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# CONCORDIA IN NOVEMBER 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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**and/or postings at the club.**

## *Group Events*

<b>SUNDAY</b>		
Halle	2.00–5.00	Ballroom Dancing
<b>MONDAY</b>		
Halle	7.00–8.30	Gemischter Chor
	8.30–10.00	Männerchor
Jaegerstube	6.00–7.00	Kinderchor
	7.00–8.00	Jugendchor
<b>TUESDAY</b>		
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		
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>		
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)
<b>THURSDAY</b>		
Halle	8.00–10.00	Table Tennis Group
Jaegerstube	7.00–1.00	Schach/Chess
Eisstock	7.00–10.00	Eisstock-Gruppe
Schenke	9.00	Fussball/Soccer
<b>FRIDAY</b>		
Victoria Bowl	6.30	Bowlers
Jaegerstube	8.00	“Treffpunkt” (2nd Friday of month)

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## Bericht des Präsidenten



Ich hoffe das ihr alle ein gutes Erntedankfest feiern konntet habt, nebst der Familie und Freunde, seitdem die Covid Beschränkungen, in vergleich zum letzten Jahr etwas gelockert wurden. Wenn nicht, bin ich sicher dass eure Familien Zusammen-

künfte via Zoom seit der Pandemie schon eine normale Sache geworden sind. Dieses Jahr konnten wir dankbar sein, wenn Familie und Freunde nicht unter Covid-19 Erkrankungen leiden mussten. Es ist auch Zeit, das wir dankbar sind, für die vielen

Dinge im Leben die wir geniessen, sowie Gesundheit und Glückseligkeit.

Das Oktoberfest war wieder mal verkleinert. Dieses Jahr konnten wir die Concordia Erfahrung in der Schenke, sowie auch in der Halle anbieten. Wir konntten dies über zwei Wochende anbieten, und hatten die Twin City Alpine Echo, das neue und verbesserte Edelweiss Trio und die Black Forest Band. Sie unterhielten die Gäste mit ihrem musikalisches Talent die Gäste beim Essen. Da wir Tanzen nicht erlauben durften unter den Restriktionen, war es nicht eine gewöhnliche Veranstaltung. Nach Unterhaltung mit dem Gästen jedoch, war es klar, dass sie mehr als glücklich waren, die Oktoberfest Musik zu geniessen, so wie sie es gewohnt waren eine Nacht Oktoberfest zu feiern. Viele Gäste waren

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beobachtet in ihre Sitzen mit der Musik zu Tanzen. Das erste Wochenende war nicht so gut besucht wie gewünscht, aber das zweite Wochenende hat das Minus vom ersten Wochenende mehr als ausgeglichen.

Wieder waren die Oktoberfestplatte und der Curbside Pickup unsere Gewinner. Wir hatten so viele Bestellungen an manchen Tagen, das wir keine Bestellungen mehr vor Beginn der Abendschicht annehmen konnten. Dieses war es nur nötig, weil wir das Personal (besonders in der Küche) nicht überlasten wollten, denn wir wollten die hohe Qualität und Norm das wir für unser Essen gesetzt haben, nicht verlieren. Wir haben beachtet dass die Basislinie der Kunden die von uns bestellen sich vergrößert hat, und wir fühlen, dass die mündliche Werbung sowie auch unsere "social media posts" wirksam unseren

Namen an Leute die eine gute Mahlzeit geniessen wollen, zu verbreiten.

Wir möchten allen Mitgliedern danken, die unser Oktoberfest persönlich besucht haben oder unsere "curbside pickup meals" genossen haben. Für ihre Kundschaft sind wir sehr dankbar. Wir waren auch sehr überrascht, dass wir keine Probleme mit unseren Gästen hatten über das vorzeigen ihres Impf-Nachweises und ihrer Foto ID. Viele hatten den Beweis bereit bevor wir es zu überprüfen verlangten.

Das Farmgelände ist jetzt für Übernachtungen geschlossen, aber ihr könnt die Natur zu jeder Zeit noch geniessen, durch Spaziergänge durch das Gelände oder Reinigungsaktivitäten. Recht herzlichen Dank auch an alle Mitglieder, die wieder geholfen haben, das Farmgelände zu ver-

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schönern. Dieser Diamant wird Jahr für Jahr mehr und mehr poliert.

Die Vorstandstreffen werden regelmässig persönlich beibehalten um das tägliche Betriebsgeschehen, die Verwaltung und das Personal des Klubs, zu leiten. Wir schauen schon voraus auf 2022 als das Jahr wann wir etwas Fortschritt zu einem “neuen” Normal erleben werden und zurück zu unseren regelmässigen Veranstaltungen zurückkehren können. Wir sammeln weiterhin mehr Informationen von den Regierungsbehörden sowie von anderen Organisationen über wann wir den Klub wieder öffnen können für unsere Untergruppen die zurückkommen möchten zu ihren regelmässigen Aktivitäten. Wie erläutert in früheren Nachrichten, sobald wir diese Informationen haben, werden wir sie an die Untergruppen Präsidenten weitergeben.

Wir sind informiert, dass Remembrance Day und Volkstrauertag dieses Jahr gehalten werden, aber bestimmt verkleinert oder “virtual”. Sollte dazu eine Änderung sein, werden wir die Mitglieder über “social media channels” informieren.

Es sind keine Klub Aktivitäten mehr geplant bis zum Jahresende. Ich ermutige die Untergruppen Treffen zu halten um einen Plan für die Zukunft zu machen, da wir schon jetzt ein Licht am Ende des Tunnels sehen können. Die Regierungsbehörden, Gesundheits- und Medizinexperten arbeiten sehr fleissig um den Virus zu beseitigen. Berichte zeigen dass Anfang bis Mitte 2022, manche Massnahmen die in den letzten 20 Monaten wirksam waren gelockert werden.

Bleibt sicher, bleibt gesund und haltet eure Freunde und die Mitglieder des Klubs in euren Gedanken und Gebeten.

*Bis zum Wiedersehen  
bleibe ich Ihr Präsident*

*Rob Kerr*

## ***President's Report***

I hope that everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving and that you were able to gather with your family and friends as the restrictions have loosened compared to last year. If not I am sure that you had a virtual gathering, which has been something that most people have learned to use due to the pandemic. This year was one to give thanks that our families and friends were not affected by Covid 19 and the health affects caused by it. It was also a time to give thanks for the many things in life that we enjoy including our health and happiness.

Oktoberfest was once again held in a scaled back version. This year we were able to offer the Concordia experience in both the Schenke and the hall. We offered this over 2 weekends and had the Twin City Alpine Echo, the new and improved Edelweiss Trio and the Black Forest band offer their musical services for our guests to enjoy during their dinner. It was not the usual type of event, as we were still not allowed to let the people dance due to the restrictions. In talking with the people that attended they were more than happy to be able to listen to the music that they have come to enjoy while enjoying a night of Oktoberfest celebrations. Many of our guests could be seen dancing in their seats. The first weekend was not as busy as we had anticipated but the second weekend made up for the shortfall.

Once again the Oktoberfest platter and curbside pickup were both winners. We had so many orders some days that we had to cut off orders prior to the evening service

starting. This was only done so that we would not overwhelm the staff (especially in the kitchen) and not be able to keep the high quality standards that we have set for our food. We have noticed that the base of customers ordering from us is expanding and we feel that the word of mouth advertising as well as our social media posts are working to get our name out there with people looking to enjoy a meal.

I wish to thank all of the members that either attended our Oktoberfest in person or enjoyed our curbside pickup meals. Your patronage is greatly appreciated. We were surprised that we did not have any problems with our guests being able to present their proof of vaccination and a form of photo ID. Many had it ready for us to check even before we asked to see it.

The farm is now closed for overnight camping but you can enjoy nature at anytime by walking our property or day tripping to perform any type of clean up activities. Thank you to all of the club members that have had a hand in once again helping beautify our farm. This diamond keeps getting a little more polished every year.

The board continues to meet in person for our regular board meetings to steer the management and staff in the everyday operation of this club. We are looking ahead to 2022 as the year when we will be able to progress to a “new” normal and return to our regular events. We are gathering more information from the government as well as other organizations as to when we can open the club for our groups to return to their regular activities. As stated in prior bulletins, once we have the information we will pass it along to the presidents.

We have been told that there will be Remembrance Day and Volkstrauertag

events this year but that they will more than likely be scaled back or virtual. If there is a change to this we will inform the membership via social media channels.

There are no club events planned from now until the end of the year. I encourage the groups to start meeting and planning for the future as we can see that there is a light at the end of the tunnel. The governments, health units and medical professionals are working hard to eradicate this virus and reports show that by early to mid 2022 we will be able to relax some of the measures we have implemented in the last 20 months.

Stay safe, stay healthy and keep your fellow members in your thoughts and prayers. Until we meet again.

*Your president,*

*Rob Kerr*

## ***From the Manager's Desk***



As I am writing my report, we have just finished two weekends of Oktoberfest festivities.

This year we were able to add the Main Hall to accommodate additional members and guests to come and enjoy an evening of

Gemutlichkeit. We had the Edelweiss Trio playing on the first weekend and the Black Forest Band on the second weekend. The TC Alpine Echos entertained our guests in the Schenke on both weekends. Thank you to all that came out to enjoy a small taste of Oktoberfest!! I hope everyone had a wonderful time. Our Oktoberfest Platter for curbside pick up was once again very popu-

lar as well. We are still working on the final sales figures, but by all accounts, we had a successful smaller version of what we know our Oktoberfest usually is. Hopefully 2022 will be a great year of back to normal celebrations with the tent back up and 4,000 of our closest friends and family coming out to celebrate each night!!

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 with be available on the days that we are open. Please keep in mind that proof of double vaccination is necessary for indoor dining in accordance with the Provincial Government and Public Health requirements.

We have brought back our popular Wednesday buffet for lunch and dinner as well as our Friday night buffet for the months of

November and December. We will then access what we will do in the new year. The Schenke restaurant will be open on Saturday evenings starting November 6 from 4:00p.m. to 8:00p.m. for dinner reservations and small Christmas gatherings. Curbside pick up will also be available on Saturdays during that time frame.

Christmas is just around the corner and we are currently working on the details of what our offerings will be for the Christmas season. We will most definitely be offering our famous duck dinner. Please continue to watch our website for details as we get closer.

*Until next month, please stay safe and healthy!*

*Ruth*



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## KG Narrenzunft Concordia

*Hello Concordia Family and Friends,*

The Narrenzunft Concordia Group were excited to attend a meeting for the first time since February 2020! It was an informal meeting spending most of the time catching up and discussing our options for our 55th Season. We hope to have a Group gathering



to open this milestone of 55 years. The number 11 is celebrated as a milestone in Karneval so our 5 x 11 is special to us! 55 years...! Whether we've been involved with the Group for 1 year or 55 years we are part of the Karneval family. There are groups in Germany that have celebrated their 6 x 11, 7 x 11... We thank our past members for bringing Karneval to Concordia Club!



We are looking forward to gathering for this event, our Stiftungsfest and our Christmas party!

Also keep your Calendar open for our Maskenball on February 26, 2022! We will be back in our normal routine and close our 55th Season with a great Costume party!

The Narrenzunft members wish everyone a wonderful month

*Alaaf und Helau!*

*On behalf of the  
Narrenzunft  
Group  
Secretary Joan  
Trautrim*

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world change  
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## Seniorengruppe



The Seniorengruppe has lost a long-time and cherished member. All of us at the group send his whole family and relatives our heartfelt condolences on the passing of Kurt Boese. In wrestling, a sport that is

not as popular as some other sports, he excelled. He participated actively as a wrestler in the 1960 Olympics and coached the Canadian wrestling team at the München and Montreal Olympics. He was a five times Canadian champion in the sport, won bronze medals each in the 1962 Commonwealth Games and 1963 in the Panam Games. As coach of Waterloo University and the YMCA he led their teams to several titles. He became a member of the Wrestling Hall of Fame. After retiring from his beloved sport he worked for the City of Kitchener as Building Inspector.



## Concordia Bowlers

*Hello fellow bowlers!*

There is not much to report at this time. We are just so happy to be able to bowl together again. If anyone is interested in joining our group, we bowl every Friday at 6:30p.m at Victoria Bowl.

### IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE 2021-2022 BOWLING SEASON

December 10th Turkey Roll

\*Dec. 19th Christmas Banquet  
(this is a Sunday - noon)

### NO BOWLING ON CHRISTMAS EVE OR NEW YEAR'S EVE!

January 14th Annual Meeting

February 11th Fun Night

April 29th Last Day of Bowling  
(32 weeks)

\*May 6th Closing Banquet  
(this is a Friday - 5:30p.m.)

### \*PLEASE NOTE:

Our Banquet dates and venues may need to change based on government restrictions at the time. Stay tuned for updates!

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

### November

1. Diane Hennebery
10. Heidi Schumann
14. Anita VanReenen

*Until next time,*

*Monica Kauck*

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## Concordia Choirs

Well here we are nineteen months and slowly but surely, we are moving toward normal and away from Covid 19. We are still singing on line every Monday evening from 7 until 8 strengthening our vocal cords for the time when we can finally sing as a choir again. Still no definite info on that as of this writing (Oct. 8, 2021).

It is with a heavy heart that we announce the passing of a treasured member of the Mens Choir Kurt Boese. Kurt passed away on September 21, 2021 after several months of declining health. Kurt was a member of the Mens Choir for almost 40 years, and although he left the choir in 2016 he continued to attend all choir concerts and functions. We send our sincere condolences to his wife Minnie who is also a long standing member of the mixed choir and his entire family. He will be missed.

We would also like to acknowledge the passing of one of our long time Corporate Sponsors Mr. Helmut Oberlaender. Mr. Oberlaender has generously supported our efforts as a choir for many many years. In all of my personal dealings with him, on behalf of the choir I found him to be a kind, generous man of integrity and unwavering character, with a priceless sense of humor. We extend to his family and friends our sincere condolences.

We are also sending our sincere wishes for a speedy recovery to three of our choir members, Erika Koeckritz Ilse Gessner and Joe Harde who are continuing to recover from health related issues. Please know we are thinking of you and hoping for better days ahead.



Please take time to check out our website [Poinsettiasales.ca](http://Poinsettiasales.ca). These beautiful plants will surely be able to brighten the day of family and friends. Please place an order to support your Concordia Choirs. Sign up sheets will be posted at Seniororen House as well as the Villa. We will be delivering to both locations.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to the following ladies who are celebrating a birthday this month.

*Else Osbelt*

*Tanya Rahn Kubasta*

*Marisa Strban.*

You don't stop singing because you get old. You get old because you stop singing. So always keep a song in your heart.

*Until next time, take care stay safe,*

*Beverley*



## Ladies Group

This month I have exciting news. We are going to have a group meeting in the Weinstube on Wednesday, November 10, at 2 pm! We are only a few ladies and so we can all be 6 feet apart which qualifies us (with a mask on). It will be nice to see each other again. Also, we will have a Christmas party on Wednesday, December 8th. This will all take place unless the Ontario Government changes the rules.

In November, we have two special birthdays, Lilo Grüneberg November 4th and Else Osbelt November 13th. We wish them all the best on this special day!

*TO ALL CONCORDIA CLUB MEMBERS: THERE WILL BE NO CHRISTMAS BAZAAR THIS YEAR AGAIN!!!*

As apples are in season, I thought of bringing you an apple cake recipe that I like. This cake is very easy to make.

**APPLE CRUMBLE CAKE** makes 8 servings

### INGREDIENTS:

#### Crumble

- ½ cup (50 g) quick-cooking oats
- ¼ cup (40 g) unbleached all-purpose flour
- ¼ cup (55 g) brown sugar
- ¼ cup (55 g) unsalted butter, softened

#### Apple Filling

- 3 cups (360 g) McIntosh apples or Courtland, peeled, cored and diced
- ¼ cup (55 g) brown sugar
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) lemon juice

#### Cake

- 1 ¼ cup (190 g) unbleached all-purpose flour
- ½ tsp ground cinnamon (a little more if you like it)
- ½ tsp baking soda

- ½ cup (115 g) unsalted butter, softened
- ¾ cup (160 g) brown sugar
- 2 eggs
- ¼ (60 ml) sour cream

#### Topping

Icing sugar, for dusting

#### PREPARATION:

1. With the rack in the middle position, preheat the oven to 350 F (180 C). Butter the sides of an 8-inch or 20 cm springform pan with removable bottom and line the bottom with parchment paper.

#### Crumble

2. In a bowl, combine the oats, flour and brown sugar. Add the butter and combine just until the dry ingredients are moistened. Set aside.

#### Apple Filling

3. In a bowl, combine the apples, brown sugar and lemon juice. Set aside.

#### Cake

4. In a bowl, combine the flour, cinnamon and baking soda.

5. In another bowl, cream the butter and brown sugar with an electric mixer. Add the eggs, one at a time and beat until combined. With the machine on low speed, add the dry ingredients alternating with the sour cream until smooth. Pour into the springform pan. Drain the apple filling slightly and arrange over the cake batter in the pan. Top with the crumble.

6. Bake for 1 hour or until a toothpick inserted in the centre of the cake comes out clean. Let cool slightly before unmoulding. Let cool completely on a wire rack. Cool about 4 hours.

7. Once the cake has completely cooled, generously dust with icing sugar or to your liking.

*Enjoy!*

*Elisabeth Rowsell*



## *Treffpunkt*

What a busy fall it has been, already! From socially distanced picnics at the Farm, outdoor Dana K concerts, to gathering with our loved ones to enjoy Oktoberfest at the Club, Treffpunkt has been grateful for the return of some normalcy amidst a pandemic.

Over the past few weeks, our group has enjoyed more quality time amongst our members with being able to safely enjoy events together, and continue to gather online when needed.

On September 11th, our group gathered at the Farm with a catered picnic by the Little Mushroom Catering. After a delicious

lunch, the group gathered for a few pictures taken by our own Harald Schwegel, and organized games were enjoyed amongst friends.

On September 18th a group of our members enjoyed a Rockin' good time in Elmira at the Rural Roots Ruckus music shindig, while enjoying good friends, great food and even better music performed by our very own Dana K. A great time was had by all those who attended.

Fast forward to October 1st when members of Treffpunkt dusted off their dirndls and lederhosen to seize the opportunity to enjoy another evening of great music and amazing food prepared by the kitchen staff in our very own Schenke. So many delicious meals, and beverages served by their out-





standing staff, and we thank them for all their hard work and efforts to make our evening the great one that it proved to be.

Looking ahead, the group continues to find ways for us to safely gather and enjoy one another's company while continuing to respect everyone's comfort level.

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 2021 year. Thus far we have successfully secured 27 donations and continue to climb. Our Partners for Life number is CONC010846 or you can just say you are donating on behalf of the Concordia Club. We look forward to surpassing this goal, but cannot do it without your help. Please consider making a trip out to your closest donation centre and contributing, if you feel safe to do so.

*bis zum nächsten mal*

*Jodi Purdie*





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