERS

Sonya Haase
Hank Hope
Jean Hope

15 YEAR MEMBERS (Con't)

Klaus Kastlunger
Annemarie Kiss
Ana-Juliana Kun
Margitta Untch

20 YEAR MEMBERS

Christa Kries
Eckhard Kries
Helen Lutz

30 YEAR MEMBERS

Jutta Anton
Susan Butz
Christine Eastwood
Mike Goldenberg
Erika Mildenerger

50 YEAR MEMBERS

Werner Anders
Helmut Kannenberg
Werner Weller

55 YEAR MEMBERS

Helmut Koziol

60 YEAR MEMBERS

Henry Germann
Theo Nermerich
Herbert Vater
Ernst Viebke





Fischer & Jäger

Moin Fisher & Hunters and Friends

I hope everyone is enjoying summer despite of all that rain. There is no use to complain because Sept. is around the bend and you know what that means. I'm enjoying my days at my trailer with all my beautiful flowers that I planted.

Our Prize Fishing at Moon Basin was a little damp at times but we could always duck inside and have a delicious meal with lots of drinks and laughter. Thank you, Werner! Rick and George managed to catch the most fish but, who got the biggest one? Well, I think they're still debating on that. I'm really looking forward to our Family Weekend at Moon Basin on August 18 - 20th. It should be a lot of fun again, always is.

The Fishers and Hunters will be having a Shooting Gallery again at Oktoberfest where we'll be quite active.

Rick is holidaying in the Arctic at the moment. I hope he remembered to pack lots of woollies. I can't wait to hear high stories.

For Birthdays this month I only have one, Ellen Pezzetta on Sept.

23rd. Happy Geburtstag Ellen. And George and Annemarie are celebrating their Anniversary on Sept. 24th. Here's lots of Hugs and Kisses to you both. And you may want to remember Grandparents Day on Sept. 10th

This is all I have for now, I hope everyone is happy and healthy and enjoying the rest of Summer.

Tschüß, Maggie

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Receding hareline

What do you get when you cross a bee with a Bell.?

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Aus unserem Frauenverein

August is almost behind us, which is also a signal that the end of summer is near; although, many beautiful autumn days are still ahead of us.

At the Germania Club Picnic our ladies were again instrumental in making this another successful event. The weather was not hot like last year, but very windy and a little on the cool side.

The highlight this year was the Petting Zoo for the children and Anna's efforts to entertain the children. Great job, Anna!

The potato salad crew met on the Saturday before the picnic; and, in between peeling potatoes, we also prepared the Germania Post for distribution.

Thank you to all who helped! A few more regulars from the ladies were very busy on Sunday helping wherever they were needed.

The Haus Band kept the party alive into the late afternoon.

The next event will be an afternoon put on by our Campers on Saturday, August 26th at 1 P.M.

“Deutsches Essen und Gemütlich-

keit”!

It sounds like a wonderful event, which again invites all members to come together to partake in a great meal while enjoying great camaraderie and friendship. Best of all, our ladies won't have to do any work on that day!

September 6th, our ladies will meet at 7:30 P.M., well rested from our summer vacation. I'm sure Annemarie will have prepared quite an agenda for us seeing the Christmas Bazaar is only six weeks after that.

So, ladies, please try to attend!

In September we have two ladies celebrating their birthdays; namely, Jeanet on September 1st and Ellen on September 23rd (Oktoberfest). All the best to both of you; stay happy and healthy and full of whim and vigour to be able to work at our upcoming events.

One of those events will also be the Germania Club's annual Oktoberfest. Usually many of our members participate in many different capacities. So, ladies, please mark that date on your calendars

And now my little words of wisdom for the month:



**If I've learned anything from life,
It's that sometimes,
the darkest times**

**Can bring us to
the brightest places.**

**I've learned that
the most toxic people**

**Can teach us
the most important lessons;**

That our most painful struggles

**Can grant us
the most necessary growth;**

**And that the most heartbreaking
losses of friendship and love**

**Can make room for
the most wonderful people!**

By Daniell Koepke

*Looking forward to seeing you soon
at one of the upcoming events,*

I remain,

Your Frauenverein Connection,

Brigitte Parzen



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Hauptfilm -

*"Mein Nachbar,
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Filmkomödie



>> Film starts at 2:30pm <<

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Sept 8, 2023 - Special - Roast Beef

Sept 15, 2023 - Special - Cabbage Roll dinner

Sept 22, 2023 - Special - Pasta Special

Sept 29, 2023 - Special - Chef's Choice

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September Birthdays

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| David Blosser | Ute Perl |
| Wesley Clifton | Ellen Pezzetta |
| Otto Dingfeld | Linus Press |
| Erik Dovbenyuk | Erika Renz |
| Dietrich Eckert | Jeanet Schaefer |
| Jurgen Eggers | Sylvia Schien |
| Gabriele Frank | Heinz Schrader |
| Henry Germann | Shawn Upson |
| Hank Hope | Arthur Wagenblast |
| Albert A. Kergl | |
| Jaqueline Kraizer | |

Happy Birthday



Friday, September 8, 2023

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Family	\$140
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Membership fees are due by January 31

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Sep 6	7:30pm	Frauenverein meeting
Sep 8	5-7pm	Fish&Chip Fridays - Roast Beef
Sep 8	7pm-12am	Rathskeller PUB NIGHT
Sep 11	2:00pm	German-Canadian Benevolent Society
Sep 12	7:30pm	Extended Board meeting
Sep 13	2-4pm	Kaffeeklatsch - Down memory lane
Sep 15	5-7pm	Fish&Chip Fridays - Cabbage Roll
Sep 22	5-7pm	Fish&Chip Fridays - Pasta Special
Sep 23	3:00pm	Steel City Oktoberfest
Sep 24	2:30pm	Filmnachmittag - 'Mein Nachbar, sein Dackel'
Sep 26	7:30pm	Quarterly Membership meeting
Sep 29	5-7pm	Fish&Chip Fridays - Chef's Special
Sep 30		Camper Pig Roast

VORSCHAU - PREVIEW

Oct 1	1:30pm	159.Stiftungsfest / 159th Anniversary
Oct 28	1:00pm	Weinfest
Nov 5	1:00pm	Memorial in the Park
Nov 18		Schlachtfest
Nov 26		Turkey Shoot in the Park



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