

●●● VERANSTALTUNGEN ● SOCIAL ACTIVITIES ●●●

May 3	5:30 p.m.	Fischer & Jäger Schlachtfest in the Large hall of the club
May 4	1:00 p.m.	Fischer & Jäger Maifest Breakfast in the Germania park <i>gates open 11:30am</i>
May 11	12:00 p.m.	Mother's Day Dinner in the Large Hall
May 17	1:00 p.m.	Springtime Campers' Meeting in the Pavilion

VORSCHAU - PREVIEW

June 21	3:00 p.m.	Germania Choir Picnic
June 22	12:00 p.m.	Fun in the Sun PICNIC - Narrhalla 58
June 27	Begin of It's Your Festival in Gage Park	
June 28		
June 29		
June 30		
July 1	Last Day of It's Your Festival in Gage Park	

Restaurant open Saturdays 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Germania Choirs rehearsal every Thursday at 7:30 p.m.
Skat Saturday in the Rathskeller starting at 12:30 p.m.

Next monthly membership meeting ..May 27 at 8:00 p.m.
Nächste monatliche Versammlung ... Am 27. Mai um 20.00 Uhr
Any members meeting or function cancellation will be on the club's voice mail.



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Mother's Day Dinner

*Bring the whole family to our annual
 Mother's Day Dinner on May 11th, in the large hall
 of the Germania Club. You will enjoy a delicious
 dinner prepared by our chef Ray.*

The Menu:

*your choice of soup or salad, chicken cordon-bleu or
 choice of schnitzel with rice, spätzle, or potatoes.
 Cake for dessert and tea and coffee.*

\$14.95 per person *(plus tax)*

*Children will have chicken fingers and fries plus a
 chocolate pudding or ice cream for dessert.*

\$4.25 per child under 12 *(plus tax).*

Reservations suggested: open from 12noon to 4:00pm



Helmut Sanner

Born August 20, 1931 - died April 9, 2008

This is how you might remember **Helmut Sanner**, the friendly gate attendant at the yearly picnic in our Germania Park. What some of you might know, Helmut held various positions on both the club's, and the Fischer & Hunter executive boards during the years 1967-1970. He was given the title honorary member for his valuable service to both organizations. Helmut would always lend a hand and in later years he could be found behind the grill in Gage Park, or as we see him in the picture in the Germania Park.

This is how we will remember him, always smiling, always helpful, or like an old acquaintance once said: He was a "PRIMA KERL"

Members and executive of the club would like to express their deep sorrow to his family and friends.



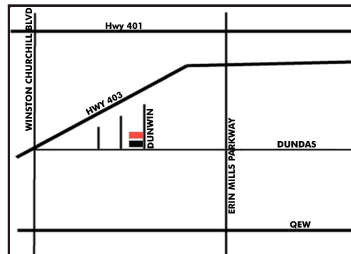
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Günter Weiss	\$55

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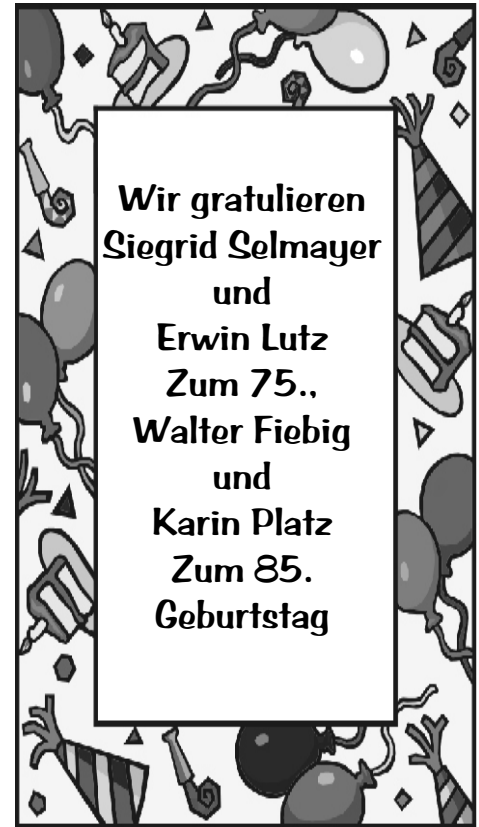
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EASTER EGG HUNT

Easter Bunnies, children, candies, hidden goodies, eggs to paint and decorate, a bright sunny day, hotdogs, and sausages from the grill, something to drink, and a nice piece of cake all together make a wonderful Germania Club Easter Egg Hunt.

Those 30 children and their parents and adult friends enjoyed a beautiful day in the snow-covered Germania Park with the purpose of an Easter Egg Hunt. Susan Butz the head egg hider and her helpers Easter Bunny Uschi Schien, Lori Kramolowsky, beginner bunny Violet Rocheleau, and Annmarie

Kiss. Chefs George Kiss and Gary Albrecht, along with bartender Dieter Eckert looked after our hungers and thirsts. Richard Lutz as usual made sure the park was ready and looked after countless details. For entertainment the Bunny Trio played live music. The trio consists of Ingrid Oppermann, Arthur Wagenblast and Karl Uschold.

As usual everyone had a great time, especially the children. This is a wonderful tradition of the Germania Club.

Bunny Editor



The President's Corner



Now that the snow is melting and swelling our rivers, I think we can quietly say spring has arrived. I say quietly because we don't want Mother Nature to change her mind. Soon we can go into the garden and begin planting and making ready for the flower season.

At this time we begin to think about the upcoming summer and events like our annual picnic and It's your Festival in Gage Park. This year for the picnic we will revive some of the good old days. Each sub-group will have two 'carnival' style games for the young and young at heart to play. Since our park is so beautiful we will also have a nature scavenger hunt, where participants will discover raw beauty of the park, while having fun. Of course we will have our traditional 'Germania Olympics' for the young, as well as other entertainment.

Our planning meeting for the Germania picnic and the Gage Park festival will be held on May 13th. Anyone interested in helping, or offering advice or expertise is encouraged to attend the meeting.

I've been really pleasantly surprised by Eckhard Kries who has taken to heart the idea of increasing the membership of the club. I believe he introduced 5 new members to the club in the last month. As Eckhard says, all it takes is to ask someone to become a member. It is enthusiasm like Eckhard's that will make this club even more successful.

As we move on to May we can enjoy a feast at the Fisher and Hunter Schlachtfest being held on May 3th in the large hall in the Germania Club. Get you tickets ahead of time so they can plan, and you can save yourself some money. Our traditional Mothers' Day Dinner will be held on May 11th with dinner served between 12 noon and 4:00 p.m.. Why not bring your whole family and enjoy Mothers' Day at the Germania Club? Call Lori in the club office to make a reservation.

Hope to see you soon
David Simon



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THE OVER SIXTY GROUP



In our March meeting we were pleased to have as guests Claudia and Dieter Eckert. We hope to see them again. We have no birthdays in May but we do have Mothers' Day and I hope that we will be able to go out to lunch. This will be discussed at our meeting and I will phone our members. Looking forward to seeing you all on May 21st.

*Yours Truly,
Linda Wanner.*

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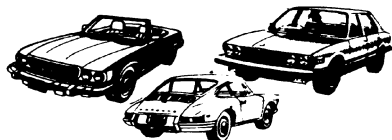


I couldn't find a place to park.

Eine Frau beim Zahnarzt:
"Aach,Herr Doktor", stöhnte sie angstbebend," Zähne ziehen ist schlimmer als Kinder kriegen"; antwortet der Arzt:"Sie müssen sich aber jetzt entscheiden, ich muss nämlich den Stuhl einstellen".

In der Oper:
"Die Sängerin, die vorhin so ausgepiffen wurde, soll hinter der Bühne einen Schreikrampf gekriegt haben"!---"Was denn, noch einen?".

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Chor Bericht

Liebe Mitglieder und Freunde des Chorgesanges!

Ich habe nicht viel zu berichten in dieser Ausgabe. Jedoch bereiten wir uns für das D.K.S.B. Sängerfest on 17&18 Mai in Ottawa. Wir sind fleißig am einstudieren für neue Lieder zur Aufführung am Sängerfest. Leider sind so viele Sänger und Sängerinnen erkrankt, so das es schwer wird für den Dirigenten, bestmöglich schnell zum Erfolg zu kommen, wir tun unser "Bestes".

Geburtstage im Monat Mai feiern: Ingrid Venohr, Hedda Wagenblast und Erich Puppä. Ich wünsche allen beste Gesundheit und die herzlichsten Glückwünsche zu ihrem Ehrentag, Für alle unsere Kranken Sänger und Sängerinnen wünsche ich baldige Genesung in der Hoffnung das wir sie gesund und munter in unsere Reihen wieder begrüßen können.

Bis dahin mit freundlichem Sängerguss

Euer Sangesbruder,
Arnold Schaefer, Schriftführer.

Hier is noch ein Frühlingsgedicht für Euch zu lesen oder studieren:

Frühling

Heute morgen bin ich aufgewacht nach süßser, lauer Sommernacht. Ich war beglückt und war berauscht, vom Bächlein, das vom Frühling plauscht.

Voll Wonne war mein Herz erfüllt alles Hoffen, war mit Dank gestillt.

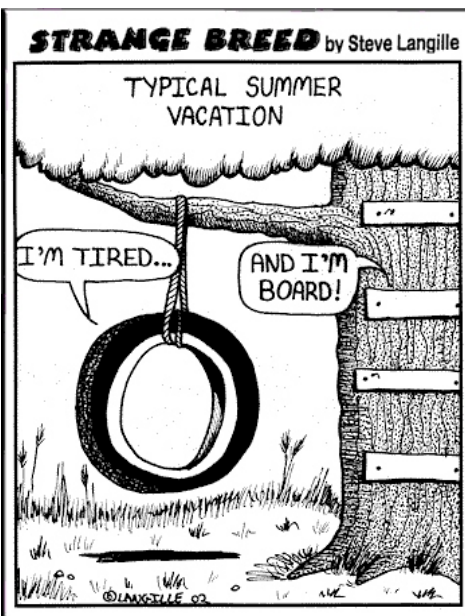
O Frühlingszeit, o holde Macht, brings Segen, Glück und Blütenbracht

Zum Garten lief ich schnell hinaus, sah Veilchen blühen, band sie zum Strauss.

Wie bist Du schön, o Frühlingszeit, in Deinem bunten Blumenkleid.

In nahen Baum die Drossel singt, ein Häslein auf dem Rasen springt.

Du zährtes Grünem Birkenbaum, ich bin verzückt vom Frühlingstraum.





Fischer & Jäger

Hello Folks, Finally May is here and we now have double digits on the thermometer and they are on the plus side.

We are now officially open for company at the park, club and cottage. The weekend of May 3 brings us our Schlachtfest on Saturday and on Sunday is our annual Maifest at the park this year breakfast will be available at 11:30 AM. Our cottage will open on Mother's Day.

Schlachtfest will be held at the Club to help support our mother-ship so please come out tickets are \$15 in Advance and \$20 at the door. Tickets are available from Gary Albrecht at (905)525-5614, Rob Cubrt at (905)516-9046 or Rosi & Willi Kramolowsky at (905)662-7602.

Let's welcome our new members

and support our group. We do offer a great deal for all who attend our meeting. Free parking at the club, park and cottage, think of it folks we all love things that are free. And best of all, as always free advice when you purchase a drink.

There are lots of things coming up so please pay attention and come on out.

Lastly it is with profound regret to let you know we have lost one of our long time members. Helmut Sanner passed away on April 9. We wish to express our condolences to Helmut's family.

*Petri Heil
Richard Kramolowsky*

*Thought for the day
Let us remember the past,
Let us look to the future,
Let us remember, no past, no future
We can learn from all.
Too our members, gone and past
may you rest in peace knowing
that we are trying.*



Aus unserem Frauenverein

Our 100th Year Anniversary was a blast. The big hall was beautiful and elegantly decorated. Round tables, blue tablecloths, white carnations and blue candles. 130 people celebrated this special day with us. Dignitaries and under groups, friends and members enjoyed this day, which we will never forget.



Our thanks to the Germania Club Choir who entertained us, with a great selections of songs; our sponsors and the under groups who sent congratulations and donations; the volunteers who cooked and served a great meal; the Germania Club for the 100 beautiful roses; Hedda Wagenblast for the Silver Balloons which looked great in the middle of the room; to Rosi and Willi Kramolowsky, Linda and Eberhard Wanner, Uschi Schien, Helga Laqua for the decorations and set up of tables and chairs. Without

the help of the men, it would be to hard for us, to set up everything; and Uschi who made the great 100th Year Anniversary for the stage.



A special thanks goes to Doris Bies who set and did the layout for our 100th Yearbook. The book is beautifully done, but we found out nothing is perfect. Our apologies for the errors which occurred in the book: omitting Erna Brusch from the members list; misspelling of the first name of Elsie Kemmler and Uschi Schien.

Now comes our meeting from April 2, 2008. Motion was put forward to let the Vorstand do another year. This was gladly accepted by all attending members. Ute Perl sent congratulations to the President and members since she was unable to attend.

Our MP Chris Charlton sent a beautiful card of thanks to Rosi and a Certificate for our 100th Year event. The certificate hangs in the small hall now.

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Ladies Auxiliary Continued

Schlactfest was mentioned and Rosi asked the members to participate for this event, also our yearly weekend in July at Lake Dalrymple.

Our Birthday lady for May is: Mia Straughan on May 6. Congratulations

Our next meeting will be May 7, 2008.

See you all there.

Until then, keep healthy and smiling

Here is my Mothers Day Poem

A MOTHER'S LOVE

A Mother's love is something
That no one can explain,
It is made of deep devotion
And of sacrifice and pain,
It is endless and unselfish
And enduring come what may
For nothing can destroy it
Or take that love away...
It is patient and forgiving
When all others are forsaking,
And it never fails or falters
Even though the heart is breaking...
It believes beyond believing
When the world around condemns,
And it glows with all beauty
Of the rarest, brightest gems...
It is far beyond defining,
It defies all explanation,
And it still remains a secret
Like the mysteries of creation...

A many splendored miracle
Man cannot understand
And another wondrous evidence
Of God's tender guiding hand.
-Helen Steiner Rice

Yours truly,
Helga Laqua



RESTAURANT

The Germania Club Restaurant is open from 2pm to 8pm every Saturday.

We have prepared a good menu of German meals, from simple items to full dinners. They will be available weekly in the restaurant at a reasonable price. The chef will also prepare a weekly special.

Food menu will also be available to the guests in the Rathskeller.



Mardi Gras Society "NARRHALLA 58"

Hello everyone, as David mentioned in last month's Germania Post I will be writing for the Narrhalla. I just hope I can do as great a job as David who has left me awfully big shoes to fill, anyways here it goes.

It is hard to believe it is already May. The month of April was quiet for the Narrhalla and May looks the same. As mentioned last month we will be hosting our "Fun in the Sun" Picnic on June 22nd in the park. There will be games and music so whether your young or old come on out for a fun afternoon.

We have no one celebrating a birthday this month but we do have someone tying the knot. Congratulations to Ted and his bride-to-be Margitta.

At the time of writing this article David is preparing for surgery our thoughts are with you and wishing you a speedy recovery.

That is it for this month

Until then,
Lori Kramolowsky
Secretary

Sunday Dances in your club.....

A nice group of people, we call them our regulars, show up at around 7:00 p.m. and enjoy some nice dance music presented by rotating D.Js. These dances are presented and staffed by members of your club and I would like to see more of our members to join the fun. It would be nice to see some new faces at these dances. Besides good company and music we have a one time special treat for you: Show up at the door with the original copy of this article and two people will be admitted for the price of one. It should not be a problem to come dancing on a Sunday night now that you and your friends are retired. So why not make up a table and join the crowd?

Dietrich Eckert



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The Campers' Report



No Campers' report for the month of may just a reminder:

**Springtime
Campers' Meeting**

**Saturday
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1:00pm

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zum dritten mal
Witwer seien". "Die Andere: "Ja,
stimmt. Die ersten zwei Frauen
starben an
Pilzvergiftung". "Und die dritte ?",
wurde zurückgefragt. "An einer

zertümmerten Schädeldecke";--
"Mensch, wieso denn das ?"--
"Na die
wollte die Pilze nicht essen!!!

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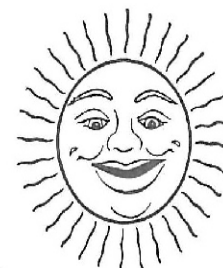
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<p><i>Mothers' Day Dinner</i> <i>May 11th, 2008</i> <i>From 12 noon until 4:00pm</i> <i>Reservations suggested by calling Lori 905-549-0513</i></p>				<p>1 7:30 Choir Practice</p>	<p>2 8pm Mohawk Ballroom Dancing 8pm lesson 9pm dancing</p>	<p>3 12:30pm SKAT 5:30pm Fisher & Hunter SCHLACHTFEST in the large hall 2 - 8pm Restaurant OPEN</p>
<p>4 1:00pm Maifest Breakfast in the Park. You are invited to the Sunday Social Dance at 7pm</p>	<p>5 Club Closed</p>	<p>6 8:00 Germania Club Board Meeting</p>	<p>7 7:30pm Ladies Auxiliary</p>	<p>8 7:30 Choir Practice</p>	<p>9 8pm Mohawk Ballroom Dancing 8pm lesson 9pm dancing</p>	<p>10 12:30pm SKAT 2 - 8pm Restaurant OPEN</p>
<p>11 12-4pm Mothers' Day Dinner in the Germania Club Sunday Social Dance at 7pm</p>	<p>12 Club Closed</p>	<p>13 8:00 Germania Club Expanded Board Meeting</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 7:30 Choir Practice</p>	<p>16 8pm Mohawk Ballroom Dancing 8pm lesson 9pm dancing</p>	<p>17 12:30pm SKAT 1:00pm Springtime Campers' meeting in the Park Pavilion 2 - 8pm Restaurant OPEN</p>
<p>18 Sunday Social Dance at 7pm</p>	<p>19 Club Closed</p>	<p>20 8:00 Germania Club Board Meeting</p>	<p>21 1:00pm Over 60 Group 8:00pm Fischer & Jäger meeting.</p>	<p>22 7:30 Choir Practice</p>	<p>23 8pm Mohawk Ballroom Dancing 8pm lesson 9pm dancing</p>	<p>24 12:30pm SKAT 2 - 8pm Restaurant OPEN</p>
<p>25 Sunday Social Dance at 7pm</p>	<p>26 Club Closed</p>	<p>27 8:00 Germania Club Members Meeting</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 7:30 Choir Practice</p>	<p>30 8pm Mohawk Ballroom Dancing 8pm lesson 9pm dancing</p>	<p>31 12:30pm SKAT 2 - 8pm Restaurant OPEN</p>

Germania Club Rathskeller open Wednesday, Thursday evenings and Saturday afternoons. Come and enjoy!