



The Germania Club is proud to be participating in the DOORS OPEN ONTARIO - Hamilton Region event.

The Doors Open event highlights interesting buildngs across the region, where you can tour the properties and learn about their history.

This year's Doors Open event is highlighting Music as an additional component of the 2 day event.

The Club fits in two ways, first our building, as it stands, is built around the 1800's house with 2 distinct additions. The house main floor is a where most of the restaurant resides.

Our choir which is celebrating 160 years of singing this year, intersted the board at Doors Open, and made us eligible to be part of this advertised event. Check their website at:

www.doorsopenontario.on.ca







### The President's Message

In preparation to write my May article for the Germania Post, I really took some time and reviewed the Social Activities portion of the April Germania Post and it became very clear to me that 2024 is a year of celebrations.

With the Ladies Auxiliary 116th anniversary, the Mother's Day dinner, the Choir 160th Anniversary concert and the Germania Club 160th anniversary in October, and the Fisher and Hunter's 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary, to name a few. Plans are on the way for this and very many other activities, like opening the Germania Park, the Germania club picnic and one of biggest events in the 2024 calendar, our Oktoberfest. I know that each group is working hard to make their upcoming event memorable and successful.

As for the board of directors and the staff, I am confident that everyone will continue with their best efforts and conviction to make all club functions and all the other club's booked events successful for the members of the Germania Club and the club's future. As the President, I will not give up on my positive outlook on the future of the Germania *Club, not only for this year but for years to come.* 

I am also aware of the very important issues the board has to resolve, other than planning celebrations. It is also very clear, that the board cannot resolve all issues alone, we need your help. We need the help of club members to stand up and fill vacant positions on the board of directors. We need your help by making your self available to volunteer for some of the planned upcoming activities. Please provide us with a list of your expertise and experience, so that we could call on you occasionally, to help.

The majority of our present club members are seniors and most of them have done their part of supporting the club and are unable to continue as much as the would like to, therefore I am calling on the younger and new members to uphold the promise they made by signing their membership application.

Thank you very much for the support of the club members who have made it possible for us to celebrate our 160th anniversary this year and will help to secure the future for the Club for years to come.

I hope to see you very soon in good health. Your President Ulrich Venohr





On March 30th, for once (in a blue moon?), Easter Bunny Jeanet had a sunny, though cool day to hide her eggs in our lovely Germania Park on Lake Niapenco. The Pavillion was brightly decorated by Sheri, Drew, Julia, and Vladimir, and the children, among them my own great nieces and great nephews, were delighted with the early treats supplied by our Germania Club and Park team.

As always, Hilde, Erika Eigen, Ulli and Vladimir also looked after our adult guests with refreshments, which Mandy, Miranda, and helpers had brought from the downtown Club. The "Gulaschsuppe" was delicious, just like the one my mother used to make!

Thank you for a most enjoyable little pre-Easter celebration for children and parents (and aunts) alike. A special thank you to our campers who kept the park and facilities in great shape for all Club members to enjoy.

Back at the downtown Club, the choir keeps working on our forthcoming festivities, with three concerts on the horizon: The Orpheus Concert on April 19th at the Club, the London Lyra Concert on May 26th, and, of course, our own 160th Anniversary celebration on June 8th. We're hoping a number of Club members will join us for our big "Jubiläum".

Happy Birthday to Ingrid Venohr

on May 3rd, and to Hedda Wagenblast on May 17th. For the years ahead,

May the raindrops fall lightly on your brow.

May soft winds freshen your spirit.

May the sunshine brighten your heart.

May the burdens of each day rest lightly upon you.

And may God enfold you in the mantle of His Love.

(Irish Blessing)

Mit frohem Sängergruss,

Gudrun



#### Small giggle

Why can the choir get struck by lightening? Because they have a conductor.

Why did the piano get locked out of its car? It lost its keys.

Why shouldn't you tell a joke to a duck? It will quack up.



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## Aus unserem Frauenverein

May flowers are brightening our spirits as we speak!

Our April meeting, although a little short on numbers due to poor weather, was cheerful and full of laughter as we shared a few entertaining jokes and short stories.

Our final plans for our combined 116<sup>th</sup> Stiftungsfest and Mother's Day Celebration were made. The event will take place on Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, beginning at 6 P.M. with dinner being served at 6:30 P.M. until? (when we run out of stories to tell)

On June 13<sup>th</sup>, the ladies will visit the St. Jacob's Market in Kitchener with definite arrangements to be discussed at a later date.

Tentatively, we're also planning a one-day bus trip in early December to Casa Loma in Toronto with a Christmas Luncheon at the Old Spaghetti Factory.

Of course, by that time, we will have truly deserved this, seeing many Club events will have required our help; as well as, our Annual Bazaar will have required a lot of hard work

#### by all of us.

We had no birthdays during the month of April; however, we sang to Inge, seeing she had been absent when it had been her turn.

Dorothea advised us that Waltraud is progressing with her therapy; Elfriede is feeling alright at this time and is visiting out west with her son, Derek; and Jeanet is again feeling good as new.

Our thoughts are with all of you!

A lovely lunch, provided by Christine (charcouterie) and Lori (sweets) ended our lovely gathering.

*Now, we're looking forward to our special celebration on May* 1<sup>st</sup>*.* 

Till then, I remain,

Your Frauenverein Connection,

Brigitte Parzen

And here are my little

Words Of Wisdom:

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### The Gift I believe it is wise to understand that you can't predict where you may land, nothing remains forever in hand. Life seldom goes the way you planned. Over ups and downs and toll and lift, be grateful for each precious gift; the scales of life will sway and shift leaving memories for the winds to sift. We are here until that bell will toll; simply a matter of how the dice roll. When heart's embers all turn to coal.

the love they held warms another soul.

s.paul

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### Camper's Korner

Fellow Campers,

As the spring season unfolds before us, it brings with it the promise of warmth, renewal, and the joys of outdoor living.

*We've scheduled our Annual Campers' Meeting for May 18, 2024 (Saturday) at noon.* 

This meeting is not just an annual routine; it's a cornerstone event for our community, offering a significant chance to unite, exchange stories, and engage in discussions relevant to our collective camping experience.

After our discussion, you're invited to join the potluck. Let's each bring our favourite dishes to the table, showcasing our culinary talents and enjoying a feast of flavours. Remember, it's not just about the food t's about the camaraderie and the bonds we nurture as fellow campers. In the spirit of celebration,

I'd also like to extend heartfelt Mother's Day wishes to all the mothers and grandmothers in our community. Your love, care, and nurturing spirit are invaluable, and we are so grateful for everything you do.

Additionally, as we gear up for another wonderful season, let me stress the importance of volunteering. Our park thrives on the collective efforts of our members, and without volunteers, our park would not be the sanctuary it is today. Let's ensure we continue this tradition and have ample volunteers to support our park manager in maintaining the beauty of our park.

I look forward to seeing you at the park.

Best regards, Vladimir Khayutin Campers' Chairman

#### **Business administrator:**

Dear Germania Club Members,

I am deeply honoured and immensely grateful for the trust you have placed in me by electing me as your second business administrator. It is with great enthusiasm and dedication that I embark on this journey to serve you and our club.

First and foremost, I want to express my heartfelt appreciation to every one of you for your support and confidence in me. Together, we have a wealth of opportunities to explore and avenues to venture into, and I am excited to share some of the ideas we have in store to enhance our club experience.

One of our primary focuses will be on maximizing the utilization of our beautiful surroundings.

Warm regards, Vladimir Khayutin Second Business Administrator



# RESTAURANT

**Open Thursday & Friday 3pm-8pm Take-out avaiable** Soup, Starter Salad or Warm Pretzel Wienerschnitzel - Vienna Schnitzel Jägerschnitzel - Hunter's Schnitzel Zigeunerschnitzel - Gypsy Schnitzel **All schnitzels available using pork or chicken** Goulash with noodles, Cabbage Rolls French Fries - Poutine allemande English-style or Pan-fried Fish & Chips <u>Weekly Specials:</u> May 2+3 - Liver and Onions May 9+10 - Sausage Goulash

May 16+17 - Pasta Special May 23+24 - Glazed Pork Tenderlion Medallions May 30+31 - Frikadellen Reservations are encouraged

Germania Club & Austrian Club members receive a 10% discount on food Germania Club of Hamilton, 863 King St E, Ph:(905)549-0513

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### Fischer & Jäger

Moin Fisher and Hunters Members and Friends

Der Mai is gekommen, die Bäume schlagen aus, und so geht es weiter. We had aur meeting and many things were decided. Our Maifest will be on May the 5th at 11 AM. Target shooting will again take place. George will be on grilling duty cooking his famous burgers. Colleen and Adriane will be looking after the Prizes. We would like to thank everyone helping and donating their time, etc. and that includes You, Brigitte THANK YOU again.

The Prize Fishing will be on July 19-21, our Family Weekend on Aug. 23-25. Both events will be at Moon Basin. It sounds like we'll have a good turnout. July and August meetings will be held there too. Please note that our Thursday Meetings will start at 8 pm from Belated congratulations to the Ladies Auxiliary on their 116th Anniversary. Congratulations to the choir for their 160th Anniversary. You should all be proud of these milestones.

Birthdays are as follows, One Birthday on June 14<sup>th</sup> and that is Werner Grote. Werner is now counting his age backwards, July, and August I have zero. Happy, Happy Birthday Werner.

*I shall close for now , Everyone stay Safe, Happy and Healthy.* 

Until next time Moin, Moin Maggi

> Think good thoughts, Say nice things, Do good for others. Everything comes back.

Auf weiedersehen Margitta Unbtch



now on.

# Germanía Choírs 1864 "Lasst uns síngen"



# 160th Anníversary Concert

### Saturday, June 8th, 2024 Doors open 5:30pm program begins 6pm

With guest choirs from the German Canadian Choir Association; Concordia Choirs Kitchener, Transylvania Chor Kitchener, Lyra Chor London Concordia Choir Ottawa, Heidelberg-Rheingold Singers St. Catherines.

Concert Tickets: \$10.00

Dinner and Concert \$55.00 by reservation no later then May 15th For tickets call Erika 905-945-0329 or the club 905-549-0513 Germania Club of Bamilton 863 King Street East, Bamilton, ON

Tickets on sale now. Tickets for gala dinner and concert need be purchased by May 15.





# Friday, May 10+24, 2024 7pm to midnight

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Everyone is welcome to attend The Fisher & Hunter's A N N U A L



# **Sunday May 5, 2024** Starting at 11:00am in the GERMANIA PARK



Test your skill at target shooting



Germania Club Park 4240 Trinity Church Road Binbrook, ON LOR 1C0

#### Bring your family & friends to welcome the spring with a **FUN FILLED DAY!**

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#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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# May Birthdays

Heather Arbuckle Garry Bulmer Gunther Burger Klaus Freudenreich Willi Koenen Eva Kuehlem Erwin Lutz Bill McMenemy Nancy McMenemy Alto Muhlhuber Fred Reinke James Schmitz Karen Taylor Ingrid Venohr Hedda Wagenblast

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# Happy Birthday

#### **Membership** Fees

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

#### **Donations to the Club**

Wilma Held - \$65





#### **VERANSTALTUNGEN - SOCIAL ACTIVITIES**

May 1	6:00pm	Ladles Auxiliary 116th anniversary
May 2+3	3pm-8pm	Restaurant open Liver&onions
May 4+5	10am-4pm	Doors Open Hamilton - come tour the club
May 5	11:00am	Fisher&Hunter MAIFEST - park
May 9+10	3-8pm	Restaurant open - Sausage Goulash
May 10	7pm-12am	Rathskeller PUB NIGHT
May 12	12pm-5pm	Mother's Day Dinner - please reserve
May 13	2pm	German-Canadian Benevolent Society
May 16+17	3-8pm	Restaurant - Pasta Special
May 18	12pm	Campers annual meeting & Potluck
May 23+24	3pm-8pm	Restaurant open - Glazed pork medallions
May 24	7pm-12am	Rathskeller PUB NIGHT
May 28	7:30pm	Quarterly member's meeting
May 30+31	3-8pm	Restaurant - Frikadellen

#### **VORSCHAU - PREVIEW**

June 8	5:30pm	Choir 160th Anniversay Concert
June 6		Father's Day Rib Dinner - Park

