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CONCORDIA IN NOVEMBER 2020

Klub Vorschau/Club Events

Due to the current COVID-19 virus outbreak, many events may not be permitted until such time that Public Health will allow for these events to occur.

However, in an effort to keep everyone aware of potential upcoming events should we receive approval to move forward please check our website

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Beach Volleyball Evening from May to August		
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Jaegerstube	7.00 pm	Ladies Group (1. Wednesday of month)
Weinstube	19.00	Tennisgruppe (Jeden 2. Mittwoch im Monat)
Weinstube	7.00 pm	Tennisgruppe (2nd Wed. of month)
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Bericht des Präsidenten



Ich hoffe alle hatten ein schönes Erntedankfest!

Sicher war es anders als letztes Jahr, denn immer noch haben wir die Regeln der Regierung und des Gesundheitsamtes zu beachten!

Auch Oktoberfest war dieses Jahr anders, kein Publikum im Zelt, 3 Bands fehlten. Dafür hatten wir in der Schenke für 3 Wochenenden Unterhaltung von TC Alpine Echo, the Black Forest Band und vom Polkaprinz Marco! Kein Tanz aber Oktoberfest Lunch und Dinner, so fühlten die Gäste Oktoberfest-Gemütlichkeit! Ich danke allen für die Unterstützung des Klubs sowie „Oktoberfest Curbside“!

Für November und Dezember werden wir wieder einiges anbieten. Informationen finden Sie auf unserer Webseite, im Nachrichtenblatt, oder im Klubbüro!

Viele Veranstaltungen mußten abgesagt werden. Auch Stiftungsfest und Basar der Frauengruppe wird nicht stattfinden! Auch Volkstrauertag und Weihnachtsmarkt ist abgesagt!

Ja, das Jahr geht zu Ende und wir werden sehen was Corona uns für die Zukunft bringt! Mit Hilfe von Ihnen, unseren Mitgliedern werden wir es schaffen, die Concordia Familie zu erhalten!

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Rob Kerr

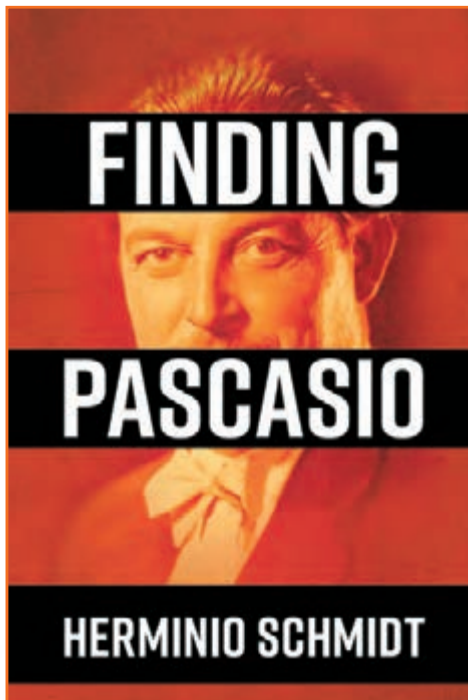
President's Report

I hope every one had a great Thanksgiving, spending time with your family either in person or virtually. This year I think we needed to reflect and be thankful for the many things that we have especially in light of this pandemic, which keeps lingering. I urge you all to follow the suggestions of the local health unit as well as the Ontario government and follow the social distancing standards, the use of hand sanitizers, the wearing of masks when we can not social distance properly and stay at home if there is no need to go out in public.

This year's Oktoberfest was a very subdued affair without our thousands of guests, 3 bands and our tent. We had to make many decisions on what we were going to do and look at all aspects of these events to make sure that they were relevant and financially responsible for the club. In the end we went with some live entertainment on 3 weekends as well as a special menu for curbside pick up.

The live entertainment for these weekends was provided by TC Alpine Echo, The Black Forest band as well as Marko, the prince of polka. Even though the patrons were not allowed to dance they enjoyed some great music to go along with their mouth watering meals. In talking to the many guests they just needed to get out and experience that feeling of Gemuetlichkeit.

The curbside Oktoberfest box dinners were a raving success from the first weekend to



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the point where we needed to stop taking orders on the last Saturday due to the sheer volume of calls and the capabilities to supply these meals with the quality that we are known for as well as within the timeframes that we promised. I thank all the members who supported us with either of the above endeavours as we were able to give the community a taste of what they have become accustomed to.

Due to the overwhelming success of these curbside specials we are in the process of developing more of these themed options for November and December. Please follow the clubs website or social media pages to find out more information.

As stated in many of the previous reports for this year we have had to cancel many events. With the rise in cases as fall has progressed we have had the restrictions tighten up and this will keep us from hosting or participating in many events. Stiftungfest and the Frauengruppe bazaar are going to be cancelled here at the club and Volkstrauertag and Remembrance Day events in the community will all be virtual events with very few people or no one in attendance.

In looking ahead it looks like December will be another month that will look different this year. If the Covid restrictions are not

relaxed we will see Christkindl Market cancelled or on a reduced scale and many events here at the club cancelled. Please stay tuned to the club's bulletins and social media avenues to find out updates for any of the events that we would normally have.

As the year comes to an end, we need to think about who will guide the Concordia Club on behalf of you, the membership. We are looking for members who would like to help shape and steer the club into the future. If you feel that you are a good candidate to become a member of the board of directors please submit an application to the office or myself.

Please stay healthy, stay safe and follow the restrictions as set out by our health unit.

*Your president,
Rob Kerr*

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From the Manager's Desk



Oktoberfest has come and gone for another year. A year in the Concordia Club's history of Oktoberfest that we will never forget. We came very close to reaching our capacity of 50 people for each seating we had for dining in the Schenke. During the festival we had some of our regular Oktoberfest patrons coming to enjoy dinner and entertainment by the Black Forest Band, Twin City Alpine Echo and The Prince of Polka. Thank you to all that came out!

Our curbside platters during the festival were very well received! Based on my reports we served 317 platters for 2 and 250 platters for 4 which translates into 1,634 people!!! Thank you to all of the board members who helped with answering the phones, running the platters out to the cars and selling souvenirs for the three weeks of Oktoberfest. Couldn't have done it without you all!

At a time of year that usually has us busy planning and organizing so many events including Stiftungsfest, Christmas parties and Christkindlmarket, this year will be very different. The gathering restrictions implemented by the Ontario government and Public Health due to the pandemic will not change in the foreseeable future. We must continue to follow the advise of these governing bodies to help stop the spread of COVID 19.

As the patio season comes to an end, please keep in mind that the Schenke is still open for lunch and dinner as well as our curbside

pick up will be available on the days that we are open. We are so thankful for all the support we have received to date!

Chef Jeff and his team are already working on some new ideas for curbside pick up for the Christmas season. Once the details have been finalized, the menu will be available on the clubs social media.

Until next month, please stay safe & healthy!

Ruth

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Campers



To our awesome Campers!

Firstly, I'd like to extend a big welcome to our new Campers!!! We look forward to getting to know you all!

Now that the pumpkins and ghouls are out and probably all the leaves have fallen off the trees it's time to pack up our belongings from the trailer and close it up for the season :(Just a reminder, don't forget to turn off and empty your fridges and leave them open a crack so that there are no science projects awaiting you in the spring. Hydro and water will be shut off October 31st.

We've had what started out to be a slow year but turned into a very successful year with great accomplishments from so many awesome camper volunteers, our Campers committee and of course our farm Manager and Director. A big Thank you goes out to all of

you! Our farm looks great because of you all!!

Have a safe and healthy fall and winter and we shall see you all in the spring. Here's hoping everything is almost back to normal by then!

*Michelle Zimmer
and The Campers Committee.*



Eis Stock-Group

Hello to all again.

The Eisstock Group has been active again for several weeks now and are practicing every Wednesday, weather permitting. The lanes had not been affected by winter ice and it is fun again to be using them.

Concordia Eisstock group was invited to participate in a Ontario tournament in Angus past Saturday. Five of 4 players were competing from 12:00 noon until 6:00 pm. Everyone was very tired at the end but the chance to see old friends again was worth the pain.

Thank you team for representing Concordia Club.

*Joe Liebel
President, Concordia Eisstock Group*





Concordia Choirs

Well here we are eight months and still in the grip of the Covid-19. Hope everyone is well and still following provincial guidelines.

I recently read an article by Dr. Fred Pescatory talking about which vitamins and nutrients are best to boost our immunity during this pandemic, so since there really isn't any news about a return to singing, I thought you might be interested in his suggestions. To prevent pneumonia - vitamin C. Pneumonia is common with Covid 19. Vitamin C has the ability to destroy bacterial and viral pneumonia, Vitamin D3 helps white blood cells destroy viruses that sneak into the lungs lowering the risk of respiratory infection.

Halt viral spread with zinc lozenges. Science tells us that zinc keeps viral cells from replicating. The preference is for lozenges is because respiratory viruses enter the body through the throat and nose. By putting zinc directly in your mouth in the form of a lozenges it allows the mineral to attach the virus at its point of entry. Last but never least fortify your lungs with Vitamin A, this fat-soluble vitamin keeps mucus flowing which prevents viruses from sticking and replicating and causing illness. I am sure many of you are on daily vitamins, should you wish to try any of the above suggestions please make sure you check with your health care professional to be sure it can work for you. Stay healthy.

By now you have all received the great vocal exercises from Martin, and his wife Stella. Hopefully you are doing them daily, so that when we are able to sing again, we will have strong healthy voices to do so.

Please take time to look at out our website www.Poinsettiasales.ca. These beautiful plants will be sure to brighten the day of family and friends. Please place an order to support your Concordia Choirs. Sign-up sheets will be available at the Senioren Haus and the Villa. We will be delivering to both locations.

Many choir members took part in the mini-version of Oktoberfest and enjoyed some fine food and great music.

Choir members celebrating November birthdays: Anni Winge, Marisa Strban, Tanya Rahn-Kubasta, Else Osbelt, Happy birthday ladies enjoy your special day.

Until next time, stay healthy, wear a mask, wash your hands, physically distance, and keep a song in your heart.

Beverley



Enzian Schuhplattler

It is with heavy, saddened hearts, that we announce the passing of treasured Enzian family member, Brigette Reibl-Fournier. This past September, she lost her battle with illness. Mother of our youngest dancer Kate, Brigette was a devoted support member and we will always miss her ever present positive energy, can-do attitude, and her love of and care for our group and its members.



Brigette, we are forever grateful for your friendship.

*Ruhe in Frieden,
Your Enzian Family*



KG Narrenzunft Concordia

Hello Concordia friends,

We finally shared outdoor social distancing time in September! 23 of us gathered at Steve and Nicole Richtaritschs' backyard for a few hours to catch up face to face.

THANK YOU Steve and Nicole. We cherished the time together. Please note that unmasked members in the photos who aren't social distancing are in their "bubble group" or are with their partner.





Table Tennis Group

At the moment our group is waiting patiently to continue our Table Tennis Games on a scaled down group of 10 players, Wednesday Mornings, with masks on.

Walter



Ladies Group

Fall is almost over and Covid 19 is still here. What a bummer. With this I have bad news for all our cookies & cake shoppers from our bazaar. There will be **NO Christmas Bazaar** this year. No baked goods and no crafts, etc. Many of us have already made crafts & cards, etc. which will be saved for next year.

This month I have another recipe for you as you have to do your own baking this year. I picked a very easy, but good cookie recipe.

THIMBLE COOKIES (very easy to make)

Ingredients:

250 gr. Flour

150 gr. Butter

100 gr. Sugar

1 egg

Dash of salt

Zest of 1 orange

Raspberry Jam

Directions:

Put all the flour on a clean work surface.

Then put cold butter into flour.

Cut the butter into small pieces into the flour.

Add sugar, salt, egg and the grated orange peel.

Mix quickly with cold hands very well and form into a ball.

Cut fall in two and form 2 long rolls out of the dough about 3 cm thick.

Wrap in parchment paper or plastic wrap and put in fridge for about 30 minutes.

After dough rolls have been cooled cut into 1 cm slices.

Roll into balls and place on a cookie sheet.

Press the center of the ball down with your thumb or finger and put jam in the hole.

Bake at 380 F or 195 C in oven for 10 to 12 minutes until golden yellow.

Remove from oven and cool.

To store place parchment paper in between layers in an air tight container.

Makes about 3 dozen cookies.

I usually make 2 batches as they go quickly.

I wish all our ladies good health along with everyone else!

Elisabeth Rowsell



German-Canadian Remembrance Society Deutsch-Kanadische Gedächtnis Stiftung

VOLKSTRAUERTAG

Greetings

The Corona Virus has played havoc with most functions throughout the year so far, resulting in the cancellation of all major events by the German Clubs of Waterloo Region and the German Canadian Remembrance Society (G.C.R.S.). Unfortunately, the event of Volkstrauertag sponsored by the G.C.R.S. in co-operation with the Consulate and the German Clubs has also been affected.

The Board of Directors of the G.C.R.S. has decided the following action:

We will, as in the past, adorn the graves of the soldiers at Woodland Cemetary with small wreaths and ribbons. There will not be a large gathering at the cemetary, no speeches, no choir and no band. The G.C.R.S. will place a large wreath at the cross as in the past. All the wreaths that the G.C.R.S. has kept in storage for other organizations will be placed on behalf of those organizations as well. Any organization that wishes to lay a wreath is encouraged to do so throughout the day, as members of the society will be on hand to give any assistance required.

There will be no social gatherings at any of the German Clubs.

Sincerely yours

Uwe Werner Schlueter

President G.C.R.S.



Treffpunkt

What a different Oktoberfest season it has been, but nonetheless, Treffpunkt ensured to celebrate with our families and those in our circles while enjoying delicious cuisine prepared by our very own Chef Jeff and the fantastic crew at the club.

Our group has continued to meet online and connect through physically distanced tailgating while again, enjoying some curbside pick-up and supporting our club. We continue to think up creative ways to connect and share a few laughs while respecting and upholding the bylaws to keep everyone safe.

As always, our group continues to reach out to the club at large and request your help with reaching our blood donation goal of 40 donations for the 2020 year. Our Partners for Life number is CONC010846 or you can just say you are donating on behalf of the



Concordia Club. Thus far we have secured a total of 26 donations which brings us 14 donations away from our existing goal. Please consider making a trip out to your closest donation center and contributing, if you feel safe to do so.

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Jodi Purdie





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Concordia Bowlers

Hello fellow bowlers!

There is not much to report as we are still in the midst of this crazy pandemic. However, we are having fun bowling each Friday and we are so grateful to be able to get together and socialize with each other.

Please note the dates below.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE 2020-2021 BOWLING SEASON

December 11th	Turkey Roll
*December 20th	Christmas Banquet (this is a Sunday - noon)

NO BOWLING ON CHRISTMAS DAY OR NEW YEAR'S DAY!

January 8th	Annual Meeting
February 12th	Fun Night
April 30th	Last Day of Bowling (33 weeks)
*May 7th	Closing Banquet (this is a Friday - 5:30p.m.)

***PLEASE NOTE:** Banquet dates and venues are tentative and dependent on our current situation. Stay tuned for updates!

Finally, best wishes go out to our bowlers who are celebrating a birthday this month:

November

1. Diane Hennebry
4. Lilo Grüneberg
10. Heidi Schumann
14. Anita VanReenen

Until next time,

Monica Kauck

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