



Germania Post



Germania Club's annual



Schlachtfest

Fall
Festival
Dinner

November 19, 2023

Dinner* service at 2:30pm

Doors open at 2:00pm

The dinner includes;

Schnitzel, ¼ Pork Hock, Oktoberfest Sausage, Debreziner Sausage, Blutwurst, Leberwurst, Bauchfleisch, sauerkraut, mashed potato and gravy.

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The following members will be remembered on Sunday, November 5 at our memorial service in the Germania Park, please come and join their families and friends. The park gate will be open at 12 o'clock noon and the memorial service begins at 1:00 PM.

This year we remember

Brian Lishman

Passed October 29, 2022 age 68

Armin Eigen

December 27, 1937 – November 7, 2022

Kurt Schaible

December 30, 1929 – February 19, 2023

Sigrid Bachmann

November 26, 1939 – March 7, 2023

Ursula Schien

October 8, 1930 – March 27, 2023

Rudolf Denninger

January 19, 1934 – August 25, 2023

John Fischl

June 28, 1944 – August 30, 2023

The President's Message



The Oktoberfest, one of the big events at the Germania Club, has come and gone; and, as promised in my last article, I have good news to report. Thanks to the organizers and the many hard working volunteers, the Oktoberfest turned out to be a very successful day with lots of fun. The Haus Band and the Nu Tones provided the entertainment for the guests from beginning to end, resulting in a lot of activity on the dance floor. All Oktoberfest events; like Tapping of the Keg, "Bier Stemen" competition and the Miss Oktoberfest contest had many enthusiastic participants adding greatly to the entertainment of the evening.

Of course, there would be no Oktoberfest without good food and

cold beer; in fact, the beer was so good, there was hardly any left for the clean-up crew the next day. I believe that Oktoberfest is not only a function for the Germania Club, but it is also a great way to continue promoting the German Culture within the community; and that is what the Germania Club is all about. We have been doing just that for 159 years!

On October 1st, members of the Germania Club celebrated the 159th Stiftungsfest. That is the day we recognize and thank the members who came long before us and had the foresight to start what we are still celebrating today – the history of the Germania Club of Hamilton!

Hans Bastel, Master of Ceremonies, reminded us of some of these moments in history.

The Germania Choir is very much part of the history of the Club from

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Choral Notes

It seems to me that, next to Vivaldi, of all the music associated with the seasons, the scores written for Nat King Cole are best at describing the nostalgia with the change of the seasons. Yes, indeed, it is that time of year for sweaters and solid shoes instead of sandals. At the Germania Club, we are done with the beautifully-organized Oktoberfest, along with the pretzels and beer, and by the time you get the November issue of the Germania Post, we will be having our memorial service in the Germania Park.

Unfortunately, because of a renewed virus outbreak, our little Oktoberfest celebration at the Park View Nursing Home did not take place. Along with our Germania Club Trio of Fred, Karl, and Arthur, we were ready to have some fun, but it was not to be. We do hope there won't be renewed serious outbreaks of Covid during the fall and winter months ahead.

The Germania Club Steel City Oktoberfest was beautifully organized by Mandi Asbury and her daughter Miranda, assisted by a great team of helpers, including several choir members. Many thanks to all who contributed to this challenging cel-

ebration, especially the Old Guard, who were again very active in helping to bring about this customary Steel City Fest. Without a doubt, it was also a great pleasure to see a younger generation, a number of them in Dirndl and Lederhosen, bring new life to an old Germania Club tradition.

Some of our choir ladies donated their own revived Dirndl (plural) to be sold for the price of \$20, along with other traditional folk dresses that the choir had in storage. This enabled several visitors, young and old, to dress up in and own a genuine Dirndl for a very reasonable price. Many thanks to Erika Eigen and Erika Renz for their generosity, time and effort to help us honour an Oktoberfest tradition, with proceeds going to the Club.

As always, the choir took part in the beautifully-organized Stiftungsfest on October 1st. Again, a big Thank You to Mandi, along with a whole sleuth of helpers, to make this dinner and awards ceremony a very festive one, indeed. Of course, it was sad to hear the names read of some of our own departed Club and Choir members.

We are currently preparing for the Weinfest, which is to take place on October 28th, with doors open at 1:00. We have invited all the DKSB Choirs to take part, and we are hop-

ing that many Club members will join us in the Wine Tasting, sponsored by the Reif Estate Winery.


Before we haul out our selection of Christmas Carols, we must prepare for one more observance: Perhaps we will see some of you on November 5th at our Memorial Celebration at the Park. For us, it will mean saying our final good-byes to several departed choir members.

Only two of us, Herbert Lippert and I, are now left to celebrate a birthday in November: We hope you will relax and enjoy yourself on your special day on November 6th, dear Herbert: You're wished one of the best birthdays ever! And I will definitely try to make the most of my birthday celebration on November 9th.

Mit frohem Sangergruss, Gudrun



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who generously gave their time and effort to make these gatherings a success. Drew Chamberlain, Sheri Crawford, Julia Khayutin, Garry Bulmer, and the dynamic duo of Bill and Nancy McMenemy, along with the ever-reliable Albert Kergl, deserve our sincere thanks.

Dear fellow campers,

As we say goodbye to another incredible season, there's a hint of nostalgia in the air as we look back on the fantastic moments we've enjoyed in our beloved park. We were fortunate to have Mother Nature on our side, providing us with mostly favourable weather and allowing us to fully immerse ourselves in the natural beauty around us.

One standout event on our calendar was the delightful "Deutsches Essen und Gemütlichkeit" gathering at the Fisher and Hunter Hall on August 26th. This event was a good example of our own Ute Perl's brilliant idea. The camaraderie and the culinary delights we shared on that day will be fondly remembered. The presence of both our Campers and other Club members added to the liveliness of the event.

Following that, on August 27th, we continued our tradition by hosting the Campers' Annual Corn Roast at the Pavilion. This event was well attended and enjoyed by everyone.

We must express our heartfelt gratitude to the dedicated individuals

You may have heard murmurs about a minor hiccup – the men's restroom at the Pavilion was temporarily out of order. But fret not, as our Park Manager, Dave Blosser, was quick to respond. Not only did he promptly restore functionality to the restroom, but he also treated us to the luxury of a brand-new toilet. Moreover, Dave's commitment to enhancing our facilities is evident in the installation of new pot lights in the Pavilion, casting a warm and inviting glow over our beloved gathering space.

As the season comes to a close, I urge you to savour every remaining moment, soaking in the tranquility and beauty of our park. Please take good care of yourselves, and we eagerly look forward to the adventures and memories that the future has in store.

Wishing you a wonderful conclusion to the season,

Vladimir
Campers' Chairman



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONT'D
the beginning; and a big part in promoting what the Club stands for. As always, the choir opened the festivities with their program. During their performance, the names of the members who had passed on last year, were announced. Thank you to all choir members for making this part of the celebration very special!

After a great dinner, it was my honour and privilege, along with the assistance of our Secretary, Theresa, to congratulate and present the pins and awards to the new and long-time members.

On behalf of the Board of Directors,



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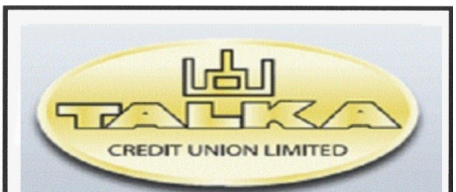
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I would like to thank the representatives of the Sub-groups for their generous donations and well wishes. I would also like to thank all members for their continued support over the years to get us to this special day of Celebration. It is the members' continued support and participation that will make future Stiftungsfest Celebrations possible.

I hope to see you soon in good health.

President,

Ulrich Venohr



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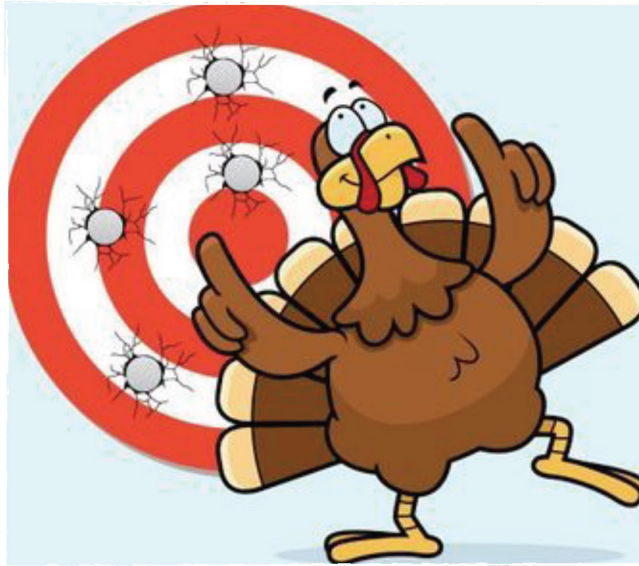
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Palatschinken (Crepes) for dessert.

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

FILMNACHMITTAG

Hauptfilm - *"O du fröhliche" (1995)*

Komödie mit Harald Juhnke

Vorfilm - *"Weihnachten in Deutschland"* Weihnachten in Deutschland

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

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Aus unserem Frauenverein

Now, that our President, Annemarie, has returned from her European adventure, we can expect things to be moving again.

Seeing our Christmas Bazaar takes place rather early this year; November 12th, as a matter of fact; preparations will have to proceed quickly.

Remember, dear ladies, seeing that our Tombola is one of the most popular and also most lucrative events, we will be looking for many donations for prizes.

Looking back, many of our members were actively involved in the Oktoberfest. Many thanks to all of you for your help!

The Germania Club Stiftungsfest was a very festive occasion. Honoured were our President, Annemarie, for her 15 year membership and Susan and Christine for their 30 year memberships. Congratulations to you, ladies!

On behalf of Annemarie, I was able to bring the Frauenverein's best wishes to the Club, as well as present them with our generous donation of \$1,000.—

In November, we have three la-

dies celebrating birthdays; namely, Gudrun on November 9th; Annemarie on November 12th and Dorothea on November 14th. All our best wishes for good health and happiness to all of you! We will toast to you at our next meeting on November 1st, beginning at 7:30 P.M.

Please try to attend, since we will be discussing final plans for the Bazaar; as well as deciding details re our Annual Christmas Party.

Looking forward to seeing all of you there, I remain,

Your Frauenverein Connection
Brigitte Parzen

And now my inspiration for this month – I thought this would be especially suitable for these turbulent times:

EIN BISSCHEN MEHR FRIEDEN

Ein bisschen mehr Frieden und weniger Streit,

Ein bisschen mehr Guete and weniger Neid,

Ein bisschen mehr Wahrheit immerdar

Und viel mehr Hilfe in jeder Gefahr.

Ein bisschen mehr "WIR" und weniger "ICH"

Ein bisschen Kraft, nicht so zimperlich

Und viel mehr Blumen waehrend des Lebens,

Den auf den Graebern, da sind sie vergebens!



Please join us for our Annual Christmas Bazaar & Craft Sale



WEIHNACHTSBASAR

Presented by the Germania Club Frauenverein "Ladies Auxiliary"

DATE: Sunday, November 12, 2023

WHERE: Germania Club (Large Hall)
863 King Street East, Hamilton

TIME: 11am - 3pm
\$1.00 entrance fee (Door Prize)

Something for Everyone on your List!

Christmas wreaths & decor, stocking stuffers, bath bombs, jewelry, Epicure and much more!

Cookies!
Coffee & Cake will be available

Tombola (aka fun raffle)





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Weekly Specials:

November 3: Cabbage Rolls
November 10: Chicken Pot pie
November 17: Frikadellen with onion gravy
November 24. Sausage Goulasch
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October Birthdays

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| Owen Buchan | Sabine Mandl |
| Manuela Roehr | Marcelle Martins |
| Aaron Dovbenyuk | Dorothea Melms |
| Monique Elias | Kevin Perl |
| Diana Grobauer | Herbert Rakowski |
| Herbert Herma | Gerhard Schaefflein |
| Debra Hough-Young | Frank Schmidt |
| Elfriede Hoyer | Samuel Silva |
| Anna Kergl | Nicoleta Tigou |
| Elisabeth Kirchhoefel | Werner Weller |
| Annemarie Kiss | Blain Young |

Happy Birthday

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Single Adult (18 years)	\$85
Family	\$140
Senior (65 years)	\$65
Honorary Member	Fees Waived
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*Thank you!
Danke!*

- Fisher & Hunters - \$ 500.00
- Germania Choir - \$ 1,590.00
- Ladies Auxiliary - \$ 1,000.00

Brunhilde Cawi - \$100 in memory of husband Dieter



VERANGSTALTUNGEN - SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Nov 1	7:30pm	Frauenverein meeting
Nov 2&3	3-8pm	Restaurant open Thursday and Friday
Nov 5	1:00pm	Memorial in the Park
Nov 9&10	3-8pm	Restaurant open Thursday and Friday
Nov 10	7pm-12am	Rathskeller PUB NIGHT
Nov 12	11am-3pm	Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Bazaar
Nov 14	2:00pm	German-Canadian Benevolent Society
Nov 17&18	3-8pm	Restaurant open Thursday and Friday
Nov 19		Schlachtfest
Nov 19	5:00pm	Grey Cup on the big screen
Nov 23&24	3-8pm	Restaurant open Thursday and Friday
Nov 26	12-2pm	Sunday Lunch - Zwiebelrostbraten
Nov 26	2:30pm	Filmnachmittag - 'O du fröhliche'
Nov 26	11:00am	Turkey Shoot in the Park

VORSCHAU - PREVIEW

Dec 10	2:00pm	Christmas sing a-long with the choir
Dec 17	1:00pm	Children's Christmas party



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