

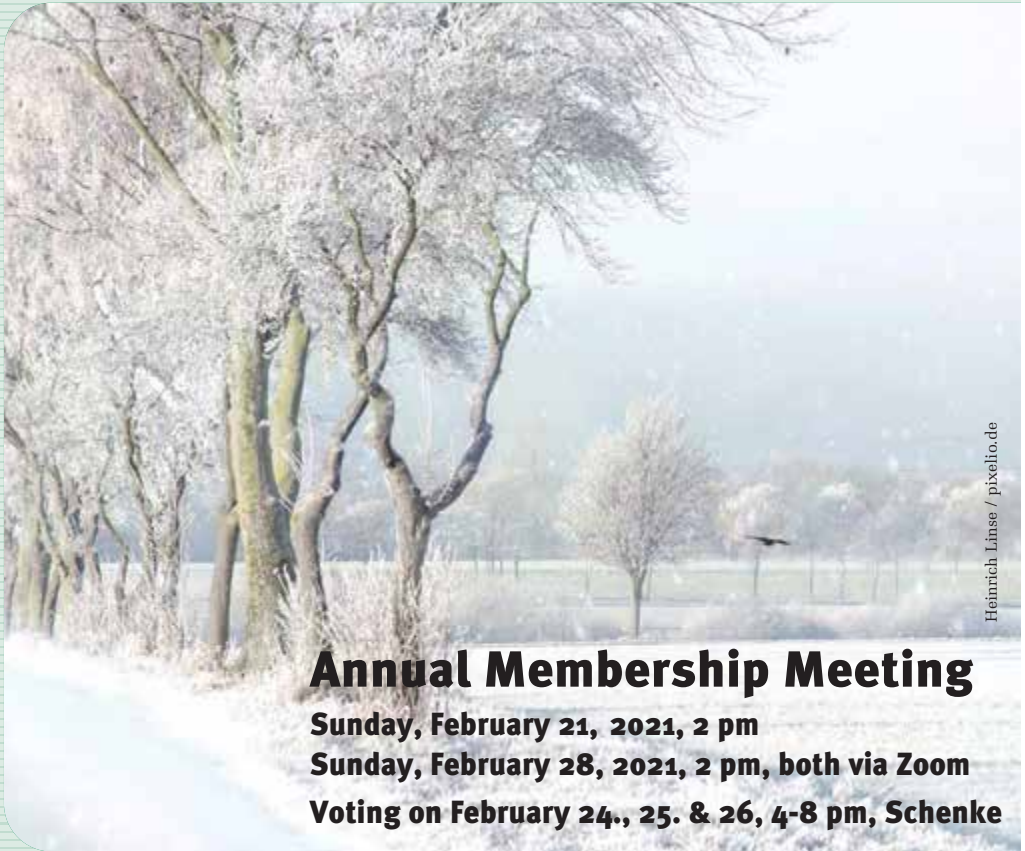
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Annual Membership Meeting

Sunday, February 21, 2021, 2 pm

Sunday, February 28, 2021, 2 pm, both via Zoom

Voting on February 24., 25. & 26, 4-8 pm, Schenke

CONCORDIA IN FEBRUARY 2021

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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	8.30–10.00	Männerchor
Jaegerstube	6.00–7.00	Kinderchor
	7.00–8.00	Jugendchor
TUESDAY		
Halle	5.30–8.30	Kinder & Junior Garde, Senioren Garde
Jaegerstube	8.00–10.00	Narrenzunft
Schenke	7.00–10.00	Skat-Gruppe
Beach Volleyball Evening from May to August		
WEDNESDAY		
Halle	6.00–10.00	Enzian Group
Jaegerstube	2.30–5.30	Senioren Gruppe (1st Wed. of month)
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)
THURSDAY		
Halle	8.00–10.00	Table Tennis Group
Jaegerstube	7.00–1.00	Schach/Chess
Eisstock	7.00–10.00	Eisstock-Gruppe
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Bericht des Präsidenten



COVID 19 hat die letzten 9 Monate nicht nur Canada, sondern die ganze Welt fest im Griff! Die Medizin ist zwar angekommen, doch wird es noch eine lange Zeit nehmen, bis wir Alle davon Gebrauch machen können. Ich denke,

daß wir die Regeln befolgen müssen, bis wir wieder eine „Normale“ Zeit erreichen.

Im Concordia Klub sind keine Veranstaltungen geplant! Informationen können Sie in unserem Nachrichtenblatt. so auch von öffentlichen Ansagen erhalten!

Der Concordia Klub wird weiterhin „curbside pickup“ anbieten und danken den Mitgliedern und deren Familien, die diesen Service annehmen. Danke an Ruth und alle Mitarbeiter, die diesen Service organisieren!

Unsere Jahresversammlung wird dieses Jahr anders sein, als Jahre bevor!

Drei Tage werden wir für die Jahreshauptversammlung haben, um die Mitglieder für diese Wahl zu erreichen und auszuführen! Das Wahlkomitee wird am 28. Februar über “Zoom” eine Sitzung haben! Es ist eine ungewöhnliche Jahresversammlung, aber COVID 19 läßt uns keine andere Wahl! Bitte beachten Sie unsere Informationen an der Concordia Webseite, oder vom Klubbüro!

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Zu meiner Concordia Familie möchte ich sagen:

“stay safe - stay healthy - stay home”

Bis wir uns wieder sehen können, verbleibe ich

Ihr Klubpräsident

Rob Kerr

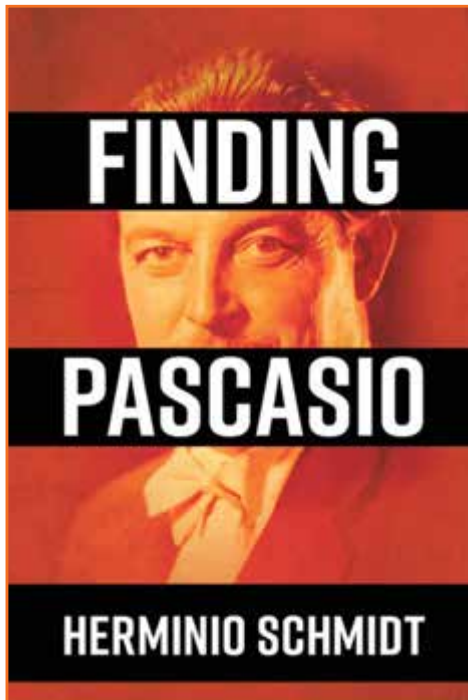
President's Report

January has brought us much of the same world that we have known for the past 9 months. Covid 19 has created a stronghold on our nation and does not seem to be letting us get ahead of it. The vaccines have been introduced but it will be a long time before all of us will be able to receive it. I ask that you all continue to follow the

guidelines of our political leaders as well as the local health units to help us make Covid 19 a thing of the past so that we can carry on with our lives in whatever fashion the new “normal” will be.

There are no events planned for here at the Concordia Club until we are able to ensure not only the health of our members but also the health of our guests. Please pay attention to all of our social media channels as well as our bulletin for any updates that we may provide for upcoming events. We continue to offer curbside pickup from the restaurant and appreciate all of the members and their families that have used this service.

Thank you to Ruth and all of the staff that have continued to think about and imple-



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ment what we can do next to keep the Concordia Club in the minds of not only our members but the community at large.

Although this year has been adverse there is one item that remains constant, that is our annual general meeting and the election of the board of directors to represent you the membership. The process this year will be different as we will have a two part meeting. The first part will be to look at the past year in terms of reports and financials. This meeting will end with the nomination of the elections committee. We will then have 3 days where all members will be asked to come to the club and vote following social distancing protocols and all other protocols as assigned by the local health unit.

The elections committee will then meet to count the votes on Saturday, February 27th. The results will be presented at the second meeting on February 28th. Both of these meetings will take place on a Zoom meeting and we ask that you contact the club office to be provided with this link. I know that this is not the ideal way to have an election but we need to pivot in the eye of adversity to continue to push ahead and do what is right by our bylaw. I ask that all members participate in these events so that we have

the best people in place to steer the Concordia Club. Please see instructions in this bulletin or the January edition on what you need to do to be able to participate.

I am not sure what these next few months will bring and it does not look like we will be able to meet at anytime soon. Please reach out to your fellow members to check in on them, as I know that this pandemic has been tough on many peoples mental health. We will get through this with the help of each other because that is what families do. To my Concordia family, stay safe, stay healthy and stay inside when at all possible. Until we can meet again.

Your president,

Rob Kerr

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From the Manager's Desk



Membership Rates for 2021

As we continue to navigate the ongoing restrictions of COVID 19, I hope everyone is continuing to follow all Ontario government and regional health protocols to ensure that we can one day open our doors again and welcome everyone back to the Concordia Club!

Valentine's Day 2021

Chef Jeff and his team have put together a wonderful curbside menu for Valentine's Day this year.

On Sunday, February 14, 2021 we will be offering curbside pick up from 12:00 noon until 6:00 pm for all to enjoy! The menu offers some tried and true favourites from our kitchen as well as a few new and exciting options as well. Please see the flyer in this issue of the bulletin. Give us a call to place your order in time. The deadline for ordering is Friday, February 12th at noon.

Membership

Thank you to all that have either called in or sent payment for their 2021 membership renewal!

The continued support throughout these last few months is amazing to see.

Membership fees are due at the beginning of each calendar year. Following are the rates for this coming year – 2021.

Membership rates including HST:

Family Membership	\$ 150.25
Single Person	\$ 104.50
Student w. Student Card	\$ 26.00
Senior Citizen after 5 years	\$ 41.75

Farm Lot Renewal for 2021

The seasonal campground fees for 2021 have been set as listed below:

Lot Fee	\$1,567.90
Hydro Fee	\$ 227.30

TOTAL DUE **\$1,795.20**
INCLUDING HST

The camping contracts have been mailed out to all campers. Please have your contract signed and returned to the office with payment no later than March 31, 2021.

Advanced Polls are Cancelled (see next page)

Until next month,

*continue to wear your masks,
wash your hands and
take care of each other!!*

Ruth

ADVANCED POLLS ARE CANCELLED

The advanced polls scheduled for February 10, 2021 are cancelled due to current Covid lockdown restrictions.

Voting will commence:

February 24 (Wed) Voting in Person from 4:00 - 8:00 PM

February 25 (Thurs) Voting in Person from 4:00 - 8:00 PM

February 26 (Fri) Voting in Person from 4:00 - 8:00 PM

Voting will take place in the Schenke.

Please enter through the Schenke doors.

Masks are required.

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this difficult time.

Skat Group

The Skat Board of Directors wishes everyone a very Happy New Year.

We hope everyone is keeping well, staying safe and staying healthy.

As we enter the New Year, your club membership fees are once again due. In order to be a member of any individual group, including the Skat group, you must be a member of the club. You can pay your club membership by phoning the office at (519) 745-5617 with your credit card information. Alternatively, you can arrange to come by in person (please call-in advance to make sure the office is open) or you can mail in a check.

Due to COVID, we are unable to hold our annual meeting. Our Board of Directors have agreed to continue on for the 2021 year. Thank you board members!

President: Bill Rowsell
Treasurer: Karl Braun
Secretary: Nancy Kessler-Agnew
Director: Sigfrid Barta

In case your Skat skills are getting rusty, you can practice online for free at playok.com. Playok is a website of classic board and card games that allows you to play online against live opponents in real-time.

There are 28 different games including Skat, Chess, Checkers, Euchre and many more.

How to begin playing these games:

1. Type "playok.com" in your browser
2. Select the game you want to play
3. You can now either select:
 - a) guest - you will enter the list of players with a generic name, or

- b) you can set up an account by selecting: log in and follow the instructions to set up an account for free

Once you are on the website, you can enter a table of players listed on the left (a dash represents an open seat) or you can start a "new game table" by clicking the icon at the top left of the page. You can select the number of hands and the minutes of play when setting up a game table. If it is your first time playing on line, I would suggest that you choose a (15m, 12 hands) game to start.

For those who would like to play Skat with other members of our Skat group, you can arrange a time to play with each other. Or, you can play with other Skat players from Germany, Poland, USA, Canada etc..

If you are interested in playing on-line Tuesday evenings at 7:00, please email me at nancykessler@rogers.com and I can help organize the event. If this becomes popular, we can meet virtually weekly. If you are having trouble setting up an account, you can call me at 519-747-9012 and I can help you get started.

Gut Blatt Nancy Kessler-Agnew, Secretary

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Concordia Bowlers

Hello, everyone!

Here are the results from our Turkey Roll in December. CONGRATULATIONS to the following winners: Erika Kuers, Sara Bergen, Frank Kauck, Peter Bergen and Monica Kauck. You will be getting your prize when we can all be together again.

Unfortunately, we had to stop bowling in January due to the provincial lockdown, but I hope that by the time you read this report we will have begun bowling again. Fingers crossed.

Finally, best wishes go out to Ingrid Kauck, our bowler who is celebrating a birthday this month.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE 2020-2021 BOWLING SEASON

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 date and venue are tentative and dependent on our current situation. Stay tuned for updates!

Until next time, HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!
Monica Kauck

Wir gratulieren den Gewinnern unseres Turkey Rolls. Bitte lesen Sie die Gewinner im Englischen Bericht.

Wir haben im Januar wegen dem Lockdown nicht kegegelt. Aber hoffentlich als ihr diese Nachrichten lest, kegeln wir wieder.

Herzlichen Glückwunsch an Ingrid Kauck, die im Monat Februar Geburtstag hat.

Bis zum nächsten Mal,

Monica Kauck



Campers

Hope everyone is well and looking forward to our upcoming season!!

We've put together an email address so we can plan for the 2021 season and beyond. We will connect through email as well as social media for upcoming events. This email address will be used for social event notification, farm visitor fee collection and meetings that need to be attended such as our AGM (a web meeting at this point).

If you have not already done so, please email us so we can add you to the list. Concordiaclub1212@gmail.com. Thanks!

Michelle



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Valentines Day 2021

Sunday February 14th, 2021 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm

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Appetizer (Choose 1)

“Sweet Stroll” Waldorf Salad

Mixed Greens / Kale
Sweet Apples / Crisp Grapes
Shaved Celery / Roasted Walnuts & Pecans
Ol’ Fashioned Dressing

“Don’t Kiss Me” Caesar Salad

Romaine Hearts / Garlic Croutons / Bacon
Asiago/ House Made Caesar Dressing

Dessert (Choose 1)

Hazelnut “Heartbreak” Roulade

Sponge Cake / Hazelnut Cream
Dark Chocolate Ganache / Field Berries

“Tried & True” Classic Apple Strudel

Baked fresh in House



Mains (Choose 1)

“Ol’ Faithfull”

Classic Golden Fried Schnitzel

What we’re known for!
Fried to Perfection... Served with Our Classic
Home fries & Fresh Vegetables

“You’re the Best” Beef Roulade

Alisa’s New & Improved Beef Roulade
Classic Spatzle & Braised Red Cabbage

“Bundle of Joy “

Chicken Purse

Slow Roasted Pesto Chicken / Sautéed Spinach /
Garlic Mushrooms / Aged Cheddar
Wrapped in Flaky Puff Pastry
Roasted Red Pepper Sauce
Mashed Potatoes & Fresh Vegetables

“Your Making Me Blush” Pasta Bowl

Our Classic Spatzle / Garden Fresh Vegetables
Tossed in our Creamy Blush Sauce
Served with Garlic Toast



Treffpunkt

Frohes neues Jahr für alle!

What a year that was, and as a group we are excited for what the year ahead has in store for us. Together, Treffpunkt celebrated the holiday season virtually and together, raised a total of \$1350.00 to donate to the St. John's Kitchen. Our online Christmas gathering was enjoyed while sharing activities online, and toasting in the New Year and opening our group presents and rocking our new group swag. Our group is very grateful to President Dana Komer and Rita Eisbrenner for all their hard work in putting the group's gifts together and co-ordinating distribution for all.

On January 8th, Treffpunkt held their annual elections for our Executive which will hold the following Members for the upcoming year:

Dana Komer - President

Andre Schilha - Vice President



Ali Nowak - Director

Harald Schwegel - Director

Rita Eisbrenner - Treasurer

Sandra Hattle - First Secretary

Jodi Purdie - Second Secretary

This year, Andrea Schilha has decided to step down from the Executive Committee. The group thanks her for her years on the Executive and looks forward to the year ahead with Andre stepping into this role.

Collectively, we saw a total of 36 blood donations through the Canadian Blood services and truly hope to surpass our 2021 goal of 40 donations with your help.

As always, please consider donating blood if you are able; our Partners for Life number is CONC010846 or you can just say that you are donating on behalf of the Concordia Club.

bis zum nächsten mal

Jodi Purdie





Concordia Choirs

February is the month when we celebrate love. Songs have been written about every imaginable topic, but the best ones, the ones we remember most have been penned about love. While musical trends change with every generation, love and the songs inspired by it will never go out of style. So, on Valentine's Day February 14th share a little musical love with your special someone. We all know a song that brings back special memories, a special time or place. Music is such a powerful thing. That's the beauty of it. If you find yourself alone on this Valentine's Day put on your favorite music and enjoy the memories it creates for you. Now more than ever our world needs love. This year our love must be shown by carefully following health guidelines laid out for us. For our safety and the safety of others. Show your care and concern by continuing to wear a mask, self-distance, stay home as much as possible. We want to be able to be together as a choir in the future. So, let's all stay positive, believe things will get better, take up a new hobby, stay active, reach out to other choir members to see how they're doing. We will get through this together.

Normally by now we would have held our AGM, but because our group has not been together for almost a year, we decided it wasn't necessary. If, however, there are any choir members who would like to see our finances for 2020 please call Fred Trautrim directly and he will go over that information with you.

On our Board of Directors Christine Schwegel has left our board after serving for 16 years. We thank Christine for the time and effort she has given to the Concordia Choirs. Her dedication has been sincerely appreciated. She was a wonderful Vice-President and we all enjoyed working with her. Christine, we wish you all the best



in whatever future endeavors you choose to undertake. Katie Braun has also decided to step down, but she assures us she will continue to make the beautiful sashes for our Wine Queen. Thank-you, Katie, for your creativity and sincere willingness to help whenever needed. Both you ladies will be missed and the contributions you made to the Concordia Choirs. Re-joining the board is Helmut Kruschat, he brings a lot of experience which is always helpful. We are still looking for one more board member so if anyone is interested, please call Helga Springer as she will resume the position of VP on Feb. 1st. We continue to meet virtually but as if this writing still does not have any information to share on how or when we might return to singing. Please remember to pay your club fees. The board has decided that we will not collect any choir fees upon our return to try and make up for payments made and no activity.

Choir members celebrating February Birthdays

*Karen Fritsch, Diane Hatchwell,
Andre Schilha, Hans Armin Ohlmann,
Siegfried Schrantz*

Enjoy a birthday celebration with those in your own household. Take care, stay safe, and always keep a song in your heart.

Beverley



KG Narrenzunft Concordia

Happy Valentine's Day to the Concordia members, family and friends!

The Narrenzunft members' hearts go out to anyone who is going through difficult times. It's been a long difficult road with it's ups and downs. If we continue to stay safe and practice social distancing we will kick Covid eventually. We look forward as a group to the time when we can meet in person again.....

If you're thinking of getting take out please support the Club and enjoy a variety of delicious food. We thank the staff and volunteers for their efforts.

Until next time.... Alaauf und Helau

"Let your Smile change the world. Don't let the world change your smile."

Joan Trautrim



Ladies Group

Well guess what? Surprise, the virus is still in great form and I hate winter. I can't wait to go camping at the Concordia Farm. I hope that I can get my Covid-19 vaccine shot soon.

Every year the ladies group have always given donations to the community and for the year 2021 our donations will go to the Food Bank, St. Mary's Hospital, Women's Crisis Shelter and the Sick Children's hospital.

Our 2021 Ladies Group Committee consists of the following:

President: Maria Grupp
Treasurer: Ursula Dressler
Secretary: Elisabeth Rowsell
Entertainment: Mary Stammwitz

I would like to remind you all to make sure that you pay your Concordia Club memberships in order to still be part of any club group. If you don't wish to go in person you can call the club and pay by credit card or mail in a cheque. The membership rates are in your January bulletin. Also, don't forget to go and vote for our Concordia Club board of directors as stated in the bulletin.

Please stay healthy, wash your hands often & wear a mask!!!

Recipe for the month – these are very tasty and healthier than potato fries.

Turnip (Rutabaga) Fries

1 rutabaga (1-1/2 lb. /675 g)

1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil

2 Tbsp. Kraft 100% Parmesan Grated Cheese

1 Tbsp. each chopped garlic and fresh rosemary

1/2 tsp. cracked black pepper

1 Tbsp. Heinz Dijon Mustard

For the dip - 1/4 cup Heinz Garlic Aioli

Step 1 - Heat oven to 400°F.

Step 2 - Remove and discard peel from rutabaga. Cut rutabaga in half, then cut each half into 1/2-inch-thick sticks.

Step 3 - Whisk oil, cheese, garlic, seasonings and mustard in medium bowl until blended.

Step 4 - Add rutabaga sticks; mix lightly. Spread onto parchment-covered rimmed baking sheet.

Step 5 - Bake 40 to 45 min. or until tender.

Step 6 - Serve with garlic aioli.

Elisabeth Rowsell

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Presidents Year End Report for 2020

Where has the last year gone? I remember as a child looking forward to getting older and being able to be allowed to do more. Now I just wish that time would slow down so that I could enjoy life just a little bit more. I must thank you the membership for having the faith to allow me to lead such a great and diverse community. These past 7 years have been filled with many challenges and 2020 kept us on this course. Instead of planning what we were going to do and how we were going to complete the many projects that needed to be done, we needed to pivot in a different direction and basically shutdown our operation in order to keep our membership and the community safe.

The year started as it usually would with the German community getting together for a night of fun and fellowship. We celebrated Kameradschaftsabend at the Hubertushaus where we enjoyed great food and great entertainment as well as some laughter with members from our fellow German clubs.

February brought us the Concordia Club Annual General Meeting where we enjoyed a true election for positions on the board of directors. We said good bye to Sarah Fretz and Helmut Kruschat and wished them well as they moved on to the next chapter of their lives. We then welcomed Monica Gaertner and Kathryn Malcolm to the board and looked forward to their fresh outlook and ideas. It was encouraging to see that we had more people running for spots on the board than positions that were available. We need the membership to give us suggestions on what we need to do to continue the longevity of this insti-

tution. Ask yourself, how can I make a difference for the Concordia Club family?

All the planning was done and we were putting the finishing touches on President's ball when the world ground to a halt. The Coronavirus had entered our community and the provincial government and local health units pushed us into a lockdown. As you all know Covid 19 has kept a stronghold on our community for 11 months now with no immediate end in sight.

We have had to cancel all events here at the club as well as all rentals of our facilities. We're able to open the restaurant for a period of time but had to put many new protocols in place to ensure the safety of our staff as well as our patrons. A positive highlight has been the introduction of curbside pickup. The kitchen staff created a new menu and some feature specials, which have been very popular. Thank you to all of the members that have used this service in the past year.

This past year has been very tough financially for the club, as we could not have our usual Oktoberfest celebration. The board and management of the club have worked very diligently to minimize any spending of money to only essential items. We were able to finish the paving of the parking lot for a very reasonable price and needed to take advantage of this once in a lifetime opportunity. In looking forward to the year to come the board will not embark on any major projects to ensure the financial stability of our club.

Once again this year we had a long time tenant move out of one of our rental properties. We took this opportunity to perform some much needed repairs and had new tenants move in in the month of December after all of the renovations

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Tagesordnung der Mitglieder-Jahreshauptversammlung 2021

Am Sonntag, den 21. Februar 2021, um 14:00 Uhr

Die Sitzung wird nach der folgenden Tagesordnung durchgeführt:

- | | |
|--|---|
| 1. Eröffnung und Feststellung der Legalität | 10. Finanzbericht |
| 2. Gedenkminute | 11. Annahme des Finanzberichtes 2020 mit dem Bericht des Rechnungsprüfers |
| 3. Annahme der Tagesordnung | 12. Ernennung der externen Rechnungsprüfer |
| 4. Annahme des Protokolls der Halbjahresversammlung 2019 | 13. Haushaltsplan für 2021 |
| 5. Bericht des Präsidenten | 14. Annahme des Haushaltsplans 2021 |
| 6. Bericht der Geschäftsführerin | 15. Bericht der Kassenprüfer |
| 7. Bericht des Langfristigen Planungskomitees | 16. Erholungsgelände |
| 8. Komiteeberichte | 17. Ernennung des Wahlkomitees |
| 9. Bericht des Nominierungs- und Satzungskomitees | 18. Schluss der Versammlung |

BITTE BEACHTEN: WAHLEN WERDEN AM

24., 25., & 26. FEBRUAR VON 16:00 UHR BIS 20:00 UHR STATTFINDEN

Tagesordnung der Mitglieder-Jahreshauptversammlung 2021

Am Sonntag, den 28. Februar 2020, um 14:00 Uhr

Die Sitzung wird nach der folgenden Tagesordnung durchgeführt:

- | | |
|--|---|
| 1. Eröffnung und Feststellung der Legalität der Versammlung | 5. Wahl des Präsidenten |
| 2. Annahme der Tagesordnung | 6. Übernahme der Versammlung durch den neu gewählten Präsidenten und Vorstand |
| 3. Entlastung des Vorstandes & Genehmigung der Handlungsmassnahmen des Vorstandes 2019 | 7. Entlastung des Wahlkomitees |
| 4. Bekanntgabe der Wahlergebnisse | 8. Zum Wohl und Besten |
| | 9. Schluss der Versammlung |



Agenda

Annual Membership Meeting 2021

Sunday the 21st of February 2021, at 2:00 pm

The meeting will be governed by the following agenda:

1. Opening and determining the legality of the meeting
2. Moment of Silence
3. Acceptance of the Agenda
4. Approval of the Minutes of the Semi-Annual Meeting 2020
5. President's Report
6. Manager's Report
7. Long Range Planning Committee Report
8. Committee Reports
9. Report of the Nomination and Bylaws Committee
10. Finance Report
11. Acceptance of the 2020 Finance Report & Chartered Accountants Reports
12. Appointment of External Auditors
13. Presentation of 2021 Budget
14. Acceptance of the 2021 Budget
15. Report of the Internal Club Auditors
16. Concordia Farm
17. Appointing of Election Committee
18. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

NOTE:

VOTING – IN PERSON ON FEBRUARY 24, 25, 26 from 4:00 p.m. To 8:00 p.m.

Agenda

Annual Membership Meeting 2021

Sunday the 28th of February 2021, at 2:00pm

The meeting will be governed by the following agenda:

1. Opening and determining the legality of the meeting
2. Acceptance of the Agenda
3. Discharge of the Board and approval of Board Actions in 2020
4. Election Results
5. Election of the President
6. The new President chairs the meeting with the newly elected board.
7. Discharge of the Election Committee
8. For the well being of the Club
9. Adjournment



2021

**Jahres-
Hauptversammlung
Annual Membership Meeting**

Sunday, February 21, 2021, 2 pm

Sunday, February 28, 2021, 2 pm

Both via Zoom

Voting on February 24., 25. & 26

4-8 pm, Schenke

FOLLOWING 7 (SEVEN) HAVE BEEN NOMINATED DIRECTORS OF THE OF THE CONCORDIA



MIKE MATICH

Nominated by: Elisabeth Rowsell / Karl Braun

Member since 1992

Club activities: Main Board for 6 years,
Farm Director for 6 years,
Outdoor group President, Oktoberfest Chair,
Sales and Marketing

Occupation: Self Employed



RITA EISBRENNER

Nominated by: Michael Matich / Monica Gaertner

Member since 1977

Club activities: Treffpunkt treasurer,
LRP committee,
150th Anniversary committee member

Occupation: Food Services



ROB KRAUSKOPF

Nominated by:
William Rowsell / Karl Braun

Club activities:
Camper, Treffpunkt, Outdoor Group,
Main Board for 3 years

Occupation: Sheet Metal Worker



ROB KE...

Nominated by:

Member since:

Club activities:
Camper, Outdoor Group,
President since 2010

Occupation:



PETER...

Nominated by:

Member since:

Club activities:
Past Bowlers Club,
Treasurer for 10 years,
22 years on the board

Occupation:



KATHRYN...

Nominated by:
Braun

Member since:

Club activities:
Campers club

Occupation:

N) CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION AS THE MAIN BOARD CLUB AT THE

FERR

Nominated by: Elisabeth Rowsell / Karl Braun

Member since: 2010

Activities:

Indoor Group, Main Board for 9 Years,
Member since 2014

Store Manager for Sobeys

BERGEN

Nominated by: Nick Osbelt / Frank Kauck

Member since: 1981

Activities:

President,
Outdoor group,
Member of the Board

Occupation: Electrician

YN MALCOLM

Nominated by: Elisabeth Rowsell / Karl

Member since: 2014

Activities: Member since 2014,
Committee, Miss Concordia 2008

Occupation: Private Investigator

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 2021



HOLGER FISCHER

Nominated by:

Mike Matich / Monica Gaertner

Club activities:

Treffpunkt, Oktoberfest

Occupation:

Production Supervisor

BERICHT DES NOMINATIONS KOMITEES

Die auf der Bildseite aufgeführten Mitglieder haben sich als Kandidaten zur Wahl bei der Jahreshauptversammlung 2021 als Direktoren in den Hauptvorstand gestellt. Die Antragsformulare wurden vom Nominations-Komitee geprüft und für richtig befunden. Die Reihenfolge der Kandidaten wurde mittels einer einfachen Auslosungsmethode ermittelt.

Direktoren für den Hauptvorstand 2021: Zur Jahreshauptversammlung 2021 stellten sich sieben (7) Kandidaten um die sieben (7) frei werdenden Hauptvorstands Posten zu besetzen. Eine Person von den neu gewählten Vorstandsmitglieder welche die wenigsten Stimmen erhält, verbleibt nur ein Jahr im Hauptvorstand.

Buchprüfer: Für das kommende Geschäftsjahr benötigen wir vier (4) Buchprüfer Frank Kauck und Maria Grupp bleiben noch ein Jahr. Elisabeth Rowsell und Lena Sonser stellten sich für 2 Jahre zur Verfügung und daher ist eine Wahl unnötig.

Jedes Mitglied kann nur seinen eigenen Wahlzettel in die dafür bestimmten Wahlurnen einwerfen.

Vorauswahlen Die vorgesehene Vorauswahl kann dieses Jahr, wegen Covid19 Beschränkungen leider nicht stattfinden.

Wahltag: Die Ausgabe der Eigenen Stimmzettel wird an den Wahltagen Feb. 24.-25.-26 in der Jägerstube von 16:00 bis 20:00 Uhr nach Überprüfung der Mitgliedschaft vorgenommen. Sollte die Beschränkung bis zum 24. 2. 21 nicht aufgehoben sein halten wir eine Durchfahrtwahl. Weitere Auskunft erhalten sie an der Jahreshauptversammlung an Zoom.

Beim Abschluss der Nominationen war ein (1) Kandidat für das Amt des Präsidenten bekannt, **Rob Kerr**.

Das Nominations- und Satzungskomitee besteht aus den Klub Präsidenten, den beiden amtierenden Vize-Präsidenten, den Präsidenten sämtlicher Untergruppen und den ehemaligen Klub Präsidenten.

Vorsitzender des Nominations- und Satzungskomitees Karl Braun

REPORT OF THE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Members (pictured on the reverse side) have agreed to be nominated at the 2021 annual general membership meeting as Directors for the main board. The applications have been verified and approved by the Nomination Committee. The sequence of the candidates was obtained by a simple selection method.

Directors for the Main Board: Seven (7) members have agreed to be nominated to fill the seven (7) positions that will become vacant. The one newly elected Board member with the lowest number of votes will remain on the Board for only one (1) Year.

Auditors: We require four (4) auditors for the current fiscal year. Maria Grupp and Frank Kauck have one year remaining in their term. Elisabeth Rowsell and Lena Sonser have agreed to serve for two (2) years. Therefore, an election is not necessary.

Every member can only cast their own ballot in the ballot box at the election.

Advanced Voting: Advanced voting cannot take place this year due to the Covid 19 lockdown.

Election Days: February 24, 25, and 26, 2021 from 4:00 PM to 8:00PM. Every member can only cast their own ballot. With the changing restrictions due to the Covid-19 pandemic we must adjust the way we run our elections. If permitted, we will allow voting within the Club - ballots will be provided after verifying your Membership status. If we are not permitted to hold the elections indoors – we will hold a drive through election in our parking lot. You will receive further instructions at the AGM via Zoom on February 21, 2021 at 2pm.

At closing of the nomination we have (1) candidate running for the position of President, **Rob Kerr**.

The nomination and Bylaw Committee consists of Club President, both Vice Presidents, the Presidents of all groups and The Past Presidents of the Club.

Chairperson Karl Braun

were complete. This means that in the past 3 years we have had to perform major renovations on 3 of our 4 rental properties that we did not have in our capital improvements plan. Thank you to all of the board members as well as club members that have helped during these renovations.

Thank you to Ruth, Jeff and all of the staff who have made many tough decisions this past year to help us conquer the many obstacles that we have encountered. I also would like to thank Karl Braun, Alfred Kuers, Bill and Lis Rowsell for their dedication to the club and their time spent helping to keep our club property in the immaculate condition that it was this past year. Our members and patrons thank you for all of your time and effort.

I would like to thank the board members and their families for helping me to keep the Concordia Club as the premier German club in Kitchener Waterloo. Your dedication to the membership will allow us to experience continued longevity.

Be passionate about who we are and show your pride in our club whenever you can.. We need to keep the German culture, heritage and traditions that we have enjoyed for many years but we also must look outside of the German demographics so that we can keep expanding our membership. We will need to diversify like the community has without losing sight of our beliefs.

We are looking for more members to become involved in some of the internal committees such as long range planning, sales and marketing or the finance committee. We would like to have more direct input from the membership for their opinions and ideas as to what we need to do to stay current and where you would like to see us be in the future.

The positive light at the end of the tunnel for 2020 has been the Concordia Club farm. Covid

prolonged the start of the season by over one month. I am not sure if the extended winter motivated people to enjoy the outdoors but once the campers were able to get into the park everyone was eager to help with our hidden gem. By the end of the season our campground had been transformed from a lacklustre place to be to the diamond in the rough that we knew it could become. Through passion, dedication, blood (yes there was some), sweat and tears our campground now looks the best it has in many years. Thank you to the leadership of Mike Match, Michelle Zimmer, Steve Zimmer, Tim Bews and Stefan Domiczi for helping guide our volunteers. We also were able to attract some new campers and I am looking forward to seeing how full we can get the campground by the end of 2021.

Here's to hoping that through following guidelines and the use of vaccines we will be able to once again gather at some point in 2021. Stay safe, stay healthy and stay inside when you can. Please continue to reach out to your fellow members to ensure their mental stability. Janice and I miss interacting with all of you.

Your president,

Rob Kerr

Manager's Year End Report 2020

2020.....a year of change for absolutely everyone...worldwide! The year started out like no other. With the planning in place for a very successful year for the club. The 2020 budget was set and so many events and projects to look forward too. How life can change so quickly.

If someone would have said "What would a year be like without the ability to celebrate with family and friends, events like President's Ball, Winzerfest, Stiftungsfest, Oktoberfest and Christmas parties at the club?" I would have

said.....it will never happen! Well, it did. The thought of no weddings in the hall for a summer..... unheard of....but it happened as well.

We moved almost every single wedding booked for 2020 to either 2021 or 2022. Working with these future brides and grooms to help navigate the unknown was not an easy task but we managed to find dates to suit their needs.

We had to learn to adapt to ongoing restrictions, health and safety requirements, layoffs, and curbside pick up! Our "take out" business for the Schenke was never something that generated much revenue. Everyone loved to meet and come together at the club to enjoy each other's company, share a laugh, a great meal and a drink or two! Well, that changed too.

We were able to open the patio for the summer months, the Schenke in late summer and fall. It was wonderful to see the patio full with everyone so happy to be able to come out and enjoy the beautiful weather and see each other! The support of all of our members and guests was absolutely amazing. Curbside pick up became the order of business and the biggest change for how we continue to operate even in to 2021. We managed to host Mother's Day, Father's Day, and even Oktoberfest by providing platters created by Chef Jeff and his team for all to celebrate at home with family.

The traditions we hold so close to our hearts during the Christmas season brought more changes. Our traditional duck dinner offering for the season was to be celebrated at home this year. The response was wonderful! Thank you to all who kept up the tradition and supported the club.

As we move in to 2021, there will be more difficult times ahead but we need to continue to stay positive, support each other and follow the direction of Public Health to ensure that we can once again come together with our Concordia Family to celebrate some of the events we missed this year but also to simply spend time enjoying being together and each other's company.

All the best to everyone of our Concordia Family!

Ruth Rajna, Manager

2020 Annual Reports for Mike Matich

ARBEITSGEMEINSCHAFT

Arbeitsgemeinschaft held their AGM on February 24, 2020. They had a presentation from Oktoberfest Inc. outlining the operational review that they have been going through. Gerhard presented his annual report as Chair and they were in a strong financial position. They then held their elections and the Committee stayed the same. The next meeting was scheduled for May 11, but it was cancelled due to the Pandemic and they had not adopted any online meeting platform. There was a meeting on August 10 where it was reported by all clubs that they do not have much going on. Many clubs stated they were not going to do Oktoberfest, or at least one on a much smaller scale. German Pioneers Day was cancelled this year. Next meeting was November 9 and pretty much everything event-wise had been cancelled. Any clubs that did have some type of Oktoberfest reported on those events and naturally everything was down significantly. The consensus is that Oktoberfest 2021 will look and feel just like 2020. Volkstrauertag was on Sunday November 15, there was a small wreath laying ceremony, but there was no band, no choir, no speeches and no coffee & cake afterward. The general public was encouraged to stay home and only 1 or 2 representatives from each organization were in attendance. Christkindlmarkt was turned into an online experience rather than a live in-person event. Kamaradschaftsabend scheduled for January 16, 2021 at the Schwaben Club was cancelled.

SENIORENHAUS

Seniorenhaus held Board meetings on January 21st and February 18th where they discussed some ongoing maintenance, tenant and parking issues. They were in a good financial position. They have also hired a part-time office administrator to help Annelise. The March and April meetings were postponed. The board meeting on May 12 was online. There were some changes to board and their maintenance person has moved on. They were communicating regularly over the summer via email but only their small executive committee were meeting in person. They had their Annual General Meeting on December 9, 2020 via Zoom with a few people attending live in the library. They presented financial reports. The mortgage for Seniorenhaus was paid off in 2020 so only the Villa is left with funds owing. Two new members were elected to their board: Jordan Gage and Pam Boire, while Karl Braun and Alfred Kuers terms have ended. Amanda has indicated that the Board would like to get back to monthly Board meetings via Zoom in 2021.

FARM COMMITTEE

The Farm initially had some challenges due to Covid – we remained closed as of April 4 - we were considered a non-essential business under the new Emergency Order. At that time the washrooms were to stay closed, water and hydro remained off, buildings were off limits. We didn't know if or when we would be allowed to open for the season. We were finally allowed to open on June 12 and with the help of many hands we managed to get the pool repaired & opened with extra protocols on July 14. Since the prospect of holding events didn't look feasible our Farm and Campers Committees (plus many volunteers) concentrated their efforts on cleaning up the park instead. What a success that turned out to be! Since we were unable to do a large Farm Cleanup at the beginning of the season, we

did several smaller cleanups throughout the summer, concentrating on vacant campsites. We removed 18 abandoned trailers, almost 25000 pounds of garbage and roughly 15000 pounds of scrap metal! The Farm Manager and his crew also cut down many of our dead ash trees - we've really put a huge dent in the number of dangerous trees that are left standing out there. Proud of our efforts, we decided to host an "Open House" over the Labour Day Weekend to attract potential new seasonal campers for 2021 by advertising on a few online RV forums. This was a huge success with 11 families staying for the weekend and out of those, almost all of them have confirmed their spot for 2021. We also hosted a socially distanced movie night at the Pavilion playing Finding Nemo for the kids and Bohemian Rhapsody for the adults. While it was a chilly evening it was nice to finally hold an event. The Farm officially closed on October 31 and during the winter there is snowmobiling, but we asked all our members to stay off both fields at the front of the Farm. The field to the right of the laneway is winter wheat and 100% off limits and the field to the left of the laneway has a OFSC trail running through it (moved from the Hydro line) and we have asked people with trail permits to strictly keep to the groomed trail and stay off the rest of the corn field. Our members are encouraged to use the campground area only. Thankfully, Spring will be here before we know it and I'm really excited for next season!

OKTOBERFEST CHAIR

From very early on in 2020, things did not look very optimistic for our usual Oktoberfest on a grand scale. While we did have a tent reserved just in case, it turned out not to be feasible and the Club did a smaller event in the Schenke and via curbside take out instead. I wonder how many people noticed by Labour Day that our Tent wasn't up? We're still the Home of

Oktoberfest, we just need to hold off until we can celebrate safely again.

SALES AND MARKETING

Our Bridal Open House on Sunday January 19 was a success, we then held a Sales and Marketing Meeting on January 29 and the 2020 Cruise Nights were announced as: Friday June 19, Friday July 24 and Friday August 21 ...and then Covid hit us and almost everything was cancelled including Weddings, Banquets and our Restaurant! Thankfully once things settled a bit, we were able to pivot and offer curbside take out which proved successful, plus some limited opportunities on the patio and in the restaurant with extra protocols. Hopefully 2021 provides us with more opportunities.

150 Year Committee

Hello to All!

Yes, we are approaching our 150-year anniversary and the committee is being put together slowly. I hope to have our first meeting this month and start laying out plans to commemorate our 150 years as a German Heritage Club. This has been a very difficult year, but we do have a rich heritage to be proud of and tradition that serves our community well. WE can continue to grow and prosper as long as we remember where it all began so many years ago. We have come a long way from our humble beginnings and with so much to offer our members and community which will guide us through these difficult times.

*As always yours,
Martin Patzold, Chair 150 year committee*

Entertainment Committee

Seeing as 2020 did not happen at the club, for some entertainment, here are some things to con-

sider as we close the door on one of the most horrible years of our lifetime:

1. The dumbest thing I ever bought was a 2020 planner.
2. 2019: Stay away from negative people.
- 3: 2020 Stay away from Positive people!!
4. The world has turned upside down. Old folks are sneaking out of the house & their kids are yelling at them to stay indoors!
5. This morning I saw a neighbor talking to her dog. It was obvious she thought her dog understood her. I came into my house & told my cat. We laughed a lot.
6. Every few days try your jeans on just to make sure they fit. Pajamas will have you believe all is well in the kingdom.
7. Does anyone know if we can take showers yet or should we just keep washing our hands?
8. This virus has done what no woman has been able to do. Cancel sports, shut down all bars & keep men at home!
9. I never thought the comment, "I wouldn't touch him/her with a 6-foot pole" would become a national policy, but here we are!
10. I need to practice social-distancing from the refrigerator.
11. I hope the weather is good tomorrow for my trip to the Backyard. I'm getting tired of the Living Room.
12. Never in a million years could I have imagined I would go up to a bank teller wearing a mask & ask for money.

Here's hoping and wishing for a better year full on the entertainment that we love to be a part of at the club. Take care and stay safe!

Michelle Zimmer

2020 Yearly Reports from Ali Nowak

TREASURER'S REPORT 2020:

2020 was my seventh year as First Treasurer of the Concordia Club and it was very different from previous years due to the Covid pandemic. Thanks as always to Peter Bergen for his work as Second Secretary and handling of the internal audit for the Group books. A huge "Danke" to Ruth Rajna and Silvia Minka for their continued help, support and dedication to the Club. They had to work very hard learning all about the new government financial aid programs, dealing with employee terminations, and negotiated many changes to our supplier, rental and Oktoberfest contracts.

As I am writing this, the accountants have just started their 2020 audit and the Board has only approved our November 2020 financial statements. Although I don't have final numbers, it is safe to say that we did not meet our budget, and we suffered a loss this year. As everyone is aware, given the Covid restrictions put into place over 2020, our traditional Oktoberfest did not happen. We rely very heavily on a financially successful Oktoberfest to offset the many expenses our Club has. As the Schenke and the Halle were closed for much of the year, our income from our year round operations was also down significantly, and while we did get financial assistance from government programs to help offset some expenses, many of our expenses are fixed. We had some capital expenditures (ie. parking lot) which had to be paid as the contracts were pre-Covid. Our curbside delivery helps with our income.

Our revenue for our rental properties remains good. With the renovations at 473 Ottawa Street and new tenants moving in at the end of 2020, our rental revenue helps offset other Club expenses and will hopefully continue to do so.

Our income from the Farm was similar to last year, but may drop in 2021 as there will be a pro-rated deduction for continuing campers given the late opening. Given all the work that was done at the Farm, the expenses are slightly higher than anticipated.

We continue to have a healthy investment balance, but our operating fund is getting smaller and smaller every day due to Covid restrictions on our operations. While we drafted a lean budget for 2020 given the impact of the Ottawa Street construction in 2019, the budget for 2021 will be even leaner. Any capital expenditures, wish list items, and major projects, including the Farm Septic System Project, will be pushed back so we won't have to take money out of our investments and/or go into debt.

As First Treasurer, I again chaired the Finance Committee (myself, Peter Bergen, Harald Schwegel and Rob Kerr with Mike Match, Martin Patzold and Moni Gaertner as special guests). Thanks! The Finance Committee continues to work with the Groups in completing the Internally Restricted Net Asset Forms based on our Net Asset Policy. The Net Asset Policy and various forms were reviewed by the Finance Committee and any changes approved by the Board. Unfortunately, there are still a number of Groups that have problems completing the Form our accountants need on time.

The Finance Committee will continue to work hard to look after the financial interests of the Club during this difficult time. Hope to see everyone on Zoom at the Annual General Meeting.

Ali Nowak, 1st Treasurer

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT 2020:

The Long Range Planning Committee (LRP) welcomed 2 new members this year – Fred Trautrim and Darcie Burrell. Special thanks to them, and

to the other members of the LRP: Harald Schwegel, Rob Kerr, Mike Matich, Martin Patzold, Peter Bergen, Linda Zensner, Karl Braun, Shirley Grumme, Bob Foster, Beth Fitton, Rita Eisbrenner, and Ruth Rajna. A special thank you to Moni Gaertner for doing the Minutes!

Given the closures and financial uncertainties that Covid brought in 2020 which will continue into 2021, the LRP had a fairly quiet year. There was some progress on our application to the Ministry of Environment for the Farm Septic Project which was submitted in 2018, but we are still waiting for final approval to start work. Given Covid and the anticipated budget, it is likely that minimal work will be done in 2021.

In 2020, the LRP continued to focus on trying to develop new ideas for marketing, the Farm, our 150th Anniversary celebration, and increasing accessibility to our building.

If anyone is interested in joining the LRP Committee, please don't hesitate to speak to me or anyone on the LRP. *LRP Chair, Ali Nowak*

OKTOBERFEST INC. COMMITTEE 2020:

The Oktoberfest Inc. Committee consists of myself, Harald Schwegel and Rob Krauskopf. Along with Rob Kerr, Mike Matich (Oktoberfest Set Up) and Ruth Rajna, we typically attend the Festhallen Advisory Committee (FAC) meetings with other accredited Festhallen and Oktoberfest Inc. members to discuss any concerns we have and to receive updates about the festival. This year, there were no meetings.

We renegotiated our Accreditation Contract as many traditional Oktoberfest events did not happen. The Committee will continue to keep the Club's best interests in mind in all future dealings with the FAC, especially given our financial situation this year.

Oktoberfest Inc. Chair, Ali Nowak

Club Buildings and Property Committee

This past year started out like any other and our first project was to add some easy to grip handrails to the main entrance stairs leading up to the Halle. The custom-made handrails were installed just in time for the annual meeting at the end of February. Then everything changed.

Despite being without the use of the building for many months in the past year and having only patio or curbside service, the maintenance of the building and property continued. I would like to thank all the volunteers who helped with the upkeep of the Club property this year, including Karl Braun who cut the grass and Bill and Elisabeth Rowsell who looked after our flowers and plants throughout the summer.

While the traditional Club Cleanup in May was canceled, a small, socially distanced group of volunteers led by Mike Matich was able to repaint the flagpoles at Ottawa Street. Once the job was completed new flags were raised at Ottawa Street and above the main entrance to the building, replacing flags that had become wind worn.

The reconstruction of Hoffman Street by the City of Kitchener over the summer meant that we were able to negotiate the repaving the remainder of our parking lot at a substantially reduced cost. As a result, our entire parking lot has been resurfaced to a road standard that will serve us for many years to come.

An attempted break-in in early August led to the replacement of two exit doors in the upstairs hallway leading to the tent. We were fortunate that the damage was limited to the doors themselves.

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Unfortunately, the current pandemic situation has meant that plans for additional accessibility improvements in and around the building have been put on hold until a time when we have returned to 'normal' operations.

Harald Schwegel
Committee chair

Club Rental Properties

Tenants coming and going is a natural progression at rental properties. 473 Ottawa's resident family decided to move on in mid 2020 so much needed repairs and upgrades were needed to make the house desirable on the rental market. With some new flooring, paint a new kitchen counter and many hours of volunteer labour it was transformed into a bright welcoming home for it's new family.

With 2020 in our hindsight our wishes for a calmer and more normal 2021 help us keep positive and grounded. With that sentiment we welcome the new tenants to 473 Ottawa and hopefully it will quickly become a home.

Rob Krauskopf

Membership

Hello there,

Happy New Year! For us all, 2020 was a very challenging year full of loss, sorrow and uncertainty; although, there have been some silver linings to some of these hard times. With these difficult and unpredictable situations grew resilience, change, and future opportunities. We miss our loved ones and friends but we learned again

that there is so much to discover in our own backyard.

A big welcome all our new members to The Concordia Club. Here's hoping 2021, at some point, will be somewhat of a back to new normal kind of year and we will all be able to enjoy our club to it's full potential.

We have had quite a few new members join in 2020 which is awesome!

22 New Families
17 New Singles
4 New Students
0 New Seniors
1 New Corp.

(Family & Single includes Seniors as 5 years of Membership is needed)

Once again, congratulations to our members who had significant anniversaries as club members these past couple of years!

We have quite a few anniversaries coming up for 2021 and we have not forgotten the awards for 2020. As soon as we can safely hand out awards, we shall.

2020

40 Years = 10 members
50 Years = 21 members
60 Years = 7 members

2021

40 Years = 5 members
50 Years = 7 members
60 Years = 4 members

Each year we are growing and each year we will have more and more people enjoying what our club has to offer.

Looking to 2021 with optimism and hoping for a new safe normal with friends and family.

All the best, Michelle Zimmer

Christkindlemarket 2020

The market was cancel due to covid 19 and that the city hall square was under construction. The market was done by virtual online setting which we sadly could not participate this year. We hope we can join in next year for Chriskindlemarket 2021.

Peter Bergen

German Culture Committee

I would like to start by thanking Sarah Fretz for all her work as chair of the German Culture committee for the previous four years.

Late in 2019 some significant changes occurred at the German Language School Concordia when the school was completely taken over by the Waterloo Regional District

School Board. Among the changes were the removal of the Concordia name, an end to the children's choir and German language exams as well as the dissolution of the school's Parent Association.

A new organization, the Concordia German Language Association was formed independent of the school with the goal of re-establishing activities such as the choir and language exams as well as a general furthering of the German culture. The Concordia Club was pleased to be able to support this new organization in its holding of German language exams for a number of graduating students in 2020.

For several years now the Concordia Club has sponsored German Language scholarships for students at both the University of Waterloo and Wilfrid Laurier University. The recipients of the 2019 scholarships had



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been invited to attend President's Ball this past March, but unfortunately that event like so many others this past year had to be cancelled. The Club did receive some very nice Thank-You letters from the recipients and Rob Kerr and I were able to take part in a video chat with one of the recipients later in the spring.

As part of the Club's ongoing commitment to the promotion of German language and culture we will continue with our sponsoring of scholarships at the two local universities in the coming year.

Harald Schwegel
Committee chair

Honourary Member Committee

It has been a tough year after some attempts to hold a meeting I started calling each committee member by phone and talked about reconvening in better times with less restrictions. That was before September when the case count started to go up again and so now, we are in another lockdown. I am hoping to start calling again and trying to put a happy face on this and just talking to each member of the committee and check our numbers and applications received. We should be able to come up with a solution to award a long-standing member who has given a lot of exceptional service to our club and find a perfect venue or time to present the award.

My best wishes and hope this is a better year, stay safe and healthy,

Martin Patzold

Chair Honourary Member

Security Report for 2020

This year was a very quiet one as we did not have that many festivities here at the club. All events that we were able to have were provided security by myself and Randy Ryan. We did not enlist the services of LTS Protective Services this year but we still keep in contact with them for future use of their services..

Looking forward to 2021 and beyond to protect our members and patrons.

Rob Kerr

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Miss Concordia

Wieder ist es Zeit um unsere jungen Damen vom Concordia Club aufzufordern, sich für die "Miss Concordia"-Wahl zu bewerben. Die Bewerbungs-Unterlagen sind im Klubbüro erhältlich und sollen auch dort wieder abgegeben werden.

Bei den Bewerbungen ist folgendes zu beachten:

- Bewerberin muss für ein Jahr Mitglied im Concordia Club sein
- Bewerberin darf nicht verheiratet oder geschieden sein
- Bewerberin muss 18 Jahre oder älter sein und möglichst die deutsche Sprache sprechen.
- Miss Concordia 2021 sollte bei Klub- sowie öffentlichen Veranstaltungen den Concordia Club repräsentieren.

Mit dem Anmeldeformular sollte ein Passbild sowie eine kurze Erklärung mit dem Thema: "**Warum ich Miss Concordia werden möchte**" abgegeben werden,

Die Bewerberinnen werden zu einem Treffen eingeladen um die Details auszuarbeiten.

Für mehr Informationen wenden Sie sich bitte an das Vergnügungs-Komitee.

Name _____

Strasse/Street _____

Province/Postal Code _____

Geburtsdatum/Date of Birth: _____

Klasse/Class _____

Alter/Age _____

Hobbies: _____

Unterschrift/Signature: _____

It's time once again to choose a young lady to be our Miss Concordia. If you feel you could represent the Concordia Club, we ask that you fill out the application form and forward it to the Club office.

Please be advised of the following:

- Applicant must have been a member of the Concordia Club for at least 1 year.
- Applicant may not be married or divorced.
- Applicant must be 18 years of age or older and if possible speak the German language.
- Miss Concordia 2021 should be at club functions as well as other functions throughout the year to represent the club.
- A short statement should be attached to this application "Why I want to become Miss Concordia".

With the Application there should also be a short essay answering the question: "**Why I want to be Miss Concordia**" as well as a passport picture.

Applicants will be invited for a meeting to work out all the details. If you would like more information, please contact the Entertainment Committee.

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Why I want to be Miss Concordia (please use an additional sheet if required)

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