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Germania Choirs'

Weinfest

Saturday, October 26, 2024

Doors open 1:00pm,

*Light lunch, Coffee & Cake will be available
Program Beginning at 2:00 p.m.*

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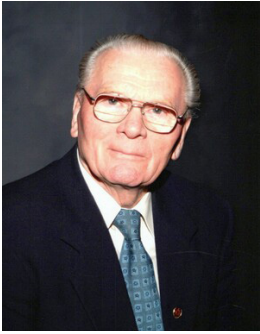
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Alexander WEGNER

June 6, 1926 - September 10, 2024

Alex was an Honourary member of the Germania Club. He was Property Manager for several years and a member of the Germania Choir. We extend our sincere condolences to his children Robert, Fred, Linda, their families and his friends of the Germania Club..



Günter WEISS

April 1, 1941 - September 14, 2024

Günter was a 42 year member of the Germania Club. We extend our sincere condolences to his daughter Claudia and granddaughters Claire and Olivia as well as his friends of the Germania Club.

Das schönste Denkmal, das ein Mensch bekommen kann, steht in den Herzen der Mitmenschen..

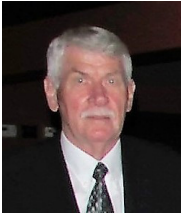
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The President's Message

During the summer months our park provided club members and friends of the Germania Club with the opportunity to enjoy many outdoor events. The Germania Park will continue to be open to the end of October, other activities to follow, I am happy to welcome everyone back to our clubhouse, the home of the Germania Club.

September is the beginning of another busy season. The Ladies Auxiliary already held their first meeting, making plans for their upcoming season. It was my pleasure to greet and welcome back members of the Benevolent Society, holding their first meeting of the season at club and I took the opportunity to inform the group of all the upcoming activities at the Germania Club and thank them for their support.

September is also the month we are hosting one of our biggest festivals of the year, the "Steel City Oktoberfest" followed by the 160. Stiftungsfest/160th Anniversary on the 6th of October and this is only the beginning of upcoming celebrations.

I believe it goes with our saying, whether we are planning function for the Park or for the Club House, to make a function successful it requires a tremendous amount of organization, work and commitment from everyone. None of our events would be a success with our supporting Volunteers, before, during and after each event. Thank you very, very much, your continued support is desperately needed and greatly appreciated. I would like to remind all club members, their families, friends and Germania Club supporters, this is a big year for us, please come and take part in the festivities.

In closing, I wish to acknowledge and recognize David's tremendous effort and work in making sure that all information of upcoming activities and happenings at the club, is communicated to you the members. through the Germania Post, Flyers and email updates. Thank very much, David, like many others, you are doing a great job volunteering.

Hope to see you soon in good health.

Your

Ulrich Venohr

President
Germania Club of Hamilton



A loyal Member for 70 Years.....



Joe Parzen

by Hans Bastel

Drum Freunde reichet Euch die Hand
damit es sich erneure,
der alten Freundschaft heil'ges Band,
das alte Band der Treue.

Klingt an und hebt die Gläser hoch:
Die alten Burschen leben noch,
noch lebt die alte Treue.

Eugen Hoefling

JOE PARZEN, was born on February 11, 1932 in Bacsalmas, a little town in Hungary, the son of Margarete and Paul Parzen. His father was killed during the Second World War.

At the end of the war, he and his family had to leave Hungary and eventually found a new home in Dorndorf, a little village near the city of Ulm in southern Germany. It was there that Joe served an apprenticeship as an electrician.

In 1952, following his sister, Mar-

zella, who had left Germany earlier, he immigrated to Canada, settling in Hamilton. In 1954 he joined the Germania Club in order to play soccer.

To say that Joe had a significant involvement in Germania Club activities would be an understatement. During the past 70 years he was engaged in the following Club activities and functions:

Chairman, Theatre Group
Chairman, Fishing and Hunting Group

Chairman, Entertainment Committee

Chairman, Restaurant Committee
Founding member of G.K.G. Narrhalla "58" (seeing it was under the umbrella of the Theatre Group at that time)

Member, Council of Elders



Member, Audit Committee
Property Manager
Germania Park Manager
Treasurer, Soccer Group
Member, Campers Group

In addition, he helped out as a waiter and organizer during all of the Club's social events; first at the Fischer Hotel and later, after the Club's large hall was built, at the King Street East location. He also played a major role in convincing the Club's Board of Directors and membership to purchase a beautiful building lot on the shore of Lake Dalrymple in 1959. Once the lot was acquired, he made a significant contribution to the construction of a large and welcoming cottage. When, a few years ago the cottage was sold, the Germania Club benefitted greatly from this sale.

As one of the first post-world war members, Joe was able to observe how relatively quickly the Club membership grew from fewer than 50 people to close to 1000!

He was also supportive of the Club's physical expansion activities, starting with the large hall, followed by the upstairs hall and meeting rooms, the aforementioned Lake Dalrymple property and - in 1960 - the acquisition of the beautiful Germania Park.

It may be hard to believe, but Joe did have a life outside the bounds

of the Germania Club!

Once in Canada, he found employment as an electrician working on construction sites, both here and in the U.S.A.

He worked in his trade until he retired. It was at the Germania Club, where he met and courted his future wife, Brigitte Boehner. Joe and Brigitte have three children; Ellen, Paul and Christopher. They also have six grandchildren; Chris, Sara, Rochelle, Jake, Neil and D.J. Despite his busy working-, Club- and family life, Joe found time to cater to his hobbies of fishing, hunting, cottaging, camping and snowbirding in Florida.

He now lives in the western outskirts of Hamilton and enjoys watching T.V., discussing Germania Club politics and activities -- past, present and future!

If one had to pick one word which describes JOE PARZEN, it would be "L O Y A L T Y"!

Joe has always been loyal to his family, his friends, his relatives, his trade and to the GERMANIA CLUB.

The following German poem describes it best:

Denn was auch immer
auf Erden besteht,
besteht durch die Ehre und Treue
Wer heute die alte Pflicht verrät,
verrät auch morgen die neue.

Adalbert Stifter





Aus unserem Frauenverein

Vacation time is over! The ladies are back and ready to help at all the many upcoming events in the next few months!

Oktoberfest will be behind us, and the Germania Club's 160th Stiftungsfest almost here – October 6th not on the 5th as mentioned in my last report. It is a significant event, since it has now been 45 years since our ladies have been able to be full-fledged members of this Club.

I hope that many of our members will be in attendance to celebrate the special occasion.

Thanksgiving is next and we will all be very grateful in remembering all our many blessings during the last year.

A very happy Thanksgiving to all our ladies, all our members of the Germania Club and their families and friends!

The Frauenverein is very happy that Hilde has recovered so well from her back surgery and, as rumours have it, she is expected back in our midst for our next meeting on October 2nd, which

will also be our Epicurean Cooking Show. It will be interesting to see what Ellen can whip up for us so quickly seeing she is only returning from an extended European holiday two days before the event.

Have a wonderful holiday, Ellen & Ron!

All proceeds from the Show will, of course, benefit our Bazaar in prizes for the popular Tombola.

The Annual Christmas Bazaar will take place on Sunday, November 17th. Annemarie is taking reservations for vendors already @\$30.00 per table. The Bazaar is a very special day, and many of our regular customers look forward to it every year.

In October we are celebrating only one birthday; namely, Lori who will be celebrating her big 60th this year. We wish her a fantastic day and all the best for the next year!

Our Annual Christmas Dinner will be replaced by our special day trip to Casa Loma, where we will be engulfed in Christmas decorations and Christmas scenery preparing us for the upcoming Season. Sadly, not all of our members will be able to come along, but it has been sold out for some time now.



Our next meeting will be the Epicure Show on October 2nd beginning at 6:30 P.M. Please come, bring your friends and enjoy an evening of fun and camaraderie!

Looking forward to seeing you all at the Club at all our upcoming events, I remain,

Your Frauenverein Connection,

Brigitte Parzen

And now, my little words of wisdom and inspiration—

Life has taught me,

I am not always in control.

**Life is full of experiences,
lessons,**

Heartbreak and pain,

but, it has also shown me

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It makes us who we are,

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Choral Notes

We missed Choir Practice during July and August! Most of us have been singing in a choir for decades, and our weekly rehearsals are very much part of our lifestyle. Having a two-month sabbatical, particularly in our senior years when we have fewer responsibilities - even trips to the cottage have become stressful for many of us - we enjoy the singing and the subsequent get-togethers in the Germania Club Restaurant, with a drink and perhaps a song or two, often celebrating somebody's birthday. Most of us stay to socialize over dinner at the Club, sharing our joys and sorrows. We are a family.

Some of us did participate in Club functions at the beautiful Germania Park during the summer months, thereby keeping in touch during our break from choir practice.

Jeanet Schaefer kept us informed of the preparations for our three-day trip to Kingston and the Thousand Islands, which starts on September 10th. We have now met our Tour Guide, who quite obviously is familiar with accom-

modating seniors. She has prepared a good itinerary for the bus trip, our hotel stay in Kingston, the Thousand Island Tour, as well as our return trip to Hamilton. We are all looking forward to our little adventure!

Unfortunately, Christa Kries, and consequently Eckhard, will not be joining us. Christa has had back surgery, and she is undergoing a rigorous rehabilitation program, geared to getting her back in shape. Needless to say, we wish her a speedy recovery!

Our condolences go to the family of Anneliese Walthers, a longtime member and supporting member of our choir. She kept in touch with us over the years, even when living abroad.

There is only one October Birthday on my list: Ulli Venohr, on October 5th.:

May your day be
touched by a bit of luck,
brightened by a
song in your heart,
and warmed by
the people you love.

Happy Birthday, Ulli!

Mit frohem Sangergruss!
Gudrun





Fischer & Jäger

Moin Fisher and Hunters, Members and Friends,

It seems I got a few articles with dates, etc. wrong in my last report. I would like to correct them. I apologize in advance if I misled anyone.

The shooting gallery at the Oktoberfest will be handled by the Kiss Family. It is definitely not for children. Joe is receiving his 70-year Membership from the Germania Club.

Our next Membership Meeting will be on Thursday, October, 17th at 8 PM Since the Fischer and Hunters are celebrating our 70th Anniversary, we are having a Reunion of previous Fischer and

Hunters on Saturday, December, 21st in the Club Restaurant .We will be contacting previous Members, but if we forget someone, please let us know if you are interested in attending to share great memories old pictures.

Our Turkey Schoot will take place on Nov. 24th beginning at 11 AM. Goulash and Chili will be served. Everyone is welcome.

Celebrating a Birthday are Samantha Kiss, October 9th and Paul Hamburg on October 8th. Congrats to you both of you.

Till next time stay Happy and Healthy
Tschüss Maggie

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How time flies! As I'm writing this it feels as though a switch has flipped and we're into lovely fall weather. The days remain sunny while nights get chilly, wonderful times for a campfire with marshmallows at the park!

As you are all reading this, Octo-

ber is upon us with Thanksgiving and Halloween right around the corner. I hope you all think of spending a lovely crisp day at our Park strolling through the fallen leaves or going for a paddle on the lake. It was another wonderful summer season, and I want to take this opportunity for all those campers and club members who made our events a great success.

Happy Fall everyone,

Janet Feduszczyk,
Campers Committee Chairman



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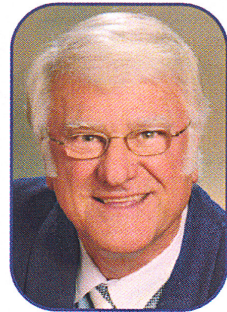
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Please join us for our Annual Christmas Bazaar & Craft Sale



WEIHNACHTSBASAR

Presented by the Germania Club
Frauenverein "Ladies Auxiliary"

DATE: Sunday, November 17, 2024

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

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

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October 27, 2024 12-2pm

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Hazelnut Parfait for dessert.

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

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Hauptfilm - *"Die Schwabekinder" (2003)*
Filmdrama

Vorfilm - *Kein schöner Land - Lüneburger Heide*



>> Film starts at 2:30pm <<

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Oct 17+18 Waldorf dinner Salad

Oct 24+25 - Chicken Fricasée

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Date of Birth: mm/dd/yyyy _____ Type of Membership: Single ; Family

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Date of Birth of Spouse: mm/dd/yyyy _____

Name of Child: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Name of Child: _____ Date of Birth: _____

(If more than two children please list on reverse side of this form.)

Nominated by: _____ Seconded by: _____

Annual Membership Dues \$ _____ payable with application. Please add \$5 for first time processing costs and attach full payment to this form. Annual dues due by February 1.

The Germania Club of Hamilton is an organization that is politically non-partisan, and religiously non-sectarian. Non-compliance with the values of our Club, as enshrined in our constitution, results in loss of membership. As one of the oldest German clubs in Canada, the Germania Club looks back on a rich history. The purpose of the Club is to provide all members with the opportunity to cultivate the German language and customs, to promote German cultural values through social interaction and song, and to take part in the cultural development of Canada. As a member of the Germania Club, I will help the Club with its purpose, and pledge to support the Club by participating in and volunteering for Club functions and events to the best of my ability.

Signature(s) of Applicant(s): _____

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Membership Card Number: _____ Amount Paid: _____

Date of Application: _____

Comments: _____

Member Application updated June 2021



MEMORIAL IN THE GERMANIA PARK

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.

Evelyn Crawford

June 16, 1931 - October 30, 2023

Josephine Rischke

February 13, 1936 - December 1, 2023

Ute Perl

September 24, 1939 - January 7, 2024

Ernst Viebke

December 30, 1931 - December 18, 2023

Paul Jaeckle

March 18, 1939 - February 22, 2024

Richard Kramolowsky

October 4, 1965 - July 19, 2024

Gunther Burger

May 20, 1941 - July 25, 2024

Anneliese Walthers

February 12, 1929 - August 8, 2024

Erika Bastel

February 15, 1943 - August 9, 2024

Alexander Wegner

June 6, 1926 - September 10, 2024

Günter Weiss

April 1, 1941 - September 13, 2024



GERMANIA CLUB MEMORIAL



Sunday, November 3, 2024

Park Gate opens 12:00pm

Memorial begins at 1:00pm

This is a day to honour and celebrate our friends and members that have passed on before us, and especially remembering all members who have passed away within the last year.

After the program there will hot and cold refreshments, light lunch items will be available as well as coffee and cake in the pavillion.

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October Birthdays

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Douglas Cline	Harry Rischke
Karin Dingfeld	Ulrich Venohr
Paul Hamburg	Robert Wegner
Erwin Hiller	Magdalena Weller
Constantine Khayutin	Jurgen Wellnitz
Lori Ann Kramolowsky	
Brigitte Kurtz	
Veronica Kusiak	



Happy Birthday

Membership Fees

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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!

Gudrun Boehm-Johnson - *\$250 in memory of Erika Bastel;*
-\$250 in memory of Richard Kramolowsky
 Gudrun Boehm-Johnson - *\$500 in memory of Alex Wegner*

VERANSTALTUNGEN - SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Oct 10+11	4pm-8pm	Restaurant open - Liver&onions
Oct 11	7pm-12am	Rathskeller PUB Night
Oct 17+18	4pm-8pm	Restaurant open - Waldorf Salad
Oct 17	8pm	Fisher&Hunter members meeting
Oct 24+25	7pm-12am	Restaurant open - Chicken Fricassee
Oct 25	7pm-12am	Rathskeller PUB NIGHT
Oct 26	1:00pm	Choir WEINFEST
Oct 27	12pm-2pm	Sunday Lunch - Glazed Pork Loin
Oct 27	2:30pm	Film - "Die Schwabenländer"
Oct 31	4pm-8pm	Restaurant open - Reuben & fries
Nov 3	1pm	Memorial in the Park
Nov 17	11am-3pm	Christmas Bazaar & Craft Sale presented by The Ladies Auxiliary
Nov 24	11am	Turkey Shoot in the Park



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