

# Sunday Lunch

## Jan 28, 2024 12-2pm

Start with split pea with ham soup, followed by Stuffed Roast Pork, mashed potatoes and seasonal vegetables. Apple cake for dessert.

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

FILMNACHMITTAG

Hauptfilm -

"Lachen mit Peter Alexander" (1969 - 1995) Musik und Parodien "Loriots Große Trickfilmrevue"

Vorfilm -



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

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### OBITUARY



#### Josephine (Josie) RISCHKE February 13, 1936 – December 1, 2023 Josie was a Honourary Member of the Germania Club and a member since 1979. We extend our sincere condolences to her husband Harry

and their family and friends of the

Germania Club. " Never saw the sun shinin' so bright Never saw things lookin' so right Noticin' the days hurryin' by When you're in love, my how they fly



Blue days, all of them gone Nothin' but blue skies from now on'' Irving Berlin, 1926

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## The President's Message



Happy New Year!

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Ingrid and myself, I would like to wish all Club members, staff, their families and friends of the Germania Club a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year 2024!

As President of the Germania Club, I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere "Thank You" to all Board members, our staff, volunteers and Club members for their countless hours of hard work, dedication and support to bring us through another great year.

Looking back on 2023, I believe that being a member of the Germania

Club has provided all of us with opportunities to enjoy many great get-togethers throughout the last year with family and friends in the Club and in the Park.

Having been part of a number of celebrations in the month of December at the Club, including the Christmas Sing-along hosted by the Germania Club Choir and the German-Canadian Benevolent Society's Christmas Party – this group having made the Germania Club their new home- it really strengthened my belief, that we have to continue what we have been doing for the last 159 years; namely, promoting the German Culture within this community.

Witnessing firsthand the enjoyment these functions bring to so many guests, the majority being seniors, is just fantastic.

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We started the Advent-Christmas Season with a visit to the Highgate Retirement Home, a merry beginning for the choir members, as well as for those who attended our little Concert. Our hosts seemed to enjoy our selection of German and English Christmas Carols, and we were happy to start the Holiday Season with a receptive audience.

On December 10th, we had our annual Christmas Concert at the Germania Club. There was great audience participation, and, in addition to the seven choir-only carols, we all ended up singing the entire selection of songs in the little booklet that Brigitte Muessner had prepared for last year's Germania Club Christmas Concert.

The choir members donated the "Weihnachtsgebaeck" to go with the coffee that was served at intermission. Participants could also order wine, beer, or Gluehwein, while enjoying the singing.

There was no admission fee, but our guests were asked to donate cash or non-perishable food to benefit the many homeless people trying to survive in our city during the winter

#### months.

Following the concert, a lovely pre-ordered meal with dessert was available for those members of the choir and audience that had chosen to stay for dinner.. The Spaetzle with gravy were excellent, not to mention the big, juicy Schnitzel that came with it.

On Friday, December 15th, we gave a mini Christmas Concert for our former conductor, Linus Press at Wentworth Lodge in Dundas. Our Spring 2023 Concert in his honour had left us with heartwarming memories, and we were so very glad that we could bring Linus and other residents at the home some of the joy of the Christmas Season as well.

Our annual Choir Christmas party took place on Saturday, December 16th. As in previous years, our president Hedda organized a most festive celebration: Even Santa Claus paid us a brief visit, and the food was great, thanks to our new Germania Club Cook, Joe and his helpers.

With our Choir Christmas Party, we concluded our successful Covid Choral Revival Year, and we have started the serious planning for the big 160th Anniversary of our Choir in June 2024.

Several choir members will start the New Year with a bang! Ingrid Oppermann is having a birthday on January 4th, Willie Schaefer on January 6th, Susan Butz on January 12th, Roland Fix on January 17th, David Simon and Helga Voss on January 18th, and Monika Heitland on January 27th. May these birthdays be a celebration of life, love, and everything that matters most to the Heart!

We wish a Happy, Healthy New Year to all the members of the Germania Club, along with their families and friends!

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### From the 2nd Treasurer



Dear Club Members,

Looking back on the past year, our treasury department encountered some difficulties. We had a backlog of transactions to enter into our financial records, which created pressure. But I'm glad to say that we've made significant progress, and things are looking up.

We're grateful for the hard work of our new bookkeeper, whose dedication has been critical in tackling the backlog, bringing us closer to reviewing our financial reports. This progress is essential for understanding our club's finances better and making informed decisions.

We are working to bring our membership list to order. Here's a snapshot of our membership:

Total Membership: 283

*Life-long* + *Honorary members:* 53

Paying Members: 230

Our membership runs from January 1st to December 31st each year. In the first year, fees can be adjusted, and all payments are due by January 31st. Membership fees are as follows: Adult Member: \$85.00 Student Member: \$32.00 Senior Member: \$65.00

Family Membership: \$140.00

Your support through membership fees strengthens our club. If you have any questions about your membership, feel free to reach out to me directly at

treasurer2@germaniaclub.ca.

Your engagement is necessary for a smooth membership experience.

As we navigate these financial and membership intricacies together, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude for your continued support. Your commitment forms the foundation upon which our club thrives.

Looking ahead, we're dedicated to further streamlining our financial processes and enhancing our membership experience. Your input and participation will be invaluable, as we move forward.

With warm regards,

Vladimir Khayutin

Second Treasurer

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It has been said many times the younger generation is the future of the Germania Club; and I agree, but I also believe that we need to make sure that we continue to organize programs and events for our senior generation to participate in.

One example is to adjust our starting times; such as, ringing in the New Year 2024 at 6 P.M., which is a new idea, and it is receiving a lot of support.

It is really remarkable, that the Germania Club has always been and continues to be part of the lives of so many Club members, and it is important that we uphold what the Germania Club stands for.

The year 2024 will certainly give us the opportunities to prove what we are all about. Not only is the Germania Club celebrating its 160<sup>th</sup> Stiftungsfest, the Germania Choir is also celebrating its 160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary; and if that is not enough, the Fishers & Hunters will also be celebrating their 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. All events are in the planning stages, but from what I am being told, the celebrations will be big!

For the Board of Directors, the New Year will not only be the planning of new events and big celebrations, but there will be a number of unresolved and new issues to be dealt with.

*I am sure if we all continue to support our Club, the year 2024 will be a great and successful year.* 

Hoping to see you soon the great health, Your President, Ulrich Venohr





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Fischer & Jäger

Here is my first report of the new year. Winter has set in, and everyone has pulled out their winter woollies to keep warm. Christmas has come and gone, and I hope everyone had a Happy and Healthy New Year with Family and Friends. I had my Covid date in December, the first one ever. I am glad that's over and done with.

I missed the Turkey Shoot thankfully Brigitte gave me a report, it goes like this. The Sun was shining but not too many folks showed up. Those that did, had a good time. 5 Rounds were shot with the following winners. Jack Felgner, Adrian Junker, Diane Grobauer, Brigitte



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Parzen and Maggie (Kevin's Wife).

Congratulations, to all of you. Hope

you enjoyed your Turkey Dinner.

For birthdays, I have a few. In Jan-

uary, George Kiss, Brigitte Parzen,

Helmut Hentschel and myself

(Maggie) on the 24th. In February,

our Dear Joe Parzen. is another

vear smarter. "Deinen namen hab

ich nicht vergessen, aber deine... "

On March 24th Brian Felgner has

his birthday. I hope everyone has

had or will have a Wonderful Hap-

py and Healthy New year and Birth-

day. Party Hearty with a smile on

Our next meeting will be on Thurs-

day. March 21st, 2024.

Until then, Keep well,

Moin moin Maggi

Margitta Untch

Auf Wiedersehn

your face. and love in your Heart.

Thank you, Brigitte, for this info.



## Friday, January 12, 2024 7pm to midnight

## MUJIC - PUB FOOD - GEMÜTLICHKEIT GERMAN PUB FEEL - KNOBELN

The Rathskeller, old world feel with a modern vibe. Everyone welcome - No Cover



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Aus unserem Frauenverein

Happy New Year to all! May it bring much needed Peace!

December was a very busy and exciting month. The ladies celebrated the extremely successful Bazaar with an exceptional Christmas Par*ty with 16 members attending; only* Waltraud was unable to join us due to her upcoming shoulder replacement surgery. We wish you a successful surgery and a speedy recovery, dear Waltraud!

The celebration was very lively with peoms, gift-giving and, best of all, a cheerful Christmas Sing-along led by our talented choir members. A

festive dinner was served -- all of us praised and thanked our new Chef, Joe, and his efficient team of Mandi and Miranda! Everything was made in-house and absolutely delicious. Thank you, again!

Birthdays were also celebrated; namely, Christine on December 22<sup>nd</sup>, Susie on January 12<sup>th</sup> and myself on January 7th. Best Wishes for good health and happiness to all! The ladies will now take a well-deserved rest until the first Wednesday in March of 2024.

Until then, I remain, Your Frauenverein Connection.

#### Brigitte Parzen

And her is my little piece of wisdom for the month

## I Relieve

*In the power of kindness, patience and listening to others;* That no problem is so big that it should cause people to hurt each other. I believe in the beauty of faded flowers, Beads of rain on morning grass, And the light in the faces of old people. *I* believe in the power of imagination, Hope and hard work to create miracles. And I believe that love is everything. By Margaret B. Moss











Germanía KAFFEEKLATSCH Coffee, Cake and Conversation

Wednesday, Jan 17, 2023 2:00pm - 4:00pm

## New Year - Epiphany

**Everyone** Welcome



New expanded menu and times Open Thursday & Friday 3pm-8pm

Soup, Starter Salad or Warm Pretzel Wienerschnitzel - Vienna Schnitzel Jägerschnitzel - Hunter's Schnitzel Zigeunerschnitzel - Gypsy Schnitzel All schnitzels available using pork or chicken French Fries - Poutine allemande English-style or Pan-fried Fish & Chips

### Weekly Specials:

January 4-5 - Goulash with egg noodles January 11-12: Cabbage Rolls January 18-19: Frikadellen with onion gravy January 25-26: Sausage Goulash Reservations are encouraged

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## January Birthdays

Susan Butz Andrew Chamberlain Ricardo Costa Ernst Dammann Jeanette Foebel Ken Foebel Monika Heitland Helmut Hentschel Vladimir Khayutin George Kiss Stefan Kun Wolfgang Mielitz Marcela Oliveira Ingrid Oppermann Brigitte Parzen Helga Rausch Willy Schaefer Kris Schmidt Karin Schuett Alexandre Silva David Simon Margitta Untch Helga Voss Terence Whelan Mark Woehrle ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Happy Birthday J

#### **Membership** Fees

Student\$32Single Adult (18 years)\$85Family\$140Senior (65 years)\$65Honorary MemberFees WaivedLife Long MemberFees Waived



## Donations to the Club Roswitha Grauf - \$400 in memory of her mother Karla Grauf Danke!



### **VERANSTALTUNGEN - SOCIAL ACTIVITIES**

Jan 4&5	3-8pm
Jan 8	2:00pm
Jan 9	7:30pm
Jan 11&1	12 3-8pm
Jan 12	7pm-12am
Jan 17	2pm-4pm
Dec 18&	19 3-8pm
Dec 25&2	26 3-8pm
Jan 28	12-2pm
Jan 28	2:30pm

Restaurant open Thursday and Friday German-Canadian Benevolent Society Quarterly extended board meeting Restaurant open Thursday and Friday Rathskeller PUB NIGHT Kaffeeklatsch - New Year - Epiphany! Restaurant open Thursday and Friday Restaurant open Thursday and Friday Sunday Lunch - Stuffed Pork roast Movie Afternoon - "Lachen mit Peter Alexander"

#### **VORSCHAU - PREVIEW**

Feb 3		Mardi Gras - Karneval
Feb 14	2pm-4pm	Kaffeeklatsch -
Feb 25	12-2pm	Sunday Lunch -

Feb 25 2:30pm Movie Afternoon -

