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## OBITUARIES

### *Ute* PERL

**September 24, 1939 -  
January 7, 2024**



Ute was an Honourary Member of the Germania Club and a member since 1979. We extend our sincere condolences to her son Kevin and Daughter Alicia and family, extended family and friends of the Germania Club.

### *Ernst* VIEBKE

**December 30, 1931 -  
December 18, 2023**



Ernst was a member of the Germania Club for 60 years. We extend our sincere condolences to his wife Ruth, their family and friends.

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## The President's Message



*So, here we are – a new year has begun!*

*I would like to begin my message by letting everyone know how happy I am with the way we closed out the old year with our New Year's Party German Style. Unfortunately, Ingrid and I were unable to take part in the celebration because of illness; and we were very disappointed to have missed the opportunity to be in the company of so many Club members and friends. However, I was told that Mandy did a great job of representing me. All the phone calls and the number of positive comments I received on New Year's Day really made me very, very happy.*

*Because I was not able to help in organizing or preparing for the party, all the credit goes to everyone who was involved in making this a perfect way of saying goodbye to the year 2023 and the beginning of the new year 2024.*

*I used the term "perfect" because it has been some time since a positive response like this has been received, even though so many occasions had been offered recently.*

*I am very proud and hereby wish to express my sincere "Thank You" to the organizers, the staff and all the guests for making this a party which has to be, by popular demand, on our calendar for 2024.*

*It is great to start the year on a positive note; a year of big importance in the history of the Germania Club of Hamilton—160 years!*

2024 is

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# Choral Notes

Thirteen years ago, to help me over my grief following the death of my husband, my daughter invited me to spend the New Year's Eve Weekend with her in New York. After a couple of days of the obligatory shopping spree, a play on Broadway, a visit to the Art Gallery and dining in nice restaurants, we ended up at Times Square to celebrate with a happy, noisy crowd to watch the Ball drop. Following the broadcast celebration, we went to our hotel room, had a glass of champagne, and went to bed.

Silvester 2023, Susan Butz and Helga Voss talked most of us, including our supporters, into joining them in attending our very own New Year's Celebration at the Germania Club. It wasn't Times Square, but I assure you, we had just as much, if not more fun. Ulli, our designated host, and his wife Ingrid couldn't attend because of illness, but Mandy, Miranda, Joe, Drew, Sheri, Klaus, and Lori could definitely outdo the charm and efficiency of any Big-Name Host that I have experienced on television and in person over the years.

And the timing was right too. We

celebrated in German Standard Time by the Brandenburger Tor on the Big Screen, dined extensively on hors d'oeuvres, a delicious buffet dinner and dessert, with a later offering of tapas. I don't think anybody consumed too much alcohol, and we all had a safe drive home, in time to get in touch by phone with our children and grandchildren to wish them a Happy New Year.

**Thanks to our Germania Club hosts, we all had a good, happy, safe "Rutsch"!**

In the Year 2024, we will be celebrating our 160th Choir Anniversary, and we would like to make it a most festive occasion. We have asked all the current and retired DKSB (Deutsch-Kanadischer Saengerbund) choirs to join us for our festivities the weekend of June 7th to 9th, and we are hoping that the Germania Club members will celebrate with us. And if there are singers among you, please come and join our choir in preparation for the big choral event. There are four months of intensive practice ahead, and we would be happy to welcome new voices, particularly in the male section of our choir.

In the month of February, two of our choristers and supporters are celebrating their upcoming birthdays: Anneliese Walthers on February 12th, and Erika Mildenerger on the 26th:



May your days be many, and your troubles be few.

May all God's blessings descend upon you.

May peace be within you; may your heart be strong.

May you find what you're seeking, wherever you roam.

(Irish Blessing)

Mit frohem Saengergruss! Gudrun



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## Camper's Korner



With a heavy heart, I announce the passing of Ute Perl on January 7, 2024. Ute was a much-loved part of the Germania Club and Campers' Group and someone really special who brightened up the lives of many.

Calling Ute just a "member" of those groups would be like calling a sunflower just a yellow petal. Ute was like the sun itself, spreading warmth with her smile even on the coldest days. We remember the fun times with her, the infectious laughter, and the countless gatherings where her stories and listening ear lit up the place.

Her legacy is all about the deep friendships she made. The endless laughter and shared joy stand as proof of her lively spirit and constant support.

Ute played important roles in various organizations throughout her

life. From being one of the first Hamilton Tiger Cats Cheerleaders to leading as President of the Frauen Verein and Vice President of the Germania Club, she made a lasting impression. Her dedication showed in roles like Germania Park Chairman and being one of the pioneering Female Honourary Members of the Germania Club.



Ute is survived by her children, Kevin and Alicia, her beloved grandchildren, and a wide circle of friends who were touched by her kindness.

Her absence leaves a hole in our hearts, but her memory will always guide us. To everyone who had the honour of knowing Ute, we offer our deepest sympathies during this difficult time. May her legacy of warmth, kindness, and dedication stay alive in our hearts, giving us comfort after this great loss.

Vladimir Khayutin

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CON'T

also going to be a very busy year for the Board of Directors; they will not only be planning and organizing all upcoming events, functions, and meetings, but they will also have to deal with a number of unresolved and new issues.

In closing for today, I would like to remind everyone that all our big celebrations need big support from everyone - Club members, sponsors, and friends. Supporting the Germania Club could come in many different ways; such as, membership in the Club, volunteering, holding family celebrations at the Club, using the restaurant; as well as taking part in functions and events at the Club or at the Park. Of course, any donation is always most welcome and deeply appreciated.

Hoping to see you very soon in good health,

Ulrich Venohr  
President



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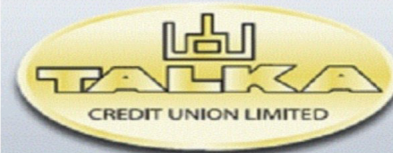
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# Prosit Neu Jahr! Cheers to the New Year!



*Someone on the Board of Director's said to try to celebrate New Years Eve on German time !!! To accommodate the aging membership. What a great Idea !!*

*Bookings started slow in December, but in the end about 70 guests arrived to a beautiful decorated hall*

*with festive set up tables, and we had a few young guests joining us.*

*A scrumptious buffet dinner was served with nice music in the background. After celebrations from Germany were shown on the large screen and after the countdown at midnight [ 6pm here] ballon came*

*down from the ceiling and champagne was offered to toast the new year*

*The mood in the hall was happy and excited, and some guests took the opportunity to " schwing das tanzbein".*

*All in all it was wonderful afternoon/evening and i hope it will be repeated this year.*

*Maybe we can think of something to entice more young guests to join us.*

*Hedda Wagenblast*





**Fischer  
& Jäger**

Wissen möchte man unbedingt,  
was das Neue Jahr wohl bringt.

Wart ein bisschen! Hinterher  
weißt du mit Bestimmtheit mehr!

Hoffentlich erfüllt das Jahr  
jeden Wunsch, der wichtig war!

Man hofft in allen Ländern,  
auf eine bessere Zeit.

Doch wenn wir uns nicht ändern,  
dann kommt es nicht so weit.

Wir sollten uns besinnen,  
auch wenn's uns nicht behagt,

Bei mir muss es beginnen!

Doch das ist leicht gesagt...

Winter coats. But it is what it is. Not too much is happening. Our Christmas Party was very pleasant with a small but lively group. Dinner was very delicious thanks to Chef "Joe". Even Santa showed up. Thank you, Santa, would not do without you. We are planning our Trip to Ottawa in May, the 11th to the 14th. Tulip time, that means Spring is here. I can hardly wait. Our next meeting will be 21st of March. Until then things are pretty quiet.

We have one Birthday and that is Brian Felgner on March 24th Happy Birthday Brian.

Until next month, everyone stay Happy and Healthy.

Moin Moin Maggi


Margitta U

Happy are those who take life day by day, complain very little and are thankful for the little things in life.


Auf Wiedersehen

Moin Fisher and Hunters Members and Friends

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## *Weekly Specials:*

*February 1+2 - Liver and Onions*

*February 8+9: Beef Stroganoff*

*February 15+16: Lasagna*

*February 22+23: Cabbage Rolls*

*February 29: Pasta Special*

*Reservations are encouraged*

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# Sunday Lunch

**Feb 25, 2024 12-2pm**

Start with a garden salad,  
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and mashed potatoes.  
Crepes for dessert.

**\$20.95** plus tax per person.  
Children ages 5- 12 years 1/2 price

## FILMNACHMITTAG

Hauptfilm - **"Bornholmer Straße" (2014)**

Vorfilm - **"Wildes Deutschland - Der Stechlin -  
Land der sauberen Seen"**



**>> Film starts at 2:30pm <<**  
**Free Admission - Coffee and Cake available**



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## February Birthdays

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 Wilma Held  
 Martha Herres  
 Helga Hillje  
 Olga Jokuthitis

Horst Kurtz  
 Waltraut Lauff  
 Erika Mildenberger  
 Joe Parzen  
 Thomas Rausch  
 Anneliese Walthers



**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

Martha Herres - \$200 in memory of  
 husband Hans Herres

Gordon & Sylvia Schien - \$100

*Thank you!*  
*Danke!*





## VERANSTALTUNGEN - SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Feb 1&2	3pm-8pm	Restaurant open Thursday and Friday
Feb 3	3pm	Mardi Gras - Might in New Orleans
Feb 8&9	3pm-8pm	Restaurant open Thursday and Friday
Feb 9	7pm-12am	Rathskeller PUB NIGHT
Feb 13	1pm-8pm	FAT Tuesday - Potato Pancakes
Feb 15&16	3-8pm	Restaurant open Thursday and Friday
Feb 22&23	3-8pm	Restaurant open Thursday and Friday
Feb 25	12-2pm	Sunday Lunch - Rouladen, Red Cabbage
Feb 25	2:30pm	Movie Afternoon - "Bornholmer Strasse"
Feb 27	7:30pm	Quarterly member's meeting in person with a hybrid Zoom link
Feb 29	3pm-8pm	Restaurant open - pasta special

## VORSCHAU - PREVIEW

Mar 6	7:30pm	Ladles Auxiliary meeting
Mar 12	7:0pm	Quarterly extended board meeting
Mar 21	8:00pm	Fisher & Hunter member's meeting
Mar 24	11:0am	Annual General Meeting



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