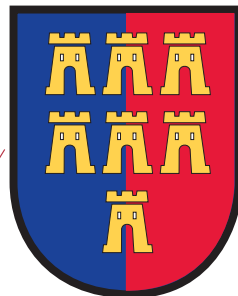


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TCK VERANSTALTUNGSKALENDER

TCK SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDAR

March 4	Trachtenball & Miss TCK Pageant	19:30 Uhr
March 19	TCK Jahreshauptversammlung/AGM	14:00 Uhr
April 8	Chorkonzert – Choir Concert Lunch at 12:00 & Concert at 14:00	12:00 Uhr
April 15	Spaghetti Night – Youth Group Fundraiser	18:30 Uhr
April 29	Mitgliederabend/Member's Banquet	18:30 Uhr
May 7	Muttertag/Mother's Day Program	14:00 Uhr
May 27	Band Concert	20:00 Uhr
June 17	Waldfest – Picnic & Golf Tournament - GCHFC	12:00 Uhr
June 23-25	Heimattag	

Note: All our events will be held at the Alpine Club unless otherwise indicated in the event schedule.

Bitte holen Sie Ihre Karten zwei Wochen vor der jeweiligen Veranstaltung ab sonst werden sie verkauft. Es gibt immer wieder Mitglieder die ihre Karten am letzten Tag zurückbringen. Diese Karten hätten aber schon längst verkauft werden können.

Please pick up your tickets at our club office at least two weeks prior to the event. Tickets not picked up two weeks in advance may be sold.



BERICHT DES PRÄSIDENTEN



Liebe Mitglieder und Freunde,

Wie Ihr schon in meinem letzten Bericht gelesen habt, waren wir am 14. Januar Gastgeber des Kameradschaftsabends. Es war ein schöner Abend mit geselligem Zusammentreffen unserer Mitglieder mit den Präsidenten der anderen örtlichen deutschen Clubs und ihren Ehefrauen. Angie's Catering servierte uns ein leckeres Buffet von Schweinebraten, mit Röstkartoffeln, Rotkraut und Karotten. Zum Nachtisch genossen wir eine schmackhafte Zitrontorte von der Bread and Pretzel Bäckerei, und dann tanzten wir die Kalorien wieder weg zu den Lauten der "Seven Castles" Kapelle. Unser Chor trug einige Lieder vor und lud uns ein, bei den Schunkelliedern mitzusin-

gen, und unsere Tanzgruppe trat auf und wurde mit Klatschen des Publikums begleitet. Wir danken Margit Fritsch, Sylvia Hartig und der Jugendgruppe, die beim Servieren des Nachtisches halfen. Gerhard Griebenow, der Präsident der Arbeitsgemeinschaft, überreichte allen Ehefrauen der Clubpräsidenten und den Damen des Vorstands der Arbeitsgemeinschaft Blumen zum Dank für ihre Unterstützung im Hintergrund, und Gerhard und ich wiesen darauf hin, wie wichtig es für die Zukunft unserer deutschen Gemeinde ist, dass wir zusammen arbeiten.

Alfred Löwrick, der Präsident des Oktoberfests und sein Vorgänger Harry Vogt überreichten jedem Klubpräsidenten einen wunderschönen steinernen Bierkrug als Dank für die Unterstützung ihrer Klubs für das Projekt, das Glockenspiel im Zentrum von Kitchener wieder herzurichten, was im letzten Jahr vollendet wurde.

Am 4. Februar zogen uns Erika und ich entspre-

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chend des Mottos der "wilden zwanziger Jahre" an und gingen zum Frauenball. Die Halle war durch schwarze, goldene und silberne Luftballons und elegante Kronleuchter mit Stadtsilhouetten an den Außenwänden wie verwandelt und zusammen mit all den ausgefallenen Kleidern der Mehrzahl unserer Mitfeiernden ergab sich wirklich das Gefühl, in die zwanziger Jahre zurückversetzt zu sein. Zudem fühlen wir uns geehrt, dass die Donau Tänzer des Schwabenclubs ihre verschobene Weihnachtsfeier mit uns in diesem festlichen Rahmen feierten, und wir auch einen Tisch von rumänischen Gästen hatten. Wir genossen wunderbare Vorspeisen und dann den Hauptgang mit gerösteten Hähnchen, Schinken, Scalloped Kartoffeln, gekochtem Kraut und meinem Lieblingsgericht gekochten Karotten, alles von Chef Craig Price und Rick Koller und ihrer Mannschaft vorbereitet. Natürlich gab es dann zum Nachtisch die vielen wunderbaren Kuchen,

Torten, Obstplatten unserer Damen, die uns die Wahl wirklich schwer machten. Es war toll zu erleben, wie alle zum Thema der zwanziger Jahre angezogen kamen es gab viele wunderbare Kostüme zu bewundern. Viele unserer Jugend halfen unaufdringlich und doch effektiv beim Auftragen und Abräumen des Geschirrs, geleitet von Lisa Fritsch, die auch den Photostand bediente. Ihnen gebührt unser Dank. Auch die Tanzgruppe hatte einen sehr interessanten Auftritt. Sie begannen und endeten mit unserer traditionellen Sachsentanzroutine aber mitten drin hatten sie ganz schlaue Einlagen der Musik und der Tanzschritte der zwanziger Jahre: genial gemacht! Dann tanzten wir den Rest der Nacht zu den wunderbaren Klängen von "Wildbahn". Ein besonderer Glückwunsch geht an die Präsidentin der Frauengruppe und ihr Komitee zur Gestaltung dieses fantastischen Abends.



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Wenn ihr dies zum Lesen bekommt wird unser Trachtenball am 4. März schon näher kommen. Ich hoffe, viele von euch dort zu sehen zur Krönung unserer Miss Transylvania 2017. Bitte bringt eure gesamte Familie mit zu diesem mit Unterhaltung gefülltem Kulturabend. Im nächsten Blatt - nach dieser Veranstaltung - werde ich mehr berichten.

Ich hoffe, euch alle am Sonntag, dem 19. März um 14 Uhr bei unserer Jahreshauptversammlung mit Wahl zu sehen.

Dies ist Euer Klub..... kommt zur Sitzung und findet heraus, was vor sich geht. Sagt uns, was ihr vom Verlauf der Dinge haltet, ob gut oder schlecht.

Vergesst auch nicht, auf eurem Kalender unser normalerweise ausverkauftes Chorkonzert am 8. April und unseren Spagetti-Fundraiser für unsere Jugend am 15. April vorzumerken. Bitte kommt und unterstützt diese Gruppen, die das ganze Jahr über so schwer daran arbeiten, dass unsere Kultur weitergeführt wird.

*Reinhard Schmidt,
Praesident*

Dear Members and Friends,

As you read about in my last blatt article, on January 14th we hosted Kameradschaftsabend. It was a great evening with the chance to socialize with our members, and the president's and their spouses from the other local German Clubs. Angie's catering served us a delicious roast pork buffet with roasted potatoes, red cabbage and carrots. We had a tasty lemon cake from Bread and Bretzel Baker for dessert, and then danced off the calories to Seven Castles. Our choir sang for us and invited us to sing along and "schunkel" and our dance group also performed and had the crowd clapping along. Thanks go to Margit Fritsch, Sylvia Hartig and the youth group for the help with serving the desert and coffee. Gerhard Griebenow, President of the Arbeitsgemeinschaft, presented a corsage to each of the wives of the club presidents to thank them for their

"behind the scenes" support and both Gerhard and myself impressed on the crowd how important it is to work together for the future of our German community.

Alfred Lowrick, President of K-W Oktoberfest and past Oktoberfest President Harry Vogt presented each club President with a beautiful ceramic stein as a thank you for their club's support in the refurbishing project of the downtown Glockenspiel, which was completed last year.

On February 4th Erika and I dressed up for the Roaring Twenties theme and attended Frauenball. The hall was transformed with the black, gold and silver balloons, the elegant chandeliers and the city skyline around the outer walls. Along with all the outstanding costumes of the majority of our fellow celebrants it truly transported you into the 1920s. In addition we were honoured that the Schwaben Club Donau Dancers chose to celebrate their postponed Christmas party in this festive atmosphere with us. As well we had a table of Romanian guests. We enjoyed some wonderful appetizers and then a main course that included fried chicken, ham, scalloped potatoes, cooked cabbage and my favourite, cooked carrots, all prepared by Chef Craig Price and Rick Koller and team. Of course, there were many assorted and wonderful desserts baked by the ladies to tempt everyone. It was great to see that everyone dressed in the theme of the roaring 20's...there were some marvelous costumes. Many members of our Dance group served that evening, led by serving captain Lisa Fritsch. They did a wonderful job and deserve a big thank you for their efforts. The Dance group also performed a very interesting dance that was a blend of the traditional Saxon mixed in with some roaring 20's steps and music. Great job! We then danced the night away to the music of Wildbahn. A special congratulation has to go out to our Frauenverein President Elke Hensel-Williams and the ladies' auxiliary for putting together a fantastic evening.

By the time, you are reading this, we will be nearing

our Trachtenball 2017 on March 4th. I hope to see many of you there for the crowning of our new Miss Transylvania. Remember to bring the whole family for a cultural fun evening. I will provide more details in our next blatt after the event.

I hope to see you all at our Annual General Meeting with elections on Sunday, March 19th at 2:00p.m. This is your club...come out to the meeting and find out what is happening. Tell us what you think about how things are going, whether good or bad.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for the usually sold out Choir concert on April 8th and the always fun Spaghetti Night fundraiser for our youth group on April 15th. Please come out and support these groups who work so hard all year to continue our heritage.

Reinhard Schmidt,

President



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Es wird bekannt gegeben, dass die Kartenspiel Gruppe sich wieder jeden Mittwoch, von 12.30 Uhr bis 17.00 Uhr im Schwaben Klub trifft.

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KULTURGRUPPE

CULTURAL GROUP REPORTS

Dear Members and Friends,

Die Kulturgruppe hat am 25. Januar ihre Jahreshauptversammlung abgehalten und ich moechte allen die gekommen sind, danken. Ich moechte mich auch bedanken bei allen Untergruppen und bei den Mitgliedern unserer Gruppen, die im letzten Jahr fliessig gearbeitet haben um unsere Kultur zu erhalten.

The Cultural group held its annual general meeting on January 25, 2017 and I would like to thank those that attended. I would also like to thank each group, their committees and their members for all the hard work and dedication in the past year. It is not easy to keep our cultural heritage alive for our future generations but our groups are dedicated and do their very best. We should be proud of all of them!

The following is the committee for 2017 after elections were held:

<i>Kulturleiterin / Cultural Chairperson</i>	<i>Erika Schmidt</i>
<i>Stellvertreter / Vice-Chairperson</i>	<i>Trudy Schneider</i>
<i>1. Schriftfuehrer / Secretary</i>	<i>Danielle Fritsch</i>
<i>2. Schriftfuehrerin / 2nd Secretary</i>	<i>Adam Gierscher</i>
<i>Buecherwart/Archivar//Librarian/Archivist</i>	<i>Heidi Lowrick</i>
<i>Buecherwart und Archiver Helfer / Librarian and Archivist Helper</i>	<i>John Penteker</i>

The upcoming year is going to be filled with many cultural events and all the groups are practicing endlessly to make sure you enjoy their programs when you attend the events and support their efforts. I will be working with them to make sure they are supported and showcased properly.

I would also like to congratulate the new youth group committee that was elected on January 29th. I look forward to working with them and know they will do their best to encourage our youth to learn

about their heritage and promote our dances and traditions. The new committee is:

<i>President</i>	<i>Justin Schatz</i>
<i>Vice-President</i>	<i>Amanda Mooser</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Meaghan Voll</i>
<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Victoria Gondosch</i>

Miss Transylvania to be revealed at Trachtenball!

Our appreciation and thanks also to the committee members stepping down; Alex Emrich and Adam Gierscher and Katelyn Emrich and our 2016 Miss Transylvania Mikaila Emrich. You all put your hearts into leading our youth group in the past year and we thank you for your dedication and hard work and I very much enjoyed working with all of you.

The choir and the dance group added that special touch to Kamaradschaftsabend. I thank them for participating and helping us showcase some of our club's talent and heritage. I also thank the youth for helping with coffee and cake and clearing of the dishes again.

I am also very proud of the youth group's participation at Frauenball on February 4th. They performed a mixed version of a Saxon and Roaring Twenties dance and also helped serve and clear the meal. By supporting each other and other groups we bond as a family and realize that working together benefits everyone and helps both young and old realize that the goal to keep our culture and heritage alive is attainable. The youth group always helps out when needed so please come out and support their Spaghetti Night on April 15th.

I look forward to seeing you all at Trachtenball and the crowning of our new Miss Transylvania on March 4th. I encourage you to bring the whole family and your friends for this memorable event as we celebrate our heritage in song, music and dance. The Hofbrau band will be providing the music for our Aufmarsch and for dancing, the choir will entertain us with song, the youth group will showcase their dances and we hope to have another

Kinderaufmarsch. Remember this is our celebration of our Tracht, our music, our dance and our history! I hope to see a full house of all ages! You should not miss it!

Our Seniors Group has disbanded because of a decrease in attendance and no one wanting to take over the leadership of this group. I would like to thank Mathias Wolf Sr. for all his years of dedication to our seniors. Mr. Wolf and his committee have spent many hours planning the monthly seniors' luncheons, Christmas parties and side trips to the casino and they made sure everyone had fun singing songs, playing bingo and celebrating milestones. Our seniors are an important group in our club and we hope that they still find the time to get together once in a while to have some fun and visit with each other. If anyone is interested in continu-

ing with this group please let me know.

Make sure you mark your calendars for the upcoming, not to missed events. April is a full month with choir concert, Spaghetti Night and Mitgliederabend. I would love to see you all there. Please come out and support the groups and our efforts to make all our functions fun and entertaining.

Don't forget to reserve June 23 – 25 for Heimattag in Kitchener. If you would like to help out during the weekend in any way, please let John Werner or myself know. It takes a lot of people to make this weekend a success.

Keep your heritage close to your hearts!

Erika Schmidt

Kulturgruppe Leiterin / Cultural Group President

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FRAUENVEREIN

This year's Frauenball theme was the Roaring 20s and it was celebrated in a grand style. The hall and people looked amazing, the food was great, the atmosphere was very joyous and the music kept us dancing. We were so excited to see many of our members and their guests, all dressed up in costume.

A big thank you to all the volunteers who decorated and set up the hall, the ones who brought Torten, Kuchen, Cheesecakes and Fruit Trays, and the helpers who took down the decoration. A big thank you also to the youth group for their performance and for the ones who assisted with dinner. Thank you to Wildbahn for making this evening a success. Stay tuned for news on the Frauenball 2018 theme.

Saying thank you for all the helpers is not enough. We are truly blessed. Thank you ladies and gentlemen for all the help throughout this year, this event and for the many future events. As we know, it is normally always the same people working all the events, emphasizing the passion, commitment and the drive to sustain our culture and club. Bravo to you, an example for all of us to follow.

At this special night we also honour members of our committee. Heidi Lowrick was our secretary for 12 years. She has passed on her position to Cynthia Mooser. Welcome Cynthia. We are very happy to have you. Heidi, thank you very much for all the years of service.

We normally meet every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7pm and encourage everyone to attend. This year we are hosting Heimattag and we need your help to organize the 3 days of festivities. I look forward to greeting you at our meetings.

Elke Hensel-Williams

Frauenverein Praesidentin



TRANSYLVANIA CHOR

Liebe Mitglieder und Freunde, dear members and friends,
At the moment your choir is working hard at organizing the concert for April 8th at 12 noon. We try hard to make sure we present you with new material in our songs, and we also want to continue what we started last year: to reserve the best seats for our faithful fans.

I need not point out to you that the Schnitzel lunch we are preparing is one of the best deals in town, even without the concert. We are excited that we will have three choirs that will be rejoining us after a hiatus because of conflicts last year: The Concordia Club choirs and the Teutonia choir from Stratford. Come and hear how they have evolved. Also joining us will be the St. Catherines Heidelberg-Rheingold singers. They have a new conductor, and we are looking forward to hear how they sound now. Together, we are working on adding some numbers to the mass choir at the end of the concert, as many guests told us that that part of the concert was definitely one of the highlights. It will be interesting.

Here is where we need your help: Since we are preparing the meal and have to buy the materials to prepare your meal, we need to have your registration as soon as possible, but no later than April 4th at the latest. Don't forget to invite your friends.

Your reservation can be made to Else at 519-744-1191: Tuesday to Thursday between 9 am and 1 pm, If you reserve a table (for 10 or 12 people) please leave us a call-back phone number and a list of the people who will be joining you. We will check with Else regularly so that you will get the best seats available.

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Gerhard Griebenow, Chor Praesident

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Heimattag 2017 im Transylvania Klub

Die Vorbereitung für den Heimattag der Siebenbürger Sachsen der am 23., 24. und 25. Juni veranstaltet vom Transylvania Klub, ist in vollem Schwung. Das Fest fängt am Freitag mit dem Kameradschaftsabend an. Am Samstag Abend ist das Festbankett mit Kulturprogramm und Tanz. Sonntag fangen wir mit dem Gottesdienst an, nachdem die Kundgebung, Mittagessen und gemütliches Beisammensein. Ich lade alle Mitglieder und Freunde von nah und fern ein an diesem Feste teilzunehmen. Weitere Information wird im nächsten Nachrichtenblatt erscheinen.

The Siebenbürger Saxon Heimattag hosted by the Transylvania Club takes place on June 23rd, 24th and 25th. The weekend starts off with the Kameradschaftsabend on Friday evening. Saturday evening will be the Festbankett followed by Cultural performances and dancing to the Hofbräu Band. Sunday morning we will start with a Church Service followed by the Rally, lunch and fellowship with intermittent programs by various Cultural Groups. I invite all our members and friends to attend the Heimattag to meet old friends, make new friends and be part of our Cultural heritage.

Please support our annual Canada/USA Heimattag to reminisce the past, sustain the present and to support the future.

Heimattag in Dinkelsbühl, Deutschland

Der diesjährige Heimattag der Siebenbürger Sachsen in Deutschland findet zu Pfingsten vom 3. bis 5. Juni in Dinkelsbühl statt. Die Einladung von Verbandspräsident Dr. Bernd Fabritius und Bundesvorsitzender Herta Daniel geht an alle Landsleute in Kanada an diesem Feste teilzunehmen. More information can be found at www.Siebenbuergen.de.

*John Werner,
Bundesvorsitzender*



JUGENDGRUPPE

YOUTH GROUP

Hello everybody!

My name is Justin Schatz and I am the new president of the Transylvania Club Dance group. Upcoming for the dance group this month is a performance at the Alpine Club's Marchtoberfest. Next we will be performing at Trachtenball 2017, where we will crown our new Miss Transylvania. Also appearing for the first time during Trachtenball, we will be welcoming our new members of the dance group, who have recently graduated the Transylvania Club's ballroom class. Then on April 15th, the dance group would like to invite everyone to our annual Spaghetti Night fundraiser to enjoy a great night of food and entertainment. We are looking forward to a wonderful year, with the support of Amanda Mooser, Vice President; Victoria Gondschi, Secretary; and Meaghan Voll, Treasurer.

Thank you everyone for the excellent support of our Dance Group, we are all excited to see you soon!

*Justin Schatz
Youth Group President*

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MONTHLY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

We wish to extend best wishes to the following members who are celebrating a birthday in the month of March.

If you have a birthday in this month and your name does not appear in the list, please call our office with the correct information in order that we can update our membership records and database.

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