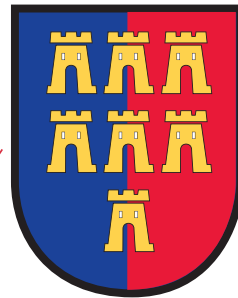


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# SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDAR

## VERANSTALTUNGSKALENDER

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|-------------|---|-------|
| December 7  | <b>Ladies' Auxiliary<br/>Christmas Dinner</b>   | 18:00 |
| December 18 | <b>Christmas Pageant/<br/>Weihnachtsfeier</b>   | 13:30 |
| January 14  | <b>Kameradschaftsabend –<br/>Concordia Club</b> | 17:00 |
| February 4  | <b>Frauenball</b>                               | 18:30 |
| February 8  | <b>Kulturgruppe AGM</b>                         | 19:00 |
| February 13 | <b>Frauenverein AGM</b>                         | 19:00 |
| March 4     | <b>Trachtenball</b>                             |       |
| March 26    | <b>TCK AGM</b>                                  | 14:00 |

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**Note:** All our events will be held at the Alpine Club unless otherwise indicated in the event schedule. Please pick up your tickets at our club office at least two weeks prior to the event.

Else is in the office on Wednesdays between 9:00 and noon. In many cases it will be easiest and most efficient to call and leave a message. The office phone number is unchanged at 519-744-1191.

We are now using a new email address for communication with the office. It is **[transylvaniacub@outlook.com](mailto:transylvaniacub@outlook.com)**. Please use it going forward.



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT - PRAESIDENTEN BERICHT



*Dear Members and Friends,*

As I write this report, I look outside at the fresh new 2" of snow on the ground and it looks like winter is coming quickly.

This year we entered a joint venture with the Alpine Club to operate an Oktoberfest Festhall under the name "Habsburg Haus". We were open Friday, October 7th, Saturday, October 8th, Monday, October 10 for Family Day, Wednesday, October 12 for "So you think you can tanz", Friday, October 14th and Saturday, October 15th. We have not been able to get the financial statements done yet, but I believe this year was a success. A HUGE thank you goes out to Lori Moore for organizing our volunteers and creating the schedules needed to keep everything flowing smoothly. These volunteers deserve our thanks and respect for the many long hours that many of them put in throughout the festival. We were full or just under capacity every day that we were open. We received many positive comments regarding the wonderful food that our kitchen produced thanks to the hard work of many, but especially Margit Fritsch who organized and led the kitchen operations. Hats off Margit for an amazing job! We could not have done it without you. Thank you to those people that came out in Saxon Tracht to march in the Oktoberfest parade. It was a nice day for a parade considering some of the weather that we have had in the past for the parade. We shared Family Day with the Alpine Club, and the hall was full. I believe everyone had a great time that day. I am truly sad to have to say this yet again, but it is very disappointing to see again this year how it is

always the same small group of people that are doing the work. Part of belonging to a club, any club is being part of that team that does things to make the club better and to keep it running. With a membership of over 300 people, why do we always need to count on the same small group of about 20 people to do it all?

German Pioneers Day was celebrated on Tuesday, October 11th, 2022, in the main hall at the Concordia Club. Two of our own Saxon Club members, Steve Schatz Sr. and Susan Kachik were recognized this year. Congratulations to both for their



involvement in the community through business and culture.

November 5th was Trachtenball at the Saxonia Hall in Aylmer. Our choir and dance group took a bus down and many of our club members drove down to support the Aylmer Saxonia Hall. Erika and I attended the Landsmannschaft meeting that was held before Trachtenball. Elections were held and Rebecca Horeth is now 1st VP, the secretary's position remains vacant, Hannelore Maiterth is the Media Chair, Rosemary Horeth is the President of the Ladies group, Auditors are Judy Penteker and Heidi Tavares. Staying on for another term is John Werner as President, John Horeth as 2nd VP and Trudy Schneider as Treasurer. Kolina Tavares & Derek Gotzmeister remained as Cultural Representative and Youth Representative respectively.

John Penteker stepped down from the board after serving an amazing 24 years! Thank you, John, for your many years of dedication to preserving our Saxon heritage.

Volkstrauertag was held Sunday, November 13th at Woodland Cemetery. Although it snowed a bit during the ceremony, it wasn't too bad or too cold. Some of our band members played for us and the Concordia Club choir sang. We enjoyed coffee and dessert back at the Concordia Club afterward.

On Saturday, November 19th we held our club's 70th anniversary celebration. Our anniversary was in 2021 but as you all know, Covid was still an issue then and kept us from being able to hold the event. It was a wonderful evening. We had invited the Presidents from the other local German Clubs and organizations as well as the President of K-W Oktoberfest. It was a semi-casual event and we had over 200 people there. Those who attended the event were presented with a long stainless-steel shoehorn engraved with the Wappen, that were donated by Astron Specialty Metals and Emtek. I would like to thank both these companies for their

generous donation. I know that each family that attended will use these for years to come. It was heartwarming to see approximately 25 young children there and most of the children are in our Kindergruppe. They were so very cute and did a great job performing four dances for us. I think the children really enjoyed themselves and the face painting and crafts that we had for them. Our Hofbrau Band as well as our Choir also performed for us under the direction of Andrea Emrich and I would say that both groups sound great, and we are so lucky to have them. We enjoyed a catered meal that consisted of buns, salads, potatoes, roasted salmon, chicken schnitzel and our own homemade sausage. After dinner we enjoyed a great selection of desserts and coffee. A big thank you to Dave Emrich and the "Sausage Team" for the homemade sausage that we enjoyed with dinner; it was delicious. Thank you as well to Heidi Lowrick for the wonderful slide show and picture display set up in our TCK room for everyone to enjoy. It brought back many fond memories of past club events. Also, a big thank you to Margit Fritsch for supervising the making of the Zwiebel Hanklich, her work in the kitchen to ensure our sausage was ready in time for the buffet, and to get the dessert and coffee prepared and served. We paid tribute to the remaining seven founding members of our club and had the three members that were there come forward for a group photo. They were Katharine Werner, Maria Suessman and Johann Paulini. We also had 21 past Miss Transylvanias present and had them come up for a group picture. The remainder of the evening was spent listening and dancing to the music of Wildbahn. We did take some time to hold a raffle where we gave away seven prizes which included trays of our very delicious pigtails! Thank you to our wonderful dance group for their performance, which was great as always. They also helped with the serving of the desserts and the cleaning of the dishes. They are a wonderful group of young people that we should be very proud of.

The Frauenverein are holding their Christmas Dinner on December 7th and we will again have several men from the board enjoy the privilege of serving the ladies. We are looking forward to this event and to singing a few Christmas carols with the ladies.

Our Christmas program is on Sunday, December 18th starting at 2:00pm. We ask everyone to bring their favourite cookies along for everyone to enjoy during coffee time. I know all the cultural groups are practicing in preparation for this program so come on out enjoy their talents. Rumour has it that Santa will be making an appearance!

January 14th is Kameradschaftsabend at the Concordia Club. Make sure you call ahead to get your tickets, it's always a great event.

As you know from hearing the news lately, we are not finished with Covid. Erika and I both caught Covid during Oktoberfest and had to miss the last weekend of the festival. We have recovered well but now a month later I still can feel some residual effects. This is also prime flu and cold season and there is a lot going around. Please be careful and if you feel it's required, wear a mask.

Please be careful now with walking and driving also as the weather has now turned and the roads and sidewalks are slippery. I would hate to hear the news of someone having a bad fall or car crash.

Stay safe and I hope to see you all at the Christmas program.

*Reinhard Schmidt,  
President*



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# 70<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY



*TCK Past Presidents, 70 year founding Members and TCK President*





# 70<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY





## CULTURAL GROUP

### KULTURGRUPPE

*Dear Members and Friends,*

You will read all about Oktoberfest from other reports, but I would like to thank all our groups and members for volunteering their time to help the club again be part of this festival.

German Pioneers Day was held at the Concordia Club this year. Both the TCK band and dance group took part in the program. The Cultural Group congratulated Steve Schatz Sr. and Susan Frim Kachik for being the honoured persons this year for their involvement in the German Culture and volunteer work in the Region of Waterloo.

The Alpine dance group won first place at the “So you think you can Tanz” competition this year and the TCK dance group performed but could not compete because they were the winners from last time. Congratulations to everyone who performed! The dance group had many performances throughout the week of Oktoberfest at many different venues and as always made us proud and had a lot of fun doing it.

November started off with Trachtenball in Aylmer on Nov. 5th. I would like to thank the choir members and the dance group members for making the trip to Aylmer to take part in Trachtenball. We had a delicious meal cooked by the members of the Saxonia Club and traditional entertainment by our choir, the TCK dance group and the Saxonia dance group led by Rebecca Horeth. The Seven Castles played for everyone’s dancing entertainment and for the Trachtenaufmarsch. Congratulations to the Saxonia Club for a wonderful evening.

The Landsmannschaft held their annual meeting before the Trachtenball and I would like to congratulate the newly elected committee members and thank John Werner and those committee members

staying on for the remainder of their term for all their hard work in the past years. This July we will host a large group from band and dance group from Traun as part of the cultural exchange program through the Landsmannschaft. More information about this will follow. We will be looking for volunteers to help as well as billets for the group.

On Nov. 19th, 2022, we finally got to celebrate the Transylvania Club’s 70th Anniversary. What a great event! I would like to thank everyone who helped make this a successful and fun celebration. All our cultural groups performed and I must say the Kindergruppe dance performance stole the show, dressed in Tracht and performing the traditional dances. The band entertained us for the social hour and the choir sang songs in German and English. Andrea Emrich conducts both these groups and with the assistance of Margit Fritsch, the band played while the choir and audience sang “Nach meiner Heimat”. Everyone then stood for the Saxon Anthem “Siebenbuergen, susses Heimat”. The youth dance group had a lively performance in Dirndl and Lederhosen later in the evening.

I would like to thank the Frauenverein and their spouses for helping decorate the hall, make the appetizers, especially the Zwiebel Hanklich under the direction of Margit Fritsch and helping with prep and clean up. We depend on this group for many things and I believe they are the heart of the club. We could not do it without them.

Please note that Kindergruppe has started again on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at the Alpine Club and it is a large group of 20 children. I would like to thank Krista and Rick Hesch, Heidimarie Hesch, Lorianne and Bob Schauss for taking on the challenge of teaching our Kindergruppe and making sure we do not lose this very important part of our club life. Belonging to the TCK family is something each child should experience and enjoy. Please send your children so that they make new friends with whom they will progress on through Ballroom and Dance Group with. Like many of us who have



made life-time friendships that started at the club, your children should have that opportunity too.

The weather is getting colder and winter is around the corner; that means so is Christmas, my favourite time of year. All our groups are practicing for their Christmas performances and our Weihnachtsfeier. Our annual Weihnachtsfeier will take place on December 18th, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. at the Alpine Club. Please bring the whole family to this very festive afternoon of cultural entertainment, Christmas traditions, and many surprises and of course the very delicious homemade cookies and coffee and we can't forget our special visitor, Santa Claus. We ask that you bring some of your favourite cookies for all to enjoy. We are looking forward to sharing this afternoon with our Alpine friends again.

I invite you all to the Annual General Meeting of the Cultural Group with elections on Wednesday, February 8th 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Alpine Club. If you have interest in our cultural activities, we

invite you to join our meeting. We always welcome new ideas and energy to this very vital part of our club life.

I wish you all a wonderful few weeks while planning, baking and preparing for the Christmas season and hope you all have time to spend with your families and friends!

*Ich wünsche euch allen ein  
gesegnetes Weihnachtsfest und ein  
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*Frohe Weihnachten!*

Erika Schmidt  
Kulturgruppe Leiterin /  
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### FRAUENVEREIN

The ladies are doing Christmas baking and are prepping for our Christmas Dinner on December 7 and the Weihnachtsfeier on December 18. Please call Else at the office if you would like to join us at the Christmas Dinner. The cost is \$35 plus a \$10 gift for a gift exchange.

Remember to save the date for our annual Frauenball – Czardas under the Stars – with a taste of Hungary coming up on February 4.

Wishing you and your family a great holiday season and all the best in the New Year!

*Heidi Lowrick*

*1st VP – Frauenverein*



## CHILDRENS' GROUP

### KINDERGRUPPE

After a long hiatus, Kindergruppe is excited to have returned. Kindergruppe runs on Wednesday evenings at the Alpine Club from 6:30pm to 7:45 p.m. We will be performing at the TCK 70th Anniversary event on November 19th and the Weihnachtsfeier/Christmas program on December



18th and Trachtenball and Mitgliederabend (Members Night) in the New Year. Each night we have lots of fun activities for the kids/youth including: games, crafts, Jr and Sr kids dance groups, songs, snacks and much more. Come out and join in the fun, meet new people, develop friendships and learn about the Siebenburger Sachsen/Transylvania Saxon heritage. For more information or to join, please contact Krista or Rick Hesch at hesch@rogers.com or 519-662-4364.

*Krista, Rick, & Heidi Hesch*

*Kindergruppe Instructors*



## CHOIR - CHOR

After a very pleasant trip to the Aylmer Trachtenball, we now turn our attention to the club anniversary and after that the Christmas season.

We thank the club executive for sponsoring the bus which also accommodated 10 members of our fabulous youth group. Our songs were well received. The different song selection and sound drew attention. Our youth was one of the highlights of the evening. Our return trip in pouring rain and road closures causing detours made the journey longer than we expected but our driver was marvellous.

For our club's anniversary we are again trying something new and different: Andrea has us sing a song along with our Hofbräu band, it should be fun.

The choir is very happy to welcome new members: Violet Grimm and Vera Golini have joined, and Sonja Biselli is also practising with us.

Andrea and 'assistant' Margit are training us to be more attentive her directions and to our lines.

*As always we are enjoying our camaraderie and invite other interested singers to join us.*

*Gerhard Griebenow*

*Chor Praesident*

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# 70<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY SPEECH

*Good evening, Guten Abend, Gouden Ohmt  
or Gouden Ehmt,*

The Saxon culture is why we are here today. 70 years ago, the Saxon community who used to meet at St. Peter's Lutheran Church decided that we needed to form a club and place to meet, sing, dance, play music and continue celebrating all the traditions and customs that our forefathers had taught them. Thus, the Transylvania Club Kitchener was formed. They were a hardworking group who would host events, perform throughout the community, cooked for hall rentals and even formed a German school for their children to learn the German language even though most still spoke Saxon at home. Which dialect of Saxon you spoke or still speak depends on the village you or your parents came from. At times this could be very interesting and comical when you had people from the north and south of Siebenbuergen trying to discuss a topic. I myself thought I was ahead because I had to learn both the Weillau and Birk dialect. But then I starting dating Reiny and his family's dialect threw me for a real loop.

The Saxon language is the base of our culture but through the years we started to speak more German, sing German songs, perform plays in

German, until we have become more German at times than Saxon. However, our Saxon roots are deep in the ground and the tree and its branches that have grown from those roots reach worldwide. We have to nourish that tree, grow more branches, teach our children about their roots and what that represents. You are all given that task. Don't let them down.

We wear our Tracht with pride, we sing with full hearts, our band plays the songs from years gone by and new ones they have learned, both German and English, we perform the old dances along with the new, our youth are given the opportunity to meet other Saxon youth in Europe and the United States and we do our best to teach our children that this all matters and make them feel that they belong to this very large family who will ask you "Who do you belong to?" and once they place you, you are welcomed in.

A lot has happened in 70 years. We have had some fun times and some sad times; we have lost family members and friends and made new ones; we have moved from the 16 Andrew St. address, but we keep in mind that we did NOT sell our heritage.... we did NOT sell our customs and we did NOT sell our culture. We may have moved on but we brought all that with us. Those things are in us....in each and every one of us and are here in our hearts, not in the brick and mortar of any building. The Saxon culture has been alive for hundreds of years and we will ensure that it continues on for many more years.

We have the freedom to choose whether or not to continue our own cultural existence. Many of us have been working hard to do that.... we have been ensuring that the young children have a place at Kindergruppe, we have been ensuring that our

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teenagers feel that they belong and have a dance group, we have worked hard to keep our other members engaged with other activities, such as the Ladies Group, the TCK choir and Hofbrau Band. We have worked hard to ensure this cultural club has a visible presence in this region through our involvement in various events such as Oktoberfest, our many band and choir performances and our dance group performances at various venues. We have created cultural groups that many other clubs do not have, and that many groups envy. This wasn't done overnight. This wasn't done by one or two people. This was done by many people that believe in their cultural roots and believe that that culture is worth preserving and keeping alive for their children, and their children's children.

So, as we celebrate this club's 70th anniversary, let's look at the colours of our flag and reflect on the meaning of the flag of our Transylvania Saxon origin; red representing stability, courage and

endurance and blue meaning stamina, loyalty and tenacity. Let us all use those characteristics that we as Transylvania Saxon's have within us to ensure that this club remains alive and vibrant for many more years to come.

In the TCK room there is a "Spruch" that Katie Fritsch stitched and its meaning is true for all of us. Lass dir die Fremde zur Heimat, aber nie die Heimat zur Fremde werden. Means, make yourself at home in a new country, but never become a stranger to your homeland. Many of us don't know or have never been to Siebenbuergen, but the roots of all our family trees start there.

*Thank you and enjoy the evening and don't forget SAXON UP!!!!*

*Erika Schmidt*

*Kulturgruppe Leiterin /*

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## LANDSMANNSCHAFT

*Liebe Landsleute und Freunde,*

After a two years absence due to Covid we were able to have our annual meeting of the Landsmannschaft on November 5th at the German Canadian Club, Saxonia Hall in Aylmer. My executive report highlighted a few of the events such as the 2022 digital Dinkelsbühl Heimattag that took place with the involvement of our dance groups from the Transylvania Club (Justin Schatz) and Saxonia Club (Rebecca Horeth) as well as the Transylvania Hofbräu Band (Andrea Emrich), Seven Castle Band (Ron Schatz) and Wildbahn Band (John Frim). Thank you to all of them for their presentations that were viewed worldwide.

The following officers were elected for a two year term:

|                              |                           |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <i>1st Vice Chairman</i>     | <i>Rebecca Horeth</i>     |
| <i>Media Representative</i>  | <i>Hannelore Maiterth</i> |
| <i>Ladies Representative</i> | <i>Rosemary Horeth</i>    |

After serving as 1st vice president of our Landsmannschaft since 1998 John Penteker has decided to no longer hold this position. John has been truly dedicated to sustaining and promoting his Transylvanian Saxon history and heritage with his service in the Landsmannschaft. I want to thank John for his many years of service and wish him good health and all the best in the future.

Thank to John Horeth, Trudy Schneider, Kolina Tavares and Derek Gotzmeister for continuing on in their respective positions.

Thank you to club Presidents Reinhard Schmidt (Transylvania Club) and Dave Pfungstgraef (Saxonia Hall) as well as all club members for their support for the Landsmannschaft.

As part of the Federation Kulturaustausch program the Blasmusik and dance group from Traun, Austria will visit Canada and the USA next summer. The group is expected to arrive in Toronto on July 6th and travel to New Castle, Pennsylvania to attend the Heimattag that takes place on July 7th and 8th. They will spend the first week of their trip in the USA before returning to Canada on July 14th to spend a few days in Aylmer and the remainder of the week in Kitchener before their return to Austria on July 20th. The group will perform their Blasmusik and dance concert at the Transylvania Club and the Saxonia Hall. A trip to Toronto and to Niagara Falls will also be made. Details of the program will follow in the Nachrichtenblatt.

The book "Transylvania Saxons in Canada" written by Dr. Waldemar Scholtes can make a nice Christmas gift. Copies can be obtained by contacting John Werner. (519-884-7725)

At this time of year when we joyfully look forward to the Christmas Season we are reminded of the plight of our fellow Saxons still living in Siebenbürgen. The living conditions that they face in Siebenbürgen, the cold weather and sometimes the lack of nutritious food, is especially difficult for the elderly and even for some of the younger people that are in need of social assistance and help with medical conditions. We are fortunate to live in Canada. I ask for your support to help our less fortunate Saxons in Siebenbürgen by making a donation to the "Altenhilfe". Donations (cheques) can be sent to the Alliance of Transylvania Saxons in Canada 149 White Pine Cres. Waterloo, Ontario N2V 1B3. Cash donations can be given to Trudy Schneider or John Werner.

Im Namen der Landsmannschaft der Siebenbürger Sachsen in Kanada wünsche ich allen Landsleute und Freunde nah und fern, ein Gesegetes Weihnachtsfest und ein gutes, glückliches und gesundes neues Jahr.

*John Werner, Bundesvorsitzender*

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## KULTURGRUPPE AGM

### ATTENTION / ACHTUNG!!!

Die Jahreshauptversammlung der Kulturgruppe findet am Mittwoch, den 8. Februar 2023 um 7 Uhr statt. Ein neues Komitee wird gewählt und alle Klubmitglieder sind eingeladen. Bitte kommt und unterstützt unsere Kulturgruppe.

The annual meeting of the Cultural Group with elections will take place on Wednesday, February 8th, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. All club members are invited to attend and show support of our Cultural Group.

*Erika Schmidt, Kulturleiterin*



## GRANT APPLICATIONS

*Dear TCK members and friends,*

It is my understanding that frequently there are grants offered by our Federal Government that could be accessed and provide money for various things such as support for cultural events, assets such as new kitchen equipment and other things.

These grants are available to those groups that know how to access them and follow the right steps and paperwork to get the application to the correct people.

We are looking for anyone that has any experience in grant applications, or anyone that would be interested in learning how to do this so that perhaps we can tap into some of the grant money that is available. I understand that we may have a source that would be able to offer some guidance with that process when the time is right.

If you are interested, please contact me at [reynschmidt@rogers.com](mailto:reynschmidt@rogers.com).

*Thank you*

*Reinhard Schmidt, President*

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| Youth        | \$ 25.00 | \$ 30.00 |

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## OKTOBERFEST VOLUNTEERS

Many thanks to all the amazing volunteers that assisted with prep, organizing and cooking (pigtailed, cabbage rolls, sauerkraut...) prior to the festival and those that helped at Habsburg Haus (in the kitchen preparing and serving food, making photo buttons, selling souvenirs and pretzels and clean up, etc., etc., etc.). And special thanks to our organizers for taking charge and working tirelessly in order to make it all possible. We couldn't have done it without you!

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| Paul Arsenault   | Frank Emrich      |
| Sophie Arsenault | Katelyn Emrich    |
| John Belez       | Anne Foster       |
| Elke Bidner      | Bob Foster        |
| Klaus Bliefert   | Susan Frim        |
| Sara Bliefert    | Danielle Fritsch  |
| Bonnie Bremner   | Lisa Fritsch      |
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| Connor Crouse    | Mike Fritsch      |
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## DANCE INSTRUCTOR NEEDED

The Donau Dancers wish to make known that we are actively looking for a new dance instructor for our dance group. Our group of over 20 years has 5 to 10 couples and practices every Sunday evening for approximately 2 hours throughout the year (with some exceptions).

Dances will be traditional pieces as well as newly choreographed dances using many of the steps in our repertoire.

Performances typically take place at the Schwaben Club monthly events but will also include clubs in the region, various events like Oktoberfest, Christmas markets, pioneer days and by-request engagements.

Please provide your particulars to me in writing if you have an interest in the position.

Rolf Eberl

President, Donau Dancers  
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Please insert in subject line "Dance Instructor"

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|----------------------|--------------------|
| Peter Hamberger      | Judy Penteker      |
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| Craig Moore          | Helmut Wolf        |
| Dianne Moore         |                    |
| Lori Moore           |                    |
| Amanda Mooser        |                    |





## FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS - FAMILIENNACHRICHTEN

Members that would like to announce an anniversary/birthday or other special event are asked to contact:  
Mitglieder die ein Jubiläum oder einen Geburtstag bekannt geben wollen, sollen sich bei den folgenden anmelden:

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### BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS - GEBURTSANZEIGE



*Nelliel Olive Schummer*

*was born October 30, 2022.*

*Parents: Katherine & Harry Schummer*

*Grandparents: Karin & Randy Gondosch and*

*Jean & Harold Schummer*

*Great Grandparents: Regina Schneider,*

*Maria & Michael Gondosch and Gerda Schummer*

### DEATHS - TODESFAELLE

*Susanna Gross*

*passed away October 27, 2022.*

*Susanna was born in Weillau, Siebenbuergen on June 5, 1928.*



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### MONTHLY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

We wish to extend best wishes to the following members who are celebrating a birthday in the months of November, December and January. If you have a birthday in these months 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.

#### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

|                   |                  |                   |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Katharina Jung    | Wiltrud Jenkins  | Heidi Schumann    | Elizabeth Egi    |
| Michael Fritsch   | Katharina Mann   | Kurt Emrich       | Manfred Gabber   |
| Ruth Friedel      | Danielle Fritsch | Waldemar Scholtes | Thomas Emrich    |
| John Belez        | Linda Fritsch    | Katharina Baumann | Reinhard Schmidt |
| Michael P. Werner | Katharina Emrich | Jane Penteker     | Paul Arsenaull   |

#### DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

|                 |                  |                  |                   |
|-----------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Roberto Reale   | David Kachik     | Sara Orendi      | Heidi Hesch       |
| Agnes Sebastian | Frederick Emrich | Amanda Mooser    | Martin Gabber     |
| Martin Hartig   | Elizabeth Bauer  | Rosemarie Klaehn | Wilma Gorbach     |
| Cynthia Mooser  | Christine Emrich | Georg Emrich     | John Frim         |
| Erika Werner    | Susan Frim       | Danny Vicano     | Eveline Hackl     |
| Juliana Hesch   | Mike Gondosch    | Hubert Knobloch  | John Frim Jr.     |
| Hilda Janzen    | Rosie Karst      | Gilberto Hackl   | Liam Schatz       |
| Stephen Werner  | Rosina Pinnau    | Adam Schatz      | Victoria Gondosch |
| Kathy Mathes    | Erna Emrich      | Holger von Weyhe |                   |

#### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

|                     |                |                  |                     |
|---------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Christine Schmidt   | Jane Schertzer | Reinhold Fritsch | Christopher Gellner |
| Grace Maier         | Owen Crouse    | Ursula Hesch     | Katharina Bloos     |
| Rosina Emrich       | Craig Moore    | Erik Lowrick     | Maria Emrich        |
| Tyler Rich          | Maria Schatz   | Terri Carter     | Johann Baumann      |
| Alma Werner         | Kody Wolf      | Heide Emrich     | Patrick Stuehler    |
| Michael Paulini     | Sara Bliefert  | Susan Kachik     | Jennifer Arsenaull  |
| Alex Kenny          | Debra Vickman  | Josef Hensel     | Stefan Schatz       |
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Folgende Mitglieder treffen sich für freiwillige Stunden um für Sie das Monatsblatt vorzubereiten.

Helgard Werner, John Werner

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